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Poverty and illiteracy are rampant. Our dedicated team works hard in sustained manner to alleviate poverty in inaccessible rural areas under difficult conditions to create replicable models.

PRDC Guest House



Pragathi Rural Development Center (PRDC)

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PRDC Conference-cum-Training Hall



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The center has been developed in Burgula as **a hub to facilitate development in more than 500 neighboring villages**, about 100 km away from the city of Hyderabad. This beautiful lush-green facility houses meeting rooms and a large **Conference-cum-Training Hall**. The **guest-house** will accommodate the summer internship trainees from the US and India, and also the trainers.

At the outset, this modern, **environment-friendly center** has sent a strong message to neighboring rural communities about rain water harvesting system, use of LED lights and mud bricks. The bricks are cheaper, stronger and avoid need for air-conditioning. Future plans include installation of **solar panels** and the development of **computer training-cum-telecounselling center**. The telecounselling center will be a game-changer, impacting education, access to healthcare, and livelihoods.

A very well structured **90-day training program in stitching** has attracted women in large numbers from nearby villages so far in this center. Plans are on to add **training programs in other crafts and skills gradually**. This should gradually transform the employment landscape in the area.

Experts from all over the globe regularly address the villagers to increase awareness, from PRDC. Villagers are imparted practical tools for rural development in the areas of education, preventive health care, livelihoods generation, financial literacy, women empowerment etc. **Medical camps** are being conducted often. We encourage our **other nonprofit organization partners to use the center** as a base for penetrating the difficult-to-access areas.

Huge impact has been made by developing PRDC to create level playing field in rural areas. More than 250 neighboring villages and 55,000 women have been directly impacted thus far. Awards are given out annually to improve education in neighboring 100 villages. More than 10,00,000 sanitary pads have been distributed out of the center and knowledge of menstrual hygiene provided. With careful planning, availability of funds and resources, from Pragathi Rural Development Center, we **intend to reach out to millions** to provide support and education about best practices to alleviate poverty in the region.

Accolades for Pragathi

The Sarpanch of Burgula recently acknowledged in writing **our “profound valuable services to Burgula”**. They felt **“honored and at the same time happy” that we are based in Burgula** “to give both aid and advice to uplift and motivate the people of this village and also develop it into a successful model village in the state of Telangana.”

They pledged to honor the request by our organization to bring development on all fronts to **all villagers “irrespective of caste, gender, religion, political affiliation etc.”** and stated that “all the services/facilities created will be utilized by everyone without any discrimination”.