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शुभ संदेश

सामाजिक शास्त्रातील संशोधनाचा मुख्य उद्देश समाज कल्याण साध्य करणे आणि सार्वजनिक धोरण निर्धारणासाठी आवश्यक अभ्यास करणे हा असतो. या राष्ट्रीय परिषदेतून सामाजिक शास्त्रातील संशोधनातील अभ्यासातून सामाजिक कल्याण आणि सार्वजनिक धोरण निर्मितीसाठी पोषक वातावरण निर्मिती हा होता. सेवाभावी संस्था वर्षानुवर्षे समाजकल्याणाचे घेय बाळगून आपले कार्य निरंतर करत असतात. या राष्ट्रीय परिषदेच्या माध्यमातून अशासकीय सेवाभावी संस्थांनी समाजातील उपेक्षित घटकांच्या उन्नतीसाठी दिलेल्या महत्त्वपूर्ण योगदानाबाबत ज्ञान साध्य करणे शक्य झाले आहे. ही परिषद या संस्थांच्या प्रभावी कार्याचे प्रदर्शन, त्यांच्या अनुभवांचे आदानप्रदान आणि त्यांच्याशी संभाव्य सहकार्यावर चर्चा करण्यासाठी एक अत्यंत महत्वाचे व्यासपीठ ठरले आहे. संशोधक, तरुण अभ्यासक, संशोधन मार्गदर्शक आणि या सर्व सेवाभावी संस्थांचे प्रतिनिधी यांना एकत्र आणून, या परिषदेने शैक्षणिक संशोधन आणि प्रत्यक्ष सामाजिक कृती यांच्यातील दरी कमी करण्याचा प्रयत्न केला आहे. समाजाच्या प्रगतीसाठी आवश्यक प्रभावी धोरण निर्मितीला मार्गदर्शन करतील अशा तथ्यांवर आधारित निष्कर्षांवर लक्ष केंद्रित करणे आणि वैज्ञानिक पद्धतीचा वापर वास्तविक जगातील आव्हानांचा अभ्यास करण्यासाठी सामाजिक संशोधनाचा वापर यांची सांगड घालणे या परिषदेमुळे शक्य झाले आहे.

समाजाच्या निकडीच्या गरजा दर्शवणारे अनेक उपविषय या परिषदेत चर्चिते गेले. या परिषदेतील चर्चेत अनेक सेवाभावी संस्था ग्रामीण विकासासाठी दुर्गम भागात क्षमता बांधणी, सहकारी चळवळी आणि कौशल्य विकास इत्यादी उपक्रमांच्या माध्यमातून केलेल्या कार्याचे अध्ययन केले गेले. या चर्चेतून सामाजिक शास्त्रातील संशोधकांना प्रकरण अभ्यास आणि सार्वजनिक धोरण विश्लेषणाच्या संधी मिळाल्याचे निष्पन्न झाले. विशेषतः युवक आणि महिलांसाठी कौशल्य विकास, व्यावसायिक प्रशिक्षण आणि उपजीविकेच्या संधीद्वारे व्यक्तींना सक्षम बनवणाऱ्या यशस्वी प्रकल्पांवर प्रकाश पडला. भारतात अलीकडच्या काळात गतीने श्रीकरण होत असल्याचे दिसून येते, परिणामी शहरी गरिबी, शहरी कामगारांमधील संसाधनांची कमतरता आणि कौशल्याची तूट यांसारख्या समस्यांचे निराकरण होण्यासाठी लक्षित हस्तक्षेपांद्वारे उपाय शोधणे या परिषदेच्या माध्यमातून शक्य झाले आहे. अंतिमतः या परिषदेत समाजाच्या उपजीविका, कल्याण आणि सुरक्षिततेसाठी तयार केलेल्या सरकारी योजनांचा सखोल अभ्यास करणे, त्यांच्या प्रभावीतेचे आणि परिणामांचे मोजमाप करण्यासाठी सखोल मूल्यमापन या साठी सखोल संशोधनाची गरज असल्याचे निष्पन्न झाले आहे. सर्व संभाव्य संशोधकांनी व संशोधन मार्गदर्शकांनी या परिषदेत झालेल्या चर्चेतून प्राप्त अधिकाधिक विषय विचारात घेऊन त्यावर सामाजिक संशोधन करावे. त्यासाठी आवश्यक तथ्य निर्मितीसाठी अशा सर्व सेवाभावी संस्थांना मार्गदर्शन साध्य झाले आहे.

सामाजिक शास्त्रे आणि मानव्यविद्या शाखेतील संशोधक, सामाजिक कार्यकर्ते, सेवाभावी संस्थांचे सदस्य आणि प्राध्यापक यांच्यासाठी ही परिषद अत्यंत उपयुक्त ठरली आहे. या परिषदेतील चर्चेतून सामाजिक प्रभाव असलेल्या संभाव्य संशोधन प्रकल्पांसाठी मौल्यवान अंतर्दृष्टी आणि मार्गदर्शन साध्य झाले आहे. संशोधन मार्गदर्शकांना संबंधित संशोधन विषयांना अधिक सखोल अभ्यासून अंतर्दृष्टी मिळणे शक्य झाले आहे. विशेषतः राष्ट्र उभारणीसाठी महत्त्वपूर्ण असलेल्या सरकारी योजना आणि संबंधित सुधारणांचे मूल्यांकन यावर लक्ष केंद्रित करणारे विषय, परिषदेत सादर केलेल्या सामाजिक सुधारणा उपक्रमांमधून मिळालेले आकडेवारीचे विश्लेषण आणि अंतर्दृष्टी याबाबत सर्व सहभागींना ज्ञान झाले. सेवाभावी संस्थांच्या कार्याद्वारे विविध प्रदेशांमध्ये यशस्वी प्रतिमानांबद्दल माहिती घेणे या परिषदेतून शक्य झाले आहे.

ही परिषद संशोधन मार्गदर्शक, संभाव्य संशोधक, आणि पदव्युत्तर पदवीला शिकत असलेले विद्यार्थी आणि विविध सेवाभावी संस्थांच्या सदस्यांच्या सहभागाने यशस्वी झाली आहे. सेवा सहयोग फाउंडेशन, स्व-रूपवर्धिनी, दीनदयाळ सेवा प्रतिष्ठान आणि इतर अनेक महत्वाच्या संस्थांच्या उपस्थितीमुळे सहकार्याच्या अनोख्या संधी बाबतचे ज्ञान सर्व सहभागींना प्राप्त झाले. या सहकार्यामुळे संशोधनासाठी संभाव्य अभ्यास प्रकरणे, संशोधनासाठी केंद्रित विषय, सरकारी योजनांसाठी मूल्यांकन संशोधन आणि क्षेत्रीय प्रकल्प, संशोधन प्रकल्प, ऑन-जॉब प्रशिक्षण आणि समुदाय सहभाग कार्यक्रमांच्या विविध संधी मिळू शकतात हे स्पष्ट झाले. अशा सहकार्यास प्रोत्साहन देऊन, या परिषदेने सामाजिक शास्त्रातील संशोधन आणि सामाजिक कल्याण या दोहोंवर चिरस्थायी प्रभाव टाकण्याचे उद्दिष्ट साध्य झाले आहे. मी सर्व सहभागींचे या परिषदेच्या यशासाठी आभार व्यक्त करतो आणि सर्व संभाव्य संशोधक विद्यार्थी आणि मार्गदर्शकांना या परिषदेतून समोर आलेल्या विविध संशोधन विषयांवर संशोधन करण्याचे आवाहन करतो. व सर्व संबंधितांना त्यासाठी हार्दिक शुभेच्छा देतो.

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शुभ संदेश

आमच्या मुंबई विद्यापीठ, मुंबई व इंडियन कौन्सिल ऑफ सोशल सायन्स रिसर्च, पश्चिम क्षेत्रीय केंद्र (ICSSR) द्वारा आयोजित "Investigating the Impact of Socioeconomic Environment on Academic Research and Outcomes : A Policy-Oriented Approach" या विषयावरील २४ जानेवारी २०२५ रोजी होणाऱ्या राष्ट्रीय परिषदेच्या सर्व सेवाभावी सामाजिक संस्थेतील सन्माननीय प्रमुख, पीएच.डी. चे मार्गदर्शक, प्राध्यापक वृंद, विद्यार्थी आणि सहभागींना मी माझ्या मनःपूर्वक हार्दिक शुभेच्छा देतो.

आजच्या जागतिकीकरणात विकसित होत असलेल्या भारतीय ज्ञानव्यवहारातील सामाजिक-सांस्कृतिक, आर्थिक आणि शैक्षणिक संशोधन अत्यंत महत्त्वाचा विषय बनला आहे. त्यातील शाश्वत शैक्षणिक प्रगतीला चालना देणारी प्रभावी धोरणे तयार करण्यासाठी भारतीय समुदायाची सामाजिक-आर्थिक परिस्थिती लक्षात घेणे आवश्यक आहे. तसेच सदर बाबींचा संशोधनाची गुणवत्ता, दिशा, संधी आणि योग्यतेवर कसा प्रभाव पाडते हे समजून घेणे आजच्या परिप्रेक्षात आवश्यक आहे.

या अर्थाने ही परिषद आंतरविद्याशाखीय परिसंवाद व चर्चा घडवून आणण्यासाठी आणि नाविन्यपूर्ण कल्पनांची देवाणघेवाण करण्यासाठी महत्त्वपूर्ण ठरणार आहे. तसेच अधिक सर्वसमावेशक सहभागी सेवाभावी व सामाजिक संस्थांच्या सहकार्याने येणाऱ्या काळात प्रभावी संशोधन संस्था तयार करण्यासाठी शैक्षणिक व संशोधनविषयक धोरणांचा मागोवा घेणे आवश्यक आहे. त्यामुळे संशोधनाच्या बहुमूल्य संधी उपलब्ध करून देणे कामी ही परिषद संशोधनाच्या प्रगतीकरिता सहयोगी प्रयत्नांसाठी एक व्यासपीठ म्हणून काम करू शकेल, असा विश्वास वाटतो. तसेच ही परिषद शैक्षणिक उत्कृष्टतेबरोबरच समाजाच्या सर्वसमावेशक शाश्वत विकासासाठी योगदान देईल, अशी मी दृढ आशा व्यक्त करतो.

मला विश्वास आहे की या परिषदेत सादर केली जाणारी संशोधनपूर्ण व अभ्यासपूर्ण माहिती सामाजिक-सांस्कृतिक, आर्थिक पृष्ठभूमी समोर आणेल. तसेच शैक्षणिक संशोधनातील आव्हाने आणि संधींबद्दलची समज वाढविण्यात महत्त्वपूर्ण योगदान देईल. अशा अत्यंत महत्त्वपूर्ण विषयावर या परिषदेत अभ्यासू वक्ते व संसाधन व्यक्तींना निमंत्रित करून सदर विषयावरील चिकित्सक संवाद सुलभ करणाऱ्या आयोजक समितीचे समन्वयक व सर्व सदस्यांचे सहकार्य तसेच परिश्रमाबद्दल त्यांचे अभिनंदन करून पुढील सुयश चिंतीतो.

या कार्यक्रमादरम्यान सर्व सहभागींना फलदायी चर्चा, अर्थपूर्ण विचाराची देवाणघेवाण, सुसंवाद आणि समृद्ध अनुभव मिळणारच, अशी आशा व्यक्त करतो. ही राष्ट्रीय परिषद यशस्वी आणि फलदायी होण्याकरिता माझ्या तर्फे पुनः मनःपूर्वक हार्दिक शुभेच्छा!

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Message

It gives me immense pleasure to pen down a few of my thoughts on the occasion of one-day National Level Conference on 'Investigating the Impact of Socio-economic Environment on Academic Research and Outcomes: A Policy-Oriented Approach' organized by the ICSSR Western Region, Mumbai, on 24th January 2025.

At the outset, I would like to extend my warm congratulations and heartfelt gratitude to all those involved in the successful organization of this significant conference. This conference promises to be a pivotal moment in shaping the future of social science research in India.

In today's world, the role of social organizations and NGOs in uplifting the lives of marginalized communities is more important than ever. These organizations have demonstrated incredible success in providing livelihoods, vocational skills, and empowerment to the disadvantaged. By highlighting their work, this conference aims to showcase their invaluable contributions to social reforms and community development, underscoring the transformative power of grassroots initiatives.

The focus of this conference is to explore ways to align social science research with tangible societal benefits and to contribute meaningfully to policy formulation. In recent years, the role of research in driving social change has become increasingly important, and this conference provides a platform to discuss how social science research can be directed towards real-world problems, especially the issues faced by marginalized communities.

I am particularly excited about the expected participants who represent a broad spectrum of individuals dedicated to social betterment. Research scholars, faculty members from the fields of Social Science and Humanities, social workers, NGO members, and students and teachers will all converge to discuss and deliberate upon pressing social issues. Your participation is key to advancing our collective understanding of the intersection between research and social reform.

The expected outcome of this conference is to spark new ideas and perspectives that can guide future research in the social sciences. Through rich deliberations and dialogues, we hope to inspire intellectual contributions that will lead to innovative policies for the Betterment of society. The insights garnered will not only shape research directions but also influence social reforms that can improve the lives of many.

I look forward to the fruitful discussions and collaborative efforts that will emerge from this gathering. May this conference pave the way for further strengthening the role of social sciences in the service of society.

It is an honor to be part of this remarkable event, and I look forward to the continued success of such initiatives that strengthen our collective efforts. May this souvenir serve as a reminder of the impactful moments shared and the progress we are making together.

With warm regards,
Prof. Dhananjay Singh

ABOUT UNIVERSITY OF MUMBAI

The University of Mumbai (known earlier as University of Bombay) is one of the oldest and premier Universities in India. It was established in 1857. The University of Mumbai was accorded 5 star status in 2001 & 'A++' grade status in April 2017 by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). The University of Mumbai has jurisdiction over all the coastal districts of Maharashtra. Currently there are 904 affiliated colleges and more than 56 Post Graduate departments. University of Mumbai offers programmes in the faculties of Humanities, Science & Technology, Commerce and Management and Interdisciplinary Studies.

ABOUT WESTERN REGIONAL CENTRE

The Indian Council of Social Science Research, an autonomous organization, was established by the Government of India in 1969. It, in turn, established the Western Regional Centre at Vidyanagari, University of Mumbai, with the approval of the Government of Maharashtra in January 1973, in collaboration with the University of Mumbai.

OBJECTIVES OF THE WESTERN REGIONAL CENTRE (WRC)

The WRC, in pursuance of its aims and objectives, conducts Research Methodology Courses, Academic Writing Programmes, Public Lectures, Seminars and Workshops, receives foreign scholars, administers Study Grants and Minor Research Projects. In addition to the seminars and lectures conducted by social scientists, WRC organizes and supports seminars, workshops, regional conferences, lectures etc. besides granting financial assistance to regional language journals in social sciences and related areas in different parts of the western region.

CONFERENCE BACKGROUND

The WRC/ICSSR is organizing a one day National Level Conference on 'Investigating the Impact of Socioeconomic Environment of Academic Research and Outcomes : A Policy-Oriented Approach' on 24th January 2025 from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm. at Green Technology Auditorium, University of Mumbai, Vidyangari, Kalina, Santacruz East, Mumbai 400098.

Research in social sciences is often criticized for lacking objectivity, leading some to view it as ineffective. However, the interpretative nature of social science research, when grounded in objective data, can provide valuable insights to guide decision makers and policy makers in promoting societal welfare. Employing both qualitative and quantitative data through mixed method approaches ensures a balanced and meaningful interpretation of findings, contributing to effective policy formulation and implementation. To enhance its impact, social science research should focus on topics that align with national development goals. It is therefore, crucial to guide researchers in selecting topics that address societal needs and add tangible value.

THEME

It is important that social science research focuses more on driving societal benefits and contributing to policy formulation. Numerous organizations, including non-governmental organizations (NGOs), are actively working to uplift marginalized sections of society. The dedicated efforts of these NGOs and service-oriented organizations (सेवाभावी संस्था) have yielded positive outcomes, empowering beneficiaries by providing them with livelihoods and vocational opportunities.

The WRC/ICSSR will identify and invite the organizations, NGOS, service-oriented organizations (सेवाभावी संस्था) to showcase their efforts, share experiences and discuss future plans. The commitment of these organizations that have addressed specific societal needs will drive the conference bringing critical issues to the forefront.

This platform will provide young scholars, researchers and research guides the opportunity to examine these subjects using scientific methodology that can help to shape the focus of research in social sciences.

Discussions will explore how the said efforts will contribute to data and insights on persistent problems and explore potential solutions. The ensuing debates and dialogues can inform governm-

ent policymaking and inform how social science research can provide valuable inputs to enhance the process of policy making towards the well-being of society.

SUB THEMES

• Rural Development

National development must be inclusive, ensuring that citizens in remote and rural areas are not left behind in the process of progress and transformation. Projects aimed at rural development, capacity building, fostering cooperative movements, and equipping youth with skills to achieve their life goals will be showcased. These initiatives will be presented to researchers and research guides to identify potential case studies, explore opportunities in these areas, critically analyze similar cases, and lay the groundwork for policy formulation and development.

• Skill development

Skill development for youth and women has been a key focus of some NGOs, enabling capacity building and empowerment. Projects centered on skill development, capacity building, fostering cooperative movements, and equipping youth and women with the skills needed to achieve their life goals will be showcased. These initiatives will be presented to researchers and research guides to identify potential case studies, explore opportunities in this domain, critically analyze similar efforts, and uncover possibilities for developing a foundation for policy formulation and implementation.

• Urban Poverty

Urbanization in India is progressing rapidly, with cities and metropolitan areas attracting citizens in search of better livelihoods and opportunities. However, urban regions face challenges such as resource scarcity and a lack of occupational skills among the workforce. Educational qualifications alone often fail to secure employment, as many urban youths lack the specific skill sets required for available jobs. Projects and organizations addressing these issues will present valuable research opportunities for researchers, offering insights into skill development and employment solutions in the context of urban areas.

• Government Schemes

The Government of India, along with state governments, offers numerous schemes focused on livelihood, welfare, and safety. These schemes are announced and implemented through the government machinery to reach the intended beneficiaries. Evaluating the effectiveness of these schemes and measuring their impact can serve as key objectives for research, providing valuable insights that can be explored by social science researchers.

RELEVANCE TO SOCIETY

Researchers, social workers, NGO members working in various fields, and faculty members appointed as research guides and supervisors in Social Science and Humanities research are invited to participate in the conference. Participants will gain valuable insights and guidance for future research projects aimed at achieving impactful outcomes. Research supervisors and guides will get information on how to refine research topics directed towards evaluation of government schemes and reforms important for nation building.

CONTRIBUTION TO POLICY MAKING

Data analysis, and insights derived from social reforms initiatives can provide concrete evidence of progress, inclusion, and sustainability efforts. This will also facilitate the replication of successful models in other regions and states. Perceptions on the above will be presented at the conference thus providing research guides and students information on themes and areas for research.

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Deendayal Seva Pratishthan

Name of the NGO - Deendayal Seva Pratishthan

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About the NGO

Vision :

To become the most effective instrument for development of Paradhi and other tribal communities, farming communities, women, and the socially and economically laggard sections of society.

Mission :

To undertake development-oriented interventions for providing realistic opportunities for education, skill development, livelihood, health care, and provide financial support to deprived sections of the society. To promote eco-friendly processes, practices and investments in agriculture and allied sectors for their sustainable development.

Objectives :

To work for the development of tribal people, other socially and economically backward communities and slum dwellers in the area of education, health, livelihood, women empowerment, child development and to build general awareness among them.

To work for the rehabilitation of families affected by suicide of a family head due to agricultural distress. To counsel, encourage and help women heads of such families to take up a livelihood activity for the family, and provide them assistance for the education of their children.

To establish and run hostels, coaching centers, skill development centers, Bal Sanskar Kendras, personality development centers, mobile dispensaries, and organize health checkup camps as well as take necessary capacity building measures for furtherance of the above objectives.

To develop sustainable farm models with low-cost farming techniques and propagate them among farmers as a measure to mitigate agricultural distress, arresting farmers' suicides.

To demonstrate preparation of and also undertaking production of nonchemical agricultural inputs from cow dung, cow urine, neem, herbs, etc. To promote marketing of natural farming and their products. To construct infrastructure like cold storages, godowns, if necessary. To obtain patents for the products developed by the institution.

To promote farm-based activities like dairy, poultry, goat farming, apiculture, and non-farm activities that deal with cow-based products, food processing, cottage industry, small business and services activities, etc. among small and marginal farmers, women, and unemployed youth for enhancement

of their income. To implement employment generation schemes of KVIC, KVIB and similar institutions.

To encourage tribes in collecting honey, gum, neem seeds and other minor forest produce, and help them in its processing and / or marketing. To implement schemes of Tribal Development Department and other similar departments and institutions in this regard.

To propagate rearing of indigenous and local varieties of cows, goat, poultry and other animals among farmers, artisans, youth and agricultural labourers. To demonstrate production of various medicinal and utility products from cow dung, cow urine, neem, herbs, etc. and propagate their use.

To preserve and multiply seeds of indigenous varieties of crops, vegetables and fruits as a measure to preserve biodiversity. To propagate production, preservation and use of indigenous varieties of crops, vegetables and fruits.

To promote formation of farmer producer organizations, farmer producer companies, Cooperative Societies, processing units by producers or any other aggregation form which shall benefit the farmer producers.

To work for betterment of the ecosystem by implementing soil and water conservation projects, watershed development projects, tree plantation, minimization of use of chemical agricultural input, climate change adaptation measures, etc., and build awareness regarding minimization of use of plastic as well as about its proper disposal.

To establish research and training centers for furtherance of above objectives. To obtain patents for the products developed by the research centers. To create a reference library for use of the research scientists/ students.

To establish modern public libraries including libraries with digital facilities for the benefit of youth, students and the public.

To work for propagation of renewable energy like solar energy, biogas and wind energy. To encourage development of demonstration units and provide support for establishment of such units by people.

To plan and implement projects, programmes and seek financial assistance from Indian and overseas donors/ donor agencies, various government establishments, NABARD, SIDBI, Banks, etc. for achievement of above objects. To implement schemes, projects of various development agencies which are in alignment with the objects of the institution.

To create a network with other charitable trusts, societies and other organizations engaged in charitable, social welfare activities, and work as an umbrella organization.

To establish, run or support sport complexes, gyms, fitness centers, yoga centers, martial arts training centers to promote healthy lifestyle among people in general.

To provide assistance to the people affected by natural calamities, disasters, etc. To participate in the relief and rehabilitation measures.

To cooperate, coordinate, support and partner with other social organizations, government departments, implement their projects, for achievement of above objects.

Geographical Region covered: Yavatmal and Washim Districts.

Year of establishment: 1997

Registration Certificate: 12A 80G

1) 80G Certificate Registration Number: - CIT-II/NGP/Tech/80G/D-57/2010-11

2) 12-A Registration Number:- CIT-II/NGP/Tech/12A/D-49/2010-11

3) Also have FCRA certificate

Organizational structure :

Board of Directors Selected by members once in five years.

Board of Directors	-	15
President	-	01
Vice President	-	01
Secretary	-	01
Treasurer	-	01
Ass. Secretaries	-	02
Directors	-	08
Invitee Directors	-	03
Chief Executive Officer	-	01

Project Committees for 11 different projects.

Each Project Committee is headed by President and Secretary and have around 10 members. Project Committee supervise planning, implementation and monitoring of the project.

Background:

Deendayal Bahuuddeshiya Prasarak Mandal later renamed as Deendayal Seva Pratishthan was registered as a Registered Society and as a Public Trust in the year 1997 and has been actively engaged in various social service projects since then. Impressed by thoughts of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya, a group of young persons was motivated to undertake some social service activity (सेवाकार्य) for most backward people. Paradhi community people camping in open ground in Yavatmal town and begging for their livelihood, was considered most needy of attention, by them. They traced their habitats, hamlets near villages, known as 'paradhi bedas', approached them and after discussions decided to provide their children with formal school education. Vivekanand Chhatravas was established to provide free hostel facility for paradhi children. Later need based activities like rehabilitation of widows and children of farmers who committed suicide was undertaken. This was followed by research and propagation of natural farming practices.

Projects and Work carried out:

Name of the Project	Commencement Year	Completion date
Project for promotion of Goat Farming	2011	31 March 2013
Natural Farming Project (RPF)	2022	30 April 2023
Bicycle Bank Project	2023	31 December 2023
Digital Literacy Project - 2021	2021	31 December 2021
Digital Literacy Project - 2022	2022	31 December 2022
Digital Literacy Project - 2023	2023	31 December 2023
Kitchen Garden Project - 2022	2022	31 December 2022
Kitchen Garden Project - 2023	2023	31 December 2023
Kitchen Garden Project - 2024	2024	31 December 2024
Atmanirbhar Project (Assistance to families who lost their self-employment due to lockdown during covid.)	2021	31 March 2023
Sanvedana Project (Financial Assistance to families who lost their earning member during covid.)	2023	31 March 2023

Ongoing Projects/Schemes:

Name of the Project	Brief Description
Natural Farming Project	Promote Natural Farming among farmers through trained field workers in Yavatmal and Washim districts
Swayamsiddha Project	To provide support to widows of farmers who committed suicide for taking up self-employment activities.
Vivekanand Chhatrawas	To provide free hostel facilities to children from Paradhi community.
Aarogya Rakshak Yojana	To provide preliminary health services to Paradhi community on their Bedas (Hamlets) through trained workers.
Deendayal Prabodhini and 3 Sub Centers.	To carry out research in natural farming and provide training farmers.
Kitchen Garden Project – 2024	To Promote growing kitchen garden by rural women to enhance nutritional value of their diet.
Vandhan Vikas Kendras	To help tribal people in organizing themselves in establishing Vandhan Kendra for marketing, processing of minor forest produce.

Number of Beneficiaries Year wise :

Name of the Project	Project Year	No. of Beneficiaries
Natural Farming Project	2014 to Present	9437
Vivekanand Chhatrawas (Hostel)	1997 to Present	650
Antyodaya Program	997 to Present	6000
Bicycle Bank Project - 2023	2023	240
Digital Literacy Project - 2022	2022	240
Digital Literacy Project - 2023	2023	350
Kitchen Garden Project - 2022	2022	2000
Kitchen Garden Project - 2023	2023	3000
Kitchen Garden Project – 2024 (AI)	2024	3000
Kitchen Garden Project – 2024 (JCF)	2024	2000

New insights/Success stories best practices developed

- Mere financial assistance is not sufficient to undertake livelihood activity or bring desired change. The handholding support by a trustworthy field worker is equally important.
- Providing continued emotional support is also necessary for sustaining the desired change.
- Effective implementation of the project helps in replication of projects and acceptance by the society.
- Rural women have tremendous potential for accepting the change, innovation and acquiring the skills.
- The projects create social capital which is not recognized.

Success Stories:**Project Name: Antyodaya Program****Empowering Self-Employment: Sakindra Pawar's Journey**

Umarvihir, a small Beda (Hamlet) in Ralegaon taluka, Yavatmal district, Maharashtra, is home to about 90 families nestled amidst dense forests. Here, most households engage in agriculture as their primary livelihood.

Sakindra Pawar, a young resident of this village, completed his education up to class 12. However, despite seeking employment in urban areas, he faced challenges in finding suitable work. Moreover, lack of capital posed major hurdle in starting a business.

At that time, under the self-employment initiative of the 'Antyodaya Vikas Prkalp' of Deendayal Seva Pratishthan Yavatmal, Sakindra received financial assistance to start a welding workshop. Through this business, he began repairing agricultural equipment, doors, windows, tractor welding parts, and also started doing small and large welding jobs in the village.

Through this initiative, Sakindra not only generates a sustainable income but also provides a stable foundation for his family. Today, he is recognized across five to seven neighboring villages for his ad-

ept management of the welding business, exemplifying the path of self-employment as a beacon of hope for other youth in his community.

Project Name: Natural Farming Project

Santosh Mahadev Ghobade's Experience: Success in Organic Farming

I am Santosh Mahadev Ghobade, a resident of Khandani, Post: Mhaisadodka, Taluka: Maregaon, District: Yavatmal. Since 2020, I have been practicing organic farming under the guidance of Deendayal Seva Pratishthan, Yavatmal. Previously, I attempted organic farming to some extent, but I did not get the expected yields.

I have a total of three acres of land, out of which I practiced organic farming on one acre on my own. In the first two years, i.e., 2019 and 2020, I did not achieve the expected success in organic farming. This led to a decrease in my confidence in organic farming. The reasons were obvious; I had started organic farming without proper planning. The cost of farming was increasing and the yield was low. I thought organic farming meant simply applying a lot of farm yard manure.

In 2020, Vasantra Atram from our village, who is a worker in the Natural Farming Project of Deendayal Seva Pratishthan, explained the importance and technology of organic farming to me. Vasantra Atram has also guided other farmers from the village on organic farming.

The farming in our area is forest like, hilly and lacks water. I grow cotton, pigeon pea (tur), and in some parts, wheat or chickpea. For the past two years, I have been growing wheat using organic methods. Earlier, I was growing cotton and pigeon pea, but I did not achieve the expected success.

However, this was not the case with wheat. For the past two years, I have been growing Banshi wheat. Last year, I sowed Shriram variety of wheat on one acre. It required about five kilograms of seeds and yielded seven quintals of wheat. This year, under the guidance of Vasantra Atram, I planted Banshi wheat and the yield increased. Banshi wheat yields more than other varieties of wheat.

To prepare the land for wheat, I had already planned for compost fertilizers. Before sowing, I treated seed with safetida (hing) and cow urine, which helped to prevent fungal infections in the wheat. Fifteen days after sowing, I sprayed an extract of Giripushpa leaves as a source of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium. Giripushpa leaves contain these elements, with nitrogen being predominant.

Compared to other varieties, Banshi wheat yields more and is sold at a higher price. The price of other wheat varieties ranges from Rs. 2500-3000 per quintal, while Banshi wheat is sold at Rs. 4500-5000 per quintal. From one kilogram of seeds, I harvest one quintal of wheat and from five kilograms, I harvest 5 quintals of wheat. The cost incurred is around Rs. 3000-4000. Therefore, I end up with a profit of Rs. 15,000.

Through Deendayal Seva Pratishthan and under the guidance of Vasantra Atram, I will try to grow other crops as well.

Project Name: Kitchen Garden Project

The Path to Self-Sufficiency through Kitchen Gardening

The economic condition of Mrs. Savita Bhimrao Burle from Hatgaon is modest. She sustains her family by working as a laborer. She has two children. Since the village is small, there isn't much work available locally, so she frequently has to travel out of nearby villages for work. Savita tai has a backyard of space in her house. She was contemplating how to utilize it effectively. This opportunity was given by the Kitchen Garden Project of the Deendayal Seva Pratishthan.

After joining the Kitchen Garden Project of the Deendayal Seva Pratishthan, Savita tai provided with a seed kit and training in kitchen gardening from the SoCCs Manager. Through this training, she learned the techniques for growing various types of vegetables. Savita tai started cultivating a kitchen garden in the space behind her house. Initially, she not withstanding difficulties. With her hard work and guidance, she started producing various types of vegetables like spinach, fenugreek, tomatoes, brinjal, etc.

During January 2023 to December 2023, Savita Tai sold vegetables worth 45,515/- rupees. The vegetables she produces were grown naturally, making them tasty and flavorful. Because of this, her vegetables sold well in the market.

Many women have found inspiration in Savita Tai's successful journey. Through the Kitchen Garden Project, large numbers of women have achieved self-reliance. Savita Tai is grateful to the Deendayal Seva Pratishthan for providing her guidance and support.

Savita Burle's successful journey proves that where there is a will, there is a way. With proper guidance and hard work, she has successfully managed to sustain her family and herself, which is truly inspiring.

Finance:

Activities of Deendayal Seva Pratishthan are mainly carried out with the help of public donations. CSR and funding from other organizations is obtained for specific projects like Kitchen Garden and Natural Farming (Partial).

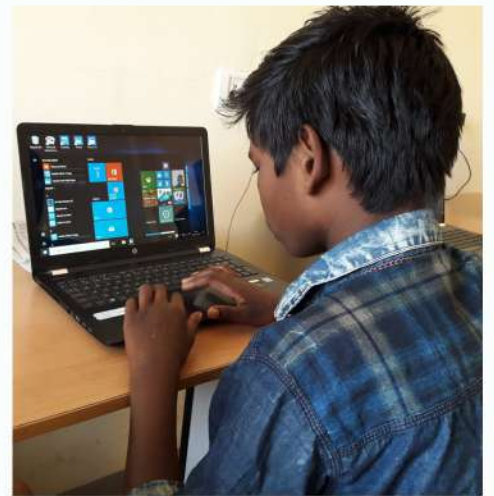
Awards/Recognition:

SN	Name of the Award	Name of award giving institution	Year
1	Game Changer Award	IIM, Nagpur	2024
2	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Samajbhushan Award from Government of Maharashtra	Utkarsh Mandal, Vileparle, Mumbai	2024
3	Sister Margaret and Vivekanand Award	Sister Margaret Foundation, Kolkata	2020
4	Adiwasi Seva Sanstha Purskar	Tribal Department, Government of Maharashtra	2019
5	Ramabai Ranade Smruti Shikshan Prabodhan Purskar	Sevasadan Shikshan Sanstha, Nagpur	2017
6	Dr. Acharya Avinashi Purskar	Keshavsmruti Pratishthan, Jalgaon	2017
7	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Samajbhushan Purskar	Government of Maharashtra	2015
8	Antyoday Award	Rambhau Mhalagi Prabodhini, Mumbai	2014

Future plans :

- Geographical expansion of Natural Farming and Kitchen Garden Projects.
- Harnessing the potential of rural women for bringing social change.
- Facilitating marketing of Natural Farming produce and minor forest produce.
- Integrated development of Paradhi hamlets.

Deendayal Seva Pratishthan, Yavatmal



Savitribai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal (SPMESM)

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About the NGO:

Savitribai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal (SPMESM) started as the social projects wing of the famous healthcare institute, Dr. Hedgewar Hospital, at Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar (Aurangabad) in 1989.

It was started with a quest to find solutions to the root causes of health issues & the work was initially started in slums and a few villages. Later in 1994, an independent non-profit organisation was registered to take this work forward in the form of SPMESM.

Today, SPMESM is a trusted non-profit of Maharashtra with its presence in 950+ villages, 14 Districts, and 80 slums within 2 cities. We have 80+ projects in Community Health, Education, NRM, Skill Development and livelihood.

Strong community connect, professional project management, impact-oriented work and dedicated team of 200+ professionals are its highlights. SPMESM is one of the few NGOs with ISO certification. It currently partners with 20+ CSR projects.

Vision:

“SPMESM will be a Catalyst with sustainable solutions in Health, Livelihood, Inclusivity and Educational development of the marginalized and the Environment.”

Mission:

“Health, Equal Opportunities and Happiness for All with Eternal Fraternity.”

Objectives:

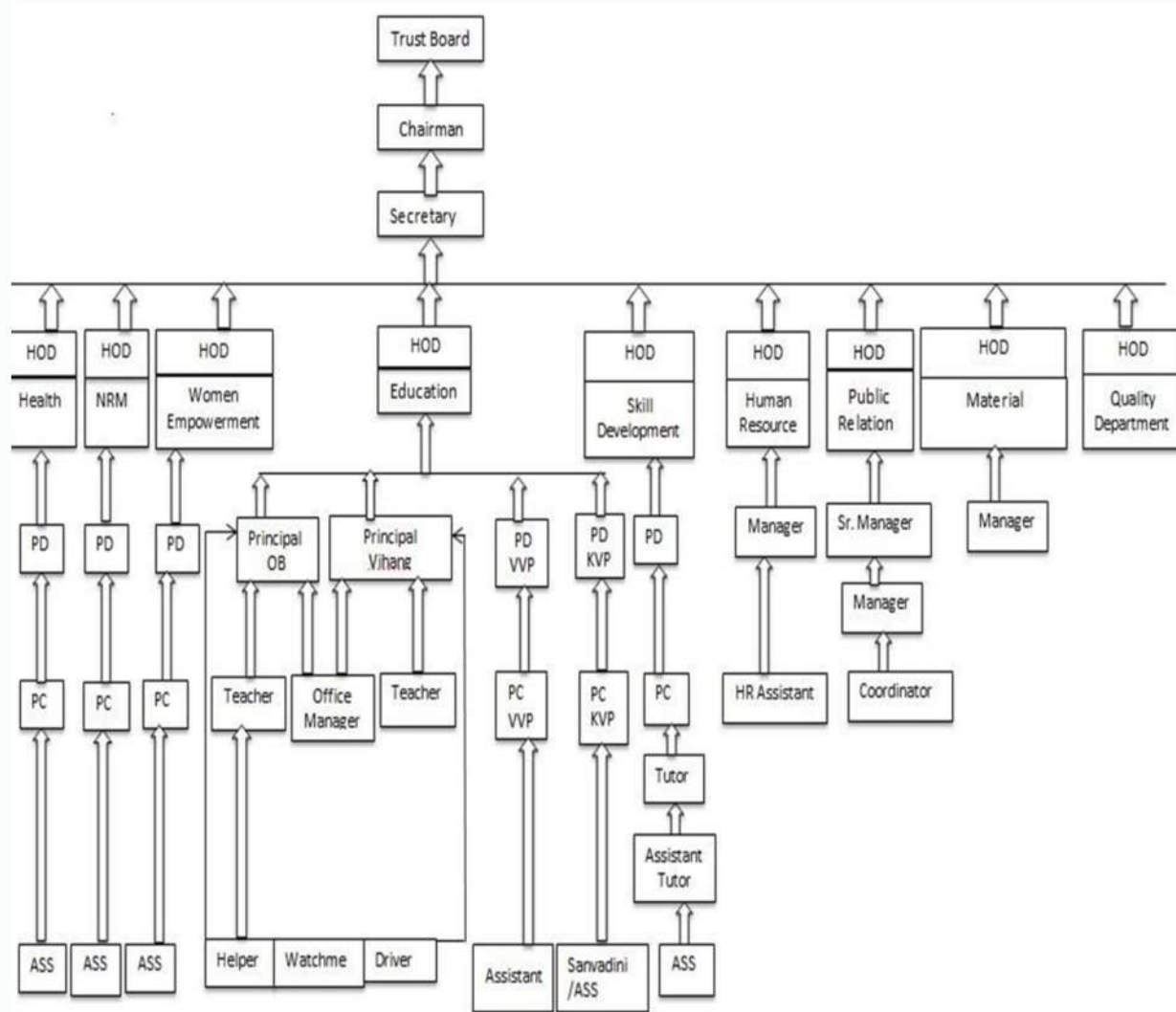
1. Provide Excellent and Affordable solutions in Community Health, Education and Livelihood Security.
2. Follow Sustainability Plan Ensuring Community Participation.
3. Transparency in all our operations and comply with all applicable requirements.
4. Setting and periodically reviewing Quality Objectives in accordance with the Quality Policy.
5. Continually improving the Quality Management System.
6. Build a strong Organization with extraordinary Teamwork.
7. Ensure stakeholders satisfaction.

Geographical Region covered: Marathwada, North Maharashtra, Vidarbha

Year of establishment: 1994

Registration Certificate 12A/80G: AADTS0790EF2021401

Organizational structure:



Background:

Savitribai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal (SPMESM) was established in 1994 as a social project wing of Dr. Hedgewar Hospital, which itself was founded in 1989 to provide affordable healthcare to underprivileged communities in Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar (Aurangabad), Maharashtra. Recognizing that health issues were deeply intertwined with socio-economic factors such as poverty, unemployment, and gender inequality, SPMESM aimed to address these root causes through community engagement and development initiatives.

Initially focused on slum areas and rural villages, SPMESM has grown into a prominent non-profit organization, now operating over 80 projects across various sectors including community health, education, natural resource management, skill development, and livelihood support. With a presence in more than 950 villages across 14 districts and 80 slums in two cities, SPMESM has significantly impacted the lives of many vulnerable populations.

The organization prides itself on its strong community connections and professional project management, supported by a dedicated team of over 200 professionals. It is one of the few NGOs in the region to hold ISO certification, reflecting its commitment to quality and transparency. Currently,

SPMESM collaborates with more than 20 corporate social responsibility (CSR) projects, further enhancing its outreach and effectiveness in addressing social challenges.

Projects and Work carried out (Completed/ Ongoing):

Sr. No	Project Name	Project Area	Project Location/s
Community Health			
1	Sanjeevani Rural Health Project	91 Villages of Sambhajinagar, Phulambri & Gangapur Taluka.	Primary Health, Maternal & Child Health; Malnutrition Control and sustainable rural health solutions through network of Arogya Banks; Mental Health and Counseling Services.
2	Guruvarya Lahuji Salve Slum Health Center	35000 Slum Populations in Milind Nagar & Nearby Slum Cluster.	Quality Primary Health Services at token fees at the doorstep to slum people. Preventive Health Initiatives; Anaemia Control in women, ANC Clinic, Hypertension & Diabetes Clinic, Safe Water Project.
3	Sant Rohidas Slum Health Center	30000 Slum Populations in Sanjay Nagar & Nearby Slum Cluster.	Quality Primary Health Services at token fees at the doorstep to slum people. Preventive Health Initiatives; Anaemia Control in women, ANC Clinic, Hypertension & Diabetes Clinic, Safe Water Project.
4	Sant Gadgebaba Slum Health Center	15000 Slum Populations in Brijwadi & Nearby Slum Cluster.	Quality Primary Health Services at token fees at the doorstep to slum people. Preventive Health Initiatives; Anaemia Control in women, ANC Clinic, Hypertension & Diabetes Clinic, Safe Water Project.
5	Shri Guruji Mobile Clinic	20000 slum Population in 6 different slums	Quality Primary Health Services at token fees at the doorstep to slum people. Preventive Health Initiatives; Safe Water Project.
6	Ujjwal Bharat	91 Primary Schools in Sambhajinagar District	School Health and Health Habits promotion with teachers' and volunteers' enrolment
7	Yaha Mogi Project	Maternal & Child Health in 72 Remote hamlets of Nandurbar District	Doorstep Maternal Healthcare to remote Tribal Hamlets by a sound network of health-workers with "Care Mother Mobile Application".
8	Shruti Community Ear care project	All urban and rural health centers	Ear screening of 15000+ patients in a year
9	SWANAND	Villages of Jalna	Anaemia Prevention in females. 10 villages of Jalna District
10	RAMA	Milind Nagar Sambhajinagar District	Eradicating Anaemia of mothers and adolescent girls.
11	Jalna Mobile clinic-2	Jalna District	Providing health service at token cost at door step of remote villages
12	Geriatric care technician training	Sambhajinagar	Providing training for senior citizen care.
13	Hello Jindagi	Sambhajinagar District	Help line for suicide prevention
14	DSV Cataract	Sambhajinagar	Cataract Surgeries at token cost
15	Community	Milindnagar, Sambhajinagar	Hot Wax Therapy, Physiotherapy. Physiotherapy is an effective way to deal with chronic musculoskeletal diseases.
	Physiotherapy		

16	Arunoday	Sambhajinagar	For the Mental Health Issues and De addiction in 30 villages of Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar Districts.
17	Swati	Nandurbar	Anemia survey and prevention project in 4 tribal hamlets of Navapur Block in Nandurbar District, Maharashtra
18	Dental Care Services	Milind Nagar, Sambhajinagar	Dental and Oral Care Services at token cost.
Education			
19	Omkar Balwadi & Child Education Research Project	Beed By Pass Road, Sambhajinagar.	Unique Panchkosh based Pre-Primary Learning Center; Teachers' Training Center, Child Education Research work, Toys Library, Personality Development programs for Primary School Kids, Parental Education
20	Vihang Learning Center	Beed By Pass Road, Sambhajinagar. 80 differently able kids	Inclusive Education opportunities for differently abled kids; Audiology- Speech Therapy, Physiotherapy, Music Therapy support, Aqua therapy (Swimming pool), Parents' Support Group, Training Courses on Special Education
21	Vidyarthi Vikas Prkalpa	150 students and youths from 3 slums.	After-school daily program for holistic personality development
22	Kishori Vikas Prkalpa	Milindnagar, Indiranagar, Mukundwadi & 15 Villages. 10000 adolescent girls	Various activities for tracking and preventing early age marriages, school drop-outs; Promoting education, Awareness on Adolescence and Health issue of adolescent girls.
23	Siddharth Vidyarthi Vikas Prkalpa	10 Slums of Sambhajinagar	Curricular and personality development initiative for students from slums.
24	Project ASHISH	Rural Sambhajinagar	Residential Industrial and Paramedical Skill Training to deserving rural students.
25	Read a story	Rural Sambhajinagar and Talasari village of Thane district.	Developing Linguistic Skills of English of rural students through a dedicated online system.
Women Empowerment			
26	Tejaswini Project	Slums of Sambhajinagar	Developing non-political leadership among women of slums of Sambhajinagar.
Skill Development			
27	Sanganak Pradnya	Mukundwadi, Milindnagar.	Quality IT Training for less privileged youth, Placement assistance, personality development.
28	Pragati- Skill Training	Mukundwadi, Milind Nagar. 880 women and men from less privileged communities	Beautician, Tailoring, Foodtech, Electrician Training, ED Inputs, Placement & self-employment assistance.
29	Pragati- Skill Training	Milindnagar, Mukundwadi. 200 women from less privileged communities	Beautician, Tailoring, Foodtech, Electrician Training, ED Inputs, Placement & self-employment assistance.
30	Pragati- Skill Training	Milindnagar, Mukundwadi. 300 women from less privileged communities	Basic Tailoring and Fashion Designing Training, Placement & self-employment assistance.
31	Pragati- Electrician Training	Mukundwadi and Milind Nagar 160 youth from slums and villages	Electrician Training, Placement & self-employment assistance.
32	Pragati – Office Assistant	Dr. Hedgewar Rugnalaya	Annual 40 students

33	Pragati Jalna Skill project	Jalna	Providing skill development to under privileged section of society
34	Pragati Computer Training Project Chawka	Chawka	Providing basic and advance computer training to rural students
35	Pragat Skill Project	Parbhani	Provide Basic and Advance Tailoring Training.
23	Siddharth Vidyarthi Vikas Prkalpa	10 Slums of Sambhajinagar	Curricular and personality development initiative for students from slums.
Natural Resource Management			
36	Praj Jal Abhiyan	12 villages in Badnapur Block, Jalna District	Repair & Rejuvenation of water structures, Widening and deepening of river bed. Additional water availability for Irrigation and Drinking purposes.
37	Project Girija Narala and Shelgaon	Narala Village, Phulambri, Sambhajinagar	Repair & Rejuvenation of water structures, Widening and Deepening of river bed. Additional water availability for Irrigation and Drinking purposes.
38	Project Girija	13 Villages of Phulambri Block, Sambhajinagar	End to end watershed Development to achieve water sustainability and agricultural extension for 13 villages
39	Jal Abhiyan Ashti	3 Villages in Ashti Block, Beed District	Water Sustainability work for 3 villages
40	Krusha Sanjeevani Project	20 villages in Sambhajinagar & Jalna District	Training and Front-line Demos of Organic Farming for sustainable agriculture
41	Krishi Kanya	2000 rural women in Sambhajinagar, Phulambri, Badnapur blocks	Empowering women farmers in agro-technology.
42	Project Sinchan	2 villages in Sambhajinagar	Water structure preparation
43	Project Seena	4 villages from Bhoom block of Osmanabad district	Repair & Rejuvenation of water structures, Widening and Deepening of river bed. Additional water availability for Irrigation and Drinking purposes.
44	Goat farming	526 goats in 2 villages	Goat for livelihood security
45	Sinchan-2	Chawka and SRPF camp, Sambhajinagar	Water shade development work in chawka village and SRPF camp of Sambhajinagar.
46	Madhav Jal Abhiyan-1	Khamkheda	Desilting, 7 Matinala Bandh desilting and repairing, Tuition classes for school students Distribution of domestic water tanks, 20 vermicompost beds, S9(Sericulture demos) at 20 farmers.
47	Madhav Jal Abhiyan-2	Lingdari, Dhonkheda, Khamkheda	Gabion Structure-5, Mati Nala Bandh repair-3, Desilting
48	Amrut Jal Project		RO plants in 15 villages
49	Swaccha DONWADA	Donwada	Establishing Sewage Water Treatment plant, drainage line in hilly village, construction of internal roads
50	Jaldoot	Kasewadi Tq. Ashti	COT, Desilting, repairing of waste are repairing
51	AbInBev Tree Plantation	Sambhajinagar	An ambitious project of Trees Plantation and creating Green Belts in Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar District over next 5 years.

52	Kalpataru	Sambhajinagar	Trees Plantation
53	Pwc Well Construction	Golegaon	A well-constructed building in Golegaon Village which was supported by PwC Pvt. Ltd.
54	Canpack Jal Abhiyan	Sambhajinagar	Water Sustainability for Satala and Kankora, 2 neediest hilly villages of Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar Block. Water Structures like CNB's, MNB's, WAT, CCT.
55	Purna Watershed Devlp Program	Bharadi, Sillod	Water Conservation activities in the basin of river Purna.
Natural Resource Management			
56	Devkinandan Gopala Kshudha Sanmaan Yojana	Milind Nagar, Mukundwadi & Brijwadi Sambhajinagar	300 needy, abandoned senior citizens receive tiffin at their doorstep.
57	ISO oxygen tank	Department of Health, Govt. of Maharashtra	Oxygen tanker was donated to establish good oxygen transportation system from city to village PHC's in crises like COVID
Mass Communication			
58	Radio Devgiri-91.2 FM radio station	Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar	Providing a platform for all social organizations. Spreading the message of all indigenous faith ways.
Sustainable Development			
59	FPO POPI	Sambhajinagar -4	Establishing a strong supply chain in between farmers and market and end customer of Jalna district
		Jalna-1	
60	FPO CBBO	Sambhajinagar -9	Establishing Cluster Based Business Organisation in Patoda, Shirur, Georai Dist. Beed
		Nanded-4	
		Jalgaon-3	
		Nagpur-6	
		Beed-3	
61	FPO Resources Center	Phulambri	Training related training and research center
62	Rural haat	Shelgaon, Block: Badnapur, Dist: Jalna	Establishing a platform for selling organic fruits and vegetables to customers from farmers.
63	Pro Bono Team		A dedicated team which will work for institutional development of FPO's
64	Solar Dryer	Rural of Sambhaji Nagar	3466 Solar Dryers in 665 villages
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Human Resource			
64	Project SHAKTI	Organization Development	To create a Social Development Leader from SPMSM employees through the capacity building of the human resource department of SPMSM.

Number of Beneficiaries:

- Quality Primary Health services and Health Education to 125000 slum dwellers through the network of Permanent Slum Health Centers and Mobile Clinics.
- Specialist Doctors' Services, Mother & Child Health Care, HIV AIDS Prevention for one third of urban slum population of Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar.
- Complete 'Mother Child Health Care' for 70 Remote Villages reducing complications in pregnancy & preventing malnutrition in children.
- Sustainable Rural Health Solutions In the form of Arogya Banks in 70 villages.
- 140000 patients/year on urban slum and rural health projects getting vital treatment in token fees.
- Adolescent Health and School Health Initiatives for thousands of needy students.
- Preventing School Dropouts, Early Age Marriages, Anemia and providing Adolescent Awareness to 10000 Girls through Kishori Vikas Prakalpa.
- Self- Employment opportunities to 1200 underprivileged/ less educated youth & women thru Free Vocational Training in 8 trades.
- 800 Volunteers regularly supporting various activities.
- Omkar Balwadi- The path- finding 'Theme Child Education Project' with unique methods and network of slum Balwadis. Acknowledged as one of the Best Child Education Projects in Maharashtra.
- Holistic Watershed Development with People's participation in 30 drought hit villages.
- Agro Extension Programs. Increase in income from agricultural yields by technology adoptions with thousands of farmers.
- Easy Loans & Technical support to 600 farmers for Drip Irrigation Sets. Average 2 times increase in Cotton Yield
- Effective "5 J" (जन- जल- जंगल- जमीन- जानवर) Management for sustainable village development in 60 villages.
- Personality Development, Sponsorships to pursue higher education & Career Opportunities to thousands of underprivileged students through Vidyarthi Vikas Prakalpa since 1993.
- Economic Stability, Leadership Development, Health & Legal Awareness to 4000 less privileged Women through 300 Self Help Groups.

New insights/Success stories best practices developed:

- Savitribai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal (SPMESM) has developed several new insights and best practices over its nearly three-decade journey in community development. Here are some key highlights:
- Strong Community Engagement: SPMESM emphasizes building strong connections with local communities, which has proven essential for the success of its projects. This grassroots approach ensures that initiatives are tailored to the specific needs and contexts of the communities served.
- Professional Project Management: The organization employs a structured and professional approach to project management, ensuring that projects are effectively planned, executed, and evaluated. This methodology contributes to achieving significant social impacts and maintaining accountability.
- Diverse Project Portfolio: SPMESM operates over 80 projects across various sectors, including health, education, skill development, and natural resource management. This diversity allows for comprehensive community support and addresses multiple facets of poverty and social injustice.
- Focus on Sustainability: Initiatives like the introduction of chemical-free products, such as Sona Natural Jaggery, reflect SPMESM's commitment to sustainable practices that benefit both the environment and local economies. These practices not only promote health but also empower local farmers.

- **Empowerment Initiatives:** A significant focus on women's empowerment through skill development and livelihood programs has been a hallmark of SPMESM's work. This approach not only enhances women's roles in their communities but also contributes to broader social change.
- **Partnerships with CSR Initiatives:** By collaborating with corporate social responsibility (CSR) projects, SPMESM leverages additional resources and expertise to amplify its impact on community development. These partnerships facilitate innovative solutions to complex social issues.

Finance:

Ability to Generate Resources to Defray Its Operational Expenses:

1. Rest other projects have a strong pool of committed financial supporters and CSR Associations.
2. No project in the organization's history so far has been adversely affected due to shortage of operational capital.
3. The sister organization Dr. Babsaheb Ambedkar Vaidyakiya Pratishthan and its popular Healthcare Institute- Dr. Hedgewar Hospital, which has tie up with Savitribai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal in healthcare projects, help SPMESM to manage the workforce and resources required for the projects.

Awards/Recognition:

- Shri Guruji Sewa Puraskar by Jankalyan Samitee- National Level Award for outstanding work in the development sector.
- Excellence in Rural Health National Award by Medscape, Mumbai.
- Annabhau Sathe Puraskar, Pune for slum dev. Work.
- Phule- Shahu- Ambedkar Puraskar, By Dept. of Social Justice, Govt. of Maharashtra for extraordinary work for the marginalized communities In presence of the Minister of Social Justice and Special Assistance
- ISO 9001:2015 Certificate received from TUV Nord India.
- "Shakti- Prerna " Puraskar Mrs. Savita Kulkarni the founder Trustee of SPMESM is honored with the prestigious "Shakti- Prerna " Puraskar for her exceptional work in women Empowerment.
- "Gau- Mata Surbhi Samman" Puraskar - Mr. & Mrs. Savita Diwakar Kulkarni The founder of SPMESM is honored for outstanding Social Work.
- "Dhanwantari Puraskar" to Dr. Diwakar Kulkarni for outstanding work done for rural and slum areas.
- "Sant Ishwar Sanman Puraskar-2022" Delhi for outstanding work in the field of Women and empowerment.
- NASSCOM Foundation's Tech for Good Award for the excellent use of technology in our healthcare projects for the tribal population.

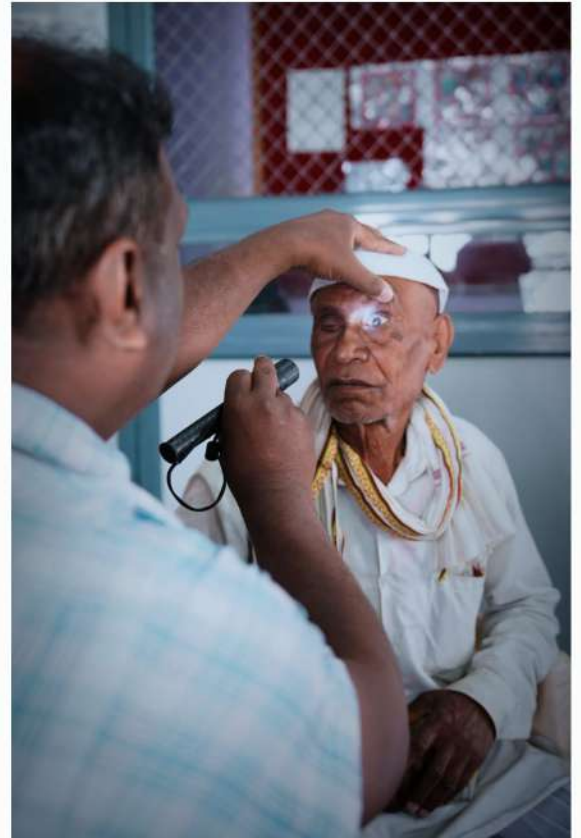
Future Plans:

Savitribai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal (SPMESM) has outlined several ambitious future plans aimed at enhancing its impact on community development and addressing pressing social issues.

- **Expansion of Projects:** SPMESM plans to broaden its project portfolio, which currently includes over 90 initiatives.
- **Skill Development:** Enhancing vocational training programs to improve employability among youth and women.
- **Natural Resource Management:** Implementing sustainable practices in agriculture and resource utilization to combat climate change effects.

- **Enhanced Community Engagement:** Building strong community connections, SPMESM aims to: **Increase Volunteer Participation:** Engage more volunteers in various projects, leveraging their skills and commitment to enhance community outreach. **Strengthen Local Partnerships:** Collaborate with local organizations and stakeholders to ensure comprehensive support for community needs.
- **Technological Integration:** To improve operational efficiency, SPMESM is looking to incorporate technology in its initiatives like **Digital Platforms to Development** of digital tools for project management and community engagement, facilitating better communication and resource allocation.
- **Focus on Inclusivity (Support for Divyang Kids):** Expanding facilities and services for children with disabilities, ensuring they receive the necessary support and opportunities for development.

Savitribai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal, Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar



Gramayan Pratisthan

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About the NGO:

This organization has been started by social workers and their families with experience in the field for many years. And this is an open platform for everyone. Whoever comes here has an opportunity to work and lead.

Scope: All over Maharashtra but currently focusing on Vidarbha

Vision:

To strengthen social institutions and their structures, empower leadership and engage more citizens in social work in Maharashtra.

Mission:

To build charitable social organizations, build networking of various circles and promote their leadership in various parts of Maharashtra all the while training them and building a support system for them. To focus on strengthening them and increasing their social exposure to expand their social reach and network for getting other activists on board, arranging funds and creating a positive response from the society, thereby accelerating the process of social transformation.

Objectives:

Strengthening service organizations from all aspects and promoting their leadership in Maharashtra to accelerate social transformation. Through them, the backward areas will gather resources to become equally progressive as a city.

Organizational Structure

Core group of experienced workers supported by larger group of workers, divided into different sub-groups according to different subjects, with a branching structure for each task.

Our work involves mentoring & training various institutions in the society all the while maintaining their independent existence and joining forces with them to work together.

Year Of establishment: 17/07/2018

Registration Certificate: 12 A 80 G F003614 (Ngp), Nagpur /0000458/2018

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Background:

A team of experienced, trained and selfless workers who have continuously worked in various fields of society for many years.

Swami Vivekananda's 2012 Sarthashati project was inspired by Gramayana, one of the five action points. Many of the activists are married couples, which proves to be a unique combination to get effective social work done.

We believe that no project should have to be implemented single-handedly or alone. No subject should have to depend on government or CSR assistance. Our role is to work with all organizations striving for social work with equal spirit.

Ongoing Projects /Schemes: - Ongoing mentoring to two mid-size NGOs of Nagpur

Number of Beneficiaries Year wise:- NA

New insights / Success Stories:

- Many social workers received awards for their organizations.
- Many organizations received CSR assistance.
- Many young men and women received training and became social entrepreneurs.
- The work of many entrepreneurs and businessmen led to an increase in their customer base. Farmers and entrepreneurs from rural areas got exposure in big cities like Nagpur, their businesses grew and they started working on a bigger scale.
- Hundreds of men and women were shown the social projects of Vidarbha and various projects were provided financial support

Develop Best Practices:

The successful organization of social project Darshan Sahals has created a new path. The Rural Service Exhibition is an innovative initiative. A successful showcase of charitable organizations, their work, products as well as social marketing of rural and small producers and intertwining the work of many social organizations. So far seven such exhibitions have been held. This is a unique, useful and essential experiment. It fulfills the main need of all these organisations on how to market themselves and gain exposure in the society.

Free organization of Abhyudaya Seva Exhibition to bring the work of charitable organizations before the public. This led to the meeting of CSR heads of industries and citizens.

Through the Jugadu Engineer Competition, found talented and innovative youth/engineers from rural communities who are without formal education but wish to do something bigger with their lives. We encourage and support them to move forward.

Samaj Yoddha Award is given to provide motivation and a drive for the older demographic of the society who would like to work after retirement.

Finance:

Public Donations & Charity

Awards/ Recognition: Nil

Future Plan:

- To carry out the existing work at Nagpur centre
- To start out at Nashik, Sambhajinagar, Pune and Thane centres
- To carry out similar work in the vicinity.

The process of Institution training, institution building, leadership building, strengthening, upscaling is a perpetual activity of the entity. In such a way, by developing a team of experts, continuously working on organization building and leadership development in all these places has been our unending endeavour.

Gramayan Pratishtan, Nagpur



Sampoorna Bamboo Kendra

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About the NGO:

Venuputra Late Dr. Sunil Deshpande and Dr. Nirupama Deshpande identified bamboo as the strength of Melghat Region of Vidarbha. Melghat is a hilly area and more than 90 percent of its population is tribal including Korku, Nihal, Bhilala, Gond, etc. Gavali and Basod also share a few percent of its population. The couple came to Melghat region after the completion of their formal study in Social Work from the premier institutes of central India. From 1988, they started living with tribals in the small village called Lawada, with the aim of studying, researching and product designing of bamboo. After sufficient study and needed assessment, a voluntary organisation called Sampoorna Bamboo Kendra is being registered under the appropriate Act. Since then, the organisation has been working continuously and has trained approx. 5000 + tribal youths and most of them are working independently and earning their livelihood.

Vision:

- To empower the Tribal Areas of Maharashtra Socially, Economically, Culturally and Spiritually.
- To Develop Entrepreneurship among the Tribal Population.

Mission:

1. Ample Bamboo plantation throughout the country with Bamboo Artisanhip protected and developed.
2. To protect the environment-friendly lifestyle of tribals and generate such employment so as to preserve the environment and make the tribal villages self-sufficient.
3. Policy formulation for bamboo, artisans and artisanship to get justice and equal opportunities.

Objective:

1. Increase bamboo plantation in forest and non-forest lands.
2. Research on different varieties of bamboo.
3. To improve the utility of bamboo in daily life
4. To establish bamboo as an engineering material
5. Organise continuing educational and skill development programmes to develop bamboo designs
6. Conducting research to develop multiple use of mix materials like leather, soil, wood, metals, and cloth, etc.
7. Research and development for tool kits, material to develop bamboo resilience capacity and micro level use of bamboo.
8. Programme related to bamboo and lifestyle of tribals, cultural activities, women empowerment, watershed management and programmes related to socio economic development

Geographical region covered:

Organisation is working at the National level

We operate from our central office at Lawada, Melghat Region of Amravati District of Maharashtra

Year of establishment: 1997

Registration Certificate: 12A 80G

Background:

Sampoorna Bamboo Kendra (SBK) was established by Late Sunil Deshpande and Dr. Nirupama Deshpande in the year 1997 for the development of tribal people of Melghat region of Amravati District. The area was infamous for malnutrition. During the last 27 years, SBK has developed an NGO for the development of tribes in this area. Approx. 5000 tribal artisans were trained for Bamboo Craft and Bamboo Housing. As Bamboo is popularly used for various purposes in the tribal area, SBK has decided to work with bamboo for the entire development of the tribal community. SBK is working with tribal artisans and providing a market for the products crafted by them. These tribal artisans were trained by SBK during last 25 years and they are engaged in their livelihood at their home. SBK has developed a work from home pattern for 25 years. SBK provides a buy-back guarantee for their products and pays for their craft and then provides a market for them.

Projects and Work carried out:

For 28 years, SBK carried out a number of projects and programmes. Following are some examples of projects that have been completed as well as are ongoing.

Sl. No.	Name of the project and Reference No	Funding Agency Division	Cost & Duration		Status
1	Bamboo Bathroom Project	Atlos Capco, Seva Wardhini, pune	12,25,000	2017-18	Complete
2	Huner Khoj yatra	Indira Gandhi National Centre For The Arts, New Delhi	15,000,00	2017-18	Complete
3	Jaldut Prkalp	SEVA VARDHINI, PUNE	1,97,630	2017-18	Complete
4	Huneri Karigar Yatra	Dindayal Shodh sanshta	4,74,465	2017-18	Complete
5	Ba-Bapu Shilp kala	Indira Gandhi Nationl Centre For The Arts, New Delhi	10,00,000	2018-19 (5 Days)	Complete
6	Bamboo Training	L&T Foundation Charitabel Trust, Talasari	88,000	2018-19 (1 Month)	Complete
7	Lokkala Sanskar Kendra		10,00,000	2018-19 (1 Year)	Complete
8	Aadivasi Mahila Hakka \$ Adhikar Janiv Jagruti Shibir	Maharashtra State Mahila Aayog	38,000	2018-19 (1 Day)	Complete

9	IMPLEMENTING ENRRPRENEURSHIP S DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS- BAMBOO TRAINING	Tribale Research & Training Institute, Pune	24,34,000	2018-19 2019-20 (3 Month)	Complete
10	Woment in Vidharbha Artisian Study	Maharashtra State Mahila Aayog, Mumbai	2,24,357	2018-19	Complete
11	Digital Saksharta Prashikshan Karyakram	Maharashtra State Mahila Aayog, Mumbai	50,000	2019-20 (1 Day)	Complete
12	Bamboo Lagwad Karyashala	Maharashtra Bamboo Vikas Mandal Board, Nagpur	1,50,000	2019-20 (1 Day)	Complete
13	Huner Khoj yatra- Karigar Culuster	Indira Gandhi Nationl Centre For The Arts, New Delhi	50,00,000	2019-20	Complete
14	Design Lab (Bamboo Training)	Maharashtra Bamboo Promotion Foundation	12,48,000	2019-20 (1 Year)	Complete
15	Research/Evaluation Studies the Scheduled Tribes	National Commission for Scheduled tribes	14,70,000	2021-22 2022-23	Complete
16	Bamboo Craft Training	Bhartiya Laghu Udyog Vikas Bank	2,26,800	2023-24	Complete
17	Bamboo Housing, Bamboo Craft, Deary Training	National Skill Development Corporation	1,64,00,000	2024-25	Ongoing

New insights/Success stories:

Around 5000+ Artisans of Tribal Belt are now engaged in dignified way of livelihood.

Most women are now engaged in Artisanship and they are gaining financial independence. Chanda, one amongst such girls, came to Bamboo Kendra (with 9th pass qualification), is a trained Project Associate of our Kendra, owning a vehicle for transportation and today, graduated from the Yashwantrao Chavan Open University. Many such women are working with us who are gaining artisanship training, formal education and owning farm lands after being associated with us.

Total 17 physically-challenged artisans are working with us who had no status in their village earlier. Not only are they working but they are living with their families in our Kendra campus. SBK developed one of its campuses for differently-abled people to facilitate their needs.

Best practices developed:

- Work from home for 27 years now
- Payment by Cheque
- Practiced inclusive practices since the beginning
- participatory work culture
- safe and secured environment
- day start and end with common prayer reciting
- educational support provided to children for higher studies
- ambulance services to needy people free of cost

Finance:

Mostly on donation and through people's participation.

Project or programme based funding by Various Government and Non Government Organisations time to time.

Awards/Recognition:

Numerous awards till the date, some of them being:

- Abhyudaya Golden Jubilee Fellowship by Khadi Gamodyog 1999.
- Gramin Karyakarta Puraskar, Asmita Sanstha Yawatmal 2002.
- Yashwantraoji Kelkar Smruti Rashtriya Yuva award Puraskar.
- Microfinance Award by State Bank of India 2005,2006,2007
- Natu Trust Pune Pursakar 2006
- Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Samaj Bhushan Award by Govt. Of Maharashtra 2015.
- Rambhau Mhalagi Antyoday Puraskar 2006.
- Gagan Sadan Tejomay Puraskar 2008.
- Khaptibaba Mitra Puraskar M.B. Gandhi Trust 2010.
- hartiya Stree jeevan vikas parishad Thane puraskar 2010.
- Indrdhanu Sanstha Puraskar 2013.
- Satish HAware Puraskar 2012.
- Bhartiya Stree Shakti Award 2014.
- Maharaja Agrasen Puraskar M.P Gavernment 2015.
- Swatantraveer Sawarkar smruti Puraskar 2015.
- Sreemati Kalyani Puraskar 2018
- Lifetime Achivement Award by National Association of Professional Social Workers 2021.
- Sant Ishwar Sanman Puraskar 2021.
- Dharani Puraskar 2022.

Future plans:

- a. Skill Development Programme for Employment Generation
- b. Goshala development
- c. Documentation on tribal's unknown Culture.
- d. Documentation of SBK's success stories.

Sampoorna Bamboo Kendra, Amravati

Pragati Pratishthan

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About the NGO:

- **Vision:** Empowerment of tribal communities to support the government's initiative to double farmers' income through sustainable practices in agriculture, water management, education, skill development, and human resource development.
- **Mission:** To empower one lakh tribal's to become self-reliant by addressing challenges in water management, agricultural development, education, skill development, and human resources.

Objectives:

- Promote smart agricultural practices and efficient water management.
- Facilitate access to quality education for tribal and hearing-impaired students.
- Empower youth through comprehensive skill development programs.
- Implement sustainable energy solutions to improve living standards.

Geographical Region Covered:

Primarily operates in the Palghar, Thane and Nashik Districts of Maharashtra, focusing on tribal-dominated areas such as Vikramgad, Jawhar and Mokhada.

Year of Establishment: 1972

Registration Certificates: 12A, 80G, CSR, FCRA

- Registered under the Public Charitable Trust Act and the Societies Registration Act (1860).

Organizational Structure: The organization is led by a dedicated team comprising

- **President:** Purushottam Agwan
- **Secretary:** Pandu Trimbak Pilana
- **Treasurer:** Dr. Anuja Shekhar Purandare
- **Member:** Satish Kashinath Marathe

Background:

Established in 1972 by Shri Vasant Rao Patwardhan, Pragati Pratishthan has been dedicated to the holistic development of tribal communities in Palghar District. The organization addresses challenges in health, education, agriculture, and employment through sustainable and community-driven initiatives.

Projects and Work Carried Out:

Tap Water Scheme

- Commencement Year: 1996
- Completion Date: Ongoing
- Achievements:
 1. Provided clean drinking water to 154 villages.
 2. Saved over 30,000 women from long walks to fetch water.

Agricultural Development Initiatives

- Commencement Year: 2003
- Completion Date: Ongoing
- Achievements:
 1. Constructed 24 cement dams, 10 wire mesh dams, and over 50 farm ponds.
 2. Benefited more than 2,500 farmers, enhancing water availability and agricultural productivity.

Residential School for Hearing-Impaired Students

- Commencement Year: 1985
- Completion Date: Ongoing
- Achievements:
 1. Provided education and rehabilitation to over 400 hearing-impaired tribal students.
 2. Focuses on holistic development through academics and extracurricular activities.

Skill Development Centers

- Commencement Year: 2017
- Completion Date: Ongoing
- Achievements:
 1. Trained over 500 tribal youth in stitching, computer literacy, bakery, and fabrication.
 2. Enhanced employability and economic independence among participants.

Ongoing Projects

1. Solar-Powered Irrigation Systems:

- **Projects:** Drip irrigation systems at 8 locations
- **Beneficiaries:** Total Families: 105

2. Water Conservation Projects:

- Farm Ponds: 4
- 1. Total Families: 20
 - Subsurface Bunds: Total 10 subsurface bunds are under construction
- 1. Total Families: 706
- 2. Total Population: 3,846
 - Drinking Water Supply Scheme: 2 Tap Water schemes are under implementation stage.
- 1. Total Families: 106
- 2. Total Population: 593

3. Skill Development Initiatives:

- Digital Centers: Benefiting 100 families and 450 individuals.
- Tailoring Unit: Empowering 400 families.
- Solar Training Workshops:
 - Total Families: 85
 - Total Population: 250

4. Education Support:

- Digital Hearing Aid and Learning Systems:
1. Beneficiaries: 10 hearing-impaired students.

New Insights/Success Stories

Best Practices Developed:

- Leveraging local resources to enhance productivity and sustainability.
- Implementing smart agriculture plots and regular farmers' meetings to promote modern farming techniques.
- Constructing farm ponds for optimal rainwater utilization.

Finance:

Pragati Pratishthan operates with funding from CSR initiatives, individual donors, and grants. Major partners include Panasonic, Kotak Mahindra, TATA Capital, SBI, Rotary Clubs, Sun Pharma.

Awards/Recognition:

- Dr. Hedgewar Puraskar, 2005 and Baba Amte Manavata Puraskar in 2016 to Sunandatai Patwardhan, former secretary.
- Appreciation for solar irrigation projects by industry leaders in 2023.
- Felicitated with the "Sustainability Champion Award" for outstanding contributions to sustainable development.
- Honored by Maharashtra State for - Adivasi Seva Sanstha Purskar - 1998.

Future Plans:

- Agriculture Development:
 - Expand solar-powered irrigation systems to 200 farmer groups, benefiting 2500 families.
 - Construct 50 farm ponds with a capacity of 2.5 million litres each to irrigate 8 acres of land per pond during the Rabi season.
 - Establish an "Agriculture Center for Excellence" to develop smart agriculture plots, a nursery, a training center, and a seed bank.

Skill Development:

- Create a "Science Technology and Innovation Hub" to train local youth and Self-Help Groups (SHGs).
- Incorporate data-based decision-making and machine learning for vocational training like CNC machining and engraving.
- Document and promote traditional tribal knowledge, arts, and crafts.

Education:

- Upgrade residential facilities for hearing-impaired students.
- Introduce entrepreneurship programs for alumni.
- Enhance sports training with state-of-the-art facilities.

Water Management:

- Build subsurface bunds in 60 villages to ensure year-round groundwater availability.
- Construct 20 check dams to provide irrigation water for farming communities.

Pragati Pratishthan, Jawhar, Palghar



Sevavardhini

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About the NGO Vision:

“Building of a vigorous society through cohesive efforts of social organizations along with devoted & committed voluntary workers.”

Mission:

- Empowerment of voluntary initiatives.
- Striving for social upliftment through co-operation and with the help of development-oriented programs.
- Developing an atmosphere of social trust through peoples' participation.”

Objectives:

“To support and encourage ground level voluntary organization working for enriching the livelihood of millions of our countrymen through practicable innovative solutions in various sectors of social development.”

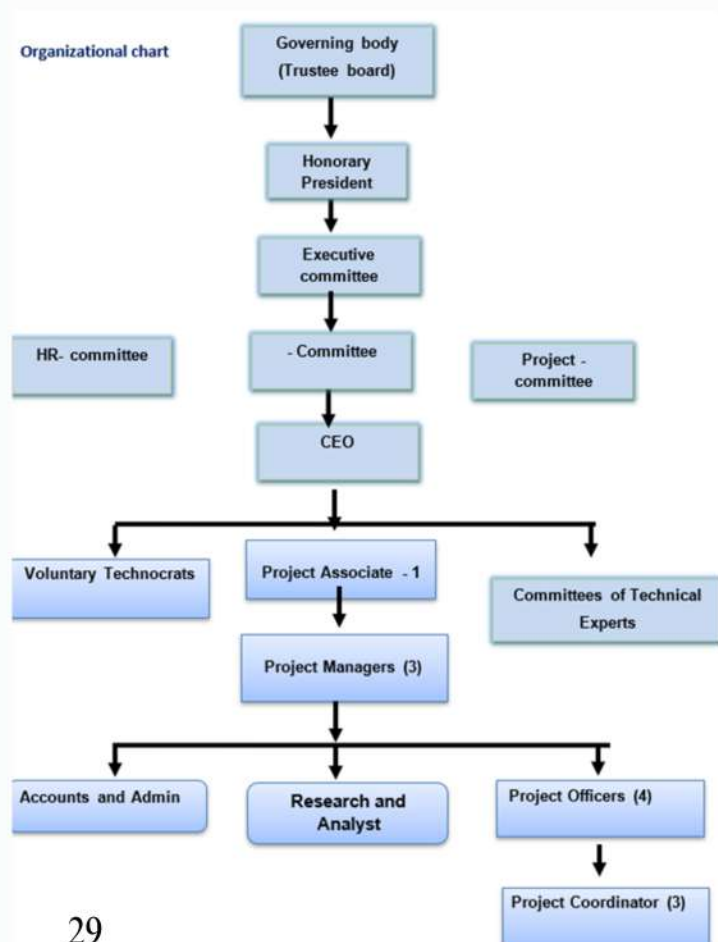
Geographical Region covered: India

Year of establishment: 1998

Registration Certificate: 12A & 80G

Active Organizational Structure:

Governing Body Structure



Background:

Sevavardhini is an apex NGO, which facilitates voluntary activities by other NGOs. It helps in the organizational development of voluntary organizations by providing technical, project and operational management support for developmental programs. In addition, Sevavardhini also partners with organizations in leading path-breaking research and development initiatives addressing critical issues affecting the society.

Sevavardhini was established in 1998 as an NGO under the BPT Act, 1950 and also under the Societies Act, 1960.

Sevavardhini has a pan-India network of over 250 voluntary organizations. These organizations have a strong grassroot connection, with rich experience of working on various development initiatives. Sevavardhini also has strong partnerships with various governmental, academic and other organizations.

Collectively, the organizations and programs by Sevavardhini and partner organizations address diverse areas and issues, such as Water, Agriculture, Energy, Environment and Climate Change, Education, Health, Cultural, Relief and Rehabilitation, Women & Child Empowerment, Integrated Rural development, Upliftment of Nomadic Tribes/Backward, Classes, Sustainable Development, Livelihood Generation, Waste Management, Institution Building, etc.

Sevavardhini supports other voluntary organizations through services like:

- Project formulation, project proposal writing and fund-raising.
- Conducting surveys using different techniques like Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA).
- Writing case studies and creating a knowledge base.
- Social and Impact assessment.
- Needs analysis and problem statement identification.
- Organizational development for voluntary organizations.
- Compliance framework for NGOs.
- Project Management advisory.
- Knowledge sharing through networking, etc.

Sevavardhini has a strong team of dedicated staff, volunteers and experts, sharing a passion and goal to see a vibrant nation, built on the foundation of voluntary effort of committed members of the community.

With over 25 years of strong track record, Sevavardhini has established an atmosphere of social trust through people's participation in voluntary initiatives.

Projects and Work carried out:

Name of the Project	Brief About Project	Commencement Year	Completion date
Jaldoot I	Jaldoot is a flagship project of Sevavardhini in water management, which combines community participation with a scientific approach to managing water at a micro level. Sevavardhini has been working with this model since 2015 and has positively impacted close to 50 villages so far and about 100 trained Jaldoots are now working to take this journey forward. Many of them have made an impact even beyond their village and are working at Tehsil and District levels. A typical cycle for the project may last 1 to 2 years. The results are astonishing and can be easily judged from the video below as well as by visiting the villages. Third party audits have also confirmed the enormous and long-term contribution of the Jaldoots to the community and beyond.	2015	2017
Jaldoot II		2019	2023 (including 2 years of Covid Pandemic)

DNT Community Upliftment	This is an initiative for making rural women from the DNT community self-sufficient through cow-based farming. Along with the donation of one cow of indigenous breed (देशी गाय), we also provide a detailed training for cow rearing, that covers various aspects, including caring for the cow, necessary vaccination and medication, diet, etc. It also covers making saleable products such as manure, dung-cakes, soaps, dhup and others. We also provide 1 year of insurance and provisions for fodder supply. After that, the recipient is expected to be self-sufficient to grow and multiply their flock. This experiment has already proven to be successful among the nomadic tribes of Solapur and Osmanabad district and Sevavardhini would like to expand it. This has the potential to transform the lives of nomadic families who otherwise have a stigma attached to them. It can also prove to be a blessing by providing additional income for other low-income families in rural areas. In addition, it also helps conserve the fast-depleting breed of indigenous cows and provides a life.	2017	2019
Rural Women Empowerment	Sevavardhini believes that education and financial independence are key to the empowerment of women. Also, this can come through formation of groups as there is strength in numbers. Over the past 20 years, Sevavardhini has run several path-breaking projects in rural and urban areas, including Project Disha and Samruddhi, which covers over 3 districts and over 100 villages.	2000	--
Arunoday (Kishor- Kishor Vikas)	Arunoday – An adolescent training program a.k.a Kishor-Kishori Vikas Program – is an education and self-development program for the youth of the society and nation at their adolescent age. Our self-developed program trained more than 200 Kishor Mitra from 37 Organizations across Maharashtra and going on as per requirement.	2017	--
ParasBaug (Backyard Kitchen)	Sevavardhini is working to revive the tradition of growing vegetables and fruits that give wholesome nutritious food for the farmers and their own families to stop malnourishment and/or undernourishment. As a part of this initiative, we would be procuring seeds for 10 different plants and distributing these kits to farmers. They would also get training about how to grow these plants in their own backyard and use the harvest to provide wholesome food variety for their near and dear ones. This has already been tried out by us in the Jalgaon region and it works. For instance, just one healthy creeper of pumpkin can provide enough pumpkin for a family for a year.	2023	2024
Capability Building Program of Voluntary Organizations	Sevavardhini is working to enable the well-intentioned voluntary organizations to become more effective in envisioning, planning, executing, monitoring and transitioning the benefits of their work to the society. Sevavardhini's core mission is to enable such voluntary organizations. Sevavardhini designed a systematic approach consisting of the following steps and working for empowering more than 200 voluntary organizations across Maharashtra.	1998	--

Ongoing Projects/Schemes:

- **Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Stepwell Rejuvenation and Restoration Program:**

Step well (Barav) is a unique structure that taps into groundwater and can be approached by steps. There are over 20,000 stepwells in Maharashtra alone. Sadly, most are in disrepair and are unused, mostly due to contemporary water supply systems. The rejuvenation of these structures can lead to water resource augmentation and greater awareness about preservation and cleanliness of water bodies. The historical, cultural and archaeological significance is considerable and may lead to additional benefits. Sevavardhini already worked & rejuvenated 8 stepwells and worked on 6 stepwells across Maharashtra & Karnataka. Also looking for more such stepwells in near future.

- **Sansidya Sankul Vikas Pariyojana:**

This innovative project is sponsored by the Sansadiya Sankul Vikas Yojana, being implemented in the remote areas of various districts for the development of tribes. Sevavardhini is working on this project at Surgana (Dist. Nasik) and Nandurbar.

- **Tribal Skill Development under NSDC:**

Sevavardhini runs a focused and planned skill development program for the development of youth & women from tribal communities in Nashik, Nandurbar & Gadchiroli district to stop their migration and enable them with alternate income generating avenues.

- **Varshakosh – RWH:**

Sevavardhini has implemented almost all the alternatives for ground water recharge with excellent results and actively advocates this across communities. At the micro level, the scale could be a single household, and it can be scaled up infinitely, as it can be implemented at every structure where potential for roof water collection and re-charging or storage of water exists. Sevavardhini aims to run this program across various village level institutions such as ZP schools and Government Offices.

- **SBA:**

Sevavardhini currently runs Swavlambi Bharat Abhiyan (Self-Resilient Program) to enable youth with the aim of entrepreneurial development across various colleges from 7 districts of Western Maharashtra. It consists of awareness programs and campaigns to promote self-reliance, “Idea validation” providing key inputs about business ideas generated from the participants, scientific Training in Entrepreneurship Development, connecting with various central and state government programs like PMEGP, Vishwakarma scheme, etc. and assistance for presenting funding proposals to banks and financial institutions., etc.

Number of Beneficiaries Year wise :

Name of the Project	Year	Number of Beneficiarie
Jaldoot I	2015-2017	50000
Jaldoot II	2019-2023	50000
Stepwell Rejuvenation & Restoration Program	2023	20000
Sansadiya Sankul Vikas Pariyojna	2022	5000
DNT Upliftment Program	2017-2019	560
GreenSwitch Program	2019-2021	658
Capability Building Program of Voluntary Organizations	1998- Ongoing	227 Voluntary Organizations

New insights/Success stories Best practices developed:

Jaldoot:

Jaldoot means “Messenger of Water”. It is an innovative initiative to enable community- based water management practices. This project aims to empower local communities to manage their own water resources by enabling a member of the community to become the Jaldoot.

This initiative aims to impart technical knowledge to selected members of a community so that they can actively participate, plan and contribute in all the development programs in their village. Sevavardhini devised a methodology through a series of trainings by domain experts, in key areas like Surface and Groundwater Management, Water budgeting and Participatory approach to watershed development and management. And through extensive field work during the training and with active coaching from experts, participating in a detailed water management plan, specific interventions for implementation.

With 2 Jaldoot programs over 6 years, Sevavardhini trained about 100 Jaldoots across 50 villages in Maharashtra.

Arunoday (Adolescent Training Program):

Arunoday – An adolescent training program a.k.a Kishor-Kishori Vikas Program – is an education and self-development program for the youth of the society and nation at adolescent age.

In Maharashtra, more than 100 NGOs are working on projects related to development of adolescents. All of them aim for the betterment of adolescents and work in their preferred ways to make their dreams come true. Sevavardhini identifies and trains “Kishor Mitra” – a true volunteer friend of such youth. We developed a methodology and training program with the experts from this domain for all adolescents to share, interact, learn and open up to their ‘Kishor Mitra’. The best practices developed under this program are not only being shared with other voluntary organizations working in this field but we also support, handhold & empower them with smooth execution of the program.

Capability Building Program of Voluntary Organizations:

An important aspect in realizing the huge potential of social work in India is to enable the well-intentioned voluntary organizations to become more effective in envisioning, planning, executing, monitoring and transitioning the benefits of their work to the society. Sevavardhini’s core mission is to enable such voluntary organizations. Sevavardhini designed a systematic approach consisting of the following steps.

- Assessment using a comprehensive 6 vector framework to identify areas of strength and opportunities.
- Action planning to realize the opportunities and build on the strengths
- Hand-holding and support through a variety of initiatives like training, mentoring, joint ideation, assistance for fund-raising, etc.

Finance:

Some of the financial details are mentioned for few key projects as below:

FY Year	Key Projects	Donor/Funding Agency	Budget	Geography
2022-23	Jaldoot 2.0	Atlas Copco	5.7 Cr	Maharashtra
2022-23	Integrated watershed Development	MNGL	0.50 Cr	Akkalkos, Dhule District
2023-24	Sansadiya Sankul Vikas Pariyojana	SECI	1.72 Cr	Nasik
2023-24	Sansadiya Sankul Vikas Pariyojana	NTPC	0.30 Cr	Nandurbar

Awards/Recognition:

- **“Janseva Puraskar”** (awarded by leading co-operative Bank – Janseva Co-op Bank Ltd, Pune.)

Future plans

- **Jaldoot 3:** Sevavardhini aims to expand its signature innovative program Jaldoot to the next level with a focused approach and expand it across different geographies.
- **Social Research Center:** Sevavardhini planning for establishing & developing an advanced Social Research Center emphasizing on Indian ethos including academically high standard, impactful training program for development sector.
- **Expansion of Capability Building Program of Voluntary Organizations:** As mentioned earlier, Sevavardhini's core mission is to enable such voluntary organizations. With its self-designed systematic approach, it aims to expand this program across Maharashtra and India.
- **RD:** Sevavardhini plans to expand implementation of Integrated Rural Development (Samagra Gram Vikas) program for various villages to make these villages self- sustainable utilizing natural resources available in the vicinity of villages.
- **Entrepreneurship Development:** Sevavardhini initiated Swavlambi Bharat Abhiyan (Self-Resilient Program) to enable youth with the aim of entrepreneurial development during covid pandemic. Consisting of awareness programs and campaigns to promote self- reliance, “Idea validation” providing key inputs about business ideas generated from the participants, scientific Training in Entrepreneurship Development, connecting with various central and state government programs like PMEGP, Vishwakarma scheme, etc. and assistance for presenting funding proposals to banks and financial institutions., etc., Sevavardhini is planning to take this mission to the next level across different students, colleges, institutions across Maharashtra.

Sevavardhini, Pune



'Swa' Roopwardhinee

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About the NGO:

Vision & Mission: विकसित व्हावे।अर्पित होऊनी जावे ।।

Objectives:

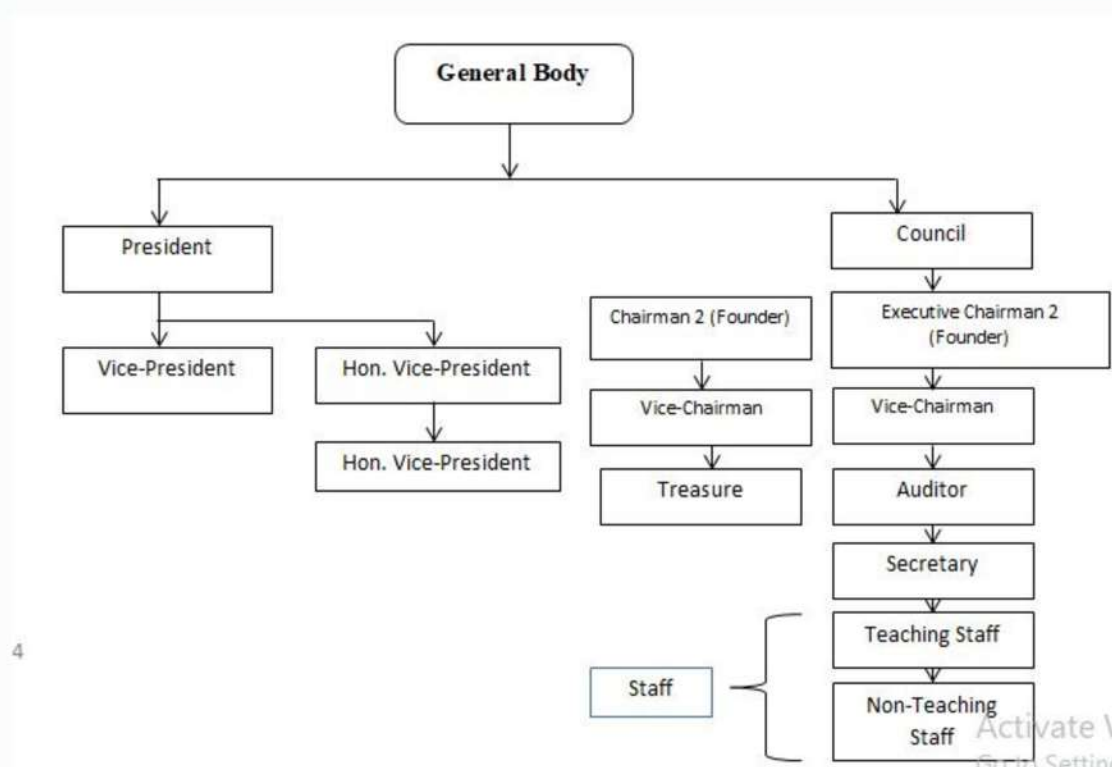
We are dedicated to the enrichment of latent qualities of young, intelligent and capable students from the unprivileged and economically weak sections of our society, through various informal educational projects and activities, without any discretion of caste, color & creed and making them into social assets.

Geographical Region covered: Maharashtra

Year of establishment: 1979

Registration Certificate: 12A & 80G - Active

Organizational structure:



Background:

According to World Bank data, 49 percent of Bharat's urban population lived in slums in 2020. Taking into consideration the increasing speed of urbanization, there is an ardent need to address the problems faced by people living in slums. Normally in every slum, there are a number of problems, (as listed below) and it affects not only the life of the slum dwellers but of the whole citizens, negatively. The atmosphere of any slum normally helps the criminal elements to continue and to increase their activities safely. The slum also becomes a potential point to give birth to new criminals. This is mainly due to lack of education and lack of positive motivation.

‘Swa’-Roopwardhinee’s role on the above background of problems

The founder of ‘Swa’-Roopwardhinee namely Late Shri. Kishabhau Patwardhan was a school teacher who retired as the Headmaster of the school. The school was in a locality which has the dominance of slums. Thus the founder of this trust was well aware of the problems faced by students coming from the discouraging atmosphere of slums. He, to the best of his ability, shaped the lives of thousands of students coming from such backgrounds. Whenever we come across his ex students, they express their deep heartfelt feelings of gratitude for him. There was one problem which remained unsolved to his satisfaction, till his retirement **and the problem was - “What can we do to save and shape the talent in slums?”** It is a real fact that intelligence can be born under any roof. There are hundreds of such examples of successful persons in Bharat and in the whole world wherein we see that these people also faced all the problems mentioned above.

Shri. Patwardhan Sir, with the help of his colleagues, started an NGO. 'Swa'-Roopwardhinee is a nonprofit organization, registered as a public charitable trust in the year 1979. The activity started for integrated development of intelligent students from socially/economically weaker sections of the society. It is a “Catch Them Young” project to develop the leadership qualities in these students. The trust started its first project “Integrated Development Center ” by selecting 12 intelligent students through an IQ Test and Interview. Fundamentally, it is an after-school activity which is run 3 hours daily in the evening, throughout the year. Till date, thousands of students have been benefited and it is run through 16 centers across Pune. Through this project, the trust could motivate at least 25 students to devote a few years of their life to work for social causes. The trust could also build its own band of volunteers not only for this project but also for the other projects of the trust. We have a band of 300 youth volunteers who are devoting their time, energy to social causes.

In the year 1988, the trust built its own building. Since then, the trust has expanded its activities covering kids, school children, youth and needy women, mainly from slums or slum-like areas. The informal educational activities and projects are-

1. Kindergarten School
2. Integrated Development Centers
3. Science & Technology Mobile Laboratory for village students
4. Coaching Center for Competitive Examination
5. Vocational Training Courses for needy women
6. Skill Development Center

Ongoing Projects/Schemes:

The nature of the projects run by the trust is continuous in nature and hence all the projects mentioned above are run regularly.

The trust has undertaken one more project in hand just recently. It is to find out anemia amongst school children (urban and rural). The trust aims to achieve a target of enrolling one lac students during the next academic year.

New insights/Success stories:

1. Hundreds of students of the trust have succeeded in achieving their life goals. Many of them are working as officers in industries and govt. departments (including the Police Department), working as teachers, professors, principal, etc. Some of the students have become doctors, lawyers and even judges. A number of students are running their own businesses. The most important thing is that these students are active for social causes.
2. More than 400 students have become officers in various govt. departments by succeeding in UPSC/MPSC Examinations.
3. More than 6000 needy women have become self-reliant through various vocational training courses.

Finance:

Most of the projects undertaken by the trust are either run free of charge or very nominal fees are charged and hence fee is not the source for the trust to raise finance to run the activities.

Individual donations, donations from trusts and foundations, and financial support received through CSR Proposals is the source for the trust to meet both ends. Bharat Petroleum Corp. Ltd., Parikh Foundation, Tata Elxsi, are few of the names who are supporting our humble efforts through their CSR.

Awards/Recognition:

1. FIE Foundation Award to the Founder in the year 1996.
2. Shri. Guruji Puraskaar to the Founder in the Year 2005.
3. Santeshwar Award, New Delhi to the trust in the year
4. Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Samaj Bhushan Puraskaar of the Govt. of Maharashtra in the year 2016.
5. Shahu-Phule-Ambedkar Award of the Govt. of Maharashtra in the year 2018

Future plans:

In this year, the trust has constructed a Skill Development Center at Charholi, near Alandi. The trust plans to run various courses enabling needy young girls and women to become self-reliant. The trust has started few para medical courses but has plans to start the following projects and activities in the near future -

- Sports (Indoor/Outdoor) Development Center.
- gneevr Training Center
- Robotics Training Center
- AN&M & GN&M Training College

‘Swa’ Roopwardhini, Pune



Devi Ahalya Mandir

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About the NGO:

Vision:

देशाकरिता राष्ट्र समर्पित व्यक्ती निर्माण, Rebuilding of Hindu Nation, तेजस्वी राष्ट्र निर्मिती Mission - Women are the backbone of the country, Women Empowerment.

Objectives:

1. To perpetuate the Memory of Devi Ahalyabai by putting up a suitable and fitting memorial to her.
2. To conduct, promote and patronize, through instructions, all nation building activities of Hindu Society.
3. To conduct activities of literary, scientific, cultural and charitable nature conducive to the above objectives
4. To establish libraries, medical and other relief centres, bal mandirs, schools and colleges.
5. To diffuse political knowledge, consistent with the national heritage and the conducive to the welfare of Hindu society and of Humanity as a whole.
6. Hostels for students from North East India
- 7.

Geographical Region covered: All over India

Year of establishment: Rashtra Sevika Samiti – 1936, Devi Ahalya Mandir – 1965

Registration Certificate: 2A 80G Devi Ahalya Mandir

Organizational structure:



Background:

Rashtra Sevika Samiti is a nationwide organization with branches in many countries. During Independence movement, Laxmibai Kelkar met Mahatma Gandhiji that inspired her to take up the mission of empowering women to make a great nation. Rashtra Sevika Samiti is silently working in many fields for upliftment, empowerment of women and society at large. As the situation demands and the need is felt various projects are started and are sustained.

Devi Ahalya Mandir continues many social projects such as :

१. राणी लक्ष्मीबाई भजन वर्ग
२. योगासन वर्ग
३. पौरुहित्य वर्ग
४. शिशू विहार
५. काकू परांजपे वाचनालय
६. लक्ष्मीलीला उद्योग केंद्र
७. रुग्णोपयोगी साहित्य केंद्र
८. स्वदेशी वस्तु भंडार
९. पुनर्भव
१०. वनवासी (पूर्वांचल) कन्या छात्रावास नागपूर
११. रामजन्मोत्सव
१२. प्रमिला मुंजे होमिओ आयुर्वेदिक चिकित्सालय
१३. माहेर संमेलन
१४. राणी मा गाडनल्यू पुरस्कार
१५. देवी अहिल्याबाई पुण्यतिथी सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम
१६. तृषा तृप्ती किवा प्याऊ निरंतर थंड पाण्याची व्यवस्था (मशीन)
उन्हाळ्यात एक एप्रिलपासून मधुर ताक वितरण निःशुल्क

Projects and Work carried out:

Name of the Project	Commencement Year	Completion date
Chhatravas North East states of Bharat	1985	Continues for supporting the society
Chhatravas for the wards of Leprosy patients	Bilaspur, Chhatisgarh	Continues for supporting the society
Chhatravas for the wards of farmers who committed suicide	Yavatmal, Vidarbha, maharashtra	Continues for supporting the society
Micro, Small Enterprises	लक्ष्मीलीला उद्योग केंद्र	At many places like Shree Shaktipeeth in Nagpur, Thane, Nasik, Kolhapur
Rehabilitation programs when calamity arises	Earth, Quake, Social, Unrest, Flood, Water Management	Continues for supporting the society
Empowering the women	Training in Skills such as tailoring, knitting, medical first aid, mental wellbeing and peace	Through these activities as continuous efforts

On-going Projects/Schemes- all the above activities are continued for many years.

Number of Beneficiaries Year wise- every year few students keep joining, more than 125 girls from North East states have benefitted by this activity.

New insights/Success stories:

A girl child who is not very good scholastically, has developed skill for crochet and is selling it online

- Mental peace (मन:शांती) obtained by participating in Bhajan classes
- Medical help provided by a trained woman in a north east state of Bharat
- Empowerment when a gharghanti with rice and jaggery was provided
- Empowerment of women when they complete their graduation, post graduation in Nagpur where they have come from far east part of the country

Best practices developed:

Bringing small girls from far off districts of India and develop them in a well informed responsible citizen who will start contributing as they are educated.

Empowerment of the women when they start using the aid and support from these pratisthan. Nursing training instead of medical camps

Finance: Humble contributions from society.

Awards/Recognition:

1. तेजस्विनी कन्या छात्रावासाला भगीरथ पुरस्कार मिळाला.
2. Future plans- Skill development Centre near Nagpur, scaling up the projects/ activities in various other locations

Devi Ahalya Mandir, Dhantoli, Nagpur



Parivartan Mahila Sanstha

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About the NGO:

Vision:

To form a society where every citizen will get all facilities and services to have quality life and will be able to take benefit of the same. All citizens will know rights and responsibilities related to self, families and society and will actively participate in the process of sustainable development.

Objectives:

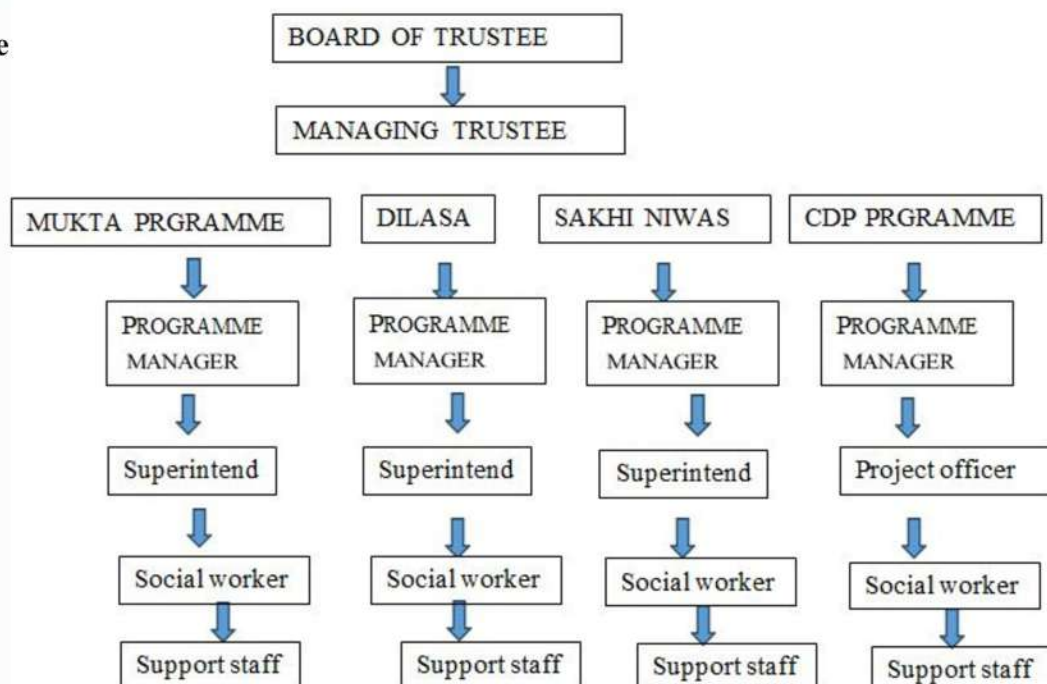
1. We aim to provide care and support to destitute and orphan girls and help to become good citizens of the country. Organization does not only provide them shelter but also satisfy their emotional and social needs.
2. Our objective is to provide food, shelter, medical, security and feeling of togetherness to senior citizens. Organize different recreation programs for senior citizens.
3. Empower women, family and community through training and different programs.

Geographical Region covered: Mumbai, Thane, Palghar

Year of establishment: 2000

Registration Certificate: MAHA/10192/LATUR DT/28/1/2000, 12A :- YES, 80G :- YES

Organizational structure



Background:

Parivartan Mahila Sanstha is a Non-profit organization registered in 2000 by women who were active in social sector in various capacities. The organization is established with the prime focus of women empowerment and thus deliberately decided to have an executive body with all women members. A group of few active persons from different parts of Maharashtra State, came together to form this Organization. All of them had one common interest and only aim that is “Empowerment of the women from society”. While every one of them were performing some or the other powerful activities, towards Women Development, in their local area, they felt the need of establishing organization to work for conveying & implementing the various programmes, government schemes at grass root level for upliftment of women throughout Maharashtra.

Since then, with a vision of a society where every woman lives with freedom and dignity, Parivartan has made continuous efforts to address varied facets of life. Community participation and holistic development approach are the key word that we use in our organization. In all programmes we try to motivate participants to contribute actively in the process of their own development. We as organization play a role of facilitator and motivator. Our trust is to make them self-reliant and there should be sustainable development in the society.

Projects and Work carried out:

Name of the Project	Commencement Year	Completion date
Mukta Balikashram	2005	Ongoing
Dilasa Center	2010	Ongoing
Community Development Programmes	2015	Ongoing
Sakhi Niwas – Working women hostel	2024	Ongoing

Ongoing Projects/Scheme (Number of Beneficiaries Year wise):

Projects	Total Number of Beneficiaries
Mukta	350
Dilasa	2200
Sakhi Niwas	180
Community Development Project	8000

Parivartan Mahila Sanstha, Palghar



Bhatke Vimukta Vikas Pratishthan

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About the NGO:

Vision:

To create a society where the marginalized nomadic tribes of India, particularly in Maharashtra, are recognized for their historical contributions and are provided with equal opportunities for education, healthcare, skills development, and overall empowerment, leading to a future of dignity, security, and progress for all generations.

Mission:

To address the historical injustices faced by nomadic tribes, particularly the 52 communities in Maharashtra, by working towards the upliftment and integration of these communities into mainstream society. Through advocacy, awareness, and strategic interventions, the Bhatke VimuktaVikas Pratishthan aims to eliminate stigma, improve living conditions, and ensure access to essential rights and opportunities, fostering a path to a better and fairer future for these marginalized groups.

Objectives:

1. **Advocacy and Awareness:** Raise awareness about the historical struggles and contributions of nomadic tribes, working to eliminate stigma and misconceptions surrounding them.
2. **Education:** Provide access to quality education for children and adults from nomadic tribes, empowering them with the skills needed to thrive in modern society.
3. **Healthcare Access:** Ensure access to essential healthcare services, addressing the unique health needs of these communities and improving overall well-being.
4. **Skill Development and Employment:** Facilitate skill-building programs that enhance employability, self-reliance, and economic independence within nomadic communities.
5. **Legal and Social Rights:** Advocate for the legal recognition and protection of nomadic tribes' rights, addressing the legacy of discrimination and exclusion they continue to face.
6. **Improvement of Living Conditions:** Work towards improving the living standards of these communities by providing basic infrastructure, sanitation, and housing.
7. **Security and Empowerment:** Promote the safety and security of nomadic tribes, ensuring they are treated with dignity and respect while fostering their full integration into society.

Year of establishment: 1992

Registration Certificate: 12A - AAATB5093JE20210, 80G – AAATB5093JF20214

Organizational structure:

Bhatke Vimukta Vikas Parishad working at district level as part Bhatke Vimukt Vikas Pratishthan, rest is as per standard NGO organizational structure.

Background:

The nomadic tribes of India, once an integral part of the nation's social fabric, made significant contributions in areas such as art, agriculture, medicine, and defense. Despite their invaluable contributions, these communities gradually lost their societal ties due to historical aggressions. The 1871 Criminal Tribes Act further compounded their struggles by labeling them as habitual criminals and forcing them into settlements that operated like open jails. Even after the Act's abolition in 1952, these communities continue to endure stigma and live in substandard conditions. In Maharashtra alone, 52 nomadic communities, comprising approximately 30 million people, remain marginalized and neglected.

Bhatke Vimukta Vikas Pratishthan has been working since 1991 to help marginalized nomadic tribes, particularly in Maharashtra, gain recognition for their historical contributions. The organization strives to ensure that these communities are provided with equal opportunities for education, healthcare, skills development, and overall empowerment, ultimately leading to a future of dignity, security, and progress for all generations.

Projects and Work carried out:

Name of the Project	Commencement Year	Completion date	Beneficiaries Year wise
Eklavya Prathamik Madhyamik Aashramshala, Yamgarwadi, Dharashiv district, Maharashtra.	1993	Ongoing	~450 students
50 Palavarchi Shala/abhyasika (Makeshift school)	1999	Ongoing	~1500 students across 50 schools
32 Bachat gat (self-help groups) for women	2015	Ongoing	~ 320 women
28 Arogyapeti (health kiosks)	2005	Ongoing	~15000 nomadic people
Essential government documents abhiyan (Raje Umaji Naik Kagadpatre Abhiyan)	2010 & 2024	Ongoing	~30000 people are getting benefited for the documents

Best practices developed:

Bhatke Vimukta Vikas Pratishthan and Parishad has been working for the upliftment of nomadic and denotified communities since 1992, focusing on the four key areas of education, self-reliance, dignity, and security. The initiative covers a total of 52 community groups, many of which still lack access to education. To address this, an Eklavya Vidya Sankul has been established in the village of Yamagarwadi in Tuljapur Taluka. Currently, over 400 students from 28 different community groups are receiving residential education here. As a result of this project, the first generation of various community groups such as Mariai Wale, Masaljogi, Paradhi, Kaikadi, Nath Jogi, Giri, and Gosavi has been introduced to the educational system.

On behalf of the Pratishthan, over 50 mobile schools are being run across various districts in Maharashtra. Through these schools, efforts are made to provide early childhood education and integrate children into the mainstream education system, while also focusing on the development of their settlements.

Through the Parishad, initiatives like self-help groups, health kiosks, and vocational training programs are also being carried out. Currently, 32 self-help groups and 28 health kiosks are

operational under the Parishadin Maharashtra. In Anasaarwada, Latur, the Parishad has provided band- playing training to around 50 people from nomadic and denotified communities under the self-reliance initiative. These individuals are now able to support themselves and their families through band performances. The Parishad has also sent several female students for nursing training, helping them become self-sufficient.

Additionally, a Maharajswara Campaign is currently underway across Maharashtra to help nomadic and denotified communities obtain necessary documents. Under this initiative, the Parishad has conducted a survey of around 1 lakh nomadic people, providing over 30,000 of them with essential documents such as caste certificates, Aadhaar cards, voter registrations, income certificates, ration cards, and more.

Finance:

1. Finance Support given so far

- a. Praj Foundation, Pune – Solar-powered hot water and electricity generation project (2022-23).
- b. Krishna Foundation, Hyderabad – 21/10/2024.
- c. Balaji Amines Limited, Solapur – 16/07/2024.
- d. Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust – 09/03/2023.
- e. PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC) – 2020-2021.
- f. Nideshak Janjatiya – 02/10/2021 (₹10,00,000).
- g. Retired Employees (For uniform purchase).

2. Expected finance

- a. Rs 160,000 per makeshift school per year.
- b. Eklavya Shikshanik Sankul, Yamgarwadi - Rs 450,000 per month for 450 resident students for food and nutrition.
- c. Financing as per CSR proposals for other projects such as skill development, Yamgarwadi construction work, school equipments and stationary, women empowerment schemes, police and army recruitment training centers, etc.

Awards/Recognition:

- Precision Foundation Award – ₹1.00 Lakh.
- Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Community Samajbhushan Award.
- Zee Media Social Award – Zee Media Other Award.
- Aurangabad Rotary Division Award for Palawarchi Shala.
- Jalgaon Education Council.
- Mumbai Vileparle Mahotsav.
- Late Dadasaheb Karad Shikshan Ratna Award.
- Laxmi Shrinawas State level Award.
- Dharmajagaran Sanstha Jalgaon – 2022-23.

Future plans:

- Skill development and women empowerment initiatives.
- Expanding makeshift schools (Palavarchi shala) in different districts.
- Skill development programs at Yamgarwadi School.
- Establishing training centers for police and army recruitments.
- Opening centers for competitive exam preparation.
- Launching the Adolescent Development Program (Kishori Vikas Prakash).
- Establishing De-Addiction Centers (Vyasankumti Kendra).
- Promoting the improvement of traditional arts and crafts of nomadic tribes (Lokkala).
- Establishing Research Centers to address issues faced by nomadic tribes.

Bhatke Vimukta Vikas Pratishthan, Latur



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About the NGO:

Vision:

Celebrating Humanity by bridging the gap between “Struggling mankind” and “Aspiring Mankind”.

Mission:

Our mission is to build a network of socially conscious people within India and around the world which will be a pool of resources with financial strength, knowledge, commitment and an aim to impact 1 million lives by 2030.

Objectives:

To promote or further the causes of education, learning, science, research, health, hygiene and sanitation, water management, conservation of the environment, agriculture, renewable energy, community development or welfare, protection of national heritage, art and culture, sports, music and the advancement of any other object of general public utility and social welfare.

Geographical Region covered: Maharashtra

Year of establishment: 31/08/2009

Registration Certificate: 2A 80G

Organizational structure:



Background :

Seva Sahayog Foundation [SSF] is a volunteer-driven organization working in various social development areas. Our registered volunteers base is 23,500 plus & with the support of 150 plus full time volunteers, 200 plus corporate partners, we run various projects, which are focused towards fulfillment of deprived needs of socio-economically challenged strata of the urban slum communities. To achieve our objective, SSF engages socially conscious corporates, groups, individuals and other NGOs with various our programs in Maharashtra.

SSF programs are benefitting 175 plus community people from urban slums of Pune & Mumbai. Our programs– Educational Aid, are benefitting teachers & students from all districts of Maharashtra.

Our core activities are education, women empowerment, health - hygiene and environment. These include providing conducive environment at Community Learning Centers [CLCs] to school going children, education of adolescent girls, skill development for youth and self-sustainable empowerment of women from sevawasti / communities.

SSF is registered as ‘Not-for-Profit’ organization under section 8 [old 25 – B] of The Company Act. We have obtained essential certificates / permissions such as 80G, 12A, FCRA, etc.

Projects and Work carried out:

Name of the Project	Commencement Year	Completion date	Number Of Benefidiaries FY 2023-24
School Kit	2008	Ongoing	71,786
Samutkarsh	2009	Ongoing	7,284
Chetana	2016	Ongoing	50
Kishori Vikas Prkalp	2012	Ongoing	1,942
Skill Development	2021	Ongoing	2,775

New insights/Success stories:

- **Education-** Prakash hails from Narayangaon, Pune. He comes from financially weaker family. His mother is working as housemaid or on farm. Despite of all the problems Prakash rose up and achieved success at a very young age. He completed his bachelor’s degree in Geology from Fergusson College, with prestigious gold medal in 2018. He achieved all India rank 122 in IIT – JAM entrance exam and completed Master’s degree in applied geology from IIT Dhanbad. He secured summer internship at Tata Steel Authority of India Ltd. Chhattisgarh and secured placement at Tata Steel, Jamshedpur.
- **Empowerment-** Kalpana, a 20-year-old, belonged to financially weaker tribal family. She completed her education till HSC. But further studies were not possible due to lack of educational opportunities. Despite many challenges she joined tailoring class in the vocational training Centre, and completed both basic and advanced training courses. After her training, she embarked on various projects, stitching health kit pouches, school kit pouches and more. And she earned with profit.
- **Environment-** Vidyabhavan Vidyalay – Edwan in Palghar District, faced a significant challenge with inadequate electrical appliances hindering smooth classroom functioning. According to

survey school struggled to afford regular electricity due to high bills. To overcome this challenge, we provided a 5kw solar panel system with an additional 1kw back up inverter.

Best practices developed:

Created a life cycle for 7 step process for project from objectives to result. For the development of different projects, we enhance us skills, provide training for different skills and we work dedicatedly on the projects.

Finance:

General donation, individual donation and CSR donation.

Awards/Recognition:

- Jal Prahari Puraskar
- PMA Eminamce Award
- Precision Samajik Puraskar
- Rotary Club of Puna Mid-Town
- Parivartan

Future plans:

- Expansion of programs through all India level.
- Impact assessment and need assessment to publish white papers on social issues.

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