The Tushita Foundation
Jaipur, India

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Description of my Project

- Each intern is responsible for teaching English to kids through a project of their choice.
- A coordinator from the Foundation suggested a project on water sanitation, given that some students would receive water filters during the summer of 2017 and I’m studying Global Health and Health Policy at Princeton.
- The main topics I covered included the water cycle, local water conservation systems, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (the Clean India Mission), water purification, water contamination, and rainwater harvesting.
- Each day the other intern and I led a teachers’ session for 90 minutes, followed by three 60 minute batches of kids with whom we conducted our projects.
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**Bawari**

The King built Bawari. Bawari is small. The men and children swim in Bawari. Bawari’s water is good. But it’s not salty. We wash our clothes in Bawari’s water. Bawari is like a pond. Bawari has many stairs. We go in Bawari and throw the stairs.

Some bawaris are small and some bawaris are big. A bawari has some water. I can swim in a bawari anywhere. It is small, it has some water, children bathe in it and it has stairs.

**BY = Yushka**
There is a big and deep well. It is very dangerous. Many people come and fall into the well. It is a dangerous place.
How do we make India clean?

- Throw garbage in the dustbin
- Recycle
- Reuse
- Wash your hands
  - After using the toilet
  - Before you eat
  - After you play
- Don't litter
- Use the toilet
- Save water
- Plant trees and respect nature
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CLEAN INDIA WE SHOULD SAVE WATER

MISSION TO SAVE WATER
How My Work Impacted the Foundation

• Most of the kids attend government schools, in which there are large class sizes and lecture-style teaching. When I introduced the Harkness table, students were encouraged to actively participate and no one was left in the back of the room.

• A lot of the science lessons on water sanitation and conservation that I put together at the Foundation were new for both the students and teachers. I would usually teach the first two batches of students while a teacher watched, then she would teach the third batch in the same way. This shows that the lessons can be reproduced and hopefully the information that I’ve gathered can continue to be taught and learned.
How my experience impacted by academic choices and career plans

• Living in India and taking on my project at the Foundation aligned very well with my coursework in the Woodrow Wilson School and Global Health Program. I learned about the Indian lifestyle and the changes the government is trying to implement in order to improve sanitation and quality of life across the country. I would love to do independent work and more research on other aspects of global health that I witnessed in India, like access to healthcare or air pollution.

• Working at the Foundation—especially in teaching and researching Swachh Bharat—related to the implementation side of policy, which, rather than money, is the biggest challenge faced in changing unsanitary behaviours and practices in India.

• I would love to live and work abroad again, especially for a nonprofit.
WATER SANITATION AND CONSERVATION, SUMMER 2017

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WATER CONTAMINATION (ROSE)
August 9, 2017

WATER PURIFICATION (ROSE)
August 8, 2017

THE WAYS WE CAN HELP SWACHH BHARA
August 4, 2017

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