



"SEWA HI PARAMO DHARMAH"

SEWA INTERNATIONAL



Annual Report 2017 - 18

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Foreword



It's my privilege and honor to present you the Annual Report of Sewa International for the financial year 2017-18. As Sewa International completes its 20 years journey in service of humanity, I would like to congratulate and express my gratitude towards all the stakeholders who have made this journey beautiful and the vision possible. Many milestones have been achieved, successes celebrated and millions of lives changed in these last two decades. I sincerely hope that the bond we have formed over these years will continue to be the driving force of our passion to pursue the common goal of 'Sewa Hi Parmo Dharma'.

What began as an endeavor to provide relief to disaster-struck areas, in the country as well as around the world, has now flourished into long-term sustainable rehabilitation programs for these communities by handholding and guiding them to a better future. From the 1998 Gujarat cyclone to the recent Kerala floods that left thousands homeless, Sewa International has been a frontrunner in spearheading relief, rescue and rehab operations. Post the 2013 Uttarakhand flood, Sewa International marked a decisive shift, from mainly supporting local organizations, to taking in its own hand the onus of rehabilitation of the disaster struck regions, with a multi-year rehab project, Sewa Kaushal Vikas Kendra, supported by Govt Of Goa, to provide skill and livelihood opportunities for flood-affected people of Uttarakhand. Sewa International again embarked on the long-term rehab program when Nepal was hit by devastating earthquakes in 2015.

Our efforts to provide 'Amako Maya' hostels and schools are bearing fruits and helping the orphaned, abandoned and poor children get quality education. From constructing essential infrastructure like schools and hospitals, to engaging the survivors in meaningful livelihood avenues Sewa International has sought to develop a long-lasting relationship and leave a legacy of humanity in all its endeavors. We have also made a considerable impact and presence in the field of skill development, education, divyang care, clean energy, health and sanitation. The areas of work have been diverse and so has been the background of the community served. While moving towards new echelons of growth, everyone has a responsibility to ensure that no one is left behind. To give a vision and a path towards global growth and holistic development, United Nations designated Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), otherwise known as the Agenda 2030, as a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity, by 2030.

We, at Sewa International, have taken a conscious decision to align our future works and endeavors to these goals. Be it the Self Help Group model in Uttarakhand, the opening of bank accounts of womenfolk, linking the Kashi Bunkars to government schemes, opening of PMKK and PMKVY skill development centers in Tripura and Uttarakhand, all are a part of well thought out plans towards fulfilling the SDG Goals. Our Toilet and Hygiene project has opened a new chapter by including the new RCC design bio-digesters that have been specially designed for efficient biodegradation, thus keeping in resonance with the SDG Goal of Clean Water and Sanitation.

Venturing into new fields, I am proud to announce that Sewa International has successfully set up 7 PMKK and 3 PMKVY centers in Uttarakhand and North Tripura respectively. Sewa is engaged with the govt's skill development program under SkillMission, and targetting rural areas and geographically remote locations to reach the most vulnerable youths. The variety of sectors that we have incorporated as part of the training has been done keeping in mind the demography of the region, the market viability of the job and the level of skills needed for the same. The initiatives are slowly bearing fruits in improving the quality of skills in the youth and reducing unemployment.

We are on a constant quest to adapt and reform ourselves in new ways. Keeping up with the same spirit this year's Annual Report has been designed in a way, so as to provide a much more informative, data and impact driven format.

I would like to congratulate thousands of volunteers who have engaged with us from both within and outside the country, for without you all, it's not possible to execute any and every plan or policy we make. It is your constant passion, contribution and dedication to serve the society that keeps us motivated to be better each day. In future as well, we seek to join hands with compassionate men and women who would like to contribute by means of their knowledge, skill and the noble intent to serve amongst the masses. Its true that an organisation's strength lies in the people who go out there, on ground, working day and night, with a sense of renunciation to change the lives of our countrymen, to save them in times of distress and need, and to empower them with zeal, enthusiasm and confidence to realise their dreams, and to attain their full potential. A token of gratitude to all our partner organizations who with their coordinated efforts and actions have made sure that the benefits of the work reach to even the last person out there. We sincerely hope that you continue doing the good work and that you deepen your reach to the nooks and crannies of this great nation.

Last but not the least, I want to extend a heartfelt thanks to our donors for their kind and generous support. For such a long time, you have placed your trust and benevolence on us, that has led us to create this beautiful community formed by humanistic values and ethos of service. We hope to have your continued support in our endeavors to make our country and the world a better place.

Bharat Mata ki Jai !!!



**(K. G.) Shyam Parande
Secretary & Managing Trustee**

INTRODUCTION

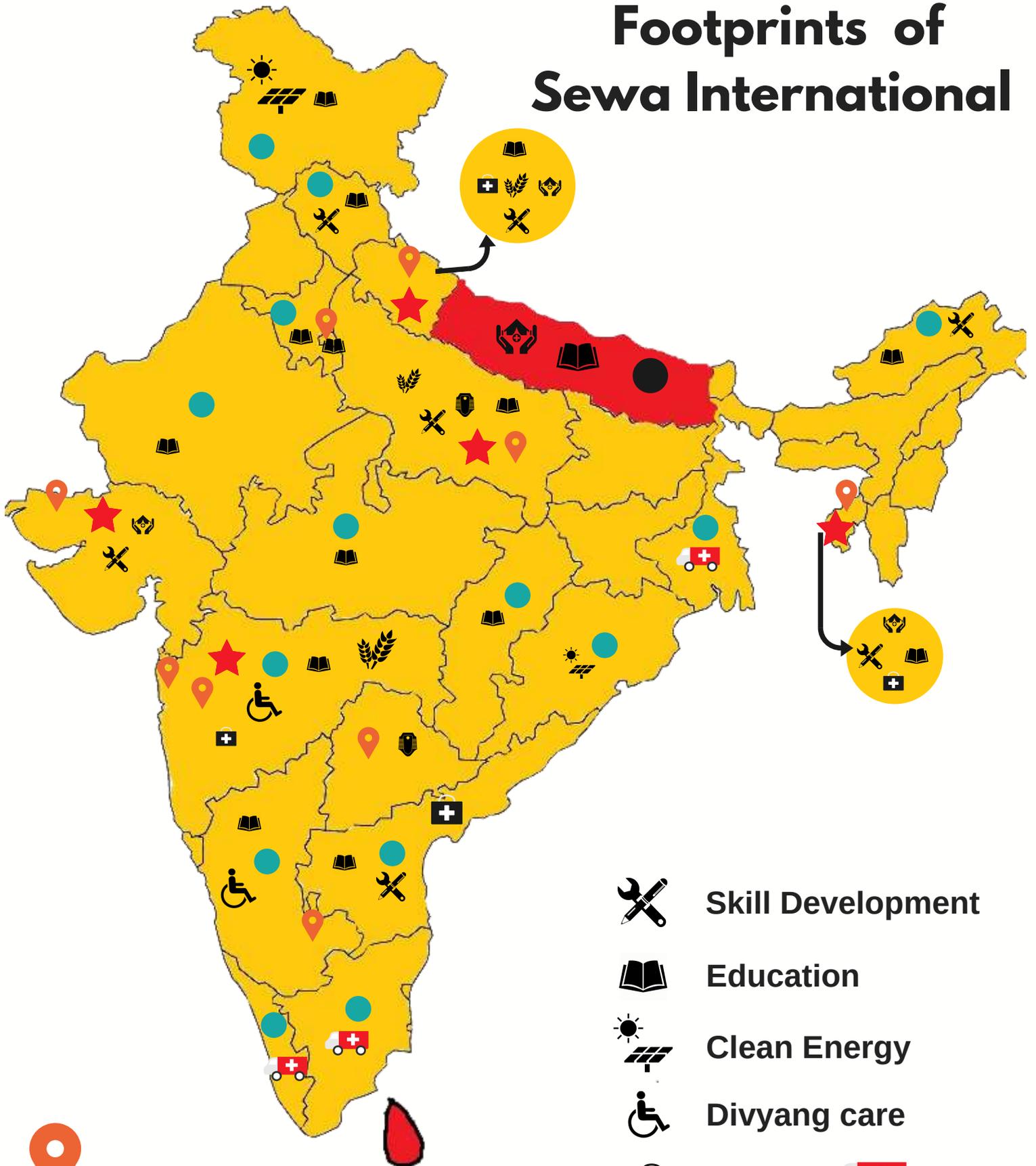
The movement “**SEWA INTERNATIONAL**” was started in 1991 in the UK by some philanthropists initially to help the earthquake victims of Latur, Maharashtra. Since then, the movement has spread out to USA, Canada, Australia and other European countries. It is also setting foot in some African countries like, Kenya and South Africa and a few Caribbean countries. Sewa International aims at not only arousing the curiosity of scores of voluntary organizations and volunteers to grasp the strength and weaknesses of the society better, but also preparing them for new challenges, making changes happen, promoting opportunities and improving the way people do things to make this world better.

Mission statement: “Sewa International is a ‘not-for-profit’ organization inspired by the noble Hindu tradition of service before self; working for promoting voluntarism internationally especially among youth, women and energetic senior citizens; building an international network of not-for-profit organizations; promoting philanthropy from the grassroots level to corporate sector; providing relief to the affected during calamities, natural and or-man-made, and rehabilitating them; building capacity of the non-profit organizations towards achieving results, empowering communities and individuals through sustained support; funding committed grassroots organizations that rely heavily on volunteer effort; supporting effort that promote cultural and moral value systems in the society; and aiming to see happiness and well-being in everyone, everywhere and at all times”.

Sewa International Guiding Principles:

- ❖ We believe in the Dharmic principles of “Serving Humanity is Serving Divinity” and “Unity in Diversity.”
- ❖ We believe in service above self.
- ❖ We practice team work and self-reliance.
- ❖ We are proactive and responsive to the needs of society while promoting ‘Self Reliance’ among those who are served.
- ❖ We are pluralistic, trustworthy and transparent.
- ❖ We create a positive impact through operational excellence and customer satisfaction.
- ❖ We respect and safeguard our environment.
- ❖ We value our volunteers, donors and partners.
- ❖ We respect the dignity of every human being, consider humanity as one family (vasudhaiva kutumbakam) while serving them regardless of race, color, religion, nationality, gender, and sexual orientation.
- ❖ We accept and celebrate diversity in people and community, we are sensitive to the cultural backgrounds of people we serve.

Footprints of Sewa International



-  Sewa Office
-  Core Project
-  Supported Project
-  Sewa Project Outside India

-  Skill Development
-  Education
-  Clean Energy
-  Divyang care
-  Health 
-  Toilet & Hygiene
-  Rehabilitation
-  Agriculture

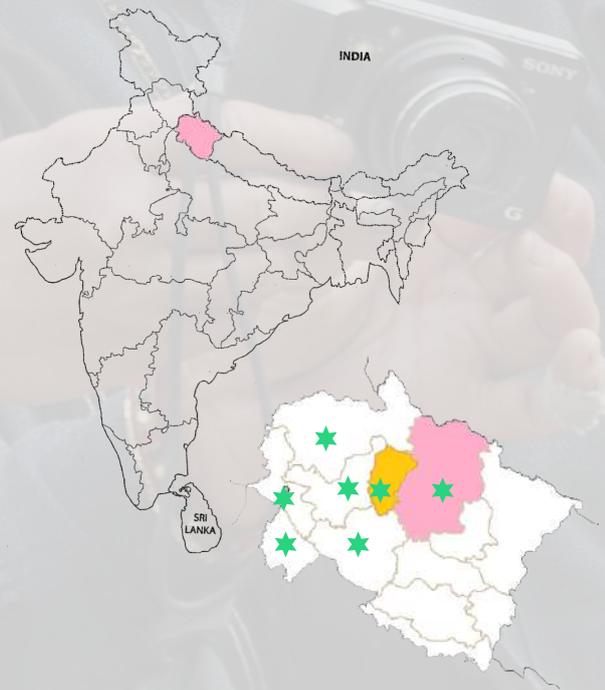
SEWA UTTARAKHAND



Sewa Uttarakhand project was initiated in response to the 2013 tragedy that struck the state leaving thousands dead and orphaned. Apart from the yatris who lost their lives in the disaster, it was the local population that was left in a state of chaos. It was these young boys and men that lost their lives in the disaster leaving behind households with widows and orphaned children, often without any alternative and viable source of livelihood and income.

Sewa International's endeavors in Uttarakhand began precisely with the objective of rehabilitation of these village folk and the local population of the mountains.

The cradle of our rehabilitation program in Uttarakhand is Sewa Kaushal Vikas Kendra (SKVK), which is further split into 6 specialized constituents dealing with different aspects of the rehab.



- ★ PMKK Centers
- Rudraprayag
- Chamoli



Sewa Srujan

SHG Initiative Leading To Farm And Allied Sector Livelihood

Our Mission

- Community participation
- Diversification of livelihood options for locals
- Development through Microfinancing and bank linkage

Activities

- Formation of 77 new SHGs
- Linking of 65 SHGs with banks in terms of account opening
- Formation of 5 new federations comprising of SHGs and connecting upto 1542 members till now
- Selection and training of 65 Directors for Farmer Producer Organisation Himsampada
- Grading of 44 SHGs and Data Digitisation of 63 SHGs done

Impact



77

New SHGs formed in 2017-18



65

SHG Bank Accounts opened



1021

Families reached



₹ 6,71,950

SHG Savings



Sewa Krishi

Organic Farming Agricultural Initiative

Our Mission

- Crop diversification
- Promoting organic agriculture
- Establishment of the farmer-producer organization
- Value chain addition
- Leadership development of the farmers
- Forward and backward linkage of markets



1507 Kg
Seeds
distributed



11000
Saplings
distributed

Activities

- 1507 kg seeds, 11000 Saplings, and 2000 Seed Kits distributed to farmers
- Seed sowing and agricultural trainings
- Product display in exhibitions and local fairs in Agastyamuni, Gauchar, Dehradun etc.
- Volunteer visits and internships
- Preparation of nursery bed and demo beds in Pokhari, Gharoli, and Tapovan
- Marketing of over 16 crops with a sale of up to 4060kg of the produce

Impact



16
Types of crops
marketed



80
Hectares
cultivated



2000
Farmers
benefited



₹ 2,12,315
Revenue earned
by farmers





Sewa Mahila Jyoti

Non-Farm Based Livelihood Initiative

Our Mission

- Diversifying livelihood opportunities using non-farm skills
- Promoting local art and craft through Ringal handicrafts
- Skill development initiatives
- Strengthening the SHG network



Activities

- Conducted 6 Community Trainings in villages for knitting
- Marketing of finished woolen products in local markets
- Participation in exhibitions and fairs
- Ringal (bamboo handicrafts) production and skill training

Impact



8

Knitting & Production Centres



1516

Beneficiaries



₹ 2,41,250

Revenue earned by artisans



Sewa Yuva Jyoti

Digital Literacy And Personality Development Initiative

Our Mission

- Digital Literacy of the youth
- Personality development & soft skill enhancement
- Opening employment avenues for the locals

Activities

- 10 Computer training centers running with 1292 youth trained so far
- Tally accounting course started with 22 students
- Code A Future (HTML, Java etc) training by NASSCOM initiated with 96 trainees

Impact

Digital Literacy





Swasthya Sahyogi Sewa

Health Care And Sanitation Awareness Initiative

Our Mission

- Building a healthy & hygienic society
- Adolescent health awareness
- Awareness for pregnant and lactating mothers
- Developing last mile connectivity in the health sector
- Affordable healthcare

Activities

- First Aid Kit distribution and refilling
- 25 new Kishori Samuh (Adolescent girls groups) formed
- Street plays and festival celebration
- Health awareness programmes for pregnant and lactating women
- Organized 24 health camps and 14 awareness camps

Impact



Health Camp
2 Districts, 24 Camps



First Aid Kit
30 Distributed &
23 refilled



14
Awareness campaigns



25
Kishori Samuh



5913
Beneficiaries



Sewa Saahas

Eco Tourism And Disaster Management Initiative

Our Mission

- Livelihood through ecotourism
- Disaster management preparedness
- Promoting Himalayan culture and cuisine
- Preventing distress migration due to unemployment

Activities

- 4 training sessions in adventure tourism, hospitality and tour planning
- Documentation and geotagging of new trekking routes with over 27 routes mapped till now
- Karchhu, Byunkhi, Vaan being developed as Eco-tourism villages
- Regular cleanliness drives
- The process initiated to establish over 35 homestays in the villages
- Formation of new youth clubs
- Adventure sports like rappelling, valley crossing, and mountain climbing

Impact



4

Training sessions



35

Homestays,
3 eco tourism villages



387

Youngsters benefitted

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra (PMKK)



In the present context, although India is demographically positioned to fill the gap for workers for the world, with its growing young population in an otherwise aging world, but reality is that our conventional education system is not equipped to cater to the needs and jobs of the future market. The relationship between education, employment, and skills has to be more sustainable and holistic. Imparting employable skills to youth in a variety of sectors is the right path in this direction, and Sewa International has joined hands with NSDC in supporting the SkillMission of Govt of India.

Sewa International (in partnership with FTEC Skill Development), was allotted UK1 cluster in the Garhwal region, Uttarakhand. This year, we have set up **7 State-of-the-Art model skill centers called Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras**, in each of the districts of Garhwal as below :

1. PMKK Haridwar
2. PMKK Dehradun
3. PMKK Chamoli
4. PMKK Tehri
5. PMKK Uttarkashi
6. PMKK Rudraprayag
7. PMKK Pauri

Through continuous mobilization in rural and semi-urban areas of Uttarakhand, Sewa has been successful to spread the message and get school and college dropouts, under the ambit of these schemes as beneficiaries. Our centers provide umpteen options to the beneficiaries to get employable skills in diversified sectors like Healthcare, Tourism, Agriculture, Food Processing, Beauty & Wellness, Apparel, IT/ITES, Electronics etc. Many of our beneficiaries have been gainfully employed locally and outside the state, after receiving the training.

Diverse Sectors, Diverse Skills More Employment...



Outer Circle - 10 Job Roles including the number of total enrolled out candidates from each job role.

Inner Circle - 6 Training Centers excluding PMKK Pauri as it began enrollment in 2018-19.



Success Stories



Geeta, a trainee of our first batch at PMKK Chamoli, who was an unskilled unemployed young woman struggling to support herself. After enrolling for the General Duty Assistant course, and completing her training she became adept at taking care of patients in hospitals, at home, administering the injection, drips etc. The short-term course has opened her avenues to further pursue GNM (General Nursing and Midwifery) course to increase her skills further. After the training, Geeta got placed at a very good incentive in Max Hospital Delhi. The success made her ecstatic and she is now able to dream of a better future and career for herself in the coming years.

Kirti Vijay and Kushwar Singh, our two very diligent trainees at PMKK Chamoli, set up an example in how skilling can improve the livelihood opportunities for the youth. 7 students after finishing their training had been placed in KFC Rudrapur. Recently both of them got rewarded for best cashier of the month and best production champion in their respective units. Sewa International is proud of their achievements.



PMKK Gallery



Training of Class in progress in PMKK Dehradun



Ongoing training session in PMKK



PMKK Centre Uttarkashi



PMKK Centre Haridwar



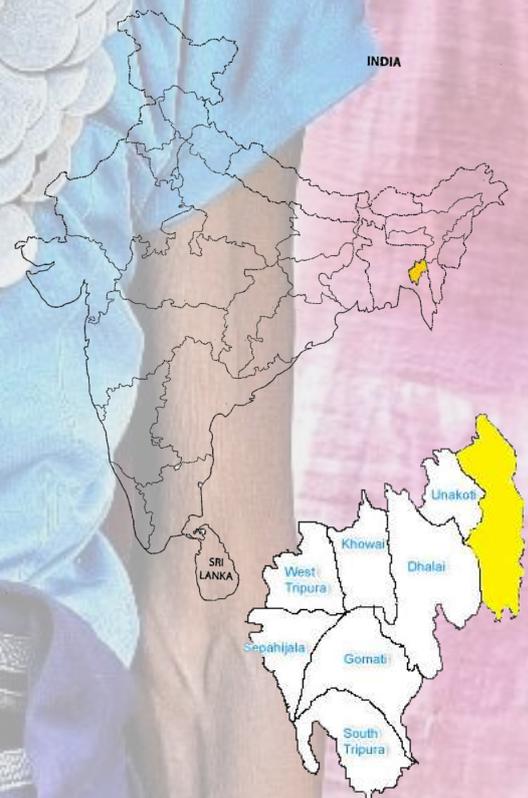
PMKK Centre Tehri



PMKK Centre Dehradun

REHABILITATING BRU TRIBALS

Bru(Reang) tribes have been one of the oldest inhabitants of Mizoram. The ethnic clashes in 1997 compelled them to abandon their homes and live a life of refugees in 6 make-shift camps in North Tripura. Owing to the lack of basic infrastructure and government interest in their well-being, the community has been unacquainted with sanitation, electricity and water supply. Lacking the support for primary livelihood, Sewa International has decided to support our Reang brethren and help bridge the gaps in governance by connecting with the youth and children, to understand the basic issues and provide the interim support till they get their due. At Sewa International, the approach is not top-down, but rather a self-generated, sustainable plan by the community itself to put the Brus onto a path of better life.



● North Tripura



Education

Objectives

- To equip the Bru children with basic education so that they are able to compete in the mainstream market
- Enabling the youth by means of computer literacy

Activities

- 18 learning centers for school going kids, 3 learning centers for non-school going kids running in 4 camps.
- Running classes up to 8th standard in the local Govt. SSA (Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan) school in Ashapara Camp.
- Computer training programs to enhance digital literacy with presently 2 computer centers at Damcherra, Panisagar and Anand Bazar, Kanchanpur running with a beneficiary count of 300 students so far.
- School kit distribution drives with 400+ school kits distributed in Ashapara, Naisinghpara and Khakchangpara Camps.

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2 Computer centers
Trained more than 300
students so far



18 learning center for school
going kids, 3 learning center for
non school going kids,
600+ Beneficiaries



400+ school kits
distributed



Health

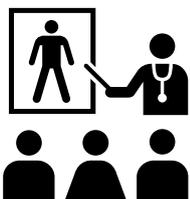
Objectives

- To make affordable healthcare available to tribal areas
- To provide access to basic health facilities
- To spread awareness about preventive healthcare and sanitation

Activities

- Community health surveys by Sewa volunteers
- 4 free medical camps in January 2018 with 400+ patients treated
- Sewa Swasthya Mitra - Started in Jan 2018, 33 youths were trained as informal health workers and 16 were chosen as SSM after assessment

Impact



Sewa Swasthya Mitra (SSM)

To improve healthcare's last mile connectivity, Sewa International imparted basic healthcare training to the local youth as informal health workers. The trainees were trained to identify the symptoms of day to day ailments and provide assistance and aid for them. They were distributed with free medical kits comprising of first aid supplies and medicines for generic ailments like cold, stomach aches, headaches to give immediate relief.



4 Medical Camps
400 + Beneficiaries



Sewa Swasthya Mitra
Started in Jan 2018, 33
youths were trained as
informal health workers
and 16 were chosen after
assessment



1500 households
covered
by SSMs





Skill Development

Activities

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)

- 3 multi-purpose PMKVY skilling centers in Ashapara, Kaskaupara, Khakchangpara with 123 beneficiaries.
- PMKVY skill training centers for the self-tailoring course was started in Ashapara in Oct 2017 in association with Yuva Vikas Society which was later converted additionally into a production center.
- PMKVY center at Khakchangpara camp was formally inaugurated in March 2018, in the presence of Shri M.K.Singla (MHA(IS) Special Secretary), Shri Animesh Debbarma(DC, Kanchanpur) and dignitaries from Assam Rifles. The event also witnessed the certificate distribution to successful candidates of the first batch of PMKVY training in Self-Employed Tailor Program, completed at Ashapara Camp.

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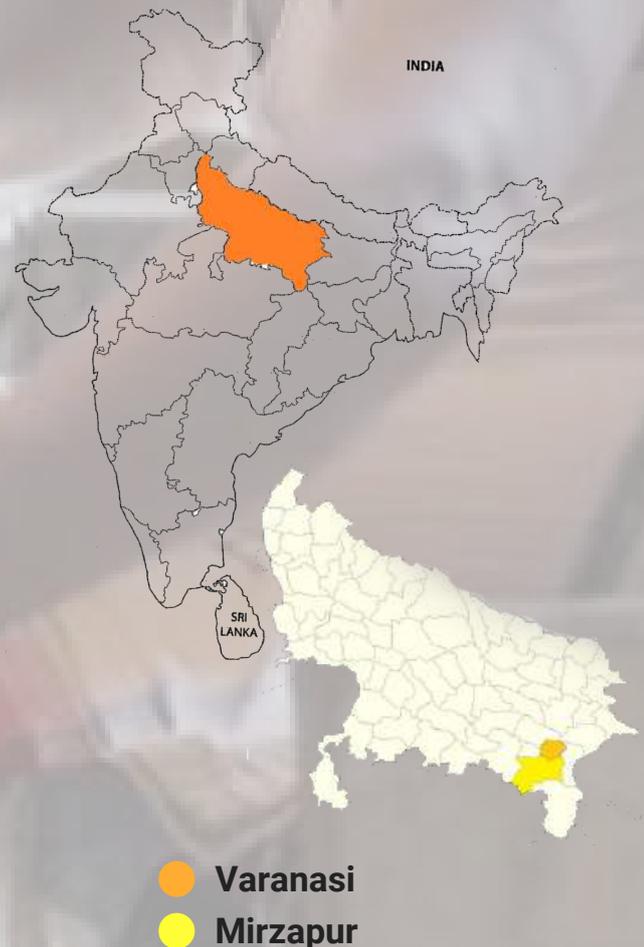
**Self Tailoring Program
in 3 PMKVY centers**



**123
Beneficiaries**

SEWA KASHI

“Swacch-Shikshit-Kushal Kashi” was started with the aim of reviving the dying hand-loom industry of Banaras and has evolved with multi-pronged holistic interventions in the fields of education, health, sanitation & agriculture. The weaver community is trained in latest developments in their field through workshops conducted by Sewa International from time to time. They get to participate in exhibitions, their kids educated, and their locality made **Open Defecation Free (ODF)** through sponsored individual/community toilets. Farmers are given periodic trainings to improve their agricultural skills for better yields, quality produce and higher earnings. Their children are provided with education in various educational centers managed by Sewa International. Our recent interventions have been in providing training in developing rugs in Chunar area to local women. The change is visible, positive and long-lasting.





Kushal Kashi

An Initiative Towards Preserving Traditional Artforms

Objectives

- Enriching the socio-economic status of weavers in Kashi region
- Linking the weavers to government schemes and new market opportunities
- Women empowerment via skill development programs & training initiatives

Activities

- Self-employment for handloom weavers & help establish micro-enterprises
- Skill enhancement by providing vocational training in design, technique and value addition
- Providing marketing support to weavers by facilitating participation in exhibitions
- Facilitating modification of looms, change in fabrics, to enable product diversification suited to the export market

Impact



42

Weavers associated



Participation in
4 exhibitions





Shikshit Kashi

Delivering Quality After-School Remedial Education

Objectives

- Establishing after-school learning centers
- Providing academic & career guidance to underprivileged students
- School kit distribution
- Reduction in school drop-out rate and bringing them back to formal educational institutions

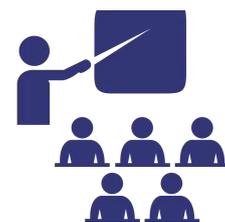
Activities

- This project provides education to 245 underprivileged children studying in class L.K.G to Vth. We are running 6 free of cost educational centers in local areas like Macchartta, Bagheli Tola, Jalahaiya Tola, Ratan Bagh, Bhatti, and Chunar with qualified teachers at respective center with almost 40 students in each center.
- Distributed 320 free school kits to the children throughout our 6 learning centers. The school kit consisted of notebooks, stationery, pencil box, school bag, drawing book and color box.

Impact



6 Education Centres



245 Beneficiaries



Swacchh Kashi

Towards A Clean And Healthy Kashi

Objectives

- Make Kashi ODF by installing individual/community toilets.
- Developing awareness towards cleanliness and sanitation inline with the goals of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
- Maintaining the sanctity of the holy city of Kashi

Activities

- Regular cleanliness drive supporting the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
- Installed communal toilets in villages under Toilet and Hygiene Program
- Organized free health-camps
- Awareness drives on the importance of keeping river Ganga clean.

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Clean Ganga Campaign



24 Toilets Constructed



Medical camp
435 Beneficiaries





Krishi Kashi

Towards A Self Sufficient Agricultural Economy

Objectives

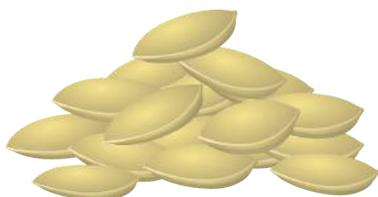
- Development of farmers from a socio-economic standpoint
- Laying a strong emphasis on sustainable farming methods
- Making farmers self-sufficient by introducing modern farming techniques
- Knowledge sharing about model vegetable farms and organic agriculture
- Conducting awareness and training programs
- Linking farmers to various agriculture-related government schemes

Activities

- **Soil Health Awareness Camp** was organized in September 2017 by Sewa International at Narainpur village in Chunar. During this camp, we invited Prof. Surendra Singh from Banaras Hindu University. He imparted valuable knowledge about soil health to the farmers present.
- **Onion Awareness Camp** was held at Narainpur village in Chunar in December 2017. The main objective of this program was to provide information about the useful techniques in onion farming. During this camp, Dr. Major Singh, Joint Secretary of the Indian Society Of Vegetable Science And Technology was invited. He observed onion produce from five villages and informed farmers about innovation in the field of onion cultivation. During the camp, Dr. Nagendra Raj, a senior scientist with IIVR (Indian Institute Of Vegetable Research) also shared key information pertaining to high-yielding vegetable farming.

- **Jaivik Kranti For Anna Swaraj** was a camp organized in Varanasi which was held to create awareness about the various benefits of organic farming. Organic agriculture can be defined as an integrated farming system that strives on sustainable methods of crop and livestock production that involve much more than choosing not to use pesticides, fertilizers, genetically modified organisms, antibiotics, and growth hormones and focuses also on providing attentive care that promotes the health and meets the behavioural needs of livestock.
- **Nursery Management Program:** Sewa International in collaboration with Kalloo Gautam Research & Development Foundation organized a Nursery Management Programme in vegetables at Chunar. Eminent scientists from IIVR, Shri. Kaushlendra Panday and Dr. Nagender Rai informed farmers about the identification of a good nursery, plant protection measures, treatment of common plant diseases and seedling plantation.
- **Seed Distribution** drive was held, which involved the distribution of Sponge Gourd seeds to 40 farmers. The event was a great success and we hope to benefit the community and the farmers in the future by more such events.
- **Greenhouse Net** was installed at the demo farm at Pershoda by the agricultural team of Sewa Kashi, to improve the cultivation of vegetables by shielding crops from excess cold or heat. Dr Nagendra Rai provided instructions on the best agricultural practices and the effective ways to use the greenhouse.

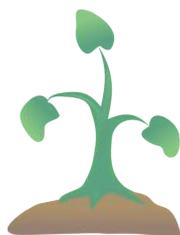
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Seed Distribution of
40 kg mustard
50 kg peas



553 farmers benefited



1000 tomato saplings
300 brinjal saplings



Green house net installed



SEWA KUTCH

An Endeavour In Promoting Kutch Kala

What started as a rehabilitation program after the 2001 earthquake in the region has now emerged as a sustainable entrepreneurship program supporting more than 2000 women till date. The artisans are provided skill-based training in marketing, designs and the latest market trends. The training has equipped them with livelihood and led to a rise in their socioeconomic status. From the mirror and beadwork to Abhla embroidery along with the usage of silk threads of bright colours the Kutch embroidery basically ornates the entire fabric and embellishes it completely. It is said that Kutch embroidery was brought by Kathi cattle breeders and it is being practiced for centuries. It is clubbed with Aahir, Mutva, Pakko, Rabari, Jat, Suf and Khareek. Under the program “Empowering Women Through Handicraft”, approximately 750 artisans are working throughout Kutch in the areas of Nakhtrana, Dayapar, Vaalka, Gaduli, Ghuneri, Aashapar, Navanagar, Kuran, Khavda, Dhaneti, Lakhpat, Jakhau, Angiya and Loriya.



● Kutch



Objectives

- Skill Development of women artisans through training
- Marketing and support services to build the capacity of unskilled artisans
- To additionally skill artisans through master craftsman
- Promotion and display of finished goods at exhibitions
- Entrepreneurship Development program at the village level for self-sufficiency

Activities

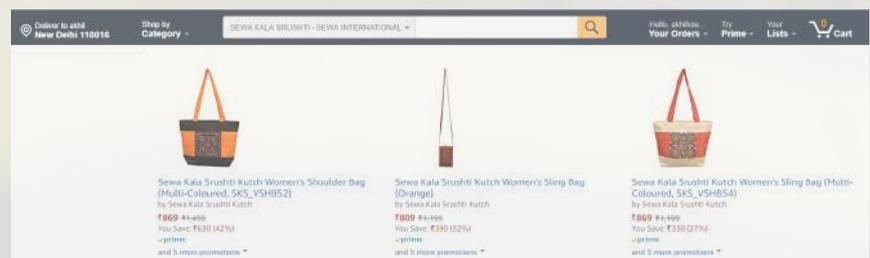
- Entering the online market with a launch of our products on Amazon, GaathaKatha
- New Products with Ajarakh art-forms (Ajarakh is a block printed cloth with deep crimson red and Indigo blue background, bearing symmetrical patterns with interspersed unprinted sparkling white motifs)
- Organized a medical camp for free treatment of women in the local area
- Participation in 2 big exhibitions at Pune and Delhi Haat with a sale of Rs 85,558 and Rs 58,000 respectively, along with local exhibitions

Impact

Empowered more than 750 Kutchi women in embroidery and tailoring skills for better livelihood opportunities



750
Women
associated



Toilet And Hygiene Project

Swacch Bharat Abhiyan has been the foremost agenda of the present government and building toilets with spreading awareness to foster a hygienic and healthy society is the best way to attain it. Keeping in line with the UN's SDG of Clean Water and Sanitation, we have been building community toilets across the country for a **Open Defecation Free** Bharat.

Highlights

- 92 toilets constructed throughout various locations in Lucknow, Jaunpur, Ramnagar, Dindigul (Tamil Nadu)
- Need analysis done throughout villages in Agra, Lucknow, Chunar, Jaunpur
- New Model Toilet - RCC toilets for rural India with low-cost Bio Digesters
- Our project has received local media recognition and nomination for Hindustan Times award. The work done in Baluva Village was covered in Dainik Jagaran and Amar Ujjala. Sewa International was also appreciated for the efforts and service to the underprivileged communities
- Relocation of 13 toilets from Sanjay Gandhi Nagar slum to JK Basanava in Bengaluru
- Free health check up in Annamadevi School, Bengaluru in January 2018, with 350+ students benefited

Impact

92
Toilets Constructed



950
Families Benefited



5135
People Reached



350+
Students benefited
Free health check-up



School Kit Distribution

Why A School Kit ?

While the idea of the distribution of a school kit might seem trivial and insignificant to many, but the latent benefits of this simple gesture are a lot,

- It instills a sense of attending a formal institution for education
- Reduces the drop-out rates
- Having a set of books and stationary helps the child to develop more engagement in the subjects
- This formalization of education also helps in getting the parents to become more serious about their child's education

What goes inside our School Bag ?



- 6 Notebooks (100 pages)
- 1 Drawing Pad
- Geometry Box (5th to 8th) (compass, divider, eraser, set square, ruler, pencil, protractor)
- Pencil Box for class (1st to 5th) (2 pencils, ruler, eraser, sharpener, wax colour)

1500
Bags
Distributed

320

Bags distributed at
Ramnagar Kashi, UP



400

Bags distributed at Ashapara,
Naisingpara, Khakchangpara
Refugee Camps in Tripura



780

Bags distributed in areas of
Siliguri, Sikkim, Darjeeling,
Kalimpong and Kurseong



THE YEAR AT A GLANCE

Sewa Projects Gallery

On 29th April 2017, Sewa International Support Group organized a meet in association with Sanskriti Yoga volunteers on "Indian Diaspora Participation on Social Upliftment of India". The Chief Guest was Ambassador Shri Indra Mani Pandey and the Guest Speaker was Shri Shyam Parande, who highlighted the support of Indian diaspora in various initiatives of Sewa International. Nearly 225 attendees belonging to various parts of India, hailed the contribution of NRIs for Bharat.



Dhanvantari Seva Yatra

Sewa International supports and contributes in the Dhanvantari Seva Yatra, which took place from 2nd April to 9th April this year. Dhanvantari Yatra is a series of medical camps in remote areas of North-eastern states of the country, conducted every year for a week with help from NMO (National Medicos Organization) and Sewa Bharathi Purbanchal. Doctors from across the country come and serve patients selflessly in the most remote and inaccessible parts of North-East India. This year's medical camps were conducted in the district of Majuli, Assam.

Nepal Rehab - Hostel Inauguration

Sewa International organized an inaugural celebration of a hostel built for children orphaned during the killer earthquake of 2015; in Dhading district of Nepal. More than 500 people attended the program, where the local youth showcased their talent. The hostel named "Amako Maya Chatrawas" has been built to accommodate fifty children. Chief Guest, Dr. Sree Sreenath (President, Sewa USA), said that it indeed takes a village to raise a child, and that the name of Dhading Hostel "Amako Maya Chatrawas" should live up to its promise as the "Abode of Mother's Love".



Clean-Tech - Solar Water Purifier Plants in Rural Odisha

Sewa International in continuation of the developmental projects in tribal areas of Odisha installed two 5kWp solar power plants at Taratari Bal Vidya Niketan and Amruta Vanee Sewa Pratishthanam, Balasore, Odisha. These schools provide education in the rural areas of Balasore, with a special focus on underprivileged and tribal children. The 5 kWp Solar Power Plant has the capacity to operate all major loads including fans, CFL Lights and computer, TV as well as pump water for RO purifier, in the hostel and school. The 5 kWp. Solar Power Plant is tentatively generating an average of 20 kWh electricity units per day.



Divyang Care

Sewa International has been committed towards Divyang care and supports many projects across the country. Major ones being, Divya Vidyalaya at Jawhar (Maharashtra), Samvedana Vikas Kendra at Latur (Maharashtra), Karunaii Trust, Chennai (Tamil Nadu), Roman Lobo Blind School, Mangalore(Karnataka). These institutes cater to the underprivileged children suffering from cerebral palsy or are visually/mentally challenged.



SVMM Kerala Wayanad hospital inauguration

Sewa International supported health initiative, Swami Vivekananda Medical Mission (SVMM), Kerala, inaugurated a hospital in Wayanad on 4 Nov 2017. The inauguration was done by Hon. Minister of State for Finance and Shipping, Mr. Radhakrishnan. This hospital will cater to the needs of tribal people living in the Wayanad district. The venture has been initiated, based on the necessity to avoid the traveling to big cities for first-class health and medical care.



Ockhi Cyclone Rescue Efforts

Sewa volunteers joined the government in rescue operations in the aftermath of the Ockhi cyclone. The volunteers formed around 100 teams and spread out to different areas across Tamil Nadu and Kerala. Around 4200 houses in 21 villages were surrounded by flood waters. Immediately, upon the receipt of the distress call, volunteers arrived at the location and rescued thousands of people. The relief material which was provided included- 1,050 plastic mats, candles, food packets, water, biscuits, milk, candle, matchboxes and mosquito mats.



Tripura (Bru)

Provision Of Lap Desk For Tribal Children

Sewa International in a novel attempt sought to re-purpose the ever-visible portable lap desk design as a study-desk for these students. The Idea is to generate local tribal livelihoods for anything we do, so preparing the first few wooden samples locally, which costs around Rs.350 but are very comfortable to students and bring smiles to these young ones. Small Wins do Count!! This is another step towards the fulfilling journey of Sewa.



Skill Training in Ashapara Refugee Camp, North Tripura

Inauguration of Skill Centre with Yuva Vikas Society (Training Partner) to provide certified training under PMKVY to women in tailoring. The center was formally launched in Oct 2017 in the presence of Shri Sanjay Hegde (Trustee) and Shri Nishant Aggarwal (CEO, Sewa International), who gave a briefing on the PMKVY & Skill India schemes and promised all possible help on successful completion of training for employment and entrepreneurship to trainees. The event was very well received and trainees promised to give their best to complete the training for a promising future.



Skill Training in Khakchangpara Refugee Camp, North Tripura

A PMKVY centre at Khakchangpara Camp was formally inaugurated in March 2018, in the presence of Shri M.K.Singla (MHA(IS) Special Secretary), Shri Animesh Debbarma(DC, Kanchanpur) and dignitaries from Assam Rifles. The event also witnessed the Certificate Distribution to successful candidates of the first batch of PMKVY training in Self-Employed Tailor program, completed at Ashapara Camp. Shri Singla appreciated the efforts of Sewa International for the forgotten communities of Bru tribals and expressed his full support for the future endeavours in the region.



Sewa Uttarakhand



Volunteer Visit - Adriana Salazar

Adriana Salazar, a social worker, yoga practitioner and a volunteer from Colombia visited Sewa Uttarakhand projects across India. On her visit to various villages throughout Rudraprayag and Chamoli In Uttarakhand, she interacted with SHGs, visiting our demo centres, knitting centres etc. She played an important role in capacity building of Kishori Samuhs(adolescent girls groups) and Swasthya Sakhis(informal health workers).

Run For Unity

The voluntarism initiative of Sewa Uttarakhand, "Sewa Saahas", team flagged off a run to commemorate the 142nd birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel as Run for Unity, program which began from the Sewa International Office, Narayankoti. The event saw the participation of more than 200 people from different walks of life viz. students of schools and colleges, housewives, sportsperson, and many others.





20 Day Ringal Training Program

21 Aug 2017, Sewa Uttarakhand undertook a 20-days Training of the Trainers (TOT) program titled 'Ringal Training Program' in Subhayi village of Tapovan Mandal. This 20-day program was designed to teach the local women to make beautiful artifacts out of Bamboo. The products made by these women would then be sold on different platforms viz. market fairs, exhibitions, artisan haat, as well as online. A total of 23 women attended this ToT.

Gauchar & Augustyamuni Mela

In November 2017, Sewa International participated in "Gauchar Mela" and "Augustyamuni Mela" in Rudraprayag and Chamoli districts. Sewa team put up the stalls of farm and non-farm products made under its programs- Sewa Mahila Jyoti and Sewa Srujan. These products were prepared and packaged by the women associated with its knitting centers and SHGs initiatives in Uttarakhand. The MLA of the Kedarnath constituency and District Magistrate of Rudraprayag visited SIB's stall and appreciated our project running in the region.



Turmeric Processing In Pokhari

SHG group in Veena village of Pokhari Cluster in Chamoli district, have started processing raw turmeric and ginger to make products like turmeric powder, ginger paste and other value-added products. Sewa International is providing the relevant training to the SHG members so that they can earn by growing native crops in a sustainable way.



HimSampada - Farmer Producer Organisation

Facilitated the formation of 2 federations for optimizing livelihood generation through agriculture under Sewa Krishi. The respective federations, namely "Sewa Jakah Raja Utpadak Sangh" at Narayankoti cluster, with 10 directors and 231 members; another one is "Sewa Maa Nandadevi Utpadak Sangh", with 363 members from 32 SHGs of 13 villages. The collectivization of producers, especially small and marginal farmers who are part of our SHGs, into cluster-based federations, and then into Farmer Producer Organization, called HimSampada is the path Sewa International is treading for ensuring sustainable livelihoods for its beneficiaries.



Fyunli Kauthig

Sewa International celebrated 'Fyunli Kauthig', a celebration of the enduring free spirit of Uttarakhand Women, on the occasion of 'International Women's Day' on March 8, 2018, at Gaucher grounds in Chamoli. The festival is celebrated every year, to pay tribute to the spirit of being a woman, to show acts of courage and determination by ordinary women, to set extraordinary examples for their country & communities. This auspicious celebration was simply a reflection on the progressing journey of the people in Devbhoomi Uttarakhand.

The chief guest of the program was Dr. Rajini Sarin, (International Coordinator of Indian Medical Association). She encouraged the audience, and especially the women to have faith in themselves, consider themselves equal to men and move ahead in all aspects with no fear. Teams of women belonging to various SHGs, Sewa Kaushal programs, PMKK centres; demonstrated their efforts in the fields of agri-livelihood, tourism, knitting, healthcare, digital literacy and skill development, via informative skits, dances and songs. Selected women achievers were honoured for adding value to their communities in their respective areas of work.



Swachh Shikshit Kushal Kashi

Swachhta Abhiyan On Gandhi Jayanti

On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti 2 October 2017, Sewa International organized a rally for Swachh Bharat Abhiyan at Machharahtta ward, Ramnagar. All the people of the basti, especially women and children took part in this rally enthusiastically. Under the guidance of Sewa team in Varanasi, the cleanliness drive was conducted in various education centres as well as nearby areas of Sewa Office. We aim to keep the streets and houses of Ramnagar area clean, and make it open defecation free by 2018.



Lok Gatha Utsav

Sewa International participated in "Lok Gatha Utsav" at IGNCA, New Delhi. It is a festival of the cultural heritage of India and it was organized on the Birth Centenary of Rashtrishi Nana Ji Deshmukh from 28 Nov to 3 Dec 2017. Around 500 traditional folk artists from all over the country were invited to present the rich traditional and cultural heritage of India built around their narrative and traditions. Sewa showcased products from "Kashi" and "Kutch" projects viz. Silk handloom dupattas, sarees and stoles. Sling bags, mobile pouches, and tote bags from Kutch etc.



Dev Diwali Celebrations

Sewa International celebrated "Dev Diwali", on 4 Nov 2017, at Balua ghat in Ramnagar, Varanasi. It was celebrated as a part of larger "Ramnagar Dev Dipawali Mahotsav". We organized this event expressing our solidarity with the weaver community. Dev Diwali is observed after fourteen days of Diwali paying tribute to river Ganga. In the honour of goddess Ganga, locals paint their homes in vivid paintings and light earthen lamps. The cultural event supported underlying themes of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Skill India, Namami Gange and Education for all.



SUPPORTED PROJECTS



Being Volunteer connects volunteers to social work already being carried out by several NGOs, helps them to bring their work in front of corporates and interested volunteers & helps corporates to choose right NGO for their Corporate Social Responsibility work.



AKSHAR BHARATI

Akshar Bharati is a Sewa International initiative to nurture the reading habits in children between age group 5-15 years from underprivileged and remote areas by facilitating access to good non-academic literature. We set up libraries for such children in their localities so that the books are available when they need them the most. We strongly believe that quality reading develops the wisdom to make appropriate choices as one grows which ultimately enhances the quality of life by becoming better citizens. This is our way of contributing to the India's Vision 2020 of being a developed and educated nation.



MAHARAJA AGRASEN TECHNICAL EDUCATION SOCIETY, NEW DELHI

Maharaja Agrasen Technical Education Society (MATES) is a charitable trust comprising of a group of well known Educationists, Industrialists, Businessmen, Professionals and Philanthropists with an aim to promote quality education in the field of Technology, Management, Law, Pharmacy and Health Services to shape the human society for a better future. With its constant growth and consistent efforts, MATES has been able to keep up its commitment in serving the society. MAIT endeavors to provide industry-relevant education and training to its well-crafted practical training programs for the student in different semesters of the course.

Activities Performed

- Classroom Construction at MAIT Rohini, New Delhi
- Hostel Construction at Solan, Himachal Pradesh

Impact



1760 students
benefited

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MASS COMMUNICATION & JOURNALISM, AHMEDABAD

The objective is to impart quality training to students in mass media so that they efficiently utilize media technology to keep pace with an ever-changing communication industry.

Activities Performed

- Technological up-gradation of Studio.
- Up-gradation of Computer Lab.
- Scholarship worth Rs 12,000 each distributed to 5 meritorious students

Impact



45+ students
benefited





Youth for seva

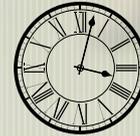
Activities Performed

- School building construction in Sri Saraswati Sishu Mandir, Hyderabad.
- Nizampet Lake Rejuvenation in Telangana
- GHS Picket school reconstruction
- Dhaatri Mothers Milk Bank, inaugurated in Niloufer Hospital, Hyderabad.
- Corporate volunteering
- 57 Abhyasikas (Free study spaces) running in Hyderabad for providing peaceful study environment for slum children.

Impact



Total volunteers
448



Volunteering hours
5497



Beneficiaries
700



Seva Bharathi (Telangana)

Kindling Hope & Happiness Around

The project is scoped for urban and semi-urban underprivileged girls living in slums and low income households between the age of 10 to 18. The key issues that are addressed by this project are:

- High dropout rates from schools
- Child labour and early marriages
- Inequality in wages

Activities Undertaken

- Enabling school education In slum areas .
- Nirvahak (Volunteer) between the age 12-18 yrs (who might be pursuing +2, Graduation or more) are selected from each slum and are trained in different areas like education, health, sanitation, vocational skills, folk songs, folk arts, yoga etc for empowering the girl children.

Impact



900 girls
rehabilitated





Samatol Foundation Mumbai

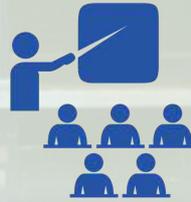


Registered in 2006, Samatol Foundation is a non-profit Social Organization, which works for the upliftment and rehabilitation of runaway kids. It has successfully reunited over 10,000 children with their families in the last 13 years.

Activities Performed

- Establishment of 3 camps for rehab of children stranded on railway stations
- Various activities conducted include yoga, drawing classes, primary education, ground sports, group discussion, meditation, arts and crafts, adventurous sports and more.

Impact



70+ Children rehabilitated
Total children rehabilitated - 10000

Other projects/organizations supported by Sewa International



- Seva Bharathi Andhra Pradesh
- Seva Bharathi Guntur
- Seva Bharathi Mangalore



- Akhil Bharatiya Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram
- Vanvasi Kalyan Karnataka
- Vanvasi Kalyan Parishad



श्रीहरि सत्संग समिति
(वनबंधुओं के उत्थान को समर्पित)



नन्द लाल गीता विद्या मन्दिर



GRAM BHARATI SAMITI
Society for Rural Development



OM SHANTIDHAMA
Vedic Gurukula

Success Stories

Sewa Uttarakhand

Sewa Jakh Devta (Empowering SHGs)

In the Nala village, in Rudraprayag district of Uttarakhand where Sewa International formed SHGs starting in mid 2016, one of the SHGs, Sewa Jakh Devta, after being trained and enabled by Sewa in high-yielding methods/seeds, decided to move away from traditional agricultural farming. They started cultivating cash crops having high value which resulted in the yield of 5.72 Qtls & earned Rs. 17160 from the sale. With this success, they were very happy & started the cultivation of cash crops in more than 10 Nali as community farming. They are now working together for income generation activities & thanked Sewa International for organizing & motivating them for community farming.



Beena Devi, Pokhari

In Chamseel village of Pokhari block, Sewa International formed a SHG named Sewa Bajrangi in September 2017. It is a group of 9 members. Beena Devi, a member of this SHG, produced 2.5 qtl green peas & sold it in nearby market Pokhari. In Feb 2018, Sewa International provided her seeds of beans & ginger on subsidised rate & also provided her training on seed sowing & nursery management. Although she was having limited resources of irrigation even then she was able to produce 310 kgs beans on 1.5 nali area & sell it worth Rs. 9300 which contributed a lot to the livelihood enhancement of her family.



Sewa Kashi

Rishabh Gond, Kashi

I am Rishabh Gond studying in class 6th from Prathmic Vidhyalay Ramnagar, I am 12 years old and live in Malliya khale, Bhatti Ramnagar with my parents. My father is an auto diver, and my mother is a housewife. I have one younger sister and one elder brother. My aim is to become an Army Officer I have been studying in the Sewa International Education center for the last 3 years. Rajan Sir teaches very well, he teaches me all subjects. I am also the student of Sewa computer center. In this year I was selected in Navodaya Vidyalaya Varanasi, for 6th standard. I am very happy and I will always be grateful to Sewa International educational center for their help and support.



Toilet & Hygiene Project

Kolende Teresa, Muthalaga Patti, Tamil Nadu

"We have been staying in this village from 28 years, it was difficult for us and children to go out to defecate after 4pm in the open. Rock-port area contains 250 households and about 1000 Inhabitants, none of them have any type of sanitation facilities. The rock-port area is slippery during monsoon season and the lack of street lights in the evenings pose a huge threat for the women and children who step out to attend nature call. There are households with teenage girls who are subjected to abuse by male youth while being outside with security threats. Thank you Sewa International, for understanding our needs and providing the sanitation facilities to us."



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(Balance Sheet as on 31st March 2018)

Liabilities	Amount	Assets	Amount
Corpus Fund	28,70,001.00	Fixed Assets	10,57,59,246.45
Relief Fund	1,74,80,090.50	Investment	5,14,53,931.00
Medical Fund	15,00,000.00	Current Assets	75,68,691.57
Goa Govt Fund	4,95,07,665.21	Cash in hand	1,29,739.90
Loan From NSDC	1,58,06,585.00	Cash at Bank	1,40,01,352.91
Residential School In Jawahar Fund	5,21,94,146.84		
Income & Expenditure	3,18,98,304.28		
Current Liabilities	76,56,169.00		
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