




# Livelihood to All



An aerial photograph of a large-scale open-pit mine. The mine is characterized by numerous terraced levels of earth and rock, creating a stepped appearance. A wide, winding road or path cuts through the lower levels of the mine. The terrain is arid and dusty, with a warm, golden-brown color palette. The sky is a pale, hazy yellow, suggesting a clear day. The overall scene depicts a significant industrial operation in a natural, rugged environment.

**A**s we live and resolve to act for the benefit of the society at large, our actions will safeguard the future of our children. We stand obliged to create a society which provides livelihood to all in an environment friendly ambience peace progress and prosperity. As part of their Social Responsibility obligations, businesses world-wide, try to positively affect the environment we live in.

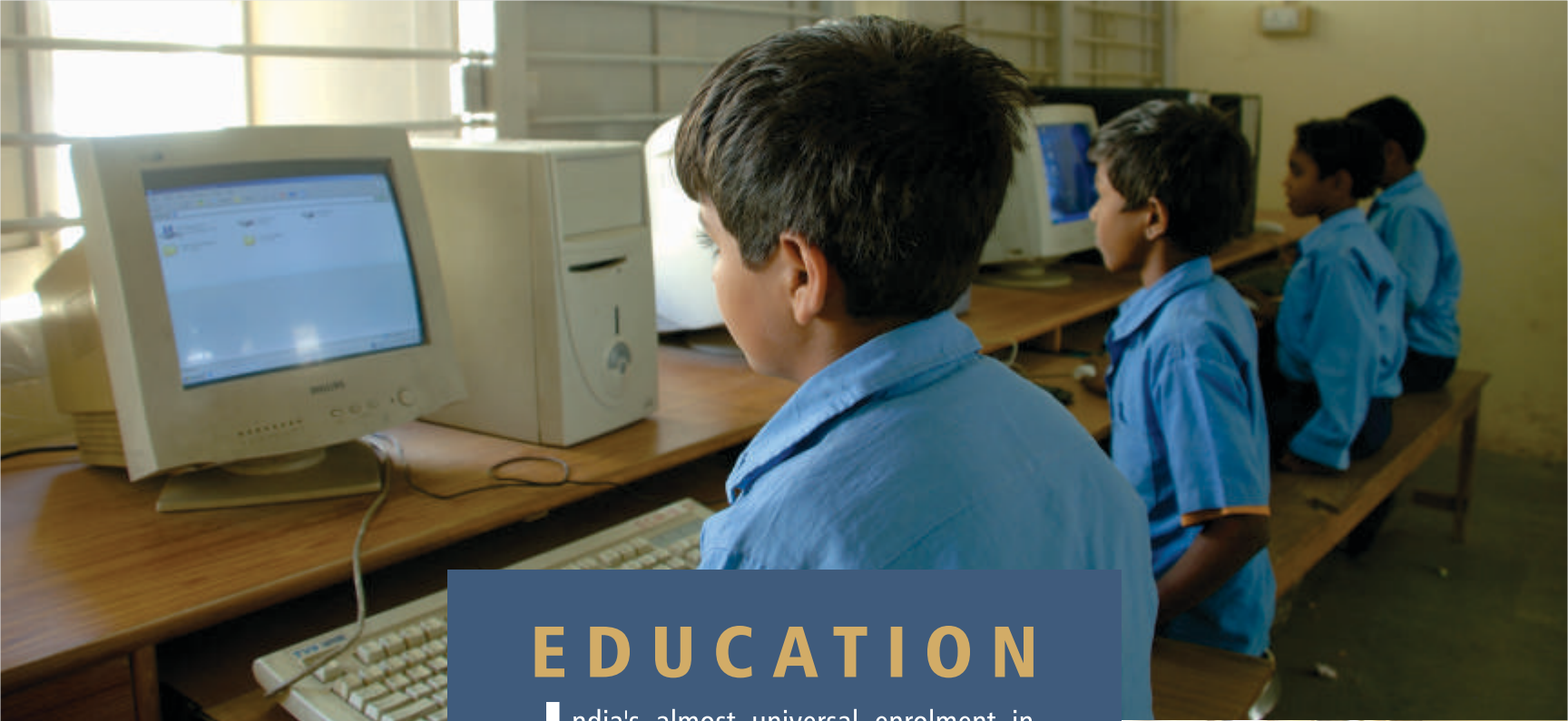
Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited (GMDC) is a major mining & mineral extraction and processing company whose success story travels across many significant milestones. From as many as 16 mining sites across Gujarat, over 95 Lakh metric tonne of essential energy minerals like lignite, bauxite, and fluorspar is produced every year. ...The Glorious journey of GMDC since last 55 years results in a market cap of over Rs 5000 Crores with trained and motivated workforce of more than 1700 men and women and a legacy of exemplary social entrepreneurship.

As more and more people join the workforce, the GMDC has embarked upon creating a social infrastructure which not only elevates their living standards but also provide a clean and green environment at the various mining sites.

GMDC believes in Mineral asset creation and value addition, operating in a socially and environmentally sustainable manner. Therefore a comprehensive Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) policy is framed and implemented efficiently over the years. With the support of various stake-holders many large and small projects have been implemented by GMDC in the recent years. Some of the focus areas include **EDUCATION, HEALTHCARE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, WATER & SANITATION, MALNUTRITION, SKILLS & LIVELIHOOD.**

Apart from the labour force, various communities living near the mining sites are covered to fulfil their societal needs.





## EDUCATION

India's almost universal enrolment in rural schools face two major challenges, high dropout and low school attendance. Primary education suffers from inadequate allocation of resource. Apart from logistics school children also face other difficulties. The GMDC has taken several measures aimed at providing quality education to children in the rural areas. Distribution of school bags, computers, scholarship, tree plantation activities, and smart anganwadis are some of the key initiatives.



Name of the Project	No. of Smart Anganwadis
Bhavnagar	6
Mata no Madh	4
Umasar	3
Rajpardi	1
Tadkeshwar	3
Panadhro	4
Gadhsisha	9
Bhatia	1
Shivrajpur	3
Kadipani	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>

The geography of Kutch district comprise of difficult terrains, landscapes, and water bodies rendering poor Rail, Road and Air connectivity among communities. Sparsely populated dwellings in distant places result in poor social infrastructure.

GMDC in association with the veerayatan Institute in mandvi facilitate the students in In the Lakhpat taluka school girls are provided free transportation including pick up and dropping from distant areas.



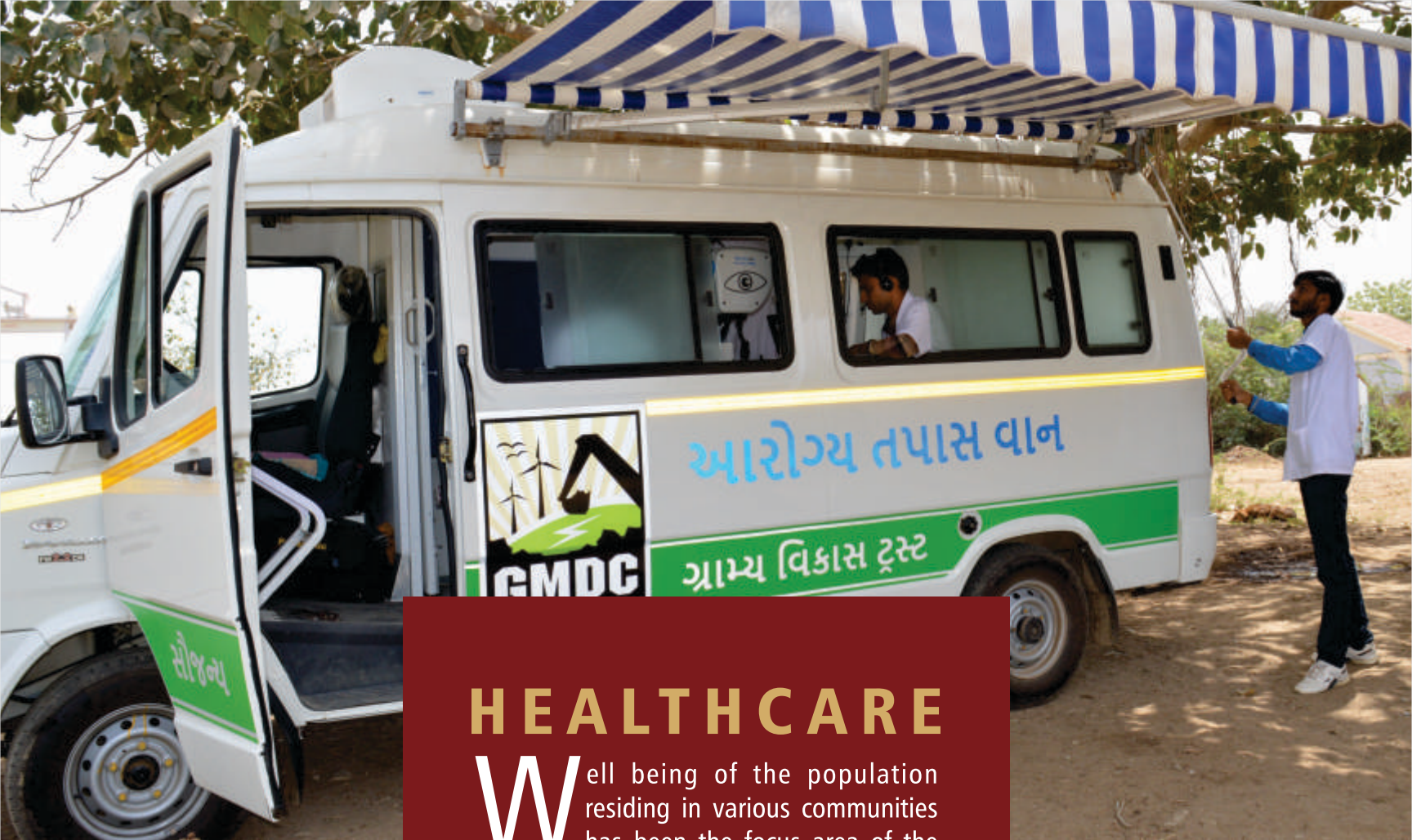
GMDC provides RO plant for schools, furniture, music system, sport kits distribution. Rural child care centre known as "smart anganwadi" is established in various communities with the help of GMDC. A typical Anganwadi centre provides basic health care activities include contraceptive counseling and supply, nutrition education and supplementation, as well as pre-school

activities. Free Mid-day meal in many schools is facilitated with the help of other stake holders. The company also provides recreation facilities and Drinking water to children in many schools. Financial



aid is provided to girl students pursuing education. GMDC donates Text books and other study material to needy school children from time to time. Skill development centers have been set up for employment generation in various communities by the GMDC.





## HEALTHCARE

**W**ell being of the population residing in various communities has been the focus area of the GMDC. A mobile medical van with a doctor and supporting staff pays frequent visits to outlying areas and provides medical care and medicines at their doorsteps. Hospitals and primary health centers in rural communities are being funded by the GMDC to provide timely and free health-care.

# WATER

**W**ater remains a lifeline for the very existence of our society. It plays a key role in the economic activities especially agriculture.

Over the years water resources in the rural areas have been scarce. GMDC has undertaken several projects to ensure availability of drinking water to various sections of the communities. Water for irrigation also remains a priority area for the GMDC. With reducing water resources, drip irrigation has arguably become the world's most valued innovation in agriculture.

GMDC has funded several such irrigation projects. Rainwater harvesting is the accumulation and storage of rainwater for reuse on-site, the water collected is redirected to a reservoir for year round usage. In Bhavnagar the GMDC supports a project wherein check dam is used to harvest the rain water. Near the Ghadsisa mines as well various storage tanks are constructed for irrigation purposes. In order to supply

drinking water for the nearby communities, water tankers are provided in Panandro and other places. Animal husbandry plays a significant role in the rural economies. Designated drinking water sites and fodder is facilitated for animals.

Under the Sujalam Sufalam Yojana the GMDC undertook deepening of ponds in several affected areas so that rain water can be harvested. In Rajpardi mines water ponds are constructed.





## ENVIRONMENT POWER & AGRICULTURE

**G**MDC is conscious of the environmental challenges that arise out of global warming, rapid industrialisation and most importantly mining. Massive tree plantation campaigns are organised frequently to ensure ecological balance near the mining areas. A solar park is set up to generate 5 MW of electricity thereby reducing power generated from coal. Various components of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan is being implemented across several sites.

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remotest regions of the State. The community outreach programs of GMDC targets relevant areas of rural development such as health, sanitation, education, agriculture, micro irrigation, water harvesting and rural infrastructure through a participative approach.



## SHYAMJI KRISHNA VARMA



**B**orn on 4th October, 1857 Shyamji Krishna Varma was one of the foremost freedom fighters in the history of the freedom movement of India with high sense of patriotism and selfless service for the nation. A memorial called Kranti Teerth dedicated to him was built and inaugurated in 2010 near his native town of Mandvi in the Kutch district. Spread over 52 acres, the memorial complex houses a replica of India House building at Highgate along with statues of Shyamji Krishna Varma and his wife.

GMDC has supported in building a community hall which will facilitate social functions like marriages and other such events.

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GMDC has also supported the world class State initiative of Statue of Unity as well as inaugural Ekta Yatra for the Statue of Unity.

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