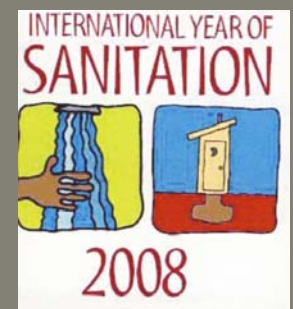




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## *Mummy I Don't Want to go School*

*Strange as it may sound girls don't want to go to school because of lack of sanitation facilities in the school. Even if they do go they stop drinking water. Break the Taboo! Sanitation and hygiene are not dirty words - they are the keys to child survival, development and growth.* Widely considered the most important medical advance of the last 150 years, improved sanitation has yet to reach 2.6 billion people in the developing world. The result is not surprising and yet it is shocking: millions of children die each year from preventable diseases. These numbers are extreme: the time for action is now. Like HIV/AIDS in the 1980's we must break the Taboo!

Recognizing the importance of sanitation to the overall achievement of the Millennium Development goals (MDGs), the UN General Assembly declared 2008 as the International Year of Sanitation (IYS). *IYS is about advocacy and awareness raising.* The United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) is coordinating the International Year of Sanitation, in broad partnership with stakeholders including UN agencies, has been prepared to outline the contributions and inputs of the United Nations agencies and partners to the International Year of Sanitation. The plan consists of activities both within and outside the UN-system to advance the implementation of sanitation-related decisions.

Sanitation and hygiene are key to child survival, development and growth. Improved sanitation has yet to reach 2.6 billion people in the developing world – almost 980 million of which are children under 18 years old. The result is not surprising and yet it is shocking: millions of children die each year from preventable diseases. These numbers are of huge proportions: the time for action is now.

Increases in female literacy (due to increased school attendance where proper sanitation facilities exist) contribute to economic growth. Every dollar spent on improving sanitation generates economic benefits that far exceed the required sanitation investments. *The cost of inaction is enormous.*

"WASH-in-Schools reduces sicknesses in school children. Around the world, half of the ailments of school children are related to unsanitary conditions and lack of personal hygiene. Providing access to WASH at a place where children spend most of their day is transformative."

–Paul Faeth, Executive Director, Global Water Challenge



## Sanitation linkages with other MDGs



### Supporting facts and figures :

- ❖ For every 10% increase in female literacy (due to increased school attendance where proper sanitation facilities exist), a country's economy can grow by 0.3 percent. (Brocklehurst, 2004)
- ❖ According to WHO, achieving the MDG for sanitation would result in \$66 billion gained through time, productivity, averted illness and death and health expenses (Hutton and Haller, 2004).
- ❖ WHO estimates that a 10 year increase in average life expectancy at birth translates into a rise of 0.3 - 0.4% in economic growth per year.

Overall, investing in water and sanitation projects has a strong multiplier effect – the economic benefits range from \$3 to \$34 for each dollar spent depending on the location.

–Stockholm International Water Institute and WHO





*Providing adequate sanitation, is also key to reducing disease and keeping children in School, especially adolescent girls. When girls go to school, they often face privacy and safety issues due to poor sanitary facilities. If there are no latrines at school, girls go far into the bush to urinate for fear of being seen. There they may be at risk from sexual attacks. Without adequate, Separate-gender latrines, girls who are menstruating are apt not to use the latrines or come to school at all. –PDG. Dr. Ravi Vadlamani*

"PDG. Bruce J. Allen was the District Governor for District 9680. He visited our District three times. During his visit he observed the lack of sanitation facilities in schools. Specially High Schools for girls. While District 9680 supported several water projects and also building homes Bruce was persistent and wanted to provide Toilets in schools. While the project is not easy to implement Bruce continued to motivate and direct Rotarians of District 3150 to launch such a project. Rotary Club of Guntur Aadarsh readily accepted the challenge and joined hands with 10 Rotary Clubs in District 9680 to provide sanitation facilities in schools. Bruce and Monica Saville led a team of Rotarians visited all the schools and also laid the foundation stones for the toilet blocks. It is really heart warming to note that Rotarians of District 9680 not only supported the project with their money but also personally who visited the project. Truly magic of Rotary at work. The Rotary leaders who participated are PP. Geoff Saville, PDG. Brain Coleman, Rtn. Gavin Laws, PDG. Peter Perry, President Margaret Dean, Rtn. David Dean, Rtn. Grahame Rivett, Marie Rivett, Rtn. Heinz Wicki, Rtn. Eva Wicki, Rtn. Surya Patel. I Salute all of them for their commitment and dedication to uplift the poor. My heartfelt Thanks to our dear friends from Australia."

–DG. Sarat Babu







District 3150, and it helps them in their endeavours to bring a better life to their people. It helps to Make Dreams Real for those countless thousands looking towards Rotary for a better life.

I am privileged and proud to call the Rotarians of District 3150 my friends, and I pray that those friendships will last a lifetime"

PDG. Bruce J. Allen – Dist. 9680

After three visits to District 3150 over the past three years, I have witnessed first-hand the magnificent efforts of Rotarians in that District, and cannot fail to be impressed. The impact of this wonderful example of humanitarian giving is so powerful, and so beneficial to the countless thousands of people in need of help, that it naturally attracts support from all corners of the earth. Each time I leave the shores of District 3150, I do so with an exciting "menu of opportunities" to carry back to the clubs of District 9680. In countries such as Australia, we sometimes take the things we have for granted and when I can illustrate the overwhelming need to support our Indian colleagues in those areas, the task of finding International Partners is greatly simplified.

Water, sanitation, health, education - we take these basics as a normal part of our life, available to all and always available. How different things are outside the comfort of our own environment, and why are so many people denied these most basic of all human needs? I will return to India at every opportunity because I know the things I do give support and encouragement to the Rotarians of



ASIA – Bangladesh – A school sanitation program in Bangladesh has increased the enrollment of girls by 11% per year since it started in 1990. –WaterAid



## Invitation

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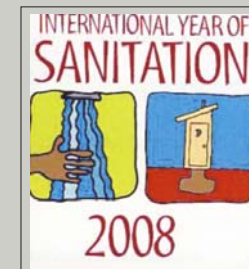


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