

### **SEWA SANDESH**

#### Namaskar,

With the end of monsoon season the natural calamities struck India. Delhi, despite all the efforts from government suffered the most. The incessant downpour has made the level of Yamuna rise significantly. The situation is so dire that many are still living on the roads losing their house and whatever little they owned. Although, we have tried to assuage the situation but it will take long term planning to mitigate the impact of this disaster.

On the other hand, C20 had come to an end in Jaipur wherein 700 participants from 40+ countries joined with the idea of one earth, one family, one future. Sewa International has always believed in Vasudhaiv kutumbkam: the world is one family. It is our this belief that has compelled us to be on the ground in case of a calamity or otherwise. Our volunteers like Ankita served in the villages of Uttarakhand by taking inspiration from Vasudhaiv Kutumbkam. Ethos, on which an organisation works will always be the driving force to serve mankind. We are fortunate to have served mankind for over three decades and we will continue to do so in future.

Dhanyawaad! Editor's note (Sewa International)

#### **Civil 20 India Summit**



The Civil 20 India 2023 activities come to an end with the Valedictory Ceremony held at Jaipur bringing together 700+ participants from 40+ countries for invigorating discussions on global issues.

Under the leadership of Institutional Secretary Shri Shyam Parande, the Sewa International team delivered thought-provoking policy recommendations. These recommendations were the result of extensive consultations with civil society organisations and policymakers worldwide.

### C20: Global challenges and Young leaders



In a captivating round table conference held in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, Shyam Parande, the global coordinator of Sewa International and a prominent member of the C20 advisory board had the opportunity to connect with extraordinary young industrialists, entrepreneurs, and professionals. It was an exceptional gathering that sparked stories and ignited insightful conversations, leaving everyone inspired and motivated.

# Aarogyam in faraway places

Tambi Rung Reang, a 29-year-old woman from a North Tripura village, worked as a farmer after completing her studies. Despite enduring the harsh sun and intense physical labor, Tambi ignored her discomforting vaginal infection to focus on her responsibilities.

After two days, the Sewa International Mobile Medical Unit arrived in her village. Tambi decided to get herself checked. Sadly, she was diagnosed with a gynecological condition. However, with good medical consultation her health has improved. She is grateful to Sewa International MMU team for relieving her from the pain.







# Ankita: An indelible mark

Every individual have their own story, and the significance of these stories cannot be underestimated, especially when working in the social sector. Social organisations also have their own narratives, centred around the activities and initiatives of the organisation as well as the individuals within it, who actively contribute to societal well-being.

When Sewa International initiated Sewa Aarogyam in the hills of Uttarakhand, who could have imagined ten years ago that they would help create social workers like Ankita Rawat? This story goes beyond Ankita alone; it encompasses the tale of Sewa Arogyam itself. Our medical van provides healthcare services to rural communities in the villages, bringing medical facilities closer to the people. Several social workers, like Ankita Rawat, have joined this project to raise awareness about health in society.

Read the full article: <a href="https://bit.ly/30glw1N">https://bit.ly/30glw1N</a>

### WASH hai toh SWASTHYA hai!

We are proud to introduce our new initiative WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene). Through extensive surveys, we've identified key areas for intervention to bring about positive change in various government schools.

WASH aims to provide safe water, and basic toilets, and promote good hygiene practices among young children. By ensuring access to clean water and proper sanitation facilities, we are not only granting them a healthier life but also empowering them to attend school regularly with confidence!





### Serving humanity in Yamuna floods



Rising Yamuna River Floods: Sewa International's Heroic Efforts to Rescue & Support the Displaced In this heart-wrenching situation of rising Yamuna River water levels, our thoughts are with the countless individuals uprooted from their homes, battling with limited access to food and water. Sewa International's team rescued stranded people and animals in the flood-affected areas of the Yamuna River. As part of the relief activity, the Sewa International team distributed essential items like food and water to those in need.

Watch Video: https://bit.ly/3YnLqFa

#### **Innovation in Beekeeping**

Nitin's curiosity and love for wildlife led him to join the beekeeping project conducted by Sewa International. One fine day, he stumbled upon a swarm of wild bees on a tree, and got a brilliant idea! Through his training, he learnt that normal beekeeping boxes couldn't attract wild bees as they prefer to settle in more natural homes.

So, he crafted a unique bee box using locally sourced bamboo. His bamboo bee box was designed to mimic the hollows of trees found in the forest, which are the favoured nesting spots of wild bees.

Days after he placed the bee box, slowly and steadily a swarm of wild bees nested! We hope to see some more wild bees in the coming days.



## Sunglasses for Salt Farmers

Salt farming is no easy task, salt farmers spend long hours labouring in direct sunlight. The intense glare caused by the reflection of the sun's rays from the salt crystals can lead to potential eye problems.

In order to raise awareness among salt farmers, we distributed 180 polarised sunglasses in Patan and Surendranagar districts of Gujarat. These sunglasses will act as a shield, protecting their eyes from harmful rays, but they also enhance their overall safety and well-being.

Let's raise awareness and stand by those who bring us the essential salt we enjoy every day.

