# GRAM SEWA SANGH Nagpur

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#### **PROFILE**

Empowering under privileged Children and Women of Urban, Rural & Tribal Regions And their Holistic Development, Specially Education, Health, Agriculture, and Research.

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#### 1) Introduction:

Gram Sewa Sangh is a Non - Profit Charitable trust established on 31st December 1993, registered as a Non - Government Organization (Society Act) MH/874/93/NGP by the Nagpur Charity Commissioner and also registered as a charitable trust under Bombay Public Trust Act. BPT No.: -F-11264/NGP, founded by late Mr. Philip A Paranjape who died on 17th Oct 2013. Now, Mr. Vishal Philip Paranjape is the current President of this Organization.

#### 2) Our Vision:

- 1) To achieve the basic goal of livelihoods education and to provide opportunity for a secure and sustainable livelihoods ensuring quality of life for parents and children.
- To have an equal opportunity for all to fulfill basic needs including health, education & sustainable environment in a society. Creating "One Asian Community without Poverty."
- 3) To create happier and healthier childhood by providing the children healthy environment to live, learn, play and grow.
- 4) We aim to provide support, encouragement and care to needy students and deprived people in the society with special focus on slums and rural communities and aim to bring change in their lives.
- 5) A world of hope, tolerance and social justice, where poverty has been overcome and all people live in dignity and security.

#### 3) Our Mission:

- 1) The GSS is committed to work for the holistic development of people & society particularly in weaker section. Our mission is:
- 2) To provide best Education and guidance to shape the future of the underprivileged children.
- 3) To empower underprivileged children, youth and women through education, healthcare and livelihood programs.
- 4) To end hunger by empowering women to provide sustainable strategies to feed and help their families.
- 5) Helping children receive adequate care, love, and education so they can grow up to lead productive and meaningful lives.
- 6) To improve the living conditions in slums and rural population.

#### 4) Target Group:

Empowering under privileged Children and Women of Urban, Rural & Tribal Regions and their Holistic Development, Specially Education, Health, Agriculture and Research are some of our focal areas. The large population of India that has crossed one billion, is causing hardship to Government to provide minimum standard of living / necessary basic need to every individuals i.e. food, shelter, education, health, environment etc. we have a concern towards Unemployment, below poverty, hopelessness, depression, and diverting some of them towards crime /suicide, which is fatal for society. Our GSS wants to bring smile on the poor face and work for the society.



Grocery Distribution to Poor & Needy Women

Grocery Distribution and Awareness program

We have gathered women in groups of 10-10 and distributed them grocery items. Many women came forward to speak about their problems which they faced every day. Many of them lost their jobs and are left with no source of income. It becomes difficult for them to survive and fulfill the basic needs of the family. The most affected by the crisis are the underprivileged laborers and workers. Their pain cannot be expressed in words. We are doing our part to help them in some ways.



#### AWARENESS ON WOMEN EMPOWERNMENT



We had also conducted an awareness program on Women Empowerment. We provided general introduction to all the women and gave basic information measures about Women Empowerment. The women live in the slum are uneducated and unable to survive with their family due no source of income. We gave information about the government schemes. We also invited some resource people who can help them in their livelihood. We also provide them about hygiene awareness. We advised them to stay safe by taking some simple precautions, such as keeping rooms well ventilated, cleaning your hands, use clean drinking water, use mosquito net, etc. We told them to seek medical attention immediately if they have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing. We also assure them that may be in future we will organize skill development program for them which will solve most of their financial issues.

#### SCHOOL SUPPLIES PROGRAM



Being equipped with the proper tools for school is essential to academic success. GSS/AFS Nagpur recognizes that in order to break the cycle of poverty and hunger, children must be prepared to learn and succeed in school. Additionally, statistics show that children tend to learn and retain more information if they perceive themselves to be on a level playing field with other children. Children that are academically prepared have higher self-confidence, self-worth and pride, which in turn, results in better grades

An estimated that 8.1 million children are out of school, in India. Illness and lack of interest result in children being absent from school, which minimizes their educational gain. Once children begin formal schooling, they still face challenges such as low learning ability, lack of daily academic supplies, etc. In 2021, while the world is fighting against COVID 19, due to extended lockdowns and time away from school, children from low-income communities are experiencing a loss of learning and shortage of any supply of academic materials.

The School Supplies Program serves school-aged children (Pre-K - 12th grade) whose families are unable to purchase needed school supplies. Each year, GSS/AFS Nagpur collects or purchases new bags, pencils, notebooks, pens, paper and other supplies for distribution.

#### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES LIST:**

- School Bags
- Exam Pad
- Geometry Box
- Wide ruled and college ruled paper
- Registers and Drawing Book
- Pencils, pens and Sharpener
- Large and small erasers
- Pencil boxes and pencil pouches
- Colored pencils, markers and highlighters
- Crayons and dry erase markers
- Glue sticks, composition books, spiral notebooks
- 3-ring binders, notebook tab dividers and pocket folders



#### **ENSURING QUALITY EDUCATION**

We help underprivileged children reach their full potential by tutoring them. This complements their formal schooling and enables them to integrate with and flourish into mainstream schools.



## PROVIDING SCHOOL SUPPLIES - EDUCATING CHILDREN FOR A BRIGHTER TOMORROW

The families of underprivileged children often can't afford basic school supplies such as uniforms, books, bags, and writing material. We help them to overcome this barrier. Unfortunately, education remains a distant dream for 168 million children around the world. Often forced into child labor, they are robbed them of their childhood, health and education, thus trapping them in a perpetual cycle of poverty.





Our aim is to make quality education a reality for every child. By providing education through Child Academy center and helping slum children providing much-needed food and healthcare, the future of tens of thousands of children are being forever altered.

President of Gram Sewa Sangh, Nagpur participate at Asian International Network Seminar at Bangkok, Thailand on  $24^{th}-27^{th}$  October 2023.



The organizing committee of Thai Asian Friendship Society which is the group of Thai Chapter with more than 100 members and Asian Friendship Society International with 18 Asian country members cordially invite you and your team member(s) to participate in the international meeting on 24 – 27 October 2023 at the Student Christian Center (SCC), located at 328/1 Phayathai Road, Khet Rachathewi, Petchaburi Rd., Bangkok 10400 Thailand. The accommodation will be in the same place, sponsored by JAFS.

The meeting will discuss the way forward of our organization, AFS, after 50 years of continual operations to better the lives of our Asian friends and members a midst the various changes around the world after the pandemic. The meeting will be chaired by our founder Rev. Dr. Kimihiko Murakami and participated by valued members from Japan and various member countries around Asia.

#### **FUTURE PLANS:-**

- Child Education Program.
- Implementation and safety of slums family members and children's.
- Child Development Program.
- Income generating Programs.
- Environment Growth[Green Scout School]
- Agricultural Development.
- Self help group [women Empowerment]
- To make a Medical facility available especially for Slums and village people.
- Sustainable life thorough green environment and ideal habitat in the new millennium.
- To enhance the activity of green scout movement in Nagpur region.
- To make a members of AFS and tree plantation in surrounding area by taking the help of local medical personal for ongoing training of the community health volunteers.
- Primarily child labor, women empowerment, organic farming, youth programs to be initiated.
- To organize training program for women and men. So that they may improve their financial status for self reliance.
- To repair and develop the infrastructure of GSS for making more facilities for the future programs.
- To repair the houses of project CAN children's.
- To provide nutrition to the project children's families for better growth of health.

Respectfully submitted by

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