

PRESS RELEASE

Sodexo India works to reduce food waste, feeds hungry

- Joins hands with Feeding India, an NGO working to address the problem of hunger, malnutrition and food waste in India
- Project kicks off at Sodexo's leading corporate site in Hyderabad
- Food donation aimed at incentivizing children to attend school

Mumbai/Hyderabad, June 17, 2019 – In a joint effort to minimize food waste and eradicate hunger and malnutrition, Sodexo, the world leader in Quality of Life services, along with Stop Hunger has joined hands with Feeding India, an NGO which collects, checks, transports and donates food to people in need. In a symbolic inaugural ceremony, senior leaders from both organizations kicked off the first surplus food donation program at Sodexo India's leading corporate site in Hyderabad, serving over 14,000 meals per day. The initiative is aligned with the company's Better Tomorrow 2025 commitment, focusing on sustainability and making lives better for individuals, communities and the environment.

The 8-month pilot project entails Sodexo's expert guidance on food handling, storage and transportation in addition to offering access to the surplus food generated on site, which Feeding India will then redistribute among the underserved in the nearby communities. Based on the success of the pilot, the program will be introduced at other client locations, in different cities, in due course of time.

*"A major challenge for many developing countries, including ours is handling food waste. Being a world leader in food services, we are uniquely positioned to help. With a supply chain network of over 150,000 enterprises, 427,000 employees and 75 million consumers globally, there are many ways we can make a difference and revolutionize the way our industry deals with food waste. By partnering Feeding India and donating the surplus food generated on site, we are successfully turning India's food waste problem into an opportunity – opportunity to serve the needy in the community around us by going beyond our own operations", said **Rishi Gour, Country President, Sodexo On-Site Services, India.***

Further, with initiatives like WasteLESS Week and Servathon, Sodexo is continuously engaging and empowering its clients, consumers, and its employees to waste less and, ultimately, improve quality of life of individuals, while reducing environmental impact and creating social impact for communities.

*"I am happy to announce that Sodexo, one of the largest food and facilities management service provider has taken a pivotal step to reduce food waste and help combat hunger by partnering Feeding India nationally", stated **Ankit Kawatra, Founder, Feeding India**. "Feeding India is proud to start its first Magic Wheels food recovery van in Hyderabad that will be collecting surplus food from Sodexo's partner office in Hyderabad. The food donated will be an incentive for the children from the nearby communities to attend school. Combining efforts with Sodexo, our intent is to connect and engage better with employees, community members and spread awareness on the issue of hunger and malnutrition. The pilot project in Hyderabad is the stepping tone to the long-term partnership aimed at having a national footprint", he concluded.*

Sodexo Group

Founded in Marseille in 1966 by Pierre Bellon, Sodexo is the global leader in services that improve Quality of Life, an essential factor in individual and organizational performance. Operating in 72 countries, Sodexo serves 100 million consumers each day through its unique combination of On-site Services, Benefits and Rewards Services and Personal and Home Services. Sodexo provides clients an integrated offering developed over more than 50 years of experience: from foodservices, reception, maintenance and cleaning, to facilities and equipment management; from services and programs fostering employees' engagement to solutions that simplify and optimize their mobility and expenses management, to in-home assistance, child care centers and concierge services. Sodexo's success and performance are founded on its independence, its sustainable business model and its ability to continuously develop and engage its 460,000 employees throughout the world.

Sodexo is included in the CAC 40, FTSE 4 Good and DJSI indices

Key Figures (as of August 31, 2018)

20.4 billion euro in consolidated revenues

460,000 employees

19th largest private employer worldwide

72 countries

100 million consumers served daily

15 billion euro in market capitalization (as of April 10, 2019)

About Sodexo India

Sodexo India On-site Services is a leading service provider of food and facilities management solutions that impact the Quality of Life of clients and its employees. With 100+ service offerings, a robust QHSE framework and a sustainable business model, we are touching the lives of over a million consumers daily in the Auto & Ancillary, Pharmaceutical & FMCG, IT & ITES, Industrial & Infrastructure and Diversified business segments; Oil & Gas; Healthcare and Schools & Universities. In 2018, Sodexo On-site Services has delivered food and facilities management solutions across 1100 sites for 450+ clients with its network of 43,000 employees, spread across 8 regional offices and a corporate office in Mumbai.

About Feeding India

Feeding India is India's largest youth run not-for-profit organization which aims to solve the problem of hunger, malnutrition and food waste in India. They donate surplus nutritious food from hotels, weddings, restaurants, corporate offices to people who really need it and have no means or access to food. They also serve freshly cooked food or raw grains to their partnered shelter homes and beneficiaries. Feeding India works with 8500+ volunteers in 65+ cities and in a short span of time has served 15 million meals to people in need. Existing partners include: Queen of England's Diamond Jubilee Trust, UN WFP, Hero MotorCorp, Uber, Adani Group, FSSAI, United Nations, CCD, Tupperware, etc.

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