



## **Havells India Provides Tables & Benches to Govt. Schools in Alwar District** *So far over 2500 children have been benefitted*

**Alwar, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2019:** With an aim to strengthen the infrastructure in government schools in Alwar district, Havells India, under its CSR initiative “STEPS- Chote Kadam Badi Soch”, today provided 300 sets of tables and benches to 5 government schools in Alwar & 3 in Neemrana. In addition, the company in last few months has provided over 560 sets to various government schools in the district thus benefitting over 2500 children so far.

Hon’ble DM, Shri Inderjeet Singh and Shri Anil Sharma, Head- Corporate Communications, CSR & Sustainability, Havells India handed over tables and benches to children along with principals from beneficiary schools. Mr. O.P. Tiwari, Plant Head at Havells Alwar Plant, Mr. Niranjn Singhvi, Plant Head at Havells Neemrana Plant, Mr. Rohitash Kajala, HR Head at Havells Alwar Plant, Mr. Vijay Pal Singh, HR Head at Havells Neemrana Plant, Ms. Sharvani Sharma, Lead-CSR, Havells India, Retd. Col. Ramavtar Nirban Singh, Incharge-Mid-day Meal and senior government officials graced the occasion.

Beneficiary schools include:

### **Alwar**

1. Sr Secondary School, Khanpur
2. Sr Secondary School, Goondpur
3. Upper Primary School, Sayyad Colony
4. Sr Secondary School, Diwakri
5. Upper Primary School, Khundanpuri

### **Neemrana**

1. Sr Secondary School, Majhra, Bheror
2. Sr Secondary School, Bhoongadha, Aheer
3. Sr Secondary Sanskrit School, Majhree, Bheror

**Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Anil Sharma, Head- Corporate Communications, CSR & Sustainability, Havells India Limited said,** “We started our first ever CSR program in 2005 in Alwar and since then we have been working tirelessly for the welfare of children in the district. We started with mid-day meal and today are also building bio-toilets, financially supporting schools for the upkeep of bio-toilets, organizing sensitization workshops for children and providing re-usable sanitary pads to girls. We are now serving 60,000 children daily across 693 schools and have built over 3500 bio-toilets in 417 schools in the district.”

He further added, “Furniture plays an extremely important part in the physical, moral and mental welfare of the students. However, many school children are deprived of this basic need. After providing mid-day meal, sanitation and other facilities to children, we are now focusing on

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providing tables and benches so that learning could be fun, and children enjoy coming to school. We hope our small and sustained steps would make a big difference in their lives”.

With the motto of Sustainable CSR, Havells India has employed carpenters at Alwar and Neemrana units who are continuously building durable tables and benches from the leftover wood at its plants. A similar program is also running at its Haridwar plant in Uttarakhand.

Havells India is delivering all its CSR initiatives under STEPS- Chote Kadam Badi Soch. The company is working on eight pillars, namely- education, sanitation, health & nutrition, skill development, humanitarian causes, environment, heritage conservation and healthcare. The company started with mid-day meal, its flagship CSR program in the year 2005 and has since then served over 90 million meals.

### **STEPS- Chote Kadam Badi Soch (CSR initiatives of Havells India)**

A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a small step. At Havells, we believe that the smallest of efforts can make a huge difference. As an organisation we are committed to continuously improve our social responsibilities to make a meaningful impact in the lives of others. In our endeavour to be more socially responsible towards the people around us, we have realised that the only way forward for us as a nation is by giving back to the land that has given us all that we have. With our will, grit and courage, we hope to lay the foundation of a better tomorrow by the small steps that we take today.

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