A journey towards a sustainable future
SELCO Family

SELCO India

- Households – reaching out to the under-served
- Institutional installations

SELCO Foundation (2010)
- SELCO Labs
- Ecosystem support-technology, policy

SELCO Incubation Center (2012)
SELCO – a unique idea

SELCO Solar Pvt. Ltd, a social enterprise established in 1995, provides sustainable energy solutions and services to under-served households and businesses in rural areas

- Make the poor asset creators
- Non-Donation based model – System cost varies from $100-400
- Owned by three not-for-profit organisations
- All profits are re-invested to reach out to more poor households

SELCO Solar Pvt. Ltd works out projects in a holistic manner

- Creating products based on end user needs: going beyond just being a technology supplier but customizing our products based on individual needs.
- Installation and after-sales service for long term sustainability:
  - SELCO operates 55 Energy Service Centers to ensure prompt maintenance and service
  - All important components of the solar system warranted for at least 5 years
  - A complete Complaint Management System with Toll Free Number to handle complaints
- Standardized financing packages: creating channels for end users to afford systems based on their cash flow through Rural Banks and Microfinance Institutes.
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<td>Population reach</td>
<td>1.5 million</td>
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<td>No of households reached through energy interventions</td>
<td>250,000</td>
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<td>Total no. of non-household customers i.e. institutions</td>
<td>5000</td>
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<td>No. of schools reached – Lights and Digital Education</td>
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<td>No of students reached</td>
<td>100,000</td>
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<td>No. of financial partners (banks, MFIs, cooperative societies)</td>
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<td>No. of community partners</td>
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<td>No. of states reached</td>
<td>6-Karnataka, Tamilnadu, Kerala, Gujarat, Bihar, Maharastra</td>
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<td>No. of branches</td>
<td>55</td>
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<td>No. of employees</td>
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FOCUS LABS
SF at its core consists of issue based labs that maintain focus on crucial concerns cutting across geographic regions.

ECOSYSTEM SUPPORT
Resources that are common to all the labs

COMMUNITY LABS
Contextual labs (Rural, Urban and Tribal) that focus on development solutions specific to that geographic region.

SELCO Foundation: Network of innovative R and D Labs + Ecosystem support
SELCO Incubation Center

Entrepreneur Identification
- Passion for social development
- Identification through partner networks

Training
- Knowledge transfer on business model & processes

Business Support
- Help establish operations/biz processes
- Develop vendor linkages
- End consumer financing

Investment
- Business plan development
- Investment facilitation

Success Stories

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- Provide hand on experience of business model and processes
- Continuous Mentoring Support
- Platform for sharing Best Practices
- African entrepreneur incubation
SELCO - Light for home

- SELCO has reached out to approximately 250,000 homes in provisioning Solar lighting systems.
  - 75%
    - Small Farmers
    - Individual working households
    - Individual/Home based workers/ Street hawkers
  - 10 -15%
    - Lower middle income

- Around 75% of the systems are financed by Rural Banks achieving the important objective of first time financial linkage of these poor customers with the bank.

A video on household using Solar Home lighting system
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HGTO2Nm5lng
SELCO- Projects

• Through these projects SELCO attempts to:
  • Understand risks & challenges of serving the poor
  • Develop appropriate technical and financial mechanisms to overcome them

• SELCO reaches out to:
  • Very poor households
  • Isolated villages and island settlements
  • Urban and rural slums
  • Indigenous tribes

Example: SELCO has helped the Siddhi community (a special tribe having origins from Africa, now have blended into the deep rural settlements in Northern Karnataka) adopt the solar systems by facilitating loans through rural banks.

A video on Siddhi community

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IJDGnaoQCZ4
SELCO – In livelihood

• These projects focus on provisioning systems designed to help the livelihood activities of individuals and communities. It also helps create local social entrepreneurs who make a living out of solar systems. Some of the activities that has been enhanced by solar systems are:
  • Silk worm rearing
  • Sewing machine
  • Weaving
  • Basket weaving
  • Mobile/Laptop charging centers
  • Street hawker projects etc

Example: A video on Sewing done using Solar energy
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FkkSkMjCo7I
SELCO – Education

• SELCO with philanthropic contribution from various organizations has been undertaking several projects that enhance education of students in remote, rural location hailing from families with marginal income. The projects are oriented around providing lighting and other digital enhancements that aid education of the children.
  • Portable solar lights for children from un-electrified households with centralised solar powered charging stations located in schools
  • Solar lighting systems to residential Schools/hostels run by Social Welfare Departments and Backward Class and Minority department of the State Government
  • Solar powered energy efficient computers (n-computing technology) and DC projectors for government run schools
  • Solar powered Computer lab on a bus

A video on education intervention by SELCO

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ZzLMvyeMJM
SELCO- Innovations

• About 10 to 15% of SELCO’s customers are rural institutions – Schools, Hostels, Health centers, Banks, Religious places, Refugee camps and other organizations. These provide opportunities to innovate products that are customized to the needs of the customer.

• Solar power for Karnataka Government Milk Collection Centers
• Solar powered rural banks (KVGB)
• Solar water pumps for Households/Irrigation
• Mini grid
• Integrated Energy Centers for urban slums
• Off-grid AC systems
• Solar water heaters
• Street lights/Garden lights

Thank You