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STORY OF THE MONTH

Beyond Infrastructure: CYDA and CIE India unveil 'Dignity Room' and WASH Facilities for a Hygienic Learning Environment

CYDA is dedicated to providing a WASH-compliant environment for school children. This initiative aims to improve schools by enhancing the existing infrastructure and creating necessary facilities to ensure WASH compliance. In collaboration with Automotive India Ltd. (CIE India), this month, at Hutatma Babu Genu Vidyalaya, Mhalunge Padwal School, Pune, a "Dignity Room" for adolescent girls was inaugurated. This room is specifically designed to support girls during their menstruation period, providing essential amenities such as a bed, hot water bag, pads with disposable pouch, an incinerator, and a dustbin. Additionally, a hand wash station, water filter, and a girls' toilet block were constructed within the school premises. The inauguration ceremony was graced by Mr. Vinayak Kadaskar, HR Head of CIE India, and Prashant Sharma, CSR Manager.

“This Dignity Room will help us immensely as we do not know when we get our period. We can access the facility of the room. In this room, with the help of our WASH facilitator, we discuss about MHM and its management. " Shloka Ramesh Chaskar, Vice President, Adolescents Group, 9th std. *(Reported by: Wasim Shaikh)*





Girls in the Dignity Room

Brushes and Unity: CYDA Partners with Coforge and Pune Municipal Corporation for a Vibrant Makeover at Kalas Ganapati Ghat





Wall Painting Activity

In collaboration with Coforge and the Pune Municipal Corporation, CYDA organized a wall painting activity at Kalas Ganapati Ghat, Vishrantwadi. This event aimed to enhance the aesthetic appeal of the surrounding area of the water body and create a more vibrant environment. Approximately 25 employees from Coforge and 20 adolescents from the Community Resource Center of Jai Jawan Nagar gathered to beautify the walls, showcasing their dedication to the community and the environment. *(Reported by: Godfrey Colaco)*

CYDA's Educational Endeavor: Transformative Awareness Session equips Parents with Insights into STEM for a Bright Future





Parents Awareness Session on STEM

The significance of parents in the development of children is unquestionable. With this in mind, CYDA consistently organizes meetings with parents to raise awareness about their pivotal role in ensuring a bright future for their children. This month, CYDA conducted an awareness session for parents at Shri Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj English Medium School in Bhosari, Pune, focusing on the importance of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) in fostering learning and opening up diverse career opportunities. This session successfully enriched the knowledge of 245 parents about STEM and its various components. *(Reported by: Amruta Pawar)*

Breaking Barriers: CYDA's Girl-Led Initiative Challenges Stereotypes and Promotes Gender Equality in Communities





International Girl Child Day Celebration

To empower girls and help them realize their rights and entitlements, CYDA organized an awareness campaign on the occasion of the International Day of the Girl Child in the Yerawada, Tadiwala Road, and Private Road communities. Approximately 20 girls from the Community Resource Center and Avaaz Hamari group sensitized 350 community members about gender, its social construction and dispelled common myths. Using songs and posters, the girls conveyed the message that women's empowerment is a fundamental building block for a flourishing society. *(Reported by: Najiya Shaikh)*

Across Regions: Global Handwashing Day spreads Awareness to 7361 Students in Maharashtra, Goa, and Gujarat



Global Handwashing Day Celebration

Global Handwashing Day was enthusiastically celebrated in schools across various regions, including Pune, Nagpur, Sambhaji Nagar in Maharashtra, South Goa, and Rajkot in Gujarat. This special day aimed to raise awareness about the significance of hygiene and its various aspects. A total of 7361 students had the opportunity to learn the importance of maintaining proper hygiene practices. The event employed creative and engaging approaches such as rangoli, drawing competitions, slogan contests, rallies, street plays, and practical handwashing demonstrations. These activities were designed to help students internalize the crucial message of the importance of handwashing for their health and well-being. *(Reported by: WASH Team)*

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