

"When organizations like the Rotary Foundation can foster and harness collective change through millions and millions of relationships, wonders can happen, and wonders have happened through the Family of Rotary" said Dr. Khanh Nguyen, this year's recipient of the 'Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award' at the 2005 RI Convention.

Thank you Family of Rotary, your support has given Hope to many. It has helped rebuild their lives and opened their eyes to a more promising future.

This issue of Hope - 'Rebuilding Lives' is dedicated to water management. You can help.

I am sure you will continue the Service Above Self along with my friend District Governor Elect Rtn Goutham.

On behalf of the people of our district and the Family of Rotarians of RI District 3150, thank you once again.

Jashti Ranga Rao
District Governor 2004-05

35 Hand-wells In Drought Ridden Warangal

Rotary International (RI) District 3150, with support from District Governor Dr. Alfred Fischer (RI District 1920, Austria), Presidents Werner Friepess (Rotary Club of Grieskirchen) and Gottfried Klein (Rotary Club of Voecklabruck-Attersee), PDG Shindo Kondo (Coordinator Zone 3 Water Resources Task Force, Japan) and President and members of the Rotary Club of Takatuki West, Japan, were able to provide **35 hand-wells** in the drought ridden areas of Warangal in the state of Andhra Pradesh in May 2005 as part of its **Rotary Ganga** initiative.

Rotary Ganga strives to provide safe drinking water, facilitate lift irrigation and hand wells to needy communities in RI District 3150.

Recognizing the vital importance of safe water, Rotary International's policy encourages all Rotary districts and clubs to support efforts which help people to gain access to safe water. The safe water projects are to be reasonably close to homes using simple sustainable technology. This policy is reflected in projects of all sizes in all parts of the world.



Getting their fill



Well handled

RI Water Resources Task Force 2004-05: Goals

- To have every Rotary club involved in a Water Resources Project during the 2004 - 05 Rotary year
- To encourage and recognize the work Water Resources Project clubs are presently doing in their community

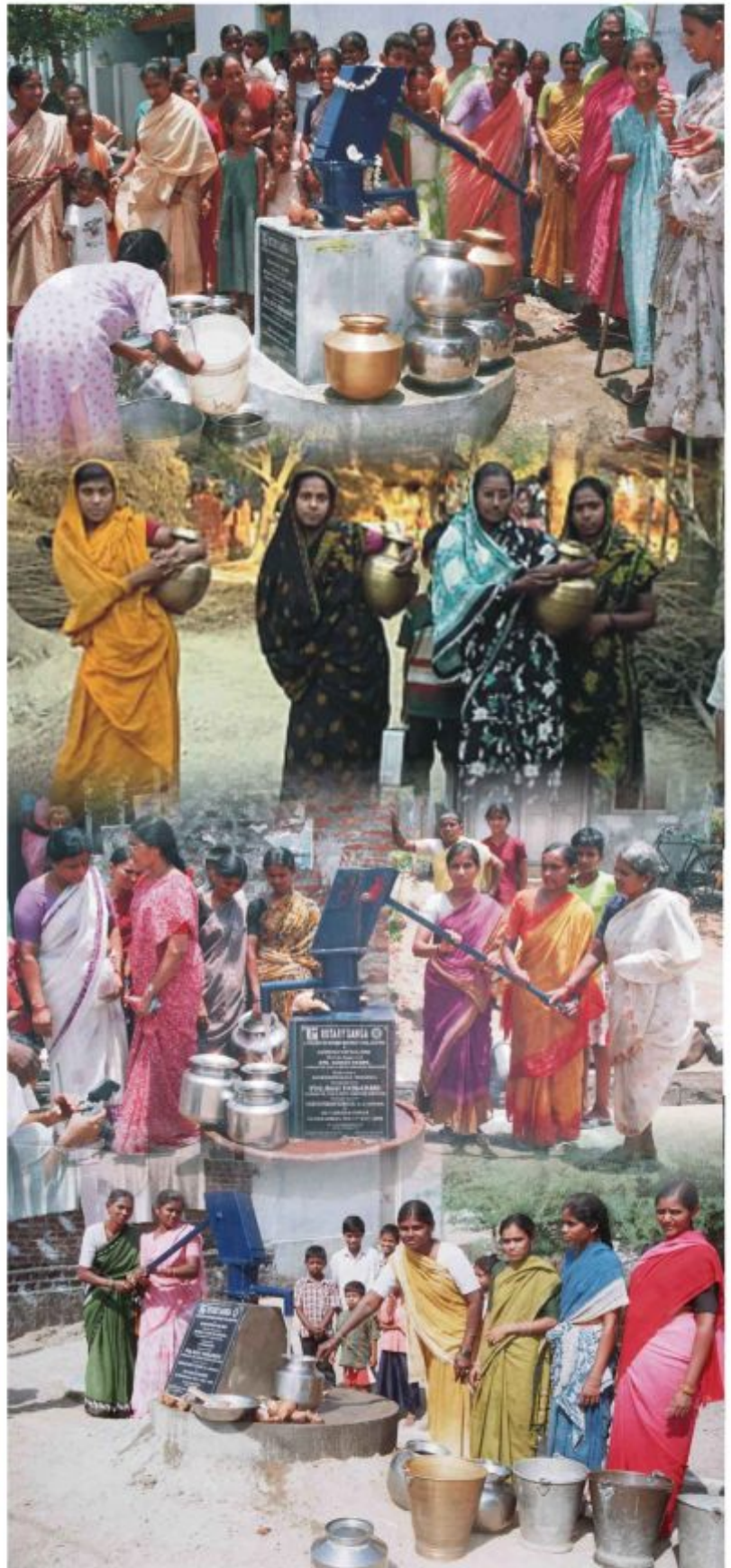


Cool solutions



12-year old Lakshmi trudges miles everyday in the scorching sun for water instead of attending school

Water Relief



Water is life. This colourless, odourless and tasteless liquid is essential for all forms of growth and development - human, animal and plant. Water is of fundamental importance to the survival, protection and development of people in the world today. Droughts and unsafe drinking water take a devastating toll on the lives and health of people every year. Consider this; **over 1.1 billion people lack access to safe drinking water**, that's close to 1/6th of the world's population. In developing nations 80% of all diseases are water borne, with children being the most susceptible. **Somewhere in the world a child dies from water related diseases every 8 seconds.** That's 10800 innocent lives lost everyday! It is predicted by the year 2015, nearly 3 billion people will have little or no access to drinking water.

In India, the water crisis has been growing at an alarming rate. Families are forced to



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35 Hand-wells In Drought Ridden Warangal - A Visual Journey



International Districts who have helped us provide water:

- Dist 9810 - Australia
- Dist 9640 - Australia
- Dist 9680 - Australia
- Dist 5470 - USA
- Dist 6910 - USA
- Dist 6510 - USA
- Dist 4660 - Brazil
- Dist 1920 - Austria
- Dist 2620 - Japan
- Dist 2660 - Japan





Dear Rotarian,

***Greetings to you, from Rotary International District 3150,
as we step into our second century of Service Above Self.***

I have the privilege of having been appointed the Zone 6 Coordinator for Water Resources for this year by RI President Glenn E Estess. I also have the honour of being appointed by incoming President Carl as the Coordinator for Water Poverty Alleviation and Health in the region. President Glenn has identified WATER as one of the main areas for emphasis; incoming President Carl has also urged Rotarians to focus on water management in the new century for Rotary.

I want to share the water situation in our district; parts of our state, Andhra Pradesh in India, face severe drought conditions with temperatures ranging from 40°C - 45°C (104°F - 113°F). Many communities suffer from severe hardships due to the heat and lack of water.

Due to deteriorating drought conditions, the state government of Andhra Pradesh has requested ROTARY support to help provide for at least 1000 hand- wells in the state.



PDG Ravi Vadlamani inaugurating a hand-well

Recently, in May 2005, with the support of District Governor Dr Alfred Fischer (RI District 1920, Austria) and PDG Shindo Kondo (Coordinator Zone 3 Water Resources Task Force) we were able to provide 35 hand-wells in the drought ridden areas of Warangal in the state of Andhra Pradesh.

Earlier our district had the honour of teaming up with RI District 2620 in Japan to help provide safe drinking water. Under the leadership Rotarians Tetsuo Nakano and Susumu Sato and Rotary Clubs of RI District 2620 we were able to provide 16 hand- wells to needy communities.

Each hand well costs about US\$500 and provides water to about 250 families.

We will be happy to receive your support to provide quality safe drinking water to the needy.

Regards
Yours in service,
PDG Ravi Vadlamani



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