

# GREEN RAVINES CLEAN RAV

Rajputana Society of Natural History (RSNH) has constructed an anicut on the River Baman (Chambal via R. Parbati) through the CSR support of Anandana, CCIF under the leadership of Dr. (Mrs.) Swati Samvatsar (Director - Programs cum Treasurer, RSNH) along with Dr. (Mrs.) Swati Samvatsar (Director - Documentation, RSNH), Dr. (Mrs.) Sarita Mehra (Member, RSNH) and Dr. (Mrs.) Sarita Mehra (SG & CEO, RSNH) in April - May 2019.

## **Aim of the project Water sustainability in the Ravine Area**

to prolong the water retention period in the catchment area of the river basin through percolation of surface water in the stream by construction an anicut and underground bunding without affecting the

## **Post Construction Phase:**

Community involvement in greening and cleaning of the ravines was primarily aimed after the construction. The local community usually visit the temple area alongside the stream. Since it was found that children and the youth needs proper direction in this ravine area. Also, they understand the importance of conservation issues on their future. Therefore, these two were the target groups of the post-construction. A series of regular program and events on every Saturday was planned and launched formally on 1st April, considering the auspiciousness of the day (*First day of the Hindi Year Vikram Samvat 2076*). The children were made aware of the purpose of the program.

Over 200 people (mostly children) participated in the short program from 9.00-11.00 am in morning. Around 100 children registered themselves for the drive and around 60 children adopted the plants to take care of the period of non-availability of the natural water (soil water moisture).

Children selected their saplings and decorated the site. The technique of drip water through the plants was explained to them. The children also named their adopted plant.



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