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SEWA SANDESH

Namaskar,

Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh have suffered a lot in this monsoon. The loss of lives and property has drastically impacted the people. From now on, the road to recovery will be a rough one. People who are spared from the wrath of nature, still remember the horrors they have endured. Our small effort of putting up relief camps in Himachal Pradesh has given them some hope.

Our team has also visited the affected families of the Balasore accident. It is through these visits we realise how much pain these families are going through after losing their loved ones. A small donation, a counselling session, and a helping hand are all they need at this hour. Although this is not going to bring their loved ones back, it is enough to restore their faith in humanity.

We pray that we reach wherever people are in distress, wherever there is a cry for help, and wherever we can add a difference to someone's life!

Dhanyawaad !

Editor's note
(Sewa International)

Himalayan Saga: Hope Amidst Disaster



15 camps

1400+ patients served

“Our plans to reach Shimla were stalled. We were stuck in Mandi. There was 96 hours of continuous downpour. After spending 5 days in Mandi amidst the chaos, the situation started to get better if not normal. We camped and consulted patients, distributed medicines, and educated people about some preventive measures.

Our next stop was Shimla. We were informed that the roads had been damaged and the weather was too unfavourable to travel. We were disappointed but things were beyond our control.

What if we couldn't make it? What if we lost our teammates? What if in order to save others, we lose this mobile medical unit? Every thought crossed our mind. We were so afraid that as soon as the thought of going to Shimla arose, we countered it with another thought. Until...

Until someone from our team decided that there was no point staying behind. He reminded us to think about how many might be waiting for us. What was the point of coming that far if we had to come that far?

Suddenly everyone was ready. We put every thought aside that was crippling us and were ready to face the fate. On the way, there was a moment when our mobile health vehicle's front tyre dangled on the edge of the road. That was it! But god was on our side that day. Rains, thunder, broken roads, every odd was against us but we didn't let go of hope and hope triumphed when we reached Shimla.”



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Dr. Raj Shekhar
Mobile Health Vehicle
Sewa International

Meeting the affected families of the Balasore accident

In the wake of the tragic Balasore train accident in Odisha, the Sewa International team reached out to the families of the deceased. We personally met affected families who have endured unimaginable pain after the devastating train collision. Our thoughts and prayers are with those who have lost their loved ones.



Women empowerment through Skill Development

Women empowerment has always been Sewa Mahila Jyoti for us. Understanding the needs of the community from the point of view of women to develop their skills and bring a sustainable change in society, Sewa Mahila Jyoti has been running successfully in Uttarakhand.

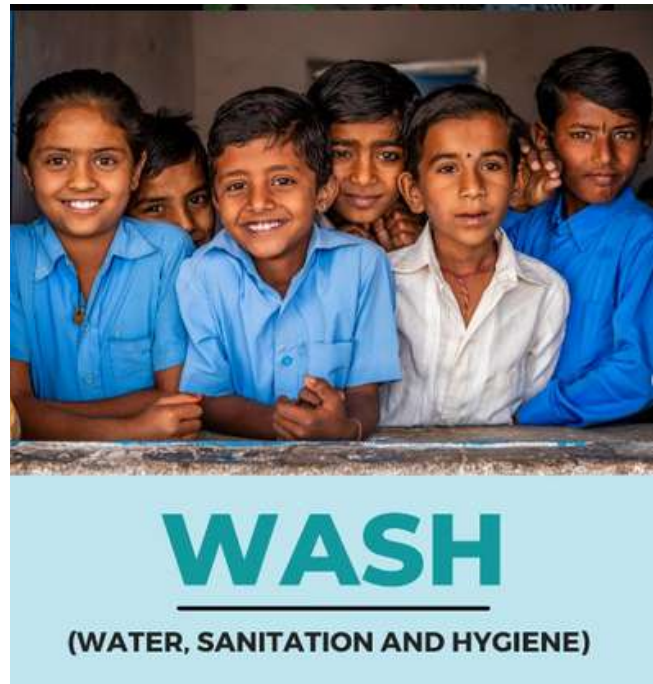
Once again, we begin women's entrepreneurship development with a vision to improve the lives of the underserved.



Ensuring Healthier Future for Children through WASH

According to a recent report by the World Health Organization, a staggering 1 in 5 healthcare facilities lack basic water services, impacting 1.7 billion people worldwide.

Through WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene), we at Sewa International in partnership with Oracle aim to ensure that healthcare facilities reach every corner of India. Ensuring access to good water services provides children with a healthier start in life.



Unsung heroes whose art speak volumes



In the vibrant tapestry of India's artistic landscape, one cannot ignore the sheer magnitude of talent and creativity that exists within its borders. Countless arts and artists thrive in this rich cultural milieu, their works fetching staggering sums at auctions and galleries worldwide.

Yet amidst this whirlwind of success, there exist unsung heroes who often remain invisible. These invisible artisans embody true magic-makers through their artistry and ingenuity. These extraordinary individuals forge a path towards dignity for themselves, an empowering journey where art becomes a catalyst for change.

Training on Entrepreneurship and digital tools

In India, women have shouldered the weight of family expectations, marriage, and motherhood. Despite these challenges, only a few manage to sustain their careers while juggling these responsibilities. Their ability to multitask is often underestimated, as they selflessly contribute to their surroundings.

We at Sewa International vow to uplift the grassroots women through indigenous craftwork which is today a vital source of employment in rural India.

A heartfelt thanks to Oracle for their throughout support. With their constant support, we have successfully completed entrepreneurship training for 90+ women in Gujarat.



Skill development in Maharashtra

Papad, the age-old traditional snack of India, has made its way to becoming a symbol of women's entrepreneurship. From learning the art of papad-making to training in oil extraction and spice production, women entrepreneurs in Maharashtra are now challenging the business world.

Sewa International has provided access to quality machinery, raw materials, and expert guidance, which is not only spicing up food but also creating sustainable employment and empowering women in India! Let's all raise a toast to the women who can beat anyone in their great Indian kitchen and in the world of commerce!

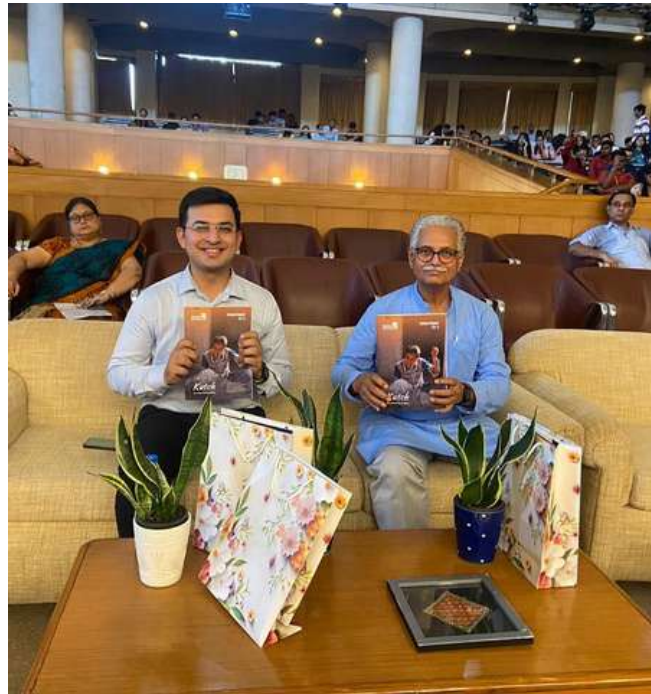


Youth Conclave: Celebrating 25 Glorious Years

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Sewa Mela: A platter of masterpieces

From clothing fashion to home decor, the list is endless. Letting Generation Z add a pop of colour to their wardrobe or homes, this Sewa Mela was the perfect way to experience the beauty of India's diversity.

Here's a glimpse of the thriving festivities where Generation Z meet the art and the artisans! The Sewa Mela was a perfect display of windows for indigenous handicrafts ranging from bamboo crafts, Gujarati bohemian style bags and clothes to mouthwatering ethnic snacks that all tell the story of diversity in India.

