



Enabling humane and dignified living conditions,  
for the rural and urban poor, through design.

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**SPOTLIGHT**

**Project Suitcase - Manchenahalli**



We are happy to announce that we inaugurated five houses at Manchenahalli in June!

The community decorated their houses with flowers and balloons, they invited their pastor to perform prayers and sang and clapped as they entered their new homes!

The Local gram panchayat officials, PHC doctors, nurses and local well-wishers who supported the community were all present to celebrate the occasion!

Our thanks to all the individuals who are supporting this project!

### **Webinars under our construction labour communities (CLC) project category**

We had interactive sessions with Indian Housing Federation (IHF), Women in Real Estate (WIRE) and Real estate consultants, Jones Lang LaSalle Incorporated (JLL), on the need for creating more champions for bettering living conditions for construction workers.

## IN THE NEWS

### SELCO - NIVASA Partnership



We are glad and excited to partner with SELCO foundation to jointly implement Model Energy Efficient and Sustainable anganwadis in Chikkaballapur District, Karnataka. The models will also focus on enabling ecosystem factors to scale the anganwadis focusing on institutionalizing climate responsive and energy driven templated designs, specifications and protocols at governance level and capacity building to train local micro contractors, masons and other tradespersons.

Design and building of model anganwadis showcasing child and women friendly, thermally comfortable, learning-conducive educational spaces with safe kitchens will help us in lobbying with the government in taking forward the design and /or alternative cost effective construction technologies, for the other anganwadis built directly by the local panchayats in other taluks in Chikkaballapur district.

We will be approaching the scale out strategy together with SELCO in three

phases:

**Phase 1** will analyze the local climate, vernacular, material availability in Sidlaghatta and Chikkaballapur Taluks. Using this, two designs will be developed for anganwadis, in partnership with the Zilla panchayath & local panchayats, and complying with the design requirements put forth by the Ministry of Women and Child development (MWCD). The designs will cater to children's psychological, physical, social, emotional, cognitive developmental needs.

**Phase 2** is to create comprehensive design modules for rural, peri-urban and urban Chikkaballapur and implement a few typological models for scale.

**Phase 3** of the goal would be to study the rest of the districts of Karnataka, and create comprehensive district-wise design modules for the Karnataka state, with the learnings from the above two phases, and by coordinating with respective local health or mother and child care departments, NGOs or PPP partners where relevant and developing guidelines and specifications for the inclusion of renewable energy and sustainability in chosen solutions.

**Phase 01 has just started!**





**We are looking forward to a long and fruitful partnership with  
Selco Foundation!**

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