



## Sewa Sandesh September 2018

#### Picture Of The Month



**Flowering** 

**Uttarakhand** Our Bhutiya women in their traditional attire 'Lavva' from Tapovan. These Sewa SHG members from Ringi, Chandpur, Subhi and Gaunj, in the process of making 200 garlands out of freshly harvested marigold flowers, with each garland around 2 meters long, ready to be sold in the markets for Rs 45-50 each.

#### Sewa Uttarakhand

# DM Rudraprayag flags-off 'Polythene Waste Eradication Campaign'



A step towards cleanliness – a precursor to "Swachhta hi Seva" campaign of Govt, an initiative by Kishori Samuh from Sewa Uttarakhand.

The Sewa International team in Uttarakhand through

their Kishori Samuh (Girl Adolescent Groups) undertook a

'Polythene Waste Eradication Campaign'.

Under Swasthya Sahyogi Sewa, various adolescent groups have been formed in Rudraprayag and Chamoli districts throughout Ukhimath, Agastyamuni, Joshimath, Karnaprayag and Pokhari.

The program included 50 Kishori Samuh from 50 villages and witnessed a participation of 591 young girls. They collected a total of 150 kgs of Polythene waste which will be decantated in collaboration with the Dehradun based organisation Waste Warrior. The flagging off ceremony for sending the load to Dehradun was done by DM Rudraprayag Mangesh Ghildiyal Ji. He also mentioned how this initiative of including young girls in this effort would go a long way in raising awareness amongst the younger generation and also spread the message to the local population. Sewa International Bharat (SIB) CEO Mr. Nishant was also present at the event, along with other Sewa Uttarakhand team members.

#### Sewa Kashi

## Medical Camp Organised In Bhitti

"Service before
Self" is an apt
dictum by which
we live by at
Sewa
International. In
Kashi, a medical
camp was
organized for
children
attending the
Sewa tuition
centers in Bhiti



village, Ramnagar, Varanasi. Dr. Jyotibhusad and Dr. N.K Singh from BHU coordinated the camp. A total of about 200 children suffering from seasonal fever, pains, diseases etc were examined. The camp was supported by the National Medical Organisation and Rashtriya Sewa Bharati. The beneficiaries were also made aware of the preventive care methods to follow for a better health, Their parents were specially educated about how to

ensure that their children find the best nutrition possible at this growing stage.

## **Success Story**



I weave for a living and that is the only way to live I know.
My name is Ramlal Vishwakarma, aged 70, married and a father of 5.
Bunkari (weaving) is my family tradition.

My friend Gulab Mohammed, 35, from Sahityanaka Tolla, married and a father of 6 is also a part of Sewa International as I am.

Sewa has been a family to us and a guiding light. We first came in contact with SI, following its 3 months basic training program to learn about designing sarees in Kardwa. Our training including guidance on how to include modern designs in our art and make sarees and dupattas from the same. Before attending the training, it was difficult for us to make ends meet for our families as our products would not be up to date with the demands of the latest market. But now, after completing the program both me and Gulab Mohammed have recently completed an order of 1 saree and 3 dupattas worth Rs 42,000. We hope to continue our association with the organization and learn more of the modern techniques of weaving. We also hope to establish our own entrepreneurial setup in the near future.

## Kerala Flood Relief

Often in any disaster situation, the lack of food and the access to essential things emerges as the most pressing problem.



Throughout relief operations during the Kerala Floods,
Sewa volunteers made sure that something as basic as ration is made accessible to the victims. To this effect, donations have been pouring over which has



enabled Sewa volunteers to procure food for millions of people stationed across 210 relief camps operational across 14 districts. Till now, 2155 tonnes of food grains, clothing material and household essentials have been distributed to over 105,000 families. The disbursement process is being carried out with the help of special district wise teams to transport these materials to relief camps.

SIB is also indebted to the doctors from various provinces, various organizations who responded to its appeal for helping the flood victims. SIB appreciates the spirit of selfless service that they held throughout this crisis. A team of 50 doctors worked day and night, checking up to 2500 patients a day throughout the state. Around 10 medical vans were in continuous operation, distributing medicines and essential medical aid to the affected people.

## School Kit Distribution Program in Rajasthan



Carrying forward school kit distribution drives as part of Sewa International's endeavour to promote education, SIB recently conducted a school kit distribution program at Mangalam Bharti Adarsh Vidya Mandir at Kailadevi, Rajasthan. Each school kit consisted of a bag, a geometry box, a pencil box, 5 notebooks, and a drawing pad. Out of a total

target of 7000 kits to be distributed this year, 600 were distributed in this event. The event was attended by Sh. Keshar

Singh Ji Naruka, Sh. Brahmanand Sharma and Sh. Ashok Kumar Sharma (Principal), Deepak Singh Ji and Akhil Ji from Sewa International. SIB thanks SISGO, Oman for making this event possible and successful.

## Made In Chamba Charger By PMKK Tehri

Through the PMKK initiative, the youth of the region have found new skills and added motivation to innovate and improvise. SIB's MPHRT group students undergoing Mobile Phone Repair Training in PMKK Chamba, have recently



made a cost-effective mobile charger which can be sold in the markets. These efforts would go a long way in promoting entrepreneurship and self-sufficiency in the trainees.

## Sewa International's Toilet & Hygiene Project Gets Recognition at World Hindu Conference



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International is glad to share that its project "Toilet and Hygiene Project for the Girl child" poster won the first prize at the recently concluded World Hindu Conference, Chicago.

#### **Area of work**: Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

SIB commenced with the repair of toilets under 'Renovation of Existing Toilet Project' in primary and upper primary schools of Lucknow. For Phase-I of this project, it focused on 11 toilets in 10 schools. All these renovations ranged from minor to moderate in terms of the work required. (See Figure 1)

Please refer to Table 1 to see the type of repair work done, and the list of schools impacted.

**Table 1**: List of 10 schools where toilets were renovated/repaired.

Sr.No.	Name Of	No. Of	Work
	School	Students	Accomplished
1	Upper Primary School, Alambagh	68	<ul> <li>Broken door, door locks and pipes repaired</li> <li>New tiles bought and laid</li> <li>Roof fixed</li> </ul>
2	Upper Primary School, Ram Aasre Purwa	151	<ul> <li>Doors and door locks</li> <li>repaired</li> <li>Walls repaired</li> </ul>
3	Primary School, Ujariyaon	126	<ul> <li>Broken pipes made         functional</li> <li>Cracked seat and floor         fixed</li> <li>All work done except Tiles         work</li> </ul>
4	Primary School, Takrohi	150	<ul><li>Soak pit cover added</li><li>Still some minor repairs are to be done</li></ul>
5	Upper Primary Kanya Pathshala	54	On hold (Re Estimation of present repair work is more than double of pre decided cost)
6	Primary School, Bapta Mau	146	Broken seat, pipe, door and door locks fixed
7	Upper Primary School, Alinagar Sunhara	49	Repair work done, painting work remaining
8	Upper Primary School, Kanosi	65	Repair work done, painting work remaining

9	Primary School	520	Repair work done, painting
	Lucknow		work remaining ( Two units
	Montessori		were repaired)
10	Upper Primary	90+	All work done
	School Ujariyaon		



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