

ENRICHING LIVES



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Bhartiya Jan Utthan Parishad
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From the desk of General secretary

Dream, Reflection and Hope

Dear Friends,

I am deeply honored to reflect on BJUP's endeavors throughout the year 2022-23, a period that underscores our commitment to serving marginalized communities in the areas of health and sanitation, education, livelihood and skill development, women's empowerment, and child protection.

This past year has been marked by significant progress, featuring the introduction of two new programs, "Maitri" in our education portfolio and "Khula Aashman" in the realm of skill development. These initiatives have presented us with challenges and, most importantly, have fostered transformative impacts on the lives of those we serve. Our overarching vision is to ensure that every individual can lead a life accustomed with freedom and dignity. For nearly four decades, BJUP has been diligently working to effect sustainable change in the lives of the most vulnerable communities in the rural areas of Bihar and Jharkhand, aligning our efforts with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

BJUP's approaches and strategies are meticulously designed and implemented to facilitate the localization of the SDGs, and this Annual Report for 2022-23 serves as a testament to our endeavors. We showcase our strategic efforts in addressing the practical challenges stemming from social complexity, integration and comprehensiveness in grassroots initiatives, and empowering and engaging the community. None of our achievements would have been possible without the firm support and collaboration of our dedicated team, volunteers, partners, and donors. I extend my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for your invaluable contributions, firm passion, and steadfast commitment.

Together, we have transformed lives and sown seeds of hope in communities that were once overlooked. Our commitment remains resolute, as we will continue to adapt, innovate, and extend our reach. It is our firm belief that every individual, irrespective of their circumstances, deserves equal opportunities and a chance to thrive. Let us stand united in our mission to create a society that celebrates diversity, provides equal opportunities, and uplifts marginalized communities. Together, we can forge ahead future where no one is left behind.

With the utmost gratitude and determination,



Abhishek Bhartiya
General Secretary, BJUP





About us

The Bhartiya Jan Utthan Parishad (BJUP) is a registered non for profit organization established in 1983 by group of committed and like-minded social worker under the leadership of Late Devendra Prasad Singh. BJUP, since its inception believes in empowering marginalized communities by fostering their skills, knowledge, and capacities, enabling them to actively participate in decision-making processes and shape their own future. Through our various programs and initiatives, we aim to address the challenges faced by disadvantaged communities, including but not limited to poverty, discrimination, lack of access to education, healthcare, and basic human rights. We believe in fostering sustainable solutions that go beyond short-term assistance, focusing on long-term empowerment and structural change. We work collaboratively with various government agencies, national, international development organization, civil societies, CSRs and other stakeholders to enhance quality of life through promotion of inclusivity, social equality, and social justice. BJUP established itself as a leading agency in an effective civil society collation and networking. In all our initiatives and processes, we maintain high standards of transparency and accountability, ensuring that resources are utilized effectively and efficiently to achieve our mission.

Together, we envision a society where no one is left behind, where every individual has equal opportunities to lead a fulfilling life.



Our Vision

Holistic development of all sections of society through awareness and consciousness.

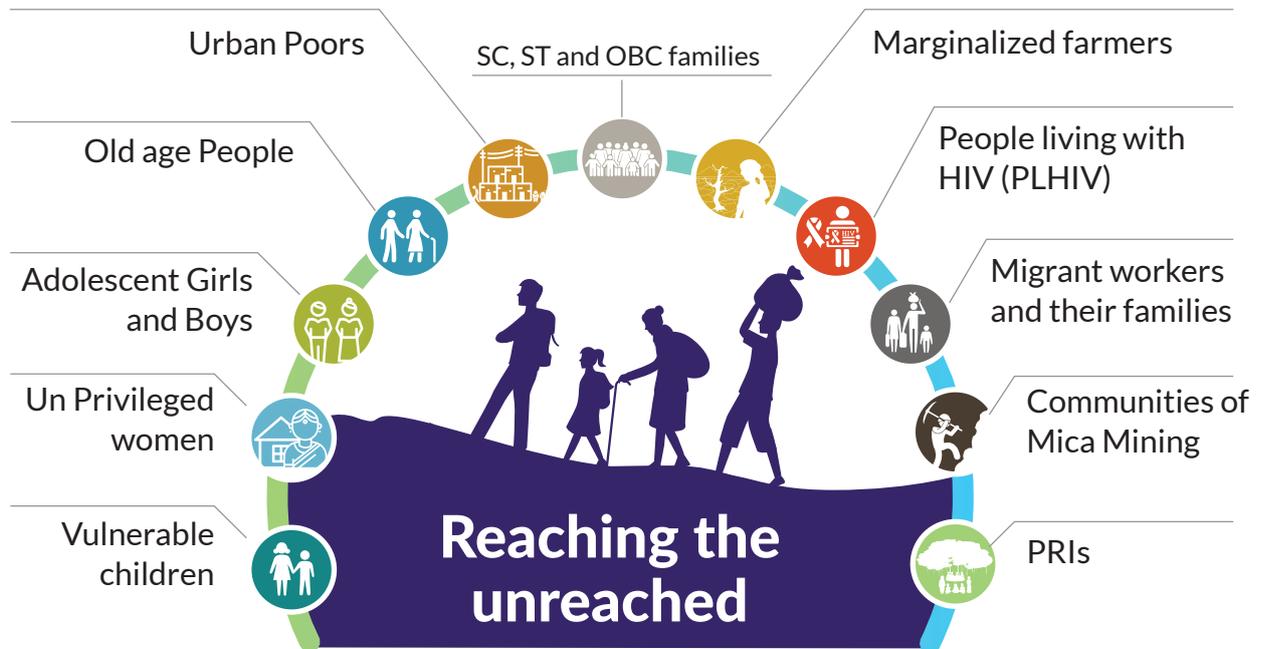
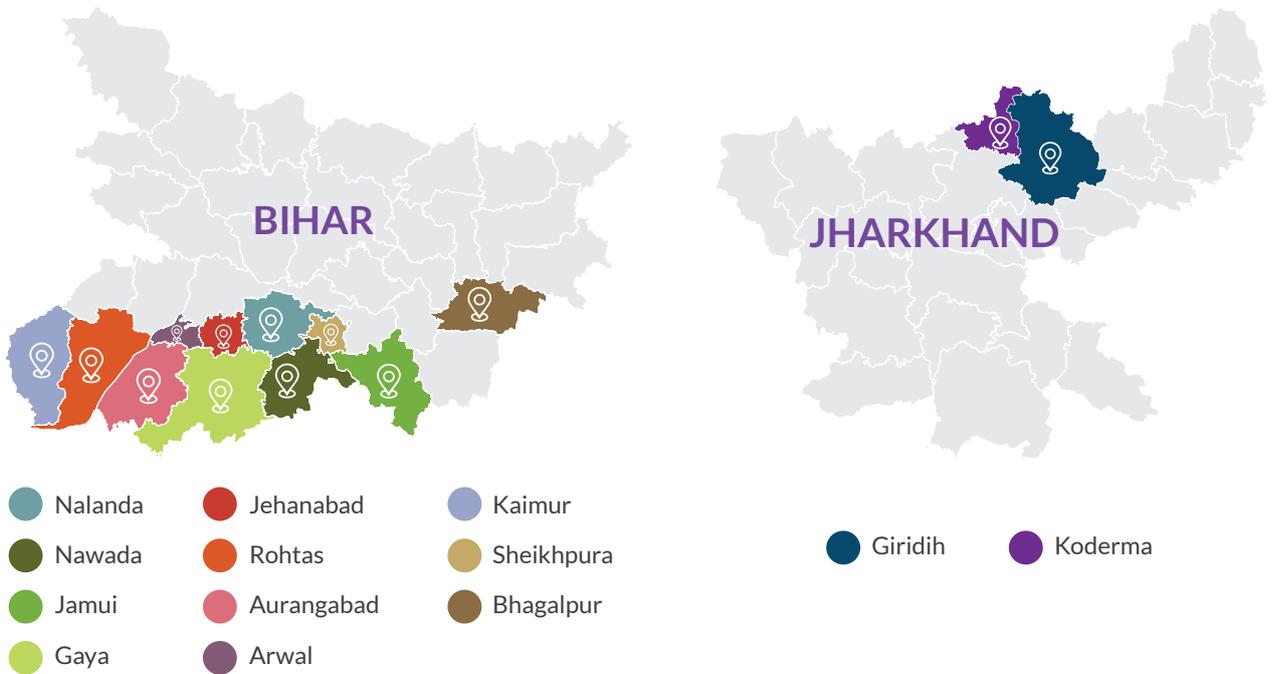


Our Mission

Deriving sustainable development processes ensuring improvement in quality of life of all sections of the society, especially of deprived and marginalized through participatory approach.

The Footprint 22–23

We have a growing footprint, currently expanding in Bihar and Jharkhand in India and moving ahead strongly to impact Health & WASH, Child Protection, Education, Livelihood, Women Empowerment, Environment and Natural Resource Management.



Our Key Programs

At BJUP, we believe in a holistic approach towards community development by addressing diverse needs of the marginal community through innovative and collaborative programs. Our key focus areas encompass Health and WASH, Education, Skill Development, Livelihood, Child Protection, Women Empowerment, and Environment and Natural Resource Management. In all these programs, we emphasize on cross-cutting themes of good governance such as equality, Participation, Community empowerment and providing equal access to social entitlement schemes and services to the people. We actively collaborate with multiple stakeholders including local communities, government, national and international agencies, with an aim to bring about sustainable and positive change within the communities.

Here is an overview of our ongoing programs:

- Maitri Project
- BACHPAN Project (SKN)
- BACHPAN Project (APPI)
- Khula Aasman Project
- BACCHE- 2 feet Ahead Together Project
- Community Empowerment Program
- Holistic Rural Development Program (HRDP)
- eV Digital Classroom Program/ LFH Program
- Vihaan Project
- Targeted Intervention(TI) Project
- Childline Project.



Introducing our new initiative: Maitri Project

(A collaboration with Educate Girls, USA)

In February 2023, the Maitri Project, supported by Educate Girls USA, was initiated in the Nalanda District to address the pressing issue of out-of-school girls (OOSG). The project's objective was to tackle the intricate challenges faced by the young girls hailing from disadvantaged



backgrounds. Due to factors such as financial limitations and societal obstacles, these girls are unable to attend school. With our dedicated collaborates with local communities to bring these girls back to school where they belong. The Maitri Project comprised three pivotal components, each meticulously designed to create a profound impact on the lives of these girls.

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Identification of OOSG:

Rigorous evidence-based assessments involve collaboration with local stakeholders like teachers, healthcare workers, and community representatives to identify out-of-school girls through door-to-door surveys.

02

Enrollment of OOSG:

The project uses a multifaceted approach to enroll these girls. It clarifies roles and responsibilities of stakeholders at various levels and provides capacity-building to monitor progress. Awareness campaigns using educational materials, community camps, and teacher sensitization are employed to promote girls' education.

03

Retention of Children:

To ensure girls stay in school after enrollment, the project offers education kits and counseling services to address potential dropout reasons. This comprehensive approach aims to provide quality education and long-term support to out-of-school girls in Nalanda district.

SDG
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4 QUALITY
EDUCATION



BACHPAN

(A Program of Stitching Kinderpostzegles, Netherlands)



The project "BACHPAN" aims to promote the comprehensive development, protection, and care of orphan and semi-orphan children in seven slums of Bihar Sharif, Bihar. The project follows three perspectives to address challenges. Firstly, it offers kinship care to children living with close relatives. Secondly, it focuses on children in independent care with siblings. Thirdly, it supports children raised by various families. The project's approach includes three main pillars: prioritising psychological well-being in residential care; enhancing the social environment through awareness and workshops; and giving children a platform to express themselves through dialogues. Implementation involves engaging with child clubs, committees, and local authorities, providing life skills training and educational support and connecting families to government schemes. The project also improves educational facilities and aids enrollment in schools and AWCs.

SDG Covered



Impact that Matters



50 children are currently receiving **financial support** for their tuition to ensure their education continues.



28 children have been supported with **study materials and books**.



142 children have been **successfully enrolled in school**.



5 Government schools support the sanitary napkin hygiene kit for adolescent girls.



11 Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) in our targeted area support whiteboards and chalk, books, pencils and a learning chart.



99 individuals linked to various social entitlements and schemes.

BACHPAN

(A Program of Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiative)

“Building Atmosphere for Children to have Protection & nurturing”



"BACHPAN" is an initiative implementing within the slum areas of 10 slums of and 30 Gram Panchayat of Nalanda, Nawada and Patna District of Bihar. Through this initiative, BJUP aims to create a protective and nurturing environment for children. The project primarily focuses on orphaned semi-orphaned children. The initiative specifically addresses the issue of child labour, with a particular focus on ragpickers, recognising its adverse effects on cognitive and emotional development. BACHPAN's comprehensive approach revolves around three core principles: furnishing alternative care, enriching the social infrastructure through awareness campaigns and empowering children by giving them a voice through Participation. The implementation of involves conducting meetings with local organisations, providing good parenting training, providing educational aid, facilitating access to government schemes, and supporting the enrollment of children into schools.

SDG Covered



Impact that Matters



45 children are getting **financial support** for their tuition to ensure their education continues.



600 children get direct support, and **1057** indirectly get **education support** to ensure their education.



142 children have been **successfully enrolled in school**.



600 direct beneficiaries, along with **1000 indirect beneficiaries** (siblings), are enrolled in schools.



10 schools were supported for sanitary napkins, and a total of **800 girls** got **benefitted**.



126 individuals have been connected to various social entitlements and schemes.



18 community libraries and 5 primary learning centres are running to get support for the **5 primary learning centres**.

Khula Aasman

(A Programme of Share and care Foundation, USA)



Since 2022, the Bhartiya Jan Utthan Parishad (BJUP) has been implementing the Khula Asman Project with the aim of empowering women and girls from the most marginalised communities of Giriyak block in Nalanda district of Bihar. The adolescent girls were provided with skill training such as tailoring, beautician course, artificial jewellery, and mehendi designing to make them self-reliant. The Bhartiya Jan Utthan Parishad believes in encouraging women and adolescent girls to come forward as they are the drivers of economic growth and community development.

SDG Covered



Impact that Matters



63 women and girls were trained in tailoring, equipping them with valuable skills to pursue a career in this field.



34 participants got mehendi design training, fostering creativity and craftsmanship.



21 women and girls enhanced their skills in the field of beauty and cosmetics.



24 women got empowered in artificial jewellery-making programmes to create stunning pieces of jewellery.



26 adolescent girls got benefitted from self-defense training, and confidence building has been conducted.



168 women and adolescent girls are empowered through skill enhancement.

BACCHE— 2 Feet Ahead Together

(Building Atmosphere for Comprehensive Child Health and Education)

(A Program of Stitching Kinderpostzegels, Netherland)

The 'BACCHE-Two Feet Ahead Together' program marks a significant step towards the comprehensive development of children through meaningful youth participation in the Rajauli block of Nawada district. The project aims to foster the resilient development and mental well-being of children, emphasizing the crucial role of education. It strives to create a supportive environment by sensitizing stakeholders and communities to the mental health of children, promoting dialogue, and providing infrastructure to continue their education. Through training in life skills and active engagement in sports and the arts, the project intends to enhance children's resilience, self-confidence, and cognitive abilities. It also emphasizes the importance of education by advocating against child labor, ensuring school safety, and promoting continuous learning through resource centers, teacher training, and parental involvement.



SDG Covered



Impact that Matters



454 children participated in the formation of the Child Club.



215 beneficiaries linked with Social Entitlement.



14 schools will receive sports materials as part of the provision and distribution plan.



208 students were enrolled through the enrollment camp for scheduled registration at different schools.



188 Bal Sansad members have been trained to **support children in feeling safe at school**.



434 teaching learning materials to be provisioned/ distributed in schools



72 School teachers are trained on social and emotional well-being.



30 highly vulnerable out-of-school children have received scholarship support.

Community Empowerment Program

(A Program of Responsible Mica initiative, Paris)

The Community Empowerment Programme is operating across 50 villages in Bihar and Jharkhand. The initiative is strategically designed to uplift communities residing in mica-rich regions. The programme employs a holistic approach encompassing five key domains: livelihood, education, social entitlements, health and WASH, and Advocacy. Through a combination of individual, small-group, and large-group activities to uplift ultra-poor households, fostering sustainable solutions. This is realised through a range of interventions such as asset-building support, vocational training, financial literacy sessions, distribution of kitchen garden seeds, provision of scholarships, establishment of educational infrastructure, organization of health camps, dissemination of hygiene awareness, and facilitation of linkages for accessing social entitlements. The project's efforts in creating lasting positive impacts and driving meaningful transformations within these communities.



SDG Covered



Impact that Matters

-  **48 families received asset support** to enhance their income.
-  **97 individuals received training** in stitching, beauty, and other trades.
-  **252 women received financial literacy** training.
-  **190 households received training** and seeds for kitchen gardens.
-  **24 students were granted scholarships** for their education.
-  **880 community members benefited** from the number of health camps.
-  **372 educational sessions on health and hygiene** were conducted for preventive purposes.
-  **152 children catered** in Balwadi do they cater.
-  **8 schools received sports and educational materials.**
-  **61 households benefited** from livestock camp.
-  **1419 individuals were successfully connected** with various social entitlements and rights.

Holistic Rural Development Program (HRDP)

(A collaboration of HDFC Bank, CSR, Parivartan)

The collaborative "HRDP" project, partnered with HDFC Bank's Parivartan, sets out to comprehensively uplift rural regions within Nawada District. This endeavour places a strong emphasis on bolstering the capabilities of vulnerable communities through targeted skill development and training, equipping them to navigate the intricacies of environmental challenges. Through the refinement of techniques and resource management practices, the project takes aim at alleviating the deepened impoverishment resulting from diminishing agricultural yields. Embedded within the initiative are pivotal elements such as ICDS, the improvement of school and AWC infrastructure, heightened health awareness, and the advancement of natural farming methodologies. The strategy is underpinned by four fundamental pillars: education, livelihood, health and WASH (water, sanitation, and hygiene), and adept management of natural resources. The practical execution encompasses a range of efforts, from promoting awareness about soil testing to encouraging poultry farming, conducting veterinary outreach, revamping hand pump facilities, establishing village and farmer development committees, and enhancing the visual appeal and functionality of Aganwadi Centres.



Impact that Matters

-  **150 of Solar Streetlights** installed.
-  **15 vermicompost pit** established to promote organic farming.
-  **5 Solar based group irrigation system** established.
-  **5 government subsidised Sprinkler irrigation system** installed.
-  **3 smart school and smart classes** established.
-  **2 Aanganwari centres renovated and beautified.**
-  **3 farm field school promoted.**

SDG Covered



Digital Classroom Program

(A Collaboration with E-Vidyaloka, Bangalore)



BJUP with the support of E-Vidyaloka is implementing Vidyaganga and digital classroom program with two schools in the Giyak block of Nalanda District. Under this initiative, government school children receive digital education with the assistance of highly qualified volunteer teachers and professionals. The program E-vidyaloka runs on two different dynamics of assisting education to the children. Firstly, enrollment of children to the digital learning and provide them with innovative learning content based on android applications. secondly by creating digital infrastructure such as tablets and smartphones for children, parent and school Management committee.

SDG Covered



Impact that Matters



500+ children are enrolled in the digital education.



Dropout ratio decreased.



Increase in the attendance and learning of the **students in the classroom.**



2 girl child received monetary prize of ₹ 5,000.



The Vihaan Project, a national initiative on the issue of care and support to HIV/AIDS positive people is implemented by BJUP with the support of UPNP+ in coverage: Gaya, Arwal, Jehanabad, Aurangabad, Nalanda, Nawada, Sasaram of Bihar and border districts of Jharkhand. Vihaan project is establishing and managing 350 care and support centres (CSCs) across India to expand access to essential services, increase treatment adherence, reduce stigma, discrimination and improved quality of life for people living with HIV (PLHIV). Vihaan CSCs are committed to the health and wellbeing of PLHIV and their families. We are putting special effort to reach to underserved population specially women, children and members of high-risk groups, FSW, MSM, Transgender and people who inject drugs (PWID). Under this project, BJUP provides access to range of quality care and support services using an integrated approach that complements existing HIV prevention and treatment programming. working in coordination with nearby ART centres. Our CSCs serve safe spaces for PLHIV offering services that include counselling, outreach and followup support, health referrals and linkages to social welfare schemes.

Impact that Matters

-  **78 New Registration**
578
-  **6291 active HRG**
in CSC.
-  **3095 Follow up** were done.
-  **03 Advocacy Meeting** conducted.
-  **568 Testing Referral** Service were provided.
-  **194 Testing Report** Received.
-  **2915 Counselling Service** and **TB screening** were done.
-  **12 Coordination Meeting** with ART conducted.
-  **294 Individual link** with **Bihar AIDS Satabadi Yojna**.
-  **16 Individual** were link with Parvarish scheme.

SDG Covered



Targeted Intervention

in collaboration with Bihar State AIDS Control Society (BSACS)

BJUP with the support and collaboration with Bihar AIDS Control Society is being implemented in Rajgir, Giriyak, Bihar Sharif and Silao blocks of Nalanda, Bihar with an aim to reduce HIV/AIDS cases among the high-risk groups and to target the 700 lives of HRG who are in the age group of 18-45 years, are eligible to register under this project. To ensure the right to health based approach of the project aimed at offering prevention and care services to high risk populations such as FSW, MSM and IDUs within the communities by awaring them about how to minimize HIV transmission and improving their access to care, support and treatment services through counselling, followup - referral services and linkages with social security schemes for the people living with HIV.



Impact that Matters



2890 high-risk group and community individuals have received **regular counselling**.



13 STI HRG to PPP clinic & got treatment.



780 HRG received regular **health check-ups**.



648 HRG free from any **STI infection**.



187580 free **condoms** were distributed.



12 beneficiaries got **crisis support**.

SDG Covered

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



Childline in collaboration with Childline India Foundation



The BJUP, in collaboration with the Childline India Foundation, is implementing the Childline project in Nalanda District to protect the rights of all children aged from 0-18 years. This initiative focuses on rescuing and assisting children in distress, with a particular emphasis on children in need of care and protection, especially the more vulnerable sections, including victims of child sexual abuse. The project operates 365 days a year, offering a free emergency phone service for children in need of aid and assistance. It includes daily intervention and case follow-up, community awareness and outreach activities, and monthly open house sessions with children who use the CHILDLINE service to better understand and address their concerns.

SDG Covered

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| <p>16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS</p> | <p>SDG 16.2</p> <p>Protect children from abuse, exploitation and Trafficking and violence</p> |
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Impact that Matters

-  **68** children received **Medical Support**.
-  **8** children received **Shelter support**.
-  **54** children rescued from **Child Labor**.
-  **192** children received **Sponsorship Support**.
-  **49** Missing Children were **rescued**.
-  **55** children got **emotional support & guidance**.
-  **3** Information & Referrals Case.
-  **923** **Follow Up** calls were done.
-  **278** **Community Meeting** organized.
-  **66** block level **Awareness Program** were organized.
-  **932** outreach activity were done.
-  **23** open hose program were conducted.

Empowering Children for Mental health Resilience

–Rohan leads the way

Stories from the field



Satkurba Village, located in Bihar's Nawada District, faces significant challenges due to its remote location, daily laborers and women engaged in mica picking from nearby hilly areas. Although the village has a primary school and an anganwadi center, there is a lack of middle and high school facilities. Most households are

landless, and many lack the skills needed for employment in the evolving job market. The BJUP team intervention in Satkurba Village focused on addressing mental health issues of children. One significant issue that arose during this intervention was the mental health of children.

A 16-year-old student named Rohan Kumar, who was studying in class 10th at U.M.S. Chitrakoli. Rohan came from a family where his father worked as an unorganized laborer in Kolkata, while his mother was a housewife.

During a monthly child club meeting, Rohan encountered Deepak, a 14-year-old boy studying in class 8th. Deepak's father, Jitendra Rajwanshi, is engaged in collecting mica scraps. Rohan's interaction with Deepak revealed that Deepak had been irregular in school for the past six months due to difficulties in understanding the curriculum and shyness in seeking help from teachers. Additionally, he lacked the financial means to afford private tuition.

Rohan, moved by Deepak's plight offered to help Deepak study at home, providing assistance in all subjects. From March 2023, Deepak regularly visited Rohan's house for evening sessions and motivated Sandip Kumar and other boys to join their group.

Rohan Kumar's selfless dedication to helping his friend, Deepak, not only ensured Deepak's return to school but also extended this support to Sandip. Beyond academic assistance, Rohan also provided continuous counseling to address Deepak's mental health concerns.

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It wasn't just about academics, though. I realized that Deepak needed more than just help with his schoolwork. He needed someone to talk to about his feelings and worries. So, I also took on the role of providing continuous counseling to address his mental health concerns. It was a big responsibility, but I couldn't see my friend suffer.

-Says Rohan

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My initiatives to address mental health issues may have started small, but it has had a big impact. Deepak is back in school, and Sandip is also benefiting from our study group. But more importantly, we've learned the value of mental resilience and peer support in our challenging environment. Thank you for BJUP team for providing necessary support and listening to our story, and for believing in the power of children to bring about change.

-Rohan, with a hope in his eyes

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Winds of change in Charaiya Village: A story of children bringing back to Education

Charaiya, a village in Jamui district, Bihar, had long grappled with economic and educational challenges, particularly among the Malpahadi tribe. With only 10% literacy, lack of access to quality education, and children working in mica mines, education had not been a priority.



BJUP team, working in Charaiya village aimed to address these challenges in the education and raise awareness about the importance of education and facilitate the enrollment of children in school by organizing meetings with villagers, including the village Mukhiya (head).

Over time, these meetings and conversations began to change the way residents thought about education. They started to recognize that their lack of education had contributed to their backwardness and hindered their development. This shift in mindset marked a crucial turning point in the success of the initiative.

Team workers facilitated a meeting between villagers and school principal to address education-related issues. Villagers shared concerns about their children's academic performance, and the headmaster reassured them that the school is committed to helping children. This reassurance provided a sense of relief and encouragement to the parents. Volunteers significantly supported children's education by ensuring regular school attendance, providing tutoring, and arranging private tuition for parents to enhance their academic performance.

As a result of these efforts, there was a noticeable shift in the attitudes of both children and parents towards education. Children began to enjoy attending school, Parents became more involved in their children's education, actively encouraging them to study and providing necessary support.

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Children of the mica area are now coming to school, the organization has given TLM, sports material and library to the school, it provides facilities & support for children to teach. This work of BJUP is very commendable, such work should be done in other schools as well.

– Shyamdev Shah
(Principal: U.M.S
Charaiya)

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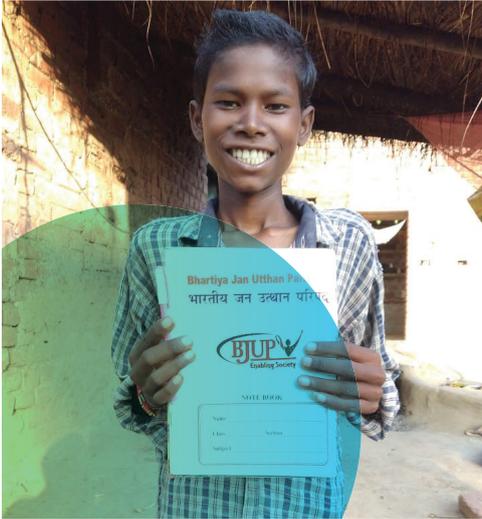
The story of Charaiya village is about bringing positive change in the lives of children. It's a shining example of how strategic interventions can lead to long-lasting changes in pathway to development. I am happy to see children taking interest in studying

– Keshav Mandal
(Education Trainer at
BJUP)

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Building Safer and Inclusive Learning Environment for Ravi

Stories from the field



Ravi Kumar, a 15-year-old boy hailing from the Saukchisarai village in the Nalanda district of Bihar, India. Ravi's life took a tragic turn when he lost his parents, leaving him and his siblings vulnerable. Ravi Kumar belongs to a traditional labor

family, with his father, Late Dyanand Manjhi, working as a construction laborer. Tragedy struck when Ravi's father fell from a building he was working on and succumbed to his injuries. This incident left Ravi's mother, Tara Devi, in a state of shock, and she, too, passed away after six months. Mrs. Mano Devi, Ravi's grandmother, took on the role of the caregiver. Ravi Kumar experienced immense emotional turmoil following the loss of both his parents.

As a member of the Mushar community, a marginalized group within the Scheduled Caste, Ravi faced discrimination and name-calling based on his caste. This adversely affected his self-esteem and motivation to attend school. Due to the emotional distress and caste-based discrimination he faced at school, Ravi decided to drop out, discontinuing his education.

Ravi's life improved after being identified as part of BJUP initiative, focusing on child protection and welfare. The team provided intensive counseling, boosted self-esteem, encouraged Ravi to return to school, and emphasized inclusivity and eliminating caste-based discrimination.

Ravi Kumar's story serves as an inspiring example of how child protection initiatives and community support can transform the lives of vulnerable children. The interventions yielded significant importance of child protection and support systems in ensuring a brighter future for children in challenging circumstances.

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By addressing the emotional trauma, discrimination, and barriers to education, Ravi has been given a chance to break the cycle of poverty and disadvantage. His progress highlights the importance of continued efforts to protect and empower children in challenging circumstances, ultimately helping them build a brighter future.

—Puspa Pandey
(Counsellor at BJUP)

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Now I actively participates in classroom activities and love to go to school daily. With the support of the BJUP team, I received essential dry food materials, ensuring my basic nutritional needs are met. I am no longer affected by caste-based name-calling, thanks to BJUP team for all the support.

—Says Ravi with a big smile on his face

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Empowerment through Women Enterprize: Story of Bebi Devi

Stories from the field



Bebi Devi, a resident of Shahpur village in the Warisaliganj Block of Nawada District, has defied the odds and overcome a life of double disadvantage – being a woman and a Dalit.

After marriage, Bebi Devi encountered another challenge; her husband was leg-disabled. Disability, despite growing awareness, continued to be viewed with pity in many parts of the country.

Motivated by her circumstances, Bebi Devi decided to venture into entrepreneurship. Recognizing the potential in the fast-food industry, she opened a small fast-food store in front of her house. However, a lack of resources hindered her progress.

Fortune smiled on Bebi when she learned about the Enterprise development supported by BJUP team and Village Development Committee (VDC) in her village. This committee aimed to support small businesses and entrepreneurial ventures in the area. Recognizing this as an opportunity to enhance her business prospects, Bebi enrolled in the program.

As part of the initiative, Bebi received a shaded wooden cart and a steel jar with a tap. This seemingly simple assistance had a profound impact on her life. With her new tools, she could expand her business beyond her immediate neighborhood. Her product range expanded from Samosa Chat to include Dahibara, Tikki Chaat, Pani Puri, and more. Her monthly earnings increased from a mere `3,000 to approximately `8,000. Bebi's financial stability and self-worth were enhanced by the intervention, leading her to support women-based enterprises in her locality, transforming her life from hardship to success.

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My life took another turn when I got married to a man who left me and went to other city, and the responsibility of providing for my family fell upon my shoulders at a very young age.

– Bebi Devi while sharing her ordeal to the BJUP and VDC.

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The VDC and BJUP team were a turning point for me, so I eagerly enrolled in their entrepreneurial support program. They provided With new wooden cart, I could easily move to different nearby places and expand my business. I am so grateful to the VDC and HRDP Team for what they have done to help me and my children.

– She says with a smile on her face.

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The use of energy is an important development indicator of the household's, as well as the village's, overall well-being. Despite of the development, villages across Nawada district grapples with energy poverty, households disconnected from the electricity. Rural households primarily use hazardous fuels like biomass, wood, coal, and kerosene for cooking and lighting, resulting in a higher carbon footprint per household.



The installation of solar street lights in villages involved careful site selection and collaboration between BJUP and village development committees VDC, aiming to reduce carbon footprint and provide clean, renewable energy solutions. It was not just about the placement of lights; it was about minimizing disputes and ensuring that every corner benefited from this transformation.

BJUP's initiative has harnessed solar energy in 15 villages of Warisaliganj and Pakribarawan blocks situated within Nawada district. A total of 150 solar street lights have been successfully installed, benefitting 2500-3000 families to mitigate the electricity problems.

In the heart of this change, a chorus of gratitude and arose. The villagers raised their voices in appreciation stating, **"Women felt unsafe to go out to work as it was unsafe to return in the evening and on rainy days. After dusk, fetching water from a nearby water source was also a big challenge. But now, we feel safe as the lights turn on automatically in the evening and remain active till morning."** says Nilam, a woman from village Bhojwan. **"The solar street has helped me work for longer hours and my 3 children, two boys and a girl, can now study without the fear of losing power."** says Laxmi resident of Bali.

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For the family, and hundreds of others like them, the long, dark night has finally turned into day. In the glow of these solar street lights, the villages of Warisaliganj and Pakribarawan stood as a testament to what could be achieved through partnership, vision, and a commitment to sustainable development.

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Development Partners

-Accelerate energy to bring synergies

BJUP would like to express heartfelt gratitude and extend sincere thanks to our esteemed Development Partners for their unwavering dedication, generous contributions and strategic collaborations that have significantly enhanced our ability to fulfill our mission and serve the community. Furthermore, their ongoing guidance and expertise have been invaluable in shaping our strategies, strengthening our organizational capacity, and ensuring the efficient utilization of resources. Their effective partnership has not only provided financial resources but has also contributed to the growth and sustainability of BJUP. Our joint effort has significantly contributed to attaining many of the Sustainable Development Goals. Below are the names of some of the partners that we have been closely working with in the year 2022-23.

We are Thankful to:



**Azim Premji
Philanthropic
Initiatives, Bangalore**



**Azim Premji
Foundation,
Banglore**



**Stichting
Kinderpostzegels
Nederland**



**Educate Girls,
USA**



**Responsible Mica
Initiative, Paris**



**HDFC Bank,
CSR**



**E Vidyaloka,
Banglore**



UPNP+Lucknow



**Bihar State AIDS
Control Society, Patna**



**Child line India
Foundation**



**Share and Care
Foundation**

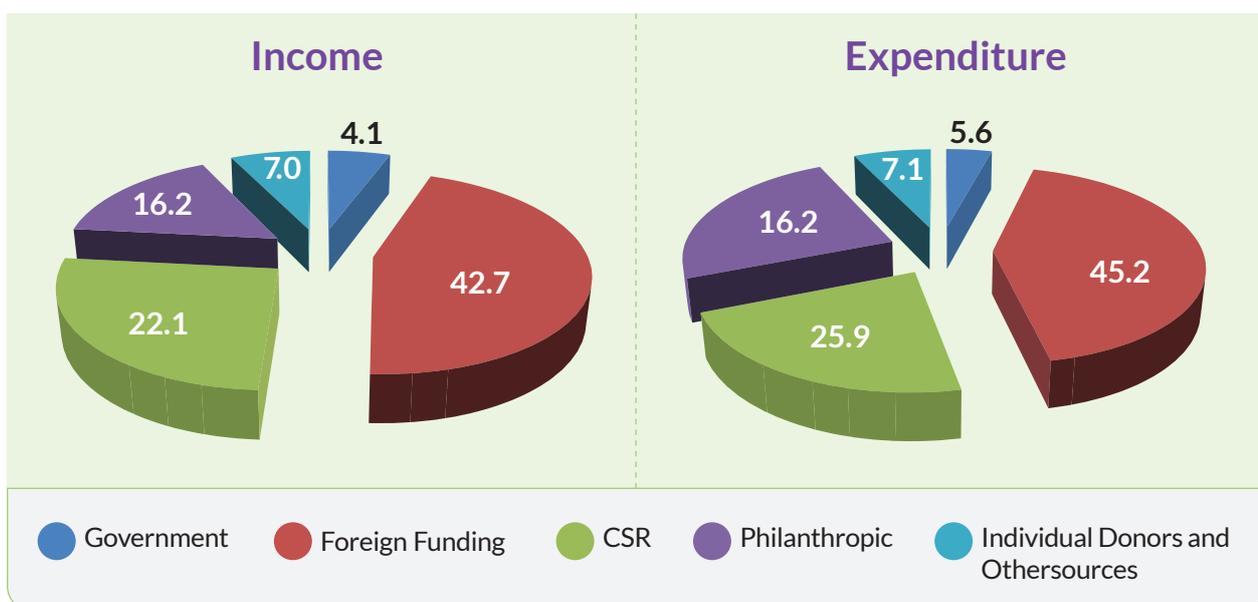
Our Financials

Bhartiya Jan Utthan Parishad (BJUP) would like to express our deep gratitude to all our partners and finance team for their valuable, cooperative, and innovative involvement, which has greatly magnified the impact of our programs and initiatives.

Our intervention has always relied on the significant contribution of our partners. Their systematic investments have played a crucial role in strengthening communities and enhancing the efficiency of our programs. Throughout the years, BJUP has formed partnerships with esteemed institutions of National, International and, aiming to maximize the influence and effectiveness of our projects nationwide. We sincerely appreciate being the valuable partner for various government organizations and social institutions who share our commitment to making a positive impact on society.

BJUP ensures that all grants and donations received are utilized in the most efficient way to help those in greatest need by setting up effective programmes of Health, Education, livelihood and child Protection. Additionally, our management maintains highest standards of accountability through internal and external audits as well as regular financial reviews.

| Grant Status | Income | Expenditure |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Government | 2902094 | 3358853 |
| Foreign Funding | 30201317 | 27163542.66 |
| CSR | 15532019.95 | 15560454 |
| Philanthropic | 16924826 | 9726211 |
| Individual Donors and Other Sources | 4939399.28 | 4832445.21 |
| Total INR | 70499656.23 | 60641505.87 |



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