



# ANNUAL REPORT

2022-2023

Building People  
Building Communities



## MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR

I am happy to present the 2022-23 Annual Report, reporting on the core programmes and activities that were undertaken under different thematic areas and presenting its outcomes and impacts.

Our initiative of “Building Inclusive Community-based Institutions for Sustainable Livelihood Opportunities for Rural Women” is a new way of empowering the members of our SHGs, thanks to the confidence and trust that the SHG members have placed in this process. There are challenges and bureaucratic delays that have slowed down the process, but I am sure, our motivation and determination will guide us till we reach the goal. Our programme on “Community-based Inclusive Development of Children and Youngsters with Disabilities” is making visible changes in the development of children with disabilities and in the attitude of rural communities. The introduction of the Web Portal



and Mobile App (JVSM2r) for planning, reporting and therapeutic interventions, we hope, will bring in more value addition to the programme in terms of child-based goal setting, therapeutic interventions as well as ensuring greater accountability on the implementation and progress of the programme. Our focused activities on Community Health, Inclusive Education, Skill Development, Livelihood and Tele-rehabilitation are making a relevant and positive impact in the lives of the rural community, especially the marginalized groups.

We value the partnership with you all, both programmatic and financial, and will continue to work together with you to improve sustainable practices in our communities. I look forward to working with our esteemed partners in the coming years as I thank all our supporters, donors, partners, staff and volunteers for their committed contributions.

Throughout the pages of this report, I invite you to reflect on the range of JVS' activities and be inspired to do your bit to build a stronger, more empowered and inclusive society.

## ABOUT JAN VIKAS SAMITI

Superstitious beliefs and practices, discrimination and exploitation of the marginalized sections of the society and the day-to-day struggles of the poor for survival inspired our founding members to come together to serve the marginalized. Adult Education and Community Health programmes in 20 villages of Harahua, Varanasi were initiated in 1998. Over the years, JVS has been engaging with different stakeholders to create an inclusive society through various community-led initiatives and programmes. The process of empowering the marginalized continues with different age groups or need groups to enable them to form their own collectives for solidarity and for collective action. Those who are empowered take up leadership roles at different levels, leading the way to social change. The Inclusive Children's Parliaments, Adolescent Girls Groups and Expectant and Young Mothers' Group and the Women's Collectives are platforms for mutual learning and collective action. A greater sense of ownership and responsibility is being witnessed among all the stakeholders.

### VISION

We visualize an inclusive humane society based on the values of equity, justice and freedom.

### MISSION

Empowerment of the marginalized people, including women, children and persons with disabilities through a process of awareness building and collective action to ensure and promote their rights and entitlements.

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## WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

Women have been transcending all imagined boundaries, including operating successful businesses, which was always considered as a man's terrain. Yet persistent gender inequities continue to produce significant gaps in business prospects. Their enterprises are smaller than those of men, focused in sectors with minimal value addition potential, and over represented in the informal economy. JVS' program on "Building Community-based Institutions for Sustainable Livelihood Opportunities" is an attempt to reduce the existing gender imbalances in the enterprise development space. The programme employs a set of tried-and-true tools along with a set of effective approaches that aid in assisting and creating the desired conditions for aspiring women entrepreneurs. This enables them to start, manage, and grow their businesses with a strategic and innovative approach.

The programme being implemented in Kerakat block of Jaunpur, and Pindra and Harahua blocks of Varanasi, supported by MISSIO München and Manos Unidas are strengthening the capacities and skills of women to



take up leadership roles in Co-operatives and FPOs. Through a series of training programmes, women are being enabled to gain increased levels of confidence, improved skills and knowledge, and to envisage and lead their institutions. Some of

- 1239 women leaders trained in the management of Co-operatives and related activities
- 266 women leaders trained in the management of FPOs and related activities
- 527 women trained in E-Commerce related activities
- 1650 women started entrepreneur and livelihood activities
- 3 Product retail outlets set up
- 2 Paper plate production units set up
- SAMUHMART - E-Commerce Portal developed

## SKILL DEVELOPMENT & LIVELIHOOD

With increasing competition in job markets, basic computer skills have become essential even for ordinary office work. The project on "Computer Education for Inclusive Employment" is aimed at providing basic computer education with accountancy software (Tally) and GST to unemployed young adults, including adults with disabilities in the age group of 18 to 30 from rural and semi-urban areas to enable them find employment. JVS promotes entrepreneurial and livelihood related activities of our SHG women. Several skill development training programmes were organized during the year, including production and marketing of mushroom, Toilet and Washroom Cleaner, Washing Powder, Sanitary Napkins, etc. The DPR project on "Mushroom Cultivation" by NABARD provides rural women an opportunity to engage meaningfully at home and become entrepreneurs.

SAMUHMART, an online marketing platform was developed and launched by JVS for promoting and maximizing the sale of products made by SHG



members, other vulnerable groups and local artisans. The portal has over 227 unique products including G.I. products and state-specific items. The portal connects the women producers directly with the customers. The sale of products through SAMUHMART is gradually picking up though not to our satisfaction.

- 59 youngsters, including 7 persons with disabilities, completed computer training, and 21 of them got employment.
- 364 rural women trained in mushroom cultivation
- 738 women trained, of which 317 are engaged in different entrepreneurial activities



## DISABILITY INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT

JVS has been actively engaged in the field of Disability for the past 2 decades through its programme “Inclusive Development of Children and Youngsters with Disabilities”. JVS uses *Community Based Rehabilitation* (CBR) as the strategy to implement the programme to bring about the desired changes in the lives of the children and the community at large. The programme provides different services to 5940 children and their families with disabilities in 14 North and North eastern states on different components of CBR matrix. Capacity strengthening of CBR facilitators in rural areas for effective interventions is core to this programme. The programme is effectively being managed through a Web Portal and Mobile App (JVSM2r) for daily reporting, monitoring, planning and therapeutic interventions. The highlights of the programme are:

- 46 persons, including 3 persons with disabilities, trained in basic therapeutic interventions.
- 455 CBR facilitators trained in disability and related domains like Formation and strengthening of ICP, DPO, Sexual Reproductive Health, Child Rights, Gender Equality, Accessibility, Fabrication of Assistive Devices, Wheelchair Modification and Mobility

Training, Goal Setting, Universal design of Learning, Augmentative and Alternative Communication.

- 116 CBR consultants trained in project cycle management (JVSM2r) for day-to-day project reporting, planning and interventions.
- 230 persons with disabilities and their parents participated in 3 interface meetings and raised their grievances to the concerned government authorities.
- 58 access audits of ATMs, banks, police stations, public toilets, schools and primary health centres were conducted in 8 districts of Jharkhand, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh.
- 62 NGO directors and senior programme heads trained in Early Identification and Early Intervention of children with developmental disabilities.
- 69 Inclusive Children's Parliament provided handholding support to promote greater participation and decision-making by children themselves regarding their concerns, including health, education, sports, etc.



## List of Children As per National Trust Act Year 2023

Gender	Age group	Total	Autism	Mental Retardation (Learning Disability)	Multiple Disabilities	Cerebral Palsy
Male	0 - 5 years	265	2	37	38	188
	6 - 11 years	705		205	48	452
	12 - 17 years	739		313	65	361
	18 - 25 years	391	3	215	19	154
	26 and older	1		0	0	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2101</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>1156</b>
Female	0 - 5 years	168		25	24	119
	6 - 11 years	425	5	121	40	259
	12 - 17 years	408	1	179	33	195
	18 - 25 years	231		104	26	101
	26 and older	0		0	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1232</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>674</b>
	<b>Grand total</b>	<b>3333</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1199</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>1830</b>





## COMMUNITY HEALTH

A healthy mother starts a cycle of intergenerational health, while a mother with inadequate access to nutrition or is exposed to excess biological stress may give birth to a child who may face greater challenges in remaining healthy. Our programme on “Community Mobilization for Safe Motherhood” is an initiative to promote the health and well-being of new-borns, expectant and lactating mothers in 25 panchayats of Harahua and Badagaon blocks of Varanasi through various activities. The programme has created a positive change among the communities in the project area. The highlights are:

- 755 institutional deliveries facilitated
- 4224 women and children had free health check-ups
- 1860 expectant mothers provided iron and calcium tablets, alfalfa and nutritional supplements
- 400 peer group meetings and 2400 VHC meetings organized to reinforce maternal and child health-care and positive habits
- 1845 high-risk pregnant women provided counselling
- 391 adolescent girls' group meetings organized to improve their health and hygiene related concerns

- 50 wall paintings done to promote healthy diet, nutritional supplements, mother and child immunization, etc.

JVS implemented a short project “Wel Swasthya Wel Netrutva: Women Health Initiative” supported by Welspun Foundation for empowering women and young girls from marginalized communities promote healthy practices and positive health seeking behaviours through health education sessions, counselling, generating health awareness among women and adolescents, etc. The highlights of the project are:

- 160 women and adolescent girls' groups formed
- 2254 pre-anaemia testing of women and adolescent girls done
- 160 BCC sessions on menstrual hygiene and management done
- 10 counselling sessions on MHM organized

Based on the 'Ideal Village Guidelines' of the Government of India, JVS took an initiative to develop Bedi hamlet, Harahua, Varanasi as a model village. As the first step, an overhead water tank (10000 litres) fitted with solar power has been installed to meet scarcity of safe drinking water for the 22 families residing there. Besides this, for the management of waste water, raised platforms and soak pits for each of the households have been completed.

## INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

Often, teachers in regular schools are not sufficiently aware of disability rights and the provisions of inclusion as prescribed in the Right to Education Act and Rights of Persons with Disability Act. JVS continues its efforts to bring greater awareness on inclusive education among different stakeholders, including school teachers, care givers, parents, DPO & PRI members and frontline workers.

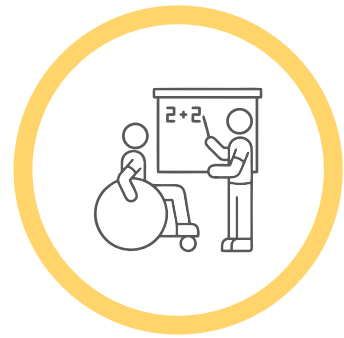
A two-day state level seminar on Inclusive Education and Child Rights was organized in collaboration with Composite Regional Centre (CRC), Lucknow.



9 workshops on  
school management  
organized



3 community libraries  
set up in collaboration  
with Kutchina Foundation  
Kolkata.



18 community meetings  
on Inclusive Education  
organized

## TELE-REHABILITATION

Tele-rehabilitation is the clinical application of consultative, preventative, diagnostic, and therapeutic rehabilitation services via two-way interactive telecommunication technology (Web portal and Mobile app). It is developed to provide reasonable access to health care for the geographically remote individuals and those who are physically and economically disadvantaged. Tele-rehabilitation relates to the services delivered by several health disciplines, including physiotherapy, speech pathology, occupational therapy, biomedical engineering. It optimizes the timing, intensity and duration of therapy that is often not possible within the constraints of face-to-face treatment protocols in current health systems. In the year 2022-23, a total of 1175 children with developmental disabilities in rural areas from 12 Northern states were assessed and were rehabilitated.

## DISASTER & RELIEF

Extreme rains in August 2022 caused irreparable damage to thousands of families affecting especially over 200 villages of Sadar and Chunar tehsils in Mirzapur district. Unfortunately, flooding of the river Ganges is becoming a regular phenomenon in the fast few years. A team of 10 JVS staff were engaged in relief service and provided ready-to-eat food (packed puri-sabji) and drinking water to 5542 people in 19 panchayats in Sikhar Block, Mirzapur, U.P. Another 487 poor families in Harahua were provided dry ration kits of 10 kg. rice and or wheat each during the year 2022-23.

## PARTNER VISITS

Our partners from Liliane Foundation, the Netherlands visited JVS in May 2022 and February 2023 to access their projects. JVS is the Strategic Partner Organization of Liliane Foundation for its project "Inclusive Development of Children and Youngsters with Disabilities" for India North. Our Partners from MISSIO Munich, Germany and Manos Unidas, Spain too visited JVS to access their projects "Building Community-based Institutions for Sustainable Livelihood Opportunities" in April and November 2022. Their suggestions and findings helped us to focus on the project implementation better and gain expected impact.



## PROJECT EVALUATION

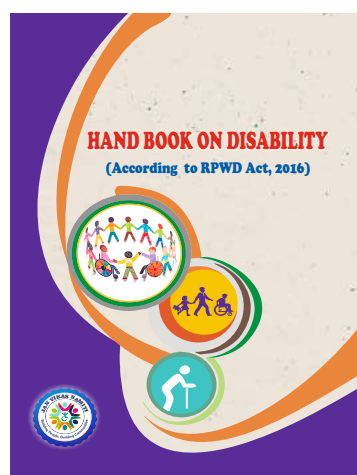
Project “Sambhav” has been implemented since 2018 and has so far provided services to 1175 children with neurological disabilities. The project was designed to improve the quality of physical rehabilitation of children with neurological disabilities and to capacitate CBR facilitators on rehabilitation diagnosis and treatment using the latest technology (web portal & mobile app). JVS commissioned an external evaluation of the project to assess the impact of the project. Dr. Langoju Govinda Rao and Mr. Debadutta Mishra who did the evaluation placed the project on high performance. They stated that the project has the potential and need to scale up throughout the country.

The project “Promoting Inclusive Livelihood Opportunities through Grassroots Community Mobilization” implemented in 60 villages of Pindra and Keraket blocks, Varanasi and Jaunpur was evaluated by Mr. Saiju Chacko and Mrs. Geeta Chaturvedi. The evaluators found that the project has been successful in bringing great attitudinal shift and behaviour change in women, including increase in self-confidence, risk taking, decision-making and entrepreneurial attitude. The evaluators felt the need to increase the participation of persons with disabilities throughout the project cycle and recommended for gender sensitization processes with the male community members, capacity building of women on digital literacy and data management system to include disaggregated data essential to represent inclusiveness.

The project “Inclusive Development of Children and Youngsters with Disabilities” was commissioned for evaluation to Mr. Subhash Chandra Vashishth, Mr. T.D. Dhariyal and Ms. Shabnam Aggarwal for the period 2018-2020. The key findings indicated that the country programme has led to many visible changes on the ground in line with the CBR matrix and the child empowerment strategies. The project has brought about a positive attitudinal change in the families of children with disabilities and the society at large. The evaluators recommended that creative strategies need to be developed for the specific needs of persons with intellectual disability, hearing impairment and those with high support needs to ensure their inclusion in all aspects of life.

## PUBLICATIONS

**Disability Help Book:** This book is based on the disabilities categorized in the Rights of Persons with Disability Act, 2016. It provides a detailed description of disability types, causes, symptoms and management.



**Therapy Help Book:** This book serves as a basic resource material and provides not only basic knowledge on disabling conditions and their therapeutic management which consists of physical therapy, speech therapy, and ADLs but also gives insights into assistive devices, including various types of wheelchairs and wheelchair mobility.



**Divyangata Sahayak Pustika:** This book is based on the disabilities categorized in the Rights of Persons with Disability Act, 2016 written in Hindi language as a resource material for CBR field facilitators.





## SARITA DEVI - A SUCCESSFUL ENTREPRENEUR

I am Sarita Devi, resident of Kharsipur village, Kerakat block, Jaunpur district, U.P. I have two children (a boy and a girl) and my husband is a daily labourer. I used to stitch clothes for the neighbours and used to earn between 1000 to 1500 per month. In January 2021 I met a JVS field staff in the village and he explained to me about the various activities of Jan Vikas Samiti to improve the socioeconomic conditions of rural women. I joined the Sita Swayam Sahayata Samuh in my village on the same day and started regular savings (Rs. 200 per month) in the group. After a year of being in the group, I had the opportunity to get three-months training in sewing and tailoring in the JVS Kerakat office and learnt stitching professionally. I took a loan of Rs. 7,500 from my SHG and opened my tailoring shop at Kharsipur village in Kerakat block in August 2022. In the last 9 months I have made good progress in my professional career as a tailor. I purchased a few more tailoring machines and trained local girls in sewing and tailoring. Currently 9 girls are getting training at my centre. I also sell cosmetic items in the shop besides stitching clothes. I am happy to say that my net income now is about 10,000 per month.



I feel confident that I can look after my family and educate my children without any worries. I am grateful to Jan Vikas Samiti for helping me join the SHG, which was the turning point of my life.

## SUMAN - TOWARDS BEING A TEACHER

Suman is a 22-year old young girl from Bhadawal Kala village, Basti district, U.P. with visual impairment by birth. She is the eldest of 4 children. Her parents go out to work in farms as daily labourers to support the family. Suman's parents thought that she would never be able to study or do anything in life. It took months before the CBR facilitator in the area could convince her parents to send her to a special school. Finally, Suman took admission at Nav Jyoti Special School for Visually Impaired, Lucknow and was financially supported by DISA and JVS for her educational needs. Suman developed a positive attitude towards life and has proved that nothing can stop her from moving forward in life. She scored 72% in standard 10<sup>th</sup> and 59% in standard 12<sup>th</sup> board exams and is now pursuing 3<sup>rd</sup> year graduation from Shakuntala Mishra Memorial University, Lucknow. Suman also developed a keen interest in vocal music. Suman's parents are very proud of her and appreciate the intervention done by both the organisations (DISA and JVS) in making Suman what she is today.









# FINANCIALS

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31ST MARCH 2023

LIABILITIES	SCH	CURRENT YEAR (INR)	PREVIOUS YEAR (INR)
<b>(I) CAPITAL FUND</b>			
Opening Balance		3,24,91,752.84	3,03,99,597.84
Add: Assets transferred from Specific Projects & General fund		19,98,455.68	62,78,394.00
Add: TDS & TCS Deducted during the year		35,333.00	527.00
		3,45,25,541.52	3,66,78,518.84
Less : Sale of fixed asset Transferred to General Fund			57,972.00
Less : Refunded during the yeas(TDS) transferred		8,423.00	1,46,025.00
Less : Depreciation during the yeas (TDS) transferred		39,71,265.00	39,82,769.00
		3,05,45,853.52	3,24,91,752.84
<b>(II) EAR-MARKED SPECIFIC PROJECTS FUNDS UNDISBURSED</b>			
Opening Balance		76,35,777.30	2,26,13,231.35
Add : Excess of income over expenditure transferred		2,40,12,836.09	
		3,16,48,613.39	2,26,13,231.35
Add : Bank Interest received during the year			1,17,54,652.05
Less : Excess of expenditure over income transferred			4,91,765.00
Less : Assets transferred to Capital Fund		15,18,298.68	27,31,037.00
Less : Project Handholding charges transferred to general fund		35,50,269.73	
		2,65,80,044.98	76,35,777.30
<b>(III) GENERAL FUND</b>			
Opening Balance		26,95,139.34	66,71,344.84
Add : Excess of income over expenditure transferred			
Add : TDS Refunded During The Year transferred from capital fund		8,423.00	1,46,025.00
Add : Project Handling charges transfered from earmarked fund		35,50,269.73	27,31,037.00
Add : Sale of fixed asset Transferred from Capital Fund			57,972.00
		62,53,832.07	96,06,378.84
Less : Excess of expenditure over income transferred		6,52,219.94	11,24,083.50
Less : TDS & TCS Deducted During The Year		35,333.00	527.00
Less : Assets transferred to capital fund		4,80,157.00	57,86,629.00
		50,86,122.13	26,95,139.34
<b>Total</b>		<b>6,22,12,020.63</b>	<b>4,28,22,669.48</b>

ASSETTS	SCH	CURRENT YEAR (INR)	PREVIOUS YEAR (INR)
<b>(I) FIXED ASSETS</b>			
At cost less Depreciation	1	3,04,55,369.55	3,24,28,178.84
<b>(II) OTHER ASSETS</b>			
Income Tax (TDS on FFD)		63,047.00	2,09,072.00
Add : TDS Deducted during the year		35,333.00	
		98,380.00	2,09,072.00
Less : Refunded during the year		8,423.00	1,46,025.00
		89,957.00	63,047.00
<b>(III) INCOME TAX TCS</b>			
TCS Deducted on Purchase During The Year		527.00	527.00
<b>(V) CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash Balances		26,613.15	26,071.15
Bank Balances		3,11,35,128.96	95,76,569.49
FDRs Balances		4,00,000.00	4,00,000.00
Imprest Balances		72,414.00	40,530.00
Accrued Interest		16,150.00	
Accrued Interest		(2,72,139.00)	(28,000.00)
Advances		2,88,000.00	3,15,746.00
		3,16,66,167.11	1,03,30,916.64
<b>Total</b>		<b>6,22,12,020.63</b>	<b>4,28,22,669.48</b>

## STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

RECEIPTS	SCH	CURRENT YEAR (INR)	PREVIOUS YEAR (INR)
<b>Opening Balances :</b>			
Cash Balances		26,071.15	9,610.10
Bank Balance		95,76,569.49	2,89,20,188.72
Imprest with Projects		40,530.00	53,095.32
FDRs Balances		4,00,000.00	1,00,000.00
Payble :		(28,000.00)	(1,08,318.00)
Advances		3,15,746.00	3,10,000.00
		1,03,30,916.64	2,92,84,576.19
<b>Specific/Ear-Marked Funds Receipts :</b>			
Foreign Contribution Receipts		5,80,46,392.59	3,59,13,449.67
Indian Contribution Receipts		34,49,595.64	23,57,476.80
		6,14,95,988.23	3,82,70,926.47
<b>General Donations/Funds Receipts:</b>			
Foreign Contribution Receipts		3,13,121.13	8,50,412.42
Sale of Fixed Asset(F.C)			65,000.00
Indian Contribution Receipts		12,49,525.70	2,06,198.14
		15,62,646.83	11,21,610.56
<b>Bank Interests :</b>			
Bank and FDR Interests (Foreign Contribution)		4,90,939.00	7,95,703.90
Bank and FDR Interests (Indian Contribution)		15,263.00	59,308.00
		5,06,202.00	8,55,011.90
<b>Other Receipts :</b>			
Income Tax Refund		8,423.00	1,46,025.00
Interest on Income Tax Refund		587.00	12,415.00
		9,010.00	1,58,440.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>7,39,04,736.70</b>	<b>6,96,90,565.12</b>

PAYMENTS	SCH	CURRENT YEAR (INR)	PREVIOUS YEAR (INR)
<b>Specific/Ear-Marked Funds Payments:</b>			
Foreign Contribution		3,57,37,049.50	4,92,76,916.52
Indian (Local) Contribution Payments		36,52,080.00	17,96,950.00
		3,93,89,129.50	5,10,73,866.52
<b>Other establishment/Amin.Etc. Payments :</b>			
Foreign Contribution Payments		15,73,020.46	16,57,869.63
Indian (Local) Contribution Payments		7,60,956.63	8,40,756.33
		23,33,977.09	24,98,625.96
Capital Expenses/Additions to Fixed assets		4,80,157.00	57,86,629.00
<b>TCS &amp; TDS :</b>			
Foreign Contribution		29,983.00	527.00
Indian Contribution		5,350.00	
		35,333.00	527.00
<b>Advances :</b>			
Foreign Contribution		2,88,000.00	20,246.00
Indian Contribution			2,95,500.00
<b>Payble:</b>			
Foreign Contribution		(12,259.00)	(28,000.00)
Indian Contribution		(2,59,880.00)	
<b>Closing Balances :</b>			
Cash Balances		26,613.15	26,071.15
Bank Balances		3,11,35,128.96	95,76,569.49
FDRs Balances		4,00,000.00	4,00,000.00
Accrued Interest		16,150.00	
Imprest Balances		72,414.00	40,530.00
		3,16,66,167.11	1,03,30,916.64
<b>Total</b>		<b>7,39,04,763.70</b>	<b>6,96,90,565.12</b>

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