

PROJECT MODEL TRIBAL VILLAGE – NEEMBUNI
IN ASSOCIATION WITH
INNERWHEEL CLUB OF CALCUTTA MEGACITY

Proposed Interventions

1. Electrification

Not all the households have electric connection. While some have taken proper connections, others have had not the means to opt for it. In today's' age of "Go Green" those households which do not have electric connections may be given home solar lighting units each.

2. Water

Water is an essential necessity of life, but safe drinking water is still a dream in these tribal villages. Installation of a mini submersible pump can be a solution on the condition that the maintenance and payment of recurring electric bill will be the collective responsibility of the villagers. This would help in better health of the villagers. Since a submersible has recently been installed by the Panchayat, a water tank with a distribution system only needs to be done.

3. Sanitation

Open defecation is the common practice in the villages causing health hazards and other social problems. The lack of proper toilets - that is toilets with water supply and drainage – force the villagers to hold on to the age old practice of open defecation. Building a set of community toilet with bathing provision for ladies would be good step towards creating a healthy and hygienic environment. With supply of water being addressed, as pointed above, this community toilet can be a model for other villages to follow. It goes without saying that the maintenance of the unit will be the collective responsibility of the villagers.

A sanitary napkin vending machine may address the hygiene issues of the girls and women folk not only in their village but for the locality as a whole, besides being a source of income for the villagers.

4. Primary Health

Basic primary health is an issue which is never addressed in these villages. The government health centres not being very near combined with the utter negligence and lack of awareness has resulted in this very important aspect being neglected. Weekly clinic of homeopathy / allopath doctors can be a solution to the problem.

Malnutrition is a common problem. Poor health of pregnant and lactating mothers is one of the major reasons for unhealthy children. Cost effective nutritious mixtures can address this issue.

ITEM	INGRDIENTS	RATE PER KG	MIX RATIO	REQ FOR 1 KG MIX	AMOUNT FOR 1 KG MIX	AMOUNT FOR 1.2 KG MIX	
NUTRIMIX-1	WHEAT	30	3	0.50	15	18	
	DAL	120	2	0.33	40	48	
	PEANUT	150	1	0.17	25	30	
	SALT/OIL/ETC	8			8	9.6	
					1.00	88.00	105.6
	PACKAGING						3.00
							108.6
NUTRIMIX-2	MURI DUST	34	7	0.70	23.8		
	CHATU	150	2	0.20	30		
	PEANUT	150	1	0.10	15		
	SALT/OIL/ETC	6			6		
					1.00	74.80	89.76
	PACKAGING						3.00
							92.76
TOTAL PER HEAD PER MONTH						201.36	

5. Education

Lack of education is at the root of all evils as it is the cause of lack of awareness also. Neither awareness nor an environment exists which is conducive to education in the villages. A village study centre can be the beginning towards creating a healthy atmosphere for the children to study. This centre can have books, educative toys and wall paintings to attract the children. Solar lighting of the centre will allow the centre to be used as evening centres which can be

monitored by the couple of educated youths the village has. The centre can also be used as an Adult Education centre.

6. Skill Development

Besides health and education, livelihood is the third most important aspect that needs to be addressed for a balanced and holistic growth of any community. One of the ways to address this is empowerment through skilling. A number of skill development activities can be undertaken such as Tailoring, Embroidery, Food Processing, Carpentry etc.

S NO	ACTIVITY	BENEFICIARIES	UNITS REQ	UNIT COST	AMOUNT
1	SOLAR LIGHTING	28	6	2000/-	12000/-
2	WATER SUPPLY	28	1	15000/-	15000/-
3	TOILET	28	1	50000/-	50000/-
4	PRIMARY HEALTH		10	220/- PM	26400/- PA
5	EDUCATION STUDY CENTRE ADULT LITERACY & SUPPORTIVE EDUCATION		1 1	75000/- 3000/- PM	75000/- 36000/- PA
6	SKILL DEVELOPMENT				
7	LIVELIHOOD GOAT FISHERY POULTRY	6 6 6	1 1 1	3000/- 4000/- 1000/-	18000/- 24000/- 6000/-
8	SOLAR STREET LIGHT	28	5	15000/-	75000/-
9	FAMILY KITCHEN GARDEN	28	6	500/-	3000/-
10	RAIN WATER HARVESTING / WATERSHED MANAGEMENT	28			