WASH RESPONSIVENESS TO COVID19 FOR THE INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS

Turbhe Ward, Navi Mumbai

PROJECT INTRODUCTION & OBJECTIVE

Around 71% of the population residing in the informal settlements of Navi Mumbai either use community toilets or defecate in the open. It highly escalates health issues apart from defacing public spaces & reducing dignity & safety. The reasons can be financial & behavioural, and also lack of drainage network in the settlement. The Turbhe Ward constitute 22% of the Navi Mumbai slum population with a merely 6% of drainage network available.

With the heightened risk of COVID-19 cases, sanitation & hygiene have gained a greater prominence for individual well-being and the immediate priority is to build resilience of the slums over a long term by engaging in Risk Communication and Community Engagement, while facilitating household toilets wherever possible.

Shelter Associates is working with the Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation to implement a project that envisions a cleaner & hygienic environment for the informal settlements of Turbhe Ward, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra. The intervention is being supported by IKEA India in partnership with Collective Good Foundation.

PROJECT AREAS

- Indira Nagar
  - 2519 families
- Hanuman Nagar
  - 1837 families
- Ganpati Pada 1
  - 244 families
- Ganpati Pada 2
  - 540 families

THE TWO-FOLD APPROACH

- Community Mobilization around WASH & COVID19 prevention in slums
- Advocacy for laying drainage network with ULBs & individual household toilet facilitation

THE IMPACT

"Better quality of life for 5000+ families including children, adolescent girls, women, persons with differently-abled and senior citizens"