



GOAL 17 : PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

ANDHRA PRADESH

As per Andhra Pradesh's SDG Vision Document "ACHIEVING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS 2030", detailing the state's strategy to achieve benchmarks for SDG 17 - PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS, the state has focused on the following major policies and strategies-

- Enactment of Internet of Things (IoT) Policy 2016-2020 (first of its kind in SAARC countries)
- Enactment of Innovation and Start-Up Policy 2014-2020
- Signing an MoU with the National Foundation for India (NFI) for developing strategies for SDG concern areas through national seminars and designing comics on SDGs for school children.
- Creating an ecosystem to strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global and multi stakeholder partnership for sustainable development
- Forging partnerships with reputed national and international organisations to avail their support in benchmarking, strategies, evaluation etc. In 2017-18, AP collaborated with Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) and World Economic Forum (WEF) on the estimation of Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) and Global Competitiveness Index, respectively
- Agreement with UNICEF and Asian Competitiveness Institute (ACI) of Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, Singapore on independent third party audit of the data collection and reporting system of the government. These partnerships will improve the Real-time Outcome Monitoring System (ROMS) of the state and equip the policymakers with better quality data

- Setting of robust monitoring and accountability system
- Creating an ecosystem for increasing exports
- Promotion of “Learn Globally and Act Locality”
- Support for statistical Strengthening

TELANGANA

As per Telangana’s SDG Implementation Document 2018, the state’s strategy to achieve benchmarks for SDG 17 - PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS, the state has focused on TS-iPASS, T-PRIDE, T-Hubs, and T-IDEA and setting up Industrial Health Clinics.

HARYANA

1. JOINING HANDS TO SKILL THE YOUTH -

The Department of Technical Education has mobilized the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds of corporate houses to bridge the gap between industry needs and available talent.

This endeavor aims to establish centers of excellence to impart training on the latest technologies in active vocation on campus at various educational institutes to benefit students, and to provide free soft-skills training to improve communication, grooming and business etiquette, and interpersonal skills and make them interview-ready. The training programs are to be held at various polytechnics/ engineering institutes across Haryana to help students develop confidence for interviews, overcome hesitation in speaking English, and foster awareness of social issues.

- The first step was to identify corporate partners interested in setting up centers of excellence in technical education institutions in the state and signing agreements with them.
- The next step was setting up the physical infrastructure and commissioning equipment. This involved training faculty members and staff on simulators and other advanced technologies. The hands-on student

the training was provided in three steps - classroom/computer training, simulator training, and hands-on practice.

The scheme has improved the quality of trainers and training. Overall, the program has delivered on its most important parameter of employability and placement metrics by making students industry-ready and more productive.

NORTH-EAST

2. UNDP-Airports Authority of India Resilience Building Project

— Assam

UNDP, in partnership with the Airports Authority of India, is implementing the Resilience Building Project of communities in 15 villages across 3-gram panchayats around Guwahati Airport, in Rani Development Block, a rural tribal belt. The project focuses on building sustainable and resilient communities with a special focus on women and children with equal access to health services, quality education, clean energy, and community infrastructures. The project nourishes the practice of building sustainable communities with partnerships among district and local administration, health experts, social welfare, academic institutions, research centres, technical experts, local vendors and the community.

Some accomplishments include:

- Puhor Project - distributed solar lanterns to 1200 households across the project area, out of which 700 have been to households with zero and erratic electrification.
- Digital Jupuri - provided 35 computer systems to 6 high schools with 6 computer trainers. Students from these high schools underwent a computer practical examination in 2019 with a focus on 3-D painting, power-point presentations, and preparing biodata. UNDP is constructing 3 computer laboratories called 'Digital Jupuri' tied with 3 schools, with previously unemployed educated local youth as trainers.
- Crusaders - the program imparts Life Skills Based Education (LSBE) to students and teachers from selected high schools in Sports for Gender Equality, Sanitation & Hygiene, Personality Development and Character Building, Effective Communication, Confidence Building, and Time Management, with a Model Classroom in each school. 16 dilapidated toilets in 6 selected high schools were repaired and upgraded under the project,

directly impacting the health, hygiene and dropout rates of girl students. The upgradation of school toilets has been accompanied by life skills sessions on proper usage of toilets, handwashing techniques and other hygiene practices.

- Resilient Childhood - adopting and upgrading 15 Anganwadi centres in the project area with strong and sustainable infrastructure, adequate and efficient teaching-learning materials, safe drinking water facility, sanitation facility, play materials and mobile mini-parks.

3. UNDP-EXIM Bank Partnership for MSMEs - (CLOSELY TIES IN WITH **SDG 8) -**

The UNDP-EXIM Bank project "Capacity Building of the MSMEs in the North East for Export Competitiveness" focuses on the fair, sustained and inclusive economic growth of the target beneficiaries, which includes men, women and youth. The project has undertaken key interventions to enhance technical as well as management proficiency of the entrepreneurs such as exposure visits, creating market linkages, skill enhancement and managerial training. The UNDP-EXIM Bank Network of social entrepreneurs has more than 100 enterprises and acts as a knowledge-sharing/ mentorship platform to improve the reach, quality, and sustainability of the MSMEs in the region.