COVID19 PREVENTION THROUGH WASH SUPPLIES

Turbhe Ward, Navi Mumbai

THE CURRENT PANDEMIC SITUATION

The COVID19 pandemic has brought into sharp focus the need to effectively protect ourselves from the virus, more so in densely populated communities where maintaining safe distance is not always possible. Use of masks, proper hand sanitization & maintaining good hygiene has become indispensable. The families residing at the informal settlements of Maharashtra are most vulnerable to the virus due to the cramped surroundings & poor hygiene conditions. The users of community sanitation facilities at the informal settlements are at a greater risk due to the high-touch surfaces & unsanitary conditions.

WASH SUPPLIES FOR TURBHE RESIDENTS

Recognising the possible dangers, Shelter Associates is working in the informal settlements of Turbhe Ward, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra to provide WASH supplies inorder the minimize the risks of COVID19 infection. Elbow operated taps and soaps dispensers are installed at the community toilets in four informal settlements to avoid high-touch areas & maintain hand hygiene. The need was derived through a detailed the Community Toilet Block Analysis conducted by Shelter Associates in these settlements. The intervention is being supported by IKEA India in partnership with Collective Good Foundation.

![Elbow operated tap and soap dispenser](image)

13 Elbow Operated Handwash Taps installed

13 Liquid Soap Dispenser installed

![Families using soap from the dispenser to wash hands](image)

Handwash liquid given to CTB caretakers for refill

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