



# Program Brochure

Nurturing Impactful Lives...



YOUTH for sewa  
Nurturing Impactful Lives

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International



# SWAMI VIVEKANANDA'S VISION



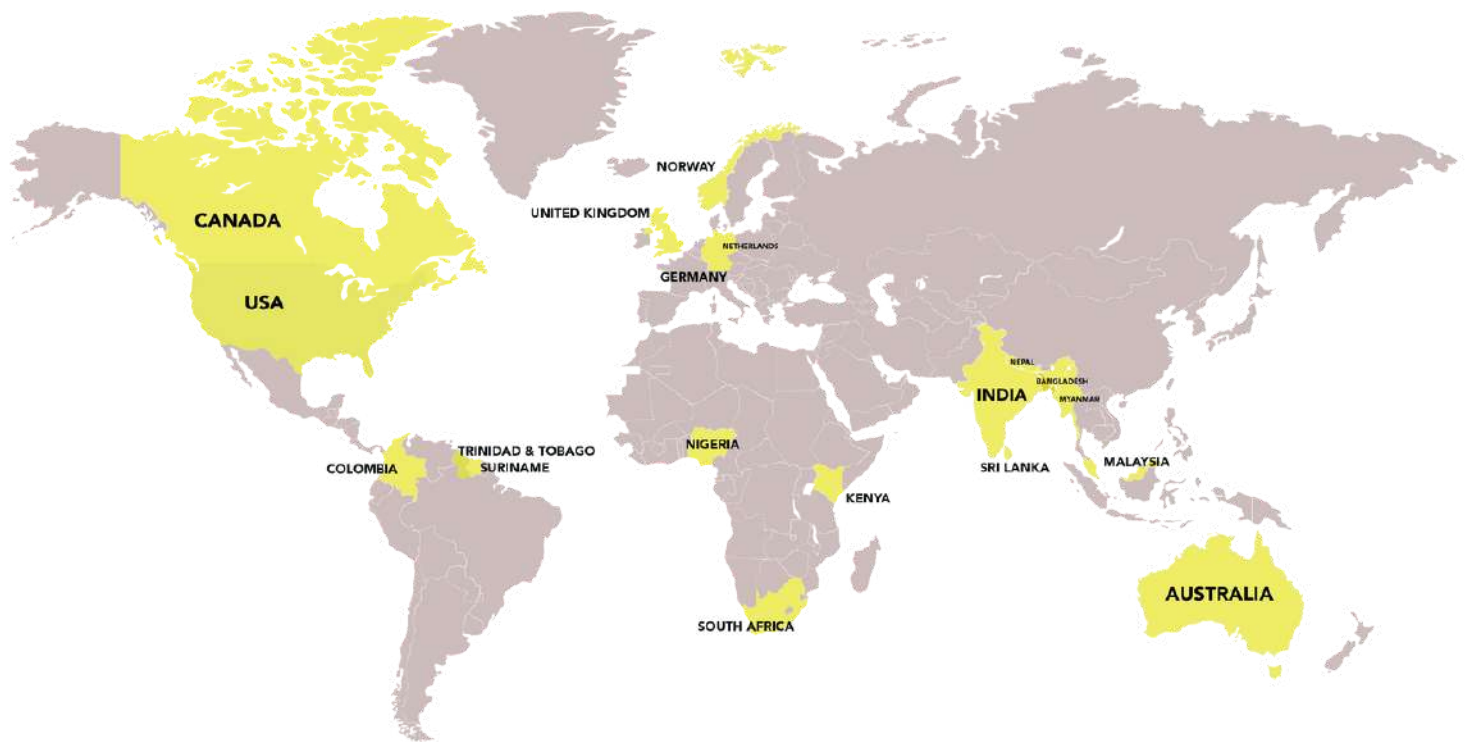
“ *What we want is to see the youth who is harmoniously developed: great in heart, great in mind, great in deed...*

*We want men and women whose heart feels intensely the miseries and sorrows of the world, whose mind delves deeply into the nature of things and understanding, and who will not even stop there, but want to work on the feeling and purpose by actual deeds. Such a combination of head, heart, and hand is what we want.*

*This is the man of the future, of whom there are few at present....*

*The number of such will increase until the whole world is humanised....*

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# About Sewa International

*Sewa International is an organization with a mission to nurture institutions of social impact and serve humanity. In our two decades of work, we have worked across the length and breadth of the nation to inculcate the spirit of Sewa as a means for societal transformation or Parivartan. Our direct projects span across India, and globally across 25+ countries as the 'Sewa' movement.*

## Vision

*Sewa International as a premier non-profit, would live in a world of equality, where everyone is happy, enjoys good health, has equal growth opportunities and lives in balance with nature. In the event of any disaster, Sewa International will be called in and be among the first to serve.*

## Mission

*Sewa International serves humanity in distress, aids local communities, and promotes volunteerism. We engage our beneficiaries to be agents of change in development and strive to make progress broad-based.*

# INDIA PROJECT MAP



# SEWA TESTIMONIALS

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"Bhagwan has graced the white and Barren land of Kutch with the legacy of art from its pure heart, where handicraft takes the form of a living art.. Happy to see Sewa International facilitating this."

**SH. NARENDRA MODI**

Prime Minister of India



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"Sewa International has done commendable work in preserving the ecosystem in the himalayas. Great to see the work with farmers."

**DR. VANDANA SHIVA**

Philosopher, environmentalist, author, professional speaker, social activist

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"Sewa International has displayed remarkable selflessness to help the relief and rescue efforts in operation Ganga. They showed true patriotism and personified the philosophy of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam with poise and dignity."

**AMB. HARDEEP SINGH PURI**

Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas



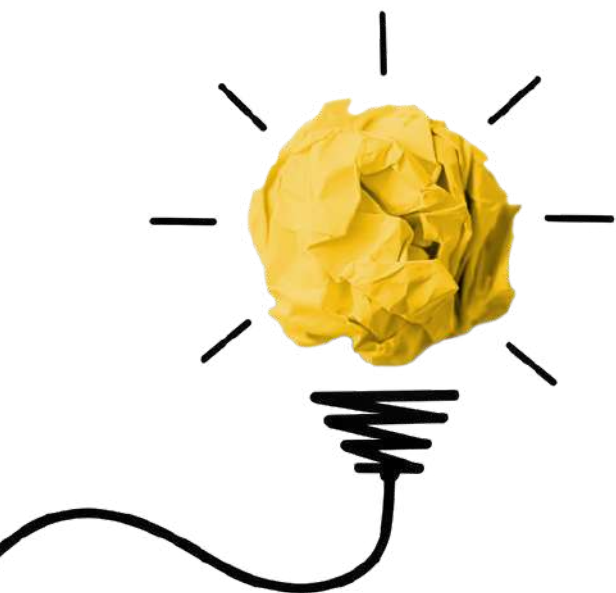
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**DR. R BALASUBRAMANIAM**

Member-HR, Capacity Building Commission, Govt of India

# SEWA FELLOWSHIP



## About

Sewa Fellowship is a strategic investment in human capacity, and grassroots organisations to build solutions for India's complex socio-economic-cultural matrix.

We believe in the power and potential of youth to drive ideas, run movements, nurture organizations, and seek truth and justice to together build a better Bharat.

## Key Features



### Doer's Perspective

Nurturing first-principles based understanding of community work by engaging with a leading grassroots organizations.



### Expert Mentorship

Fellows will get constant expert support of domain experts and senior social leaders.



### COMMUNITY OF 'ONE'

Creating a community of changemakers with an aligned vision of building nation together.



### Positive Support

Empowering the learning journey of the fellows in the form of financial support, enriching experiences.



### Guided Reflections

Building self-awareness with guided reflective exercises to navigate the mind in meaningful direction



### 100 Weeks: Serving Bharat

Devoting 23 months in serving Bharat with grassroots communities.



# Program Philosophy

## Sewa Leadership Framework

As we set-out on a journey to nurture grassroots leadership, there was a need to define a framework for defining the competencies needed to be nurtured for a grassroots leader. We faced the two most fundamental aspects of human existence: Swabhaava and Swadharma.

### DIMENSIONS of Existence Swabhaava | स्वभाव



### LEVELS of Impact Swadharma | स्वधर्म



### Swabhaava

It refers to the innate nature of a being, which uniquely determines its behaviour and actions. It is the natural tendencies and dispositions that define an individual's inherent nature or personality.

Swabhaava is the source of one's will-power (Ichha Shakti), thoughts (Gyan Shakti), and actions (Kriya Shakti). Each individual has a unique combination of Swabhaava and it is considered as the foundation of their personality.

### Swadharma

It refers to the duties and responsibilities of the individual with different levels of development. It is based on their unique nature, background, capabilities and circumstances.

It is the sense of responsibility and moral principles that guide an individual's different aspects of life such as self (Swayam), organisation (Sangham) and society (Sarwam) as a whole.

# Sewa Leadership Framework

“One's **Swabhava** is the foundation for understanding and fulfilling one's **Swadharma**. A good leader balances his/her strengthening of Swabhava for accomplishing his/her **Swadharma**.”

The intersection of Swabhava and Swadharma can be seen in the idea that an individual's Swabhava, or innate nature, determines their Swadharma, or unique set of duties and responsibilities.

At the intersection of the Swabhava and Swadharma, there are different competencies that define a grassroots leader. These competencies enable an individual to align their innate values, characteristics and qualities with their unique set of duties and responsibilities.



DIMENSIONS OF EXISTENCE				
		इच्छा शक्ति Heart	ज्ञान शक्ति Head	क्रिया शक्ति Hand
LEVELS OF IMPACT	स्वयं Self	Passionate भावुक	Self-aware आत्मबोध	Continuous Learner निरंतर सीखनेवाला
	संघम Organisation	Collective / Collaborator सामूहिकता	Thinker विचारक	Solution Oriented समाधान केन्द्रित
	सर्वम Society	Sense of Onenes एकत्व-भाव	Visionary द्रष्टा	Initiator सर्जक



**Dr. Jagadesh Mamidala**  
Chairman, University Grants Commission,  
Government of India

“With Sewa Fellowship, I am very hopeful of thousands of youth rising to the vision of Swami Vivekananda, and serving our nation throughout their lives...My best wishes to Sewa International...”



# Selection Process



## Knowing One Another

Nomination / Self Application

Statement of Purpose: Written/ Video Essay

## Assessing fit with grassroots work

- Respect for Community Wisdom
- Curiosity and Humility
- Canvas of Space and Time

Personal Conversation



## Temperament Check: Seekers' Camp

- Rigour for Community Work
- Empathy and Contributor Mindset
- Collaborative Working

Personal Conversation



**Dr. Ajay Dubey**

**Pro Vice-Chancellor, Jawaharlal Nehru University**

Sewa Fellowship fills a major gap in our education system with temperament based selection, and connecting youth with learning opportunities while they contribute to nation building. I congratulate the team for coming up with this novel idea...

# Curriculum Structure

## Knowledge:

- Idea of Development
- Case Studies of Social Impact
- Knowing Itihasa and Bharat
- Introduction to Public Policy
- Ecosystem of Social Purpose Organizations
- Social Movements in India
- Financial Accounting, etc.

## Skills:

- Storytelling
- Fundraising
- Media & Communication
- Project Management
- Monitoring & Evaluation
- Mental Models
- Community Engagement, etc.

## Temperament:

- Ayurvedic Prakriti
- Team Management
- Indic Lens for the Modern World
- Social Emotional Learning
- Human Centered Design
- Personal Value System
- Active Listening
- Sensemaking, etc.



आचार्यात् पादमादत्ते पादं शिष्यः स्वमेधया ॥  
सब्रह्मचारिभ्यः पाद पादं कालक्रमेण च ॥

महाभारत, उद्योगपर्व



A student gets a quarter (knowledge) from his teacher and a quarter from his own intelligence.  
A quarter from his fellow students and a quarter in due course of time with experience.



## BeAndMake Camp

Be and Make Camp (BMC) is a two weeks residential program focused on grassroots leadership, self-awareness and nation-building. 30 fellows from around the country will stay on one campus. The program is graced by 40+ speakers including grassroots reformers, social leaders, academicians, and young achievers. This fellowship experience develops tailored learning routes for varied groups of fellows. It equips them with the leadership abilities needed to effect positive, large-scale, and long-term social change by addressing urgent social issues.



## Grassroots Connect Camp

Grassroot Connect Camp (GCC) is an immersive program designed to equip fellows with the skills and knowledge needed to drive sustainable development at the grassroots level. The camp involves a 100-km walk, amidst the community with senior community leaders, along with workshops on intervention design and leadership. The camp aims at building rigour, empathy and compassion towards social change.



## Social Entrepreneurship Camp

Social Entrepreneurship Camp (SEC) is a BootCamp for young, aspiring social entrepreneurs to nurture organizations of social change with the required knowledge, skills and temperament. The program would witness interactions with social entrepreneurs, management professionals, social leaders and community leaders from India and across the world. The program would interact over different formats like panel discussions, workshops, keynote sessions, activities etc.



# Annual Calendar

Aarambh



BeAnd Make Camp  
(2 week)

Induction at host  
organisation  
(1 week)



Field work  
(4 week)

Grassroots Connect  
Camp (1 week)



Field work  
(18 week)

Social  
Entrepreneurship  
Camp (2 week)



Field work  
(15 week)



2nd Year of  
Fellowship

Intrapreneur  
within the host  
organization

Plus Role in  
the host  
organization

Social  
Entrepreneur

Sewa Fellowship rekindles hope on the future of India, even amongst those at the last mile... I am sure that the program will create social workers and social entrepreneurs who will bring hope to masses in Bharat..



**Sh. Gauranga Das**  
Spiritual Leader, Author, and  
Director, Govardhan ecovillage

# Program Mentors



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Professor & Director,  
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**Madan Padaki**

Founder and CEO,  
1 Bridge



**Suparna Diwakar**

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Capacity Building Commission,  
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Professor, Indian  
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**Arun Maira**

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Commission, Ex Chairperson  
Boston Consulting Group



**Dr MK Sridhar**

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**Phoolbasan Bai Yadav**

Founder, Maa Bamleshwari  
Janhitkari Samiti  
Padmashri Awardee



**Mahesh Sharma**

Founder, Shivganga  
Padmashri Awardee

The fellowship has been anchored in the Bharatiya concept of individual growth and evolution through sewa. It has a balance of practice and theory, a praxis that enables honing of dispositions, knowledge acquisition, and skills to facilitate social change. The 'getting-your-hands-dirty' experiential dimension is very rich on account of the opportunity it provides for Fellows to work on live projects with proper mentorship.

**Suparna Diwakar**

# Program Faculty



**Dr. Alka Mandke**  
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**Vijay Swami**

Executive Director,  
RIWATCH



**Virat Chirania**

Global Faculty, Art of Living

I am quite excited to learn that this investment from Sewa International will create change makers & leaders who are young, enthusiastic, passionate & well rounded. Their contributions will have a transformative impact on how NGO's are managed for the benefit of various stakeholders

- Vijay Paul

# India Map & infographics about Partners and Projects



In today's Bharat, the youth have the spirit, they want to do something but they don't know how to go about it... I think Sewa Fellowship is a great opportunity for those who have got a burning desire to do something for the society and for the nation.

Commander VK Jaitly  
Ex-Commander, Indian Navy  
Founder Board Member, Pan-IIT India







## Education, Skill Development

- Manage post-school learning and leadership centres for children from slum areas for their holistic development
- Curate and Execute extra-curricular activities in residential hostels for tribal students
- Build an extra-curricular engagement model in education for underprivileged kids from across the nation in both digital and physical formats.
- Organize Character-building Camps (Samskar Vargas) in villages for the inculcation of culture and values amongst kids.
- Developing a model for measurement of learning outcomes and impact of community engagement, in Anandalayas across Tea Gardens.
- Curate and Execute co-curriculum extra-curricular activities for primary school students across pre-school centres.
- Kishori Vikas - Developing a flagship model of engagement of adolescents, including activities, content and trainings.
- Nurture community leadership amongst tribal youth with regular engagement, activities, training camps, and competitions.
- Development of system and streamlining mechanism for volunteering opportunities for variety of partners within SVYM program.



## Agriculture, Livelihood and Social Business

- Community Work with villages for need identification in education, health and agriculture
- Promotion of Organic Farming with Training, Technology and Tools amongst women farmers.
- Alternative Livelihood & Income Generation Initiative
- Managing and curating skill development project for women to promote self-reliance and economic empowerment.
- Promote natural modes of farming via seed conservation, organic farming, and millet cultivation
- Promotion of Millet farming with support in trainings, input materials and marketing support.
- Women Empowerment with Livelihood opportunities with Self-Help Groups
- Gaonwali- Empower women led self-help groups to encourage small savings, organize regular group meetings, support the loan process and nurture small enterprises.



## Healthcare

- Identification and Codification of successful Health & Education programs/projects for replication and scale
- Promote awareness and preventive surveys around Breast And Cervical Cancer Awareness
- Build awareness on holistic and preventive health with community volunteers
- Awareness on sickle-cell anaemia and alcohol de-addiction.



## Environment

- Rejuvenation Of step wells with traditional knowledge and volunteer engagement
- Engage, Nurture and Promote community owned management for Himalayan Water Springs, with afforestation and waste management.



**Dr. Indira Khurana,**  
**Vice-Chairperson, Tarun Bharat Sangh**

Often we come across youth saying that, they are kind of confused and there is no structure/program where they can actually engage with issues which concern the country and they can learn while serving. They can no longer complain, given we have now Sewa Fellowship.



# **Fellows**

## **Batch 2022-24**

# Arvind Patidar



Age: 29  
Home Location: Indore,  
(Madhya Pradesh)  
Project Location: Angul, Orissa  
Project Domain: Agriculture

## Fellow introduction:

I did M.tech (food process engineering) from IIT Kharagpur after I completed my B.tech. in agricultural engineering. I come from Sehore, Madhya Pradesh. The lack of food spoilage predicting technologies sparked my curiosity and motivated me to pursue further food science courses. I am motivated by a desire to learn more about low-cost agricultural equipment. I want to develop low-cost devices for agricultural purposes.

**Project Name:** Community Work with villages for need identification in education, health and agriculture.

**Partner Organisation:** Back to village

## Project Description

The needs assessment component of the assignment will be guided by the available resources, prevalent social customs, sentiments and beliefs of the local community and an independent assessment of the existing infrastructure of the village. The objective of the needs assessment is to obtain the stakeholders' perspective and expectations activities in terms of possible economic linkages, community welfare and infrastructure augmentation. The data required for the needs assessment will be collected through the structured questionnaire developed for household survey and village schedule.

## Activities:

- Conducting needs assessments in villages for overall development of village.
- Volunteering in different drives like cleanliness etc.
- Identifying the skills of the villagers for different projects. Conducting needs assessment surveys on employment issues, migration, utilizing naal water effectively, and managing raw straw.
- Preparation for training camp for farmers.



For More Information about the  
Host Organization:





# Babli Devi



Age: 23  
Home Location: Hojai, Assam  
Project Location: Rudraprayag,  
Uttarakhand  
Project Domain: Environment

## Fellow introduction:

I am from Assam. I have recently completed my MSW from NERIM Group Of Institutions, Guwahati. My key interest areas are waste management and sustainability. My hobbies are crafting, cooking, gardening, and watching web series, TV serials, and cartoons. I have a work experience in multiple sectors like the Hospitality industry, Educational institutions, and Social Work. I know Assamese, Hindi, English, and Manipuri. I am easygoing and I am honest with myself. I am still trying to unearth my capabilities and trying to be a conscious human being

**Project Name:** Engage, nurture and promote community owned management for Himalayan Water Springs, with afforestation and waste management.

**Partner Organisation:** Sewa International

## Project Description

The PRAWAH project is a multi-sectoral method to sell public cognizance and participation in neighbourhood waste cleanup campaigns, and reforestation and offer easy and secure ingesting water to groups depending on streams withinside the Himalayan region. This project was launched at the end of December 2019 with the aims of regenerating and restoring natural water sources in a manner that actively engages all relevant stakeholders in the community to ensure a sustainable model.

## Activities:

- Dry Waste collection from households of villages in the project location
- Zero waste events and activities to bring waste management and environmental awareness in the communities
- Rapport building with the Communities
- Waste management and segregation training for the participants of the PRAWAH project
- Promotion of youth volunteerism in the communities by engaging them in PRAWAH Activities.



For More Information about the  
Host Organization:



# Deepti Tomar



Age: 25  
Home Location: Dewas,  
Madhya Pradesh  
Project Location: Palghar, Maharashtra  
Project Domain: Education & skills  
Development

## Fellow introduction:

I am a resident of Khategaon in the Dewas district of Madhya Pradesh. I have completed my graduation in B.Sc (Computer Science) and Masters in Journalism from Makhnall Chaturvedi National University of Journalism and Communication, Bhopal. I have worked with UNICEF on two fellowships on Child Health and Child Rights and have also worked on malnutrition in child health and trafficking of children in child rights. I like to work on new initiatives.

**Project Name:** Empowering Adolescent Girls and Women Under "Sakhi" Project

**Partner Organisation:** Keshav Srushti

## Project Description

"Sakhi" is such a project for adolescent girls studying in class 6th to 10th, in which we are talking about their physical, mental all round development. By giving them the right knowledge and guidance at the right age, their confidence has increased and they are moving towards self-reliance. Empowering the adolescent girls so that they can face every problem on their own. Spreading awareness on various topics like health, education, social issues, child marriage. At the same time, we are also taking steps towards women empowerment by connecting their mothers through adolescent girls and equipping them with many skills.

## Activities:

- Visits to the villages, identifying and understanding problem, designing activities to solve them and create awareness about the topic.
- To determine the activities of teachers' training.
- Coordinating this project in 25 villages of Jawhar, Vikramgarh, Kansa, Wada, Khadola five centers. Visit there, evaluate the work.
- Writing articles for the monthly magazine of Keshav Srishti.



For More Information about the  
Host Organization:





# Deepa Mehra



Age: 26  
Home Location: Durg, Chhattisgarh  
Project Location: Aurangabad, Maharashtra  
Project Domain: Livelihood

## Fellow introduction:

As an ordinary girl from a small town, I didn't let my dream die because of the conservative environment. I consider myself a "fighter" because I have faced many problems since childhood.

My volunteering journey proceeded as a teacher and an NSS volunteer in Durg Chhattisgarh. I had worked in various fields of education, health and environment and I worked with slum children since 2018 and still I am working.

**Project Name:** Managing and curating skill development project for women to promote self-reliance and economic empowerment.

**Partner Organisation:** Savitri Bai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal

## Project Description

Trained the Underprivileged people of Aurangabad & Jalna (Slums and Villages), and make them self-reliant. Decrease the rate of unemployment. Short term skill development courses is free or at a token cost, in which we enhance Trainees capabilities and make them confident in their subject.

## Activities:

- Conducting sessions on personality development & mock interviews.
- Conducting a need-based assessment surveys in Aurangabad (slums and village) for new admissions.
- Participating in the reviews of the survey form, selection of trainees, counseling of trainees, and finalizing the group of trainees.
- Volunteering in sessions and camps i.e. Transformative Sessions for trainees and trainers, eye checkup camps etc.
- Enroll new trainees in MIS (Managing information sheet) In excel



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Host Organization:





# Himanshu Shahdabpuri



Age: 24

Home Location: Palghar, Maharashtra

Project Location: Wada, Maharashtra

Project Domain: Social Business

## Fellow introduction:

I am a graduate in finance and pursued my PGDM from WE School, Mumbai. I have been working with Tata Consultancy for the past year as a Financial Analyst. Recently, as a Teach for India volunteer, I teach basic numeracy and literacy in low-income government schools. With deep ambition in climate change and community development, I intend to make a career in ecological justice and climate finance.

**Project Name:** Promotion of Millet farming with support in trainings, input materials and marketing support.

**Partner Organisation:** Goverdhan Ecovillage

## Project Description

The Rural Development Program Further Broadens now to increase the income of farmers by exploring to launch various organic food – processed products targeting health conscious consumers. The Food Processed products caters a special line to launch a variety of millets products keeping the governments push to promote and increase the consumption of millets in view. The project also aims to study the consumer pattern so as to map farmer produce and supply chain to keep farmers inspired and minimize wastage with the help of food processing.

## Activities:

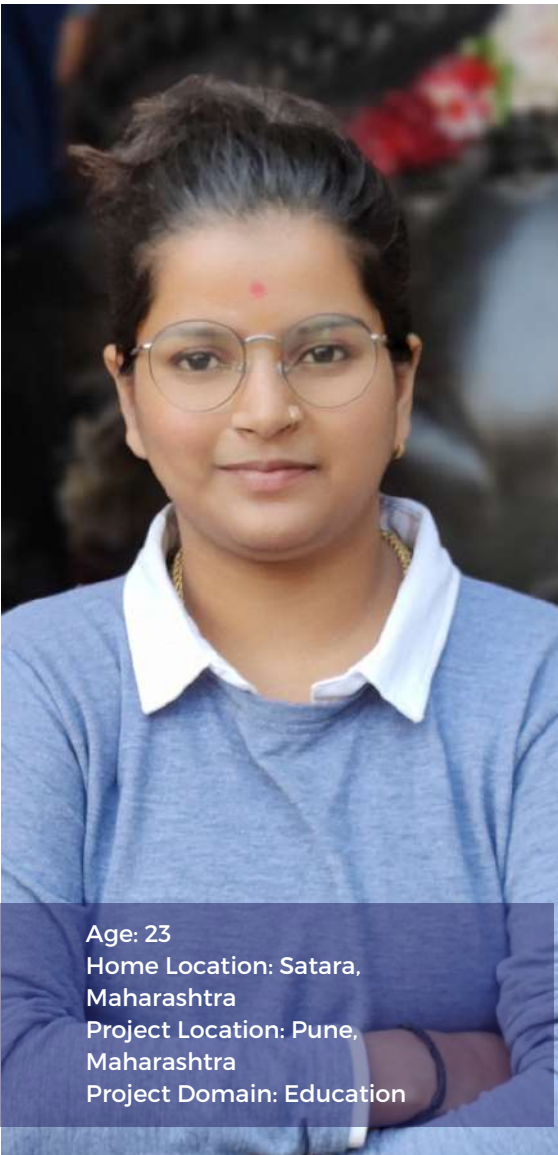
- Developing strategies to boost millet sale.
- Visits to Honey Bee Initiative of Govardhan Eco Village with beekeeping expert to ensure proper care and updates on the distribution of bee box.
- Conducting a surveys to gather data on the various crops grown through contract farming.



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# Kalyani Ransing



Age: 23  
Home Location: Satara,  
Maharashtra  
Project Location: Pune,  
Maharashtra  
Project Domain: Education

## Fellow introduction:

My name is Kalyani Puja Sukesh Ransing. I am from Karanjkhop, a small village in Satara District, Maharashtra. I had my primary education in the village. I am doing Masters in Social Work. Being from a rural area, employment and education issues are close at hand. So my vision is to go ahead and create employment for women in every village of Maharashtra

**Project Name:** Manage post-school learning and leadership centres for children from slum areas for their holistic development

**Partner Organisation:** 'Swa'-Roop Wardhinee

## Project Description

Utthan' under 'Swa' - RoopWardhinee works on wasti-vikas domain. We work for sections namely Mahila bachat Gat, Khel Varg, Sanskar Varg and also we work to run abhyasika for children.

## Activities:

- Visits to Anganwadis & self-help organizations to learn & help in their projects.
- Conducting remedial classes at Bahavani Pet, Rajwadi.
- Helping in developing the annual reports for the organization
- Preparing for and attending organizational meetings with different stakeholders.



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# Khemlal Khattarji



Age: 30  
Home Location: Shakti, Chhattisgarh  
Project Location: Udalguri, Assam  
Project Domain: Education

## Fellow introduction:

I have completed my post-graduation in social work from Kalinga University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh. I have been working with my parents since childhood. I was a victim of human trafficking and was brought back home after being rescued through an organization when I was 13 years old. Since then I wanted to work for society and fight against all evil.

**Project Name:** Curate and Execute extra-curricular activities in residential hostels for tribal students

**Partner Organisation:** Akhil Bhartiya Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram

## Project Description

Through the inspection of the hostel, become aware of the actual situation of the hostel, understand and document the problem and make action plan to address the deficiencies,

## Activities:

- Visits to Bhairakunda, located between Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, and Bhutan, getting involved in spiritual activities near rivers.
- Visits to student's hostels with the aim of interacting with students through games, discussions, paper handouts, and discussing their dreams and family background.
- Holding discussions with students to gain experience in managing the hostel collectively.
- Explaining in-depth topics such as physical and mental development through sports, motivational stories, and spiritual knowledge in the hostels in Assam.



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# Lakhveer Singh



Age: 26  
Home Location: Hanumangarh, Rajasthan  
Project Location: Lohardaga, Jharkhand  
Project Domain: Education

## Fellow introduction:

I was born and raised in Hanumangarh, Rajasthan. I have completed my post-graduation in computer science, and I believe that education is the key to transforming lives and bringing about sustainability and long-lasting impact. I would like to work, learn, and contribute to society in whatever capacity I can. As a National Youth Volunteer, I collaborated with the administration in the social sector for two years to establish a disciplined and dedicated group of youth

**Project Name:** The project played a vital role in promoting holistic development and empowerment of tribal students in Jharkhand.

**Partner Organisation:** Shri Hari Vanvasi Vikas Samiti

## Project Description

It addressed the specific needs and challenges faced by schools, enhanced teacher capacity, promoted innovative teaching methods, reduced dropout rates, streamlined administration, encouraged physical activities, and facilitated the integration of technology in education.

## Activities:

- Conducting a survey to identify the requirements in schools.
- Coordinating the management committees of the schools.
- Organizing teacher training programs in schools operated by Kalyan Ashram.
- Assessing the educational level of students and developing new techniques to educate tribal students.
- Improving the dropout rate and ensuring the availability of quality education.
- Coordinating the administration of schools.
- Establishing sports fields in schools.
- Providing basic computer training to teach



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# Moni Kumari



Age: 26  
Home Location: Banka, Bihar  
Project Location:  
Chamoli, Uttarakhand  
Project Domain: Social Business

## Fellow introduction:

I have done my graduation and post graduation in Agriculture. I realised that our natural resources are deteriorating daily due to the over-exploitation of resources. Farmers are committing suicide due to crop failure and lack of awareness. So as an agronomist, I want to utilise my education and enhance my skills to do something for our environment and farmers.

**Project Name:** Promotion of Organic Farming with Training, Technology and Tools amongst women farmers.

**Partner Organisation:** Sewa International UKD.

## Project Description

The project aims for sustainable changes in farming practices that maintains soil health, sustainable agro-ecosystems and humans. This project gives an opportunity to farmers to get food and nutrition security and improve crop yield with organic farming in a sustainable manner by using 3Ts – Training, Tools and Technology.

## Activities:

- Visiting the project field to monitor the growth of chickpea and spraying activities as part of the project. I visited C.P.P. (Climate proofing projects) with Field Manager and distributed mango plants to the farmers.
- Sharing knowledge and providing training to farmers on modern agricultural techniques.
- Holding discussions with farmers to understand their experiences with organic farming.
- Assisting in giving Knap sprayers to farmers and discussing organic farming practices with them.



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# Neha Maramreddy



Age: 31  
Home Location: Hyderabad, Telangana  
Project Location: Bengaluru, Karnataka  
Project Domain: Education

## Fellow introduction:

I am Neha Maramreddy, I have completed my post-graduation in public health from the Indian Institute of Public Health, Hyderabad and a bachelor's degree in arts from GITAM University, Visakhapatnam. I understand the significance of systems thinking and amongst other natural life-enhancers thrive on 'Carnatic music' and 'yoga sadhana' to sustain my mission at the micro level.

**Project Name:** Build extra-curricular engagement model in education for underprivileged kids from across the nation in both digital and physical formats.

**Partner Organisation:** Sewa International - SAC

## Project Description

The project is aimed at designing co-curricular activities content in offline and digital modes for the holistic development of sponsored children across India. This entails reviewing current models, ideating, and designing extra-curricular engagement model in both physical and digital formats. It also includes interacting with students to assess their felt-needs and identify suitable interventions. In addition, coordinating with facilitators/resource persons for executing the planned interventions, planning logistics for execution and measuring the outcomes of implemented interventions are an integral part of this project.

## Activities:

- Conducting secondary research on grey and peer-reviewed literature to identify suitable content for physical, emotional, moral, and spiritual development of school children.
- Hosting career guidance sessions for 11th and 12th grade students in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.
- Curating content for Sponsor a Child Student journal.
- Designing pre and post-intervention assessment framework for monitoring learning outcomes of children.



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# Om Prakash Sahu



Age: 26  
Home Location: Dhamtari,  
Chattisgarh  
Project Location: Kallubalu,  
Karnataka  
Project Domain: Education

## Fellow introduction:

I completed my graduation in Electronics and telecommunication from Govt Engineering College, Raipur. I have 3 years of experience in teaching. I also worked with Azim Premji foundation as a community health worker.

## Project Name:

Organize Character-building Camps (Samskar Vargas) in villages for inculcation of culture and values amongst kids.

**Partner Organisation:** Vivekanand Kendra Kanyakumari  
Kallubalu

## Project Description

Sanskar varga is to inculcate in children intense patriotic urge, concern for the others and self confidence. They should be able to think about every matter and shape themselves into perfect human being. Such seeds should be put into them.

## Activities:

- Stimulating curiosity and interest in science among all students through experiments..
- Assisting the organization in setting up a library for the students.
- Conducting remedial classes to help students improve their understanding.
- Arranging storytelling sessions and games for the primary school students.
- Creating a village profile by mapping the villages and gaining a complete understanding of the villages.



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Host Organization:



# Payal Singh



Age: 26  
Home Location: Ara, Bihar  
Project Location: Tinsukia, Assam  
Project Domain: Education

## Fellow introduction:

I have worked in the education sector, mainly in Anganwadi, primary, and secondary education, to support better development by applying government plans in a better way and understanding the systems..

**Project Name:** Developing a model for measurement of learning outcomes and impact of community engagement, in Anandalayas across Tea Gardens.

**Partner Organisation:** Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari

## Project Description

To develop a model for measurement of learning outcomes & impact of community engagement or build a road map/ structure by which: Acharyas (Educators of Anandalayas) can monitor progress of an individual student and observe to discover their strength & weakness as well as progress of their own work and know the areas to they need to work on. Students can take ownership what they accomplished. Anandalayas team of Vivekanand Kendra can track the impact of engagement of community (Acharyas, Lower Primary school and parents) in Anandalayas and whether Anandalayas are meeting with its objective or not.

## Activities:

- Drafting a basic model for the assessment of learning outcomes of students at Anandalays, lower primary schools, and parents.
- Developing a model for assessing the impact of community engagement.
- Interacting with teachers of Anandalays, lower primary school parents, and other stakeholders in the tea garden community.
- Meeting with the community to understand their perception and assess the impact of Anandalays.



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# Ravindra Kumar Gautam



Age: 39

Home Location: Hardoi, Uttar Pradesh

Project Location: Kangra,  
Himachal Pradesh

Project Domain: Livelihood

## Fellow introduction:

I come from a village named Purva Distric Hardoi with my parents, wife, two Daughters, and one Son. I live in Lucknow's slums and work as a casual worker, I have my own cloth Ferry and I have attended school till VIIIth grade. I really want to come forward and work for the society and people.

**Project Name:** Women Empowerment with Livelihood opportunities with Self-Help Groups

**Partner Organisation:** Chinmaya Organization for Rural Development CORD

## Project Description

Ajeevika -Skill Development Training to Self-Help Groups: Training on various livelihood options to rural women based on both agriculture based, and non-agricultural products

## Activities:

- working with the Mahila Mandal to educate the beneficiaries about the benefits of vermicomposting.
- Conducting surveys in villages to identify, eligible beneficiaries various projects.
- Monitoring all the beneficiaries in the Livelihood project and organizing meetings for each women's group
- Training the beneficiaries on how to water, harvest, and store mushrooms, with the objective of making them self-sufficient and independent.
- Conducting surveys to identify beneficiaries for initiatives such as mushroom farming, kitchen garden fencing.



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# Rajat Singh



Age: 25  
Home Location: Lucknow,  
Uttar Pradesh  
Project Location: Namsai, Arunachal  
Pradesh  
Project Domain: Education

## Fellow introduction:

I am born and raised in the city of Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh. I completed my graduation in the year 2018 in Commerce and LLB from the University of Lucknow in 2022. I am a reading enthusiast,

**Project Name:** Curate and Execute co-curriculum extra-curricular activities for primary school students across pre-school centres.

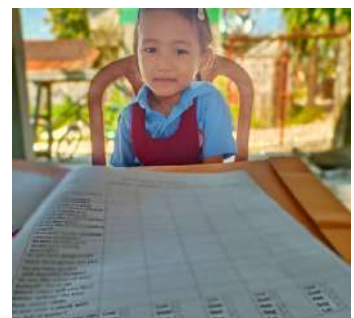
**Partner Organisation:** Arunachal Vikas Parishad

## Project Description

Observation and documentation of all the Balwadis and schools of Arunachal Vikas Parishad. Coordination of their curriculum. Flow of guidelines by Education project core committee and central education committee of Akhil Bhartiya Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram

## Activities:

- Managing and coordinating with volunteers.
- Visiting Balwadis and meeting and teaching students.
- Discussion with the head of the Education Project about the planning and implementation of a new educational and entertainment program.
- Assisting in preparation of different events and exhibition.
- Doing profiling of students at Balwadis.



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# Suraj Digrase



Age: 29  
Home Location: Wardha, Maharashtra  
Project Location: Palghar, Maharashtra  
Project Domain: Leadership

## Fellow introduction:

I have done my masters of social work with the specialization course urban , rural and tribal community development. After pursuing masters I have started my career as Field Supervisor under Ministry of Tribal Affairs. After experiencing working in social sector of ministry, I have realized my true passion of working for tribal community development. Following my passion I started to search for opportunities and platforms which can fulfill my requirements, to follow my passion. And finally I came across with the day when I found the perfect platform where I can nourish my dream and the platform is none but sewa fellowship program by sewa International Bharat and fortunately I got selected in Sewa fellowship. Now I am working in Dogri, Palghar, Maharashtra in the focus area of tribal youth development.

**Project Name:** Nurture community leadership amongst tribal youth with regular engagement, activities, training camps, and competitions.

**Partner Organisation:** Keshav Srushti

## Project Description

The objective of this project is to develop leadership qualities, communication skills, and instill confidence in the youth of the forest areas, and involve aware individuals in various social issues. Work on this project has begun with the goal of working in the villages of Vikramgad, Jawhar, Khudala, Kasa, and Wada in the Palghar district of Maharashtra. Through this project, young people will be able to lead themselves and their society in the future and work to integrate their society into the mainstream, which will strengthen the concept of development.

## Activities:

- Helping in organizing various awareness sessions like awareness drive on minimizing the usage of plastics.
- Mobilizing villagers living nearby and encouraging them to participate in the activities of the organization.
- Helping in organizing different activities and program for the development of youth and leadership.
- Helping in organizing training programs for women in bamboo handicrafts.
- Assisting in executing programs in villages aimed to spread the teachings of Swamiji Vivekanand Ji.



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# Varsha Swaminathan



Age: 23

Home Location: Palakkad, Kerala

Project Location: Wayanad, Kerala

Project Domain: Health

## Fellow introduction:

I am from the Palakkad district of Kerala. I completed my graduation in Sanskrit from Govt. Victoria College Palakkad, and my master's in Yoga Therapy from Central University of Kerala. I cleared UGC NET in Yoga in 2021. I have a keen interest in acquiring in-depth knowledge of Bhartiya sastras. I grew up in an Ashrama called Yogamandalam and acquired knowledge of Darshanas and meditation techniques from Shri Guru Prasanth under the Gurukula system. I presented a paper on the "Significance of Diet Management in Indian Sciences" at the National Seminar on Yoga at Mangalore University. Additionally, I presented and published a paper on "Upavasa in Bhartiya shastras" at the International Conference on Yoga at Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari.

**Project Name:** Awareness on sickle-cell anaemia and alcohol de-addiction.

**Partner Organisation:** Swami Vivekananda Medical Mission

## Project Description

Millions of people are affected by Sickle Cell Disease (SCD) throughout the world. In India, it is more prevalent among the tribal communities of Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, and Gujarat. In Kerala SCD is found among the Kuruma, Paniya, Naikya and Chetti communities of Wayanad and Palakkad district and it causes high morbidity and mortality among these communities. This project is to Create Awareness on SCD & Alcohol De-addiction among tribal communities and weaker sections of Wayanad district, Attappady, Nilagiri & Coorg areas of Kerala, Tamil Nadu & Karnataka states with of eradicating the Disease.

## Activities:

- Organizing and volunteering at medical camps in tribal colonies to diagnose sickle cell disease and gain an understanding of the community
- Conducting Health Education Programs and distributing SCD pamphlets to create awareness of the disease and its eradication process.
- Providing marriage counseling for SCD patients and carriers.
- Conducting yoga therapy sessions and lifestyle modification classes for SCD patients.
- Assisting in the outpatient department by taking case histories of SCD patients and building rapport with them.



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# Vivek V V



Age: 25  
Home Location: Kasargod, Kerala  
Project Location: Chamoli, Uttarakhand  
Project Domain: Livelihood

## Fellow introduction:

I am a social worker by profession and my journey began in the village of Vazhakode, located in Kasaragod, the northernmost district of Kerala. I completed my graduation in B.Com from Kannur University, after which I pursued my master's in Social Work from the Central University of Kerala. I consider myself fortunate to have started my professional journey as a Child Welfare Officer in institutions owned by Deseeya Seva Bharathi. After that, I joined the state planning board as an intern and also worked as a state project coordinator in Sri Sathya Sai Orphanage Trust, Kerala for around two years.

**Project Name:** Alternative Livelihood & income Generation Initiative.

**Partner Organisation:** Sewa International UKD.

## Project Description

The project is to create sustainable livelihood sources and generate employment and reliance to the underprivileged rural women and artisans in Rudraprayag and Chamoli districts in Uttarakhand state through Basic/Advanced training and hand holding support in the non-farm sector focusing on Knitting, weaving and bamboo crafts.

## Activities:

- Conduct meetings with Self Help Groups in Chamoli and Rudraprayag district to explain the ALIGN project and enrolling the SHG members into the ALIGN MIS
- Develop Standard Operating Procedure for the project activities
- Develop and monitor the project Management Information Systems (MIS)
- Organize meetings and programs related to ALIGN project
- Help the ground team for forming community based groups
- Develop project convergence plan and activities related to ALIGN project
- Assist to Outreach activities, Documentation and communication



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***"A few heart-whole, sincere, and energetic men and women can do more in a year than a mob in a century"***

***- Swami Vivekananda***





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