

Evaluation and Impact Assessment Study of MEIL CSR Projects for the FY 2022-23

Executive Summary

As a part of its CSR, Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited carries out development and sustainable works in the surrounding villages, focusing on the socio-economic development of the operating regions and other parts of the country for achieving inclusive and sustainable growth. In the fiscal year 2022-23, the company invested Rs. 65.55 Crores in essential CSR domains such as Education, Childcare, Community Health, Rural Infrastructure, Daily Sustenance and among others. To evaluate the effectiveness and impact of these initiatives, IPE was entrusted to conduct 07 CSR projects, each with a budget one Crore or exceeding. These projects have been completed for no less than one year to assess their effectiveness in addressing the developmental needs of communities within and beyond MEIL & its operational areas. IPE utilized the OECD DAC framework, a thorough evaluation methodology, to analyze each project's relevance, coherence, efficiency, effectiveness, impact, and sustainability. This approach guaranteed optimal implementation, efficient resource use, and alignment with strategic objectives. IPE placed significant emphasis on measuring outcomes, concentrating on the positive transformations experienced by target communities, including socio-economic improvements and enhanced livelihood opportunities. MEIL's commitment to sustainability in its CSR initiatives guaranteed a lasting transformative impact, facilitated by the active involvement of local stakeholders. This approach reinforced MEIL's dedication to promoting meaningful change, transparency, and accountability in its CSR activities. Through these impact evaluations, MEIL gained valuable insights into the achievements and outcomes of each project, further strengthening its commitment to fostering a positive societal impact. Furthermore, the IPE team evaluated nine CSR projects implemented by MEIL during the fiscal year 2022-23.

Project-wise impact is given below

Project 1: Financial Assistance to Shri Harihar Maharaj Charitable Trust for Project Disha Supporting National Programme for Control of Blindness and Visual impairment

MEIL Foundation provided financial support amounting to Rs.500 Lakhs to the Shri Harihar Maharaj Charitable Trust during FY 2022-23 to cover expenses related to the organization of various eye care camps aimed at assisting underprivileged individuals who are blind or visually impaired, as well as school children in rural areas of selected


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districts including Ahmedabad, Mehsana, Sabarkantha, Gandhinagar, and Surendranagar in the state of Gujarat. The KD Hospital operated by the KD Foundation under the auspices of the Shri Harihar Maharaj Charitable Trust is responsible for implementing this project. The KD Foundation conducted its inaugural mobile eye healthcare camp on June 30, 2022, at Linch, Mehsana, Gujarat, and celebrated the milestone of its 50th camp on April 22, 2024.

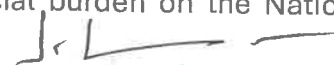
Effectiveness: KD Hospital successfully achieved its project objective by conducting 50 comprehensive eye checkup health camps in 50 distinct locations, reaching a population of around 16,000 across five selected districts in Gujarat state during 2022-23 and 2023-24. Out of 16000 people screened, 2,000 underwent surgeries for various eye conditions, including cataracts, glaucoma, and issues related to the retina and cornea. Furthermore, 6,000 individuals received free eyeglasses, leading to notable enhancements in their visual acuity.

Impact: Project Disha operates within the rural landscapes of Gujarat. By prioritizing the enhancement of accessibility, affordability, and efficiency in eye care services, this initiative has made significant strides in improving vision care for individuals suffering from visual impairments and blindness, with a particular emphasis on the elderly across five districts in the state. This project has effectively removed obstacles, bringing essential eye care services nearer to those who require them most. By addressing preventable blindness and the challenges posed by inadequate eye health, this initiative has advanced its mission towards achieving a healthier and more vibrant Gujarat. As more regions adopt similar community-focused initiatives, the country approaches a future where every individual, regardless of their location or economic circumstances, can benefit from clear vision and a promising tomorrow.

Project 2: Financial Assistance to Dr Aabaji Thatte Seva Aur Anusandhan Sanstha for cancer treatments

Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited extended its financial assistance of Rs. 1000 Lakhs to Dr. Aabaji Thatte Seva Aur Anusandhan Sansthan to support a range of cancer treatments provided at its National Cancer Institute. Throughout the fiscal year 2022-23, approximately 22,000 cancer patients availed themselves of these treatments for minimal charges.

Effectiveness: The initiative undertaken by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) during the fiscal year 2022-23 marked a significant milestone in cancer care, as it enabled all departments to administer a total of 1.80 lakh treatments to an impressive cohort of 22,000 cancer patients hailing from central India. A closer examination of the patient demographics reveals that a substantial 78% of these individuals were from the Vidarbha region of Maharashtra, while 20% came from Madhya Pradesh, and the remaining 2% were from Chhattisgarh and other surrounding areas. The scope of treatments provided was comprehensive, encompassing both outpatient and inpatient care, which played a crucial role in achieving notable recovery rates among the patients. This initiative not only improved patient outcomes but also alleviated the financial burden on the National


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Cancer Institute, Nagpur, allowing it to deliver extensive and effective care to these individuals without compromising on quality.

Impact: The financial support provided by MEIL to the National Cancer Institute has played a crucial role in ensuring the Institute's financial stability. This stability is vital for the Institute to maintain and expand its operations, allowing it to offer a comprehensive range of diagnostic and treatment services tailored to meet the diverse needs of a larger population of cancer patients. With this robust financial backing, the National Cancer Institute has been able to invest in advanced medical technologies, recruit highly skilled healthcare professionals, and enhance its facilities. As a result, patients now have access to state-of-the-art diagnostic tools, such as advanced imaging techniques and genetic testing, which facilitate early detection and more accurate diagnoses of various cancer types. Furthermore, the Institute has been able to broaden its treatment offerings, including cutting-edge therapies, personalized medicine, and innovative clinical trials, which provide patients with more options tailored to their specific conditions.

This initiative has significantly fostered confidence among patients regarding their access to essential diagnostic and treatment options, knowing that they can rely on a well-supported institution for their care alleviates some of the anxiety and uncertainty that often accompany a cancer diagnosis. As patients feel more secure in their treatment choices, they are more likely to seek timely medical attention, adhere to prescribed treatment plans, and engage in follow-up care.

The positive impact of this financial support extends beyond individual patient experience; it has also contributed to enhanced survival rates within the community. With improved access to timely and effective care, patients are more likely to receive early interventions that can lead to better health outcomes. The combination of advanced diagnostic capabilities and a wider array of treatment options has empowered healthcare providers to deliver more effective care, ultimately leading to increased survival rates and improved quality of life for cancer patients.

Project 3

i) Financial Assistance to Hare Krishna Movement for providing free mid-day meals to patients and their attendants at government Hospitals, Market Yards and Public Places in Telangana State

ii) Financial Assistance to Shilpi Caterers for providing special diet to children receiving treatments at MNJ Cancer Hospital

MEIL Foundation, the CSR arm of Megha Engineering & Infrastructures Ltd (MEIL) has extended its financial support of Rs. 161 Lakhs to the Hare Krishna Movement for the purpose of preparing and supplying free mid-day meals (Bhojana-Amritam) to government hospitals in Hyderabad, Siddipet, and Gajwel. This initiative also includes the provision of subsidized meals (Saddimoota and Anna Purna) at market yards, Rythu Bazars, and public spaces in Siddipet, Gajwel, and Vontimamidi throughout the FY 2022-23. Additionally, MEIL has allocated Rs. 34.62 Lakhs to Shilpi Caterers to prepare and supply special meals for pediatric cancer patients receiving treatment at the MNJ Children's Cancer Hospital in Hyderabad during the same FY 2022-23.

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Effectiveness: Through the efforts of the Hare Krishna Movement, MEIL successfully met its project objective by distributing 430,074 meals to patients and their companions, farmers, porters, and the public across various locations, including Hospitals, Rythu Bazars, market yards, and public areas in Hyderabad, Siddipet, Gajwel, and Vontimamidi. While patients and their companions received meals free of charge, farmers, porters, and the public paid a nominal fee of Rs .5 per meal. Additionally, MEIL achieved another goal by providing tailored diets for breakfast, lunch, and dinner to children receiving cancer treatment at the MNJ Children’s Cancer Hospital in Hyderabad, in partnership with Shilpi Caterers. The organization served a total of 31,755 breakfast meals, 31,405 lunch meals, and 31,390 dinner meals to these pediatric patients, effectively addressing their hunger and contributing to the improvement of their immune systems during treatment.

Impact: This project had a profound impact on underprivileged patients and their dependents by alleviating hunger and lessening the financial burden associated with acquiring food from outside sources or preparing meals while undergoing prolonged treatment in hospitals. In addition, it addressed the hunger of farmers who travelled to market yards or Rythu Bazars to sell their produce, as well as the needs of porters engaged in daily labor at these sites. The initiative also extended its support to homeless and disadvantaged individuals facing food insecurity. By reducing the necessity for external food purchases, the project significantly contributed to public savings. Furthermore, it enhanced the health and well-being of patients, their attendants, farmers, porters, and the broader community through the provision of nutritious meals.

Project 4: Construction of Girls’ Toilet Blocks at Government Degree College for Women, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Telangana state

Under its Corporate Social Responsibility, MEIL built 98 toilets and 7 urinals, along with 40 wash basins, across four floors totalling 7,200 square feet at Government Degree College for Women (A) in Begumpet, Hyderabad during the fiscal year 2022-23. Each floor is equipped with modern restroom facilities for both students and staff, including a dedicated toilet for those with physical disabilities on each floor. This initiative facilitated toilet facilities for a total of 4,178 female students, as well as 120 female and 30 male - faculty/staff members.

Effectiveness: MEIL achieved the project objective by providing sufficient toilet facilities for 4178 female students, 120 female and 30 male – faculty / staff members which included the physically challenged persons at Government Degree College in Begumpet, Hyderabad. As a result of this project, increased the accessibility of toilet facilities for female students and staff members, resulting in decrease in waiting time for them to access the toilet facilities. This project also encouraged better hand washing habits and better sanitation habits among college children.

Impact: This initiative successfully tackled the problem of college absenteeism among female students, who frequently missed classes during their menstrual cycles due to a lack of adequate toilet facilities. Prior to the implementation of this project, the college was equipped with only 30 toilets serving 4,000 female students, in addition to 120 female and 30 male -faculty / staff members. The limited number of toilets and the poor

conditions of the facilities adversely affected the health and academic performance of these female students. However, the initiative provided an adequate number of toilets equipped with improved hygienic facilities for female students and staff, resulting in a significant improvement in hygiene and sanitation practices among female students. This advancement enabled them to educate their families on the importance of maintaining well-kept toilets at home. Ultimately, the project transformed the perspectives of female college students, promoting the responsible use of appropriate toilet facilities in both their educational institutions and their homes.

Project 5: Financial Assistance to Media & Entertainment Skills Council for training of unemployed youth

Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited extended financial support amounting to Rs. 300 Lakhs to the Media & Entertainment Skills Council for the purpose of delivering skill development training in various fields, including Make-up artist, Hairdresser, Prosthetic artist, and Communication. This initiative has reached 478 young individuals, including 90 males and 388 females, within the state of Punjab, facilitated through the Institute for Skill Development and Youth Welfare Council of India, both situated in Amritsar, Punjab. The training program spanned a duration of six months. Training programme details are given below.

The program offered three specialized courses, each designed to impart technical and practical expertise, prepare participants for employment, and align with industry standards. The training modules included theoretical foundations, hands-on practice, and mentorship.

1. Makeup Artist (MES/Q1801)
2. Hairdresser (MES/Q1802)
3. Prosthetics Artist (MES/Q1803)

Effectiveness: The Media & Entertainment Skills Council has effectively trained 478 unemployed individuals from underprivileged communities in Amritsar, comprising 90 males and 388 females. This initiative has led to successful placements for 335 candidates in various hair and beauty salons, including Shree Hari & Beauty Salon, Alisha Makeovers, Sandeep Bridal Studio, Jawed Habib, Rupali Suri Makeovers, K2 Ayurveda Salon, Harmeet Makeup Studio, and Gurwinder Smart Makeup Salon, with salary packages ranging from Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 15,000. Additionally, these candidates are aspiring to establish careers in the Film, Television, Advertisement, and Fashion sectors.

Impact: This undertaking has transformed the lives of 335 families of trainees by providing them with guaranteed employment opportunities in various hair and beauty salon settings, where they took on roles such as make-up artists, hairdressers, and prosthetics artists. Many of these families are classified as living below the poverty line and belong to the OBC, SC, and ST socio-economic groups. The project has successfully broken-down socio-economic barriers, promoted social equity, and strengthened economic stability within these households. Additionally, it has contributed a skilled workforce to the media and entertainment industry. Furthermore, this initiative has created numerous opportunities for these individuals to secure positions in television,


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advertising, and fashion technology, fostering self- confidence, self-esteem, and a respectable place in society. This project has significantly empowered women both economically and socially in Punjab.

Project 6: Financial Assistance to Sunshine Old Age Home - A Division of Durgavathy Educational Trust, for the construction of old age home building

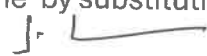
MEIL has provided the financial assistance of Rs. 3 Crores to Sunshine Old Age Home - A Division of Durgavathy Educational Trust, for construction of old age home building during the FY 2022-23 which can accommodate up to 300 elderly people.

Effectiveness: The Sunshine Old Age Home has successfully achieved its objective of establishing an old age home for 300 senior citizens, facilitated by funding from MEIL CSR. Currently, the facility houses 80 elderly individuals. This initiative provides not only vital residential and nutritional assistance but also encourages a range of recreational activities, healthcare services, visits to temples, yoga, meditation, access to a library, and other amenities. These offerings have significantly improved the quality of life for elderly residents.

Impact: This initiative has fostered a significant sense of assurance among elderly individuals concerning their future, especially as they approach the later phases of their lives. With this enhanced confidence, they are now able to enjoy a high standard of living that includes a variety of essential services and amenities. This provision encompasses not only nutritious meals that bolster their health but also comfortable housing that ensures a safe and inviting atmosphere. Furthermore, they have access to numerous recreational facilities that encourage social engagement and physical activity, as well as libraries that facilitate lifelong learning and participation. Places of worship are also accessible, enabling them to uphold their spiritual practices and community ties. Comprehensive healthcare services are available to address their medical needs, while additional amenities contribute to an overall improved quality of life and increased longevity. Within these senior living environments, residents experience a nurturing atmosphere filled with love, care, and respect, which is vital for their emotional health. Moreover, these elderly individuals are actively engaging in meaningful pursuits that not only enhance their physical health but also bolster their mental well-being. Participation in hobbies, social gatherings, and educational initiatives helps to keep their minds active and spirits elevated. This initiative also alleviates the financial strain on families by providing quality housing for their elderly relatives, allowing them to concentrate on their own lives without the pressures of care giving. Additionally, by creating a safe and supportive environment for seniors, the project minimizes the presence of older individuals in public areas during nighttime, thereby contributing to a more tranquil community atmosphere.

Project 7: Supply of 10 E-Buses to Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam (TTD) – Tirumala for promoting Environmental Sustainability

In 2022, the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) launched an initiative aimed at transforming the holy hills into a 'zero carbon emission zone' by substituting diesel buses


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with electric buses for the transportation of devotees. Prior to 2023, TTD utilized diesel buses to facilitate the movement of devotees to various locations on Tirumala, including the Vaikuntam Que Complex -1 and Vaikuntam Que Complex for Lord Venkateshwara Swamy Darshan, several historic temples, parks, cottages, shopping complexes, guest houses/rest rooms, locker points, Annadana Satrams, Kalyana Katta, the RTC Bus stand, the CRO enquiry office, among others. The operation of these diesel buses resulted in significant pollution and noise. Consequently, TTD introduced 10 electric buses on Tirumala, replacing the diesel models, which were provided by Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited through its MEIL foundation. These buses were manufactured by Olectra Greentech Limited, a subsidiary of Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited. The deployment of these electric buses guarantees a clean, quiet, and environmentally sustainable travel experience for devotees visiting Tirumala Venkateswara Swamy.

Effectiveness: MEIL has successfully accomplished its project objective by supplying a fleet of 10 electric buses to the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) in Tirumala. These advanced electric buses are specifically engineered to offer a sustainable and environmentally friendly mode of transportation for the numerous devotees who visit this holy site daily. Approximately 10,000 devotees utilize these buses to access various key locations, facilitating smooth transportation within Tirumala and allowing pilgrims to fully immerse themselves in their spiritual journey while visiting the esteemed Lord Venkateshwara Darshan. This initiative not only improves the travel experience for devotees but also plays a crucial role in significantly lowering the carbon emissions associated with conventional transportation methods in the region.

Impact: The deployment of 10 electric buses by MEIL has significantly accelerated the initiatives undertaken by the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) to decarbonize the sacred pilgrimage site of Tirupati. These electric buses have emerged as a vital component in the fight against air pollution, as they produce zero tailpipe emissions (greenhouse gas emissions), thereby improving the air quality in and around this revered location. In addition to reducing harmful emissions, the buses also minimize noise pollution, creating a more serene and peaceful environment for pilgrims and visitors alike. This initiative is a crucial step in combating climate change, aligning with global efforts to transition to cleaner modes of transportation. The overarching goal is to facilitate the transformation of Andhra Pradesh's 'Spiritual Capital' into an emission-free zone as swiftly as possible, ensuring that the natural beauty and sanctity of the area are preserved for future generations. Furthermore, the operation of these electric buses incurs no fuel costs, which not only enhances the overall efficiency of the transportation system but also allows for the reallocation of resources to other essential services within the TTD.

The evaluation of various CSR projects' details is given below

Project 1: Construction of Government School Buildings in Maheswaram Assembly Constituency

To strengthen the classroom teaching and learning environment, Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited initiated constructing school buildings at ZPH Schools located in

Badangpet and Maheshwaram and MPP School located in Lenin Nagar. The total cost of the project is Rs. 13.81 Crores. During the FY 2022-23, Rs. 46 Lakhs worth of work were finished.

Project 2: Financial support to the Engineering Staff College of India for diverse infrastructure facilities at the Centenary Convention Centre

Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited provided financial support amounting to Rs. 25 Lakhs to the Engineering Staff College of India on February 21, 2023, aimed at enhancing the infrastructure of its Centenary Convention Centre. The ESCI allocated these funds towards the development of various infrastructure facilities within the Centenary Convention Centre.

Project 3: Financial Assistance to Sri Saraswathi Vidya Peetham for its School Furniture

MEIL contributed Rs. 15 Lakhs in financial aid through its CSR initiatives to Sri Saraswathi Vidyapeetham during FY 2022-23, aimed at supporting the Sri Vidyanarya International School in Bandlaguda Jagir, Hyderabad. The funds were specifically allocated for the acquisition of classroom furniture, which includes dual desk benches and teachers' desks and chairs, for 25 classrooms. This contribution has ensured that 750 students have access to appropriate seating arrangements.

Project 4: Construction of Additional rooms on the first floor for Electrical and Electronics Engineering Courses at Department of Electrical in College of Engineering, Andhra University

Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited successfully constructed two classrooms, two laboratories, one seminar hall, and four faculty rooms, encompassing a total area of 9,157.23 square feet at Department of Electrical in College of Engineering, Andhra University during FY 2022-23. Furthermore, MEIL also added a staircase and a spacious corridor on the ground floor. The overall expenditure for this project amounted to Rs. 40.26 Lakhs. Prior to this development, the first floor housed only two existing classrooms, which have now been supplemented with these additional facilities.

Project 5: Construction of Nature Park at Panikoili in Jajpur District

Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited and MEIL Foundation extended its financial assistance of Rs. 10.5 Crores in FY 2022-23 and Rs. 4.5 Crores in FY 2023-24 to District Administration, Jajpur for construction of Nature Park at Panikoili in Jajpur District. The total cost of the project is Rs. 16.7 Crores and remaining Rs. 1.7 Crores is borne by District Administration of Jajpur, Odisha.

Project 6: Construction of Bharosa Centres in Telangana state

Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited earmarked Rs. 8 Crores for the construction of four Bharosa and SHE team centers in the specified districts of Mahabubnagar, Gadwal, Nizamabad, and Adilabad for the fiscal year 2022-23. During the same fiscal period, MEIL has accomplished projects amounting to Rs. 140 Lakhs. The Bharosa

centers in Mahabubnagar, Gadwal, and Nizamabad have been successfully completed, while a substantial portion of the work has been completed at the Bharosa center in Adilabad at the time of this reporting.

Each Bharosa Centre consists of two levels: the ground floor and the first floor. The ground floor is designated for the operation of the Bharosa Centre, while the first floor is allocated for the She Team Centres.

Project 7: Construction of Police Station at Kaleswaram in Jayashankar Bhupalpally District

In the fiscal year 2022-23, Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited constructed a permanent building for the Kaleshwaram Police Station along with staff quarters at the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project (KLIP) in Kaleshwaram, Jayashankar Bhupalpally, with a total expenditure of Rs. 72.14 Lakhs. This facility is intended to provide enhanced safety and security for KLIP assets and the public.

Project 8: Construction of Police Station and ACP Office at Balanagar, Hyderabad

During the fiscal year 2022-23, Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited undertook the construction of a police station and an Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP) building in Balanagar, located within the Balanagar Zone Police Commissionerate in Hyderabad, at a total expenditure of Rs. 56 Lakhs. The project made significant contributions to the effective policing operation of the police station and Balanagar Division Police Commissionerate activities.

Project 9: Supply of Vehicles to Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board (HMWS & SB)

Megha Engineering & Infrastructure Limited supplied six ISUZU D-Max vehicles to HMWS & SB during the Month of October 2022, which has significantly enhanced the efficiency of HMWS & SB in managing the regular operation, maintenance, and repair of drinking water pipelines and drainage manholes. As a result of this project, there was an improvement in the operational performance of HMWS & SB in inspecting water supply and drainage works. The Total cost of the project was Rs. 58.12 Lakhs.



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