Jamsandekar Mal, Kolhapur
PARTNERSHIP FOR TRANSFORMATION

THE STORY OF JAMSANDEKAR MAL

The settlement was established almost 75 years ago when Mr. Jamsandekar, a philanthropic merchant from Kolhapur bought a plot of land in an abandoned quarry to provide free permanent living place to poor people migrating from nearby villages to Kolhapur in search of livelihood.

Since the basti was in a quarry, erection of any livable structure was impossible. For years people lived there without basic facilities like water, electricity or sanitation. Open defecation was practiced with constant exposure of being bitten by snakes, scorpions etc.

In 1974, Jamsandekar Mal settlement received the status of declared slum and residents here saw a ray of hope of getting civic services. The then-councilor Mr. Gautam Jadhav brought in basic amenities like electricity and few water pumps in the slum which brought in positive change in the life of the residents of Jamsandekar Mal.

Better surroundings and these basic amenities brought in new spirit among the residents. Men and women opted for better occupations and jobs. Anganwadi was started in slums for young children and older children from slum started going to school.

THE STATE OF SANITATION AT JAMSANDEKAR MAL

With this wave of civiv facilities, a few Community Toilet Blocks (CTBs) were also built in the slum but pressure of large toilet seat to user ratio and shortage of water supply resulted in developing unhygienic conditions in and around these toilet blocks. This resulted in closing down of a few CTBs by the KMC. Currently, the community has 5 CTBs. All of them are in poor hygienic condition.

By now the people had realized the urgent need of having a toilet in their homes. Unfortunately, the sizes of their houses and ever-present financial crunch kept most of the families away from building one in their homes. Also there was no drainage network present in the slum.

Through its surveys SA had realized the need of individual toilets in this slum. But as laid down conditions by CSR funders, Shelter Associates is bound to carry out its OHOT projects only on government land.

As Jamsandekar Mal slum is settled on a private land, SA could deliver toilets in the usual way.

A new way was explored by SA to partner with KMC to implement OHOT model under SBM in Jamsandekar Mal.

Positive support to it was received from Councilor Mrs. Balkar, and KMC commissioner Dr. Abhijeet Chowdhary.

A batch of 10 houses was taken up to try out the new proposal.
Meeting with Commissioner: 28th May 2018 — Green signal given to start implementation.
Meeting with councillor Ms. Savita Bhalkar on 8th June 2018 - Given introduction regarding the project implementation under SBM in slum.
Identifying where drainage line is available for each beneficiary on 12th June 2018.
Meeting with beneficiaries' on 13th June 2018 this meeting conducted along with councilor.
Site Visit done with KMC supervisor Ms. Masurkar to show identified HH and space for toilet construction on 19th June 2018.
Collection of Documents (All required documents with cheques) started from 20th June 2018 & notary work completed on 28th June 2018.
All file work completed and submitted file to KMC with covering letter on 3rd July 2018.
Meeting with beneficiaries' on 4th July 2018.
Meeting with Dr. Vijay Patil (CSL, KMC) to discuss about next steps like uploading the forms. 5th July 2018.
Councillor Ms. Bhalkar met Commissioner and Dr Vijay Patil to take follow up for file and MOU sanction for Jamsanekar Mala on 20th July 2018.
Meeting with Commissioner on 24th Aug 2018 and taken follow up for transfer money to beneficiary. He gave the assurance that money will be transferred within 3 days.
Money transferred to beneficiaries' bank account on 3rd Sept 2018.
Visited HH on 4th Sept 2018 along with Ms. Savita Bhalkar (Councillor), Mr. Sourabh Patil (CSL, KMC) and Material Supplier Mr. Sonavane etc. to inform following details to beneficiaries:
  a. Money transferred by KMC.
  b. Instructed beneficiary to keep money in bank as it is.
  c. Given details about material supply and material.
Handed over beneficiary cheques to supplier Mr. Sonavane on 4th Sept 2018.
Beneficiary cheques deposited in bank by Sonavane Traders on 5th Sept. 2018.
Complete Toilet Construction material supplied to 10 families on 7th Sept 2018.

JAMSANDEKAR MAL, WARD NO - 3, KMC.

SBM TOILET STATUS
Total Agreement [7]
- Completed [4]
- Under construction [3]
- Own toilet [7]
- Remaining Houses [205]
- Locked house [3]
- Unoccupied house [39]
- Community Toilet Block [5]
Total Houses [261]
**Timeline of Sanitation Delivery at Jamsandekar Mal**

1. **28th May 2018**
   - **Pilot Case**
     - Partnering with SBM
   - Since Jamsandekar Mal is an privately owned land, SA could not intervene there with the CSR funds, thus we decided to partner with the KMC and use SBM funds to deliver toilets here.

2. **3rd Sept 2018**
   - **KMC Transfers ₹9000 to Beneficiary Accounts**
   - SA Team paid a visit to the 10 families to tell them their responsibilities. They have to undertake the construction of the toilet and buy the material using money transferred to their accounts.

3. **6th Sept 2018**
   - **Material Supplied**
     - By SA tie-up contractor
   - Construction material which is delivered right to the beneficiary’s doorstep was rolled out on the 6th of September.

4. **12/9 Soon**
   - **Follow-up Visits Under Constr. Toilets**
   - SA Team keeps up with the regular follow-up visits to check on the under construction toilets. This helps monitor & facilitate quick construction and ready accountability in the beneficiaries.

5. **One Home, One Toilet**
   - Towards ODF++ Cities
   - By facilitating household toilets in the slum the toilet seat to person ration in the Community Toilet Block (CTB) also comes down.

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**Comparative Timeline of SA vs SBM Toilet Delivery**

- **Date of Signing the Agreement**
- **SA Timeline**
- **SBM Timeline**

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