



Urban Agenda Platform

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Kaushal Bhaav Skill Solutions Pvt Ltd

Region	Asia and the Pacific
Award Scheme	Habitat for Humanity
Start Year	2019
Sustainable Development Goals	Goal 11 - Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

Summary

Kaushal Bhaav Skill Solutions Pvt Ltd employs local, traditional building practices to develop cost-effective zero-carbon homes and community infrastructure. Over the next six years, KBSS aims to build more than 10,000 affordable homes for the poor across the seven regions of India. KBSS also aims to provide vocational training on traditional building practices to 5,241 individuals in the next six years

Background and Objective

KBSS has adopted an end-to-end construction methodology that incorporates innovative community planning and engagement initiatives. As pioneers in the heritage industry in India, KBSS identified skills gap in the labor market for the maintenance of heritage buildings, and subsequently developed government accredited certification programs on indigenous building practices that have targeted local latent workforces and provided them with vocational opportunities. Today the availability of manpower from this ecosystem allows KBSS to explore the viability of rural housing construction and associated community infrastructure. Its strong relationships with development partners enable it to develop viable business solutions for building eco-friendly homes for low income families

Conclusion

KBSS's solutions provide low-income households with the benefits of secondary vocational employment opportunities for individuals. This has the potential to significantly increase household income, as well as increasing their capacity to self-build dwellings. In addition, KBSS's strong relationships with the Government of India helps promote housing affordability through the allotment of plots in the government's rural housing schemes, as well as access to sponsored low-cost housing loans or parent company loans that are deducted from future income