

19 SOPARIWALA GROUP OF COMPANIES

Thematic Areas

Environment, Health, Education, Livelihood, Sanitation, Drinking Water

Location of CSR Operations

Maharashtra & Gujarat

Case Study

Sopariwala Group of Companies (hereafter referred as 'The Group'), have been imbibing the case for social good in their operations for decades long before CSR became a popular cause. While optimising the business growth and excellence, the group aims to integrate the CSR ideals as its sincere commitment towards social welfare and community development. Towards, this the group enhanced the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) philosophy, by focusing on the field of education, health, drinking water, hygiene, sanitation, laying roads in rural areas and development of employable skills with unemployed youths by imparting vocational training courses etc.

The Group discharges its Corporate Social Responsibility, through Aishabai and Haji Abdul Latif Charitable Trust, the CSR arm of the Company.

Education

The group has played an extensive and sustained role in encouraging and fostering education. Education is a top priority as it is the key to prosperity and opportunity. It provides quality education to under privileged areas and communities by getting actively involved in various educational institutions as mentioned below:-

- Aishabai College of Education, Mumbai, a B.Ed. college for Girls, providing excellent quality education to the girl students in a secured and healthy environment.
- Fazlani L' Academic Global, Mumbai, an International school with a mission "to educate and nurture each child into a responsible and global citizen in a warm and caring community."
- Fazlani International School at Tawke (Near Lonavla), Maharashtra, for the children of SOS village.
- Hanifa School (English Medium) at Borsad, Gujarat, situated in a geographically remote area.



Fazlani International School at Jamila Arif Children's Village, Takwe (Lonavla)

- The Group has constructed public toilets in different urban slum locations providing basic sanitation facilities to the slum dwellers.

Drinking Water Facility

- Considering the difficulties and hardship faced by the people in draught affected and water scarce areas, the Group took initiative of making water available by providing deep bore wells in 85 villages of Maharashtra and Gujarat states.

Livelihood support programs

The Group has a long history of participating in community activities. It identifies and supports initiatives in various employment-oriented and skill development programme through vocational training classes to men and women from the under privileged sector. The classes conducted are namely Refrigerator and Air-Conditioner repairing, assembling and repairing of TV units, repairing of Computer hardware, other electrical works, Tailoring, Embroidery and Crochet work.

Support through other organisations

The Group has established its credentials by supporting various philanthropic activities. The major work has been construction of a girl's home, named Samina Iqbal Ashiyana in Pune, Maharashtra, for providing rehabilitation to orphan girls and extend quality education.

- Supports 18 municipality schools in Mumbai with a total student capacity of 23000, by providing additional teachers, improving or supplementing infrastructure, teaching & learning materials, extra coaching classes and remedial classes for needy students.
- Supports the education to the deserving students by providing scholarships.

Jamila Arif Children's village at Takwe near Lonavla (SOS Village)

"Every child deserves a family!" The ways of the world at times become harsh to hundreds of children losing their parents to fend for themselves. The Group realises its responsibility of saving the life and future of these blooming children and play a distinct empathetic role in gathering their lives through Jamila Arif Children's Village at Takwe near Lonavla.



Jamila Arif Children's Village, Takwe (Lonavla)

This is a home for the orphans and destitute children, with a built-in full-fledged school and all other basic amenities to develop them into responsible citizens. Each child has a foster mother who takes care of the child with mother's love and affection.

Health, Hygiene & Sanitation

In order to enable socially and economically weaker section of the society to live a health life, the Group provides following facilities for Health, Hygiene & Sanitation:

- Financial support to the poor and needy patients for treatment.
- Ambulance services in remote and slum areas.
- The Group's Mobile Medical Unit provides regular healthcare services at the door steps in the remote villages.