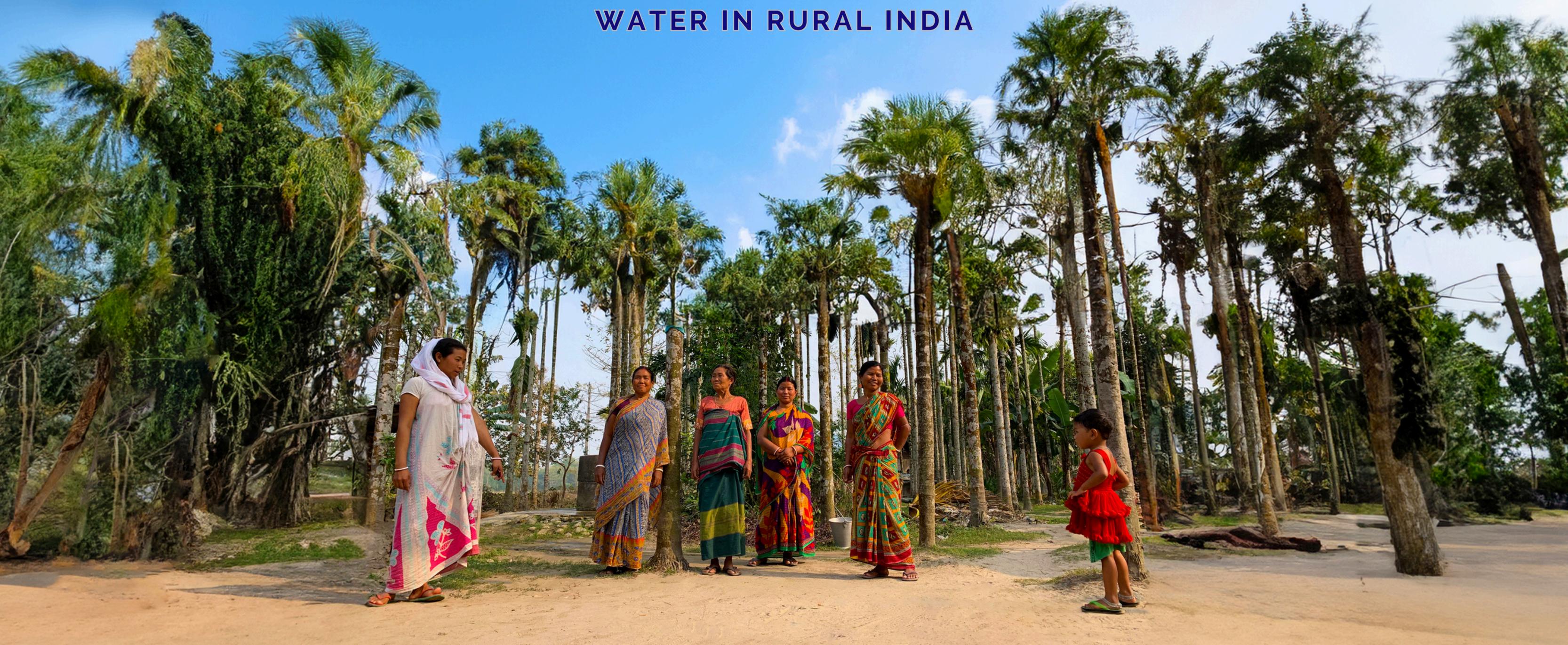




CLEAN WATER FOR ALL

**REACHING THE DALITS: SAFE, CLEAN
WATER IN RURAL INDIA**



India's Excluded Communities

The Dalit's (also referred to as 'the untouchables', because they are considered impure from birth and perform jobs that are traditionally unclean) across India and South Asian countries, are a population **born in to a lifetime of marginalisation and discrimination**. This form of structural discrimination, leads to limited access to basic services, including water and sanitation.

- **More than 80% of Dalit households** survive on the absolute minimum, in want of basic civic amenities and infrastructure in their habitations, including safe drinking water.
- This discrimination **affects more than 260 million Dalit's** worldwide.
- Dalit women's lives are on average **14.6 years shorter**.
- Dalit's on average live on **less than \$1 a day**, perpetuating a cycle of poverty and exclusion.



Safe, Clean Water in Rural India

It is estimated that there are **160 million people in India living without access to a clean water source**. This project aims to reach rural, excluded communities, that are not on the radar of other organisations and provide a safe, clean water source and hand-wash and sanitation training workshops, free from discrimination, led by our female led ground team.

Project details:

- **Cost Per Project:** \$3,500
- **Location:** Tamil Nadu, India
- **Average community population:** 800

Project benefits:

- **Improving global health: 73 million working days are lost** due to waterborne disease each year. "Access to safe water supplies, hygienic sanitation and good water management are essential to improve global health" (WHO).
- **Employment opportunities for women:** Indian women spend **150 million work days every year fetching water**. Removing this obstacle, allows time for investment in education and employment opportunities.
- **Increased access to education:** Children **lose 443 million school days** each year due to water-related illnesses, taking away time for a child's healthy learning and development.



To learn more about the effects of the World Water Crisis, click [here](#).

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Drop4Drop is an independent charity on a mission to alleviate the World Water Crisis and tackle the issues that come with it. With over 17 years experience in water provision, Drop4Drop's projects are accountable and efficient. 100% of donations go straight in to our projects, with over 2 million people reached across the globe so far. Please get in touch to discuss our current projects.

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