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## L&T Wins ISC-FICCI Award for 'Best Corporate Initiative in Sanitation'

L&T has been conferred the award for 'Best Corporate Initiative in Sanitation' by India Sanitation Coalition (ISC) and the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI). The award was presented at the second India Sanitation Conclave held on 26-27 April 2018 in New Delhi.

The award was presented by Mr. Hardeep Singh Puri, Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

L&T received the award for its Corporate Social Responsibility sanitation programme in 16 water-stressed villages in the Bhim and Kumbhalgarh blocks of Rajsamand district in Rajasthan.



ISC - formed in 2015 and chaired by Ms. Naina Lal Kidwai, former chairperson of HSBC India - is a platform for development and government agencies as well as corporates to work towards a common goal of achieving sustainable sanitation for India.

The award selection process involved several rounds of evaluation by an eminent jury chaired by Dr. R.A. Mashelkar, former Director General of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) and Chairperson of India's National Innovation Foundation.

L&T's sanitation efforts focus on creating water sufficiency and awareness on the problem of open defecation in communities. L&T designed toilets are customized to suit local needs, and built by locally trained community members. Community vigilance committees ensure toilet usage, thereby helping achieve the target of making villages free of open defecation.

In partnership with local NGOs and communities, nearly 1,000 toilets were constructed in the selected areas in the last two years, making 21 village hamlets free of open defecation.

This award reinforces L&T's commitment to 'Building India's Social Infrastructure' - ensuring a better quality of life for communities to achieve inclusive growth through empowerment.