

MYSORE HEALTHCARE PROJECT



CONTEXT

Wipro Consumer Care & Lighting Group (WCCLG) and Wipro Infotech Ltd (WI) have a presence in Mysore. The chosen villages in Mysore houses around 70% of schedule caste and 30% of (Other Backward Caste') OBC's. A very small percentage of families own land and dwelling of their own, the vast majority does coolie work as construction workers and agricultural labourers. Around 50% of the families earn below Rs.10,000 per annum (BPL). Sanitation is a major concern in the area which results in a constant slew of diseases. The nearest PHC is located 3 kms away from the villages. Transport facilities are non-existent, people have to either walk or find their own mode of commute.

PARTNER

Our partner for this project is ActionAid and Rural Literacy and Health Programme (RLHP). ActionAid is an international anti-poverty agency working in over 50 countries, taking sides with poor people to end poverty and injustice together. RLHP is a voluntary non-governmental organization, registered in 1984, under the Karnataka Societies Registration Act 1960, and under the Foreign Contribution and Regulation Act (FCRA). The organization is situated in Mysore, Karnataka. RLHP has its major focus on community based health, literacy, children's rights, specifically children on the street and child labourers, community development, empowerment of women, youth and promotion of grassroots democracy in urban slums and rural areas of Mysore, Chamarajanagar and Mandya districts of Karnataka State.

DETAILS

The project, “Community Development through Education and Health” focuses on the preventive and curative health needs of the community. The primary objectives and expected outcomes of the project are:

Objectives

- Provide comprehensive primary health service, regular health camps and awareness generation on various issues of health
- Control and prevent contagious diseases
- Improve personal and community health and hygiene
- Specifically focus on women and child health

Expected Outcome

- Quality primary healthcare services available to the population of 5 villages
- Reduction in Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) and Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)
- Empowered people asserting for their health rights