

## **PARIVAAR**

Changing Destinies

















"I am the servant of that god whom the ignorant call man"

- Swami Vivekananda



Parivaar is a humanitarian organization inspired by the spiritual and humanistic ideals of Sri Ramakrishna and Swami Vivekananda, with its chief institutions and projects based in West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand.

For last 22 years, Parivaar has worked towards the total care and overall development of children who are highly vulnerable to exploitation, victimization and trafficking, including orphans, street children, abandoned children, and extremely impoverished children from tribal areas. It also conducts many more humanitarian activities for the destitute and uncared, including elderly and shelterless.

In Bengal Parivaar has two residential educational institutions – Parivaar Vivekananda Sevashrama for Boys and Parivaar Sarada Teertha for girls. With over 2100 resident children, these are West Bengal's largest free residential institutions for children from deprived and destitute backgrounds. Parivaar provides all opportunities for education and overall child development in a loving and caring atmosphere for boys and girls from early age of 5 till their higher education – i.e. university level graduation and / or employability programs.

Parivaar's Residential Institutions are seen as a model institution in the field of caretaking and overall development of vulnerable children. We have been the recipient of the 2011 National Award for Child Welfare from the President of India, the highest recognition by the Government of India. Our Founder Shri Vinayak Lohani received the Padma Shri in 2025 from the President of India.

In the year 2016, Parivaar began to expand to a new geography of Madhya Pradesh purchasing 17 acres of land at village Sandalpur in Dewas District. From 2017 onwards it has set up 985 Seva Kutirs (Nutritional and educational Centres) for children in selected impoverished tribal pockets in 21 districts of Madhya Pradesh and one district each in Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand, called 'Sri Ramakrishna Vivekananda Seva Kutir'. Around 65 thousand children are being served through them. These centres are in community-provided venues in villages in districts of Sheopur, Chhindwara, Betul, Dindori, Khandwa, Dewas, Sehore, Anuppur, Mandla, Shivpuri, Sidhi, Ratlam, Harda, Vidisha, Jhabua, Barwani, Alirajpur, Balaghat, Singrauli, Seoni and Khargone in Madhya Pradesh, Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi in Chhattisgarh and East Singhbhum in Jharkhand.

We are endeavouring to set up 1000 such centres by December 2025, serving around 75,000 children in some of the most impoverished tribal pockets.

Two residential educational institutions, modelled on the lines of our Bengal institutions, have also been started. The one at Sandalpur village in Dewas district has 1074 resident children and another campus in Sehore district has 348 children. Both these campuses are being scaled up to admit more children in future years. Additionally, Parivaar also runs two hostels in Mandla for around 171 children (both girls and boys).

From the year 2021, several health initiatives have also been started. These are:

- (a) 94 free 24\*7 Ambulance Services in 23 districts of Madhya Pradesh. More than 3.4 Lac persons have been served, a significant number of which were life-saving.
- (b) Vision Restoration Program for poor and vulnerable elderly. Under this more than 6800 eye camps have been organised in 37 districts of MP and one each in UP and Rajasthan. More than 7 Lac persons attended these camps and through this more than 78 thousand eye surgeries have been conducted for free through help of some prestigious eye hospitals.
- (c) 46 Mobile Medical Clinics in 21 districts covering 2,398 villages. More than 20 Lac patients have been served through this.













#### **MISSION AND VISION**

Our mission as well as vision is to bring about transformation in lives of suffering humanity through earnest and rigorous humanitarian work - changing the lives of destitute and vulnerable children and youth, impoverished tribal communities, and poor and vulnerable elderly people - in a spirit of selfless service as emphasised by Swami Vivekananda. The driving motto is Shiv Jnane Jiva Seva (Service of Divine in Man) as taught by Sri Ramakrishna and Swami Vivekananda.

#### **INSPIRATION AND ETHOS**



The inspiration behind Parivaar's mission is the spiritual and humanistic teachings of Sri Ramakrishna and Swami Vivekananda. The central theme of Parivaar is Swami Vivekananda's core teaching of 'Divinity of Man' and it is practically executed through 'Shiva Jnane Jiva Seva' (to serve the Divine in Man in a reverential spiritual attitude, in a spirit of worship) with core ideals being 'Tyaga' and 'Seva'.

Blessed are they whose bodies get destroyed in the service of others.

- Swami Vivekananda

#### The Founder



In 2003 Vinayak Lohani, a 25 year old young alumnus of IIT Kharagpur and IIM Calcutta, having opted out of placements towards a lucrative corporate career, was driven by the inspiring exhortation of Swami Vivekananda of selfless service to those in suffering and make one's life one with them. This youngman, Vinayak Lohani, thus inspired by spiritual and humanistic ideals of Ramakrishna-Vivekananda, resolved to devote his entire life for serving 'Divine in Man' as taught by Swami Vivekananda. He gave up the prospect of a highly lucrative corporate career by not taking any placement from IIM. Immediately after passing out of IIM in 2003, with just 3 children in a small rented building on the outskirts of Kolkata, he started Parivaar. But he had no resources. So in order to kickstart his mission, till the level of 15 children at Parivaar, he used to take some lectures for students appearing for Management entrance examinations and through that could meet the expenses of the set-up. Gradually people began to be inspired by this dedicated service and started to support the initiative and the number of children at Parivaar grew.









#### **Awards and Honours**









# Parivaar and its Founder Vinayak Lohani have received numerous awards and recognitions for their service.

- Padmashri 2025.
- National Award for Child Welfare 2011 presented by the Hon. President of India at the Rashtrapati Bhavan.
- Sanskriti Award 2011, country's premier award for young achievers in 2011 from the Former President of India Dr APJ Abdul Kalam.
- Sri Sathya Sai Award presented by the Vice President of India, Dr Venkaiya Naidu, in November 2018.
- Madhya Pradesh Gaurav Samman presented by the Hon. Governor and Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh in November 2022.
- Swami Rama Humanitarian Award 2015' presented by Hon. Chief Minister of Uttarakhand.
- IIM Calcutta's 'Distinguished Alumnus Award' (one of the 9 recipients selected out of 8000 alumni of the institute in 50 years) awarded in 2011 on occasion of Institute's Golden Jubilee.

- IIT Kharagpur's 'Distinguished Alumnus Award' awarded in 2014 Youngest recipient in the history of the award.
- CNN-IBN's 'Young Indian Leader of the Year Award' for 2012.
- Swami Ranganathananda Memorial Humanitarian Award 2014 presented at the Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture Calcutta.
- Mahaveer International Award for Medicine 2024 from Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation presented by Union Minister for Labour.
- Nivedita Samman 2019 presented by Hon. Governor, West Bengal.
- Vivekananda Seva Samman 2016 presented by Hon. Governor, West Bengal.
- Bhaorao Deoras Sewa Samman 2015 presented by Hon Governor, Uttar Pradesh.
- Special Award for Service among the Baiga tribal community conferred by Union Minister Shri Phaggan Singh Kulaste in 2024.
- First position in Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry Social Leadership Awards, 2022
- Second position in Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry Social Leadership awards, 2023.
- First position in Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry Social Leadership Awards, 2024.
- Eastern India Leadership Awards 2024 for outstanding work in the field of education.
- Telegraph 'Special Honour' conferred by Telegraph Education Foundation Calcutta in 2014.
- True Legends Award presented by 'The Telegraph' in April 2015.
- G D Shah Memorial Award for Excellence in the field of Education, 2024 given by Bharat Chamber Of Commerce presented by Hon. Union Minister for Coal & Mines.

He who sees Shiva in the poor, in the weak, and in the diseased, really worships Shiva.

## **Governing Body**

## Parivaar is registered in India as the PARIVAAR EDUCATION SOCIETY



**Shri Vinayak Lohani**Founder and President,
Parivaar



**Shri Kapil Bharadwaj**Secretary and Chief of Operations, Parivaar



**Shri Rahul Ganjiwale**Treasurer, Senior Technology
Professional



**Prof. Sougata Ray**Reputed Management
Academician



**Shri Deepak Ahuja**Senior Technology
Professional



**Smt. Sreedevi Menon**Senior Management
Professional



**Smt. Shobha Punukollu**Philanthropist



**Shri Siddharth Parmar** CEO, Parivaar



**Smt. Sandhya Nag** Chief, Girls Campus, Parivaar Bengal



**Shri Raju Ram**Chief Coordinator, Parivaar
Bengal



Shri Aakash Jaiswal
Independent member
(Architect)



**Dr. Ratnadeep Seal**Chief (Health Services, Impact
Assessment, Research &
Sectoral Studies)



**Shri Pratik Dutta**Chief Administrative , Parivaar
Bengal-Jharkhand



Shri Golu Skel
Chief Field Anchor, Parivaar
Madhya Pradesh chhattisgarh



## **Advisory Board**



Shri Pradeep Joshi
Former Chairperson, UPSC and
Current Chairperson, National
Testing Agency



**Shri KK Jhunjhunwala** Senior Chartered Accountant



**Shri Saurabh Mittal**Entrepreneur



**Shri Shyam Maheshwari** Founder of Nextinfinity



**Shri Akash Mohapatra** Legal Co-head (Asia), Deutsche Bank, Singapore



**Smt. Ruchi Varshneya**Senior Management
Professional, USA



Founder, Samaritan Help Mission, Howrah



**Shri Shantnu Tandon**Social Entrepreneur

#### **Our Staff - Sevavratees**

## Sevavratees are a deeply committed group of people and have shown tremendous dedication to the spirit and values of Parivaar.

Sevavratees, many of whom have been with Parivaar through initial stages become a deep part of the organization's history and traditions. We can therefore say each one of them is an essential piece of Parivaar, not only crucial in the present state of operations but critically important for the actualization of Parivaar's continued growth and future goals. It is only with such highly dedicated, capable and long-term devoted workers that we are able to take a long-term view of what it means to change the course of life of those we serve and build institutions that can go for a long time.

#### **Parivaar – Central Functionaries:**

- Shri Siddharth Parmar Chief Executive
- Shri Kapil Bharadwaj Chief (Operations, Accounts, Expenditures & Diance)
- Shri Pratik Dutta Chief Administrator of Parivaar Bengal-Jharkhand and Co-Chief (Accounts, Expenditures & Compliance)
- Smt. Sandhya Nag Chief (Girls and Women Affairs)
- Dr. Ratnadeep Seal Chief (Health Services, Impact Assessment, Research, Sectoral Studies)
- Shri Menhadi Hasan Chief (External Engagements & Technology)
- Shri Rahul Sisodiya Co-Chief (Technology & Vigilance)
- Shri Golu Skel Chief (Field Operations)
- Shri Rinkesh Karochi Co-Chief (Field Operations)



## **Committees for ensuring Best Practices**

#### A. Budget & Finance Committee

- Shri. Vinayak Lohani (Chairperson)
- Shri. Rahul Ganjiwale
- Shri. Shyam Maheshwari
- Shri. K K Jhunjhunwala
- Shri. Shobha Punukollu
- Shri. Kapil Bharadwaj
- Shri. Siddharth Parmar

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#### **B. Child Protection Committee**

- Shri. Kapil Bharadwaj (Chairperson of the Committee)
- Shri. Pratik Dutta
- Dr. Ratnadeep Seal
- Smt. Sandhya Nag
- Smt. Dipti Mondal
- Smt. Diksha Parmar
- Shri. Aakash Jaiswal
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#### C. Gender & Prevention of Sexual Harassment Committee

- Smt. Sandhya Nag (Chairperson of the Committee)
- Smt. Priya Nadkarni (external member)
- Shri. Kapil Bharadwaj
- Smt. Diksha Parmar
- Shri. Raju Ram

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## D. Grievance / Complaint/ Anti malpractices Committee

- Shri. Vinayak Lohani (Chairperson)
- Shri. Kapil Bharadwaj
- Shri. Aakash Jaiswal
- Dr. Ratnadeep Seal

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## **Parivaar Residential Institutions Bengal**

Parivaar is West Bengal's largest free residential educational institution for children from highly impoverished backgrounds. As of September '25 it has more than 2100 resident children (more than 1000 in boys and girls campus each). The children are from age-group of 4 (pre-schooling) till 21 (University level graduation).

#### Parivaar Vivekananda Sevashram

This is the boys' residential campus of Parivaar, home to more than 1000 resident boys and 56 male Sevavratees. It has all facilities like kitchens, dining halls, general purpose halls with projectors, prayer halls, computer labs, a library, and a playground having football fields, a volleyball court, and a cricket field. It is also the venue of Parivaar's mega sporting event – the Multi-Day Athletic Track and Field Meet. Usually, this meet goes on for more than a week.

Separately there is a state-of-the-art basketball court only for boys. There are resident coaches training the boys and our team regularly competes in local, state-level as well as national-level tournaments. It has brought many laurels to themselves as well as the institution.

#### **Parivaar Sarada Teertha**

This is the girls' residential campus of Parivaar, home to more than 1000 girls and about 45 female sevavratees. It has all facilities like kitchens, dining halls, general purpose halls with projectors, prayer halls, a computer lab, a library, and a playground.

Separately there is a state-of-the-art basketball court only for girls. There are resident coaches training the girls and our team regularly competes in local, state-level as well as national-level tournaments. It has brought many laurels to themselves as well as the institution.

There is another unit of our school - Amar Bharat Vidyapeeth - annexed to this campus called Nivedita Vidyapeeth.

#### **Parivaar Amar Bharat Vidyapeeth**

This is a Higher Secondary School affiliated to West Bengal Board of Education in which all our resident boys and girls study. Its main building is in Parivaar Vivekananda Sevashrama campus and has two subsidiary units at Parivaar Sarada Teertha. It has more than 50 teachers

#### Parivaar Administrative and Village Welfare Block

This is the unit handling various local area welfare programs. Some administrative functions are also handled from here.

## Parivaar Vivekananda Arogya Kutir

It is a medical centre for the community where the villagers from the adjacent villages can come and consult a General Physician or an Eye Specialist and get medication for 3 days at a very affordable fee of Rs.20 and Rs.10 for every subsequent follow up visits. We also facilitate cataract surgery free of cost. This centre is open twice a week (Mondays and Thursdays).

## Children profile at Parivaar Bengal

- As of September '25 it has more than 2100 resident children (more than 1000 in boys and girls campus each). The children are from age-group of 4 (pre-schooling) till 21 (University level graduation).
- Out of all resident children, nearly 1600 are from highly impoverished tribal pockets from districts of Bankura, Purulia, Midnapore(W), Birbhum and South 24 Parganas in West Bengal and Singhbhum, Saraikela, Ranchi and Giridih in Jharkhand.

• From non-tribal areas we have around 500 children who have either lost both the parents or have only mother who is in circumstances of severe deprivation. These are children of high vulnerability, prone to exploitation, child labour, susceptible to abuse by anti-social elements, conditions of homelessness etc.

#### How are Children admitted into Parivaar Bengal Institutions?

Generally, children admitted into our institutions are orphans, street and homeless children, children of abandoned mothers, children with critically-ill parents having no other family support, children from other vulnerable backgrounds like from areas where exploitation and victimization, especially of girls is common like red-light areas. We also admit children from highly impoverished tribal areas from several districts of West Bengal and Jharkhand, where daily family income is less than Rs 250.

Parivaar receives a large number of cases of vulnerable children and also conducts proactive field surveys in vulnerable urban quarters and several tribal areas where we have got a strong field connect.

Parivaar has a special team that conducts site inquiries which visits the child's location and collects a detailed profile, facts and information. Based on the severity of the need for admission into residential institution the decision to admit is made. The important parameters considered during this pre admission process are:

- At entry level Parivaar admits kids between 5 and 12 years of age, though certain exceptions are made.
- The possibility of dropout of the admitted child before the high school (Grade 10) stage should be minimal. In other words Parivaar admits children only with a long term view in mind and not as a stock gap arrangement for temporary difficulties.
- Generally, along with one child all his/her siblings are also admitted into Parivaar. We believe it does not make sense to develop a bright future for one and leave others to languish behind. Parivaar's principle is that all siblings should progress together so that their familial bonding remains intact into the future.

## **Redeeming Childhood - Sculpting Future**

Our residential care giving addresses every aspect of a child's life: his/her lodging, food, clothing, education, medical care, physical fitness, sports and recreation, civic virtues, and character-building.

The diet at Parivaar has been designed by keeping in mind the nutritional needs of the children. Both the sevavratees and the kids eat the same healthy, balanced meals and snacks.

Parivaar has water purifiers located throughout both campuses so access to clean, fresh water is available at all times.

Parivaar has a team of several medical personnel, living on both campuses, allowing for 24-hour medical care. For any medical consultation the children are taken to some hospitals where we have a long standing relationship. An ambulance is stationed 24 hours at each campus and is used to meet any exigencies.

#### **Beyond Academics: Sports, Arts and Culture**

On Parivaar's annual calendar there are several days of cultural celebrations in which every member of the Parivaar community – from children and sevavratees participates. There are songs and dances, plays, speeches, readings and much more.

One important feature of Parivaar's model is the participation of both teachers and children in all facets of extra-academic activities. Sports activities are engaged in regularly.

Children also have access to two state-of-the-art basketball courts, a cricket field, a football field, a volleyball court, and table tennis. Training in martial arts is also given. Additionally, every year we hold our Track & Field Competition. It takes place over a week in the last week of December, and has about 200 different track and field events for children and staff. There are coaches for respective sports and games.

## **Key Operational Ingredients**

## 1. Bridging (Fast-Learning) and Tutorship Programs

- Youngest admitted children (aged 4, 5, and 6) are taken into most initial classes.
- Children who have age of 8 to 12 and yet no exposure to education are trained through our 'Fast-Learning Bridge Course' and then admitted into a grade suitable for their age.
- Along with the formal schooling, a strong after -school tutorship (2 to 4 hours daily) ensures continuous good academic performance.

## 2. Handholding through entire Growth Path (Kindergarten to Higher Education / Placement)

 Each resident child once admitted into Parivaar is under the care and custody of Parivaar till higher education and subsequent job placement and settlement into the future phase of life.

- For example, children showing aptitude for meritorious professional lines are trained and fully supported (just as parents do for their own children) till completion of that higher education and subsequent placement.
- Our earliest set of children are in career-paths like nursing, accountancy, hospitality, and many other professional lines etc.

#### 3. Skill and Employability Programs

 After Grade 12 and in many cases along with University level education, Parivaar children undergo various Skill Programs like Nursing, IT and BPO, Paramedical, Beauty & Wellness, Electronics & Home Appliances, Computer Hardware & Networking etc. More than 500 boys and girls have been gainfully employed from amongst our earliest batches.

#### 4. Food and Nutrition

- Daily 4 cooked meals (Breakfast, lunch, Evening snacks, dinner) along with an early morning starter
- Same food partaken by all Sevavratees as well as children at the same venue
- Cooking done with high standards of hygiene.

## 5. Health, Diet, Hygiene, and Medical System

- Scientifically planned healthy and balanced diet.
- Water-purifiers in each residential block.
- Additional dietary supplements given to children as per their needs.
- 24-hour medical care by a team of 7 medical personnel.
- Parivaar Ambulances to meet any exigencies.
- Separate Medical File for each child to maintain continuous health and medical history

Let the poor, the illiterate, the ignorant, the afflicted—be your God. Know that service to these alone is the highest religion.

- Swami Vivekananda







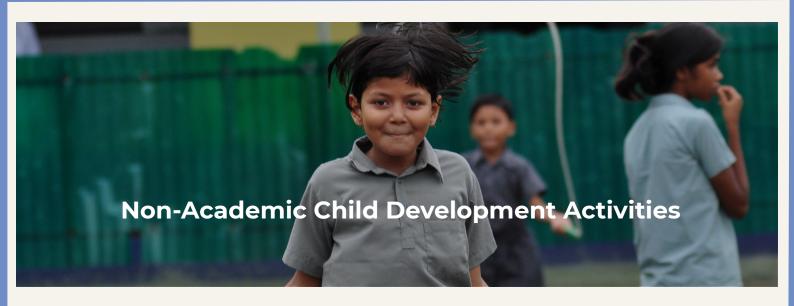












#### A. Sports and Recreation

- Participation of both elders and children in all facets of extra-academic activities.
- Regular competitive matches.
- Systematic practice and coaching.
- 2 basketball courts, Cricket Field, Football fields, Volleyball court etc.
- Parivaar organized Track and Field Competition.
- Children movies, inspirational and educational films shown on weekends

#### B. General Knowledge Development and Reading Habits.

- Television News, Documentaries, Newspaper, Periodicals ensures good level of General Knowledge.
- Extensive Library.

## **C. Educational Excursions to outside places**

Excursions are frequent and generally to places which provide not just entertainment but also have educational value. Visits to places like museums, art galleries, exhibitions, libraries, theatre, planetarium etc. are generally taken up.

#### D. Festival Celebrations

Celebrations like Holi, Diwali, Christmas, Id-ul-Fitar, Saraswati Puja, birthdays of important national figures and freedom-fighters are also observed every year along with national festivals like Independence Day and Republic Day. On all these occasions, talks and discourses are conducted in order to put forth the deeper meaning behind these occasions, so that these occasions can also become a medium of character-building and that festivals do not get reduced merely to fun and play. Talks on historical and inspiring themes happen frequently for all children.

#### **E. Literary and Cultural Events**

On Parivaar's Annual calendar there are several days of Cultural functions. Plays, Rabindra Sangeet, Rabindra Nritya, Recitations, Speech-making etc.

## **Salient Facts and Milestones**

- Over 98% of the children who are admitted at a very early age continue till Higher Secondary Schooling and a significant part subsequently get enrolled in employability programs and/or University Degree courses.
- Our Bengal Residential Institutions received India's highest recognition in the space of child welfare, becoming the 2011 Recipient of the National Award for Child Welfare.
- 15 batches of our children have passed Grade 10 Board Examination. 98% of them have done so in their first attempt despite being late starters in school education.
- 13 batches of our children have passed Grade 12 Board Examination. 97% of them have done so in their first attempt despite being late starters in school education.
- More than 500 boys and girls have got gainfully employed after their skilling/employability program and/or University Level Education.
- More than 35 of our boys and girls are also working with Parivaar after finishing their education and are being groomed for frontline leadership in future years.

## **Coding Excellence Program:**

This program was initiated in the month of June '25, after visits of Raspberry Pi Foundation's and Code Club India's (Implementing partner of Raspberry Pi Foundation) functionaries to our Bengal and Madhya Pradesh campuses, and discussions and deliberations afterwards. It began with trainings of about 10 Parivaar staff (both from Bengal and MP campuses). This training went for about 5 days.

The sessions covered the basics of coding platforms such as Scratch, HTML, CSS, and Python. Additionally, several coding projects available on the Raspberry Pi website were also completed by this cohort.

Following these sessions, it was decided to continue this learning through online training with the Code Club India team. The online sessions commenced on 10th July and are conducted every Thursday from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. During these sessions,

Parivaar team works on projects from the Raspberry Pi website under the guidance of trainers. This training will continue until March '26.

We are now entering the student engagement phase. The Code Club India team has sent baseline assessment questions for students which have been administered. Children's sessions have started from the week beginning 18th August 2025. Each student will get to attend one class every week.

## **Preparation for Competitive Examinations of Government Services**

We have initiated a new program which will open various avenues for the children for their future gainful employment. We had been engaging them in various vocational training programs after Grade 12 onwards which has been job oriented and over 500 children had been absorbed in various private sectors.

Adding to those efforts, we are also exploring and working towards the space of employment in Government sector. Most of the children at Parivaar come from tribal districts of West Bengal and are certified schedule tribe or schedule caste, thus they have considerable opportunities in the field of Government job.

The program started with all the 12th grade and onwards children who were interested in appearing for various competitive examinations. A priority area we have marked is that in Police and Defence forces.

We have engaged some experts in this field who took some sessions on the basic subjects initially and then conducted a test to understand their level and interest. The classroom training sessions are held on Sundays (6 to 8 hours). Close supervision and monitoring are done on an ongoing basis for the learning and preparation levels for these competitive examinations.

We have also engaged a group of people who specialise in Physical Training part for the Police and Defence Forces aspirants and they have scheduled their training sessions twice a week which amounts to 8 hours per week.

Once the children are examination-ready, they will start filling out recruitment applications as and when available. We are hopeful to bring out significant number of successful children from this organized training programs very soon.

This life is short, the vanities of the world are transient, but they alone live who live for others, the rest are more dead than alive.

- Swami Vivekananda

## **Employability Programs for Children**









Quite a few of our children who have academic potential and aptitude enroll for university level education. While many others, after passing 12th board examination enroll in vocational skill development training courses. These courses are conducted by reputed organisations like Bandhan Skill Development Centre, Tech Mahindra Vocational Training Centre, George Telegraph, Ramakrishna Mission and others. The courses related to customer relationship and sales; nursing and paramedical service, electronics maintenance, interior decoration, beautician and even small scale entrepreneurship etc.

Many of our boys and girls have got gainfully employed in hotels, hospitals, retail chains etc. after doing these courses.

## Field Initiatives in Tribal Areas in Bengal









Through rigorous field-work Parivaar has developed its field-network in hundreds of such villages in tribal areas of 24 Parganas (South) and 24 Parganas (North) district as well as far-off tribal areas in districts of West Medinipur, Jhargram, Bankura, Purulia, Birbhum in West Bengal and Purba Singbhum in Jharkhand. We have been able to develop this network through Jana-Sabhas (community meetings), engaging with the community, and winning their trust and confidence. We have admitted several hundreds of children through these areas and their guardians / relatives act as field volunteers and help us in expanding outreach and maintaining continuous relationship with these areas.

#### **Local Area Service Activities**









#### **Education Excellence Program for local area students:**

Parivaar is supporting the education of 100 students from the village areas surrounding our institutions. These students are provided books and other materials – often impossible for parents to buy – ensuring these children continue with their education.

#### Annadan Pariseva (Monthly Food Stock Scheme) for old and ailing villagers:

In the village areas surrounding our institutions, more than 250 elderly and destitute persons receive a stipulated quantity of rice, dal (lentils), oil and other essentials.

#### Sarada Nivedita Nirashrayi Bhojan Seva Prakalpa:

Daily Hot Cooked Meal Service for Mentally Retarded and Homeless Vagabonds – mostly women (Daily 25 such persons have lunch at Parivaar).

## Key Achievements and Developments in Parivaar in FY 24-25

## Great Strides in Parivaar-Hi5 Basketball Program

Basketball in Parivaar has become a primary sport for past 5 years where over 400 children are currently participating actively under rigorous and systematic coaching. We have a pool of players who can compete in tournaments of all age groups starting from Senior (around 19) to Junior Levels (under 12) for both Boys and Girls.

Hi5 Youth Foundation has been playing a very important role in the success of this whole Basketball Program. Currently we have 4 male residential coaches and 3 female residential coaches at Parivaar Bengal institutions. Similarly, there are 4 coaches (2 males and 2 females) at our Sandalpur campus. They are rigorously selecting the children at the base level and rigorously training for competitive performances.

The coaches take two sessions a day for all the children and also conduct special practice sessions during the tournaments.

In the past one-year Basketball Teams of Bengal have participated in several different school, district, state and national level tournaments all over the country in which both boys and girls teams have participated in various age groups.

The boys U-14 team became the champions out of 64 teams at Junior NBA Regional Tournament held in Bhubaneswar, in November '24. The Girls' team came third out of 64 teams. Amir Hembram, one of our boys, was selected as the 'Player of the Tournament'.

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#### **Our Basketball Stars**

#### **Amir Hembram**



15 years old, has been a standout player for the past two years. He won the Most Valuable Player of the Tournament in the Junior NBA tournament 2024 where teams from all over the country participated. After that his graph went upwards and was selected to represent the state at just 14 years of age.

16 years old, is also a very talented player who has fought his way through the ranks of school level tournaments and has been selected to represent the state level and national level tournaments by some scintillating performances in the tournaments he participated in. He has captained our team in the senior most category of School Level tournaments.

## **Prasenjit Soren**



#### Baishaki Mardi



Our resident girl, Baishaki Mardi has been a stand-out player among all the girls who have been selected multiple times to represent the state in Youth National tournaments. Baishakhi hails from a remote tribal village of Birbhum district in West Bengal and is just 15 years old.

## **Lalita Singh**



our resident girl has represented the state in Youth National Tournaments multiple times. She hails from a remote tribal village of Jharkhand.

#### **Moumita Sardar**



a girl hailing from the backward region of Sundarban in West Bengal, has been selected for state representation in 75th National Basketball Championship held in Ludhiana, Punjab. In the last one year, she had been featuring regularly in the tournaments organised by the West Bengal Basketball Association (WBBA) and splendid performances in these tournaments made the selectors to select her to represent West Bengal team.

## Namani Karmakar

was selected as the Best Player of the tournament in the Junior U-18 Women's League, where our Girls' Team were Champions. In this tournament Namani scored the most number of points among all the players and also displayed great skills to take her team to victory. Hailing from the remote tribal areas of Jhargram, she had been in Parivaar since 2016 and has been a part of the Basketball program from the beginning.



We are extremely hopeful that the graph of Parivaar's Basketball Program will remain on the upward trajectory for a long period of time and more talented players will come up the ranks and represent the country in several prestigious tournaments in the near future.





## **Remarkable Stories of Transformation**

### **Mamoni Singh**

a Parivaar resident girl hailing from interior tribal village of Jhargram district scored 93 percent in the ICSE Board exams. Her parents work as landless farm labour. Mamoni was enrolled in Parivaar Bengal residential campus in 2015. Due to her high potential in academics, we streamed her into English medium ICSE system in 2019 in Grade 6.

Even the disruption due to the pandemic which severely affected the academic progress of the underclass that is patently handicapped when it comes to all the technology advantages that the more privileged classes naturally enjoy, did not deter her in her academic progress.

She has received Dr B.R. Ambedakar Medha Puraskar, a prestigious award given at the district level at 24 Parganas (South) district, which happens to be the second most populous district in the country.

She is inclined towards studying commerce and economics and aims to become a Chartered Accountant. Parivaar will fully enable her in the pursuit of her dreams.



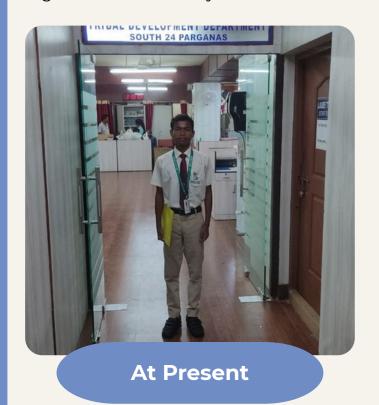


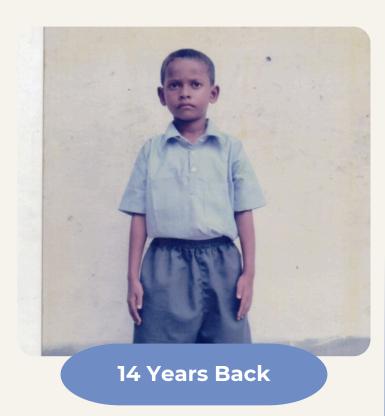
The earth's bravest and best will have to sacrifice themselves for the good of many, for the welfare of all.

- Swami Vivekananda

#### Sanjit Murmu

a Parivaar resident boy from interior tribal village from Jhargram district scored 85 percent in the ISC Board exams (12th Board) in the session 2024-25. He had lost his father at a very early age and his mother works as a landless farm labour. Sanjit was enrolled in Parivaar Bengal residential campus in 2011. Due to his high potential in academics, we streamed him into English medium ICSE system in 2018 in Grade 6.





## **Changing Destinies**

## **Prasenjit Sabar**



hailing from the remote village of Sakhabanga in Belpahari block of Jhargram district of West Bengal, was admitted in our Residential Institution at the age of 6. He is now serving the country in the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF). He is at present posted in Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra.

## **Kartik Roy**



lived in Parivaar and after school, was inducted in a Skill Development Program where he pursued Hospitality management. Starting from a junior rank he has climbed a few stairs and is now employed in a preeminent hotel in Kolkata, the Royal Bengal.

#### **Sona Biswas**



hailed from a village named Lachipur of Burdwan District, was an orphan girl and had been admitted to Parivaar in 2007. She went through the whole schooling and graduation at Parivaar. She was interested to pursue a course on Paramedical Studies and she did that along with her graduation. After completing her graduation in 2023 she did her internship at a major hospital of Kolkata – Sir Neel Ratan Sircar Hospital, working in the dialysis department. She is at present employed at Sanjeevani Hospital in Kolkata.

### Jaba Hembram



hailing from a tribal area in Birbhum district, passed her Higher Secondary examination in 2020 and and also GNM (General Nursing & Midwifery) Nursing Course at Siuri Sadar Hospital in Birbhum. She is currently serving in the same hospital.

#### Sukhi Soren



also hailing from a tribal area in Birbhum, passed her Higher Secondary examination in 2020 after which she pursued ANM (Auxiliary Nursing & Midwifery) course which gave her the opportunity to be placed as a qualified nurse at Ramkrishna Mission Matri Bhavan in Kolkata.

There are a large number of such cases who after spending their childhood have come of age and are now on their own, confidently carrying on with their lives.

#### **Our Tabla Wizards**







43 of our Parivaar Bengal children (19 boys and 24 girls) have successfully qualified in Tabla examination under the aegis of the Prachin Kala Kendra Chandigarh. All of them have secured first division marks. Out of them two boys completed their degree equivalent to graduation in Tabla and the rest are all coming up the ranks.

#### Parivaar Boys shine in Kolkata Half-Marathon







Kolkata Police had organised the 5th Kolkata Police SDSL (Safe Drive Save Life) Half Marathon on 9th Feb '25 in under 3 categories: 21 km, 10 km & 5 km. 9 of our boys participated (3 in 10 km category and 6 in 5 km category.) Sukal Tudu and Raja Murmu finished within first 10 participants in 10km and our Chandan Das finished on 4th position in 5km.

In the 5 km category, there were around 60 thousand participants while in the 10 km category there were around 30 thousand participants.

#### **Eight-Day Mega Athletic Meet at Parivaar Bengal**



















We had our 8-Day Mega Annual Athletic Meet at Parivaar Bengal Campus in December-end of 2024 where almost 2100 resident children and 225 Sevavratees participated.

There were nearly 200 events which included Sprints, Cycle Races, Relay Races, Long Jump, High Jump, Throws, etc. As is the norm at Parivaar, events were designed in such a way that all the children and Sevavratees could participate according to their age. Events were segregated according to age-groups of children, from age of 5 till 18 plus. Multiple heat rounds were conducted to select the participants for Finals in each event.

The event started everyday from around 9 am almost till the time light faded away.

The event was inaugurated in a grand fashion starting with our Parivaar Band performing a March, followed by parading drills and dance performed by the children, and then the 'Mashaal' was lit and taken around the ground by our Sevavratees.

The victorious ones in every event proudly stood on the victory stand and were presented with medals. The Ending Ceremony was also made eventful with some drills, dance, and a Mashaal run by the children. As the sun went down the western sky on the last day of the year, we marked the end of this Mega Athletic Meet 2024.

#### The Ananda Utsav 2025













We organized Ananda Utsav in March 2025. We had more than 75 working models of Languages, History, Geography, Physical Science, Mathematics, Life Science and Computers and an exhibition of art and craft works. We had a large number of participants from 7 schools including Parivaar's Amar Bharat Vidyapeeth.

The judges, guests and participants were taken to the exhibition halls where they interacted and inspected all the exhibits and presenters. Our key members of Parivaar Bengal guided them to visit the exhibition halls.

The winners were awarded with trophy decided by a jury and certificate and all the participants were also awarded with participation certificates.

## Parivaar Bengal-Different Moods





















































Madhya Pradesh



Chhattisgarh



**Jharkhand** 

## **Seva Kutirs**

In the year 2016 Parivaar began to expand to a new geography of Madhya Pradesh and since then it has set up 985 Seva Kutirs (Nutritional and Educational Centres) for children in selected impoverished tribal pockets in 21 districts of Madhya Pradesh and one district each of Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand, called 'Sri Ramakrishna Vivekananda Seva Kutir'.

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They are in districts of Sheopur, Chhindwara, Betul, Dindori, Khandwa, Dewas, Sehore, Anuppur, Mandla, Shivpuri, Sidhi, Ratlam, Harda, Vidisha, Jhabua, Barwani, Alirajpur, Balaghat, Singrauli, Seoni and Khargone in Madhya Pradesh, Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi in Chhattisgarh, and East Singhbhum in Jharkhand.

At these Kutirs more than 65 thousand children are receiving strong supplementary education and life-skills.

S.No.	State	District	Total Kutirs	Study Center	Shiksha Kutir	SevaKutir
1	M.P	Dewas	45	22	23	0
2	M.P	Sehore	40	24	11	5
3	M.P	Mandla	30	3	27	0
4	M.P	Sheopur	142	1	72	69
5	M.P	Chhindwara	100	33	67	0
6	M.P	Khandwa	53	7	31	15
7	M.P	Vidisha	8	1	7	0
8	M.P	Dindori	60	32	28	0
9	M.P	Anuppur	74	74	0	0
10	M.P	Betul	80	12	50	18
11	M.P	Sidhi	45	37	8	0
12	M.P	Ratlam	19	19	0	0
13	M.P	Harda	38	28	10	0
14	M.P	Shivpuri	28	0	28	0
15	M.P	Jhabua	30	0	30	0
16	M.P	Barwani	47	14	33	0
17	M.P	Alirajpur	39	9	30	0
18	C.G	Gaurela- Pendra- Marwahi	30	30	0	0
19	M.P	Balaghat	30	30	0	0
20	J.H	East Singhbhum	15	15	0	0
21	M.P	Singrauli	25	25	0	0
22	M.P	Seoni	2	2	0	0
23	M.P	Khargone	5	5	0	0
			985	423	455	107

# There are three categories of Seva Kutirs:

#### 1. Full Service Seva Kutirs:

In this format, along with two shifts of education and overall development, a morning breakfast and full evening dinner (roti, sabji, dal, rice) are given.

#### 2. Shiksha Kutirs:

In this format, along with two shifts of education and overall development, in both the shifts nutritious snacks are given.

## 3. Study Centres:

This comprises two shifts of education and overall development along with nutritional snacks in one shift.

We are endeavouring to set up 1000 such centres by December '25, serving at least 75,000 children in some of the most impoverished tribal pockets of the state.









#### The Problem

While the enrolment rate in government schools across the country in the age-group of 6 to 14 has increased to more than 97%, the learning outcomes in the specially deprived tribal pockets which are marked by first-generation learners have remained dismal as shown by many reports like the ASER (Annual Status of Education Report). Moreover, with government schools running for not more than 200 days, there is need for supplementing spaces for ensuring better learning, socialization, development of world-view, and civic virtues coupled with value education, to the children as they grow up.

The reason for selecting tribal pockets of Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand is that here the problems of undernourishment and dismal learning levels among children from impoverished tribal communities are very acute. This is well established by various government and non-government reports.

The Government of India's National Family Health Survey-5 (conducted in 2019-21, available at <a href="https://mohfw.gov.in/sites/default/files/NFHS-5\_Phase-II\_0.pdf">https://mohfw.gov.in/sites/default/files/NFHS-5\_Phase-II\_0.pdf</a>) showed dismal health conditions in Madhya Pradesh.

### Some such indicators are highlighted below:

- Madhya Pradesh has an Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) of 41.3 per 1000 live births. Overall India's IMR is 35.2%.
- The under-5 Mortality Rate of Madhya Pradesh is 49.2 against the national average of 41.9.
- Madhya Pradesh has the 3rd highest number of anemic children in India. Anemia in MP is highest among tribals, the chief reason being poor diet.
- Only 29.3% of women have 10 or more years of schooling against the national average of 41%.

As far as education is concerned, the ASER 2022 Report underscores very low learning levels in rural Madhya Pradesh. Even within rural Madhya Pradesh, the areas where we have Seva Kutirs are at the bottom in terms of education and also other developmental parameters. Some of the key statistics showing indicators that raise great concern are:

Sacrifice in the past has been the Law, it will be, alas, for ages to come.

- Only 35.6 % of Grade V students in rural Madhya Pradesh can read a Grade II-level Hindi text.
- 28.8 % of Grade II students cannot even read letters in Hindi.
- In Mathematics, only 19.1% of Grade V students can perform 'division' operations.
- Only 32.4% of children in Grade V can recognize numbers between 11-99.
- Only 13.8% of children in Grade V can read easy sentences in English.

(Source: Annual Status of Education Report (ASER), 2022, conducted by Pratham, available at <a href="https://asercentre.org/aser-2022/">https://asercentre.org/aser-2022/</a>).

### An Overview of the Seva Kutir Field Areas

The villages where we have opened Kutirs are inhabited by tribal communities, who are impoverished and at the bottom on almost all the socio-economic and education indicators. The areas are mostly hilly and have considerable forest cover, and land which is not very suitable for agriculture. Many areas there are marked by severe water scarcity. They are engaged in subsistence farming and daily wage labour and their annual family income ranges between Rs 30 to 60 thousand. They are also dependent upon the forests in myriad ways, and collect firewood for their own consumption, but also fruits, seeds, leaves etc, selling much of it to local contractors. For instance, tendu leaves which are used for making bidis (cheap indigenous cigarettes) are collected by them. Similarly, mahua, chironji and other similar items are collected and sold.

As far as meals are concerned, there is no concept of breakfast (as understood by more privileged sections in the society) in these communities. If anyone, be it a child or an adult, is hungry, he / she would eat previous night's stale rotis with black tea (as milk is not available) or just the rotis itself. Milk and milk products like curd, ghee etc, are mostly unavailable. They do not have the capacity to rear cattle (especially cows and buffaloes) because of lack of grazable pastures.

A general meal would consist of rotis (of wheat, jwar, bajra etc). Apart from rotis, pulses and vegetables are not available often. One thing to note is that any meal would consist of only roti with either pulses or vegetables or at many times, or when both these are not available, chutney of chillies is used or the rotis are taken with fried onions. For vegetables in the rainy season, the communities depend on the forest and use certain naturally growing plants or shrubs (that do not require tending) as vegetables. The diet lacks protein, vitamins and minerals. Anaemia is rampant and there are some cases of sickle cell anemia as well, which is a deadly disease.

As far as education is concerned, children from tribal communities face a lot of hardships in accessing good quality education. Though there are primary schools in most villages, middle schools and high / higher secondary schools are only available in larger villages often located at a considerable distance. This leads to drop-outs or low attendance. The fact that an overwhelming percentage of children in these communities are first-generation learners makes their educational journey even more daunting. It is no surprise that the learning outcomes, as highlighted by various reports such as ASER report, are far behind the desired levels.

# Some distinguishing features of the districts where the Seva Kutirs have been set up are given below in brief:

## **Sheopur and Shivpuri Districts**

The main tribal community in these districts is Sehariya community which is classified as a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG). They have one of the lowest life expectancies in the entire country, and undernourishment among children is the worst in the whole of Madhya Pradesh.

We started Seva Kutirs in Sheopur district in July 2019 and in Shivpuri district in December 2021.

### **Dindori and Anuppur Districts**

The main tribal communities in these districts are the Baigas and Gonds. The Baigas also belong to the category of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG). Baigas have been traditionally dependent upon the forests and they distinguish themselves from Gonds whom they call 'Kisans' meaning farmers. They do not engage in settled cultivation and traditionally used to practice shifting cultivation by slash and burn technique called 'Bewar'. They have special knowledge of the medicinal values of herbs and other forest produce. Their simple houses are made up of mud. Early marriage is very common amongst them.

We started Seva Kutirs in Dindori district in March 2021 and in Anuppur district in July 2021.

# **Barwani and Alirajpur Districts**

The main tribal community in these two districs is Bhil. Alirajpur district has about 87% population from Bhil tribal community and the rural side is completely having tribal population. It has a literacy rate of 37% which is the lowest among all 700 or so districts in the country. The female literacy rate is even worse.

Barwani district also has similar conditions. We have started Kutirs in a particularly poverty stricken area of this district, called Shoolpani Jhadi. Difficult in access, this has Bhil tribes who are also spread over some bordering districts of Gujarat (Chhota Udaipur, Dahod, Rajpipla), Maharashtra (Nandurbar) and Rajasthan (Banswara).

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We started Kutirs in Barwani in January 2024 and in Alirajpur in July 2024.

#### **Chhindwara District**

The main tribal communities in this district are the Gonds and Bharias. Bharias also come under the 'Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group' (PVTG). The interior tribal villages suffer from a hilly terrain posing a great obstacle to access towards various basic amenities. The areas of Tamia and Harrai blocks are marked by undernourishment of children, poor learning outcomes, and very low family incomes.

We started Seva Kutirs here in August 2019.

#### **Betul and Khandwa Districts**

The main tribal communities in these two districts are Gond and Korku. Our Kutirs serve vast interior areas of these districts which have forest covers and hilly terrain, making accessibility a major issue.

We started Seva Kutirs in Khandwa in October 2020 and in Betul in August 2021.

We started Seva Kutirs in Dindori district in March 2021 and in Anuppur district in July 2021.

#### **Mandla District**

The main tribal communities in this district are Gond and Baiga, the latter being a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group.

We started our first Kutir here in April 2018.

#### **Sehore District**

Sehore district, though neighboring the state capital of Bhopal has many interior tribal villages that have conditions similar to those that exist in other tribal areas in Madhya Pradesh. The main tribes inhabiting these villages are Bhil, Bhilala, Gond, and Korku.

We started Seva Kutirs in this district in February 2018.

#### **Dewas District**

Dewas town is an industrial town and is near to Indore. However, the district has some pockets of interior tribal villages quite far from the town and often in jungles, where tribal

communities live and are generally impoverished. The main tribal communities in these villages are the Bhil, Bhilala, Gond and Korku.

We started our first Seva Kutir in this district in April 2017.

#### **Jhabua and Ratlam Districts**

The main tribal community in these districts is Bhil.

We started Seva Kutirs in Jhabua in August 2022 and in Ratlam in October 2021.

## **Sidhi and Singrauli Districts**

The main tribal communities in the Kutir villages in these two districts are Gond and Baigas, the latter being a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG). Kusmi block of Sidhi district where we have our Kutirs is particularly impoverished and a part of it comes under the Sanjay National Park.

In Singrauli district, we have Kutirs in Chitrangi Block.

We started Kutirs in Sidhi district in October 2021 and in Singrauli district in March 2025.

#### **Harda District**

The main tribal communities in the Kutir villages are Gond and Korkus.

We started Seva Kutirs in this district in November 2021.

#### **Vidisha District**

The Kutirs are mainly opened in villages where the Sehariya tribal community lives, which is a Particulary Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG).

We started Seva Kutirs in this district in October 2020.

# **Balaghat District**

The main tribal communities are Baigas, a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG) and Gonds. The villages in blocks of Paraswada, Birsa, and Baihar here are extremely impoverished.

We started Seva Kutirs in this district in October 2024.

#### **Seoni District**

The main tribal communities are Gond. We started Seva Kutirs in this district in September 2025.

#### **Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi District**

This is a district in Chhattisgarh bordering Madhya Pradesh. The main tribal communities in these villages are Baiga (PVTG), Gond, and Agariya.

We started Seva Kutirs in this district in August 2024.

## **East Singhbhum District**

This is a district in Jharkhand. The main tribal communities in these villages are Santhal, Bhumij and Munda.

We started Seva Kutirs in this district in December 2024.





















# **Seva Kutirs: Salient Design Features**

The Kutirs combine two key themes most crucial for children in interior rural areas in the country – undernourishment and education.

# 1. Village Community Provided Venue:

The village community has to invite us and offer a venue free. Usually, it is somebody's house, Panchayat building, community hall, school in its non-functioning hours, or even a shed/godown. Thus we do not incur any infrastructure costs for this.

## 2. Morning and Evening Shifts:

All Kutirs follow a 2-shift engagement with the children (from morning 7 to 10:30 and from 4 to 6:30).

In the morning shift breakfast, with seasonal fruits and milk is given, and either dinner (roti, sabzi, rice, and dal) or snacks is served in the evening shift.

During daytime, the children are sent to the local Government school so that a continued engagement is established with them. The Seva Kutirs are aimed at complementing government schooling and not act as a substitute. But it has much more emphasis and inputs both nutritionally as well as educationally.

#### 3. Local Human Resources:

To the extent possible we engage all local workforce (cooks, helpers are from the same village) and teachers from the same or nearby area.

# 4. Supervision Structure:

The Kutirs in the same area are organised under one cluster which are supervised by a Cluster Coordinator. A district has a couple of District Anchors. Some districts like Sheopur which have a large number of Kutirs are divided into zones and have a zonal anchor.

#### 5. Central Resource Team:

Resource persons experienced in pedagogy, teacher training, and curriculum design ensure planning and uniform implementation across Kutirs. They also perform a continuous Impact Assessment of Kutirs to encourage constant improvement of the programs. Sports, Value Education, and Civic Virtues are also components of the Kutirs.

## 6. Community 'buy-in' in the Program:

The program also involves Panchayats, ASHA and Anganwadi functionaries, and non Government bodies like Self Help Groups (SHGs) / community-based groups.

- Mobilizing action to get the benefit of government schemes: We continuously try to
  enlist all children and their families in various government schemes like Ayushman
  Bharat etc. There have been no insignificant number of children who have not had even
  basic documents like Adhar Card etc. which we help in getting furnished.
- Emphasis on Local Supply: To the extent possible, we are procuring vegetables, milk etc from local suppliers. We are encouraging the low-resource village communities to produce whatever is necessary for the Seva Kutirs locally.

## **Seva Kutirs: Execution**

# **Opening a New Kutir:**

Before opening a new Kutir, our District Leadership visits the village and conducts a village community meeting and meets Panchayat and local government functionaries. Once this is done, the Panchayat sends a letter, inviting the Parivaar team to set up the Kutir. The village community has to invite us and offer a venue free. Usually it is somebody's house (often a newly built cottage under the PM Awas Yojana), Panchayat building, community hall, school in its non-functioning hours, or even a shed / godown. Thus we do not incur any infrastructure costs for this.

A survey is conducted to register all children who are in the age group of 3 to 14. Typically, there are 40 to 120 registered children in every Kutir, as the size of the villages has a considerable degree of variance.

Following this, the set-up material is sent to the village and the Kutir begins functioning.

## **Manpower Deployment:**

All the Kutirs have been classified as per clusters. Each cluster roughly has 6 to 7 Kutirs and is supervised by a Cluster Coordinator (CC). The children are usually divided into 3 groups for ease of learning – Lower Primary (Pre-Primary to Grade 2); Primary (Grades 3 to 5), and Upper Primary (Grades 6 to 8). There are usually 2 to 3 teachers. However, this sometimes vary based on number of attending children and availability of teachers.

In Kutirs where meals are served, there are cooks and helpers too.

# **Educational Program at Seva Kutirs**

## **Design, Approach and Implementation:**

#### 1. Curriculum:

Children between the ages of 3 and 14 years attend Seva Kutirs. Since the aim of the project is to enhance the learning outcomes of children and make them grade-ready, a baseline test is conducted to understand their present learning levels. On this basis, they are categorized into what we call Pre-Primary, Primary, and Upper Primary groups which correspond to students generally between ages 3-6, 6-10, and 10-14 years respectively. Once these three groups are formed, a year-long curriculum and syllabus are designed for each group, considering their present learning levels, and their textbooks. This mainly focuses on languages and Mathematics and also includes subjects such as social sciences and sciences

## 2. Regular Trainings and Handholding of the Teachers:

As our teachers are from the same or nearby villages and have gone through the same educational backgrounds, their capacities need to be developed. We have appointed Education Coordinators, who are experts in education. They regularly train the teachers as well as handhold them on a regular basis. The cluster coordinators visit the Kutirs daily and handhold teachers there. Apart from this, several online and offline trainings are also provided by experts from partner organizations.

#### 3. Educational Assessment:

We try to plan internal educational assessments at a regular interval of 6-8 months at most of our Seva Kutirs. As this happened to be a mass assessment, it is done on simple Pratham's ASER Tool which tests basic language and arithmetic skills. The cluster coordinators along with the help of Kutir teachers do this assessment. The data is captured as discussed below:

#### a. First Level:

Baseline and Endline Assessment at Kutir by teachers/cluster coordinators

#### b. Second Level:

Compilation and analysis of data for a particular cluster by Cluster Coordinator

#### c. Third Level:

Compilation and analysis of data from all the clusters at district level by District & Education Coordinators

## 4. Educating Children and their Families on Basic Hygiene Practices:

We ensure that the basic hygiene practices such as washing hands, taking a bath daily, brushing teeth, maintaining cleanliness in and around their houses etc are learnt by children in Seva Kutirs. Through regular community meetings, we try to ensure that these hygiene practices are also followed by students in their homes and their parents also follow these practices.

#### 5. Games and other Co-Curricular Activities:

Children at Seva Kutirs have various opportunities for their all-round development. Sports, Value Education, and Civic Virtues are also components of the Seva Kutirs. The children daily do prayers, yoga and exercises in the morning and get time to play in the evening. Some indoor and outdoor games, sports items like Ludo, Carrom, Badminton, Handball, etc are also provided at the Seva Kutirs. Bal Sabha is organized every week at our Kutirs where children express their thoughts, creativity, and skills by drawing, singing, dancing, acting, etc. Apart from these, special days like Vivekanand Jayanti, Republic Day, Children's Day etc are also celebrated with great joy at Seva Kutirs.

We have taken support of a number of entities in ensuring high effectiveness of this program. Some such entities are:

## 1. Nucleus Software Foundation (NSF)

## a. Regular Training:

Nucleus Software Foundation (www.nucleussoftware.com) is helping Parivaar by providing regular training by subject experts to Kutir teachers, cluster coordinators, and education anchors for foundational literacy in Maths and English. Subject Experts from NSF provide physical training to the education coordinators every quarter and monthly online training to the teachers, cluster coordinators, and education coordinators.

#### **b. Workbooks for Students:**

NSF has also provided workbooks for students of around 800 Kutirs across 21 districts.

### c. Saat Seedhi Program:

English expert from the NSF team has developed and shared with us a mobile application that helps teachers and other coordinators track students' activity and learning stages for the English language in a single place. Saat Seedhi (सात-सीढ़ी) is a comprehensive foundational English program that has 7 stages of learning basic concepts of English. The app allows teachers to add students' data to it, mark their progress, and manage data easily. This platform lets the cluster and district coordinators monitor the progress of students at different levels as well as identify teachers' performance through it.

#### d. Continuous Assessment:

1. Maths: The children up to grade 5 are provided with personal workbooks as per their learning levels. A worksheet is divided into different topics and these topics are further divided into sub-topics. Pre and Post Tests are planned for each topic in Maths.

A child has to go through a test before starting a new topic (Pre-Test) and has to again solve a test after the topic has been taught by the teacher and practiced by the child (Post-Test).

2. English: The children up to grade 5 are provided with personal learning books and workbooks as per their learning levels. The children practice through these books and their progress is marked on the Saat Seedhi App.

There is also an assessment of Seva Kutir teachers. The Education Coordinators conduct the tests and upload the marks on the Saat Seedhi app.

## 2. Naraindas Morbai Budhrani Trust:

## **Value Education Program:**

NMBT's (www.nmbtmumbai.org) Value Education Program is designed to inculcate good citizenship values among the students along with the core academic teachings. Its Value Education module has 15 lessons to be taught to the students through stories and interesting activities. This is being taught to the students of Primary and Upper Primary groups on a weekly basis. Trainers from the Trust visit at regular intervals to facilitate training sessions for teachers in these districts.

#### 3. Self Reliant India

Self Reliant India (SRI, www.srindia.org) shares its expertise with Parivaar to help the Seva Kutir children get admission to the special government residential schools - the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs), Eklavya Vidyalayas etc. Seva Kutir teachers and education coordinators of Parivaar are trained to prepare the children in class-5th for the Selection Tests for these schools. These teachers and education coordinators receive online as well as offline training based on the curriculum and module created by SRI. Notes and other study materials are provided to the child and periodic tests are organized. SRI has also developed an app where the scores of regular tests are updated then the progress is analysed for better output.

#### 4. TIFO

We have collaborated with TIFO which is supporting Parivaar's leadership team in strengthening and streamlining the education function of Seva Kutir project. The focus is on creating a framework to simplify the data, developing a uniform assessment mechanism and a focused approach towards internal capacity building. A well-defined process has been developed to create an internal team of Key Resource Persons (KRPs).

# 5. Ek Kadam Aage Foundation

We have collaborated with Ek Kadam Aage Foundation to enhance Mathematical proficiency for class 4th and 5th non-remedial students and provide a comprehensive Hindi language curriculum for pre-class to class 5 at our Seva Kutirs. The phase-wise rollout of the program will cater to the foundational and advanced learning needs of students from pre-class to class 5th. A few copies of the books related to the program are also provided at all the targeted Seva Kutirs.













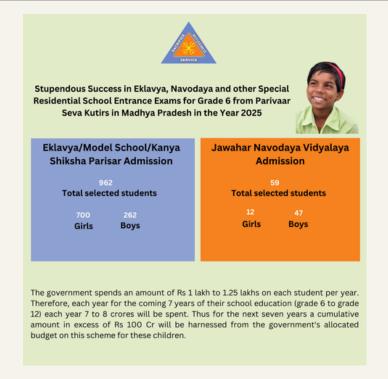
# **Impact and Achievement**

# 1. Parivaar Seva Kutir Children's Selection into Special Residential Schools in Class 6

A total of 1,025 children from our Seva Kutirs have been selected for Eklavya, Kanya Shiksha Parisars and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas. 1018 children have been selected at Grade 6 level and 7 in Grade 9.

#### A year-wise comparison for Grade 6 selections is given below.

Parivaar Seva Kutir Children's Selection into Special Residential Schools in Class-6									
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School Category	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV)	12	3	15	38	9	47	47	12	59
Madhya Pradesh Special Residential Schools	93	166	259	250	532	782	262	700	962
Total	105	169	274	288	541	829	254	767	1021



# Selection into Eklavya and Special Residential Schools

We have been continuously working on the vertical integration of the Seva Kutir Program. Apart from admitting Seva Kutir students to our own residential institutions, we also try to get Seva Kutir children admitted to Government residential Institutions. Awareness and special attention in the form of extra classes or additional syllabus is paid to the students who are eligible to get admitted to these schools.

The details of such schools and data of the selected students to these are given below:

## 1. Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS)

Eklavyas are the residential schools set up by Govt of India to impart quality education to Scheduled Tribe children in remote areas. The schools are set up at block level and cater to students from class VI to XII. The admissions to these schools are made through an entrance test in class VI. These schools follow syllabus either of CBSE or State Education Boards. There are 63 functional Eklavya Schools in Madhya Pradesh.

In the examination conducted in 2025, 393 children, including 223 girls have managed to be selected in EMRS.

## 2. Kanya Shiksha Parisar (KSP)

Kanya Shiksha Parisars are the residential schools set up by Government of India for girls from Scheduled Tribes. The schools are set up at block levels and cater to students from class VI to XII. The admissions to these schools are made through an entrance test in class VI and in class IX for vacant seats. These schools follow syllabus either of CBSE or State Education Boards. There are 82 KSPs in Madhya Pradesh.

In the examination conducted in 2025, 532 girls have managed to get enrolled in KSP's.

# 3. Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV)

Navodaya Vidyalayas are residential and Co-Ed schools run by Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, an autonomous organization under MoE, India. These schools provide education to the children of rural areas regardless of their social status.

The schools are set up at district levels and cater to students from class VI to XII. The admissions to these schools are made through an entrance test in class VI, entrance test in class IX for vacant seats and based on merit in class X for class XI.

In the examination conducted in 2025, a total of 57 students, including 11 girls and 45 Boys from Parivaar Seva Kutirs have been enrolled in these JNVs for the session 2025-26.

Other groups in our Seva Kutirs which are undergoing bridging and remedial learning to reach age and grade- appropriate competence are also showing encouraging results as demonstrated by the following data points:

26,800 children promoted to higher levels in English program between April'24 and March'25.

The percentage of children requiring remedial program in Mathematics during FY 2024-25 reduced to 46% from 63% in FY 2023-24.

The efficacy of bridging and remedial learning intervention creates the platform for continued success in higher grades, minimal drop out after Grade 8, and selection into Special Residential Schools through successfully competing in their entrance examination.

# Parivaar launches Seva Kutirs in Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand

We have started 30 Seva Kutirs in tribal pockets in the district of Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi in Chhattisgarh in FY 24-25. This district borders our existing work area in Anuppur (where the origin of Narmada, Amarkantak is located) district in Madhya Pradesh.

We have also started 15 Seva Kutirs in highly impoverished tribal villages of East Singhbhum district of Jharkhand in FY 24-25. At present this is overseen by our Bengal Field Leadership.

# Tobacco De-Addiction Effort among Young Children

While the problem of tobacco consumption among adults and even teenagers is commonly prevalent in most areas of MP, it came as a shock to us to find children as young as 5 years old (both girls and boys) addicted to tobacco consumption (they call it *pudiya*) in villages of Karahal block of Sheopur district. In some villages nearly half of the children above 5 years were taking tobacco. It would be worthwhile to point out here that the Karahal block is among the worst areas in the entire Madhya Pradesh in terms of general deprivation and poverty and also one of the worst areas in the entire country when it comes to child malnourishment and other health and education indicators.

As soon as we found out the problem of rampant tobacco consumption among children, our District team started taking sessions with children and their parents to sensitize them about the disastrous effects of this addiction. We found out that in most cases, parents knew about this and were just careless about it. However, our efforts during the last few years have started yielding good results. Most of the young children (5 to 10 years bracket) in the villages have left the habit, though we haven't had full success with the older children (10-16) yet, though a good percentage of them are leaving the habit.

The problem, though to a much lesser extent also exists in other districts where our Kutirs are located, and we are also making efforts there in this direction.

Some of the important components of the de-addiction initiative are listed below:

- 1. Listing of all such children who are addicted to tobacco or alcohol consumption.
- 2. 10 minutes session in all Seva Kutirs by the teachers on the ill-effects of tobacco addiction at a regular frequency.



















So long as the millions live in hunger and ignorance, I hold every person a traitor who, having been educated at their expense pays not the least heed to them.

- Swami Vivekananda



Our residential institutions in Madhya Pradesh follow almost the same Standard Operating Procedures as of our Bengal institutions, which have been already described at some length in that section.

# 1. Parivaar Swami Vivekananda Sevashram, Village - Sandalpur, District Dewas

This free residential campus is spread over an area of 17 acres. There are 1074 resident children (744 boys and 330 girls) in this campus at present studying in Grades 6 to 11. The school 'Bhagini Nivedita Vidyapeeth' is affiliated to the MP Education Board and has started from the Academic Session 2021-22. These children are from highly impoverished tribal communities from 9 districts of MP – Dewas, Sehore, Khandwa, Harda, Betul, Vidisha, Alirajpur, Barwani and Sheopur. This will be scaled to more than 2000 children in the next 3 years.



# 2. Swami Vivekananda Vidyapeeth, Village -Amla Noabad, District Sehore

This campus has started functioning from July 2022. There are around 348 children from highly impoverished tribal communities of 8 districts in MP – Harda, Khandwa, Betul, Vidisha, Alirajpur, Barwani, Sheopur, and Shivpuri.



## 3. Hostels in Mandla Town for Girls and Boys

We are running two hostels – Parivaar Bhagini Nivedita Sadan (for girls) and Parivaar Swami Vivekananda Vidyarthi Sadan (for boys) for children from impoverished tribal families of several villages in Mandla district. The hostels are in Mandla town, and the children are enrolled in the Government Schools in the town. There are around 171 children (104 Girls and 67 Boys), studying in Grades 9 to 12 and at university level.



# Striking Results in the First High School batch in Madhya Pradesh Residential Institution







The residential institutions in Madhya Pradesh have also started yielding results that have even surpassed our expectations.

The entire first batch of 126 children for the State-level High School Board Examination (Grade 10) from our Sandalpur residential institution (District Dewas, Madhya Pradesh) have not just passed but 108 of them have secured first division. 20 children have secured more than 80 percent marks and 7 are above 85 percent marks. The highest is 88 percent marks.

Out of the whole batch, 18 children have got between 53 and 60 percent marks and no one is below 53 percent marks.

The pass result for the entire state has been around 76 percent which includes all schools (government / private) and in rural areas as well as towns and cities.

Also, while admitting the children into our residential institutions, we follow the concept which goes against the prevalent notion of merit.

These children who till Grade 5 were from our Seva Kutir villages are those who could not get selected in Special Residential Schools like Jawahar Navodaya, Eklavya, Kanya Shiksha Parisar, Model Schools. The children we admit into our Residential Schools are the ones who could not get selected at such places.

# Basketball Program at Sandalpur Residential Campus, MP







After the tremendous success of our Basketball program in our West Bengal institutions, we along with Hi5 Youth Foundation have set up a brand new court at our Sandalpur residential campus in MP. A total of 225 children are selected for Basketball Practice with 4 dedicated on campus coaches (3 for boys and 1 for girls) and one more will be added in near future. The Sandalpur Basketball team also participated in Intra Hi5 Regional Tournament for Under-14 Category placed in Mumbai in the summer of 2025. Additionally students from Sandalpur Campus were also selected in the School Games Federation of India Tournament, which is scheduled to be held in September 2025 in Mandsaur and Ujjain. In the tournament in Under-14 Category- 6 boys and 7 girls are selected. In the Under 17 Category- 6 boys and 5 girls are selected for the Tournament and in the Under 19 Category, 4 boys and 11 girls are selected.

With the new court, dedicated coaches and promising participation in the tournament, our Basketball team in Sandalpur is off to a great start. We are confident that our students will continue to develop their skills and make us proud in future competitions.

I will tell you in plain language that you work best when you work for others.

- Swami Vivekananda



#### 1. 24\*7 Free Ambulance Services



Parivaar has developed very strong grassroot presence, winning trust of communities and creating a large and committed team in these areas, through its work in Seva Kutirs. We have seen that these communities suffer from various problems, and have therefore started some health initiatives to address these issues. These are:

Starting from 12th June 2021, we have launched 94 24\*7 Ambulance services across 23 districts in Madhya Pradesh. These are serving tribal pockets of these districts, which are highly underserved areas.

The government is highly appreciative of this valuable service which is lacking in these areas. There are only a few government ambulances covering a tehsil/block, which spans more than 1000 sq.km. Because of this, people face huge difficulties in accessing hospitals when they get sick and need treatment.

The number of ambulances that we have decided to run in various districts depends on present govt. ambulance services in these areas, accessibility problems and our field and manpower strength across the villages.

# District-wise list of Ambulances already deployed is given below:

S.No	District	No. of Ambulances
1	Alirajpur	9
2	Dhar	9
3	Barwani	8
4	Jhabua	8
5	Sheopur	7
6	Dindori	6
7	Betul	6
8	Mandla	5
9	Chhindwara	4
10	Ratlam	4
11	Khargone	4
12	Seoni	3
13	Shivpuri	3
14	Shahdol	3
15	Balaghat	3
16	Anuppur	2
17	Harda	2
18	Khandwa	2
19	Sidhi	2
20	Dewas	1
21	Umaria	1
22	Narmadapuram	1
23	Vidisha	1
	Total	94

These Ambulances have served more than 3.41 lakh persons since the inception of the project in June 2021.

#### The ambulances are used in two ways:

- On-call service: whenever we receive information from the patients' families or from a hospital for any urgent need such as cases of accident, deliveries or serious illness the ambulance reaches their place which is often an interior village and takes the patient to the hospital. The hospitals are government hospitals at the Block level or District Headquarters, or even the nearest big city if the case requires that.
- Cases referred to by our Mobile Clinic: We run mobile clinics also, where we take doctors to the interior villages for health checkups and treatment. They refer patients with chronic illnesses and other serious patients to the District Hospital or the nearest big city hospital. The ambulance takes all these patients to the referred hospital.

On a daily basis, on an average, one ambulance runs in the range of 100-150 kms, depending on the need and serves 2-3 patients.

## **Operations**

Parivaar is running these ambulances on a 24\*7 basis. The District team coordinates with the local government hospitals (PHCs and CHCs) and spreads the information about these ambulances across these hospitals, ASHA / Anganwaadi / Panchayat officials, and the village communities. Each district has a phone number, which is pasted on the Ambulance and also circulated to the local health and other panchayat officials. The call is first made on this phone number, and then it is routed to the ambulance deployed in that particular area.

The functioning of the ambulances is closely monitored by the District Anchors in coordination with the Central team and along with other field supervisors. Google sheets are maintained for the ambulances, which record all the relevant data including the cases served, details of illness, kilometres run daily etc. Periodic checking by calling the patients and asking village community is also done by our supervisory staff.

## In FY 2024-25, we served 73,026 persons through our Ambulance services.





























## 2. Vision Restoration Program (Shravan Kumar Prakalpa)



In the poor, rural areas in Madhya Pradesh, where we work, the problem of cataract and other eye ailments is very common, especially for the elderly. Due to poverty and difficulties in accessing good hospitals, most of them remain untreated and gradually lose their eyesight. It's a tragedy that despite being a simply curable illness, cataract causes loss of eyesight for millions of persons in India.

To address this problem, we have collaborated with two highly reputed eye hospitals (of the same Trust) in Madhya Pradesh for this project, which is aimed at restoring the vision of poor villagers, especially the elderly. The eye hospitals are Shri Sadguru Seva Sangh Trust Eye Hospital, Anandpur, District Vidisha, and Shri Sadguru Seva Sangh Trust Eye Hospital, Chitrakoot.

# There are two main components of this Activity:

• Community Outreach Camps: We facilitate organizing eye camps by these hospitals in our Seva Kutir areas. Our team surveys an area of around 10 to 15 villages, spreads information through loudspeakers, pamphlets etc across these villages about the eye camps. On the day of the camp, patients from these villages come to attend the camp and get treated. We also actively take many patients in our vehicles from their homes to the camps. This is needed because many of them do not have means to travel, or for some other reasons, are not able to come to the camp by themselves. At the camp, patients are checked, given free medicines and glasses.

Those patients who require surgery are selected for sending them to the Hospital in a bus in the next few days.

Patients' Visits to Hospital: We take the persons identified for eye surgeries over a 3-4 days visit and stay to these hospitals for surgeries. While the hospital bears the surgery costs through government sponsorship, as well as staying and food costs, we bear the travelling costs. Our staff mobilizes the patients, take them to the hospital and handhold them during the visits and stay till they return to their homes.

We have named this as Parivaar Shravan Kumar Prakalpa basing its ideal and deriving its inspiration from Shravan Kumar who was epitome of service for his blind parents.

For Rs 1800, 9 patients are examined, served with medication and spectacles (in cases needed) and one eye surgery done.

## **Summary of the Work Done So Far**

This project was started in June 2021. The key details of the work done from June 2021 to August 2025 are given below. On an average, we have been holding 4 to 5 camps every day since the beginning of the program.

Number of Districts Covered	39
Number of Camps Held	6,947
Number of Persons examined, given medication, & glasses	719,147
Number of Surgeries	79,671

## **Summary of the Work Done during FY 2024-25**

Number of Districts Covered	19
Number of Camps Held	1,733
Number of Persons examined, given medication, & glasses	119,320
Number of Surgeries	13,281













#### 3. Free Mobile Medical Clinics



Our experience of working in remote and poor tribal villages in Madhya Pradesh has highlighted the dismal conditions of people suffering with various diseases or disabilities. Due to poverty, lack of access to good hospitals and doctors, they suffer from the sickness without getting the desired treatment. Therefore, we have started full day mobile clinic service in the villages. We employ a qualified doctor who visits 4-5 villages daily and examines around 100-150 patients. Free medicines are also provided to the patients. Those patients who are referred to Block or District Level Hospitals, because of serious illness, are also taken to these hospitals for treatment by Parivaar.

This project was started in June, 2021 and since then Parivaar has provided free medical care to more than 20 Lac people. In a fortnightly cycle, at present, we are serving 2,398 tribal villages in 21 districts through 46 such MMCs. At the present rate, these clinics are cumulatively serving 6 thousand patients everyday.

The per person cost is about Rs 64, which includes fuel cost, manpower costs, medical consultation and medicines.

All narrowness, all contraction, all selfishness is simply slow suicide.

- Swami Vivekananda

S.No	District	No. of Clinics	Villages Covered
1	Barwani	5	262
2	Alirajpur	4	200
3	Betul	3	105
4	Dhar	3	163
5	Sheopur	3	175
6	Chhindwara	2	106
7	Dindori	3	160
8	Mandla	2	100
9	Jhabua	3	167
10	Harda	2	104
11	Khargone	2	115
12	Khandwa	2	110
13	Shahdol	2	110
14	Anuppur	2	101
15	Balaghat	1	50
16	Sidhi	1	50
17	Ratlam	2	110
18	Burhanpur	1	50
19	Umaria	1	50
20	Shivpuri	1	55
21	Seoni	1	55
	Total	46	2398

In FY 2024-25, we served 5,36,615 persons through our Mobile Medical Clinics.

























# **Rolling out New Programs**

#### **Parivaar's Enablement Mission**

Goal: Empowering impoverished tribal communities by facilitating access to Government Welfare Schemes.

For long, we felt that having done the heavy lifting task of reaching and having permanently stationed personnel and contact-persons that we have in thousands of remote tribal villages (often difficult to access) through our programs like Seva Kutirs, Mobile Medical Clinics, Ambulance Services, and Vision Restoration Outreach Programs, we should leverage this for ensuring the population in these communities do receive all the benefits through various State and Central Government Schemes that are in place for them.

In the beginning stage we have been continuously conducting comprehensive surveys to collect data through direct people contact in large numbers from remote tribal villages in Madhya Pradesh for a range of key social security and welfare schemes.

At present we are focusing on enlisting people in the following key schemes, though our efforts are not limited to these only:

- Bal Ashirwad Yojana (Child Welfare Scheme)
- Disabled Pension Scheme
- Widow Pension Scheme
- Old Age Pension Scheme
- Ayushman Bharat Yojana (Health Insurance Scheme)
- Ration Card / BPL Card
- Antyodaya Card (Food Security for the Poorest)
- Ladli Laxmi Yojana (Scheme for Girls' Welfare)





Often we have to begin by providing assistance to people in these communities in getting necessary documents without which they cannot avail of any benefits. Our dedicated grassroots Sevavratees help in receiving in hand - which itself can often be quite time-consuming and entailing multiple rounds to government offices - key personal documents like Aadhaar Card, Birth Certificate, Voter IDs, Domicile Certificates, Caste Certificate, Income Certificate etc, ensuring they can successfully apply for and receive the benefits they are entitled to.

It might appear surprising but we have come across not an insignificant number of people who do not have even these documents that one assumes everyone in the country has.

In the last two months we have started this program in the following 4 districts in Madhya Pradesh, where dedicated resource persons (Enablement Mission Anchors) have been appointed to execute this program, under the supervision and guidance of the our District Leadership team and who use our vast 'on the ground' network to achieve these ends.

- (i) Sheopur among Sahariya tribal community, which is categorised as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group and among the most impoverished communities in the whole country.
- (ii) Alirajpur the least literate district of the entire country, with literacy rate of 37 %)
- (iii) Barwani an extremely impoverished district with significant tribal population and also categorised as an 'Aspirational District'
- (iv) Khandwa (which has the block called 'Khalwa' which has been quite infamous as far as malnourishment is concerned.) It is also categorised as an 'Aspirational District'.

Thus through this program we are endearing to improve the quality of life of people from highly impoverished communities by ensuring they can get benefits of the entitlement framework and social schemes of the Welfare State that the Government and their Indian citizenship quarantees.

# **Anaemia Mitigation Program**







Anaemia is a significant public health challenge not only in Madhya Pradesh but in India as well. According to the 5th National Family Health Survey 2019-21, Madhya Pradesh is among the worst performing states with regard to anaemia prevalence among children. The spread and severity of this critical health problem has also been borne out by our own long field experience in some of the remotest and most impoverished communities in the state.

Towards this, we have launched our Anaemia Mitigation Program in partnership with Shrimad Rajchandra Sarvamangal Trust (SRST) of Gujarat.

This initiative aims to combat anaemia among the impoverished tribal communities in the 25 Districts of Madhya Pradesh where we are running our Seva Kutir and Mobile Medical Clinics Project. The project has a goal of screening at least 100,000 children and women and providing suitable medication and nutritional supplements (along with our ongoing nutritional program for children in Seva Kutirs).

Parivaar will conduct large-scale anaemia screenings and distribute Albendazole(for deworming) and iron and folic acid tablets / syrups to those in need (whose haemoglobin count is less than 11) – tablet, syrups and drops across 25 districts of Madhya Pradesh. The screenings are planned in the Government schools and other community venues. The children enrolled in the Seva Kutirs and local Government Schools will be examined in these screening sessions.

This partnership combines SRST's financial support and resources, including access to mobile application for data management, Albendazole medicine and consumables required for Haemoglobin screening, as well as screening devices along with strips and lancet.

With Parivaar's extensive on-the-ground network, we are in a position to reach vast numbers in more than 2100 villages which our Seva Kutirs and Mobile Medical Clinics serve.

This program will allow us to accurately determine the anaemic status of children and women in these communities and ensure redressal of this problem.

#### Work Done So Far:

- As of now the SRS Trust has provided training to our ground staff and relevant individuals from the central team about the use of Screening Kit in the month of February '25.
- The SRS Trust has already dispatched 10 thousand kits for the Pilot program, with 5,000 Kits each in Sheopur and Shivpuri District.

- Parivaar has already secured permission from the District Education Officer and Chief
   Medical Officer of Sheopur and Shivpuri districts to start the project on Pilot basis.
- The government schools will be used as the venue for screening

We are endeavouring to start screening by the middle of September '25. Following the pilot, we will expand the program to other districts in Madhya Pradesh where we have significant grassroots presence.

# Solar-Power based Safe Drinking Water Supply System for Tribal Households of Villages in Barwani District of Madhya Pradesh







Parivaar has collaborated with NM Sadguru Water and Development Foundation (NMSWDF) to tackle the severe water scarcity problem faced by tribal communities in the Shoolpani Jhadi area in Barwani district of Madhya Pradesh. There are many villages that do not have access to water and children are exposed to the harsh reality of spending a major part of their days fetching water for their daily chores instead of attending and learning in school. Parents are forced to send their children to fetch water, leading to markedly low attendance in schools. We also became aware of the same while running our Seva Kutirs in the Shoolpani Jhadi region in Barwani district which is known for its highly difficult terrain and extreme poverty.

## The Approach and Execution Plan:

On pilot basis, the Solar-Based Safe Drinking Water Supply System Project will target two hamlets of Kherwani Village, in the Pati Block of Barwani District, Madhya Pradesh.

The scope of work includes conducting technical feasibility assessments, installing the solar-based systems, and engaging with the community to establish a local management system to ensure the long-term functionality and ownership of the infrastructure.

Need assessment and community meeting in Kherwani village has been conducted. People from the community have agreed to provide land for building a tank in the village.

The work on the drawing board has been done and now are endeavouring to start the work on the ground after the monsoon.

Solar-powered water supply systems will be installed and community members will be trained in operations, maintenance and sustainability of the infrastructure. Thus there will be significant 'buy-in' of the local community in this program. We will install two systems, one in each hamlet, through which we can provide them with water at their houses.

Leveraging NMSWDF's extensive expertise in integrated natural resource management and rural development, the project will provide access to water to these marginalised communities with much greater ease than before.

Through this partnership, the project is actively moving forward to create a lasting positive impact on how the community carries on with their lives.

### Some Awards and Special Recognitions in FY 24-25

- The Founder Shri Vinayak Lohani was conferred with Padma Shri by Hon. President of India.
- Mahaveer International Award 2024 in the category of Medicine was conferred on Parivaar. (This award is instituted by Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation and it was presented to Parivaar by the Union Minister of Youth and Employment.)
- Parivaar received the first position in Bengal Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Social leadership Awards, 2024.
- Parivaar receives the Eastern India Leadership Award 2024 for 'Outstanding Contribution in the field of Education.'
- G D Shah Memorial Award for Excellence in the field of Education, 2024 given by Bharat Chamber Of Commerce presented by Hon. Union Minister for Coal & Mines.





























#### **Governance and Other Information**

### **Information on Governing Body Members**

The information on Governing Body Members as on 31st March 2025 is provided in the beginning of the Report.

# Governing Body members who are related to one another by blood or marriage:

None

## **Number of Governing Body Meetings held in FY 2024-25**

Three Governing Body meetings were held during in FY 2024-25, on 12th July 2024, 14th December 2024 and 25th January 2025. The requirement of quorum was met in all the three meetings.

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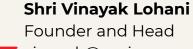
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Parivaar is a registered charity in India and all contributions fall under the Income Tax Exemptions Section 80(G) of the Income Tax Act.

Cheque can also be made out and sent to:

Parivaar Education Society Bonogram, Bakhrahat Road P.O. Raspunja Kolkata-700104

Please include our phone number, 033 24954118, and include an address for tax exemption purposes.

### **Bank Transfer**

	Bengal	MP	FCRA
Bank Name	STATE BANK OF INDIA	IDFC FIRST BANK	STATE BANK OF INDIA
Branch Name	IIM JOKA BRANCH	Khategaon Madhya Pradesh	NEW DELHI MAIN BRANCH
Account No.	34701878249	10217583899	40105797906
Name of Account	Parivaar Education Society	Parivaar Education Society	Parivaar Education Society
MICR Number	700002130		110002087
Current/Savings	Current	Savings	Saving
IFSC Code	SBIN0006210	IDFB0041171	SBIN0000691
SWIFT Code	SBININBB645		SBININBB104
Branch Code	6210	41171	

- Please email us as soon as you have made a remittance through a funds transfer
- Parivaar has a valid FCRA license granted by the Ministry of Home Affairs,
   New Delhi. We can accept donations in any currency from any country. These donations must be credited into our FCRA a/c:

## **In United States**

One can contribute to Friends of Parivaar Inc, Tax ID 47-1323851, a 501(c)(3) public charity that exists solely to support Parivaar Education Society, India. Being a 501(c)(3) charity, your charitable contributions to Friends of Parivaar are Tax Exempt

Payment by cheque

Make cheque payable to: Friends of Parivaar Inc Mail cheque to:

Lalit Kumar ATTN:Friends of Parivaar 1421 Meadow Ln, Mountain View, CA94040



















































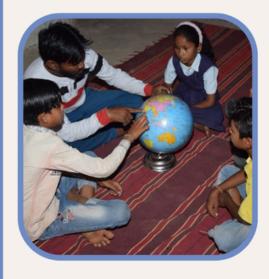






















"Awake, awake, great ones! The world is burning with misery. Can you sleep?"

Swami Vivekananda



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