

## October 2018 Highlights

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## I. Bio-toilet Inauguration

### Area of work: Agra, Uttar Pradesh

In our earlier reports, we talked about the need analysis exercise conducted in Upper Primary School Nai ki Saray, Rambagh, Agra district. The bio-toilet has been constructed along with a bio-digester and a water tank (See Figure 1).

The students were delighted about the new sanitation and water facilities provided to their school.

### Challenges:

During construction, the materials were stolen and sold by a member of the school management. Sewa team managed to get the materials replaced. Also, the villagers and local government bodies helped us ensure strict action against the guilty.



Figure 1: Inauguration of bio-toilet at Upper Primary Government School, Nai ki Saray, Rambagh

## II. Project Visit

### Area of work: Agra, Uttar Pradesh

Sewa team inspected Phase one of Repair and Renovation of existing toilets at Agra, Uttar Pradesh. (See table 1)

S.No.	School Name	Toilet Units	No. of Students
1	Primary School Nagla Padma, New Suraksha Vihar Colony, Gwalior Road	1	52
2	Primary School, Islam Nagar	1	146
3	Primary school, Haribhawan Kanya	1	90
4	Upper Primary School, Basai Khurd	1	61
5	Primary School, Basai Kala	1	140
6	Primary School, Krishna Colony, Jeevni Mandi	1	250
7	Upper Primary School, Chalesar	1	59
8	Primary School, Taal Furor Khan	1	50
9	Primary School, Haribhawan Kanya	1	90
10	Primary school, Nagla Fakeer Chand	1	115

**Table 1: List of schools in Agra District with number of toilet units installed as well as number of students benefited.**



Jayanthi Ramanan, our Project Director, interacted with the local residents, students and school management on importance of hygiene and healthcare, and use of the new sanitation facilities.

*Figure 2: Mrs. Jayanthi Ramanan interacting with the students at Agra, Lucknow*

### **III. Bio-toilet Inauguration**

#### **Area of work: Navalgund, Karnataka**

We have completed the construction of two bio-toilets at Navalgund, Karnataka (See *Figure 3*). These bio-toilets were inaugurated by Jayanthi Ramanan. The students appreciated the efforts of Sewa team and the donors (See *Figure 4*). Before the water connection, children had to walk 1 km to get water from a local railway station. The existing toilets were non-functional. The children are very pleased to have access to sanitation and water facilities.



*Figure 3: Students and staff of Government School, Navalgund, Karnataka*





*Figure 4: Jayanthi Ramanan interacting with students - Navalgund, Karnataka*

## IV. Medical Camp

### Area of work: Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

We conducted a general medical camp at Upper Primary and Primary School Gulam Hussain Purwa, Lucknow. Dr Hemant Kumar Johar volunteered his time and examined the students and their parents (See Figure 5).



*Figure 5: General medical camp at Government School, Gulam Hussain Purwa, Lucknow*

Sewa conducted a menstrual hygiene awareness session for young girls. This was followed by a question and answer session on menstruation, as well as a health and hygiene awareness session for all the students (See figure 6).



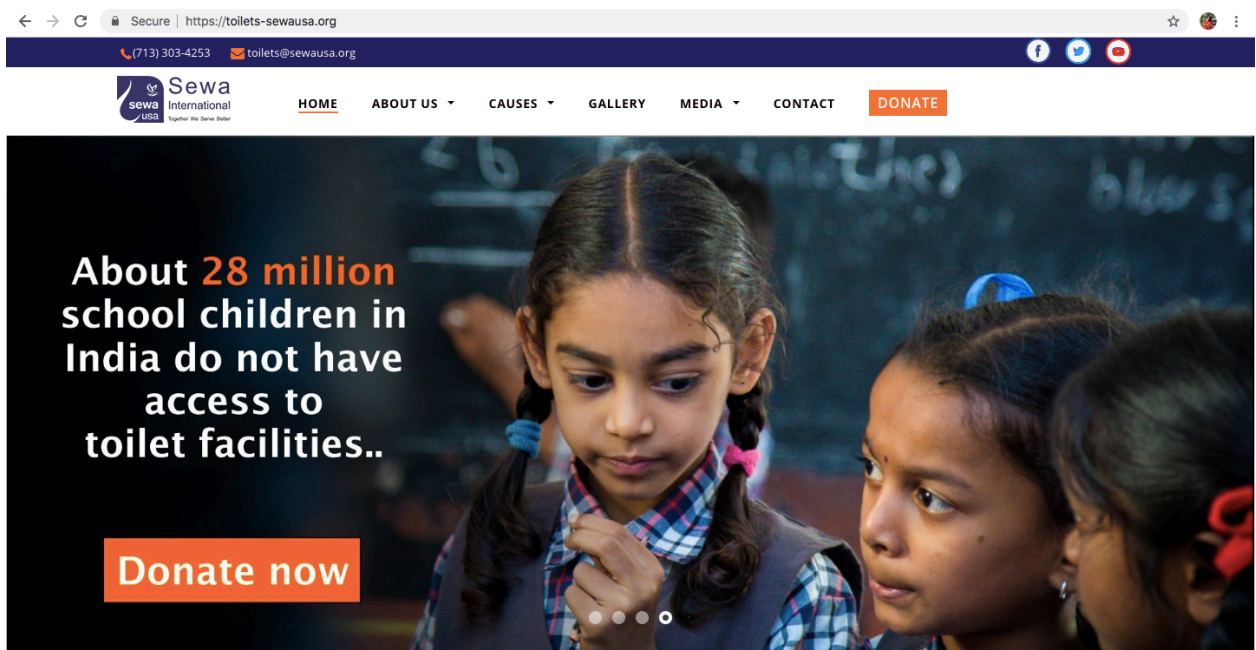
Figure 6: Jayanthi Ramanan teaching hand wash technique to students

## V. New Website

[www.toilets-sewausa.org](http://www.toilets-sewausa.org)

We have a new website! It's been updated with our latest project information. This micro site is linked to the main Sewa USA Website (See Figure 7).

We have used our old website design with some modifications. We have included video plug-ins, and information on past projects and pipeline projects. You can see project locations using Google Map with brief notes on respective projects as well.



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*Figure 7: New website, [www.toilets-sewausa.org](http://www.toilets-sewausa.org)*

**Thank you and warm regards,  
Team Sewa International  
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