

Project Ends on a High Note

We were honoured to have Mr. V. K. Jindal, Joint Secretary of Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and National Mission Director deliver the keynote address of the project's closing event and H.E. Mr. T. Kozłowski, Ambassador of the European Union to India, deliver a special address on EU-India environmental cooperation perspectives. Together with a number of experts they contributed to a meaningful discussion of the project's results and way forward.

It is with mixed feelings that we share with you this last Newsletter. We are proud about the successful cooperation with key stakeholders and the tangible outcomes of the project including the study tours to Europe, trainings and workshops, technical and policy reports, e-learning tools, community awareness initiatives, and communication material. But we also recognise that more needs to be done in the technical and policy fields.

The initiatives of the Indian government, Municipal Corporations, Non-Government Organisations, and the private sector are truly commendable and are towards the right direction. We will always be available to share our knowledge and support any such action.



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Quick Facts

Project Focus
Capacity building

Areas
Solid waste management
Wastewater management

Cities
New Delhi & Mumbai

Duration
October 2014-September 2018

Policy & Advisory Partners
Ministry of Environment, Forest &
Climate Change
Ministry of New & Renewable Energy
Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs

Implementation Partners
Delhi Jal Board
North Delhi Municipal Corporation
East Delhi Municipal Corporation
South Delhi Municipal Corporation
Municipal Corp. of Greater Mumbai
Mumbai First
Non-Governmental Organisations
Private Entities

Regulators
Central Pollution Control Board
Department of Environment,
Government of NCT of Delhi
Delhi Pollution Control Committee
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board

Consortium Partners
IVL-Swedish Environmental Research
Institute
Danish Technological Institute
Shriram Institute for Industrial
Research, India



Closing Event, Workshops & Trainings

The project organised the closing event on the “Future of Solid Waste and Wastewater Management in India” in September 2018 at the Claridges Hotel in New Delhi. The event included keynote addresses by the Joint Secretary MOHUA and the Ambassador of the EUD as well as two technical expert sessions on solid waste and wastewater management.

Over 100 participants attended the event representing a wide-spectrum of stakeholders including the EU Delegation, EU member states, Ministries, Municipal Corporations, NGOs, businesses, consultants, foundations, etc. The event contributed to sharing best practices, facilitated` discussions and interactions, increased awareness, and reported on the key results of the EU Technical Cooperation for Environment in India project.

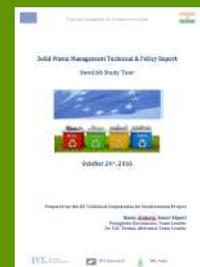
More than 50 participants attended the two Consultation Workshops on landfill mining at the South Delhi Municipal Corporation and at the IFAT India Exhibition in Mumbai in September 2017. The objective was to examine technical issues, challenges, opportunities, and solutions. Professor Fricke from Germany interacted with stakeholders, provided input about technical, financing and policy issues, and undertook site visits (e.g., Mulund landfill). The project team contributed with specialised presentations, planning and management options in accordance to the Indian scenario.

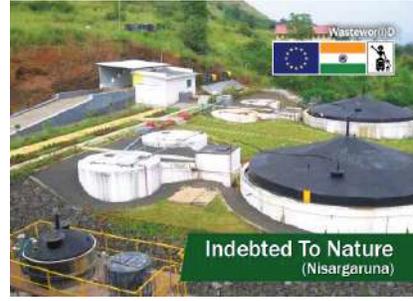
Furthermore, 90 participants attended three trainings delivered by the project team in June and August 2018 at the Municipal Corporations of Greater Mumbai and East Delhi on solid waste and wastewater treatment.



Technical & Policy Reports

During its lifetime the project published nine reports on a number of topics including solid waste management, wastewater management, recycling, landfill mining and waste transfer stations. These reports were developed in response to stakeholder needs and requests.





Capacity Building for the Community

Community capacity building was a key component of the project. The 20 poster mobile exhibition on community solid waste management has been one of the most successful project initiatives.

As of February 2017 the mobile exhibition has been presented to schools, communities, academic institutions, and other entities in Maharashtra in close cooperation with the NGO Stree Mukti Sanghatana (SMS).

As of February 2018 the project cooperated with NGO Bal Vikas Dhara (BVD) for a similar initiative in Delhi. The presentation was delivered

to several institutions/communities and attended by more than 25,000 persons.

Based on this success the project created posters for a number of other NGOs or institutions in Delhi (e.g., Katha Lab School, Pria, Swechha, Toxics Link, and Vatavaran). It is expected that the exhibitions will continue after the completion of the project.

Furthermore, SMS published a series of reader-friendly booklets on solid waste management, composting, biogas, identification of waste and other relevant aspects.





World Environment Day 2018

On the occasion of World Environment Day 2018, the project and NGO Bal Vikas Dhara held an awareness programme with the community of Rangpuri Pahadi, Mahipalpur, New Delhi on environmental protection, with a focus on 'Beat the Plastic Pollution'.

More than 500 children from the local schools and waste picker families joined and learned about waste management through fun filled activities including a children friendly e-learning module. Children were also made aware about plastic menace and management through a street play by the Avant Garde Academy, a magic show, a short movie on Swathh Bharat Abhiyaan and a dance programme.



E-Learning



The project created two e-learning modules. The first one focused on solid waste management challenges at the community and the second one on solid waste management solutions at the community. Both modules are less than 10 minutes long, children-friendly and are based on puppet characters.

They were developed in cooperation with Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs. Furthermore, the project cooperated with a number of NGO's for uploading the module on their websites and/or for distribution / use during awareness sessions.



Project Brochure

The two-page project brochure presents summary quantitative and qualitative information about the project's initiatives. The brochure has been distributed extensively via email and made available at meetings, presentations, events, and with our stakeholders.