



LAST EDITION RECAP..

Women Mobilized - 814

Placements - 56 women

Vocationally trained- 53 women

Enrolled in secondary education - 80 women

Madhu Khoiwal: LIC Agent at 54 year

Education is a fundamental right in India, however, it still remains the privilege for a few. This is the story of a **56-year-old** woman, **Madhu Khoiwal**, a resident of Ghosunda village in **Chittorgarh, Rajasthan**. Madhu understood the value of education and was a diligent student who was fond of reading. However, her interest was short-lived as like other girls in her village, she also dropped out of school after completing primary school. After she completed class 5, she stopped going to school because the senior school was too far from her home and there were no dependable transport available. She was married off soon after and her tenuous link with education broke off forever – or at least that’s what she thought.

Madhu’s husband works in the police and her two children are studying in college. Her son is studying engineering while her daughter is pursuing a graduate course in education.

“I am very proud of my children,” Madhu says.

Madhu was happy basking in the reflected glory of her children until the mentors of the Second Chance Education (SCE) knocked on her door.

#AgentofChange



Credit: UN Women India | Manjari foundation

“I could not believe that I would get another chance to complete my education,” she says. “I was a little hesitant as I didn’t want to study with younger people at my age but when I heard about the distance studying programme, I enrolled immediately.”

INSIDE THIS ISSUE...

- #AgentofChange
- Women solopreneur
- Second Chance in News

Second
Chance

After her enrolment in the NIOS programme in 2019, she did not enjoy the full support of her family, who thought it was a waste of time. However, Madhu was adamant and continued to attend study sessions organised by the teachers of Manjari, UN Women's implementing partner in the region. She attended classes at the hub centre for three days a week and for the rest of the days she studied at home.

Seeing her enthusiasm, her children also began helping her with the coursework. She cleared her class 10 examination successfully in 2021 and subsequently her class 12 exam through Rajasthan State Open School. She followed this up by appearing for an exam to qualify as an agent at India's largest insurance company – the Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India.

"I am now a certified LIC agent. I work in my village and nearby villages," she says with a happy smile. "The SCE programme gave me a new lease of life."

Women solopreneur

SCE's solopreneur **Chanda**, a native of Chapati village in Kishanganj district, recently inaugurated her own Beauty Parlor in her village after completing the free beautician course from RSETI centre. She enrolled in the 30 day course after being counselled by the field officers of implementing partner PRADAN.

During the course, I learnt make-up techniques, hair cutting, coloring, highlights, hair spa, threading, facial, Hair straightening, waxing, and product knowledge. Additionally, we were also given lesson on 'How to deal with customers and how to behave with them'. Chanda opened her parlor four days after completing her course on September 20, so far the business is slow but she hopes things will gradually pick pace.

Chanda says, " I aspired to learn the beautician work but was directionless plus I knew I could not afford the course fee".



In pic, Chanda joining the course at RSETI in August 2022 along with other candidates. Credit PRADAN



Chanda at her newly opened beauty parlor. Credit PRADAN

जीविका की पहल: 30 छात्राएं कौशल प्रशिक्षण के लिए हुईं पटना रवाना

□ डीडीयूजीकेवाई से युवाओं को मिल रहा नि:शुल्क प्रशिक्षण, मिल रहे रोजगार के अवसर

प्रतिनिधि, किरानगंज

जिले के विभिन्न प्रखंड की 30 छात्राएं जीविका के माध्यम से रोजगार परक नि:शुल्क आवासीय प्रशिक्षण प्राप्त करने के लिए पटना के लिए रवाना हुईं. दीनदयाल उपाध्याय ग्रामीण कौशल योजना के तहत रूचि और योग्यता अनुसार इन युवतियों को जनरल ड्यूटी असिस्टेंट एवं कस्टमर रिलेशनशिप मैनेजमेंट कोर्स में प्रशिक्षण दिया जायेगा. तीन महीने के प्रशिक्षण के उपरान्त इन्हें रोजगार भी उपलब्ध कराया जायेगा.

जनरल ड्यूटी असिस्टेंट कोर्स करने के उपरान्त युवाओं को सरकारी, गैर सरकारी अस्पताल में रोजगार के अवसर प्राप्त होते हैं. वहीं कस्टमर रिलेशनशिप मैनेजमेंट कोर्स करने के उपरान्त युवाओं को कॉल सेंटर इत्यादि में रोजगार प्राप्त होते हैं. इन चयनित 30 छात्राओं में से 15 कोचाधामन प्रखंड की हैं. वहीं पोठिया से 6, किरानगंज सदर से 8



पटना के लिए रवाना होतीं जीविका दौड़ी .

एवं बहादुरगंज प्रखंड से एक युवती शामिल है. गरीब ग्रामीण परिवार से आने वाली इन छात्राओं के लिए यह रोजगार परक प्रशिक्षण उनके कौशल विकास एवं आर्थिक सशक्तिकरण की दिशा में एक सुनहरा अवसर बनकर आया है. जीविका के प्रभारी जिला परियोजना प्रबंधक शांतनु ठाकुर ने बताया कि चयनित इन 30 छात्राओं का नि:शुल्क आवासीय प्रशिक्षण पीआईए एजेंसी

डॉन बॉस्को टेक सोसाइटी पटना में कराया जाएगा. जीविका के माध्यम से किरानगंज जिला के 18 से 35 वर्ष के युवाओं को रोजगार परक नि:शुल्क आवासीय प्रशिक्षण दिलाने के लिए गांव - पंचायत स्तर पर उनका पंजीयन कराया जा रहा है. चयनित युवाओं को रूचि और योग्यता अनुसार प्रशिक्षण दिलाया जा रहा है.

दीनदयाल उपाध्याय ग्रामीण

कौशल योजना के माध्यम से 18 से 35 वर्ष के युवाओं को विभिन्न संस्थानों में उनके रूचि एवं योग्यता अनुसार रोजगार, स्वरोजगार, रोजगार परक प्रशिक्षण उपलब्ध कराया जाता है. इन संस्थानों में युवक - युवतियों के लिए नि:शुल्क रहने, खाने और प्रशिक्षण की व्यवस्था रहती है। युवक - युवतियों को सिलाई, नर्सिंग, होटल मैनेजमेंट, इलेक्ट्रिशियन, सेल्स,

कंप्यूटर, सॉफ्ट स्किल इत्यादि का नि:शुल्क आवासीय प्रशिक्षण दिया जाता है. इस योजना अंतर्गत महिला, अनुसूचित जाति, जनजाति वर्ग से आने वाले युवाओं को वरीयता दी जाती है. चयनित इन 30 युवतियों को किरानगंज स्टेशन से गुरुवार को रवाना किया गया.

इस मौके पर जीविकाकर्मि सुप्रिया मौजूद थीं. वहीं, प्रधान टीम के द्वारा सहयोग प्रदान किया गया.

Dainik bhaskar Edition, 23rd December, 2022

Under the SCE programme, implementing partner PRADAN in Bihar mobilized 30 girls from Kishanganj and Bhadurganj region. These girls have enrolled in several employment oriented free residential training through Jeevika. Under the Deendayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana, these girls will be given training in General Duty Assistant and Customer Relationship Management course, according to their interest and qualification at Patna.

Implementing partner PRADAN felicitated by JEEVika



Kishanganj team of PRADAN received felicitation for their onground work in Bihar.



Employed girls received momentum and award by JEEVika.

CONGRATUALATIONS !!! to collaborating partner World Skill Centre, Bhubaneswar



FLYING HIGH

Eight girls from inaugural batch (1st batch) of World Skill Center (WSC), Bhubaneswar, Odisha joined job in UAE.

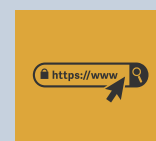
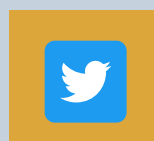
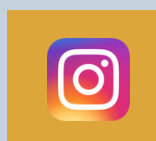
Coming from smaller town didn't stopped them from dreaming big. Government of Odisha gave them opportunity of sharpening their acquired skills at WSC. All girls completed their one year Advance Skill Training Program offered by WSC after graduating out from ITI or Diploma Colleges. **The girls boarded their very first international flight to Abu Dhabi from Mumbai International Airport on 28h December 2022, with a mixed feeling of joy, hopes and aspirations.**

Second Chance Education Programme in India

In 2018, UN Women initiated the development of the Second Chance Education and Vocational Learning (SCE) programme that would provide marginalized women who have lost out on an education with pathways to employment through a tailored learn-to-earn approach. The ongoing programme is aimed at empowerment of women who, owing to poverty and gender-based discrimination, have been denied access to opportunities at an early age.

SCE is being implemented in **12 districts** across 4 states of India – **Bihar, Maharashtra, Odisha and Rajasthan**, covering 200 villages.

Follow Second Chance Education Program on social Media



Implementing partner



Powered by



For enquiries about the SCE program, reach out to suhela.khan@unwomen.org (Country Programme Manager - UN Women), mirah.zamin@unwomen.org (Communication Assistant SCE- UN Women India)