



THE ROTARY CLUB of MONIFIETH and DISTRICT WASH EXPERIENCE

We have supported 3 Wash projects in northeast India in partnership with the Rotary Club of Calcutta.

WASH 1 helping villagers in West Bengal showed us that dirty pond water is typically the only water supply for most villages.

Together since then we have helped fund more than 40 bore wells and 400 toilets in 15 villages.



A typical village water supply



LESSONS FROM WASH 1

- The Rotary Club of Monifieth and District has formed a trusting partnership with the Rotary Club of Calcutta.
- RC Calcutta leadership and management has been the key to success.
- RC Calcutta senior Rotarians have had hands on involvement throughout the project-
 - Undertaken thorough community needs assessments.
 - Put in place sound legal and contractual frameworks.
 - Ensured that work on site is managed by a competent and well respected organisation thereby providing local income and employment.
 - Arranged water quality safety testing.
 - Gained the trust of the villagers
 - Undertaken extensive “mindset training” in good hygiene practice.
 - And negotiated sustainable maintenance and support by local and state governments within an established national policy framework.



A newly installed well



Nityanagar village family toilet under construction



WASH 2, 3 and 4

RC Monifieth were a partner in **WASH 2** led by the Rotary Club of Dundee and RC Calcutta. Now complete .

WASH 3 led by the Rotary Club of Mississauga West and RC Calcutta.

Local research has revealed 6 further remote Adibashi villages without clean, potable water and with no toilets. So we embarked on **WASH 4** in Jharkhand as international lead partner with RC Calcutta

WASH 4 meeting the funding challenge:-

\$9000 Scottish Rotary Clubs of Monifieth and District, Arbroath, Dundee, Inverness Culloden and Broughty Ferry, and Battersea Park (London)

\$8000 District 1010 Scotland North

\$6000 Rotary Club of Calcutta

\$5000 District 3291 North East India

\$22000 The Rotary Foundation (Global Grant Matching Funds)

TOTAL OF US\$50,000:

“MANY A MICKLE MAKES A MUCKLE”!



**Nityanagar villagers offering clean drinking water to Calcutta
Rotarian Saumen Ray**



Calcutta Rotarian Saumen Ray delivers mindset training in good hygiene practice at a local school



Nityanagar villagers appreciating a new bore well. They are delighted with their clean water supply and toilet provision for every family



WASH 4 – JHARKHAND

- \$50,000 project to provide clean, potable water for 4 remote Adibashi villages in the state of Jharkhand and make them “open defecation free” by 2020.
- Over 700 beneficiaries including over 500 children.
- Beneficial outcomes will include:
 1. reducing water borne disease.
 2. improving agricultural output.
 3. enhancing educational performance.
 4. maintaining pride and dignity.
 5. reducing migration to the congested slums of Kolkata.



WASH 4: JHARKHAND OUTCOMES

The total of \$50,000 is providing 13 wells and 121 toilets thereby providing villagers in the four Adibashi villages with clean, potable water, and providing numerous additional social and economic benefits.

Work started in early 2019 with substantial completion on time, and within budget by the end of that year, just before the celebrations for the Rotary Club of Calcutta's Centenary year in January 2020.

Final completion works have been delayed by the Covid19 pandemic.

“ District 1010 (Scotland) and District 3291 (north east India) Rotarians working in partnership have made a significant difference for those less fortunate than ourselves. We are a winning team ”

**STUART ROBISON,
RC Monifieth and District International Convenor leading on all our Wash projects**