# **Corporate Social Responsibility**

In keeping with Standard Chartered's groups 'Here for good' brand identity, Standard Chartered Capital Limited ('company') encourages employees to help their local communities develop by contributing their knowledge, skills and talents.

At Standard Chartered Capital Limited our Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives focus on improving the quality of life of underprivileged communities. Keeping up with the Sustainability Development Goals, our interventions focus on uplifting livelihood, Educational, Environment and Health care aspects that are indigenous to the people and communities.

#### Programmes Undertaken

#### Year 2024-25: Project Nanhi Kali in association with K.C. Mahindra Education Trust and Naandi Foundation

Aligned with National Education Policy 2020, Project Nanhi has curated a flexible framework and lesson plan with the National Education including Personal Effectiveness and Leadership, Communication, Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Collaboration and Teamwork, Digital Literacy, Financial Literacy, Environmental and Social Responsibility, Life Skills, Career Planning and Development to meet the specific needs of their students in the following areas:

- i. Academic support
- ii. Holistic development through physical education
- iii. Nanhi Kali Kit
- iv. Creating an overall Girl friendly ecosystem.

Outreach for FY 24-25 based on CSR spending undertaken by Standard Chartered Capital Limited was as follows:

Location	Amritsar	Bharuch	Mumbai	Nashik	Navi Mumbai	Palghar	Pune	Total
No. of Nanhi Kalis	650	300	674	300	1,527	884	931	5266

Project Nanhi Kali was started in 1996 with the objective of providing quality education to underprivileged girls in India. Jointly managed by K.C. Mahindra Education Trust and Naandi Foundation, the project has transformed the lives of over 5,50,000 (as on May, 2023) girls across 15 states. The project currently supports over 1,86,000 girls through more than 7,000 Academic Support Centres, in over 4,000 government schools across 10 states.

Outreach for FY 23-24 based on CSR spending undertaken by Standard Chartered Capital Limited was as follows:

Location	Amritsar	Mumbai	Navi Mumbai	Pune	Palghar	Total
No. of Nanhi Kalis	1000	572	784	301	784	5098

## Year 2022-23: Project Nanhi Kali in association with K.C. Mahindra Education Trust and Naandi Foundation.

Started in 1996 by Anand Mahindra, Project Nanhi Kali supports the education of underprivileged girls enrolled in government schools across India. Designed to support economically and socially disadvantaged girls to complete schooling, the project has transformed the lives of more than 500,000 (as on November, 2022) girls called Nanhi Kalis in 14 states of India over the past 2 decades. Project Nanhi Kali is jointly managed by 2 reputed NGOs, K.C. Mahindra Education Trust and Naandi Foundation.

Outreach for FY 22-23 based on CSR spending undertaken by Standard Chartered Capital Limited is as follows:

Location	Amritsar	Mumbai	Kolhapur	Pune	Palghar	Ratlam	Total
No. of Nanhi Kalis	1000	511	1000	101	800	200	3612

## Year 2021-22: Project Support Covid -19 treatment facility by providing Oxygen support.

COVID-19 has emerged as global pandemic affecting almost the entire world. This had tested public health preparedness even in developed countries who were struggling to deal with the situation. In India, there have been more than 33,531,498 cases of COVID-19 reported in the second wave with death toll mounting to 445,801 and more. The multiple waves of COVID-19 had created fear, anxiety, intense suffering as we saw extreme shortage of resources such as oxygen, beds, ventilators, essential medicines which were used to cure COVID and made us realize how bad this can turn out to be for the poorest, for those who will lose their livelihood or those who wouldn't know what to do to save themselves when the virus has reached someone close to them. It has been observed that this wave not only put additional strain on the already challenged healthcare system but also prioritized the need for a better and effective

healthcare set up and required more dedicated team of doctors, nurses, para medical staff and other front-line workers. Covid -19 is a respiratory disease and it has been attacking people and causing breathing problems.

Huge shortage of oxygen in India was seen during the second wave witnessed in hospitals in India because of the heavy patient load. Due to more waiting time in oxygen refilling centre, the scope for oxygen generation plant had increased, to provide timely and continuous treatment to patients affected by Coronavirus. As the pandemic progresses and there are predictions of a possible third wave, setting up oxygen generation plants will strengthen the hospitals and the public health systems to deal with the pandemic in a consolidated manner. To ensure timely medical aid to all Covid patients amid daily record tally of new cases, various government bodies had equipped covid treatment facilities and organised makeshift facilities, however oxygen supply was a challenge across the country. While the infrastructure is ready, implementing the program with quality care is now on high priority.

In view of the above SC Capital has joined hands with 'Doctors for you' a NGO who has expertise in oxygen plants, to install plants at three locations viz Government Hospital Bagaha, Paschim Champaran, Bihar, CHC Bodhgaya, Gaya, Bihar and Rural Hospital Dhad, Buldana District, Maharashtra. The total oxygen production capacity of these plants is around 860 Litre per Minute (LPM).

#### Expected Impact of interventions are:

- 1. Improved health infrastructure in rural and tribal regions.
- 2. Improved accessibility to quality health services where oxygen support is required to the rural and tribal population.
- 3. Improved Covid Care services where patients in need of Oxygen support can be admitted and treated.
- 4. Reduced vulnerabilities due to lack of access of health facility with Oxygen support system.

## Year 2020-21: Project Nanhi Kali in association with K.C. Mahindra Education Trust and Naandi Foundation.

Project Nanhi Kali is one of India's largest programmes that enables underprivileged girls to complete 10 years of schooling. The project provides daily academic support as well as an annual school supplies kit, which allow the girls to attend school with dignity.

Location	I	П	ш	IV	v	VI	VII	VIII	IX	Grand Total
AMRITSAR	122	102	156	120		180	169	151		1000
PALGHAR			169	170	161	40		120	140	800
KOLHAPUR	0	159	165	176		100	325	75		1000
Grand Total	122	261	321	296		280	494	226		2800

Nanhi Kali's supported by SC Capital under the programme is as follows:

**Digital solutions:** Due to the pandemic, in FY2020-21, the interventions, which hitherto were carried out in schools, were implemented through digital platforms. Digital tablets were made available along with routers, headphones, SD cards; Mindspark license fee.

# Year 2019-20: Project WeSURE Program – Water for Enabling SUstainable Reforms.

Water remains a key resource imperative for socio-economic development, healthy ecosystems and for human survival itself. Standard Chartered under its WASHE programme, has partnered with CII-Triveni Water Institute and CII Foundation, to support activities towards improved water scenario in the drought prone villages in districts of Maharashtra.

Basis the WATSCAN tool of CII, 4 drought prone villages in Aurangabad- Paithan Kheda, Kesapuri, Pangara, Shivnai, in Paithan Taluk, Aurangabad district to help them moving from drought prone to drought proof. The focus was provided on:

- Adoption of diversified agricultural practices, alternate crops, alternate techniques etc. and skilling / up skilling for the same that can positively impact the target beneficiaries.
- Promoting diversified livelihood options that are low on risk, less water intensive, with potential to scale up farmer incomes. This included sericulture promotion along with uptake of evaporation control measures like Shade-net farming and micro irrigation techniques.

# Benefits to farmers:

- > Sericulture resulted into additional source of revenue
- Reduction in water demand
- Social Benefits: Sericulture can clearly provide remunerative 'employment' for family members and economic benefits to farming households.