

INVESTING IN WATER

For Today & The Future

Dec 14 | 18.99 Latitude, Lower Parel, Mumbai



Time	Session	Speaker/Panelist
9:00 am	Registrations open	
9:30 am	Opening Address	Pearl Tiwari , CEO & Director, Ambuja Cement Foundation
9:45 am	Launching and Presenting Report on 'Making the Case for Corporate Action in Water'	Sandhya Tenneti , Manager - Knowledge, Samhita
10:00 am	Technology Breakthroughs for Global water security A report that studies 12 major water security challenges across South Asia, and presents effective technological solutions.	Shashi Buluswar , CEO, Institute for Transformative Technologies
10:15 am	Ambuja Cement's Journey in Water Stewardship	Sanjay Singh , General Manager - Environment, Ambuja Cement
10:30 am	Collaborating for Success In this panel, collaborators from various kinds of projects in water will provide a roadmap to the audience on how to collaborate with other funders, companies, governments, social organizations and ensure successful partnerships.	Partnership 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharukh R Taraporewala, Senior VP – CSR, Yes Bank • Shivani Swamy, Product Manager – Feminine Hygiene, Livinguard Partnership 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mabel Abraham, Deputy General Manager, L&T • Dr. Subh Karan Singh, President, Arpan Seva Sansthan Partnership 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chandrakant Kumbhani, General Manager – Community Development Programs, Ambuja Cement Foundation • Divyang Waghela, Head, Tata Water Mission Moderator: Anagha Mahajani, General Manager - CSR, Ambuja Cement Foundation

11:25 am	Group Session Each table will discuss concrete opportunities for collaboration. At the end of ten minutes, two to three tables will be asked to summarise their conversations.		
11:45 am	Speed Networking In 3-minute bursts, individuals will interact with other attendees. Some of the questions/information that each participant could ask/provide are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why are you interested in water? • What are you currently doing in the space? • Is there a common area of interest? • How can we learn from each other? 		
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About the Event

The need for a movement that mobilizes funders, companies, social organizations, governments and communities to act, invest and collaborate in Water is more critical than ever. The [NITI Aayog](#) water report, the recurring drought situation in various regions of India and the effects of climate change have created a sense of urgency and we hope to convert this into action.

We are bringing together different players working or interested in the water sector to *provide pathways for investment, facilitate collaboration and issue a rallying cry to all involved.*

About Ambuja Cement Foundation

For over 25 years, Ambuja Cement Foundation (ACF) has been building sustainable, prosperous, rural communities. With the mission to 'energize, involve and enable' communities to realize their potential, ACF focuses on strengthening people's livelihoods through the following thrust areas: Water Resource

Management, Agricultural Livelihoods, Skill Development, Women Empowerment, Health and Education.

Till date, with the close involvement of communities, ACF has successfully empowered around 2.4 million individuals across 11 states. In fact, by successfully partnering with communities, governments, corporates and like-minded Foundations, ACF has expanded its reach from a mere 15 villages in 1993 to a whopping 1,473 villages in 2018. These figures continue to grow steadily owing to a strategic focus on issues and their solutions and grass root level expertise.

About Samhita

Samhita is a CSR consulting firm that collaborates with companies to develop impactful corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives. We shape strategies, design programmes, facilitate implementation, and assess the impact of sector projects. Since its establishment, Samhita has created impact in multiple causes including healthcare, water and sanitation, education, energy access, community empowerment, vocational skills training, rural livelihoods and financial literacy.

Some of our clients include L&T, Hindustan Unilever, Godrej, JetPrivilege, Reckitt Benckiser, Viacom18 and so on. We also collaborate with international partners and foundations, including Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Rockefeller Foundation, International Finance Corporation, U.S. Department of State, Global India Fund, Villgro and GIZ.