

A TALE OF TWO FRIENDS

Reminiscing the fruitful and
progressive journey of the
Indo-German Partnership!



1958



IIT*, Madras was set up with financial assistance from Germany, creating more opportunities in the field of engineering.

*Indian Institute of Technology



1960-1970



The year 1960 marks a revolution in the agricultural system in the Himalayas with support from German Development Cooperation.

Germany supports the Agricultural Development Project in the Nilgiris, which covered over 16,000 farm holdings and helped small farmers to get loans and determine favourable cultivation practices for potatoes.



1970s-1980s



The Foreman Training Institute set up in Bangalore with financial and technical contribution from the state of Baden-Württemberg.



German Development Cooperation supports the establishment of the first Tool Room in Ludhiana, Punjab.

Tool Rooms in Aurangabad, Ahmedabad, Lucknow and other cities become equipped with precision machines to help small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to meet the demand for qualified skilled workers and foremen.



1990s



Self-help groups get linked to the formal banking system through NABARD*, helping over 200 million poor people.

*National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development

India and Germany sign a MoU to cooperate in the field of environmental protection.



1990s



Watershed restoration begins with the Watershed Development Programme Implemented by NABARD* and Indian NGOs. It covered more than 300,000 hectares of drylands.

*National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development

1993



Support provided for Indian micro, small and medium enterprises through multiple credit lines with SIDBI*.

*Small Industries Development Bank of India



1996



Germany makes a financial contribution towards the All India Pulse Polio Immunization Programme, aimed at providing 100% coverage. This support had far-reaching effects in the health sector.



2000s



The launch of the IGEN* in 2003 further strengthens the partnership between India and Germany in the Energy sector.

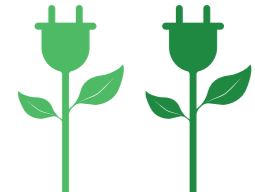
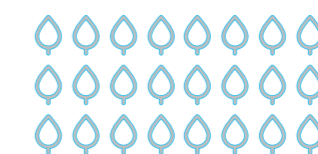
*Indo-German Energy Programme

Germany actively supports the launch of the RSBY*, a national health insurance scheme to provide access to insurance facilities for 134 million families.

*Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana



The Indo-German Environment Forum established to focus on issues relating to climate, energy, water and waste.

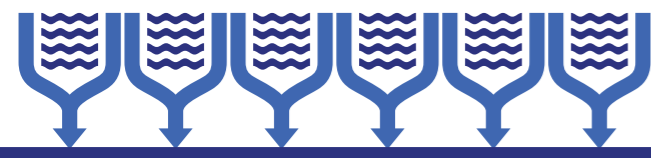




2002

Implementation of the Watersheds Development Programme in Maharashtra by NABARD* covering more than 300,000 hectares of dryland and helping in the rehabilitation of numerous watersheds.

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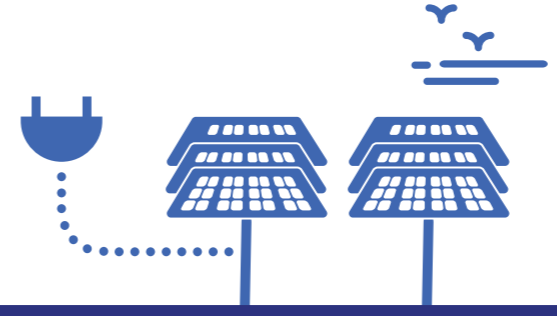
2008

Tamil Nadu Urban Development Fund helps municipalities in the state to access innovative financial instruments to finance infrastructure projects with positive environmental and social impacts.



2011

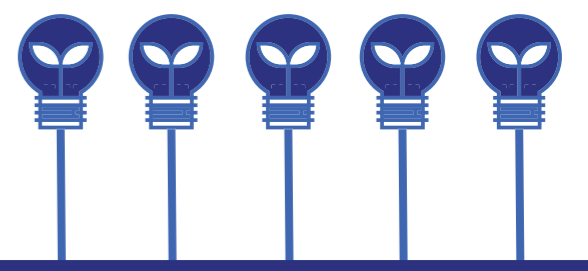
Germany provides concessional financing for the Sakri Solar Power Plant in Maharashtra, the pioneer plant supplied 220,000 households with clean electricity.



2014

The EESL* Programme drastically drives down the prices of LED lights. Aimed at public buildings and infrastructure, it led to substantial greenhouse gas emission savings.

*Energy Efficiency Services Limited



2015

India and Germany celebrate 60 years of Diplomatic Relations and friendship. Both countries sign a MoU for the GEC* project, which transfers renewable energy into the national grid.

*Green Energy Corridors



2016

Nagpur Metro aims to transform urban mobility in Nagpur with 41.7 km metro rail network along with 40 state of the art stations, holistic and seamless multi-modal integration contributing to CO₂ savings.



2016-2017

Between 2017 and 2022, Germany will provide financial and technical assistance worth €1 billion towards sustainable urban development in India.



Inauguration of German Development Cooperation Office, New Delhi.



2018

2018 marks 60 years of Indo-German Development Cooperation. The current focal areas include Energy, Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity, Sustainable Urban and Industrial Development and Sustainable Economic Development.



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