

## And they live happily ever after!

Vinayak Jadhav, aged 30 has been a resident of Lokmanya Nagar in Thane since birth. He is fairly educated yet their house lacked an individual household toilet.

This continued until July 2018, when Vinayak got engaged to a girl named Seema who belonged to Pune. Amidst all wedding related discussions, she was very surprised to find out that his house did not have a household toilet. This is when she insisted and convinced him over getting one constructed before they got married.

Seema, a graduate in Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery from Pune, grew up in a house which always had a household toilet. After studying medicine she felt the need all the more and knew exactly of its significance and impact. Also she was totally aware of the status of community toilet blocks and how using such unhygienic spaces could lead to bad health and other hygiene related problems. Coming from such a background, she kept insisting on getting a household toilet constructed in Vinayak's house. Their settlement lacked drainage network which was one of the key reasons that kept them away from constructing a toilet at home.

With SA's help and guidance, Vinayak got a toilet constructed on priority and got it connected to a septic tank.

Seema exclaims "I could not even imagine using a community toilet, having a household toilet is a sheer necessity and I am more than grateful to Shelter Associates for having facilitated us with one!"



Vinayak & Seema happily married!

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Vinayak's constructed toilet

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