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1. STATEMENT OF CONTINUED SUPPORT:

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To our stakeholders:

On behalf of the Centre for Community Economics and Development and Consultants Society, India, I am pleased to reaffirm our support for the United Nations Global Compact and its Principles in the areas of human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption.

In this Communication of Engagement, we describe the actions that our organization has taken to support the UN Global Compact and its Principles as suggested for an organization like ours. We also commit to sharing this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

Sincerely yours,

Sharad Joshi
Secretary/CEO



2. DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES:

Partnerships on Corporate Social Responsibility Principle:

CECOEDECON has undertaken several partnership initiatives with the Private Sector, with corporate sector agencies on different partnership models. A few of these initiatives are mentioned below:

CECOEDECON and SUZLON: CECOEDECON has been implementing a CSR program in collaboration with “Suzlon” Foundation” in Jaisalmer District. Currently we are working in 57 villages and major interventions are focused on Village Development Committee (VDC) formation and strengthening, soil and water conservation, animal health care, infrastructure development, promotion of livelihoods for women and livelihood generation (both farm and off-farm).



CECOEDECON and OSTRO: The organization is working in partnership with Ostro Renewables Private Limited and Hindustan Latex Family Planning Promotion Trust in a tripartite agreement to empower the local communities in the area by working on their basic education and on community health issues. The focus is also on building their collective voices by organizing them into village level groups who are better equipped to identify understand and address their development needs and can become self sustained. The partnership is also working on improving the labor accommodations with emphasis on water and sanitation requirements.

CECOEDECON and K.K. Birla Memorial Society: CECOEDECON is working in partnership with KKBMS on community livelihood and sanitation related areas.

The efforts through the project in last two years got positive results in these six villages, participation of community in CSR initiatives have increased during the period, community come forward to take part in these initiatives. Awareness among various schemes have build about different social security schemes such as old age pension, alanhar scheme, widow pension, Pradhan Mantri Bima Yojana, Jeevan Jyoti Beema Yojana and other schemes. During the year 2015-16, out of 72 identified eligible old age persons 52 people linked with schemes and 20 cases are in processes, similarly 11 cases have identified for widow pension schemes that have been linked with widow pension scheme, all 5 identified children have linked with palanhar schemes. There are problem of use of fire wood in project villages, a total 51 new families have connected with LPG connection, and such effort will be continue in coming year.

Agriculture and animal husbandry are main sources of livelihood in area, training on sustainable agriculture and livelihood management have proved beneficial in improving agriculture and livestock based livelihood opportunities in these villages, a total 10 trainings on sustainable agriculture and 4 trainings on livestock management have organized, a total 444 farmers have benefited through these trainings. Farmers have come forward for improved agriculture practices, soil testing, crop demonstration on mustard and wheat and fruit plants will be beneficial in improving agriculture based livelihood of farmers. Crop diversification and input management is further need of area and will be focused in coming project period. Awareness on prevention of diseases in cattle will be achieved through awareness on vaccination activities, .

Farmers learning centre will be established in project villages to strengthen such efforts, the learning centre will be worked as information centre in project villages.

Social and economical empowerment of women have enhanced through organizing them in small groups, a total 23 SHG have been formed in project villages which have a total saving of 850000. The strategy to link these women with income generation activities will be area of intervention through CSR initiatives, selected SHG members will be supported for income generation activities such as goat rearing, initiation of small shop, dairy development etc. There are positive result of adolescent girls meetings and life skill training for adolescent girls such efforts will be continue in the year

A lot of experience has gained in managing need of larger community such as facility of drinking water, sanitation etc. and are helpful in achieving positive results such interventions will be further explored and will be done through government programmes and/ or CSR initiatives of CFCL.in case of occurrence of disaster, it may influences overall well being of person, training on dis-aster preparedness to selected youth will be new initiative in this year.



During the implementation of Swacch Bharat Mission project CECOEDECON has supported in construction of 130 toilets in the year 2014-15, also supported in construction of 137 toilets in year 2015 -16 in project area such efforts in area of sanitation will be continue in this year.

At presently, the organization is working in total 6 villages. During the period, the organization has build a positive rapport among the community in these six villages, effective linkages have developed with local women, youth and Panchyat Raj Institution leaders for development of village community in these 6 villages. These efforts requires further support for fruitful impact of ongoing and proposed new intervention in project area, so in the continuation of the project, CECOEDECON is proposing to implement project in existing 6 villages and two more villages Ruggi & Cheesa.