







**Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Nitin Gadkari** at the prize distribution ceremony of the 2nd **Rashtriya Khelkood Samaroh**, organized by Ekal Abhiyan in Nagpur on 21st January 2024.



**Shri Vishnu Deo Sai, hon'ble Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh**, addressing the audience during the opening ceremony of 2nd **Rashtriya Khelkood Samaroh** organized by Ekal Abhiyan in Nagpur on 20th January 2024.



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Thoughts from the Chairman
- Ekal Abhiyan Trust

Dear Friends and Supporters,

As we reflect on the achievements of 2023-24, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for the progress of Ekal Abhiyan. This year has been marked by significant milestones in our mission to uplift rural India through education, healthcare and sustainable development.

Our Ekal Vidyalaya initiative remains central to our efforts, providing education in remote communities. With over 92,000 schools in operation, we are educating more than 2.6 million students, with nearly equal participation of boys and girls, reflecting our commitment to gender equality. Our Karyakartas have played a vital role, ensuring education reaches every corner of rural India. Additionally, our E-Shiksha initiative is expanding digital education across thousands of villages.

Ekal Abhiyan now operates in 26 states, reaching nearly 1,08,000 villages. This extensive footprint demonstrates our commitment to making a meaningful difference in rural communities nation wide.

In healthcare, our Arogya Yojana has impacted over a million beneficiaries. Through Health Centers, Telemedicine Services, Eye Care initiatives and Medical Camps, we address rural healthcare needs with compassion and efficiency. The integration of traditional and modern practices ensures holistic care for those who need it most.

Our Gramothan Yojana fosters sustainable livelihoods and community development. Through initiatives like Gramothan Resource Centres, Skill Development Centres and Integrated Village Development projects, we have empowered over 1.1 million individuals. We focus on women's empowerment, digital literacy and organic farming to create self-reliant communities.

The Gram Swaraj Manch plays a vital role in ensuring essential services reach rural populations. From tree plantation drives to facilitating government schemes, our initiatives significantly improve the quality of life for millions. The Sainik Samman, Aadhaar Card facilitation and Insurance Schemes are just a few examples of our work.

Our Sanskar Shiksha program continues to grow with 61,469 Sanskar Kendras operating nationwide. These centers, supported by dedicated Karyakartas, provide spiritual and cultural education, helping to preserve and promote India's rich traditions.

The Yuva Vibhag and Mahila Vibhag have also made remarkable progress. The Yuva Vibhag has mobilized youth through skill-building workshops and community service, fostering leadership and teamwork. The Mahila Vibhag has empowered women through programs like Sneha Sampark Parivar and Makar Sankranti Upahar Samman, improving their socioeconomic status and cultural integration.

Looking ahead, our commitment to expanding educational initiatives, enhancing healthcare and promoting sustainable development remains strong. We aim to empower even more individuals and communities, providing the tools and opportunities for a brighter future.

Together, we have achieved great things and will continue to transform the lives of millions. Thank you for your unwavering support and dedication to rural development.

- Pradeep Goyal



Message from Abhiyan Prabhari - Ekal Abhiyan

Dear Ekal Parivar,

As we reflect on the past year, it is evident that our collective efforts have brought us closer to realizing our shared vision for Ekal Abhiyan. However, we acknowledge that there have been challenges, particularly in terms of coordination within the organization. Addressing this lack of coordination is a priority and we are committed to resolving these issues to ensure better synergy and effectiveness in our operations.

Our goal is to transform Ekal Abhiyan into the organization we all dream of. To this end, the Ekal Core Committee (ECC), established by Mananiya Dattatreya Hosabale Ji, Sarkaryavah of Sangh in Mumbai on the 14th and 15th of May, 2024, has been diligently working towards this vision with the guidance of Mananiya Shyam Ji, Pioneer of Ekal Abhiyan. The ECC has conducted three crucial meetings since its formation. These meetings have resulted in significant decisions aimed at streamlining our operations and we will continue to make further decisions to ensure the smooth functioning of our organization.

We are fortunate to have the support of Mananiya Alok Kumar Ji, Sah Sarkaryavah of Sangh and Ekal's Sampark Adhikari. His efforts in addressing current challenges and his ongoing commitment to resolve future issues are invaluable to us.

As per the guidance received from the Sangh, Ekal will concentrate its efforts in border areas, sensitive regions and tribal areas. This decision emphasizes the importance of addressing the needs of vulnerable populations. This strategic focus will enable us to allocate resources effectively and maximize our impact in areas that require urgent attention.

Ekal Abhiyan's primary mission remains focused on providing non-formal primary education and imparting value education to children in rural and underserved areas. This commitment will guide all future initiatives, ensuring that our educational approaches are not only about academic learning but also about character building and instilling values.

A key focus for us is the empowerment of our Prabhags. For this perspective, the whole country is divided into 10 different regions. By strengthening these local units, we aim to enhance our grassroots impact and ensure that our initiatives are more responsive to regional needs.

Furthermore, we are working towards greater accountability among our senior Sewavrati Karyakartas by clearly defining and distributing their responsibilities. This division of work will not only improve efficiency but also ensure that each task is handled with the utmost dedication and expertise.

As we move forward, let us remain united in our mission and steadfast in our commitment to Ekal Abhiyan. Together, we will achieve the extraordinary and make our dreams for Ekal a reality.

- Rajesh Goyal



**Insights from the President** 

- Central Executive Committee

Dear Ekal Parivar,

It is with immense pride and gratitude that I reflect on the journey of Ekal Abhiyan during the year 2023-24. This year has been one of remarkable progress with our initiatives reaching new heights, touching lives across India's rural and tribal communities and empowering them with education, healthcare and sustainable livelihood opportunities.

At the heart of our mission is the Panchmukhi Shiksha model which continues to transform lives by delivering holistic education. Through this five-fold approach encompassing primary education, healthcare, vocational training, civic engagement and cultural preservation, we have empowered communities to become self-reliant. Our focus this year has been to ensure that this model reaches deeper into remote and border areas while also strengthening the quality of education in existing schools.

Ekal Abhiyan is set to implement a significant restructuring of its village schools to prioritize quality and sustainability. Adopting a "one Panchayat, one school" policy, we aim to streamline operations and focus on making

each school a hub for community development. Schools will continue to function as centers of learning.

In line with this, the decision has been made to eliminate the "Bhag" level of operation, streamlining the organization for greater efficiency. This will ensure a more direct and effective approach to managing our village schools. We are also intensifying engagement with village committees ensuring that local communities take greater ownership of the schools fostering deeper collaboration for sustainable education in even the most remote areas.

Ekal Abhiyan's health initiatives under the Arogya Yojana have expanded, now covering nearly 2,000 villages across 15 states. Through a combination of traditional and modern healthcare practices, we are addressing critical health needs in rural areas. The integration of Telemedicine Enhanced Arogya (TEA), mobile health units and eye care projects has improved access to healthcare services in the most remote locations positively impacting over a million beneficiaries this year.

Our Gramothan Yojana continues to focus on creating sustainable livelihoods empowering communities through organic farming, skill development and micro-entrepreneurship. Women's empowerment remains a core focus of our work. Through our Women's Empowerment Centres, we have provided vocational training to thousands of women enabling them to contribute economically to their families and communities.

As we move forward, our resolve to deepen our impact remains stronger than ever. We will continue to focus on strengthening the quality of education in our schools, expanding healthcare initiatives and empowering communities through sustainable livelihood programs. Our efforts to integrate technology and innovation into rural education and healthcare will further enhance the reach and effectiveness of our initiatives. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to every member of the Ekal Parivar our supporters and volunteers who have made this journey possible.

- Suman Dhir

# INTRO

### **Driving Holistic Village Progress**

### FIVE FOLD EDUCATION





Ekal's Five-Fold Education Model represents a transformative approach to rural education and empowerment. By integrating primary education with healthcare, vocational training, citizen engagement and cultural preservation, Ekal Abhiyan has created a model that addresses the multifaceted needs of rural communities.

Ekal Abhiyan has long been at the forefront of efforts to uplift rural and underprivileged communities across India. In centre to its mission is the Five-Fold Education Model, a visionary framework designed to foster holistic development in rural areas. This model goes beyond conventional education, addressing the diverse needs of individuals and communities to cultivate self-reliant, cultured citizens. By integrating both academic and non-academic dimensions, Ekal's approach is comprehensive and deeply rooted in the ethos of rural empowerment.

#### 1. Primary Education (Ekal Vidyalaya)

The cornerstone of Ekal's Five-Fold Education Model is Primary Education, delivered through the Ekal Vidyalaya initiative. This fold is dedicated to ensuring foundational literacy and numeracy which are critical for enabling further educational development. Recognizing the need for accessible and relevant education, Ekal Vidyalayas offer non-formal education to children aged 4 to 14 years. These Schools operate daily for three hours including the one hour for sports, Yoga and cultural education. Ekal Schools typically serve 25 to 30 students by a teacher from the same village, fostering a close-knit and culturally resonant learning environment.



The curriculum is designed to provide functional literacy in subjects such as arithmetic, general knowledge, basic science, ethics, health and hygiene, sports, creativity, Yoga and digital education. By promoting a well-rounded education, the program aims to nurture responsible citizens who are deeply connected to their heritage and equipped to contribute meaningfully to society. Although many children in these communities already attend government or private schools, Ekal Vidyalaya play a complementary role, reinforcing their education with essential life skills and values.

#### 2. Healthcare Education (Arogya Yojana)

Ekal's second fold, Healthcare Education under the Arogya Yojana, underscores the importance of health as a foundation for all other forms of development. This initiative aims to enhance health literacy, promoting practices that ensure sanitation, personal hygiene, nutrition and overall well-being. By focusing on preventive health measures, Arogya Yojana strives to improve the quality of life in rural areas reducing the incidence of preventable diseases and promoting longevity. This fold is particularly focused on women and children, the primary caretakers of health in rural households. Key components include the establishment of nutritional gardens in every

household and medicinal gardens in each village, alongside the training of community health workers known as Arogya Sevikas. These workers are equipped with knowledge of herbal remedies and home-based care furthering the reach and impact of healthcare education. The program's holistic approach to health encompasses traditional practices such as Yoga and nutrition ensuring that communities are not only educated but also empowered to maintain and improve their own health.



# 3. Development Education (Gramothan Yojana)

The third fold, Development Education, is encapsulated in the Gramothan Yojana, which aims to equip rural populations with vocational skills and promote sustainable livelihoods. This fold addresses the economic aspect of rural development by providing training in agriculture, animal husbandry, handicrafts and small-scale entrepreneurship. The goal is to foster self-reliance and reduce the need for migration by creating viable economic opportunities within the villages.

Key initiatives under this fold include the Gramothan Resource Centre (GRC), Integrated Village Development (IVD), Skill Development Centre (SDC), Organic Compost Training (OCT) and Ekal on Wheels (EOW). These programs collectively work towards promoting organic



farming, supporting cow-based agriculture and facilitating the growth of agriculture-based industries. By focusing on local production and consumption, the Gramothan Yojana not only enriches village economies but also ensures that pure, locally produced goods reach urban markets, creating a bridge between rural and urban communities.

# 4. Empowerment Education (Gram Swaraj Manch)

Empowerment Education represented by the Gram Swaraj Manch, is the fourth fold of Ekal's model. This initiative is centered around civic education and the promotion of democratic values. It aims to educate villagers about their constitutional rights, the functioning of government welfare schemes and the importance of active citizenship. By fostering the awareness of their rights and responsibilities, the Gram Swaraj Manch empowers rural population to engage with governance structures effectively and advocate for their communities.

This fold also emphasizes the importance of cultural and national identity, encouraging villagers to take pride in their heritage while engaging with contemporary civic issues. Activities under this fold include organizing voter awareness campaigns, soldier felicitation programs and the celebration of local and national heroes. By training youth in leadership, nationalism and environmental

protection, the Gram Swaraj Manch aims to create a generation of informed and engaged citizens who can lead their communities towards a brighter future.

#### 5. Cultural Education (Sanskar Shiksha)

The final fold Cultural Education is driven by the Sanskar Shiksha initiative which seeks to preserve and promote the rich cultural heritage of rural India. This fold emphasizes the importance of cultural identity, fostering a deep connection to local traditions, festivals, arts and faith. By instilling a sense of pride and belonging, Sanskar Shiksha helps to strengthen community bonds and preserve the cultural diversity that defines rural India.



Activities under this fold include training community workers as Kathakars (storytellers) who narrate traditional tales such as the Ramayan, Mahabharat and Bhagwat Katha, as well as organizing Bhajans (devotional songs), Kirtans and Satsangs (spiritual gatherings). These cultural programs serve as platforms for educating villagers about the values and teachings embedded in their cultural traditions while also promoting social harmony and deaddiction. Additionally, Sanskar Shiksha supports initiatives like the Gau Gram Yojana, which works to protect indigenous cattle breeds and the Shri Hari Mandir Rath which brings mobile temples to remote villages, reinforcing religious and cultural values.

### Journey at a Glance - in numbers as on 31st March

ACTIVITY	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Anchal	327	358	400	344	344	378
Ekal Vidyalaya	86,401	1,02,090	1,02,552	77,983	84,033	92,175
Students	23,40,902	27,82,396	26,32,065	21,06,152	22,28,160	26,39,821
Sanskar Village	62,865	69,406	72,569	67,447	63,454	61,469
Sanskar Rath	39	46	52	56	69	75
GRC	14	16	16	16	14	14
Skill Centre	22	60	74	89	158	182
Ekal on Wheels	19	36	36	40	46	47
Arogya Village	878	1,110	1,170	1,311	1,324	1974
Expenses ₹ (Crore)	141.50	170.82	156.82	131.20	162.74	201.67

### **Our Top Corporate Supporters**











































































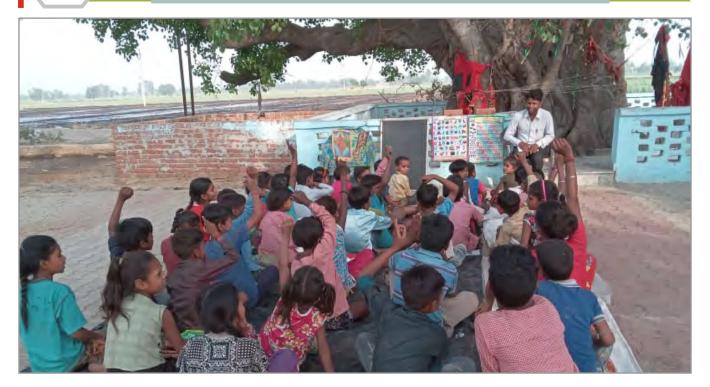








### PRIMARY EDUCATION





Ekal Vidyalaya is much more than a primary education initiative- it is a movement that is transforming rural India. By providing access to quality education, leveraging community participation and integrating modern technology, Ekal is not only promoting literacy but also empowering children and communities. As Ekal Vidyalaya continues to evolve and expand, it remains committed to its vision of a literate, empowered and self-reliant rural India.

Ekal Vidyalaya, an initiative by the Ekal Abhiyan, has emerged as a transformative force in the realm of rural education in India. With its mission to eliminate illiteracy and uplift rural communities, Ekal Vidyalaya has developed a unique and effective primary education model that caters specifically to the needs of children in remote and underserved regions.

### **Key Aspects of Ekal's Primary Education Model**

Community-Led Single-Teacher Model: A Grassroots Approach to Education

At the heart of the Ekal Vidyalaya model is the Single-Teacher School concept. By recruiting

local volunteers, often women with a minimum of intermediate (12th pass) education. Ekal ensures that the teacher is both culturally attuned and deeply committed to the community. This approach not only fosters a nurturing environment for students but also minimizes absenteeism and dropouts. The schools typically enrol 25 to 30 children aged 4 to 14 years, offering flexible, three-hour daily classes including the one hour of cultural, sports & Yoga education. The total three-hour class is divided into 6 periods of 30 minutes each. A local village committee takes ownership of the school, ensuring its sustainability and regularity. Monthly training sessions for teachers ensure that they are wellequipped and motivated.

# Emphasizing Mother Tongue Instructions: Enhancing Learning Through Local Languages

One of the standout features of Ekal Vidyalaya is its emphasis on Local Language Instruction. By conducting classes in the dialects spoken by the community, Ekal ensures that children develop strong foundational language skills, facilitating better understanding and communication. Educational materials are provided free of charge and are tailored to the local context, aligning with the Government's New Education Policy, which advocates for mother tongue instruction in early education.

To further support the teachers and enhance the learning experience, Ekal Vidyalaya provides two key guidebooks, "Acharya Margdarshika" and "Khelen Kuden Nachen Gayen (KKNG)", which are designed to aid teachers in their instructional practices. These



books cover various aspects of teaching and student engagement, offering practical advice and activities to enrich the classroom experience. Significantly, these guidebooks are available in nearly all major regional languages, including Assamese, Bengali, Punjabi, Marathi, Gujarati, Telugu, Kannada, Tamil & Malayalam. This ensures that teachers can effectively utilize these resources in a language that they and their students are most comfortable with, thereby enhancing the overall effectiveness of the education delivered.

By integrating these resources into the local language instruction framework, Ekal Vidyalaya not only preserves linguistic diversity but also equips teachers with the tools they need to provide a high-quality, culturally relevant education.

This inclusion highlights the availability and importance of the guidebooks in the context of local language instruction, reinforcing the model's commitment to culturally and linguistically appropriate education.

#### Holistic Curriculum: Cultivating Well-Rounded Individuals

Ekal Vidyalaya's curriculum goes beyond basic literacy and numeracy to offer a Holistic Education that includes a variety of subjects and skills. From reading and writing to Yoga, local sports and moral education, the curriculum is designed to be relevant to the rural context. Ekal's unique 'Gat System' which groups students by age into Shishu Gat, Baal Gat-1 and Baal Gat-2 ensures that each child receives instruction suited to their developmental stage. This approach not only enhances academic learning but also promotes creativity, scientific thinking and self-reliance.



#### Minimalist Infrastructure, Maximum Impact

In line with its focus on sustainability and accessibility, Ekal Vidyalaya operates on a Low-Cost Infrastructure model. Schools are typically set up in community spaces, temples

or under trees, minimizing costs while ensuring that education is delivered where it is most needed. The local village committee plays a crucial role in deciding the location and timing of the school, further embedding the initiative within the community fabric.

### Empowering Communities Through Participation

A key to Ekal Vidyalaya's success is its emphasis on Community Participation. By involving local volunteers, parents and community leaders, Ekal ensures that the responsibility of education is shared. This collective effort not only enhances the quality of education but also strengthens community bonds. Ekal establishes a main village committee along with sub-committees focused on different aspects of the school's operation, engaging 7-10 prominent people in each village.

### Integrating Technology: Bridging the Digital Divide

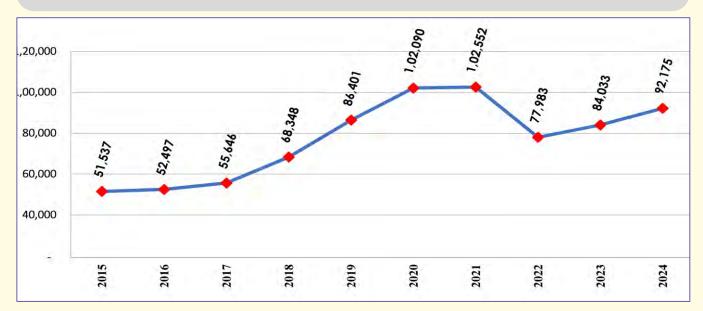
Ekal Vidyalaya is also at the forefront of integrating technology into rural education. The

E-Shiksha (Tablet) Project has equipped over 3,000 schools with tablets loaded with interactive educational content. This digital approach complements traditional learning methods, making education more engaging and accessible. Additionally, Ekal's "Acharya App" is revolutionizing the reporting system, streamlining data collection and improving accountability. Although still in its pilot phase, the app is set to be rolled out across all Ekal schools, further modernizing the initiative.

### **Ensuring Quality Through Monitoring and Evaluation**

To maintain its high educational standards, Ekal Vidyalaya has implemented a comprehensive Monitoring and Evaluation System. This system continuously assesses student progress and the effectiveness of educational programs, identifying areas for improvement. Monthly evaluations and refresher courses for teachers ensure that the quality of education remains consistent and that teachers are continually improving their skills.

#### Year Wise School Growth as on 31st March



### Ekal Vidyalaya reach as on 31st March, 2024

(In as many Villages)

92,175

Students 26,39,821

Girls ⇒ 13,23,725

**Boys** ⇒ 13,16,096

#### Beneficiaries of Ekal Vidyalaya

Direct (in remote rural and tribal villages)

- ♦ 2.6 Mn children enrolled currently
- ♦ 8.8 Mn Ekal pass out students

Indirect (village family size of five)

- ♦ 11 Mn family members of present enrolled students
- 44 Mn family members of passed out students

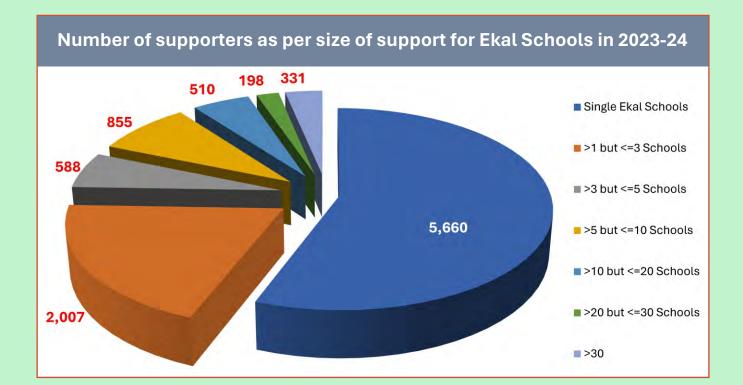
#### **Ekal's Community Reach**

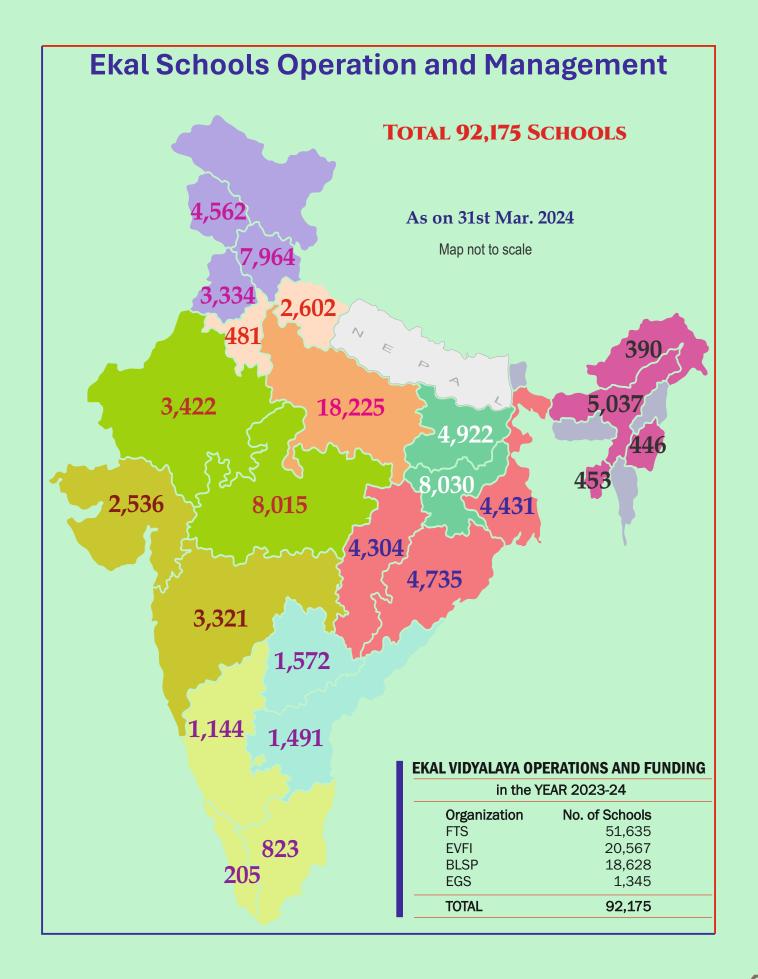
- ♦ 7,418 Whole time field volunteers
- 58,980 Whole time city volunteers
- 10,72,335 Part time Samiti volunteers
- 650 Part time volunteers out of India

#### **Ekal's Geographical Reach**

1,07,985 Villages | 1 26 States

3,433 Blocks I 378 Districts









The Ekal Arogya Yojana is dedicated to enhancing the health and well-being of villagers residing in remote regions of India. Since its inception, the Ekal Arogya Yojana has successfully expanded its reach to almost 2 thousand villages across 15 states. This significant progress underscores our commitment to improve healthcare access and quality in underserved rural communities throughout the country.

Arogya Foundation of India (AFI) started working in 2003 under the aegis of Ekal Abhiyan and continued to serve the people in need in the rural as well as tribal locations of India. Since prevention is sought for than cure, AFI decided to provide free preventive health care services and awareness generation programmes for the inhabitants of remote areas and locations with challenging geographical conditions in India.

#### Mission:

Marching Towards Preventive Health Care for Rural & Vanvasi population of India through Traditional & Modern Medicines.

#### **Objectives:**

- 1. Improving access to preventive health care services for marginalized community.
- 2. Establishing 'Health Care Education' and awareness
- 3. Empowering the community women as leaders and motivating them in community health care engagement activities.

#### Locations:

Arogya has been working nationwide to fulfil its mission. In 2023-24 the number of project implementation were as follows:

<ul><li>Number of States</li></ul>	-	15
<ul><li>Number of Anchal</li></ul>	-	59
<ul><li>Number of Sanch</li></ul>	-	71
<ul><li>Number of Villages</li></ul>	-	1,974

#### **Human Resources:**

AFI runs their projects in several rural locations with the help of Karyakarta at different levels and the Arogya Sevika. Doctors train the Karyakarta as well as the Sevika and guide the implementation. The number of the Karyakarta, Sevika and Doctors/Trainers in 2023-24 is as follows:

•	Doctors and Trainers	-	03
•	Central Management Team	-	80
•	State Coordinators	-	17
•	Project Coordinators	-	16
•	Sanch Coordinators	-	71
•	Number of Arogya Sevika	-	1,076
•	Eye Project Karyakarta	-	09

#### The Projects:

Arogya Foundation of India works with several designs of project implementation such as, Arogya Resource Centre (ARC), Telemedicine Enhanced Arogya (TEA) and Integrated Village Development (IVD), Eye Van & Chashma and Medical Camps. Number of projects as in March 2024 is as follows:

<ul><li>Arogya Resource Centre (ARC)</li></ul>	- 59
•Integrated Village Development (IVD	)-22
•TEA Sanch (included in ARCs & IVD)	-43
•Eye Van (Rajasthan & Jharkhand)	-02
<ul><li>Chashma (Assam &amp; Gujarat)</li></ul>	- 02
•Medical Camps	-53

#### A. Arogya Resource Centre (ARC):

Arogya Resource Centre or ARC is focused on preventive health and hygiene services for overall community development. Possibilities of people becoming ill is reduced and restricted by different activities, such as, reducing water logging through construction of Soak Pits and resisting water borne diseases. People are also educated to improve the quality of their drinking water by using water filter made by themselves with the help of the Arogya Sevika.

Compost Pits are constructed with biodegradable waste to be used in Nutrition Gardens where plants with high nutrition value are grown to provide the required nutrition to the families to improve their nutrition status. Medicinal Gardens are grown with the help of Sevika to prepare Herbal or Home Remedies which help the community to strengthen their



immunity and fight against common ailments. Awareness generation activities are conducted through Pariwar Sampark, Vidyalaya Sampark, Poster Display, Wall Writing, Toilet Use Awareness Campaigns and health awareness rallies. Sevika play the pivotal role in the initiative as health workers from AFI, in the villages. They are empowered economically and socially through the project activities which is a major objective of AFI.

#### **Integrated Village Development (IVD):**

Integrated Village Development or IVD, focuses on an integrated approach to fight against illiteracy, unemployment, sociocultural taboos and unhealthy condition of the villages through upgrading education, skill development activities and health & hygiene status. Arogya Foundation of India implements the health component of the integrated approach of Ekal Abhiyan, through ARC and TEA activities.

ARC and IVD activities at a glance				
ACTIVITY	ARC	<u>IVD</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Soak Pit	6,944	3,255	10,199	
Compost Pit	10,134	3,982	14,116	
Nutrition Garden	26,922	14,790	41,712	
Medicinal Plants	22,379	11,033	33,412	
Patients treated with Home Remedies	83,812	32,628	11,6440	
Patients cured by Home Remedies	41,745	17,555	5,9300	
Number of people covered under Sukanya Yojna	2,678	2,906	5,584	
Number of people covered under Bima Yojna	5,106	2,248	7,354	

Awareness generation activities at a glance					
ACTIVITY	ARC	IVD	<u>Total</u>		
No. of Family Connect	2,81,343	82,272	3,63,615		
No. of beneficiaries contacted through Family Connect	9,11,610	2,78,501	11,90,111		
School Connect in days	29,288	10,388	39,676		
Number of children contacted through School Connect	5,37,982	1,71,998	7,09,980		
Wall Writing	30,504	11,865	42,369		
Toilet Use Awareness	77,410	28,072	1,05,482		
No. of Poster Display	15,948	5,207	21,155		
Participants present during Poster Display	1,57,528	58,431	2,15,959		
Big Health Awareness Rallies	394	222	616		
Participants present in Big Rallies	28,423	13,050	41,473		
Small Health Awareness Rallies	4,696	1,332	6,028		
Participants present in Small Rallies	1,15,828	41,900	1,57,728		

#### B. Telemedicine Enhanced Arogya (TEA):

Telemedicine Enhanced Arogya or TEA focuses on curative services, if and when people become ill, through Telemedicine platform. Sevika checks the vitals such as blood pressure, hemoglobin, blood sugar level, oxygen level, pulse, temperature, weight and height of the villagers with the help of the instruments provided to them by AFI and upload the data on the Telemedicine app. If and when people are ill, Sevika upload their condition, vitals and photographs on the app and seek Doctor Consultation. Doctors check

the data on the app and issue prescriptions which the Sevika shares with the respective patients so that they get the medicines from a store.



#### Telemedicine activities at a glance:

<ul> <li>Total screening</li> </ul>	-	58,756
<ul> <li>Doctor consultations</li> </ul>	-	31,696
<ul> <li>Sevika visits</li> </ul>	-	27,060

#### C. Eye Van and Chashma:

Eye Van supported by Todi Foundation and Chashma project supported by Sarva Mangal Family Trust focuses on providing access to vision screening, diagnosis of the eye related problems, providing eye glasses, free services for refractive errors to the under privileged villagers in the tribal villages. Also, low vision and other eye related diseases of children are diagnosed and medicines and glasses are provided to them free of cost. Villagers are also educated on eye disorders and prevention of eye diseases by awareness programs.

Eye Van Project in 2023-24				
Activities	<u>Jharkhand</u>	<u>Rajasthan</u>		
Patients screened				
by Sevika	16,073	23,479		
Patients screened				
by Eye Van	9,329	12,262		
Distribution of eye				
glasses	469	777		
Dispensing of				
medicines	1,164	1,502		



Chashma Project in 2023-24			
Activities	<u>Assam</u>	<u>Gujarat</u>	
<b>Total Patients</b>			
screened	1,725	1,671	
Adults screened	1,314	1,518	
Children screened	411	153	
Distribution of eye			
glasses	293	611	



#### D. Medical Camps:

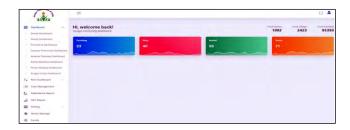
Medical Camps supported by IRCON focuses on general health check-up. Free medicine dispensing, creating general health awareness and introduce a sense of well being and educating volunteers about First aid and handling health emergencies. In the reporting financial year, the camps were conducted in 53 districts of Jammu and Kashmir.

#### Application:

Arogya Foundation of India uses open-source digital platform in the form of mobile apps to record the implementation in the field, in detail. There are two apps working for the purpose. Sevika uses these apps to upload the activity related data and photographs.

#### 1. Ekal Arogya ARC App:

Ekal Arogya ARC App was launched in the reporting period and it started functioning successfully. Sevika login to the ARC App and upload the ARC activity related data and photographs.



#### 2. Ekal Arogya Telemedicine App:

Sevika uses the Telemedicine App to deliver their telemedicine services to the villagers. The platform consists of a mobile app for health workers and a cloud based electronic health record system as a backend (Open MRS) support.



#### E. Volunteer Doctors:

Volunteer doctors provide services through the telemedicine portal. Doctors from the urban areas who are willing to connect via the telemedicine platform provide direct consultation to the patients in the villages. Arogya Foundation of India has a network of such doctors that they have identified. It is ensured that these doctors are trained in Telemedicine and are connected to the Arogya Sevika.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

The rural as well as tribal population, devoid of the privileges, all over India is the target group of Arogya Foundation of India. According to the report on Tribal Health in India, commissioned by the government of India outlines that there is a vast disparity between the health outcomes of India's tribal population and its non-tribal population. It also shows how tribal people are disproportionately bearing the burden of disease. Also, the remote tribal villages in India grossly lack access to the basic health services and information regarding healthy life conditions. Delays in seeking health care further leads the villagers to poor health outcomes and hasty hospitalizations, incurring great expense. The lack of awareness regarding health among the tribal community coupled with low levels of literacy and economic status makes the population at risk of fatal diseases. Maternal ill-health, child health problems and malnutrition are found to be in large numbers. Arogya Foundation of India works to serve the people in need.

Total number of beneficiaries reached out in FY 2023-24 through all the activities was as follows:

Total number of Beneficiaries - 9,87,000

Beneficiaries So Far			
Project Type	<b>Beneficiaries</b>		
Only ARC (19 Sanch)	8,86,536		
Only IVD (8 Sanch)	1,65,331		
ARC+TEA (29 Sanch)	15,16,120		
IVD+TEA (15 Sanch)	7,70,768		
Total Beneficiaries 33,38,755			

#### Way Forward:

- Expansion of implementation to 100 Sanch.
- Indemnity of Directors & Officers and Doctors who are engaged.
- Organizational restructuring.

### DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION





Ekal Gramothan Foundation is dedicated to advancing development in India's most remote rural and tribal regions. Operating across 21 states, EGF manages over 200 Skill Centers with the primary aim to empower young individuals. By equipping these youths with a diverse array of skills, EGF contributes to the creation of a skilled workforce, thereby bolstering the economic growth and development of rural India.

Ekal Gramothan Foundation is a non-profit charitable public trust registered under the Indian Trust Act, of 1882. The trust is also entitled to an exemption from government taxes under 12-A & 80-G of income tax (1961) and is also registered with the NSE (National Stock Exchange). The organization has a proven track record of excellent performance through its result-oriented strategies and selfless efforts. Since its inception in September 2014, it has endeavoured to enrich the quality of Skill Education for underprivileged people, especially in rural & tribal areas of India.

#### **MISSION**

- Farming with Profit
- Self-Sustainable Farming
- Reduction in Migration to Urban Cities Self-Employment for Youth
- Women Empowerment
- Food Security and Nutrition in Villages

#### **VISION**

To empower rural & tribal villages by

- Imparting skills & training
- Promoting micro-entrepreneurship
- Creating economic opportunities

No	No. of EGF Projects (As on March 2024)				
S.N.	Projects	No.			
1.	Gramothan Resource Center	14			
2.	Skill Development Center	9			
3.	Integrated Village Development	26			
4.	Computer Training Lab	13			
5.	Women Empowerment Center	47			
6.	Ekal On Wheels	46			
7.	Other Projects	06			
	<b>Total Projects</b>	218			

#### **Our Projects**

Our project at Ekal Gramothan Foundation focuses on holistic rural development. Through education, healthcare, skill training and sustainable agriculture, we empower communities for self-reliance. Together, we create pathways to prosperity, fostering resilience and inclusive growth in every aspect of rural life.

#### 1. Digital Literacy

Ekal Gramothan Foundation champions digital literacy in rural development, equipping communities with essential skills for online

communication, financial transactions and accessing vital services. By bridging the digital divide, it empowers rural areas to participate in the digital economy, fostering sustainable socio-economic growth and community development.

#### 2. Sustainable Agriculture

At Ekal Gramothan Foundation, we cultivate sustainable agriculture to nurture rural prosperity. Through innovative practices, education and community engagement, we empower farmers to enhance productivity while preserving the environment. Together, we sow the seeds of a resilient future, ensuring food security and economic growth for generations to come.

#### 3. Resource Centre

At Ekal Gramothan Foundation's Resource Centre, we're the catalysts for rural empowerment. Through education, skill development and access to resources, we empower communities to thrive independently. Together, we're building a sustainable future, bridging gaps and nurturing progress in every corner of rural life.

	EGF Projects Beneficiaries (As on March 2024)					
S	S.No.	Projects	No. of Villages	No. of Centers	Beneficiary	
	1.	Computer Training Lab	-	80	17,511	
	2.	Ekal On Wheels	2,369	47	37,310	
	3.	Tailoring Training Center	-	120	25,141	
	4.	Satellite Training Center	-	107	10,627	
	5.	Farmers Training Center	-	30	49,171	
	6.	Farmers Training in Villages	12,384	-	1,42,035	
	7.	Nutritional Garden	17,513	1,72,925	8,59,012	
	8.	Other Skill Projects	-	-	9,914	
		Total Projects	-	212	11,50,721	

#### 4. Women Empowerment Centre

At Ekal Gramothan Foundation's Women Empowerment Centre, we nurture independence through tailored programs like tailoring and diverse skill training. Empowering women not only enhances their livelihood but also fosters community growth. Together, we create opportunities for self-reliance and socioeconomic advancement, one stitch at a time.

#### 5. Organic Compost Training

The process of creating vermicompost is called vermicomposting and the practice of raising worms specifically for this purpose is known as vermiculture. Vermicomposting offers numerous benefits including the conversion of organic waste into a valuable soil amendment rich in essential nutrients, improvement of soil structure and fertility, and reduction of waste sent to landfills.

#### Donor Visit at IVD Myorpur

On January 24, 2024, Mr. Venkatesh Babuji from the donor's family, accompanied by Mr. Bhaskar Sharma (Executive Director) visited the IVD Myorpur Center operated by the Ekal Gramothan Foundation. They were cordially welcomed by the committee member and the children of CTL. During the visit, Mr. Babuji engaged in discussions with the sewing instructor at the Women's Empowerment Center, interacted with students, addressed the distribution of organic beds among farmers and conversed with the farmers present at the center. Furthermore, Mr. Babuji expressed his



commitment to reconvene with the farmers in the future and also took the opportunity to visit the school in the village. Additionally, the committee members, Ekal Abhiyan representatives, IVD Karyakarta and Arogya Karyakartas were also present during his visit.

# **Ekal Gramothan Foundation launches its 2 New Chapters:**

#### 1. EGF SURAT:

The EGF inaugurates its Surat Chapter on July 30th, 2023 with a focus on driving community involvement and advancing sustainable development initiatives graced by the presence of Chief Guest, the Governor of Gujarat.

#### 2. EGF GIRIDIH:

The EGF inaugurates its Giridih Chapter on March 9th, 2024 signalling a commitment to driving local engagement and spearheading sustainable development efforts in the region.

#### **Details of Projects and Activities:**

#### **Gramothan Resource Center (GRC):**

Gramothan Resource Center empower communities to thrive independently through education, skill development, agriculture and access to resources.

■ Total beneficiaries this year – 8,319



#### Ekal On Wheels (EOW):

It is a computer training facility that has been set up inside a mobile vehicle equipped with 9 workstations and 18 seating capacities.

■ Total beneficiaries trained this year - 37,337

#### Organic Compost Training (OCT):

This program is currently being implemented in following locations:

- 1. Purulia (West Bengal)
- 2. Dang (Gujarat)
- 3. Prayagraj (Uttar Pradesh)
- 4. Kumar Dungi (Jharkhand)



#### Integrated Village Development (IVD):

It's a joint venture of Gramothan, Ekal Vidyalaya and Arogya activities. Through this initiative, all three verticals integrate the development of a group of 30 villages (cluster) jointly.

■ Total beneficiaries this year – 35,144

#### Women Empowerment Center (WEC):

Women Empowerment Center is the training of stitching, beautician course and addition of other courses as per the requirement of the Beneficiaries.

■ Total beneficiaries this year - 7,812

#### Computer Training Lab (CTL):

Computer Training Lab provides comprehensive training programs designed to enhance the skills and economic prospects.

■ Total Beneficiaries this year-3,620

#### Skill Development Centre (SDC):

A joint venture of CTL & WEC running together.

■ Total Beneficiaries this year - 2,936

#### **Plantation Drive:**

Supported by Perfection of Man Foundation Inc

No. of Locations - 55
 No. of Farmers - 20,418
 No. of Trees - 1,14,165



#### Kisan Mela:

In order to to empower farmers by providing them with essential knowledge and resources to enhance their agricultural practices. A significant focus is on promoting organic farming, encouraging farmers to adopt sustainable and eco-friendly techniques that improve soil health and crop yields. The event features an exhibition of vegetables grown organically by the farmers themselves, showcasing the quality and diversity of their produce. This display not only highlights the benefits of organic methods but also inspires other farmers to transition away from chemical-dependent farming. It was organised in different project like GRC and IVD on 16 locations.



### EMPOWERMENT EDUCATION





The Gram Swaraj Yojana has been established under the auspices of Ekal Abhiyan with the objective of enhancing community development and empowerment. This initiative is dedicated to fostering awareness and understanding among rural population regarding their constitutional rights and the various government welfare schemes available to them.

#### **Background**

The Gram Swaraj Yojana is poised to make a significant impact on rural governance and community development across India. By extending this initiative to all villages, the program aims to empower local youth, improve the implementation of government schemes and enhance democratic participation. This detailed article explores the framework of the scheme, its key components, and the impressive achievements realized under its purview.

#### **Objective and Structure**

The Gram Swaraj Yojana is designed to strengthen grassroots governance through the active involvement of youth in village affairs.

The initiative appoints a youth leader in each village who will play a crucial role in implementing government schemes, fostering community spirit and promoting democratic engagement. It's a forward-thinking initiative that promises to transform rural governance by integrating youthful energy and leadership into the fabric of village administration. By focusing on training, community engagement and democratic participation, the scheme aims to create a more vibrant, self-reliant and democratically engaged rural populace. Through the dedicated efforts of active involvement of village youth, this initiative is set to drive meaningful change and development across rural India.

#### Achievements during the Year

Sainik Samman Organized - 53,452
Tree Plantation Done - 46,51,975
Aadhaar Cards Made - 5,42,635
Bank Account Opening - 5,06,772
PM Surakha Bima Yojana - 3,49,960

■ PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana - 2,61,266

#### **Impact and Benefits**

#### 1. Enhanced Governance:

Localized Leadership: By appointing a local youth leader, the Gram Swaraj Yojana ensures that governance is responsive to the specific needs of each village, improving the effectiveness of government schemes and services.

#### 2. Empowered Youth:

Active Participation: Involving youth in village administration empowers them, fostering a sense of responsibility and ownership towards community development.



#### 3. Strengthened Community Bonds:

Collaborative Efforts: Sports events, cultural activities and youth clubs foster greater community cohesion and collaboration, leading to a more united and resilient village environment.

#### 4. Increased Democratic Engagement:

Informed Electorate: Voter awareness campaigns ensure that villagers are well-informed about their democratic rights, leading to higher voter turnout and more robust democratic practices.



#### Programs and Functions during the Year:

Under the banner of Gram Swaraj Manch, a series of impactful programs and functions have been organized throughout the year, reflecting a deep commitment to community empowerment, cultural preservation and environmental stewardship. Events such as Gram Gaurav Diwas honour the sacrifices of martyred soldiers, fostering a sense of pride and remembrance among rural communities. The celebration of the birth anniversaries of Swami Vivekananda and local Vanvasi Legends instill values of spirituality, unity and indigenous pride. Additionally, the Nadi Divas emphasizes the sacredness of rivers. World Environment Day is observed to encourage sustainable practices and environmental consciousness. National festivals like Independence Day and Republic Day are celebrated in all Ekal Schools to strengthen the spirit of patriotism and national pride. These activities rooted in tradition and forwardthinking values, seek to build a resilient, aware and culturally rich rural society while fostering a deep connection to heritage, nature and national identity.

#### Conclusion:

The Gram Swaraj Yojana is a transformative initiative that leverages the energy and potential of youth to drive grassroots development and governance. The notable achievements in service delivery underscore the program's success and its potential to drive further positive change across rural communities.

### ETHICS AND VALUE EDUCATION





Ekal Shrihari is a vital aspect of Ekal Abhiyan in all its dimensions. In today's Bharat, value education is crucial alongside regular education. A society without values can harm the country. Ekal Shrihari was established in 1996-97 for value education. We now have over 1,500 selfless Vyas Kathakars spreading awareness through value education in over 60,000 villages, yielding positive results.

#### Introduction and Objective:

Ekal Shrihari is a social organization under Ekal Abhiyan. The main objective of which is to work for the cultural, social, economic and educational upliftment of Vanvasi people living in remote, hilly, tribal and forest areas through value-based culture education and to bring positive change in the society. Ekal Shrihari was established in Kolkata in 1996 and in Mumbai in 1998. The 'Ekal Abhiyan' dedicated to the Vanvasis has been awarded with Gandhi Peace Prize (2017).

#### Our Goal:

Establish Saptahik Sanskar Pathshala in 4 lakhtribalvillages.

- To connect 40 crore Vanvasi with the urban society and make them energetic and mainly to include women and youth in the scheme.
- To establish cultured, self-reliant, healthy and aware of their rights Vanvasi society by organizing more and more cultural and religious programs in Vanvasi villages.

#### **Key Features:**

Sanskar Kendra: These are dedicated to the upliftment and enrichment of Vanvasi communities through culturally immersive activities. These centers brings together villagers of all ages for group Satsang. These gatherings are designed to inspire participants to respect and embrace their cultural heritage, fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation of traditional values.

#### Kathakar Yojana:

The Kathakar Yojana is a program aimed at training Vanvasi individuals through the guidance of esteemed Saints and Kathakar. Following their training, these Kathakar visit villages to organize Katha and Bhajan Sandhya, which educate villagers about their cultural and religious traditions. Additionally, similar Katha are conducted in urban areas to bridge the cultural gap between cities and rural communities, thereby promoting a cohesive cultural dialogue.

#### Rath Yojana:

In order to strengthen and enrich our Indian culture and traditions in remote rural areas, Ekal Shrihari started Shri Hari Mandir Rath Utsav Yojana. By making a big vehicle as a temple in the form of a chariot, an attempt was made to remove the problems like social evils, superstition and drug addiction. Chariots roam from village to village, cultural renaissance work is being done in the villagers through video films based on cultural education and mass Bhajan Kirtan through these chariots, due to which these forest brothers are getting emotional by connecting with their eternal culture.



Ekal Surtal Programme						
Big Programmes		Bhajan Sandhya		Sunderkand Path		
Place	Attendee	Place	Attendee	Place	Attendee	
24	7,751	5	1,140	32	2,599	

CTATICTIC	10	
STATISTIC	,3	
SANSKAR KENDRA STATU	\$	
States (Sambhag)		22
Districts (Anchal)		214
Clusters (Sanch)		2,049
<ul> <li>Total Sanskar Kendra</li> </ul>		61,469
Sankar Kendra in Nepal		629
KARYAKARTA DETAILS		
Vyas Kathakar		1,373
• Sadhak		302
Rath Karyakarta		234
<ul><li>Rath Karyakarta</li><li>Other Karyakarta</li></ul>		234 90

#### **WORK DETAILS**

Sanskar Kendra Attendees - 3,05,04,286
Number of One Day Katha - 22,556
One Day Katha Attendees - 7,56,816

#### SHRIHARI MANDIR RATH DETAILS

• Total Number of Rath 75 Running Days 17,839 Public Meetings 17.249 • Public Meeting Attendees - 12,49,375 Public Contact 23,236 • Public Contact Attendees-6,89,710 Nasha Mukti Sankalp 49,514 Hanuman Parivar 1,12,577 Chalisa Distribution 28,860

#### MOTIVATIONAL ASSEMBLY

3 Days
 5 Days
 7 Days
 9 Days
 Total Assemblies
 Total Attendance
 13,349
 61
 55
 9Days
 13,466
 15,91,142

Ekal Sangeet Programme					
Pa	rivar Sam	Bhajan Sandhya			
Place	Family	People	Place	Attendee	
65	194	1,260	140	31,946	

#### PROGRAMMES AT VARIOUS EKAL SHRIHARI CHAPTERS

#### Shiv Vivah Mahotsav by Ekal Shrihari Mumbai

A very grand programme of Shiv Vivah Mahotsav was organized by the committee 4/5, 6, 7 (Zone 2) on 23, 24 July 2023 in Adhikmas. Maharaj Shri Mahamandaleshwar Swami Chinmayanandji explained Shiv Vivah very nicely. More than 500 people attended the first day and more than 350 people attended on second day.



### Independence Day Celebration by Ekal Shrihari Surat

15th August, 2023 was celebrated by Ekal Shrihari Mahila Samiti Surat with the children of Shabari Basti by hoisting the flag of Independence Day at Jagannath Pathdan Kendra and Hanuman Chalisa was recited in Shri Shyam Mandir with almost 30 children of Shabari Basti on the same day.



#### Amazing Staging of Ram Janmabhoomi Movement by Ekal Shrihari Delhi

On Sunday, March 17, 2024, the annual function of Vanvasi Ke Ram was organized by Ekal Shrihari Delhi Chapter with great enthusiasm at the famous Bharat Mandapam Auditorium, New Delhi. Officials from all aspects of Ekal Abhiyan were present in this program and graced the program. The program was successfully conducted by world famous artist Pandit Harivansh Ji. Senior Supreme Court advocate Ashwini Upadhyay was present as the keynote speaker.



### Shrimad Bhagwat Katha Organized by Ekal Shrihari Agra

Shrihari Satsang Main Committee and Mahila Committee Agra organized Shrimad Bhagwat Katha Gyan Yagya by Pujya Maharaj Shri Mridul Kant Shastri Ji from 25th Feb. to 2nd Mar. 2024 at Sportbuzz, Agra. On 25th Feb. 2024, Mahila Samiti took out a Kalash Yatra from Nehru Nagar Temple to Katha Sthal in which Pujya Maharaj Shri and Chief Yajman Shri Padam Chand Agarwal and Mrs. Rekha Agarwal walked along with Bhagwat Purana. About 80 women participated in the Kalash Yatra.



### Krishna Janmashtami Festival Celebration by Ekal Shrihari Nagpur

Krishna Janmashtami festival by Ekal Shri Hari Sanskar Shiksha Samiti was concluded with much pomp and show at Shri Agrasen Bhawan Gandhibagh. President of the organization, Mrs. Shakuntala Aggarwal gave detailed information about all the work done under Ekal Sanskar education. Under the leadership of the chairperson, it seemed as if the courtyard of the building was transformed into congratulatory celebration. All the friends became emotional while singing melodious hymns.



#### **GAU GRAM KUMBH: NURTURING FARMERS AND GAU MATA**

The Gau Gram Kumbh 2023, organized by the Ekal Shrihari Satsang Samiti, emerged as a highly successful event, held from December 23 to 25, 2023 at the New Town Hall in Dhanbad. This three-day gathering was dedicated to enhancing the self-sufficiency of farmers by focusing on the care, security and maintenance of Gau Mata. The event began on a heartwarming note with a special welcome from the children of Shabri Basti, which set a delightful tone for the proceedings. The programme on all the days started with Bharat Maa Aarti and ended with Shabri Maa Aarti and different speakers spoke on the various aspects of Gau Gram Yojna of Ekal.



The key highlight of the event was the release of the book "Gau Gram Sandesh," marking a significant milestone in the event. On the first day, participants enjoyed a Vanyatra which involved visiting around 40 Ekal Vidyalaya villages followed by an enchanting Gau Nritya (cow dance) performed by rural children in the evening. This combination of exploration and cultural performance provided a vibrant start to the event.



A significant event discussed is the public conference held on the second day of the Ekal Gau Gram Kumbh in Golf Ground of Dhanbad city, where prominent RSS Pracharak Shri Shankar Lal Ji delivered a speech. He advocated for cow protection and rural development, emphasizing the importance of the cow in sustaining rural livelihoods. The conference

attracted more than 10,000 villagers from regions including Dhanbad, Giridih, Jamtara and Tundi as well as numerous surrounding villages.



After the above public conference, all the attendees of the Gau Gram Kumbh meeing returned back to the town hall which was packed with educational activities featuring four informative sessions. These sessions included presentations from various organizations affiliated with the Ekal Abhiyan alongside patriotic performances and personal narratives that enriched the attendees' understanding of the initiative's broader impact.

The final day of the event was dedicated to honoring and recognizing the contributions of senior workers and young activists who played crucial roles in the event's success. Shri Shreenarayan Agrawal, the National President of the Gau Gram initiative, spoke about the economic and religious significance of the program underscoring its importance. Mananiya Shyam Ji Gupta, Mentor and Guide of Ekal Abhiyan, expressed gratitude to the city's mothers and urged them to devote 5 to 10 days to the cause, emphasizing the creation of an enthusiastic environment for Ekal Abhiyan.



The event concluded with National Abhiyan Prabhari Shri Rajesh Goyal extending his gratitude to all attendees, wrapping up the successful Gau Gram Kumbh 2023 with appreciation for the collective effort and support.

### GRAM SANGATHAN





Ekal Gram Sangathan is diligently working to enhance the organizational structure of the Sangathan to ensure it becomes vibrant, active and self-sufficient. Our goal is to effectively deliver the Panchmukhi Shiksha at the grassroots level which will facilitate comprehensive village development and the establishment of model villages.

#### Introduction

Ekal Gram Sangathan is having a Pivotal role in the implementation of Abhiyan's various activities on the ground level. It is now a movement involved in the integrated and holistic development of rural and tribal villages of India. The emphasis is on delivering the Panchmukhi Shiksha and to make these villages self-reliant, so that the concept of integrated village development of Adarsh Village becomes a reality.

### The activities of EGS Carried out this year are as follows:

#### Annual Prabhag Meetings:

It was decided unanimously by EGS to decentralize the 5th National Executive

Committee (NEC) meetings and to hold Annual Meetings at Prabhag level for 2 days and to be attended by the office bearers of Central Core Committee, Prabhag Samiti, Sambhag and Bhag Samiti, Sewavrati Karyakarta Pramukh and Prabhari of different fields of Panchmukhi Shiksha. In this series, the 1st meeting was held successfully by Prabhag P6 (Northwest) on 25th & 26th June in Panchkula. Similar



meetings were also held in the rest of the Prabhag to discuss all the issues related to nation building, challenges of their redressal were taken up to conceptualize the dream of Adarsh Village based on the Panchmukhi Shiksha of Ekal. To strengthen the gram Sangathan and to make Ekal Abhiyan People's movement, lot of brainstorming was done comprehensively in each session which has given the desired results on the ground level.

#### Online Photography Competition:

The Mahila Samiti of Ekal Gram Sangathan Prayagraj organized a PAN India Patriotic Photography Competition on virtual platform from 15th September to 25th September 2023. About 15 thousand registered participants took part in this event. The maximum participants were from Prabhag P3 (North Jharkhand, South Jharkhand, North Bihar, South Bihar Sambhag). The grand finale of national Patriotic Photography was conducted online on 8th October, 2023. The chief guest of this event was Rtd. Air Marshal Dr. R. C. Bajpai. The main speaker was Ekal Abhiyan's Praneta & founder Ma. Shyam Ji Gupt.



#### **Ekal Ko Jano:**

Under the aegis of EKAL KO JANO", Ekal Gram Sangathan has been conducting talks on various aspects of Ekal & also the spiritual discourses on the virtual platform since the time of COVID. The objective of such programs is to make people aware of the concept of Ekal so that more people join this movement. This year three Programs were conducted online. All the programs started with brief description of Ekal and its activities followed by the main discourse of eminent personalities.

#### Mahila Vibhag:

Mahila Vibhag is the most important part of Ekal Gram Sangathan. In the early stages the role of EGS Mahila Vibhag was mainly supportive but today it is fully Participative. Today, Ekal has a strong presence in more than one lakh villages across the nation.

A Central Prashikshan Baithak was held in Prayagraj on 19th & 20th March 2024 to discuss the various aspects & the role of Matrishakti in Ekal Abhiyan. Mahila Samiti at all levels is very active and has assumed lot of importance in imparting the Abhiyans's five fold education to Gramin Samaj to strengthen them and to make them self-reliant.

#### Yoga Day:

This year Ekal Abhiyan celebrated the International Yog Divas on 21st June, 2023. Yog Divas was celebrated in more than one lakh villages with the active participation of children, Acharya, Karykarta and Samiti members. On this day, Ekal Abhiyan also organised Yog Sadhak Sangam at K. D. Singh Babu Stadium, Lucknow in which 7,500 Yog Sadhak from Lucknow city were invited.



#### KHELKOOD PRATIYOGITA: A NEW MILESTONE IN EKAL'S SPORTS CALENDAR

Khelkud Pratiyogita has become a special feature of Ekal Calendar in a very short span of time. This year the 2nd National Khelkud Pratiyogita was held at Rashtrasanta Tukdoji Maharaj University Sports Complex in Nagpur from 20th to 22nd January 2024. About 1,200 Players from 31 States participated in this national event.

On the 20th, the event was inaugurated by Shri Vishnu Deo Sai, the Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh. He praised the Ekal Abhiyan for its emphasis on sports in addition to primary education, recognizing its role in the overall development of children in tribal and rural areas. Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai also remarked that the Ekal has made a significant contribution to the tribal regions of the country. He expressed deep



gratitude for Ekal Abhiyan, noting that the organization is dedicated to the community he belongs to. He highlighted the substantial benefits that have arisen from Ekal, including the establishment of schools, which have contributed to educational development and economic prosperity, thereby aiding in the country's progress.

On the second day of the event, Nitin Gadkari, the Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, was the chief guest at the prize distribution ceremony. He shared memories from his student days and highlighted the role of sports in personal



development. Gadkari praised the athletes from all states, congratulated the winners, and emphasized that sports competition is not just for entertainment but for the overall development of children's physical and mental health. He acknowledged the efforts involved in organizing the event and noted the improvements made to the university ground, including an international-standard track. Gadkari expressed pride in the participants' achievements.

Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra Shri Devendra Fadnavis observed that the Ekal Abhiyan has brought about a revolution in education for people living in remote and tribal areas across the nation. He highlighted the significant impact of the initiative, which not only provides education but also imparts values and health education. During the closing ceremony of the national sports competition, winner participants from various events were awarded medals, trophies and shields. Fadnavis praised the Ekal Abhiyan for creating opportunities for



education, values and sports in every village, leading to the participation and success of children who might otherwise not have reached such events. He also acknowledged the professional manner in which the sports activities were conducted and celebrated the accomplishments of the athletes.

Throughout the duration of the national sports competition, several senior leaders from the Ekal Abhiyan attended the event. Shri Madhawendra Singh who holds the position of National Sangathan Prabhari and Shri Lalan Kumar Sharma, Kendriya Abhiyan Pramukh were prominently present. Their participation underscored the importance of the event and the commitment of the Ekal Abhiyan's leadership to enhancing the competition.

### **EKAL FUTURE**





Ekal Future aims to empower children from urban slums through education, believing every child deserves a chance to shine. Their efforts include bridging the gaps between urban families and Shabari Basti dwellers, organizing blood donation drives and forming student councils to nurture leadership and community spirit.

#### Introduction

Ekal Future is the youth wing of Gram Sangathan and it is a dynamic initiative dedicated to transforming the lives of children living in urban slums. With a core belief that every child, regardless of their background, deserves the opportunity to excel, Ekal Future works to uplift and educate those from disadvantaged communities. Through its multifaceted approach, the organization strives to bring hope and positive change to undeserved areas.

#### **Objectives:**

Ekal Future's primary objective is to empower children from slum communities by providing quality education and promoting personal development. The organization focuses on building bridges of understanding and compassion between urban residents and slum dwellers, raising awareness about

cleanliness and celebrating festivals to combat untouchability. Additionally, Ekal Future organizes blood donation drives and establishes student councils to nurture leadership and community spirit, aiming to create a supportive environment where every child can thrive.

#### **Expansive Network of Chapters:**

Ekal Future operates through a robust network of chapters across various locations, each dedicated to making a significant impact on their local communities. Its presence spans a diverse range of areas including Lucknow, Dhanbad, Ranchi, Bokaro, Varanasi, Prayagraj, Kanpur, Delhi, Jaipur etc. Each chapter is committed to advancing Ekal Future's mission of empowering children and enhancing community well-being through education, awareness and various support initiatives.

# Comprehensive Community Development and Support Programs of Ekal Future

#### Shabri Basti Yojana:

The primary goal of this initiative is to expand Ekal's work to over one lakh Shabri Bastis, which are urban slum areas. This project aims to improve the living conditions, provide educational opportunities and support the overall development of communities in these marginalized urban areas. The focus is on enhancing the quality of life and empowering residents through various programs and interventions.



#### Gau Seva Yojana:

The Gau Seva Yojana is dedicated to rescuing and treating injured cows with a special focus on the Dhanbad region. This initiative operates a cow ambulance equipped to transport and provide immediate medical care to injured cows. By offering prompt treatment and care, the program aims to ensure the well-being and recovery of cows, enhancing their overall welfare and addressing their urgent medical needs.



#### Rakt Veer Yojana:

The Rakt Veer Yojana is an initiative dedicated to encouraging and facilitating blood donation. This program aims to increase blood supply through organized donation drives, educational campaigns and community engagement. By promoting the importance of voluntary blood donation, Rakt Veer Yojana seeks to ensure a steady and reliable supply of blood for medical needs, ultimately saving lives and supporting health care efforts.



#### **Ekal Student Council:**

This initiative seeks to connect students from Shabari Basti with central universities across India, including in Lucknow, Delhi and Varanasi. By establishing a presence in these institutions, the council aims to offer academic support, mentorship and career opportunities, helping bridge the gap between education and employment for the community's youth.



#### **Training Programmes:**

Ekal Future's aim is to boost employment for young adults in Shabari Basti by partnering with programs like Gau Gram Yojna, Ekal Khelkood and Gramothan. These collaborations focus on rural development, sports and holistic village upliftment, providing skills and vocational training to enhance job prospects.





Ekal Sansthan operates as the research, policy and advisory arm of Ekal Abhiyan, dedicated to advancing the empowerment of Tribal and Rural India. Its primary functions encompass the development of innovative strategies to support the objectives of Ekal Abhiyan, enhancement of content and methodologies and execution of pilot programs and proof-of-concept initiatives.

#### Introduction

Ekal Sansthan's mission is to bring forward ideas which can change the landscape of rural and tribal development in India. It serves as a Research, Policy & Advocacy organization for the Ekal Abhiyan. Situated in New Delhi, it has supported the Abhiyan with academic research, organizing Ekal Study Circle Meets along with other events, releasing various print materials in the form of Ekal Prayas magazine. Other initiatives and activities of the Sansthan include Ekal Learning Yatra, Ekal Dream India Tours, Ekal Study Circle meets, 'Nayee Udaan' and Ekal-CII association for nationwide cleanliness campaign in Ekal villages, Ekal e-Shiksha amongst others.

#### **Ekal Study Circle Meet**

Ekal Sansthan has been at the forefront of fostering social entrepreneurship and rural development through its Ekal Study Circle initiative, which serves as an open platform for the exchange of ideas, debates and sharing of best practices. The initiative has successfully conducted 23 meets, covering a wide range of topics including rural development, digital intervention, primary education and sustainable livelihoods.

Ekal Sansthan's efforts through these study circles are paving the way for innovative and sustainable approaches to rural development, combining corporate expertise with a strong social mission to achieve inclusive growth and empowerment.

#### E-Shiksha

The innovative digital learning through tablets in Ekal Vidyalaya progressed successfully during the year as judged by the positive and encouraging feedback of Ekal Acharya. Ekal Acharya have found the audio-visual content on tablets a major value addition in augmenting their teaching methodology. Ekal children have got attracted to tablets and have become more inquisitive to learn and confidently operate tablets. Ekal villagers feel proud that their children learn through latest technology and are at par with city children.

Each Ekal Vidyalaya has three groups of children which are divided on the basis of their level of literacy, mathematics and language, instead of age. This division is followed to bring about all children up to a basic level of literacy, if they are not there yet. The dissemination of this knowledge is done through teaching of all subjects for 3 hours.

- The Vidyalaya is meant for children from 4 to 14 years age group; it aims to accelerate the process of learning among children who lack access to quality education in early days of their life.
- Ekal pedagogy is based on the principle of activity-based learning where children are motivated to involve themselves in different activities and learn by themselves.



- Story telling is one of the tools used to promote the understanding of culture, nature, history, value systems and ethics.
- Ekal Vidyalaya is given two tablets which are given to three groups by rotation as per the time schedule.
- E-content is curated from different sources in alignment with Ekal curriculum and pedagogy.
- Teachers are trained effectively on using the tablet.

The tablet project initiated in December 2017, has progressed through five phases, significantly expanding its reach. The most recent Phase 5, initiated in May 2022, achieved the broadest reach with 14 states, 64 districts and 1,920 villages. Across all five phases, the project has covered a total of 155 Sanch and 3,450 villages.

#### Digital and Print Media

Ekal Sansthan aims to gain impetus through media-related activities. This includes an increased focus on existing channels and also exploring newer avenues of extracting data/testimonials/studies from the field directly. Ekal Sansthan has remarkably improved Ekal visibility on social media with 1.3 lakh plus likes on its Facebook Page and impressive engagement on X (Twitter). High quality of content is posted once per day on Ekal's Facebook page. It caters to engaging audiences on the platform and also utilises SEO tools to be at the forefront of the rural development landscape on social media. Additionally, Ekal Sansthan publishes Ekal periodicals including a bi-monthly, bi-lingual magazine- Ekal Prayas and a Hindi monthly Ekal Varta from New Delhi and Ranchi city respectively.

# **EKAL EVENTS IN USA AND OTHER COUNTRIES**

#### Adelaide's biggest Deepawali Mela

As has been the tradition, the event was a tremendous success with more than 13,000 visitors joining in the day-long celebrations. The Mela included several performances representing the vibrant and diverse culture of India There were several other highlights of the event including food stalls, corporate stalls and kiosks showcasing Indian handicraft and jewellery. Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation of Australia, South Australia Chapter were one of the charity partners for the event and organised an attractive raffle draw with over 15 prizes. The Ekal volunteers did a wonderful job of selling raffle tickets over ₹ 1.36 lakh.



# **Ekal SARGAM: A Melodious Night for a Noble Cause**

Ekal SARGAM, a musical extravaganza featuring renowned Bollywood musician Sri Avijit Sarkar and his band, captivated a 450-strong audience in Sydney. The three-hour show revisited classics by legendary artists like Mohd. Rafi, Hemant Kumar, Mukesh, Manna Dey and Lata Mangeshkar. Sri Devendra Gupta and Sri Sudesh Gupta of Ekal Global Foundation and Ekal Australia shared insights into Ekal's impactful journey. While the event raised funds for 40 Ekal schools, the support received ensures the sponsorship of an additional 60 schools. This collective effort will contribute to the education of 100+ schools through Ekal Sargam.



#### **Ekal Volunteers Conquer Peaks**

Ekal volunteer Mukesh Bhatt, along with the dedicated volunteers from Ekal North Chicago Chapter, embarked on a challenging trek to reach the Everest Base Camp. Additionally, Board member Madhu Bansal achieved a remarkable feat by conquering the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro. During her ascent, Madhu proudly displayed the Ekal sign, symbolizing her commitment to the Ekal cause even at the highest peaks. These extraordinary achievements showcase the spirit, determination and global reach of the Ekal community in pursuing both personal and collective heights.



Ekal National Conference 2023 in Atlanta

The annual Ekal USA National conference was held in Atlanta, GA on Sept 21-24, 2023. Over 120 volunteers from all over the USA and Canada attended the event. The highlight of the conference was a virtual visit of the Integrated Village Development (IVD) program in Prayagraj. Attendees were able to see live and interact with school children, teachers, Arogya Sevika, women learning tailoring, computer skills and farmers using organic farming techniques. The attendees got a good sense of the wonderful work that is happening on the ground. Naresh Jain, Ashok Arora and Lalan Sharma from Ekal India attended the event in person and shared the progress from the ground.



# **VANYATRA REPORTS**

# Vanyatra experience by Shrikant Bhave from New Zealand

On February 21, 2024, Shri Shrikant Bhave from Auckland, New Zealand, visited an Ekal school in Village Pathari, district Yavatmal, Maharashtra, about 160 km from Nagpur. The visit began with a traditional welcome involving foot washing, Kumkum and Akshata by local women. Students then escorted Shri Bhave to a pandal in front of the school's temple. The school's teacher demonstrated innovative teaching methods in subjects such as language, mathematics and social science. The visit concluded with a O&A session with students and local women involved in a Bhajan Mandali. Shri Bhave found the experience both memorable and inspiring and he plans to share these insights with sponsors in New Zealand to boost support for Ekal schools.



#### Vanyatra by BLSP, Bahraich Chapter

Bharat Lok Shiksha Parishad, Bahraich Chapter organized a Vanyatra in Bichhiya Range, on 3 December 2023. In which a total of 40 Members participated. During this, Ekal Vidyalayas run in Kailash Nagar, Gulra and Bankati villages were seen. The people of the Gram Samiti warmly welcomed all the Vanyatri and also told in details about the changes taking place in the villages due to Ekal. The children of Ekal Vidyalaya recited



Saraswati Vandana, counting, multiplication table, Chaupai and poetry. All the Vanyatri said in one voice that this Vanyatra was unforgettable for them.

#### Vanyatra by Friends of Tribals Society, Surat

On August 20, 2023, a Vanyatra organized by Vanbandhu Parishad Surat to the Ekal school in Ambiya village, Tapi region. Over 50 participants, including Smt. Panna Agarwal and Smt. Ashita Nanglia, took part in the visit. During the visit, the school children performed a variety of activities, including recitations of Saraswati Vandana, Gayatri Mantra, Hanuman Chalisa and Vijay Mahamantra. These performances showcased the students' engagement with the Ekal learning methodology. The event concluded with gift presentations to the students and expressions of deep satisfaction from the visitors, who committed to further supporting the Ekal mission.



#### Vanyatra Organized by Shri Hari Mahila Samiti

In August 2023, the Ekal Shrihari Mahila Samiti of Surat organized a one-day Vanyatra, taking participants to the Ekal school village of Rambhas located in the Dang forest area. Participants also visited the Sanskar Kendra and the Rath, enhancing their experience. During the event, Vyas Kathakar Shri Sushil Bhai delivered an engaging Katha, complemented by a delightful presentation of Bhajan-Kirtan by Satsang team. The Vanyatra was attended by over 50 participants. All participants expressed their pleasure in attending this enriching experience.



## SUCCESS STORIES OF EKAL

#### From Ekal Vidyalaya to World Cup-Astam Oraon's Inspiring Journey

Astam Oraon, a former student of an Ekal Vidyalaya in Gauratoli village under Gumla district (Jharkhand) has become the captain of the Indian team for the FIFA Under-17 Women's World Cup. Born in 2005 in a family of daily labourers, Astam developed her passion for football while attending an Ekal school, which provided free education and sports training. Despite financial hardships, she excelled in both academics and sports. Her dedication led to her selection for the national team in 2019 and eventually as captain for the 2022 World Cup.



#### Ekal Vidyalaya Alumna Joins Bihar Police

In North Bihar Sambhag, specifically in Anchal Sitamarhi, Sanch Sonbarsa and the picturesque village of Kanholi, we have inspiring success stories that highlight the transformative power of Ekal Vidyalaya. Kanchan Kumari, a bright student who attended the Ekal Vidyalaya from 2007 to 2009, has now achieved a remarkable milestone by becoming a proud member of the Bihar Police in Munger. Her dedication and hard work enabled her to successfully clear both the written and physical tests in 2021, a testament to her determination and the foundation laid by Ekal Vidyalaya.



#### Arogya Sevika's Efforts to Improve Village Health

Kera Bai Chandel from the village of Lutgaon, Anchal Dindori (M.P.) visited a family during a community outreach program this month. The family had the habit of dumping waste around their home, leading to inhygenic conditions and frequent illnesses due to mosquitoes. Kera Bai explained to them that the unclean environment was the cause of their health issues. She advised them to maintain cleanliness and suggested digging a garbage pit to dispose of their waste properly. The family followed her advice and now they are no longer falling sick. Seeing the improvement, other families in the village have also started making garbage pits near their homes.



## Gramothan's CTL Student Innovating Against the Odds

Priya Vishnoi, from Manpur village in Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh, transformed her life through computer education provided by the Ekal Gramothan Foundation. Inspired by a classmate's injury, she invented a foot-operated mouse, enabling easier computer access. After mastering software like PowerPoint and Excel, Priya showcased her invention at competitions, earning accolades and certificates. With support from Ekal, she improved her design to create a Bluetooth version. Her journey exemplifies how education and innovation can empower individuals and bring positive change to their communities.



#### Shri Hari Kathakar's Persistence in the Face of Adversity

While traveling to villages for Katha and Satsang, Kathakar Baishakhi Maravi encountered both supportive and resistant individuals. Initially, when she approached the local Kotwal for permission to hold a Katha, he refused, which was disappointing. However, she did not give up. The next day, she visited each household and held a meeting but only a few attended and she faced another setback. On her third attempt, during a village-wide meeting, Baishakhi presented her case again. This time, the villagers agreed to support the event. Her experience demonstrated the power of persistence continuing to try until success is achieved.



## **KEY CAMPAIGNS**



#### Grand Launch of Ekal Abhiyan's YouTube Channel "Ekal Bharat"

On August 15, 2023, Ekal Abhiyan launched its YouTube channel "Ekal Bharat" at the Royal Plaza Hotel in Delhi, coinciding with India's 77th Independence Day. Over its 34-year history, Ekal Abhiyan has fostered connections between urban and rural communities, showcasing inspiring stories that promote societal empowerment for national development. Key speakers included Shri Pravesh Sahib Singh Verma, MP from West Delhi, who highlighted Ekal's role in providing

employment and instilling self-respect among rural families. Shri Ashwani Upadhyay, Senior Advocate at the Supreme Court, praised the establishment of one lakh Ekal Vidyalaya as a significant national service. Union Minister Shri Faggan Singh Kulaste commended Ekal's initiatives in education, health and economic self-reliance for rural tribal families, noting that the YouTube channel will enhance outreach and inspire more people.

#### Solo Shrimad Bhagwat Katha by BLSP North Delhi Chapter

The North Delhi Chapter of BLSP organized a solo Shrimad Bhagwat Katha from September 29 to October 5, 2023 in Pitampura, Delhi under the guidance of Param Pujya Swami Shri Mridul Krishna Goswami. The seven-day event began with a Ganesh Puja and featured celebrations such as Kalash Yatra, Shri Krishna Janma Utsav, Chhappan Bhog Utsav and Rukmani Vivahotsav. Goswami Ji emphasized the importance of education, urging devotees to support



the Ekal Abhiyan which operates one lakh schools across the country, promoting education with values for Vanvasi boys and girls. A tableau showcasing the Ekal Vidyalaya operating system was a key highlight, directly engaging donors. Many supporters pledged assistance for the Ekal Vidyalaya during the program.



#### 5th Edition of the Ekal Run organized by FTS Yuva Kolkata Chapter

The 5th edition of the Ekal Run, organized by FTS Yuva's Kolkata Chapter, took place on January 7, 2024 at Godrej Waterside in Kolkata, attracting over 5,000 participants. The event featured various categories, including timed runs of 21km, 10km and 5km alongside a non-timed fun run of 3km catering to all age groups. Wrestling champion Geeta Phogat inaugurated the event, joined by notable guests such as DIG BSF Sri Surjeet Singh Guleria and Sri Suneel Mehta,

CFO of Coal India Ltd. The distinguished guests flagged off the run, commending the event's organization and its mission to engage Kolkata's youth and raise funds for Ekal Vidyalaya.

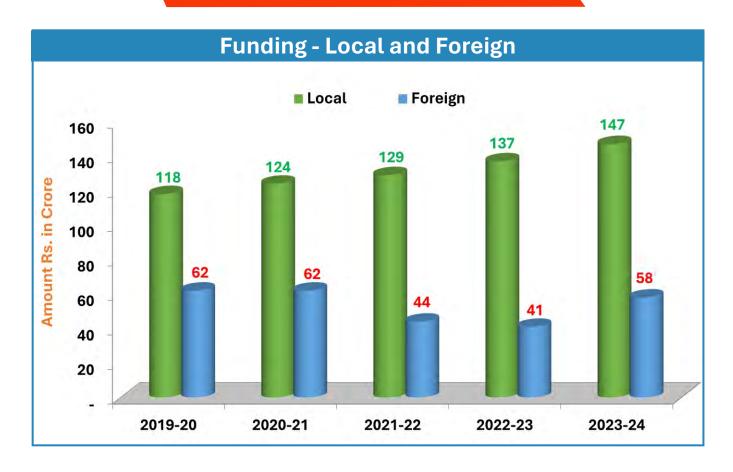
#### "Apne Apne Ram" by FTS Bengaluru & Mahila Chapter

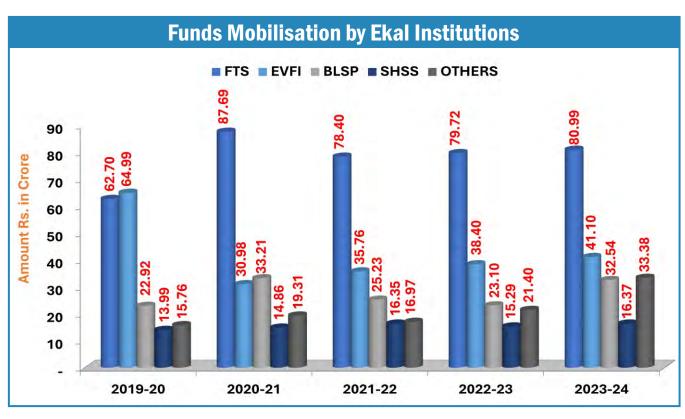
Friends of Tribals Society Bengaluru and the Mahila Chapter of Bengaluru organized a special event titled "Apne Apne Ram" on January 13 and 14, 2024 at the Palace Grounds in Bangalore. On the first day, the renowned storyteller Dr. Kumar Vishwas narrated significant episodes from the life of Lord Ram, the epitome of virtue and honour. With his compelling voice and engaging style, he highlighted the unique aspects of Ram's character. Dr. Vishwas



emphasized that unlike previous incarnations, Lord Ram embodied the complete essence of humanity, presenting a model of moral integrity and righteousness. This event aimed to celebrate the values associated with Lord Ram and inspire attendees to reflect on his teachings and their relevance in today's world.

# **FINANCIALS**





# CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Rs. in Crore (1 Crore = 10 million)

PARTICULARS	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20		
Incomes							
Abroad Contribution	ıs 57.56	40.97	43.72	62.45	62.27		
<b>Local Contributions</b>	123.95	116.82	114.75	105.61	101.59		
Interest	20.08	14.78	13.57	14.08	16.21		
Others	2.78	5.34	0.67	3.92	0.32		
Total Income	204.37	177.91	172.71	186.06	180.39		
<b>Expenditure</b>							
Honorarium	131.34	105.55	89.11	118.89	120.89		
Training	4.54	3.01	5.45	2.26	7.37		
Travel	14.77	9.56	7.12	3.15	8.40		
Materials	9.48	8.16	1.40	5.79	5.13		
Field Offices	5.55	4.69	5.03	5.04	7.25		
Others	13.67	11.05	8.37	3.46	5.17		
<b>Project Expenses</b>	179.35	142.02	116.48	138.59	154.21		
Management	13.56	10.33	6.85	11.90	10.67		
Depreciation	4.91	5.64	2.55	3.14	2.07		
Programmes	2.38	2.04	1.79	2.75	3.86		
Others	1.47	2.71	3.53	0.04	0.01		
Overheads	22.32	20.72	14.72	18.23	16.61		
Total Expenditure	201.67	162.74	131.20	156.82	170.82		

#### **Notes:**

- 1. Internal transfers between the institutions have been ignored while consolidating the above sums.
- **2.** Various sponsorships not in cash but in kind have not been evaluated and not accounted for. The above statement does not capture such in-kind sponsorships, mostly for training and field offices.
- **3.** Contributions received include sums for various projects towards capital costs like development of Gramothan infrastructure, equipment and mobile vans etc. Expenditure on these projects span over more than one year and is capitalized. Such capital expenditure does not form part of Expenditure shown above, except for depreciation for the year.

# **WAY AHEAD**

As we look forward to the next phase of Ekal Abhiyan, our primary focus remains on enhancing the quality of education and holistic development in rural and tribal communities. The year ahead will see strategic refinements in our initiatives, ensuring that our programs are impactful and sustainable.

#### 1. Enhancing School Quality:

With the recent budgetary increase from ₹22,000 to ₹30,000 per school effective April 2025, our goal is to enhance the quality of education in Ekal schools. Our focus will be on improving the quality of education in existing Ekal schools rather than expanding. With restructuring the working area, we aim to ensure that each village has access to a high-quality Ekal school. Expansion efforts will be reserved for the most remote and border areas where educational resources are scarce.

#### 2. Advancing Digital Education:

We will significantly strengthen our digital education initiatives by introducing tablets, computer training classes and mobile computer vans to provide hands-on learning experience. This approach will bridge the technological gap in rural areas empowering students with essential digital skills for the modern world.

#### 3. Health and Hygiene Programs:

Expanding our health outreach, we will continue promoting sanitation, nutrition and maternal and child health through dedicated campaigns and health camps. Mobile health units will be introduced in underserved regions providing much-needed medical support to rural population.

#### 4. Empowering Women and Youth:

We will enhance skill development programs for women and youth focusing on agriculture, handicrafts and entrepreneurship. By increasing vocational training and leadership programs, we will empower rural communities to take charge of their socio-economic development.

#### 5. Sustainable Livelihood:

In addition to sustainable livelihood programs, we will pilot the "Adarsh Sanch Project (ASP)," a forward-thinking initiative designed to make visible the five-fold education model in a practical, impactful way. This pilot will be a critical step in integrating our educational framework into rural livelihoods.

#### 6. Environmental Conservation Initiatives:

We will continue our commitment to environmental sustainability by promoting eco-friendly practices such as afforestation, waste management and sustainable farming. Village-based tree plantation drives and conservation awareness will remain core components of our strategy.

#### 7. Volunteer Training and Development:

Enhancing the efficiency and dedication of our volunteers will be a key priority. Through targeted training programs, we aim to build a highly skilled and motivated volunteer network, ensuring that our initiatives are implemented effectively across regions.

Ekal Abhiyan is committed to raising the standard of education and development in rural India through thoughtful and community-centered approaches. Our continued focus on quality, innovation and empowerment will drive us toward our vision of building self-reliant, educated and thriving villages.

# **KEY VOLUNTEERS**

#### EKAL ABHIYAN TRUST

#### **PATRON**

Shri Rameshwar Lal Kabra

Shri Sajjan Kumar Bhajanka

Shri Shyam Gupt

#### **TRUSTEE**

Shri Pradeep Goyal, Chairman

Shri Rajesh Goyal

Shri Sajan Kumar Bansal

Shri Laxmi Narain Goel

Shri Ramesh Kumar Saraogi

Smt. Manju Srivastava

Shri Naresh Jain

Shri Nand Kishore Aggarwal

Shri Satya Narayan Kabra

Shri Madhawendra Singh

Shri Ramesh Maheshwari

Smt. Meena Agrawal

Dr. Lalan Kumar Sharma

Shri Surendra Kumar Jindal

Shri M. Balasubramaniam

Shri Tribhuvan Kabra

#### INVITEE

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Shri Suman Dhir

Dr. H. K. Mittal

Shri Prem Assudani

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W. President Shri Madhawendra Singh

Vice President Smt. Usha Jalan

Vice President Shri Pawan Agarwal

Vice President Shri Satish Tulsyan

Secretary Smt. Neeta Bansal

Gen. Secretary Dr. Lalan Sharma

#### **MEMBER**

Shri Khemanand Sapkota

Shri Deep Kumar

Shri Kameshwar Sharma

Shri Sanjay Sahu

Shri Jitu Pahan

Shri Om Prakash Sharma

#### INVITEE

All Prabhag Presidents (Ex-officio Members)

# **KEY VOLUNTEERS**

#### **NAGAR SANGATHANS**

## Friends of Tribals Society

President: Shri Ramesh Kumar Saraogi Working President: Shri Ramesh Maheshwari

General Secretary: Smt. Geeta Mundra

#### Bharat Lok Shiksha Parishad

Chairman Trust: Shri Laxmi Narain Goel

**Managing Committee:** 

Chairman: Shri Neeraj Raizada President: Shri Akhil Kumar Gupta General Secretary: Shri Rajiv Agarwal

#### **Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation of India**

Chairman: Shri Ravidev Gupta President: Shri Ashok Arora

General Secretary: Smt. Anand Vadehra

#### **Ekal Gramothan Foundation**

Chairman Trust: Shri Laxmi Narain Goel

**Managing Committee:** 

Chairman: Shri Surendra Kumar Jindal

President: Shri Ramesh Kanodia

General Secretary: Shri Rakesh Bansal

# **Arogya Foundation of India**

Chairman: Shri Sajan Kumar Bansal President: Shri Ramesh Maheshwari Secretary: Shri Manoj Kumar Modi

#### **Ekal Shrihari Vanvasi Vikas Trust**

NCC President: Shri Mahesh Mittal NCC Secretary: Shri Anil Mansingka President-Delhi: Shri Pramod Goel President-Mumbai: Shri Vijay Kedia

President-Kolkata: Shri Pradeep Rawalvasia

#### **Ekal Global Foundation**

Chairman: Shri Naresh Kumar President: Shri Prem Assudani

General Secretary: Smt. Sangita Gupta

#### **Ekal Sansthan**

Chairperson: Smt. Manju Srivastava President: Shri Shankar Halder

General Secretary: Shri Prateek Gulati

## **Ekal Gram Sangathan**

President: Shri Kamal Kant Sharma Working President: Shri Santosh Jain

Secretary: Smt. Veena Bhat

#### FIELD OPERATIONS

Abhiyan Pramukh: Shri Lalan Sharma

#### **EDUCATION**

Prathamik Shiksha Pramukh: Shri Om Prakash Sharma

Sanskar Shiksha Pramukh: Shri Jitu Pahan

#### **PROJECTS**

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Gramothan Yojna Pramukh:

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Gram Sangathan Pramukh:

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Shri Manohar Lal

Arth Vibhag Pramukh:

Shri Dheeraj Kumar

Karyalaya Vibhag Pramukh:

Shri Chaitanya Prasad Jena

## **EKALIN THE PRINT MEDIA**

# खेल से व्यक्तित्व, संस्कार विकसित होता है : गडकरी

एकल अभियान राष्ट्रीय क्रीड़ा महोत्सव का पुरस्कार वितरण कार्यक्रम

क्ष नागपुर, खोल प्रतिनिध, केंद्रीय मंत्री नितिन गडकरी ने कहा कि खेल प्रतियोगिताएँ न केवल मनोरंजन के लिए होते के बिल्क इससे खिलाड़ियों व्यक्तित्व का विकास भी होता है और उनमें संस्कार भी पैदा होते हैं. खेल आयोजनों में हिस्सा लेने से शारीरिक और मानसिक स्वास्थ्य भी अच्छा रहता है. वे रविवार को रविनगर स्थित नागपुर विश्वविद्यालय मैदान में आयोजित एकल विश्वविद्यालय मदान में आयोजित एकत्व अभियान के राष्ट्रीय क्रीड़ा मतित्सव के पुरस्कार वितारण समारोह में बील रहे थे. इस मौके पर एकत्व अभियान के डॉ. लातन कुमार शर्मा, वनवासी बंधु परिषद के अध्यक्ष नंदिकशोर सारडा आदि मौजूद थे, गडकरी ने कहा कि समाज के पिछड़े



यह गर्व की बात है कि इस कार्य को एकल अभियान द्वारा किया जा रहा है. सुदूर आदिवासी क्षेत्रों में लक्ष्मणराव मानकर के

12,000 छात्र और 1,800 शिक्षक हैं चूंकि आदिवासी युवाओं का जीवन जल, जमीन, जंगल और जानवरों के सानिध्य में थे. गडकरी ने कहा कि समाज के पिछड़ें आदिवासी क्षेत्रों में लक्ष्मणराव मानकर के हैं, उनमें प्राकृतिक शीवत हैं, इसलिए उन्हें वर्ग को शिक्षा की मुख्यभारा में लाना और नाम पर एकल विद्यालय हैं जिसमें अबसर और सुविधाएँ प्रदान करना प्राप्त करीं.

सुदूर इलाकों में शिक्षा की क्रांति लाई : फडणवीस क्रेगात (गांड : फंडणवास एक्त अधियान वह त्यां में रामम के वर्क सुदूर आदिवारी का वार्च में शिर्वित वारम के शिरा काम कर वह है बचा वेती शिर्क के त्या मरसकर और स्थास्थ्य की जानकारी दी जा शरी है स्थास्थ्य की जानकारी दी जा शरी है मत्सार के उस्मुक्तमारे देवेन्द्र फलावीस ने कहा कि एकता अधियान में देश के सुदूर इन्ताव में में रिस्ता में कार्दि ला दी दे जन्दोंने सार्वाट के उस्मुक्तम वर्ज दिन कार्यों के स्वार्थ इन्ताव में में रिस्ता में कार्दि ला दी दे जन्दोंने स्वार्थ की स्वार्थ कार्दिन कार्यों के उन्होंने दिनाईंग्य की श्वारमार दी दिनाईंग्य की शुभक्तमनाएं दी

लेना ही असली इनाम है. उन्होंने विश्वास व्यक्त किया कि आज के कई खिलाई भविष्य में अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर पर ख्वाति

सेहत जांज े पर एकल ग्रामोत्थान फाउंडेशन तथा चोडथराम अस्पताल एवं अनुसंधान केंद्र के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में लगाया शिविर

# शिविर में 300 मरीजों का हुआ स्वास्थ्य परीक्षण



# एकल ग्रामोत्थान फाउंडेशन जी आर सी नैमिषारण्य के तत्वाधान में किसान मेला सह उद्यान प्रदर्शनी का हुआ आयोजन

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अग्रवाल समिति के सचिव पवन

रंसल, समिति कोषाध्यक्ष सुभाष

शाह चौंप्टर कमेटी सदस्य हरीश समिति सदस्य के रूप में अग्रवाल संचालन समिति अध्यक्ष उपस्थित रहे। एकल अभियान



सुधीर सिंह, समिति उपाध्यक्ष डॉ सागर, विपिन वैश्य कोषाध्यक्ष, सचिव राजीव ओझा, चंद्र कुमार सिंह हरिमोहन श्रीवास्तव नागेंद्र सिंह देशराज यादव प्रधान बरेती फकीरे लाल यादव उपप्रधान मिठौली, अमय चौरसिया संचालन

के अंतर्गत मुख्य रूप से प्राकृ तिक खेती से संबंधित सरकार की योजनाएं ,एकांकी प्राकृतिक खेती, कृषि में गाय की उपयोगिता, महिला संशक्तिकरण राष्ट्र निर्माण में किसानों की भिमका के साथ-साथ जैविक खेती पर विशेष

रूप से बल दिया गया , मेले में लगी प्रदर्शनी में किसानों द्वारा जैविक खेती के माध्यम से उगाई गई फसलों की प्रदर्शनी भी लगाई गई, प्रदर्शनी में प्रतिमाग करने वाले किसानों को धरती रक्षक प्रशस्ति पत्र एवं कृषि यंत्र देकर सम्मानित किया गया। मुख्य वक्ता के रूप में संचालन समिति संरक्षक कमलेश कुमार सिंह, भिठौरा प्रधान शिवसागर सिंह झब्ब, श्री कृष्ण शास्त्री नैमिषारण्य, राज किशार विश्वकर्मा, विश्व हिंदू जन कल्याण संस्थान जिला अध्यक्ष कृष्ण कुमार मिश्रा कमल. एकल ग्रामोत्थान फाउंडेशन मीडिया प्रभारी पीयूष बिहारी मिश्रा

# एकल विद्यालयों के माध्यम से लोग कर रहे रामदरबार के दर्शन

बीआर चौहान/देवभूमि मिरर

राजगढ़। अयोध्या से आए रामदरबार रथ के दर्शन के लिए इन दिनों राजगढ़ के संच मुख्यालय शीलाबाग और देवठी मझंगाव के अंतर्गत आने वाले गांवों लोगों की भीड़ उमड़ रही है । संच प्रमुख शीलाबाग मीरा देवी ने बताया कि इस राम रथ को अयोध्या में सात महीने प्रतिष्ठित करने के उपरांत एक वर्ष के भ्रमण पर भेजा जाता है जिसका उददेश्य सनातन हिंदू धर्म के बारे लोगों को जागरूक करना है। उन्होंने बताया कि राजगढ अंचल के अतंर्गत कुल 330 एकल विद्यालय संचालित किए जा रहे हैं जिनमें से शीलाबाग संच के अधीन कुल 30 एकल विद्यालय हैं जिसमें से 15 एकल उठ एकल विधालय है जिसमें से 15 एकल विद्यालय सीमा पर लगते जिला शिमला में हैं। मीरा देवी के अनुसार रामस्थ के साथ योजना प्रमुख कपिल पराशर, पुजारी दयाराम शर्मा और



। पुजारी दया राम शर्मा द्वारा भगवान राम और ग्राम देवता की हर जगह विधिपूर्वक पूजन व मिलन करवाया जा रहा है । मीरा ने बताया कि

कूफर मटलोड़ी, दोची, पाब, धलेवग, सतलाई, धार, धार करेवड़ी, कारटू, पड़िया, शिरवा, पनीसेर, धाली, बागड़ा, आंजी, ट्रहाई, नालटा,

# एकल आरोग्य प्रकल्प के टेलीमेडिसिन वर्ग का समापन



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मुजफ्फरनगर। 10 दिवसीय वर्ग समापन पर मुख्य रूप से पंडित धर्मेंद्र मिश्रा जी एवं आनंदपाल प्रधान जी उपस्थित रहे। इस अवसर पर अभियान अंचल अध्यक्ष अमित गुप्ता, आरोग्य प्रकल्प अध्यक्ष रविकात अग्रवाल. अंचल उपाध्यक्ष मनोज कंसल, डॉ मनीष अखिल भारतीय टेलीमेडिसिन

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**बिहारीगंज ( मधेपुरा) (एसएनबी )।** मधेपुरा,बिहारीगंज थाना परिसर में एकल अभियान शिक्षिका के द्वारा रक्षाबंधन पर थाना परिसर में पुलिस के अधिकारियों सहित थाने के जवानों व चोकीदार को तिलक लगाकर ओर राखी बांधकर मिठाई खिलाकर रक्षा बंधन पर्व मनाया और रक्षा का संकल्प लिया। कार्यक्रम में काफी संख्या में एकल अभियान शिक्षिका व शिक्षक) मौजद रही। आचार्या दीदी ने कहा के रक्षाबंधन पर्व भाई बहन के अटट प्रेम का त्योहार है। इस त्योहार का भाई-बहन को बेसब्री से इंतजार रहता है। कार्यक्रम के

दौरान उन्होंने कहा के देश की सीमा खडा हर पुलिस के जवान हमारा भाई है, क्योंकि वो दिन रात सरहद पर खडा रहकर हमारी रक्षा करता

थानाध्यक्ष को राखी बांधते आचार्या बहने

है। थानाध्यक्ष के द्वारा सभी आचार्या दीदी को गिफ्ट दिया गया। इसी दौरान थानाध्यक्ष अमित रंजन ने कहा के हमें सदेव ही नारी शक्ति का सम्मान करना चाहिए क्योंकि नारी शक्ति ही मां दुर्गा का रूप है। साथ ही कहा कि देश की हर नारी शक्ति का सम्मान करना हमारा कर्तव्य है, क्योंकि देवताओं ने भी सदेव नारी शक्ति का सम्मान किया है। इस मौके पर सोन् झा, चंदेश्वरी प्रसाद यादव , जयराम कुमार आचार्य दीदी वंदना कुमारी, अंशु कुमारी, रीना कुमारी, ओम प्रिया कुमारी, मीरा कुमारी ,नीलू कुमारी, अन्य लोगों मौजूद थे।

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