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Overview of Women Empowerment Initiatives at Vizhinjam

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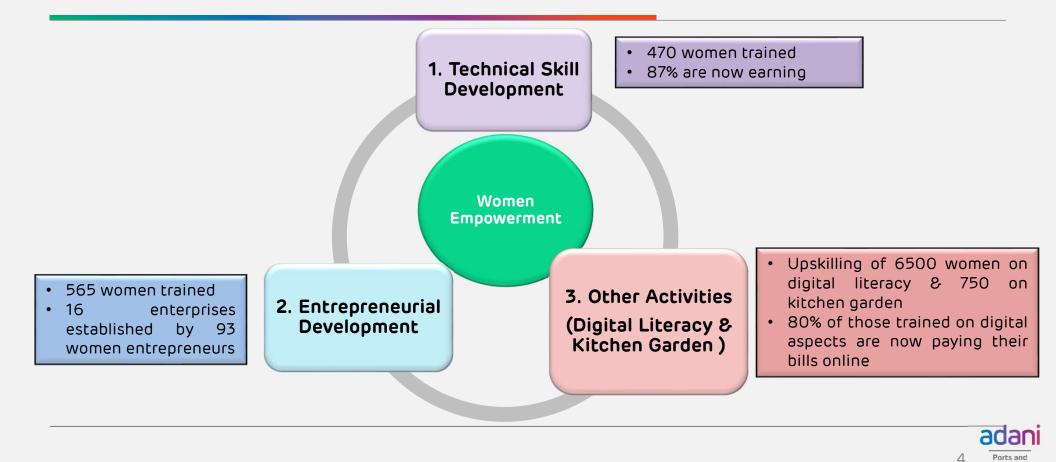
### Vizhinjam's profile & livelihood snapshot of the residents

- Vizhinjam is a zone in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city of Kerala, where APSEZ is developing a green field port
- With this area being under-developed, the Adani Foundation is executing CSR activities targeting ~12,000 families in the area
- Livelihood source of these families is primarily fishing (5000 families); small businesses (1000 families); and other sources (6000 families)
- Adani Foundation has been working on women empowerment, primarily through livelihood creation, given their challenges of -
- Single earning member (80% women are housewives)
- Seasonality of earning (fishing is only possible for 8 months in a year)
- High alcoholism rate and family disputes





### Three interventions for women empowerment



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## 1. Technical Skill Development (10-11 weeks per batch)

S. No.	Course	Course Duration (Hours)	Women trained (Nos)	Trainee employed (%)	Average monthly income	Employment sources
1	Retail Trainee Associate	320	47	75%	8-12K	Shopping malls, Customer Care Centers
2	Beauty Therapist	340	111	100% (40% salaried + 60% self employed)	13% earning 10K & 47% earning 3-5K (60% self employed )	Beauty Parlours, Cosmetic Retail Shops, Mobile Beauty Units
3	Tailoring	340	75	100% (self employed)	3-5K	Self Employed (Stitching ladies' and kids' dresses)
4	Data Entry Operator	440	113	72%	8-10K	Shopping malls, BPOs
5	General Duty Assistant	420	124	90%	2-16K	Hospitals, Patient Care Centers
	Total		470			



### 3. Other Activities for Women Empowerment

### 1. Digital literacy

- 6500 women trained on digital literacy, of which
  - 80% are using online platform for paying utility bills
  - 70% are using digi locker for storing documents
  - 20% are exploring e-commerce & online shopping
  - 10% are going for advanced courses to up skill

### 2. Kitchen Garden

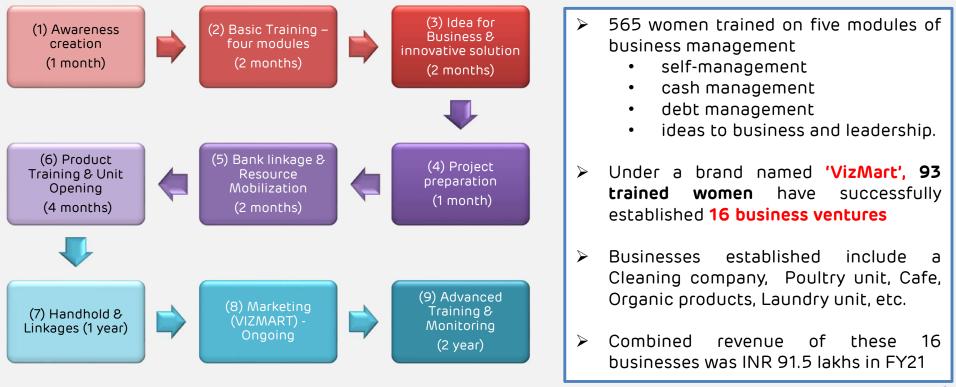
- Project on kitchen garden started in 2020 is now extended to a total of over 750 homes
- Women are provided training on growing vegetables, clearing vegetation, selling etc.
- Monthly savings to households from kitchen gardens are estimated at Rs.700-900

### 3. Hygiene & Sanitation

Hygiene and sanitation education to 140 girls



### 2. Preparing Women Entrepreneurs (11-12 months training per batch)



A case study on an entrepreneurial venture by the name 'Clean 4U' is included in this PPT

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### Business units launched/supported by trained entrepreneurs

• Vizmart and other businesses that were established from 2017 to 2020.



### VIZMART Some of the business units

#### Clean4U

- Poultry units
- Harbour canteen Unit
- Shreebhadra Big Shopper unit •
- Prime Events
- You, Me & Tea café shop ٠
- Agro clinic ٠
- Vegetable shop •
  - Frozen days Juice & Ice cream
- Thattukada unit •





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### Conclusion

- From 2016-22, the Adani Foundation has spent ~Rs 23 crore on various CSR initiatives in Vizhinjam
- Women empowerment has been a key focus area for the foundation, that have guided initiatives such as technical skill development, coaching on business management, digital literacy, and kitchen gardens
- These initiatives have resulted in livelihood creation for 500+ women as either entrepreneurs, employees or self-employment -
  - Over 90 women successfully have created 16 business ventures
  - 270 women got jobs as data operators, customer care rep, retail associates, patient caretakers, etc.
  - 150+ women are now self employed as tailors, beauty therapist, and some other activities
- Enabling 6500 women to pay the utility bills online from the comfort of their homes
- Monthly savings of Rs.700-900 per family from kitchen gardens

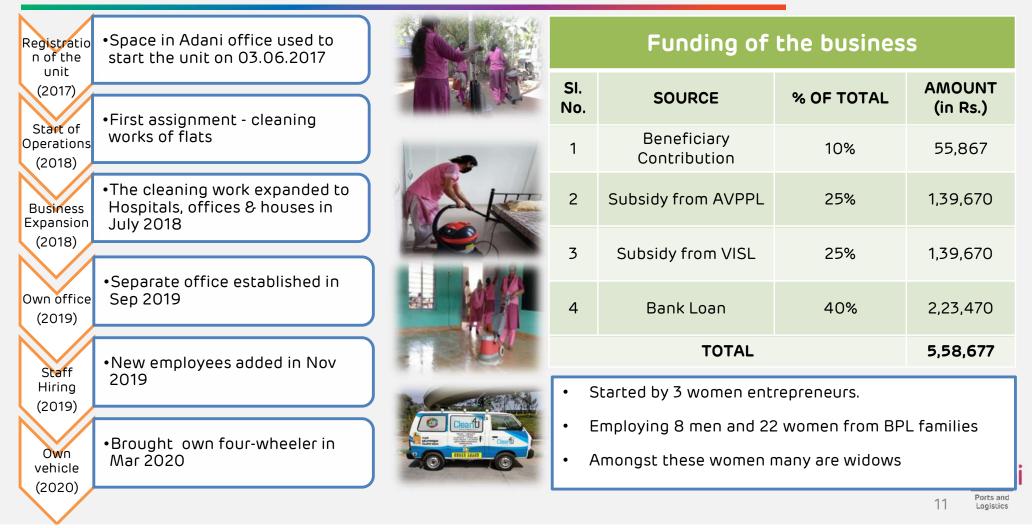




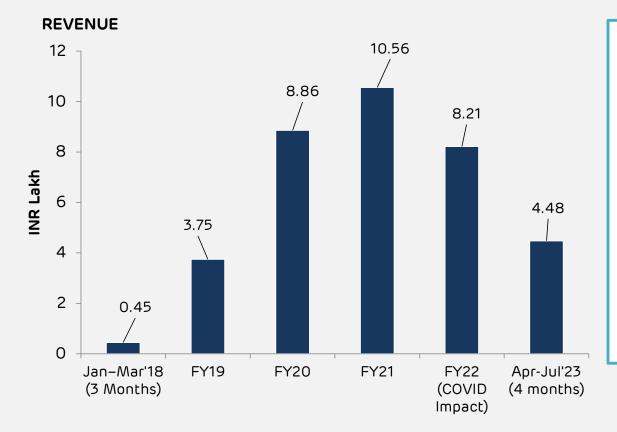
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## Case Study on Preparing Women Entrepreneurs 'Clean 4 U'

### Clean 4 U – Incubating the Venture



### Clean 4 U – Business Performance



- Income has increased every year (after excluding for the Covid impact)
- Promoters' monthly income has increased from 5K in FY19 to 10K in FY23
- Employees are paid Rs.500/- per day and work for 10 to 15 days per month
- Initial loan of Rs.2,23,470 closed in 3 years
- Second loan of Rs.89,000/- for procuring four wheeler was also repaid in 1.5 years
- The beneficiaries have also availed health insurance



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## Annexure

### **Technical Skill Development - Summary Pictures**

#### Kitchen Garden



#### Self Employed Tailors

**Beauty Therapist** 







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## **Technical Skill Development - Summary Pictures**

#### **Retail Trainee Associate**





#### General Duty Assistant





#### Data Entry Operator







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