Progress Report on Global Grant GG1416569 Village Training Center & Micro-Credit

Bidadhi Villages Karnataka, India

Here is the Progress report of Village Training Center and Micro-credit Global Grant. The project is likely to be completed by the end of December 2016 or earlier.

1. Allocated Budget

In the following Table -1 shows the allocated budget for this project.

<u>Table- 1; Allocated Budget and the Description of the Items (Approved by Rotary</u>

Foundation)

No	Description	Supplier	Category	Local cost (INR)	Cost in USD
1:	Solar Energy System	DHEEMANTH SOLAR INDUSTRIES PVT.LTD.	Equipment	658,200.00	\$10,790.00
2.	Bore Well & Storage System	Local Vendor	Equipment	260,000.00	\$4,262.00
	Village Training Tools & Supplies	Local Vendor	Supplies	200,000.00	\$3,279.00
	Village Training Center Teachers	Local Teachers	Tuition	240,000.00	\$3,934.00
5:	Micro credit loans	Various Suppliers	Training	800,000.00	\$13,333.00
6:	Branding	Local Vendor	Signage (limit USD500)	10,000.00	\$164.00
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2. Current Progress from start of the project thru May 31, 2015

Following is the description of the various items and their status including the amount spent and balance remaining per the allocated budget as shown in Table -1 above.

- Solar Energy System: Solar panels were installed and working. 5KVA/72V MPPT Inverter, 150Ahx12 nos batteries, 3000Wp Module Budgeted Rs 658,200; Funds spent so far. Rs. 593,965 + Rs 6000 (warranty)= Rs 599,965; The remaining funds of Rs. 58,235 will be spent on enhancing battery capacity and LED lighting system
- 2. **Bore well and Storage System:** The allocated budget for this category was **Rs. 260,000**. No funds in this category have been spent. The reason is because the local village Panchayath has installed water supply lines to the Village Training Center and hence the need for Bore Well construction is not required. However, because of intermittent water supply to the Center, part of the funds will be used for providing extra capacity of storage water (such as above or below ground water sump storage wells as required) and part of the funds will be used for water transportation facilities when necessary to help the SHG groups and the villagers.

3. Village Training Including Tools & Supplies: Under this category, Rs. 200,000 was allocated for the Tools and Supplies and Rs. 240, 000 was allocated for paying teachers for the tuition for the training classes. For tools and supplies and consumables for training students, so far Rs. 34,092 was spent. Rs. 11,000 was paid as Teacher's stipend for two classes lasting 6 months each. This first 6 month course was completed in March 2015 for 25 women from Bannikuppa village. This has given significant confidence and self-prestige to these women with the benefit of learning Tailoring. They in turn have gone back to their villages and are teaching others in the village. Being very successful, another group of 20 students were enrolled in March 2015 for six months for the same Tailoring class.

An MOU will be signed with UNNATI (www.unnatiblr.org), an NGO who specializes in providing vocational training and job placement Unnati has the experience in training women from the surrounding villages in specific trades needed and also provide job placement. Significant number of students will be trained with the help of Unnati from now thru next year (approximately 40 students per class every 3-6 months) and it is planned to spend Rs. 165,908 for the tools and supplies and Rs. 229,000 for tuition. If funds are remaining in this category, it is possible that more women SHGs (other than in Section 4 below) who have been trained will be offered with new micro-credit loans (so far a very successful program) administered thru Sangha Mithra Rural Financial Services, an NGO with whom an MOU has already been signed and uploaded in the beginning of this project last year.

4. Micro Credit Loans (Handled by Sangha Mithra Financial Services) Under this category, Rs. 800,000 was allocated and out of the women trained at the Village Training Center and some trained in earlier rotary projects, 80 women comprising of 3 groups of SHGs from Kakaramanahalli Village and 3 groups of SHG from Bannikuppe Village were selected and micro-credit loans were disbursed. Table-2 below shows the details of disbursement.

<u>Table- 2 - Details of Micro-credit loans disbursed to SIX Self Help Women Groups (SHGs)</u>

LOAN NO (FA NO)	SHG NAME	Village	SHG A/C NO	FEMALE MEMBERS	DISB AMT Rs (USD)	Schd End date
L90000040764	AMBEDKAR MAHILA SWA SAHAYA ABHIVRUDDI SANGHA	Kakaramanahalli	0426101102312'	13	100000 (1640)	9/15/2015
L90000040765	SREE ANNAPOORNESWARI MAHILA ABHIVRUDDI SANGHA	Kakaramanahalli	0426101102574	10	100000 (1640)	9/15/2016
L90000040767	SRI LAKSHMIDEVI MAHILA SWA SAHAYA SANGHA	Kakaramanahalli	0426101028910'	15	100000 (1640)	9/15/2016
L90000041568	ANNAPOORNESWARI STREE SHAKTHI SWA SAHAYA SANGHA	Bannikuppe	0426101102362'	16	100000 (1640)	10/15/2016
L90000044067	USHA KIRANA SWA SAHAYA MAHILA SANGHA	Bannikuppe	0426101030266'	11	200000 (3280)	8/15/2016
L90000045613	ASHA KIRANA SWA SAHAYA MAHILA SANGHA	Bannikuppe	0426101022854'	15	200000 (3280)	10/15/2016
	TOTAL LOAN AMOUNT DISBURSED			80	800,000 (13,120)	

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