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Towards a Swachh Bharat - 20 'Namma' toilets inaugurated in Delhi

New Delhi | 6 April, 2016: Hon'ble Minister of Urban Development, Shri Venkaiah Naidu today inaugurated a 'Namma toilet' for the public at the Preet Vihar community center. 19 other such 'Namma' toilets built by the National Buildings Construction Corporation (NBCC) were also inaugurated today across the capital. NBCC had taken up the construction of these 20 public toilets as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity to support the efforts of Municipal Corporations of Delhi in the city, under Swachh Bharat Mission.

These state-of-the-art, environmental friendly 'Namma' toilets are characterized by proper ventilation, water and solar-powered lights. The toilets save water by treating the water used for flushing on-site, and reusing the treated water for future flushing purposes, while also converting human waste into useful end products such as bio-gas, compost and fertilizers. The toilets have a capacity of handling nearly 300 to 400 persons a day, and each facility can accommodate up to 5 people at once.

Speaking at the unveiling, **Hon'ble Minister of Urban Development, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu**, said *"I would like to thank NBCC for actively contributing towards the Swachh Bharat Mission, and am really happy to see the progress made towards eliminating open defecation in the capital. It is endearing to see public sector actively participate in the mission and am confident that with more such active community contributions we will soon be successful in achieving a Swachh Bharat"*

Speaking at the unveiling, **Shri Praveen Prakash, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development & Mission Director, Swachh Bharat Mission**, said *"The Namma Toilets installed by NBCC are not only environmental friendly, but also introduce the newest technology in human-excreta management. This is yet another step towards fulfilling our commitment towards the nation in achieving an environment friendly and defecation-free nation by 2019. I certainly hope many more entities like NBCC come forward in the future to help us accomplish our Swachh Bharat mission"*

Using composite materials and ergonomic user-friendly designs, these model public toilets hope to serve as an example for adoption by other cities and states.

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