

Annual Progress Report

2020-2021



Chief Functionary's Statements

I am extremely Pleased to present our annual report for the year 2020-2021. This report will give you a glimpse of our major programmes and activities conducted in this year. This year was very challenging for all the human being As COVID-19 impacted widely and hampered the lives of the benefactrices. The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted the lives of adolescents and young people, worsening their prospects for social and economic advancement. The adverse impacts on education, employment, physical and mental health, and wellbeing of populations are unfolding rapidly and in an unpredictable manner. During the year We admire that Urgent action is necessary to mitigate the severe and long-lasting impacts from the pandemic and secure the future of young adults. In the eastern Uttar Pradesh the situation was worst because of having a large population which is hand to mouth. The Urban Lockdown had totally hampered their lives. People were told to stay indoors, but for many daily-wage earners this was not an option. Millions of other daily-wage earners were in a similar situation. they were facing no prospect of income. Adolescent girls and women typically experienced challenges in accessing sexual and reproductive health care (SRH) services throughout the year.

There was a challenging number of marginalized people where they had pressure to feed five people every day. There was also a challenging number of the Community people were not covered in any government flagship scheme .The fear of Hunger was increasing in the community so there was immediate need of support to these families.The Medical support and assistance crisis during the pandemic situation was broadly reflected. Instances of child sexual abuse have been increased amidst COVID-19 due to the associated lockdown measures. The number of reported rape cases has increased as have the counselling requests for girls under the age of 18 who have been sexually exploited, mainly by family members. Victims often display feelings of depression, trauma, fear and anxiety. Under the above Circumstances. GVS was committed to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 through various intervention and efforts. We experience proud to note that our team has delivered their best in the concerned period in various relief activities. This year Organization has started an Intervention on realization of MGNREGA to mitigate the impact of financial backwardness. I pay my condolence for those families who lost their loving one.

I pay my sincere gratitude and thanks to our General Body Members, Executive Board, resource providers, collaborators, partners, and well-wishers for providing us their valuable assistance and support. I am sure; with their continued support we would be able to address the concerns of social development. Last but not the least; I would like to thank each and Every member of GVS family without whose support, we could not have made any progress towards achieving our goal.

About Grameen Vikas Sansthan

Name of the organization	Grameen Vikas Sansthan
Establishment date(Date of formation)	17-07-1989
Registered under (Society, Trusts, company act)	Society,
Registered address of the organization	Village and Post-Hathini ,District-Mau,Uttar Pradesh 275102
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Genesis

Grameen Vikas sansthan is a non-profit, non-governmental civil society organization, which believes in participatory approaches and practices participatory methodologies for empowering the socially excluded and Deprived community. GVS established by a group of young and dynamic citizens .In GVS We focus on mobilizing the community, educating them and sharing right information which would give them an advantage in their social economic and political live and liberate them from all injustice, vulnerability and marginalization. Vision- A society free from all type of deprivation, injustice and discrimination. Mission- strengthening the capacities of the target community through organizing, educating & capacity building in a manner that ,they will be able to address the issues related to deprivation, injustice and discrimination by their own in sustainable manner.

Key Strategies-

- Empowering the community through people participation by developing community based organization (CBOs) of women the major beneficiaries as well as the agent of social change.
- Capacity building & Sensitization of the deprived & Socially Excluded community on different development issues.
 - Promoting Gender equality at all levels. Target Group -The target groups of G.V.S. are the poor, deprived and marginalized sections of the population with primary focus on women and children, the most exploited section.

Thematic Area

Grameen Vikas sansthan has covered the following thematic areas in their Intervention,

- Community Health and care WASH & Nutrition
- Gender and Governance

- Poverty Alleviation, Sustainable Livelihoods
- Strengthening Local Self Governance

Our target Groups

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women and adolescents from Dalit and most marginalized communities. • Women & Children affected by AIDS. • Illiterate women from Rural areas. • Equine owners. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adolescent (both girls & boys) from the Dalit and most deprived sections. • School Going Youths. • Children whose rights are denied. • Female sex workers.
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Sr, No	Thematic Vertical	Name of the Program	Donor name	Geography	Focussed area
1	Gender Governance &	Adolescents Rights and Empowerment Program	Breakthrough	75 Gram Panchayts of Mau district and 90 Gram panchayats of Ghazipur District.	Education Early Marriage Violence against women
2		Our Girls-Our Pride Program	Azim Premji Philosophy Initiative (APPI)		
3	Sustainable Livelihood	Daksh- Telecom Sector Skill development		200 Gram Panchayat of Ghazipur and Mau	Vocational Skill development Making Swawlamban
4		USHA Swawlamban School			
5	Mitigation of Impact of Pandemic -Relief and Rehabilitation			75 Gram Panchayats of Mau	COVID-19 Rehabilitation and relief

Gender and Governance

(Catalysing the Leadership of Girls from Marginalized Section to transform the power to realize the Rights and Entitlements)



Adolescents Rights and Empowerment Program

A joint initiative of Breakthrough and Grameen Vikas Sansthan to changing the norms and transforming the lives of girls

Overall Summary of Progress

Adolescents rights and empowerment program is a joint initiative of Breakthrough and Grameen Vikas Sansthan in Ghazipur district. The Program is aimed to empower 22000 Adolescents girls and Boys to ensure the gender equity in health, education and skills in their homes and community, for self and others. The Program is mainly working on two major objectives

Major Objective Of the Program

- Decrease in incidence of early marriage and gender based violence among adolescents girls at physical, mental and sexual at family and society level
- Proportion of adolescent girls who avail and enjoy improved individual welfare in term of education, health care, employment.

Key highlights of the year.

Since this Program is being implemented in 80 Gram Panchayats of 3 Blocks of the Ghazipur district of Uttar Pradesh. The year was very challenging to mobilize the community and girls on adolescents girls issues because of COVID-19 Restrictions. Keeping girls in school has been recognised as an essential pathway to tackle early marriages. School closures coupled with the economic burden and uncertainty for poor and vulnerable households run the risk of reversing decades of improvements in this regard. Grameen Vikas Sansthan has been involved to deliver the project objectives among the girls in spite of COVID-19 Restrictions. Several virtual sessions have been organized to empower the girls in various circumstances which were generated because of COVID-19 Pandemic. These sessions are being organized in the community through formation of Kishori Groups. These Groups are vibrant and having enthusiasm to learn more and more. The sessions are very interactive and result orienting. The team change leaders -TCL from the each groups are identified and developed as local squad of the community and point person to reach at the each adolescents.

Correcting knowledge and behaviour patterns among both adolescent girls as well as the key decision-makers around them was also among the key intervention. The TKT sessions were effectively delivered among the kishori sanghs. Training of SHG and mobilization events organized by them has a visible impact through their follow-up on the issue of early marriage and drop-out from school. The training of Peer educators have also been conducted during the year. These peer educators were covered through their training on gender and other adolescents concerned issues. During the reporting period Meeting with the SHG leaders has well impacted the project objectives. Convergence meeting at the district level with different departments/officials have developed the supportive environment and good ideas about the AEP Program and they have showed their commitment to support the Program.

Implementation of Community and School Based SRHR/Life skills program through “Taron kiToli” Module

Adolescence is a vital stage of growth and development. It is a period of transition from childhood to adulthood. These are also years of risk taking, solving their own problems, taking decisions on crucial issues, peer pressures and coping with stress. Thus it is a turning point in one's life and a period of increased potential. There is a need to focus on physiological, emotional and socio-cultural dimensions of the adolescents. TKT sessions are based to address the above issues with the adolescents' girls. Taron Ki toli is a Life skill session module developed in the project to develop the life skills among the adolescents girls in the community. Community Based TKT module were delivered among the KishoriSangh during the year by the trainers . To disseminate the different aspects of Genders , AEP Project prioritized to focus on physiological, emotional and socio-cultural dimensions of the adolescents. The sessions in the project are towards the achieving the above objectives. The enthusiasm and interest of the adolescent in the community is increasing as soon as the sessions are being conducted.

AEP Project Ghazipur has organized **824** community level TKT sessions during the reporting Year. During the TKT session total **8730** adolescents have participated.

Our Girls-Our Pride Program



Our Girls -Our Pride program is being implementing in the 75 Gram Panchayats of Most backwards block of Ratanpura and Kopaganj In Mau District of Uttar Pradesh. The Project is aimed to address the adolescents cantered issue through empowering them in the shape of the strong groups and to build their capacity such a way that they could be able to address the issues and take the initiative towards adolescents rights and empowerment. The

Project is addressing the challenges with adolescents at all the 3 levels. as its well known that At home they face the problem of Compromised sexual and reproductive health, domestic violence, early marriage, Lack of mobility, and son preferring attitude by the family and community members. Behind these challenges the role of parents is very crucial. So the Project has formed the Adolescents Groups, The Project is organizing their capacity building sessions, Promotion of Inter-generation dialogue to enable the environment for the girls. To address the problems of poor infrastructure ,poor sexual education as well as low focus on health and hygiene , project is organizing the advocacy level events with the block and district level stakeholders. To ensure the girl's Agency the Project is focusing to ensure the girls mobility, through involving them in skill development initiatives to get rid of poverty and risk of exploitation and trafficking which is double burden on them.

Key Efforts Made during the Intervention

Promoting Adolescent Girls agency and mobility

Effort	Output
Regular One to one and one to group Interaction and BCC sessions with Adolescents	During the Reporting period 4552 one to one and one to group interaction have been made
Establishment and Running Adolescents friendly Centre in each Gram panchayats	Total 50 well established Adolescent Friendly Corners are in place and running smoothly
Promotion Sports among girls through women kabaddi each year through organizing an outdoor Kabaddi events	Girls of Formed groups have actively participated in the various games at district level moving from their villages to district headquarter. The organization of such sports festival has been very beneficial to connect the daughters of the families with the mainstream of the society and this has further strengthened the drive to further the daughters. More than 350 Girls have engaged actively in this event.
Training of 250 girls from old Leaders on Self Defence each year	Almost 256 Girls leaders participated with full vigor and zeal and took advantage of this training.
Training of 500 girls through conducting the counselling sessions on stress management and mental health.	counselling sessions on stress management and mental health have been successfully Organized
Establishment of Low cost Wall Library at Adolescents Friendly Corners in 50 GPs.	Our girls - our pride program formed a community based library at the village level for this purpose. There was a lot of active participation of the adolescent girls in the formation of the library, and various girls of the Kishori group, along with the entire team in their own village, joined the Low Cost Library. Total 50 Libraries have been established.

Promoting Adolescent girls to stay in School through enabling environment on Health and Education

Effort	Output
Annual Workshop with health and ICDS department	A very helpful Workshop with District officials was conducted. The Representatives from Child welfare committee, one stop Center, Department of Education, Health were present in the Workshop.
Celebration of International Day of Girls Child (IDG)	International Girl Child Day 2020 was entirely in the name of girls' enthusiasm and their readiness. They Shared their Stories of inspiring adolescent girls based on the positive social change, including gender equality, their leadership actions.
Distribution of sanitary napkin among Adolescent girls and promotion of Production at Local Level	The girls are now demanding the pads in their families. They are also discussing the various menstrual issues in their meetings. During the Distribution workshop the proper counseling was also done towards disposing the used pads. Total 4940 sanitary napkins have been distributed during the reporting period so far .
Identification and listing of school dropout Adolescent girls and explore the possibilities to link them with vocational trainings	The Girls fellows have played the remarkable role in such way that they have identified the such girls in the community and they are organizing regular behavior change communication is now making some good achievement. During the Reporting period total 240 girls have been identified who are struggling for their readmission. The Project is regularly making the efforts for this.
Promotion of kitchen garden among adolescents Girls	During the Reporting period 955 Girls have been covered through the Kitchen gardening. Various types of green vegetable seeds and plants have been distributed among the girls and they grew up in their kitchen garden . They are using these vegetables in their meals. This is also to express that these kitchen garden is owned by the girls in their home.

Delaying marriage and pregnancy & Increasing income generation Potential among Adolescent girls

Effort	Output
Vocational Skills development among selected Adolescent girls and their enrolment in existing institute and Training of Selected Adolescent girls on telecom and other vocational trades	During the Reporting Year project team has covered the 25 girls for skill development training. This will increase their income generation potentials. These girls have been covered conducting a proper counseling session with their parents were ensured.

Delaying marriage and pregnancy & Increasing income generation Potential among Adolescent girl

Effort	Output
Training on 125 girls on Violence Against Women-VAW each year	Total 137 Girls have been trained on the various form of violence. They are recognizing the various form on violence.
Facilitating intergenerational dialogues with SHG groups and Kishori Sanghas	The Project Mobilizers have Facilitated the inter generational dialogue among Kishori sangh, Nari sangh and Parents. The issue of the Reporting period was to ensure the girls mobility through organizing the outdoor sports, Educational needs and allowing the girls to join the coaching and Skill development classes. Total 3550 Participants have taken part in these dialogue so far in 130 Sessions.
Training of 250 Boys Leaders on the issue of gender and role of Youths in gender Equality each year	During the Training Gender equality was in focus and this issue was well disseminated among the participants. Boys Discussed and agreed on collaborative role. Understanding for equality of boy and girl in society. Made sense to encourage girls in every step by supporting girls.
Provision of Revolving fund to the 50 most poor parents of Girls to initiate their livelihood option	Total 49 most poor parents of Girls supported to initiate their livelihood option. They have opened the various enterprises.

Key Achievements

Girl's Action towards empowerment is a very encouraging experience for the Project

Our Girls our Pride program Communities emanating during the reporting period through Community Level stories in which meaningful initiatives undertaken by adolescent girls. Further strengthen this Kishori Empowerment Program organized by the Grameen Vikas Sansthan , the leader of the Kishori Group trained by the Organization has started advocating and taking initiatives on their current issues in their gram panchayat. It is a very pleasant and encouraging experience that these girls are going to their families, villages and blocks and raising them in their voice and working actively on their issues, not for themselves but by becoming a collective voice of adolescent girls so that in the community Changes have started to appear and the sense of acceptance in the society towards daughters has increased and people are accepting their existence, which is very encouraging for the project. The trained leaders are now playing the remarkable role in the community to sensitize the girls and mobilize the parents in terms of supporting to their girls.

Outdoor Sport among girls are setting the New Norms

Under the program Our Girls Our Pride, an effort has been made to refine their aspirations through outdoor sports. During the reporting period, selected girls from the intervened village in kabaddi games and various athletics events made the Girls mobility more powerful and supportive. By organizing a competition between them, the girls got an opportunity to expose from village to district level, which was very encouraging for them. Through the game, the freedom of the daughters to move out of the house within the community was further encouraged and they were asked to continue this campaign by the community influencers. Girls have welcomed this initiative during program and after the kabaddi program, the girls are very excited and in full rhythm. Initially, when the girls started playing kabaddi, the villagers ridiculed them and they got to listen to the comments, but as the enthusiasm of the girls increased, the comments of the people decreased and at one time it came that people of the community encouraged these girls, now that while the daughters have taken the initiative to raise and maintain their freedom issues within the society through sports, A positive and enabled environment has been developed.



Girls Fellows- New Generation of Community Activism

Fellows are working as Girls Role model in the Community and they are developing the another girls in such a way that ,they could have the same potentials. During the Intervention it was analyzed that Some of the leaders are

vibrant and need a further encouragement to lead their initiative and be a role model for the community girls. The fellowship intervention has started to minimize the vulnerability factors in the area through active involvement with the girls who are residing in a very uncomfortable environment. These fellows are from the 9 Different clusters. These fellows have achieved the certain milestone and have taken the innovative initiatives. They are playing the active role in the community through providing the correct information on age at marriage, Education, Girls related health issues, Girls mobility, Gender, nutrition and other girls related issues.



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Access of Reproductive rights since puberty during Pandemic Situation

Adolescent Health has been a focused intervention of the Project. The aim of the such intervention is to breaking the norms and taboo regarding the health needs among girls which are the contributing cause of their backwardness Adolescent's girls leaders in the intervention areas are mobilizing the other girls to access the health services related to the adolescents health. During the intervention of Our Girls-Our Pride Project several efforts were made to make aware the girls in terms of improving the knowledge level of adolescent girls, change in attitude while talking freely about menarche and improvement in practices related to menstrual hygiene. Proper Kitchen Gardening has been promoted through providing the vegetables seeds to fulfill the nutritional requirement. The Promotion of sanitary napkins were also done which was affected due to pandemic situation. The behavior change communication held with the Girls to mitigate the Impact of Covid-19. There is a remarkable improvement in percentage of adolescent girls using clean and dry cloth as Absorbent, attending schools during Menstruation and proper disposal of the used cloth or napkin as well their confidence level has increased while sharing the issues related to periods with friends and family members. The demand generation side has also improved due to response strengthening initiatives taken by the girls.



Success Story

When Community felt proud that their daughters have traveled to the District Stadium and Won Sometimes a small initiative brings a big change. We are talking about the freedom of daughters, the freedom to live freely, the freedom to fulfill their hobbies, the wave of which is being seen today in the Gram Panchayats of Ratanpura and Kopaganj blocks. Let us tell you that for the last 5 years, our Girls our pride program, allows the Girls to be self-reliant, freedom to live freely, fulfill their rights easily, create a good environment of freedom to speak their thoughts freely to others Is constantly trying. In this sequence, the annual sports day program organized by the Organization has fulfilled the dreams of Success and Challenge Stories many adolescent girls and has created an environment that girls are now getting eager to play, to get them out of every gram panchayat. This effect has also been seen in the Abarnapur Purve of Gram Panchayat Gahna, in which a Adolescents Girls / leader named Sushma Bharti, who is currently a Class 10 student. The hobby of playing since childhood, the tolerant leader, who participated extensively in the meeting and every event, when she came to know that the competition is being organized again by the Organization, She was very excited. This year she and her team dared with confidence and went to the stadium and participated in the sports competition. In many competitions she won as well, due to which she is not able to do so today, getting the kit as a gift from the organization added to her happiness. On entering home, Sushma and the entire team shouted slogans after informing the entire village that the daughters are not inferior. Today there is a discussion of Sushma and her entire team in the entire village, which is having an impact on the daughters of the entire village and is also having a profound impact on their thinking and the thinking of the parents. Sushma's dream, which was broken a year ago, is fulfilled today. shee says that in the future, she will continue to participate in every competition in the same way and inspire others.

Sustainable Livelihood



DAKSH –telecom Sector Skill development Centre

DAKSH -telecom Sector Skill development Centre , A Vocational Skill development program is supported by the Plan India in Ghazipur District. This program is being implemented in zamania tehsil of Ghazipur. This centre is skilling the community youths through conducting the classrooms and practical training in the concerned trades. During this period Telecom Sector Skill Council has been engaged as Knowledge and Certification partner. The 3 trades in telecom sectors are covered through this program.

The following courses in consultation with the Telecom Sector Skills Council have been imparted under the project:

Name of the Trade	Scope of placement	Key activities
Customer Care Executive (Call Center)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Individuals at this job provide customer service support to an organization by interacting with their customers over the phone. · They also handle, follow and resolve customer's queries, requests and complaints in a timely manner. 	Attend/Make customer calls Resolving customer query, request, complaint Develop customer relationship Report and review Proactive selling
Handset Repair Engineer (Level II)	Individual in this role is responsible for performing handset repair including hardware and software components and testing the handset for adequacy post repair.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perform handset repair-hardware. • Perform handset repair-software. • Perform tablet repair-hardware & software. After the training they can start their own firm and enterprises.
(Optical fiber Technician)	Optical fibre Technician is responsible for ensuring efficient splicing of the optical fibre cables and supports in optical fibre installation and in carrying out fibre testing using OTDR and power meter.	ensuring efficient splicing of the optical fibre cables and supports in optical fibre installation and Testing

Key Strategies adopted

Youth and Community Mobilization through Awareness Generation

It is important to engage with youths and their parents, particularly of the girls and young women within their homes, explain the program objectives and what it expects from them after they join the course. This also helps in developing the initial rapport with the community. During the Reporting Year Various awareness generation activities like door to door survey, auto announcement, canopy set up etc. Have been organized in the target communities to mobilize youth for the training.

Screening and Identification of Youth for Imparting Training

one to one screening and selection meetings have been organized at the centre. The main purpose of this activity is to select the young people who are actually interested in gaining vocational skills and employment. The project staff is well trained to conduct such selections based on the interest as capacity building input in the project.

Employability Potential Assessment

Employability Potential Assessment helps to study the market needs and identify the employability potential with various sectors and understand the skills required for entry level positions. EPA will provide opportunity to interact, build linkages and explain the concept to the business establishments. EPA will be conducted once in 3 months to understand the changes in emerging market.

Training of Selected Young People for Wage or Self-employment

The classroom based trainings have been imparted by trainers in batches of 20-25 young people who have been enrolled at the Centre. The training is blended learning model which uses both expert lectures and computer aided self and group learning. The classroom training curriculum is harmonized with the accepted standards for the course as laid down by the National Skills Development Corporation (NSDC).

KEY Soft Skill Covered with participants

- **Interpersonal skills**
- **Workplace communication**
- **Basic Computer**
- **Enterprise Development and Promotion**
- **Life skills**

Employment of Trained Young people

On completion of the training, the trained youth have been provided with the wage and self-employment opportunities by the project. On completion of the training, the trained youth were provided employment opportunities at different places and companies by the organisation. We also made special efforts to make young people employment ready by giving special training for how to crack interview.

During the Reporting Period Following Corporate have placed the trainees.

- Karvy Digiconnect.
- Hinduja Global Solutions
- Aegies.
- Tele Performance
- Star Informatics
- JQH Electronics Pvt. Ltd.
- DBG India Pvt Ltd.
- Shining Star Pvt. Ltd.
- Niyokta HR
- Coagent etc.
- Scheneider electric pvt ltd.
- TDK India pvt ltd.

Key Outcome

- During the academic session 2020-21 A total number of 312 candidates were enrolled in which 212 trainees were male while 100 were female.
- During the Reporting period total 100 trainees have been placed in the various corporates in which 80 Male and 20 female were placed.

Women Swawlamban



GVS-USHA Swawlamban Silai Schools are community initiatives with the aimed of empower village women from Marginalized sector to become entrepreneurs through sewing and setting up sewing schools. The idea also worked for ensuring the gender equity as well as ensure the women's financial freedom and choices. The Key objective of the intervention is as follows,

Specific Objectives

- Women of low-income become proficient in tailoring.
- Women use their tailoring skills to become economically independent and build sustainable livelihoods that will provide positive impact on their children and extended families.
- Women gain confidence by deciding to leave their homes and take action to positively change their future.

Grameen Vikas sansthan, in direct partnership with SIDBI and USHA has sets up Silai Schools in Ghazipur, Gorakhpur, Mau, Varanasi ,Azamgarh & Jaunpur covering the most remote and rural surroundings. Grameen Vikas Sansthan has identified , set up and motivated the village women to join these schools. Training is imparted to aspiring women entrepreneurs on various aspects of stitching along with maintenance and repairing of sewing machines by expert trainers of USHA. The women entrepreneurs successfully completed the training programme and they have been provided with a Usha Sewing machine ,a certificate, a training kit and a Usha Swavalamban Silai School Signage board. The intent of this training is to empower these women to not only learn sewing but also be able to teach these skills further. Besides stitching and maintenance of the machines, these women are also given basic training in how to set up their own business channels. These entrepreneurs are trained in sewing and Embroidery and have been provided a free Course Kit. These trained women have started their enterprises and also organize the training of other women through forming a network of self-reliant and enterprising women.

Grameen Vikas sansthan is helping to operate 230 Classical and 80 Satellite schools with USHA-SIDBI Silai schools in intervened Area.

Following are the District level details of the Schools.

Sr No	District	Block	Total Women Trained	Total Sewing school opened	Total Learners/Candidate Trained and got certificate from USHA
1	Ghazipur	Sadar , Zamania , Kasimabad	130	130	2600
2	Mau	Sadar, Gohna mohamdabad	60	60	1200
3	Azamgarh	Phoolpur	10	10	200
4	Varanasi	Chiraigaon, Cholapur	50	50	1000
5	Gorakhpur	Bansgaon, Piprauli	50	50	1000
6	Jaunpur	Dobhi	10	10	100
	Total-		310	310	6100

Animal Welfare and Sustainable Livelihood

As the Studies reflects that each working equine animal supports an average of six people, but many families who depend on working horses, donkeys and mules for a living face real problems rearing them. Animals often become sick due to a lack of proper food and clean water—their owners simply can't afford to provide it - and difficult terrain and climate create a tough environment. So while these working animals play a major part in agriculture and transport, financial pressures often force owners to overwork them. During the study among equine owners it was found that rural equine owning household meet their annual food requirements mostly through the income generated by the working equines. In the other hand equine owners spent their one-third income for their equine maintenance and care & support for their equines. So the intervention among such family was very essential to transform the lives based on the development indicators.

Grameen Vikas sansthan is implementing equine welfare program with the support of The Brooke India in all the blocks of the Ghazipur and ballia district.

Grameen Vikas sansthan with the support of Brooke India started the intervention among equine owners in Ballia and Ghazipur. Initially baseline survey of the program was done in the Months.



- Grameen Vikas sansthan has identified a total no of **10522** equine animal in Ghazipur, Ballia District.
- The Project Staff have organised the health transact walk among equines communities to identify the health needs.
- The Project has also organised the monthly advocacy meeting with govt for convergence and get the support from govt in equines welfare.
- Total **44** emergence treatment have been done through reaching on the sights and provide the treatment and care and support assistance to the equines.

HIV Rapid Test Program- Outreach and Care & Support

About the Rapid test Program

Grameen Vikas Sansthan has partnered with AHF India Cares to expand access to rapid testing programs in Mau and Azamgarh District. This is an initiative to mitigate the impact against increase drug pricing, and promote sexual health and HIV awareness. Grameen Vikas sansthan advocates for PLWHA by speaking out against stigma and discrimination issues such as excluding PLWHA from health and life insurance.

Target Groups

The Project is working to increase Public awareness about HIV, especially among MSM, Transgender, Female sex Workers, youth, woman and other Vulnerable Population & (MARPS). Additionally the project is also focusing general awareness about HIV/AIDS, HIV testing services and availability of HIV treatment and care services (including ART).

Activities and Strategies

Outreach ,Behaviour Change Communication and Screening

- Grameen Vikas Sansthan is implementing the Free HIV Testing Program at all testing sites in Mau District in eastern Uttar Pradesh.
- The Organisation Counselor and Community Motivator regularly visiting the selected household and counselling them to prepare for the HIV testing.
- The Project is conducting the onsite pre-test counselling, free Rapid HIV testing and referral services by following the standard protocols of the Grameen Vikas Sansthan and INDIA CARES.
- All newly identified HIV positives are being reconfirmed through a second screening test with alternate test kit using different technique/methodology.

Care & Support and Follow-up

- All positive clients are being connected to ICTC/ART services which are easily available in the district.
- The Project is ensuring all newly identified positives are followed up till they are initiated on ART.
- These reacted people are being regularly counselled and followed up.
- In addition to the above, the awareness generation programs are also being conducted among the target population on general health, hygiene, behaviour change communication for prevention and HIV/AIDS services.

- **4462** female have been counselled & screened for HIV and AIDS in Mau and Azamgarh.
- **26** female have been detected with HIV and their linkages with the care and support services have been ensured
- **2750** male have been counselled & screened for HIV and AIDS in Mau and Azamgarh
- **31** male have been detected with HIV and their linkages with the care and support services have been ensured

Efforts made by Grameen Vikas Sansthan toward COVID-19 Response



Since the Lockdown has totally hampered the lives of the marginalized people in Mau and Ghazipur so there was a need of immediate response in the families through distribution of nutritional foods and supplies for the Children and adolescents. There was also immediate need of distributing the Menstrual Hygiene Kits, sanitizers and Masks to implement all the pre-cautions suggested to avoiding the infection of Covid-19. Grameen Vikas sansthan has distributed the ration Packets among then vulnerable families of the Mau district. Before the distribution ,the proper ground work was done to select the eligible families of the Community who were much in need of assistance. The distribution was ensured through following all the precautions suggested by the government and other experts.

Key objectives of the Intervention

Following were the key objectives of the CIVID-19 Response efforts

- To mitigate the Impact of Lockdown in marginalized families.
- To help the Community People to be sanitize through providing them different mode of sanitization.
- To help the lockdown affected families through providing the Necessary food.
- To promote the social giving for Good concept among financially outfitted people.

Strategies which were adopted

- Promotion of Community Volunteerism.
- Distribution of sanitizers and Masks for the marginalized families
- Nutritional Support to the Marginalized families.
- Counseling of families on Social Distancing ,Safe hand wash & hygiene Practices and Awareness Generation on Corona.
- Making efforts toward realization of Govt financial packages to the eligible families.

Targeted Communities

The Targeted Community are as following

- Cleaners and Domestic Workers
- Adolescents Girls from Marginalized Families
- Rickshaw pullers
- Loaders and Thela Pullers
- Daily Wages labours
- Streets vendors

Total Coverage During Dry ration Distribution

Year	Total beneficiaries covered during Ration Distribution	Total beneficiaries covered during Menstrual Hygiene Kits
2020-21	1840	6700

Mitigation of COVID-19 Impact through Realization of MNREGA and PDS



Context

The Poverty is a vicious cycle particularly in Mau District and women are worst affected victim of it. The cause and adverse effect of poverty are lack of awareness about the civic right and entitlements and sense of livelihood security at the level of household in community. The COVID-19 Lock down badly impacted the livelihood option of rural poor and they were at their own villages but having no job and earning opportunities. The MGNREGA and PDS schemes are ambitious but the lack of information and poor demand generation ,the effective implementation is still awaiting. Since the COVID-19 Impact has hampered the livelihood options of the millions of the families in the Rural Uttar Pradesh so at this stage MNREGA could be a strong source of livelihood strengthening.

We have made the following efforts towards NREGA Realization as a COVID-19 Response and Rehabilitation among **15000** Community People.

- Strengthening of revenue village level existing Community CBOs.
- Formation of Village Advocacy Groups(VAG) at Panchayat level. This is a 5-member group that lead the advocacy events at village and blocks level. (3 Male and 2 female)
- Training Village Advocacy Groups(VAG) on MGNREGA Provisions and implementation, PDS & PRI Act
- Block level interface of Village Advocacy Groups(VAG) with Gram Pradhans, Panchayat Secretaries and block level officials on the issues related to Gram Sabha, MGNREGA and PDS.
- Enhancing understanding and knowledge of community and GP level stakeholders about the MGNREGA.
- Facilitating community for obtaining the job card, opening bank accounts for wage money and demanding job in written.
- Training of Village Advocacy Groups(VAG) on Social Audit Process and their involvements.
- Organizing the Village level Camps for Registration of New Job seekers under MGNREGA.
- Development of the IEC on MGNREGA,PDS and GS and its Distribution to increase the demand generation.

Key Results

The Project has contributed remarkably in increasing the income of the families as well as was successful in increasing the income generation Potentials among community poor through regular demand generation and advocacy efforts with govt officials. Following were some key outcome of the program.

- Total **7662** vulnerable households identified during the reporting year who were in need of work under NREGA.
- Total **5577** new Job Cards were made during the reporting period
- A number **13473** existing Job Cards which got renewed through intervention during the reporting period.
- Total **6500** individual workers registered during the reporting period.
- During the reporting period Total **16230** individuals worked in NREGA through our efforts
- Total **730350** Person days generated during the reporting period.
- An Average number of **45** workdays /household for all families who worked in the MGNREGA was ensured
- **Total 840** various grievances lodged during the reporting period in which 600 were successfully resolved.
- Total **9045** new ration cards were included in PDS during the reporting period
- **5323** unique individuals were added with various pension schemes.
