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## **Suzlon Foundation supports students by installing solar lights in welfare hostels located in Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh**

- **76 solar powered lights installed in six welfare hostels in Anantapur district**
- **700 students benefited from the activity**

**Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh:** Suzlon Foundation in collaboration with Menda Foundation, undertook a drive to install solar lights across six welfare hostels in Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh. A total of 76 solar powered lights were installed in six welfare hostels at Uravakonda, Vajrakarur and Konakondla, benefiting around 700 students living in these hostels. Aligned with Suzlon foundation's zero darkness initiative, the installations of solar lights has helped students to receive uninterrupted power supply during study hours, thereby, providing an enabling environment for students to study and improve their learning capacity. The solar lights have been installed in the study rooms, study corridor and living rooms of the hostels.

The activity is in line with the Suzlon foundation's objective to power a greener tomorrow with clean energy sources and reduce the carbon footprint.

**Dr. Jasmine Sofia Gogia, General Manager, Suzlon Foundation** said, *"Suzlon Foundation is committed to brighten up lives of community members in its neighbourhood areas. It is our constant endeavour to align our CSR programmes to the requirements of local communities and solar light installation initiative is another step in that direction. This activity aims to provide a conducive environment for the education of students and help them excel in the academics. Suzlon Foundation strives to create a sustainable life for communities where we operate and we will continue to support many such initiatives which are sustainable and beneficial to the society at large."*

Suzlon foundation believes that it has the responsibility to enhance financial, natural, social, human and physical resources around its operating areas. The foundation has developed a sustainability framework which forms the basis of its responsive programs. These include those programs that respond to neighbourhood needs and to offset the social/environmental impact of the business, if any.

### **About Suzlon Foundation:**

Suzlon Foundation (SF) was founded in December 2007 as a non-profit company. Suzlon Foundation assists Suzlon Group with respect to its CSR activities. The activities cover neighborhood villages in 9 states and the Union Territory of Daman. With an approach of integrating CSR in all the business functions and strategies of engage- empower-sustain, SF implements activities based on 5-capital sustainability framework. The philosophy is to help those who are ready to help themselves. It is a partnership in development with all stakeholders making their own contributions. To enhance natural, financial, social, human and physical capitals, Suzlon Foundation collaborates with communities, government departments, institutions, other agencies, business units and employees. CSR at Suzlon has been categorized in three components: Transformative (working with internal stakeholders), Responsive

(working with neighborhood communities to offset our footprint) and Proactive (working for overall sustainability of the planet).

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