



Half the world will soon live in water-stressed areas¹

WELLS FOR WELLNESS



Lack of safe drinking water is a major concern for many who call India home. Absent an alternative, residents quench their thirst with water tainted by contaminants and

waterborne diseases. Stomach pains, diarrhea, and other unpleasant symptoms often follow.

Providing solutions through service, LCIF and Lions partnered with Coal India Limited and Tata Project Limited to establish 28

water filtration systems in West Bengal and Jharkhand. Integral to the monumental undertaking was a US\$140,000 grant from Coal India Limited.

According to Past International Director Bishu Bajoria, strategic placement of the filtration systems is significant. "We installed a water system in a school because the more than 1,300 students belong to nearby villages where there is no access to safe drinking water. The students enjoy the water at school and then fill their bottles and take water to their homes. Everyone feels the benefits."

Thanks to Lions, LCIF, and dedicated partners, residents have access to more than 35 million litres of clean water annually. Said Bajoria, "We thank LCIF and our partners for good water and good health."

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Environment





A Precondition for Existence

Vital to good health, socioeconomic progress, and community welfare, water – the lifeline many worldwide take for granted – poses challenges in this part of the world. The toll is palpable.

1 billion people+

in South Asia depend on agriculture-related livelihoods
Most are poor and vulnerable to water impacts²

~25%

of Indonesians below age 5 suffer from diarrhea
the leading cause of child mortality there⁴

~80%

of India's surface water is polluted
Groundwater reserves are also contaminated³

More than 50%

of Bangladesh's population lacks improved sanitation
85 million⁵



THAT'S HERE. GLOBALLY, IMPACTS LOOK LIKE THIS:

10% lower disease burden

with global access to safe drinking water and adequate sanitation⁶

6,000 children die

of water-related diseases every day⁷

Return on US\$1 Investment

	Urban	Rural
Drinking water	>\$3	~\$7
Basic sanitation	\$2.5	>\$5 ⁸

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Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

Protecting our environment protects our children, families, and communities. LCIF, funding Lions' global humanitarian work since 1968, is there and part of the solution.

MATCHING GRANTS
fund construction and equipment costs

US\$10,000 - US\$100,000

DISTRICT AND CLUB COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS
apply to district and club projects

GRANT AMOUNT VARIES

LEO SERVICE GRANTS
fund Leo projects

US\$1,500 - US\$5,000

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SOURCES/NOTE: ¹World Health Organization; ²The Borgen Project; ³The Korea Herald; ⁴World Economic Forum; ⁵UNICEF; ⁶United Nations; grant limits subject to change



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