

## NIRBHED FOUNDATION

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## To Whomsoever It May Concern

On behalf of Nirbhed Foundation, I am writing to express our profound gratitude and sincere appreciation for Aryan Mittal, Grade XII student at Amity School, Ghaziabad, for his innovative WashWell Initiative that has significantly impacted the lives of children under our care.

Aryan approached us in April 2024 and proposed his plan of repurposing over single-use plastic bottles into soap dispensers. His campaign successfully reused 400+ single-use plastic bottles addressing two critical challenges we face in our work with underprivileged communities: promoting hygiene practices and demonstrating sustainable waste management. He also constructed an automated soap dispensers from PVC waste called EcoTap which has been instrumental in establishing consistent handwashing routines among our students, directly contributing to improved health outcomes and reduced absenteeism.

The hygiene awareness workshops Aryan conducted have been particularly impactful, as they align perfectly with our mission to not only educate but also instill healthy habits in children who often lack access to basic sanitation knowledge. His engaging sessions have empowered our students with practical skills that extend beyond our classrooms into their homes and communities.

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What sets Aryan's initiative apart is how effectively it demonstrates circular economy principles to our children, teaching them that what society discards as waste can be transformed into valuable resources. This practical lesson in environmental stewardship complements our educational curriculum and helps us address the following challenges:

- Health and Hygiene Barriers: His WashWell Initiative soap bottles and EcoTap soap dispensers provide a sustainable solution to maintaining hygiene practices, which is crucial for children who often miss school due to preventable illnesses.
- Resource Constraints: By upcycling waste materials, Aryan has shown how we can create functional facilities without significant financial investment, addressing one of our key operational challenges.
- Community Awareness: His initiative has sparked conversations about sustainability and health among parents and community members, supporting our efforts to create wholesome environments for child development.

As we continue our mission of providing education, nutrition, healthcare, and skill development to over 3,500 children across four states, solutions like Aryan's WashWell Initiative and the EcoTap Soap Dispenser reinforce our belief that creative solutions can overcome seemingly insurmountable challenges.

We look forward to continuing our collaboration and exploring new ways to leverage Aryan's expertise in sustainable initiatives for the benefit of the communities we serve.



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