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REHOBOTH (GROUP) INFORMATION FORM

1. Organization Name:
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   Rehoboth Sustainability India Private Limited, for-profit company
   Panai Vidhai India Private Limited, for-profit company

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4. Organization Vision, Mission and Values

   Mission
   The development goal of Rehoboth is to connect urban with rural for better tomorrow. Connect corporate companies CSR and carbon offset goals with smallholder farmers to restore natural environment, create farm-based jobs/incomes, strengthening local communities through a value chain model / women empowerment, and address the needs of climate, community, and biodiversity by growing agroforest.

   Vision
   To be the most successful and sustainable program to address the needs of climate, community and biodiversity.

   Values
   We consider sustainability aspects in all our operations, and we strive to have a positive impact on the local communities and environment. We believe in Honesty, Respectfulness, Efficiency and Foolproof Reporting.

5. Organization Lead Champion

   A.Joseph Rexon, Awarded Best Social Entrepreneur, awarded by Tamil Nadu Forest for growing trees outside project, Managing Director for Rehoboth Sustainability India Private Limited and Managing Trustee or Rehoboth NGO. Appointed as one of the volunteer/members to the “Green Committee” to Tiruvallur District, Tamil Nadu, the Committee is led by the District Collection. Joseph Rexon has 25 years of experience in implementing (1) for carbon agroforestry, (2) farmers community development through forestry benefits, (3) planted and growing over 3 million trees through 7,000+ farmers in districts like Tiruvallur, Tiruvannamalai, Vellore, Kanchipuram, Kallakurchi, Ariyalur, Villupuram and Coimbatore Districts of Tamil Nadu. Was successful in three validation and verification with over 300,000 verified credits.

Has rich experience in carryout out CSR goals for eminent companies and worked with few companies to meet their carbon offset goals.

Has rich experience in organizing employee engagement events, (1) like planting trees with the farming community, (2) seedball making & disbursement, (2) pottery making, (2) diya/pot painting, these events helped the employees learn about the sustainability goals of the organization and participate.

6. Impact through the organization

Rehoboth addresses the need of (a) climate, (b) community and (c) biodiversity, these are critical issues throughout the world.

Addressing Environmental (Climate) Problems

Rehoboth empowers groups of smallholder farmers to restore unused farmlands and to adopt sustainable agricultural practices and grow trees. Rehoboth responds to their goals of eliminating drought, overcoming failed monsoons, reducing famine, reducing poverty, and developing stronger local economies through agroforest. There are millions of subsistence farmers in the world that are the largest source of CO2 emission. That is because they need the wood for cooking, heating and for building materials. Through learning new approaches to managing their land, the subsistence farmers have shown that they are the biggest contributor to CO2 reductions through reforestation/agroforest and sustainable agriculture. Farmers are growing several hundred thousand indigenous tree species on their land. Growing over 1.5 million trees covering over 3,000 acres of unused farmland

Addressing Social (Community) Problems

Agriculture is the life-blood of national economy, as more than 70% of the population depends on agriculture for their livelihood. It is very important that the agriculture should be made ecologically, economically and socially sustainable. The natural resource soil and water should be used efficiently for sustainability". Through agroforest projects, Rehoboth Foundation empowers the farmers community and helps them stay in their land to use their land effectively for multiple sustainable incomes beginning through agroforestry.

Rehoboth connects urban with the poor of poor dwelling in villages for better livelihood, over 3,000 farmers benefited.

Addressing Biodiversity Problems

Biodiversity boosts ecosystem productivity where each species, no matter how small, all have an important role to play. Rehoboth works to restore small islands of biodiversity by supporting birds, reptiles, animals and plants of indigenous species. Planting different tree indigenous tree species like, teak, mahogany, redsander, rosewood, Indian kino, silveroak, Malabar neem, etc, providing habitat for endangered species on farm land.

Silveroak and Redsander tree species are listed as endangered, under Red List, meaning it faces a very high risk of extinction in the wild due to significant population declines. Rehoboth has planted good number of Redsander and silveroak trees through the project which is the direct benefit to the species.

Mahogany has a naturally low population density in forests, but it is one of the best tree species to grown on farmland through agroforest model. Rehoboth plants good number of Mahogany trees through the project which is beneficial to the community, providing habitat for the species on farmland.

Thereby several other flora and small fauna species find opportunity to thrive through on farmland.

7. Achievements of the Rehoboth Group:

Rehoboth Group has established its operation in Districts like Tiruvallur, Kanchipuram, Ariyalur, Tiruvannamalai and Coimbatore empowering farmers community through agroforest model. Planted over 3 million trees with over 7,000 farmers from different districts of Tamil Nadu State, through Rehoboth Program are proud owners of beautiful agroforest groves that benefits climate, community and biodiversity. Rehoboth has encouraged corporate companies to join hands with the village/community to fight climate change, mitigate global warming through agroforest

Rehoboth was successful in engaging corporate companies volunteering employees to work with farming community to grow trees and do conservation farming. The success of this program was that the employees learnt the challenges in growing trees and practice farming through the farmers which encouraged the employees to go environmentally cautious/friendly, they were encouraged to get involved with the company sustainability goals such as reducing emission, waste management, saving energy (electricity), support the needy community, etc.

Rehoboth was successful in teaching school children about environment sustainability. Rehoboth was successful in encouraging 1,000's of individuals to participate in environment sustainability programs.

Rehoboth acts as a bridge between urban and rural, connecting the urban corporate companies to rural farming community to address the needs of climate, community, and biodiversity, which are the critical issues throughout the world.

Ponds and lakes need continued attention and protection for many reasons. Ponds and lakes can serve as a source for drinking water and for agriculture use and helps in maintaining the eco-system. Such water bodies refill ground water helps soil formation and biodiversity enhancement and can be used to capture flooding water. Ponds and lakes bunds need conservation as the bunds help to hold water for longer period. One good practice to conserve the bunds is to grow bio-fence, grow different trees species, plants all over to strengthen the bunds and also the growing trees act as good wind breaker and protects soil moisture.

At Pudhukotai District of Tamil Nadu State, Rehoboth is growing bio-fence around lakes. Through a sposor Rehoboth has completed growing bio-fence around two lakes, perimeter of three kms.

Achievement of Rehoboth, (1) Rehoboth has proved in delivering good results, caused sustainable development in climate, community and biodiversity through CSR and other fundings from corporate companies. (2) Rehoboth is growing over 1.5 million trees. (3) Currently, Rehoboth is implementing a carbon project to plant/grow 16.5 million trees to address the needs of climate, community and biodiversity. (4) Over 6,000 volunteering employees from corporate world have learnt to contribute to the sustainability goals of the organization they are working with.

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Thank you for your interest in our program

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Rehoboth Activities: 1. Corporate Employees Plant Trees / Carbon Project for Corporates

Encouraging corporate employees to visit farm land and plant trees along with the farmers



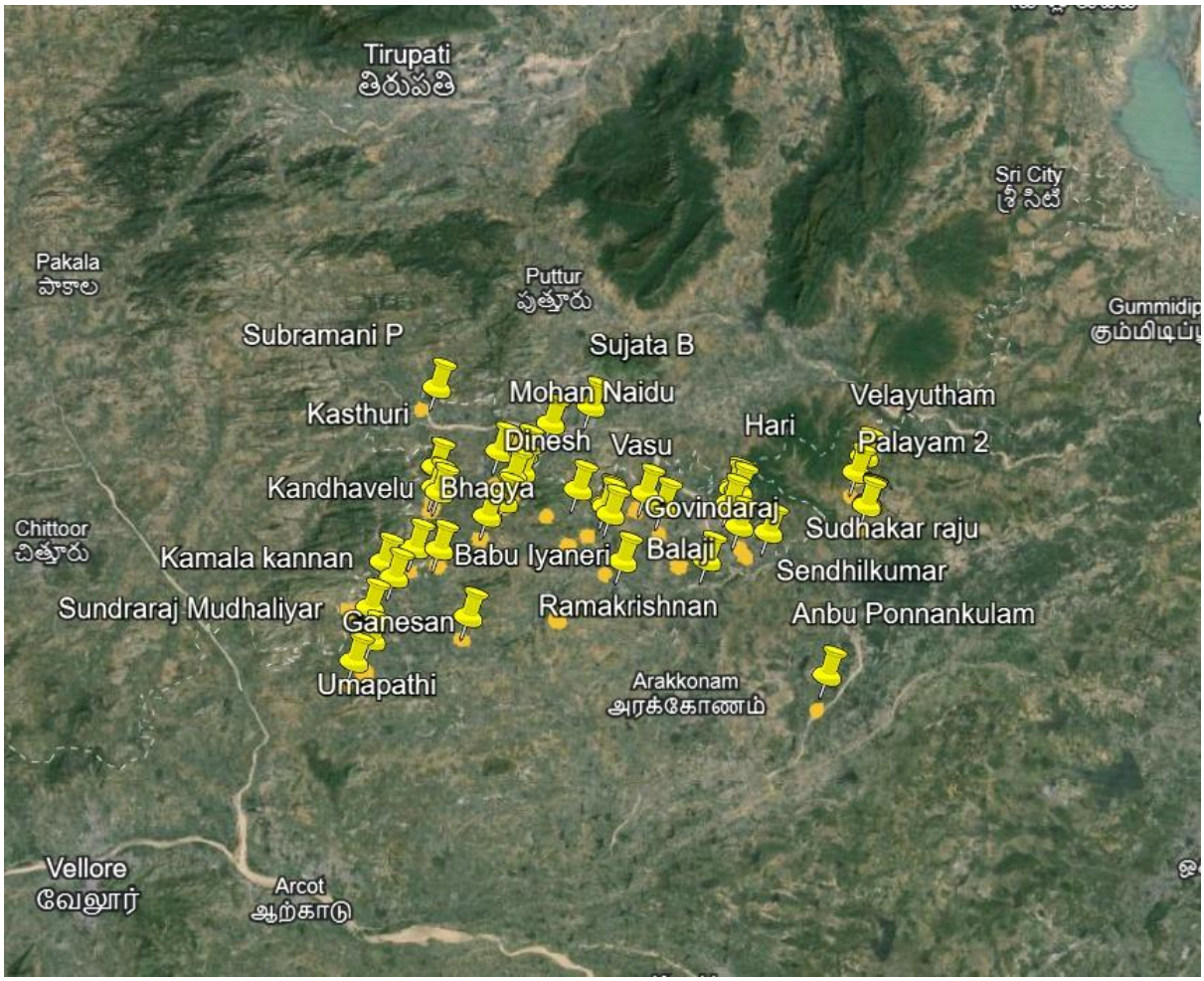

We prepare the land well and provide good training to the corporate employees to plant trees.





Then the employees plant the trees. Later, we monitor the trees and get the track of the tree groves with GPS coordinates and same will be provided to the sponsor and the sponsor can see their sponsored trees without spending money on travel, without spending time on travel, just by mouse click and see their trees growing. This update will be done once in a year.

If the sponsor has multiple tree groves sponsored, they will be able to see their tree groves through the below format on google map.



Groves identified by GPS coordinators: Longitude/latitude and the perimeter of the grove is the identification for every tree groves. Without a shadow of doubt, and without spending money or time, just by mouse click the tree groves can be watched

Transparency: Rehoboth is developing a dedicated page to display the quantified data online under Rehoboth portal. By providing the quantification data online and available to anyone with an Internet connection, Rehoboth is open to audit by anyone, at any time. By providing the location, boundaries, tree count by species and circumference, any interested party can field check Rehoboth data.

Rehoboth Data System: The data system is an integral part of Rehoboth's quality assurance and quality control plan. We have developed our own App to be collect data in a step-by-step manner, increasing the likelihood that all the data will be collected. Data field characteristics are defined to force the use of numbers, text or special formats.

Rehoboth Activities: 2. Encourage corporate employees to make seedballs

A seed ball, also known as a seed bomb, is a small ball of seeds encased in a protective mixture of clay and compost or other organic matter. These balls are designed to be thrown into areas where you want to encourage plant growth, such as barren or degraded land. The protective layer helps the seeds germinate by retaining moisture and protecting them from predators and harsh weather conditions until the right time for growth. Corporate companies call us to have seedball making session in their office premises and on few occasions, we have witnessed the volunteering employees visiting our project areas in the village locality to make seedballs.







Seed balls are simply thrown into the desired area, and they will germinate when conditions are suitable, typically during the rainy season. Seed balls protect seeds from birds, rodents, insects, and extreme weather, and they can be easily distributed in hard-to-reach areas.

Rehoboth Activities: 3. Encourage Corporate Employees in Pottery making

Pottery making can be a great team-building activity for employees. It offers a fun, hands-on experience that encourages collaboration, problem-solving, and creativity, while also providing a relaxing and mindful break from work. Many organizations offer workshops specifically designed for corporate teams, allowing employees to create their own pottery pieces and fostering a sense of accomplishment and shared experience. Rehoboth is doing this exercise since 2018 and over 2,000 volunteering employees got the opportunity to work on the pottery wheel.













Rehoboth Activities: 4. Growing trees for corporate business carbon offset

There are millions of subsistence farmers in the world that are the largest source of CO2 emission. That is because they need the wood for cooking, heating and for building materials. Through learning new approaches to managing their land, the subsistence farmers can also be the biggest contributor to CO2 reductions through reforestation and sustainable agriculture. From the measured and Verified results of the Rehoboth Project, we have shown that reforestation can be the largest 'sink' of CO2 and provide 'breathing room' for other low carbon technologies to be developed, piloted, scaled up and brought to commercial viability. Rehoboth educates farmers in ways to improve their land, improve their local climate, and improve the global climate. Rehoboth monitors their results and they receive income from making and selling carbon credits from reforestation using the Verified Carbon Standard (VCS). As VCS credits are certified under the Climate, Community and Biodiversity standard (CCBA). CCBA certifies that Rehoboth addresses the need of climate, community and biodiversity, these are critical issues throughout the world. VCS credits are recognized as not only a source of carbon offsets but also as a premier program for sustainable development and poverty relief.

Rehoboth activities can be classified into two major heads, i.e, a) Green House Gas (GHG); and b) Sustainable development. Even though, Rehoboth Company business activities are based on GHG, the same level of importance is given to the sustainable development of rural agriculture. There are over hundreds and thousands of farmers working under Rehoboth throughout Tamil Nadu. They form small groups and each group formulates their action plan. Rehoboth encourages the small groups' activities and empowers them by giving education in farming, business, health and climate issues. Rehoboth Small Groups are always finding better ways of working together, planting trees, and farming. Rehoboth Project is designed to achieve integrated sustainable development objectives including taking actions that reduce greenhouse gas concentrations in the air for a new "cash crop" — growing trees — for carbon sequestration; conservation agricultural management; food security; and basic business management.



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Rehoboth Activities: 5. Rehoboth reaching the poor with helping hands

To reach the poor and needy, one can donate to Rehoboth NGO towards poverty alleviation and for multiple options include donating groceries, support for dress, roof cover, clean drinking water and lot more. On such activities, we are mostly into deep villages where very few reach to help.







