

THE NAND GHAR STORY

It is a modern Anganwadis network that provides development opportunities through early education, healthcare and nutrition access, and women empowerment through skilling initiatives. It aims to transform the lives of 7 crore children and two crore women in India through 14 lakh Anganwadis in India. To transform the lives of women and children, 5500+ Nand Ghars have been set up across 14 states in India, and recently, Vedanta signed an MOU with the Government of Rajasthan to develop 25,000 Nand Ghars across the state.

HISTORY & BACKGROUND

Nand Ghar is a social initiative of the **Anil Agarwal Foundation**, the philanthropic arm of the Vedanta Group. The project modernises Anganwadis functioning under the Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS), which includes infrastructural improvements. It is a collaborative project between Vedanta and the Ministry of Women and Child Development for the development of women and children. The first Nand Ghar was established in the Nagpur district of Varanasi in April 2016 and was inaugurated by Mrs. Smriti Irani

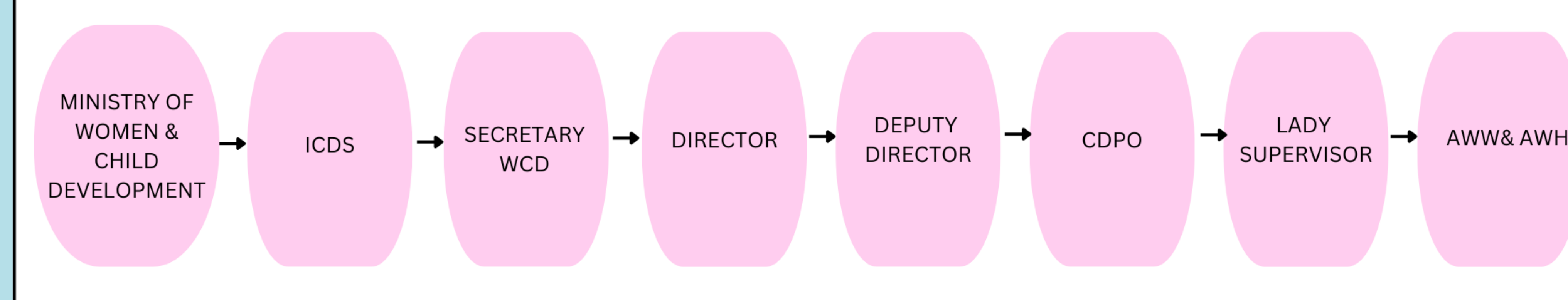
MISSION

Transforming the lives of 70 million children and 20 million women across 1.37 million Anganwadis in India through Nand Ghars

VISION

Nand Ghar's are committed to the Prime Ministers' national vision of eradicating child malnutrition, providing education and healthcare, and empowering women with skill development

ORGANISATION STRUCTURE



PRACTICAL EXPOSURE

- Field visits to 6 AWCs & conducted interviews of AWW based on created questionnaire
- Attended MCHN day and other events at the AWC
- Visited ICDS centre to observe the functioning at State level
- Gained valuable insights and challenges faced by AWWs
- Developed IEC material to spread awareness about heatwaves

THEORITICAL UNDERSTANDING

- Read the guidelines and MoU signed between Anil Agarwal Foundation and MAMTA HIMC
- Developed a questionnaire on Poshan tracker to know about its user experience
- Analysed the data collected and provided recommendations for better functioning

SWOT ANALYSIS

STRENGTH

State-of-the-art technology & infrastructure
Digitization of work through Poshan tracker
Healthy sanitation and safe drinking water
Smart kits for learning
Holistic development

WEAKNESS

Adhering to old methods
Inadequate training of workers
Lacking tech proficiency
Inefficient use of resources

OPPORTUNITY

Collaborating with NGOs
Community participation
Utilisation of space for other activities afternoon

THREAT

Digital divide
Lack of social recognition

ABOUT THE STUDY

OBJECTIVE: To assess the experience of Anganwadi workers in Jaipur district in using both old and new system for tracking nutrition
FINDINGS: Though many AWWs prefer to use Poshan tracker daily, but instead of replacing the old system to track nutrition, it is now an extra burden for them



LEARNINGS

- Gained exposure and insight into frontline public health engagement
- Practical knowledge of working of Anganwadis and organisation structure
- Understanding the importance of community engagement in resource utilization
- Recognised the significance of hierarchal supervision for effective departmental functioning
- Importance of listening to workers grievances and gaining trust before engaging in activities
- Importance of developing effective IEC material for awareness and health promotion

CHALLENGES FACED

- Interacting and communicating with Frontline workers
- Field visits in extreme weather
- Data not being disclosed to us as an outsider
- Network/ Physical connectivity to certain locations of Anganwadi

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Adequate and timely training sessions for the workers for better utilisation of resources
- Development of a suitable and effective feedback mechanism for the frontline workers
- Awareness should be spread about the facilities provided at Anganwadi for the community
- Increase the involvement of community members by setting up camps, programs, etc.
- Conduct training and capacity building at the Supervisor level to change practices and further motivate AWWs to do the same

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