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The degree of unselfishness marks the degree of Success everywhere.

- Swami Vivekananda

CSR CAPSULE

OIL SIGNS MOU WITH CSRL WITH CENTRE FOR ITS CSR PROJECT 'OIL SUPER 30'

Oil India Limited signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Centre for Social Responsibility & Leadership (CSRL), a New Delhi based NGO, for renewal of contract for OIL's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Project – OIL Super 30 for two academic sessions-2017-18 & 2018-19, for the existing OIL SUPER 30 centres at GUWAHATI, JORHAT & DIBRUGARH in Assam, JODHPUR in Rajasthan and ITANAGAR in Arunachal Pradesh, and for opening a new centre at Nagaon, Assam.

OIL Super 30 is an impactful ongoing educational Project under CSR of Oil India Limited on providing free 11 (eleven) month IIT/Engineering residential coaching for students of BPL (Below Poverty Line) or economically disadvantaged families from Assam, Arunachal Pradesh & Rajasthan. The results & success, since the launch of the OIL Super 30 Project from 2010-11, of the OIL Super 30 centres namely, Guwahati, Jorhat, Dibrugarh, Jodhpur and Itanagar, reveal that, out of 647 students enrolled in all the centres taken together, 596 have secured admission in some of the premier IITs/NITs/Engineering colleges as well as Medical colleges & Universities of the country with overall success of 92%.

The MoU was signed in presence of the Chairman and Managing Director, OIL along with the Members on the Board of OIL and senior representatives from CSRL. A Coffee table book documenting the growth story of OIL Super 30 was also released during the event.



NEW OIL SUPER 30 CENTRE INAUGURATED AT NOWGAON

The sixth OIL Super 30 centre was inaugurated on 8th September at Nowgaon. The Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways, Shri Rajen Gohain , who was the Chief Guest, inaugurated the centre in a solemn and dignified function at Nowgaon. The centre is situated on the outskirts of Nowgaon, on the old AT Road, at Bhotaigaon, near Jorhat bypass.



The Super 30 centres are managed by Centre for Social Responsibility and Learning (CSRL), a renowned NGO which manages around 12 Super 30 centres, funded totally by Corporates, across the country. Executive Director CSRL, Shri S.K. Shahi delivered the Welcome Address and spoke about the various facets of the Super 30 centres funded by OIL. Chief Manager (L&C) Pipeline Department Shri Jayanta Barua spoke about the various CSR initiatives of OIL, especially for the needy and the student community. He exhorted the students to devote sincerely their eleven months stay at the Centre so that they can reap full benefits of the programme and pave the path for a glorious future. Sr Manager (PR&C) Shri Tridib Duvarah congratulated the citizens of Nowgaon for establishing this Centre and lauded the initiative of the Hon'ble Minister in this regard. He also elaborated on the super success story of the Super 30 Centres.

Chief Guest Shri Rajen Gohain thanked OIL Management for setting up this Centre and hoped that the economically backward but brilliant students who are selected here take full advantage of this specialised coaching. He requested CSRL to set up Super 30 centres for Medical stream and spoke about his efforts to set up specialised coaching centres for Railway recruitments across the state.



PIPELINE DEPARTMENT ORGANISES MEDICAL CAMP FOR FLOOD AFFECTED VICTIMS IN MAYONG AREA

Floods in Assam are a perennial sad story bringing sadness and destruction to all affected people and destroying their means of livelihood. This year's floods were of much unprecedented nature in the sense that other than the usually affected areas, new regions were inundated such as the Nowgaon-Koliabor Belt and the Morigaon –Mayong area.

Like in the previous years, Pipeliners did not remain a silent spectator and offered lip-service in the form of monetary assistance. They volunteered to donate materials to needy people and also desired to provide effective service to the victims in the form of a Medical Camp. After an extensive survey the Mayong area was selected to organise a Medical Camp. Downtown Hospital of Guwahati very generously offered the services of three Doctors, three nurses and two HR staff. Oilindian Dr Angshuman Choudhury led the team and the recognised Union led by its President Shri Jadav Kalita along with four of his dedicated collagues volunteered to offer their services in the conduct of the Camp. Around 166 patients comprising of the local populace were checked up and were offered free medicines. The local villages led by their village headman and the Headmaster of the local school expressed their sincere gratitude to OIL.



POST TRAINING ASSISTANCE TO BENEFICIERS UNDER HTPC

As a part of the ongoing CSR Project under Oil India Rural Development Society (OIRDS), trainees of Handicraft Training & Production Centre (HTPC) were provided with post training assistance at a ceremonious event held at HTPC complex, Duliajan on 15th September, 2017. Post training assistance like sewing machine, fly shuttle handloom sets and weaving & embroidery accessories along with certificate were handed over to successfully passed out trainees for the year 2016 to encourage them for selfemployment.

Shri B P Sarma, Resident Chief Executive, OIL graced the function as Chief Guest while Shri M C Nihalani, CGM (R&D) and President OIRDS, Shri Pranjit Deka, ED (HR&A) and Advisor (OIRDS), Shri D K Bhuyan, GM (PA) & Vice President (OIRDS), Shri Nripen Kumar Sarma, DGM (FE) & Secretary (OIRDS) and other senior officials of OIL were present on the occasion.



IN FOCUS

Project OIL URJA: A Clean Energy Initiative by OIL

Launched in FY 2016-17, the project is a community-cluster based sustainable rural livelihood promotion initiative, which aims at imparting skill development and up-gradation training to the targeted beneficiaries on beekeeping and honey processing, mustard, buckwheat and local pulse processing as well as providing

handholding support to them for generation of alternate source of income and formation of self-sustaining livelihood clusters.

OIL Jeevika is currently implemented by Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE), Guwahati in OIL's operational villages of Arunachal Pradesh, benefitting 400 households.



ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN

Skill training programme on bee keeping and honey processing

- Skill development training program is undertaken in three different training centers at Diyun Circle, Arunachal Pradesh.
- Training to the beneficiaries for honey bee rearing for enhancement of bee hives is under progress.

Rational for training on low cost bamboo bee box manufacturing

- For sustainable production of honey, one bee box is not sufficient.
- For enhancement of bees, training is imparted to make new bee boxes from bamboo.
- Bamboo is easily available in the project areas of Diyun.
- Bamboo bee boxes are less expensive in comparison with wooden bee boxes.
- Most of the beneficiaries can't afford wooden bee boxes due to high cost.

Self Help group formation

- Awareness meetings were conducted in all beneficiary villages for formation of Self Help groups.
- Selection of President, Secretary and Treasurer are going on.
- After selection, all SHGs will be registered at Block Development Office, Diyun.



GUIDING COMMANDMENTS

Companies' Act 2013

The excerpt has been taken from FAQs released by Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India with regard to CSR under Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013

	20.	Can CSR funds be utilized to fund Government Scheme?
General Circular No. 0//2016 No. 05/19/2015- CSR Government of India Ministry of Corporate Affairs 5 th Floor, 'A' Wing, Shastri Bhawan, Dr. R. P. Marg New Delhi - 110 001 Dated: 12 th January, 2016		The objective of this provision is indeed to involve the corporates in discharging their social responsibility with their innovative ideas and management skills and with greater efficiency and better outcomes. Therefore, CSR should not be interpreted as a source of financing the resource gaps in Government Scheme. Use of corporate innovations and management skills in the delivery of 'public goods' is at the core of CSR implementation by the companies. In-principle, CSR fund of companies should not be used as a source of funding Government Schemes. CSR projects should have a larger multiplier effect than that under the Government schemes.
To, All Regional Director, All Registrar of Companies, All Stakeholders Subject: - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) with regard to Corporate Social Responsibility under section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013.		However, under CSR provision of the Act and rules made thereunder, the Board of the eligible company is competent to take decision on supplementing any Government Scheme provided the scheme permits corporates participation and all provisions of Section 135 of the Act and rules thereunder are compiled by the company.
	21.	Who is the appropriate authority for approving and implementation of the CSR programmes /projects of a Company? What is Government's role in this regard?
Sir, Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013, Schedule VII of the Act and Companies CSR Policy Rules, 2014 read with General Circular dated 18.06.2014 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, provide the broad contour within which eligible Companies are required to formulate their CSR policies including activities to be undertaken and implement the same in the right earnest. While complying with the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) provisions of the Act, Board of the eligible companies are empowered to appraise and approve their CSR policy		Government has no role to play in this regard. Section 135 of the Act, Schedule VII and Companies CSR Policy Rules, 2014 read with General Circular dated 18.06.2014 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, provide the broad contour within which eligible companies are required to formulate their CSR policies including activities to be undertaken and implement the same in the right earnest. Therefore, all CSR programmes / projects should be approved by the Boards on the recommendations of their CSR Committees. Changes, if any, in the programme / project should also be undertaken only with the approval of the Committee / Board.
including CSR projects or programmes or activities to be undertaken. In this connection, Ministry has been receiving several queries and references seeking further clarifications on various issues	22.	How can companies with small CSR funds take up CSR activities in a project / programme mode?
relating to CSR provision of the Act. 2. In continuation to this Ministry's General Circular dated 18 th June, 2014 and 17 th		A well designed CSR project or programme can be managed with even small fund. Further, there is a provision in the CSR Policy Rules, 2014 that such companies can combine their CSR programs with other similar companies by way of pooling their CSR resources. (refer rule 4 in Companies (CSR Policy) Rules, 2014).
September, 2014, a set of FAQs along with response of the Ministry is provided for facilitating effective implementation of CSR :	23.	 Whether involvement of employees of the company in CSR project / programmes of a company can be monetized and accounted for under the head of 'CSR expenditure'? Contribution and involvement of employees in CSR activities of the company will no doubt generate interest / pride in CSR work and promote transformation from Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) as an obligation. to Socially Responsible Corporate (SRC) in all aspects of their functioning. Companies therefore, should be encouraged to involve their employees in CSR activities. However monetization of

pro bono services of employees would not be counted towards CSR expenditure.

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CSR brain Bite

Who is the appropriate authority for approving and <u>implementation of CSR Budg</u>et of a Company?

- 1. Board
- 2. CSR Committee
- 3. Government
- 4. Board on recommendation of CSR Committee

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Send your answers to jayant_bormudoi@ oilindia.in by 20th November, 2017

Also mention your Name, Deptt. and Phone number

For any feedback, queries or suggestion please feel free to email us at jayant_bormudoi@oilindia.in

Attractive prizes are in store. Name of the winners will be published in next issue of the e-bulletin.

CONTESTS

Brain Bite Winners

- 1st. Pranab Jyoti Das, Exploration Basin., Duliajan
- 2nd. Sandeep Chakraborty, Materials Deptt. Duliajan
- 3rd. Shiv Kumar Gupta, LPG Deptt., Duliajan

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Abhishek Rajkhowa, OIL Security

Caption- " The Sound health of our mother & children is the strong pillar of our rising nation"



Winners are requested to contact PA Department for their prizes.

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