

Media Release

Adani Foundation at ACC Chilhati site provides tech-enabled rollout of e-services in Loharsi village through CSC

EDITOR'S SYNOPSIS

- ACC and Adani Foundation enable digital transformation and simplify availing of e-services through set up of CSC in Loharsi, Chhattisgarh.
- This centre has supported around 1,000 families avail various services and schemes by the government cumulatively worth Rs. 1.1 crore.

Chhattisgarh, 10 June 2024: ACC Limited, the cement and building material company of the diversified Adani Portfolio, is a proud digital transformation enabler in support of self-dependence amongst communities where it operates. ACC, along with Adani Foundation, recently guided one such transformation near the ACC Chilhati site with the introduction of a Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY) Common Service Centre (CSC) at Loharsi village, in Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.

Adani Foundation CSR teams identified that residents of Loharsi and its surrounding villages, despite a 17,000-strong population, had to travel up to 8 km to avail basic government e-services, limiting the access to these services. Hence, the team identified a local person, Devi Prasad Tiwari with some knowledge of using computers. He was provided guidance and training to prepare for CSC ID authorisation from the Government. After he cleared the examination, the CSR team provided him with a computer, printer, table, chair, and biometrics device to help start a CSC in the village.

The new CSC was publicised by members of various Adani Foundation self-help groups (SHGs) in Loharsi as well as nearby villages. As a result, Tiwari is now able to provide his fellow villagers with all the services under the Government's Digital India Programme. This includes availing of various government IDs, as well as insurance, travel and payment services, cash withdrawal, as well issuance of various Government certificates, schemes, as well as photocopies for students. The CSC is so popular that residents of other nearby villages are now visiting it to avail the e-services at a nominal cost.

So far, this centre has supported around 1,000 families avail various services and schemes by the government cumulatively worth Rs. 1.1 crore with an emphasis on linking people with ABHA health scheme, unlocking a value of approximately Rs. 50 lakhs.

Noting this, ACC and Adani Foundation have now identified two new villages in the region for setting up two new CSCs. ACC and Adani Foundation are committed to enabling such success stories, with a keen focus on supporting sustainable livelihoods through concerted efforts and empowered by the latest technology.

About ACC Limited

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About the Adani Foundation

The Adani Foundation, the community support and engagement arm of the Adani Group, is dedicated to making strategic social investments to achieve sustainable outcomes throughout India. Since 1996, the Foundation has focused on core areas including education, health, sustainable livelihood, skill development and community infrastructure. With its strategies based on national priorities and global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the Foundation is known for its innovative approach and focus on sustainability, which contributes to the well-being and wealth of communities surrounding the Adani Group's businesses and beyond. At present, it operates in 5,753 villages across 19 states, impacting the lives of 7.3 million people.

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