

ROTARY FOUNDATION

GLOBAL GRANT PROGRESS REPORT



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Global Grant Tracking Number : 25536

Reporting Period : 15 Feb 2012 through : 30 Apr 2012

Estimated Completion date: 30 Jul 2012

Host and International Sponsor Information

Host Sponsor : Karur Angels	International Sponsor : 5340
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HUMANITARIAN SECTION



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(1) Concisely describe the project's progress during the period covered by this report.

Rotary Foundation released the payment on 7th Feb 2012. Host discussed with the manufacturer & placed the order for 27 set of sanitary napkin vending machine. Instructions were given to the schools to be ready to receive the machines and to install the machines. Supplier was advised to produce the machines, deliver to the respective schools with proper acknowledgement, to install the machines, to deliver 500 napkins for buffer stock, to educate the school management to operate, maintain & refill the machines; to educate the students about how to use the machines. The supplier demanded 6 weeks time prepare the machines and to deliver.

Since the DG & first lady of Dist. 5340, who are the International Sponsor planned to visit the project sites in 3rd week of March, the supplier was advised to deliver 5 sets of machines for the inauguration.

On 19th March 2012, International Sponsor visited the project sites, checked the functionality of the machines & inaugurated the project in two schools namely Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Karur & Government Higher Secondary School, Velliyani. The other school managements were also invited to attend the project inauguration. The International sponsor addressed the school managements & students, about the importance of menstrual hygiene, safe disposal of used napkins, why Dist. 5340 and Rotary Foundation supported this project, & etc.

Since the schools are closed for summer holidays from 1st April 2012 & will reopen only after 1st week of June 2012, the installation & orientation programs can be conducted after the school reopening, which is after 1st week of June. Meantime, the supplier completed the production of the machines and start delivering the machines to the respective schools.

(2) Describe how the project has advanced the goals of the selected area(s) of focus.

The project is certainly advances the goal; to improve the menstrual hygiene by providing awareness & sanitary napkin vending machines; safe and hygiene method of disposal of used sanitary napkins. Since this project is still in progress and in beginning stage, host sponsor can give more details in final report.

(3) Describe the specific objectives as stated in the application.

To improve the menstrual hygiene among school / college girls by providing Sanitary Napkin Vending machines in school/college premises at affordable cost.

To dispose the used napkins in a safe/hygiene method by providing Incinerators in the girls toilets of school/colleges.

To create awareness among girl children about the importance of menstrual hygiene, the usage of sanitary napkins, & importance of safe/hygiene method of used napkin disposal

(4) If the stated objectives have been modified, explain how and why.

Objectives not modified

(5) Describe in detail the progress toward these objectives.

Order placed for Sanitary Napkin Vending Machines & Incinerators. Already installed in two schools and got very good feedback from the teachers and girl students.

The International sponsor witnessed the installations, attended the inauguration and addressed the teachers and students about the objectives. Once the schools are reopen after the summer holidays, the machines will be installed in rest of the 25 schools.

The orientation programs will be conducted as soon as the machines are installed.

(6) Sufficient progress has been made toward these objectives.

Strongly Agree

(7) What data/information did you collect to demonstrate the success of your stated objectives and how was it collected?

As of now, the machines are installed only in two schools, we received oral feedback from the students. Since the schools are closed, girl students will use the facilities as soon as they returned to school. We planned to collect data once the students start using it.

(8) Describe the measurable and observable indicators of success.

The number of sanitary napkins dispensed from the vending machine. Usually the girls through the used napkins in the dust bins available in the toilets or in the lavatories or in hidden areas. We can observe that after installing the incinerators, the used napkins are properly disposed.

(9) What objectives are targeted for the next period?

Installation of the machines and orientation programs in all the schools. Make sure the girls are using the facilities properly. Make sure the management is filling the sanitary napkins and maintaining the machines.

(10) Who owns the items purchased with grant funds?

N/A

(11) How and by whom will these items be operated, secured, and/or maintained?

N/A

(12) How will the outcomes of the project be sustained over time?

N/A

(13) Describe how the host Rotarians committed their time and expertise during the implementation of the project.

-Visited the supplier place to check the machines, place the order & to sign MOU.

-Visited the schools to discuss with the managements to check their interest in this project, to check the number of girl students in the school & to check the present conditions in schools on method of used napkin disposal, children access to sanitary napkins & etc.

-In future host will visit the schools to supervise the installation of the machines, to conduct orientation for teachers and girls students.

-In future host will monitor the use of the facilities, operation, maintenance & analyse the outcome of the project

(14) Describe how the international Rotarians committed their time and expertise during the implementation of the project.

-Visited the project sites in the 3rd week of March.

-Analysed the plans with host.

-Witnessed the installation of the machines.

-Addressed the school management & students about the objectives of this project, importance of menstrual hygiene, importance of safe/hygiene method of used napkin disposal.

(15) How have you publicized the project to raise public awareness of Rotary involvement?

Newspaper - Yes
Television - Yes
Radio - No
Banners - No
Fliers - No
Signage - No
Other (specify) -

(16) How have the beneficiaries participated in project implementation during this reporting period?

- Beneficiaries co-operated with host to choose right place for machine installations & to learn the operation and maintenance.
- Beneficiaries are very much happy that Rotary is much concern about their health & they want to co-operate in all aspect.
- Beneficiaries participated in spreading the objectives of the project to their families, which will create awareness among everybody & develop Rotary Image.

(17) Describe the activities of any cooperating organization(s) involved in the project.

(18) To date, how many direct beneficiaries does the project have? (Direct beneficiaries are individuals who have participated in the project and/or received a service or benefit from the project.)

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(19) To date, how many indirect beneficiaries does this project have? (Indirect beneficiaries are individuals who have not directly received a service or benefit but are related to those who have, or are members of a community that has received some improvement as a result of the project.)

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(20) Describe any changes in beneficiary behavior, skills or capacity as a result of the project.

Buying of sanitary napkins in the shops sometimes creates embarrassing situation to these girls. Girls from poor families cant afford to buy expensive napkins and use traditional method(waste cloth) napkins. And most of the girls who use sanitary napkins dispose the used napkins in the lavatories. Disposal of Sanitary Napkins in restrooms leads to blockage of toilets and involves huge cost in regular maintenance. In Schools /Colleges /Large institutions disposal of sanitary napkins cause untidy and unhygienic environment in the premises. Conventional way of disposing napkins is no longer acceptable as it will create environment pollution and it leads in spreading disease.

Now, as a result of this project, the girls behavior changes & they start using the low cost napkins from the vending machines & they start disposing the used napkins through incinerator which is very much hygiene.

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BUDGET SECTION



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Budget Item	Supplier/Vendor	Actual Amount in Local Currency	Budgeted Amount in Local Currency	% Variance
27 Numbers of Incinerators	Visaga Techno System	1313874.0000		100.0000
27 Numbers of Sanitary Napkin Vending Machine	Visaga Techno System	594000.0000		100.0000
Advance Payment	Visaga Techno Systems	0.0000	900000.0000	100.0000
Freight + Installation	Visaga Techno	34000.0000		100.0000
Sanitary Napkins		15626.0000		100.0000

GLOBAL GRANT PROGRESS REPORT AUTHORIZATION SECTION



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By submitting my authorization of this report, I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, these global grant funds were spent according to Trustee-approved guidelines and that all of the information contained herein is true and accurate. Original receipts for all expenses incurred will be kept on file for at least five years, or longer if required by local law, in case they are needed for auditing purposes. I also understand that all photographs submitted in connection with this report will become the property of RI and will not be returned. I warrant that I own all rights in the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant RI and TRF a royalty-free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or at any time in the future, throughout the world in any matter it so chooses and in any medium now known or later developed. This includes the right to modify the photographs as necessary in RI's sole discretion. This also includes, without limitation, use on or in websites, magazines, brochures, pamphlets, exhibitions, and any other promotional materials of RI and TRF.

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