

TATA Institute of Social Sciences Mumbai Evaluation Report:

Project Details: Economic & Community Development program in rural area with joint contribution of SEWA-THDC & Rotary Foundation in Uttarakhand.

Project name	Economic & Community Development program in rural area with joint contribution of SEWA-THDC & Rotary Foundation in Uttarakhand.	
Implementing agency	1. Rotary Club Hrishikesh District 3080 (Host Partner) 2. Rotary Club Forssa District 1410 9Internastional Partner) 3. SEWA-THDC (Cooperative Organisation)	
Cost of the Project	Rupees 43,20,000/- (Share of THDCIL Rupees 32,40,000/- and share of Rotary Foundation rupees 10,80,000/-.	
Location (District, State)	Project affected area Tehri and Rishikesh	
SL No	Name of the activity	Number of beneficiaries
1.	Primary Health Centre Deen Gaon	2500+
2.	Computer Programme	12 computer centers
3.	School Furniture	11 schools
4.	Establishment of Library	2 Colleges
5.	Providing of Water Filter	11 schools
6.	Providing of Sewing Machine	Sewing training center at Rishikesh
Project status (completed / ongoing)		Completed
Project duration		1 year

Year of Impact Assessment	2015-2016
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1. Project Introduction:

Uttarakhand is a state which is located at the foothills of the Himalayan range. Most of the habitation in this area is on the hills and amounts for rural areas. Given that the accessibility is low and the living conditions difficult, there is a dearth of proper medical services in the area. Due to this, people have to travel long distances to cities for receiving proper medical care which proves to be inconvenient and expensive. There is a high presence of quacks in these regions given the lack of qualified doctors with a medical degree. Presence of medical services in these areas is required to increase health-seeking behavior amongst people since that is observed to be really low in and around the Tehri Garhwal region.

The main objective of this initiative is to induce health seeking behavior in the population and increase the reach of medical health facilities to the interiors of the district where there are no PHCs or any other health services available.

Introduction:

In this era where everything is going digital, computer knowledge and Internet have become important part of every individual's life. The importance of computers has been felt from primary levels of schooling to give a handful experience of computers and its functioning. It is a requirement of the society that the individuals should possess technological literacy. Information Technology in Education, effects of the continuing developments in information technology (IT) on education.

The new and evolving technologies have challenged several traditional and conventional methods of teaching and learning in education. The swiftness came over new technologies had an immense effect on the way people live, work, entertain and play worldwide. Thus, learning becomes a lifelong activity- an activity in which pace the technological change forces evaluation

of the learning process itself. Easy worldwide communication provides instant access to a vast array of data, challenging assimilation and assessment skills.

Computers knowledge includes plenty of available IT courses, e-resources, e-digital classes etc to improve and enhancing the learning and teaching ability at primary to advance levels during schooling and after. With the e-digitalization process learning resources are being widened due to that learners are encouraged and computers as a tool are used in all aspects of their studies.

Due to advance technology and connectivity, the pace of imparting knowledge has become prompt whereas, one can receive information and knowledge anywhere anytime. However, in office and MNCs environment traditional methods of working has been manually exchanged with computers and latest hardware and software applications. This has tremendously improved and shown stability, efficiency and productivity in work.

Implementing Agency:

Rotary Club:

Aims and Objective:

- Providing infrastructural facilities to different areas such as computers, health tools, water filters, school furniture's, establishing library and proving stitching machines to sampled villages.
- Identifying the need for distributing the material

Operational Model:

An MOU has been signed between SEWA-THDC and Rotory Club Rishikesh to implement health and educational project at remote area of Tehri Distt. Under this project medical equipments and educational material have been provided to primary health centre Deen Gaon and schools of Tehri District. The project cost was approx. 81500 USD and SEWA-THDC provided 60000.00 USD for this project.

Stakeholder roles and responsibilities:

Stake holders	Role	Responsibility details
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THDC	Funding partner	To provide fund and overall supervision to the project in partnership with.
Rotary Club	Funding Partners	Providing funds for project. Arranging items for distributing to the sampled schools and health center.

Stakeholder Level of engagement

Stakeholder	Role	Level of engagement in the project		
		High	Average	Low
THDC	Funders of the project	✓		
Rotary club rishikesh	Implementing agency	✓		
Rotary club for ssa	Implementing agency	✓		

Health Center:

Background of the Project:

THDCIL is running an allopathic hospital with basic diagnostic investigation (Pathological, X-ray) and minor OT facilities through trained paramedical staff and MBBS doctor at Deen Gaon in remotest part of backward district Tehri Garhwal (Uttarakhand) since 2013-14.

Earlier medical facilities and infrastructure of this Hospital was meager so it was observed and decided to improve the infrastructure of the Hospitals to provide better medical facilities to people of remote area. Under the project which is mutually implemented by Rotary Club and SEWA-THDC, the health centre and its laboratory have been equipped and strengthened by medical equipments i.e. X ray machine, ECG machine, Furniture, Ambulance and other related equipments.

Details of medical equipments are as below

Sl.no	Name of Items	Qty.
1	Ambu Bag	2
2	Ambulance (Eco)	1
3	Attendant stool	5
4	Auto Analyser	1
5	Auto Clave	1
6	Auto Pipet	1
7	Auto scope	1
8	Bed mattresses	8
9	Bed sheets	30 pcs.
10	Bed side Locker	4
11	Binocular Microscope	1
12	Bipap	1
13	B-P apparatus	3
14	CBC Counter Digital	1
15	Centrifuse	1
16	Dressing Trolley	1
17	Drums	02 set
18	ECG 3 Channel	1
19	Electronic Weighing machine	1
20	ESR Tube stand	1
21	Examination table	3
22	Fly trapper	1
23	Foetal Doppler	1
24	Foot Step (Double)	2

25	Fumigator	1
26	Gen set	1
27	General Instr. Set	2
28	Haeomoglobin meter	1
29	Hospital Bed	6
30	I.V stand	5
31	Incubator	1
32	Oven	1
33	Instrument strlizer	2
34	Instrument Trolley	2
35	Kidney tray	01 set
36	Nebuliser	1
37	OT Table	1
38	OT Light	1
39	Over bed Table	4
40	Oxy Gen Cylinder with accessories	3
41	Oxygen Concentrate	1
42	Patient stool	4
43	Pillow	10
44	Rediant warmer	1
45	Refrigerator	1
46	Stethoscope	3
47	Streature Trolley	1
48	Suction machine	1
49	Suction machine portable	1
50	Syringe cum Needle destroyer	1
51	Trays	02 set
52	Tube Rack (Large)	1
53	Tube Rack (Small)	1
54	Visitor Chair	5 set

55	WBC Chamber	1
56	Wheel chair	2
57	X- Ray machine with accessories	1

Observations and findings of the study:-

- i. Coverage of remotest location/villages:** The Health center covers the most remote villages surrounding the Deengaon village, which even does not have proper road connectivity. The nearby government medical facility is around 30-40 kms away. Earlier people of these villages faced great problem in visiting the health center. With the construction of this Center, the villagers now have the medical facilities at their door steps.
- ii. Free health checkups and medicine:** The health center not only caters the need of villages through health checkup but also provides medicine free of cost. Emergency cases like diarrhea, snake bite, first aid are also carried out here under the supervision of good doctors, nurses and paramedical staff.
- iii. Introduction to new technology:** New technologies like X- ray machine with accessories are also introduced in this health center.
- iv. Behavior changesthrough health camps:** The health center also conducts health camps annually. With the awareness generation by these camps through distribution of pamphlets, leaflets etc, and villagers have now developed a habit of consuming treated water. Also villagers take care of the sanitation and hygiene by making their surroundings neat and clean.
- v. Reduction in economic burden of beneficiaries:** Before the launch of this Health Center, villagers used to travel far away for availing any medical facility which used to cost them Rs. 500 to 700 per person. But with the construction of health center in these villages, the free health services are provided at the door steps and the

medicines are distributed free of cost which has reduced the economic burden of villagers on medicines.

Computer Programme:

1. Background of the project:

Rotary club provided 50 computers for the education of rural students of Tehri District. The computers are being used for computer education programme of students and unemployed youth of Tehri&Uttarkashi District through Schools and local NGOs. Details of computer centres are as under:

1. Computer centre Ramgarh, Thauldhar, Tehri	05 Nos.
2. Computer Centre Kandikhal, Thauldhar, Tehri	04 Nos.
3. Computer Centre Lambgaon, Tehri	05 Nos.
4. Gram Panchayat Chopra, Tehri	02 Nos.
5. Computer Centre Dhontri, Uttarkashi	05 Nos.
6. computercentre at Kandakhal Tehri	05Nos.
7. Computer Centre Chamiyala	05 Nos
8. Computer Centre Pokhal, Tehri	05 Nos.
9. Kasturba Gandhi Vidhyalaya Rausal, Tehri	02 Nos.
10. Computer Centre Madan Negi, Tehri	04 Nos.
11. Omkaranand Sarswati School Koteswar	03 Nos.
12. Computer Centre Banachaura Uttarkashi	05 Nos.
Total	50 nos.

Observations and findings of the study:-

i. Introduction of computer education in government school's curriculum: (Theory and Practical)

The primarily objective of the project is to introduce basic computer training sessions for the student of Deengaon village.

This project was executed and implemented in two phases where training sessions were scheduled for an hour in an interval of months. All the batches were given theory and practical knowledge of basic computers.

ii. Free of cost training

As the project was done under CSR, keeping in mind that majority of the students belongs to low income group, under privileged and marginalized; the training sessions were free and no sort of fee was charged from the students. All the cost of the project was rendered by THDC.

iii. Feeling of connected to mainstream

From trainer and students responses it was observed that parents showed interest and encouraged students to learn basics of computers through this training center. In today's world where every possible is going e-digital or connected to computers, it has become more of necessity to learn technology and computers.

Such initiatives is providing exposure to students from primary levels to ensure quality education, exposure to technology, developing skills and providing platform to access such opportunities.

iv. Exposure to the world of IT

Being barred from many co-curriculum syllabus and activities, the students have limited access to learn new skills. Understanding the current need and requirement of time it has become mandatory and essential to equip students with computer knowledge to understand its operation and application. So exposure to IT and technology is pivotal at early stages helps in creating understanding and boost up confidence level at maximum.

v. Increase in confidence level

While interviewing the respondents, researcher could feel sense of happiness and increase in confidence level of the students. Majority of the students have great experiences to share and enjoyed their computer training sessions effortlessly. Their confidence level seemed boost up as they have information and knowledge about the topics been taught in class was praiseworthy.

Apart from many basic and foremost important hindrances, students have shown maximum input and output during these classes. They praised his/her trainers behaviour and way of teaching through the interview sessions. The project has created impact on student mind and generated positive outcome in terms of knowledge and enthusiasm.

School Furniture

Background

300 sets of School furniture (Bench and Table) have been provided by Rotary club under this project. The furniture is distributed in following schools.

1. Primary school DeenGaon, Tehri.	46 Sets.
2. Govt. High School Deengaon, Tehri.	70 Sets.
3. Primary School UppuTehri.	11 Sets.
4. Primary School Ragdi, Tehri	20 Sets.
5. Primary School BhainthTehri	13 Sets.
6. Primary School BanogiChambaTehri	12 Sets.
7. Primary School RatoliJakhanidharTehri	13 Sets.
8. Primary School Lamnidhar, Tehri.	15 Sets.
9. Govt. Inter College DharkotTehri.	35 Sets.
10. THDC High School Rishikesh.	30 Sets.
11. Govt. RajkiyaMadamikVidyalabhourgoun	35 Sets.
Total	300 sets

1. Observations and findings of the study:-

Introduction of bench desks in schools has not only upgraded the reputation of the THDC but also maximizes the enrollment of students in the schools, which is helpful for the scientism and development of rationale and logical understanding among students and it also generates confidence among students, parents and guardians towards education.

I. Establishment of Library

1. Background of the project

Under this programme books have been provided to following colleges for establishing of library.

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| i. Govt. Girls Inter College Bauradi Tehri. | 5 Sets of Books for 9 th to 12 th class. |
| ii. Govt. Post Graduate College New Tehri. | Educational Books for Library. |

2.Observations and findings of the study:-

- **Access to library:**

Now students have access to library in both sampled school and college. They can access the reference books for their main subjects.

- **Infrastructure:**

They have installed furniture, books, almirahs, and computers for students.

Providing of Water Filter:

Introduction

Water and safe drinking water along with proper sanitation are symbol of well being towards health. Providing such facilities at school level shall help beneficiary's intake of safe and purified water. "Consumption of dirty water is detrimental to kids' health; it can cause gastroenteritis along with stomach pain and vomiting. Besides if the clarity of the water is low, it might also cause cholera, typhoid, Hepatitis A and Hepatitis E,"

Water is a prerequisite for survival of living beings irrespective on the grounds of caste, religion, creed and gender. In various regions of the sampled villages of project, the population is suffering from dearth of water. The villagers reported that there is paucity of potable and non-potable water amongst all the villages. Water supply is considerably low as per the demand.

Background of the project

Under this programme 17 No water filters have been provided by Rotary club. 02 no water filter have been provided to ARTO office Rishikesh for providing safe drinking water to pilgrim and

Public come to yatra and do their registration at office. 02 nos. water filters had also been provide to PHC at Deengaon. Balance water filter have been provided in following school & office of Tehri District.

RTO Office Rishikesh

1- Govt. Inter college Pangarkhal	01 no
2-Govt Primary School Budogi	01 no
3-Govt Primary School Balma	01 no
4-Govt Inter College Gyansu	01 no
5-Govt Primary School Kutha	01 no
6-Govt Primary School Dibnu	01 no
7-Govt. High School Deengoan	01 no
8- RajmataBalikaVidayalaya, Bhagirathipuram	02 nos.
9- THDC Inter college, Tehri	02 nos.
10- Block Office, Pratapnagar	01 no.
11- TrivaniGhat, Rishikesh	01 no. (Direct installed through Rotary club)

17 nos. water filter have been provided.

Observations and findings of the study:-

- **Access to safe drinking water:**

The students have access to safe drinking water in schools. The filters are currently running in schools and providing portable water.

- **Better Health conditions:**

Initially, students have faced health problems due to unfiltered water but after installation of filters students can drink quality water in school especially summers.

- **Effort of stakeholders:**

At every single step all stakeholders have coordinated and has had well implemented the project. An initiative by THDC has ensured quality and through implementing partners. The school cooperated and implemented the project.

Providing of Sewing Machines

05 no. sewing machines have been provided to Women Empowerment Center, Rishikesh

Introduction

Skilling: Skill Development is an indispensable for every individual development. It may be acquired through education or vocational trainings programmes. It facilitates in acquiring expertise that supports generating livelihood through formal set up. Also, according to the International Labour Organization speaks about skill development as *“Skill Development is of key importance in stimulating a sustainable development process and can make a contribution in facilitating the transition from an informal to formal economy. It is also essential to address opportunities and challenges to meet new demands of changing economies and new technologies in the context of globalization*

Observations and findings of the study:-

1. **An opportunity for drop outs** – During the discussion with the trainees it was found the training helped the girls who were also drop out or discontinued education due to some reasons. The girls were found to be financial crisis of the family as all of them belonged to economically weaker section of the society.
2. **Employment oriented skill**– Beneficiaries from local villages now after getting training they will be skilled and employed to textile industries. They are financially independent and feel empowered and confident.

Stakeholder	Perspective / Comments on the project
Beneficiaries	The students and other beneficiaries were happy as they have access to several facilities in schools, PHC, computer center, sewing center
Implementing Agencies and Funding partners	The Implementing and funding partners have contributed toward 32 villages in and around deen gaon and tehri. Further, the project have created infrastructural facilities for providing basic education
THDC	<p>They wanted to implement few project towards economic and community development programme. The idea was to provide basic education towards skill development and IT. Providing health tools and equipments in deen gaon PHC.</p> <p>The project caters different villages that are socio-economically backward and lack basic amenities.</p>