REPORT ON CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AT RIL
At RIL, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) is embedded in the long term business strategy of the Company. For RIL, business priorities co-exist with social commitments to drive holistic development of people and communities. The Company’s CSR initiatives help elevate the quality of life of millions, especially the disadvantaged sections of the society.

It seeks to touch and transform people’s lives by promoting healthcare, education and employment opportunities.

RIL aims to continue its efforts to build on its tradition of social responsibility to empower people and deepen its social engagements.

Corporate Social Responsibility Philosophy: The Company’s initiatives support **inclusive growth**.

Focus Areas of Engagement
For a company with diversified businesses like RIL, there are several opportunities to increase and deepen social impact significantly and generate value for all. RIL seeks to strategically consolidate the Company’s CSR initiatives to focus on discrete social problems and enable people to earn their livelihoods. To streamline its social initiatives, the Company, in its CSR policy, has identified six focus areas that aim to positively and holistically impact society. RIL’s six focus areas comprise:
- Rural Transformation
- Healthcare
- Education
- Environment
- Protection of National Heritage, Art and Culture
- Disaster Response

For more information please refer CSR policy [http://www.ril.com/getattachment/d5fd70ef-e019-47e5-bb83-de2077874505/Corporate-Social-Responsibility-Policy.aspx](http://www.ril.com/getattachment/d5fd70ef-e019-47e5-bb83-de2077874505/Corporate-Social-Responsibility-Policy.aspx)

RIL has undertaken numerous initiatives aimed at developing the communities around which the Company conducts its operations. The overriding objective is to create value and ensure all inclusive growth.

RIL is working assiduously to ensure that economic wealth is not just limited to the privileged, but distributed in a manner that benefits the marginalised sections of society.

The Company has made significant contributions to help shape India’s vision of inclusive growth. Sustainable development strategies have helped RIL to create thriving eco-systems towards profitable growth and creation of societal value for multiple stakeholders. RIL goes beyond its business activities to create societal impact through its diverse initiatives.

The Company has been involved in various social responsibility initiatives over the decades. In 2010, these activities were brought under the Reliance Foundation (The Foundation), the umbrella organisation for the Company’s social sector initiatives. Through these initiatives, the Company engages with communities to ensure their well-being by enhancing access to quality education and healthcare, capacity building for employment generation, access to good infrastructure and ecological conservation.
**CSR Expenditure**

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**RURAL TRANSFORMATION**

The Foundation has been making systematic efforts at bridging the country’s rural-urban development gap. The Foundation’s strategy combines a judicious mix of technology, material and information with specific focus on agriculture and marine fisheries. It is currently working with over 94,000 rural households.

**Livelihoods**

The Foundation works on enhancing opportunities and disseminating information relevant to improving livelihood options among rural communities. It deploys locally-relevant solutions to promote agriculture, marine fisheries and other farm and non-farm based activities.

Systematic efforts are taken to improve the quality and productivity of assets leading to increased and more reliable yields. 17,902 hectares of land has been enriched in FY 2014-15 (48,913 hectares since inception). Location specific information is provided to fisher folk to help them effectively plan their sea routes, navigate directly to fish aggregation zones and return with heavier hauls in lesser time. 10,489 advisories (14,274 since inception) were disseminated to farmers and fisher folk through 54,593,472 calls.

The Foundation focuses on building the capacity of communities that it works with. This initiative starts from the time that the Foundation engages with them by ensuring their participation in the resource mapping and planning exercise. More than need-based training, programmes have been conducted to further enhance the skills and knowledge of 1,87,415 small and marginal farmers, women and fisher folk. Trainings on sustainable agricultural practices, soil and water conservation, pest management, feeding and fodder management for livestock, use of organic fertilisers, GPS handling, hygienic handling of fish, sea safety etc. have been imparted.

**Silaging with Polypropylene Flexible Intermediate Bulk Containers (PP FIBCs)**

RIL has assisted dairy farmers in Punjab and Haryana by implementing education programmes on silage production/preparation and how to bag the silage using polypropylene flexible intermediate bulk containers known as PP FIBCs. The training produced solutions to problems faced by farmers, such as low milk yield, acute scarcity of fodder and a lack of knowledge among farmers on how to make silage.

The programme redesigned bag sizes found in the supply chain, thereby increasing delivery speed and promptness. RIL also supplied the farmers with free sample bags and cattle feed for the programme’s first 40 days. The programme also brought in world-class fodder seed supplies to the farmers.

There were a number of key innovations that this programme brought about, namely the use of anti-rodent bags, applying a redesign of the FIBC so that the inner lining was laminated, eliminating the use of liners – leading to operational convenience. The benefits of the programme were substantial. Surplus fodder that would have otherwise gone to waste was made into silage, and a silage bank was set up for times of need.
In a cost/benefit analysis, it was seen that the initial investment was very low compared to conventional silage pits. Silage bags ensure zero maintenance cost, which can be transported from fodder surplus to nil fodder districts.

The programme also received a number of awards for its work, including letters of product acceptance and certifications received from government departments, such as the Animal Husbandry Department (AHD) in Punjab and Haryana.

Similar programmes have been implemented in Rajasthan by Rajasthan University of Veterinary and Animal Science (RJUVAS) and 17 other states.

**Polypropylene Nonwoven Fruit Cover for Pomegranates**

RIL has assisted various pomegranate farms in Karnataka and Maharashtra in dealing with problems of low fruit yield and low productivity, insects and pests, poor quality fruit, and wastage.

Through the programme, farmers were educated on fruit bagging through various media such as case study presentations, and practical demonstrations. The programme redesigned the bag size used to hold the produce in order to fit with the quality and size of said produce. RIL also created a supply chain for quicker delivery of the bags.

There were challenges faced during the implementation of the programme, such as tying the cover over individual fruit which was a major issue, fruit ripening, and the availability of readymade fruit covers with the right kind of materials for easy retrieval.

However, despite these challenges, the programme was successful in significantly increasing productivity and yield, going up 10 MT per hectare. Fruits produced were of a more uniform size and deeper red colour, and the general quality also increased such that the fruit was fit for export. As a result, the average price fetched by the pomegranate also increased by 20%.

**Social Security for Villagers of Balangir District**

The Foundation has initiated a life insurance programme for villagers of the Balangir district of Odisha. It is an attempt to provide a social security net to the villagers of the district against accidents and threats, such as falling from tree and snake bites. The medical camps have been organised and the villagers have been educated on social security tools including insurance.

Balangir District is one of the poorest districts of India and is globally known for its poverty, drought and migration. Predominantly an agrarian district, with more than 70% of the population dependent on agriculture for their livelihood. The villagers face various threats while collecting Non Woods Forest Products (NWFP) such as Kendu leaf, Mahula and Broom, for their survival. The Foundation, with the support of Village Farmers Association (VFA) leaders, has opted for the Janata Accidental Insurance Policy of the National Insurance Company for hapless villagers. The policy insures individual villagers for an amount of ₹ 1 lakh against a premium of ₹ 60. The Foundation also organised a policy related discussion in one of the district’s villages where farmers from nearby seven villages participated. Through this initiative, the Foundation has already helped 613 insured farmers. Another 836 farmers are in the process of getting insured.

**Food and Nutrition Security**

The Foundation directly engages with small and marginal farmers and promotes sustainable agricultural practices to transform their lives. Large patches of fallow land is being transformed, enriched and brought under cultivation with an increase in the crop yield through the adoption of practices, such as mixed cropping, integrated pest management and the use of farmyard manure and rainwater conservation efforts. 10,379 kitchen gardens (26,671 since inception) called Reliance Nutrition Gardens have been constructed this year among rural households to supplement their nutritional intake.

All these initiatives have helped improve productivity, food and nutrition and self-sufficiency among the marginalised communities.

**Water Security**

The Foundation’s engagement with farmers is spread across multiple agro-ecological sub regions with issues
of poor soil quality, dependence on rain, low productivity and poor accessibility to services. Together with farmers, the Foundation has developed water harvesting structures that are critical sources of irrigation for these communities living in dry and rain-fed areas, and created capacities to harvest and store 203 lakh cubic metres of rain water in the last one year (447 lakh cubic metres since inception).

Leveraging Knowledge and Institution Building
RIL partners with knowledge providers, research institutions, line departments, NGOs and others for relevant information and disseminates it to those who need it. The Foundation currently has 456 knowledge partners across different states.

A knowledge base is created by collating queries asked and solutions provided, thereby creating a repository of local knowledge that can be used going forward. Collecting, processing, packaging and disseminating demand-driven multilingual information, aligned with local context and culture in multimedia formats, helps to overcome language and literacy barriers. Rural communities are involved through multiple interactive information dissemination programmes, including a helpline on which they can call. Feedback is also obtained from fishermen and farmers who benefit from the various information dissemination programmes.

The Foundation encourages participation from communities for planning and decision-making, where it is intervening through the formation of Village Farmers’ Association (VFAs). 504 such VFAs have been formed where farmers participate in decision-making processes and develop individual as well as community development plans.

There is a lot of emphasis on building capacities of communities. Farmers are trained in best practices and are encouraged to adopt them. Institution-building efforts and promotion of self-governance through VFAs encourage farmers to come together and engage in collective decision making. The programme also promotes the involvement of women and the most marginal farmers in a village, for whom VFAs have become a platform where their voices are heard.

HEALTHCARE
Over the years, the Foundation has been working towards enhancing India’s access to quality and affordable healthcare. The Foundation’s integrated healthcare model aims to reach out to the most vulnerable sections of society, through a network of healthcare delivery mechanisms and awareness and diagnostic specialty camps. It is committed to contributing towards the nation’s efforts in achieving the Millennium Development Goals of the United Nations and aims to support the efforts, especially in the field of maternal and child health care.

Sir HN Reliance Foundation Hospital and Research Centre
Located in the heart of South Mumbai, the hospital in its 90th year, has been completely rebuilt by the Foundation, led by its Chairperson, Smt. Nita M. Ambani into a very modern 19-storey tower and two heritage wings. Founded in 1925 as Mumbai’s first general hospital, it has a rich heritage. The hospital celebrated its silver jubilee with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel as its chief guest and the Golden Jubilee celebrations were graced by Jayaprakash Narayan. During the pre-independence period, it treated many freedom fighters, including the Father of Nation, Mahatma Gandhi.

The hospital has collaborations with John Hopkins, MD Anderson Cancer Centre, Massachusetts General Hospital and University of Southern California. This hospital has state-of-the-art operation theaters equipped with robotic surgery and on-line video conferencing enabling live consultations with specialists across the world, India’s first hybrid cath-lab for emergency heart operations, state-of-the-art diagnostics facility with Asia’s first new generation CT scan. The hospital is equipped with high-end Obstetrics & Gynaecology services and Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and a learning centre, adapting the Millennium Development Goals.

The general wards of the hospital will have the same level of treatment for the citizens at the bottom of the pyramid. The hospital has adopted water recycling and rainwater harvesting making it the greenest healthcare facility in India of its size.

Reliance Anti-Retroviral Therapy Centre
+3,000 patients benefited at Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital
Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital
Envisioned and inaugurated on 1st October 1998 by our beloved Founder Chairman Late Shri Dhirubhai Ambani, the Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital with its moto “Seva Paramo Dharma” has been striving relentlessly to provide comfort, care and cure to the population in the vicinity and beyond.

With the development of Mumbai-Karjat-Khopoli-Pune corridor, the increase in traffic has intensified the need for emergency care of road traffic victims. The hospital by virtue of its strategic location, finds itself in a position to offer this care in the hour of need.

The 82 bed hospital, with its various specialised units such as ICU, NICU, maternity, surgical, medical and orthopaedic services, offers comprehensive care to its patients. Availability of pathology laboratory and radiological services including CT scan and Ultrasound complement the diagnostic services.

Apart from a dedicated team of full time specialists and generalist doctors, a team of specialist doctors are on visiting role to care for complex patient needs.

An Operation Theatre (OT) complex with 3 Major OT and one minor procedure OT with an Endoscopy suite are in service.

As part of a very strong focus on CSR, a number of initiatives are in place and are widely accepted by the community by which a large number of patients benefit on a day to day basis. During FY 2014-15, free and subsidised medical care including trauma care was provided to residents of surrounding villages (a total of 1,362 patients from the vicinity).

A major CSR activity is for the Reliance Anti-Retroviral Therapy (ART) Centre being run at the hospital with National Aids Control Organisation (NACO) and Maharashtra State Aids Control Society. The centre provided over 3,000 HIV/AIDS patients with free consultation, counselling, investigation and treatment till 31st March 2015.

An annual ophthalmology camp in association with the Lions Club provided free cataract surgery at the Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital to 105 patients. 157 patients benefitted for a general health check-up that was conducted in association with primary health centre at Ajivali.

Specialised Care for HIV/AIDS
Two dedicated ART centres at Hazira and Patalganga have reached out to people affected by HIV/AIDS through more than one lakh patient consultations since inception. The centres offer comprehensive care in the form of counselling, testing and medicines for anti-retroviral therapy.

Project Hope, operational since 2006 in Hazira, provides free nutritional kits and medical support to the HIV infected children. Under this programme, over 100 HIV infected children, mostly orphaned due to death of their parents from HIV/AIDS, are enrolled and getting free nutritional supplementary support every month.

Primary and Preventive Healthcare
The Foundation addresses the primary care needs of the serving population through four static medical units in Mumbai and six mobile medical units at selected locations in Mumbai, Uttarakhand and Madhya Pradesh. The interventions cater to the primary and preventive healthcare needs of the underprivileged rural and urban people.

Six fully-equipped Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) with state-of-the-art technology, including cloud-based software to store patient information, serve the communities. The MMUs reach out to those in need and provide necessary care free of cost at the doorstep through periodic visits. 75,510 patient consultations (1,49,439 since inception) have happened during the year across Mumbai, Uttarakhand and Madhya Pradesh. Static Medical Units across Mumbai provide diagnostic facilities along with consultation and a focus on chronic diseases like hypertension and diabetes. Professional and trained MBBS doctors, nurses and social workers cater to the primary medical care needs of patients.

Care and Compassion for the Elderly
Through these health initiatives in Mumbai, 4,00,288 individuals from 1,09,333 families have been enrolled to receive medical care since inception. Around 80% of these families earn less than ₹ 1 lakh annually. About 40% of these families were previously utilising services of pharmacists or non-MBBS doctors in the vicinity for healthcare needs. The Foundation’s intervention has now provided them access to services from a qualified medical doctor.

RIL is committed towards ensuring that pertinent issues such as health and safety are not just restricted to the Company’s employees, but that the same care and concern
is meted out in the community in which they operate. The Company has undertaken a slew of initiatives at not just the corporate level, but also at the plant level in order to ensure that their responsibility is extended to all strata of the society. The Company has set up numerous community medical centres near most of its manufacturing divisions in order to provide comprehensive healthcare services to local villagers.

The community medical centre at Motikhavdi, Jamnagar has been providing comprehensive medical services free of cost since its inception in 1995. It operates round the clock and is equipped with doctors and para-medics, medicine counter male and female wards for day care procedures.

A dedicated state-of-the-art and ultra-modern ophthalmology Mobile Eye Clinic facility has been launched at Motikhavdi, Jamnagar. The clinic is fully equipped to perform eye check-ups, lab tests and dispense medicines. An Optometrist, along with a Paramedic, visit the nearby villages and provide services.

Numerous awareness sessions on diabetes along with screening camps were organised in the neighbouring villages of all the sites.

Health awareness camps for pregnant women and lactating mothers was organised at Kakinada which focused on creating awareness for mothers and mothers-to-be on various aspects of health care - pre natal and post natal, early childhood education and preventive steps to be taken against spread of seasonal diseases. More than 150 women participated in the camps.

A health awareness programme exclusively for adolescent girls of 12 to 15 years was conducted at Bhairavapalem Govt. High School, which focused on personal hygiene and nutrition for the adolescent girls.

**Health Camps**

The Foundation organises multi diagnostic health camps that not only provide services for chronic and other diseases, but also help raise awareness among the population. 70 health camps providing specialised care for diabetes, hypertension, cardiac ailments, bone and mineral density, ophthalmology among others, were organised during the year.

**Reliance Foundation Drishti**

The Foundation’s Drishti programme is engaged in improving the vision of visually impaired from underprivileged segments of society. Over 14,000 corneal transplants have been done of which 1,200 were done this year. An international braille newspaper is published every fortnight which reaches thousands of visually impaired readers across India and 17 other countries.

**Technology in Healthcare**

The Foundation and the University of Chicago have entered into an innovative collaboration that will use technology for training, competency evaluation and clinical decision support. The collaboration is aimed at improving clinical diagnosis and supporting doctors in real-time and evidence-based clinical decision making.

The programme will implement cloud-based software applications to train medical professionals through virtual patients and state-of-the-art clinical reasoning tools. These tools will help reduce diagnostic errors and could help in saving millions of lives globally. The programme will be piloted in the Foundation’s Sir HN Reliance Foundation Hospital and Research Centre in Mumbai. The Foundation aims to enhance access to quality healthcare in India.

**EDUCATION**

**Dhirubhai Ambani Scholarship Programme**

Launched in 1996, the Dhirubhai Ambani Scholarship (DAS) programme has been working towards Shri Dhirubhai Ambani’s vision of creating future leaders from India’s youth. This scholarship is awarded to meritorious students with demonstrated needs for financial support and to the specially abled meritorious students. This year, 399 students, including 110 specially abled children were selected to form the 18th batch of Dhirubhai Ambani Scholarship Programme.

**Dhirubhai Ambani International School**

Dhirubhai Ambani International School (DAIS), Mumbai, prepares students for the ICSE, the IGCSE and the IB Diploma Examinations. The school is also a member of the Cambridge International Primary Programme.

The school’s mission is to provide a learning environment that encourages children to bring out the best in themselves. It supports their all-round development by helping them discover the joy of learning, awakening and illuminating their intellect in multi-dimensional ways, and instilling abiding values in themselves.
Over the years, the school has achieved the highest standards of excellence on all performance parameters. It has evolved as one of the most admired schools in India and the world. In 2014, Education World ranked DAIS as the No. 1 International School in India across all categories for the 2nd consecutive year. The school was ranked No. 1 on crucial parameters of ‘academic reputation’, ‘competence of faculty’, and ‘teacher welfare and development’. The Hindustan Times - C Fore Top Schools Survey has ranked DAIS the best school in Mumbai in 2012, 2013 and 2014. The school has received highest ratings for ‘teachers’ and ‘academic rigour’.

The students have consistently achieved outstanding results across all three curricula – the ICSE, the IGCSE and IB Diploma. The 10th batch of IB Diploma, the Class of 2014, earned an average of 39.42 points (out of the maximum possible score of 45). Generally an average of 30-32 points is considered to be excellent for any good IB world school. From the class of 2014, six students obtained the perfect score of 45 points. This score was achieved by only 208 children worldwide. The IB results place DAIS among the top five international schools globally.

The IB Diploma graduates from the Class of 2014 have earned admissions in 21 of the top 25 global universities like Oxford, Cambridge, MIT, Harvard, Stanford, Brown, Imperial and Columbia, to name a few. Many top-tier universities have offered scholarships to the students. Some of the School’s IB graduates have also joined India’s leading colleges.

In 2014, 87.50% of IGCSE grades achieved were A+ and A grades. Each year, students have topped the world and in India in several subjects. In 2014, of the 27 IGCSE world toppers in India, three are from DAIS. In 2014, the School’s average ICSE score was 94.86% - 28 out of 30 students have scored more than 90% and the ICSE topper scored 98.40%.

**Reliance Dhirubhai Ambani Protsaham Scheme**

A flagship CSR initiative in its own right, Reliance Dhirubhai Ambani Protsaham financially supports poor and meritorious students (Class X pass-outs) from the East Godavari District. Recipient students of this scheme get admissions in corporate junior (intermediate) colleges of their choice. A total of 207 poor meritorious students were selected in the scheme for the academic year 2014-15 with a budget of ₹ 1.15 crore.

Students belonging to poor families get a chance to study at the best of the corporate colleges. With the current year’s admissions, the cumulative total of students supported under the scheme has gone up to 1,533 students. Since FY 2010-11, RIL also has been providing financial aid to the deserving toppers (among Protsaham recipients) for pursuing their higher studies in engineering and medical streams.

Keeping in view the need to improve personal efficiency in studies, RIL also organised a motivational counselling for the Reliance Dhirubhai Ambani Protsaham students at Sri Suryakalamandir Kakinada. Over 350 students of first and second Inter Protsaham students attended the programme.

**Reliance Foundation Jr. NBA**

The Reliance Foundation Jr. NBA programme, a comprehensive school-based youth basketball programme has reached more than 1 million youth in India since its launch in 2013. Through this collaborative programme, the Foundation is committed to igniting in millions of youth a passion to explore and enjoy sports. The programme promotes health, fitness and an active lifestyle through basketball, and teaches the values of the game such as teamwork, sacrifice, discipline, dedication and sportsmanship.
Reliance University
The Foundation is planning to setup a world class, multi-disciplinary University in Maharashtra soon. The University will provide an enabling environment and cutting edge research facilities.

Promoting Education – People with Disability
The Foundation supported Vishwas School in Haryana for carrying out various initiatives including a series of expansion plans aimed towards promoting education and enhancing quality of education to children including those with special needs.

The Early Intervention & Rehabilitation Centre at Tallarevu has been facilitating and enhancing the development process of children with speech and hearing impairment during early childhood stage and shaping their skills, behaviours and personality to fight against physical challenges.

The Centre offered services to specially abled children. It also periodically identifies the needy children with different disabilities and motivates them to access its services center. The Centre is equipped with play way material and special education appliances. It also provides special training on therapeutic needs of children, apart from conducting community awareness programmes on disability, improved personal, educational and vocational skills of special children. It is a matter of pride for us that six special children from the Centre were mainstreamed into formal education so far.

Career counselling sessions were organised in Jhajjar, Haryana and Shahdol, Madhya Pradesh. Over 340 students participated in and benefitted through the sessions. The sessions involved one-to-one counselling as well as screening of motivational films and presentations. RIL is also running coaching classes in three high schools & one middle school (Changera) in Shahdol where 508 students have been registered.

Sanskar Shibir
Sanskar Shibir is a regular activity organised by RIL. Sanskar Shibir is a concept of enjoyable learning for school students. It is also a demonstration of interactive teaching method for school teachers. Sanskar, synonymous with excellence in education equips its pupils with all the requisite skills to be tomorrow’s leaders with a critical and global outlook.

Sanskar Shibir involves activities which provides opportunities for skill based activities that contribute to the development of an all-round personality.

The children are exposed to intellectual and social experiences that are unique in their richness of quality, variety, relevance and depth. The focus is on the three-fold development of children in all the three domains namely psychomotor (physical) cognitive (intellectual) and affective (emotional & social).

Self-Development Training Programmes for local students
As part of student development initiatives, a training program on self development was organised for the Pedavalasala youth to sensitise the local youth on various soft skills and to explain them the importance of personal development. The participants were explained about communication skills, career planning and effective social relations.

The Foundation set-up a Skill Development Centre in order to provide basic education to children, this has been initiated at Allahabad with the assistance of the employees including IT team. The main purpose for setting up the centre is to offer free computer education to marginalised students from the neighbouring villages.

Training to the Local Womenfolk on Tailoring
As part of facilitating economic empowerment among womenfolk, tailoring training programmes were initiated for women of Gadimoga and women from Bhairavapalem villages. The training covered the basics of tailoring. All the trainees were provided with sewing machines for establishing their own ventures.

EDUCATION INFRASTRUCTURE
Village Knowledge Centre (VKC) at Gadimoga village
As part of the youth empowerment initiatives, RIL started Village Knowledge center at Gadimoga village. The aim of starting the center is to give opportunity to unemployed youth, to get access to various books, magazines, news papers, periodicals, etc. so as to enable them to gain knowledge and prepare for different competitive examinations. This facility helps aspirants of jobs as well as higher studies.
**Computer Lab, Science Lab and School Furniture at Ramakrishna English Medium School**

RIL focuses on providing quality education aligned with technology to school children. With a view to implement the ideology, RIL sponsored a computer lab, laboratory facilities (Physics, Chemistry and Biological Sciences) and school furniture to Ramakrishna Public School, Kakinada. About 800 poor students benefited from this initiative.

**Computer Aided Learning Centre in Tribal Welfare Girls Ashram School, Rampachodavaram**

With a view to promote quality education to girl child in tribal areas, RIL extended support to the Tribal Welfare Girls Ashram School, Rampachodavaram by providing a Computer Aided Learning Center Facility in the school with computer systems and with all necessary infrastructure and digital class room contents, both in Telugu and English medium.

**Computer Labs in Shahdol**

Computer labs were established in six higher secondary schools in Shahdol. The objective of these centres is to provide basic knowledge for computer proficiency to the rural youths, who were benefitted from this programme.

**Education with a purpose**

The Foundation launched a programme for children in the rural areas with the aim to bring about a positive change in attitudes related to education, gender inclusivity and fitness through active participation of parents and the local community. The programme uses sports and activities as a tool for development to bring about positive change. Engagement with children through fun and play sessions, friendly mentoring support from community youth, off-field activities to reinforce learning and handle sensitive topics, engagement in community activities like cleanliness drives etc. are undertaken. More than 2,500 children across 30 villages have been engaged under this programme in Agar District of Madhya Pradesh.

**ENVIRONMENT**

The Foundation has made significant efforts in promoting ecological sustainability through resource conservation, promotion of biodiversity and use of cleaner energy sources. The Foundation has undertaken construction of 482 (1,394 since inception) biogas plants in rural households during the year. The shift to using a cleaner fuel has led to reduction in indoor pollution thereby resulting in improved health of women and families.

Additionally, during the year, 7,679 composting facilities (17,968 since inception) have been created across rural households to convert waste into organic manure and reduce dependence on chemical fertilisers. In an effort to promote bio-diversity and preserve the environment, 4,97,238 saplings (17,31,243 since inception) have been planted across the intervention areas during the year. 1,63,535 tonnes of soil has been conserved, thereby ensuring sustainability.

The Foundation aims to focus on enhancing quality of life for all, in India’s rapidly growing urban areas. The Foundation has been actively examining transformative approaches to planning for enhancement of public spaces and has partnered with municipal bodies to undertake urban planning and improvement of public spaces.

**PROTECTION OF NATIONAL HERITAGE, ARTS AND CULTURE**

The Foundation recognises the value of preserving India’s rich heritage, art and culture for its future generations and has made conscious efforts to ensure its continuity.

The Foundation supported the annual ‘Homage to Abbaji’ concert by Ustad Zakir Hussain in memory of his father, Ustad Allah Rakha Khan. The concert featured renowned artists who came together to pay tribute to the legendary Guru. The Foundation has partnered with the Nashik Municipal Corporation in developing the park on bank of river Godavari. The development of Goda Park includes construction of various civil structures like jogging tracks, walkways, children’s park, senior citizen’s park, horticulture activities, etc.

**DISASTER RESPONSE**

The Foundation has the capacity to respond to disasters in a timely manner and engage directly with the affected communities. The Foundation was one of the first organisations to deploy relief services including a team of doctors and development professionals in over 100 villages of Uttarakhand which were affected by floods in June 2013. Post the relief work, the Foundation has planned long term measures to support the community, and involves extension of rural transformation and health interventions along with reconstruction of two government schools.

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**Soil Conservation**

+1,63,500 tonnes

of soil has been conserved by Reliance Foundation
Hudhud Cyclone Relief Material Distribution

The recent floods in Jammu and Kashmir during September 2014 was another occasion where the Foundation acted promptly following a natural calamity. The Foundation reached Srinagar with doctors and volunteers setting up medical relief operations. Medical help was provided along with safe drinking water, food, utensils, beddings and other household items. Relief material including blankets and food was provided to the landslide affected regions of Reasi District, Jammu.

Medical care was provided through 72 camps held across Srinagar where 35,281 patient consultations were undertaken. 217 mid-term shelters were constructed for the affected to provide protection from the winter that had begun to set in. Relief material was provided to 13,561 families.

During the cyclones Hudhud and Nilofer, the technology platforms of the Foundation were used to deliver early cyclone warnings and alerts in the form of SMS and audio advisories.

OTHER INITIATIVES

Safety Initiatives for Community

Alert today – Alive Tomorrow
This initiative was started to improve road safety awareness among students with a view to reduce their risks of road accidents and develop capacity and awareness of students as well as parents regarding road safety. An initiative to promote the health and well-being of children in the traffic environment and sensitize the parents through high school students. Basic instructions such as importance of using a seat belt, places children can use in order to ride their cycle, how one should cross the road etc. were meted out to students in an effort to ensure their safety.

Safety Matters
Training and demonstration activity on fire and safety was organised for 250 students of Sanjeevani Primary School, Damka village. Basic knowledge about fire and its types, mitigation methods were explained to the students with proper demonstration.

Road Safety Awareness Programmes
RIL conducts rigorous safety programmes to ensure and instil road safety among bus drivers and cleaners. The road safety briefing session was conducted for drivers and cleaners and included various aspects of road safety.

Drivers Safety Training Centre
In an endeavour to prevent road accidents, truck / tanker drivers are trained for 'Defensive Driving Techniques' and 'Material Transportation' at Drivers Safety Training Centre (DSTC), Hazira. This centre is fully equipped with audio-video equipment to impart training to truck drivers on safety rules, efficient driving techniques, understanding hazards associated with various materials and emergency responses. 21,092 drivers were trained through this initiative during FY 2014-15 (Over 2,60,000 since its inception).