

IMPACT ASSESSMENT 2023

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



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Abbreviations

MCA Ministry of Corporate Affairs

FY Financial Year

ANM Auxiliary Nurse and Mid Wife

ASHA Accredited Social Health Activist

BCML Balrampur Chini Mills Limited

CSR Corporate Social Responsibility

FGD Focused Group Discussion

PHC Public Health Center

SDG Sustainable Development Goals

SIA Social Impact Assessment



Acknowledgement

We, Third Planet Foundation, would like to express our gratitude towards Balrampur Chini Mills Limited (BCML) for entrusting us with this impact assessment study. We are extremely thankful for their assistance during the course of the study.

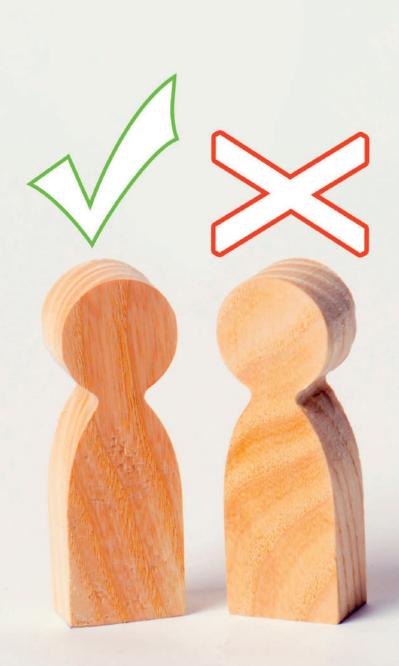
We thank everyone who participated in the survey and contributed insights. In this regard, we would like to express our gratitude to community members for their support and active participation throughout the study.

We appreciate the BCML team's cooperation with the Third Planet Foundation's ground team during the primary research. We truly appreciate all the intellectual guidance received from BCML throughout the study.

Team Third Planet Foundation



Ethical Consideration



Informed consent

The interviews were done after the respondents gave their consent. Even after the interviews were completed, their permission was sought to proceed with their responses.

Confidentiality

The information provided by participants has been kept private. At no point were their data or identities disclosed. The research findings have been quoted in a way that does not expose the respondents' identities.

Comfort

The interviews were performed following the respondents' preferences. In addition, the interview time was chosen in consultation with them. At each level, respondents' convenience and comfort were considered.

Right to reject or withdraw

Respondents were guaranteed safety and allowed to refuse to answer questions or withdraw during the study.



Executive Summary

Balrampur Chini Mills Limited (BCML), leading а sugar manufacturing company in India, has a strong commitment to responsibility corporate social (CSR). The company recognises its responsibility towards society and strives to make a positive impact in various areas. BCML intends to enrich the lives of communities through sustainable livelihoods, education, health care, sanitation and rural infrastructure.

BCML aims to ensure holistic development through its CSR initiatives by addressing various aspects of community well-being and sustainable growth. The targeted geographies are primarily in the areas of Uttar Pradesh, which ranked fair on the Human Development Index 2021, in comparison to the average Human Development Index.

Third Planet Foundation was entrusted with the responsibility of undertaking the impact assessment study of interventions implemented in FY 2021-22 that falls under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) mandated guidelines. Further, as per request of the Company, the Impact Assessment for FY 2022-23 was also taken voluntarily.

A systematic and evidence-based approach was deployed to measure, evaluate and improve the effectiveness of CSR projects. The study was conducted primarily in districts of Uttar Pradesh and Kolkata. The Third Planet Foundation team ensured the engagement of all stakeholders associated with various interventions.

Through its CSR interventions, in the FY 2021-22, BCML has impacted more than 10 Lakh beneficiaries, including the marginalised section of society, in 340 communities. And, in FY 2022-23, BCML has impacted more than 12 Lakh beneficiaries in 372 communities. The most significant impact has been observed with the farmers in Uttar Pradesh, where BCML has supported this community with farm mechanisation and better agricultural inputs. In FY 2022-23, The farmers in the region have observed a 52.5% increase in annual agrarian income. BCML's education interventions have positively impacted more than 50,000 students. BCML recognises the importance of environmental sustainability and has planted more than 1.84 lakh trees in 40 villages.



The Impact Assessment Study was conducted by the Third Planet Foundation to ensure unbiased and transparent results. The impact assessment study was conducted across all the BCML's thematic areas of engagement in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal



WHAT IS IMPACT ASSESSMENT

An Impact Assessment is a of assessing method impact created through the social activities of a company, primarily through Conducting initiatives. an impact assessment study allows the companies to consider the project's progress, understand its alignment with the community's needs, and make necessary changes to ensure that it meets the planned goals and objectives.



Objectives



To identify and assess the potential positive and negative impacts created by CSR interventions on individuals, communities, and society as a whole



To ensure meaningful participation of various stakeholders in the decision-making process and to incorporate their perspectives.



To promote accountability and transparency by providing a systematic and evidence-based assessment of a project's social impacts, thereby facilitating informed decision-



Balrampur Chini Mills Limited is one of the largest sugar manufacturing company in India. It is one of the first sugar companies in the country to diversify its business from sugar to distillery and cogeneration. With a profound sectorial understanding, the Company's innovative approach to manufacturing has enabled it to successfully create a wide range of coproducts ranging from Alcohol, Ethanol and Bagasse to Power Generation.

Balrampur Chini Mills Limited is committed to economic, social, environmental, and cultural growth equitably and sustainably, primarily in the peripheral areas around their factories and corporate office. Over the years, the BCML has worked to enrich lives across these communities by creating sustainable livelihoods, promoting education, healthcare, sanitation, etc.

Their vision for CSR is "to bring social and economic change to the underprivileged sections of the society equitably and sustainably and to contribute to livelihood enhancement initiatives for the weaker sections of the society. In doing so, they believe they contribute to developing the quality of human life and making a better India."



CSR interventions at BCML aim to improve the lives of the rural populace through knowledge, tools, technologies, services and awareness, guided by 5Es, i.e. Empowerment, Education, Engineering, Energy and Environment





Geographical Coverage



Balrampur

) Maizapur

Akbarpur

Gularia

Mankapur

Haidargarh

Kumbhi

Tulsipur

Rauzagaon

Babhnan

Mathura

Kolkata

Other locations not considered for this report





Sustainable **Development** The Goals or Global Goals are a collection of seventeen interlinked objectives designed to serve as a "shared blueprint for peace and prosperity for people and the planet, now and into the future".

SDG ALIGNMENT

BCML acknowledges the relevance and critical importance of the 17 SDGs to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure prosperity for all. BCML is committed to the sustainable development of the communities and aligns its initiatives with the SDGs.



SDG 1 -No Poverty



SDG 4 -Quality Education



SDG 7 - Affordable

and Clean Energy



SDG 2 -Zero Hunger



SDG 5 -Gender Equality



SDG 11 - Sustainable Cities and Communities



SDG 3 - Good Health and Well-Being



SDG 6 - Clean Water and Sanitation



SDG 12 - Responsible **Consumption and Production**



SDG 13 - Climate Action





BCML won the Golden Peacock
Award 2022 for Corporate
Social Responsibility (CSR) as
well as the 7th ICSI National
CSR Excellence Award in the
medium category for their
impactful CSR work



The Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) Rule 8(3) of Companies (CSR the Policy) Rules. 2014 the following mandates class of companies to conduct impact assessment:

- (i) companies with a minimum average CSR obligation of Rs. 10 crores or more in the immediately preceding three financial years; and
- (ii) companies that have CSR projects with outlays of a minimum of Rs. 1 crore and which have been completed not less than 1 year before undertaking impact assessment.

Adherence to MCA Guidelines

As per the guidelines, the following are the BCML's CSR projects for the FY 2021-22 that fall under the mandate of impact assessment and were covered during study



Agriculture Development

Project Value INR 2.88 Crores



Environmental Sustainability

Project Value INR 1.23 Crores



Rural Development

Project Value INR 1.15 Crores





IMPACT AN OVERVIEW

FY 2021-22



Communities Impacted

10,00,000+
Individuals Benefitted

AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT

Agriculture and farmers are the fuel to our economy. BCML understands the importance of and aims towards agriculture and technology development to increase the productivity and livelihood enhancement of the farmers.



farmers.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

BCML focuses on strengthening natural capital by conserving soil, water and natural habitat. responsible As а corporate, BCML has extensively worked on afforestation and conservation.

1,50,000+ Saplings Planted50 Acres Land Afforested11 Ground Water Recharge Built



RURAL



BCML focuses on holistic development of the communities and with that in mind, BCML is in rural development interventions including the installation of solar street lights at startegic locations in the communities.

200+ Solar Lights Installed







IMPACT AN OVERVIEW FY 2022-23

Communities Touched

12,00,000+
Individuals Impacted

QUALITY EDUCATION

50,000+ Students Impacted

BCML emphasises on providing quality education and improved learning outcomes through infrastructure support, i.e., toilet, water units, sanitary dispensers and incinerators etc., to schools in rural areas.

Infrastructure Support In 15 Schools

792 Mobile Science Lab visits





QUALITY HEALTHCARE

BCML aims to provide access to basic healthcare facilities for women and children through general health camps, free medicines, referral to hospitals, capacity building of health workers and specialised health camps.



65,000+ Patients Benefitted
3 Antenatal Care Centres
Supported

GENDER EQUALITY AND EMPOWERMENT

A country with empowered women leads in all manners and makes a difference. With this belief, BCML's CSR interventions focus on women's integrated development as it helps overall socio-economic development and makes them self-reliant.









SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD

Agriculture and farmers are the backbone of our nation. Hence, BCML is committed towards sustainable livelihood, focusing on productive farming techniques and technology for the livelihood enhancement of farmers.



6,500+ Agriculture Equipments Distributed To Farmers

52.5% Average Increase in Annual Agriculture Income



ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

BCML focuses on strengthening natural capital by conserving soil, water and natural habitat. As a responsible corporate, BCML has extensively worked on afforestation and natural resource conservation.



1,84,000+ Trees Planted Across **40** Villages

35 Ponds Cleaned, Renovated and Recharged

750+ Solar Lights Installed



Methodology and Approach

The impact assessment involved study the engagement stakeholders impacted by or interested in the interventions during the FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23. The objective was to ensure their meaningful participation in the decision-making process and to incorporate their perspectives into the study. Our enumerators interacted with direct and indirect stakeholders understand their to views about the interventions.

SAMPLE COVERED (FY 2021-22 CSR)

Farmers **1412**

Local Community Members

460

Local Leaders

80

SAMPLE COVERED (FY 2022-23 CSR)

Farmers

1637

Local Community Members

510

Local Leaders

86

School Teachers/Parents

62

Skill Development Students

40

Medical Staff

29



Methodology and Approach

Data Collection Tools

A combination of research and consultative approach was adopted to address the scope of work under the assessment study. The study was carried out using a mixedmethod approach. The study deployed qualitative and quantitative data collection tools to comprehensive more understanding.

Closed-ended. structured questionnaires designed were understand the community's perception impact created interventions. The observations were recorded as numbers and analysed further to gain insights and make informed decisions.

Qualitative research is equally important to understand the community's experiences. Hence, open-ended, focused group discussions conducted. Respondents can freely express their experiences, thoughts, and feelings without constraint when the open-ended approach is deployed.





Quantitative

Qualitative

Structured/Semi-Structured Survey Focused Group Discussion (FGD)

Key Informant Interviews

Participant's Observations



Impact Assessment Cycle

Sample Size

A statically proven stratified sampling method was considered for equal representation from each stakeholder type.



Orientation and Training of Enumerators

To ensure the quality and veracity of the data, a team of enumerators were trained and oriented on the data collection tools designed by the Third Planet Foundation team.

Data Analysis

The conclusions and findings in this report are drawn from a mix of sources, including qualitative interviews, publicly available data and information, and existing research, among others. The information collected from the field through structured interviews was systematically coded, validated, tabulated, and analysed.

To systematically describe the basic features of the data, this study used descriptive statistics to provide simple summaries about the impact blended with graphical representations. This forms the basis for quantitative analysis of the data. Simple data summaries have also been developed to postulate the impact of the intervention effectively.





FY 2021-22
As per MCA mandate



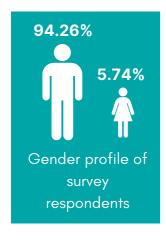








Agriculture Development



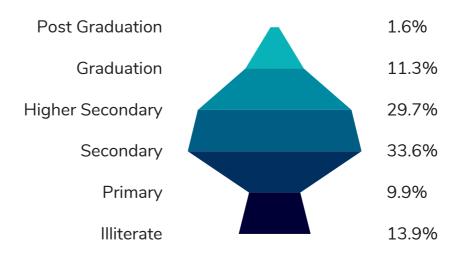


Fig 1: Qualification of survey respondents

In 1412 respondents, 1331 were male farmers, and 81 were female. In farming communities, the male-tofemale ratio is meagre. The sex ratio is a crucial indicator gender of inequality, and the findings show that women underrepresented agricultural activities. The majority of farmers are 41 years to 60 years old, and of most them have education up to higher secondary.

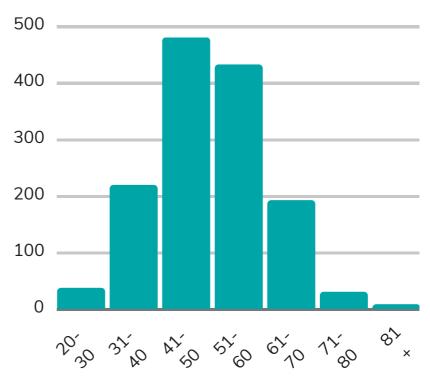


Fig 2: Age profile of survey respondents





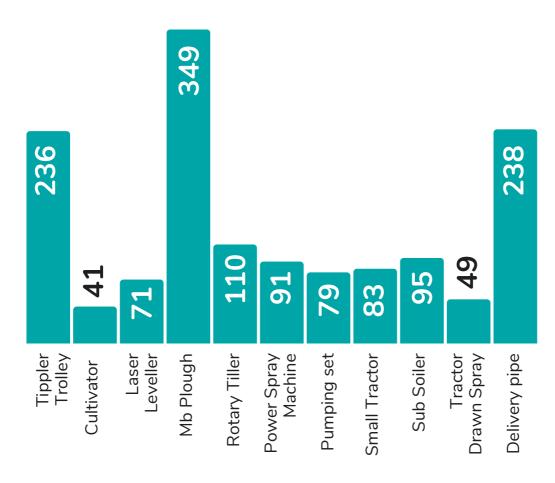


Fig 3: Agricultural equipment distributed among farmers

The project's goal was to reach as many farmers as possible among the 5,21,471 farmers in the 4,148 villages. According to data available, it benefited approximately 5886 farmers who received 5,930 units of agricultural equipment. The 1,412 farmers who participated in the SIA survey received 1,458 units of equipment. Sprayers, ploughs, tillers, cultivators, levellers, tractors, and trolleys were distributed for farm use. These allow for the mechanization of farming practices as well as an increase in farmer returns. As a result of increased productivity and diversification of economic activities, even marginalized farmers can increase their income. There has been a 39.6 percent increase in household income reported.





Environmental Sustainability

Environment Conservation

BCML promoted plantation in community spaces. It involved students, farmers, and others in plantation drives. More than 1,50,000 saplings were planted to ensure greenery in the future in the region. This amounts to the effective afforestation of 50 acres of land.

1,50,000 saplings planted



Water Security and Ground Water Recharge

The availability of clean and safe drinking water is a fundamental right. BCML's CSR interventions directly benefited over 2000 people by increasing access to water. Several others will be aided by groundwater recharge pits constructed by BCML and ponds renovated and maintained by BCML. This helps to achieve SDG 6 goals.

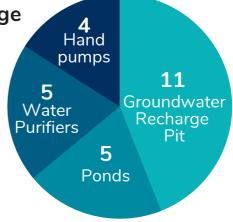


Fig 4: Ensuring Water Security





Rural Development

Solar Street Lights and Solar Lamps

Solar streetlights have been installed in various locations of villages. These have benefitted more than 30,000 individuals by improving nighttime street visibility. For use inside the house, various solar lamps were provided to the families. These were very useful to them in the absence of an electric supply. Adults can complete household chores while children can study at night using these lamps. Some school kids also received solar lamps.

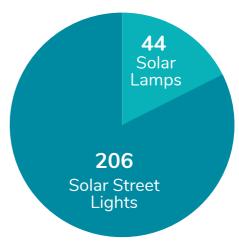


Fig 5: Towards Energy Security







Conclusion



IMPROVED LIVES OF FARMER FAMILIES

Agriculture interventions have modernized and made farmers efficient. New equipment and methods save time and labour costs while maintaining higher yields. Time saved is invested in other activities to supplement their income and family. Farmers' average income has increased by 39.6 percent, and the younger generation is taking up farming instead of migrating to new cities for alternate careers.



GREENER AND CLEANER COMMUNITIES

Improved public spaces have been developed by installing solar street lights, ponds, and waste bins. These have facilitated a better environment and interactive communities. Recharge pits, and waste management training, have increased social security and sustainability.



Appreciation Letter

The BCML CSR projects have received appreciation and accolades from local authorities; they have supported it, and other stakeholders have participated in relevant activities throughout the year; some of these have expressed their gratitude in letters were written to BCML in FY 2021-22.

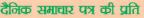


Block Development Officer, Bijua, Khiri



Media Coverage

दैनिक समाचार पत्रों



ॉक में धूमधाम से आगाज रकुल चली अभियान।

मौके पर उपजिलाधिकारी जी बच्चों को मेहनत से पढाई करने के लिए प्रेरित किया । खंड शिक्षा अधिकारी जी ने लाइब्रेरी हेतु पुस्तकें भी भेंट की।

मौके पर उपस्थित गुलरिया चीनी मिल्स के लखन लाल त्रिवेदी,प्रबंधक मानव संसाधन एवम प्रशासन ने आगामी सत्र में दो कंप्यूटर देने को भी कहा है। मौके पर बच्चों के माता पिता को देने हेतु पोस्टर भी दिए गए ताकि शत प्रतिशत नामांकन का संदेश घर घर पहुंच सके। कार्यक्रम का संचालन ब्लॉक बिजुआ के ए आर पी एस पी सिंह ने किया।

कार्यक्रम के मौके पर वार्डन पुर्णिमा मिश्रा ने सभी का धन्यवाद दिया । इसके बाद उप जिलाधिकारी गोला खंड शिक्षा अधिकारी बिजुआ तथा गुलरिया चीनी मिल का पूरा स्टाफ लखन त्रिवेदी के साथ मस्त आंवला चौराहे पर



स्थित राधाकृष्ण मंदिर परिसर गया। जहां पर चीनी मिल द्वारा कराए गए तालाव का साँदर्यीकरण टीन शेंड का निर्माण तथा मंदिर का जीर्णोद्धार कराया गया था। वहीं पर ग्रामीणों के साथ बातचीत भी की गई की गई तथा बच्चों का नामांकन विद्यालय में कराने और उन्हें निमित्त स्कूल भेजने के लिए अभिभावकों से आग्रह किया

हिन्दस्तान

मिल ने बा स्कूल को भेंट की पुस्तकालय की सामग्री

मजरा चौखडा में तालाब और मंदिर के सौंदर्यीकरण का किया लोकार्पण



बिजुआ। गुलरिया चीनी मिल की तरफ से ग्राम पंचायत पहाड़ापुर के मजरा चौखड़ा में कराए गए तालाब और वीरबाबा मंदिर के सींदर्यीकरण का एसडीएम गोला अविनाश चंद्र मौर्य ने लोकार्पण किया।

इस दौरान एसडीएम ने जल प्रबंधन के क्षेत्र में गुलरिया चीनी मिल द्वारा कराए जा रहे कार्यों की सराहना की। उन्होंने बताया कि यह क्षेत्र तराई बेल्ट में आता है फिर भी अत्याधिक दोहन होने के कारण भू जलस्तर लगातार नीचे जा रहा है। इसका प्रमुख कारण जल की अनावश्यक बर्बादी और कुप्रबंधन हैं। गुलरिया चीनी मिल ने प्राथमिक विद्याल



खेड़ा स्कूल में बलरामपुर फाउंडेशन ने दिए लैंप व फर्नीचर।

बलरामपुर फाउंडेशन ने बांटे लैंप व फर्नीचर

बिराजा-खीरी। बलरामपुर फाउंडेशन के तहत गुलरिया चीनी ने बीग्या खेड़ा में जाकर गांव के प्राथमिक विद्यालय में स्कूली छात्र-छात्राओं को टेबिल लेंघ, और बैढने के लिए फनींचर दिया। एचआर हैंड लखनलाल त्रिवेदी ने बताया कि गुलरिया चीनी मिल ने सेकडों गांवी में सीन्दरिकर्ण कराया है। इस दौरान गुलरिया चीनी मिल के अन्तु मिश्रा, सन्तोष सिह, निवास कापरी, मौजूद रहे।





एसडीएम ने किया तालाब सौंदर्यीकरण का उद्घाटन

भासकर ब्यूरो अतीश त्रिवेदी तालाब का सौंदर्यीकरण, स्कूल को दिया फर्नीचर के नाग गुनारेज चीन मिल ने चीराव



समाचार की खबर

एचसी में नवनिर्मित **हा हुआ लोकार्पण**



जिलाध्यक्ष ने किया रैनबसेरा का उद्धाटन

पुर क्रीतीः क्लोक सम्बादीने व्यु: नार्ट क्षेत्र स्काने क्री

दैनिव भाजपा जिलाध्यक्ष

नवसेय का फीता काटक के रुकने की जगह तो है ले नवह नहीं थी। जिससे जार ामते रहते थे। **प्र**लगमपर प पत्रिता काटकर करवाया। ३ तथा साफ मुधन रैनबर्गरा बेजुआ सीएवर्री को एवस अन्य उपकरणों के अलवा सौंदर्यीकरण अदि कार्य का

रैनबसेरा का उद्घाटन बिजुआ खीरी (प्रसएनबी)। बुध्वार को भजपा गिलाव्यक्ष सुनील कुमर सिंह ने बनरामपुर पाउँडेशन की इकाई गुलरिया चेनी मिन द्वारा बिबुजा सीएनसी मे बनवए गए रेनबसेंग का पीता काटकर उद्देशदन किया। ज्ञार हो कि बिनुजा सीएनसी में मरोजों के रुकने की जगह तो हैं. लेकिन उनके साथ आए तीमारदारों के लिए कोई

बलरामपुर फाउंडेशन ने कराया गौशाला व मंदिर का संदरीकरण

बिजुआ खीरी (एसएनबी)। बलरामपुर फाउंडेशन ग्रुप ने रुद्रपुर में बालाजी मंदिर व रसूल पनाह में गौशाला का विनिर्माण एवं सौंदर्यीकरण कराया। जिसका लोकार्पण खंड विकास अधिकारी विजुआ द्वारा फीता काटकर किया गया। मानव संसाधन प्रबंधक लखनलाल त्रिवेदी ने बताया की रुद्रपुर में श्री बालाजी का मंदिर बना हुआ है। जिसमें गुलरिया चीनी मिल जना हुआ है। जिसमें गुलिरया चीनी मिल हारा उसका चिनमणि एवं सौंदर्यकरण कराया गया। वहीं रसुल पनाह में सने गौशाला में जानवरों के खाने के लिए भुसा रखने की जगह नहीं थी। जिसके लिए गुलिरया चीनी मिल हारा एक बड़ा हाल व गार्ड के रहने के लिए एक कमरे का निर्माण कराया गया है एवं पशुओं के खाने के लिए नांद बनवाई गयी हैं। जिसका लोकार्पण खंड विकास अधिकारी विजुआ देवेंद्र सिंह के हारा विद्वान पूरोहितों के मंत्रीच्यारण के सात्री किया गया। वही ग्राम प्रधान एवं खंड विकास अधिकारी को अंग वस्त्र देकर सम्मानित भी किया गया। इस मौके पर उप प्रवंधक





Success Story

Adopting Better Farming Practices, Sustaining Livelihoods

Mr. Ragbeer graduated from Lucknow University with a Master of Science degree. His father owns a 150-bigha plot of land in Banarki village. Mr. Ragbeer preparing for a competitive examination for a government job after finishing his education. However, his family circumstances required him to remain home with his parents. While at home, he took up farming as his primary occupation and started a small business to supplement his income. He informed us that his business was not profitable. This had impacted his confidence, and he was still determining whether he would be able to make his family's farming occupation work or if it would fail like his previous business venture.



The assistance from the BCML for agriculture was highly beneficial to him. With this assistance, he began farming on 100 bighas out of his family's 150 acres of farmland. As the yield improved and he began to profit, he became even more motivated to continue farming. In 2022 he cultivated the entirety of his land and even started sharecropping by leasing 30 bighas. Mr. Ragbeer now devotes his entire time to farming, and he is confident in his ability to succeed.

When asked if he plans to do anything else, he stated that he is no longer interested in anything other than agriculture and now has more time to spend with and care for his family.

Ragbeer claims, "Technical know-how in agri-tech and the help I received from the BCML enabled me to become self-sufficient. I am now my boss, reporting to no one."





FY 2022-23
Voluntarily



























For the Impact Assessment Study, Third Planet Foundation's team interacted with stakeholders in 4 schools across Lakhimpur, Gonda and Balrampur in Uttar Pradesh. Teachers, principals, students and parents represented the stakeholder consultation.

Stakeholders Profile



- 61 Stakeholders Consulted
- 33% Male, 77% Female

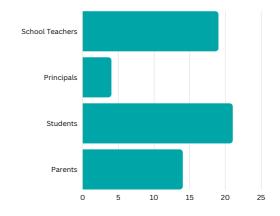


Fig 6: Stakeholders consulted



- UP Prathmik School, Lakhimpur
- UP Prathmik School, Gonda
- Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya, Lakhimpur
- Panna Lal Saraogi Shishu School, Balrampur

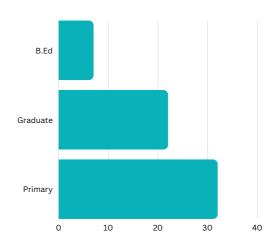


Fig 7: Education profile of respondents





Strengthening School Infrastructure

Infrastructure issues in government schools in India are a significant challenge and have been a long-standing concern. BCML focuses on some of the challenges associated with infrastructure, such as toilet block construction, access to water through the RO plant, furniture, computers etc.



BCML supported 15 government schools in the vicinity of their plant areas. Some of the infrastructure support items provided by BCML is as below.

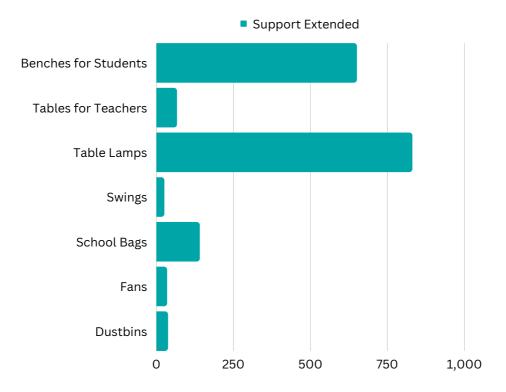


Fig 8: Type of Support Extended





Third Planet Foundation enumerators interacted with direct and indirect beneficiaries to understand if they knew BCML's CSR interventions. All respondents unanimously agreed that BCML had extended support to respective schools. Respondents stated that toilet construction and RO water and cooler installation positively impacted students. 100% of the respondents agreed that the school authority has taken up the responsibility of maintenance of toilets, blocks and water facilities.

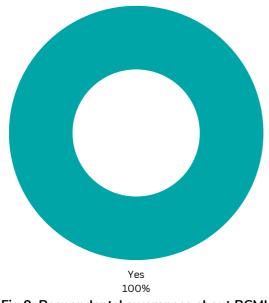


Fig 9: Respondents' awareness about BCML



Fig 10: Current Infrastructure and Maintenance

Indicators	% of Repondents
Proper Maintenance of Toilets	100%
RO Functions Properly	100%
Aavailability of Sanitary Dispenser and Incinerator	100%
Beautification of schools	100%





Promoting Science Education through Mobile Science Lab

The initiative implemented by BCML, with the support of the Agastya Foundation, aims to bring science education and practical learning opportunities to rural and remote areas where access to quality education and resources is limited. These mobile labs are equipped with various scientific instruments, experiments, models, and educational materials to engage students in interactive learning experiences.



Ignites Curiosity among students

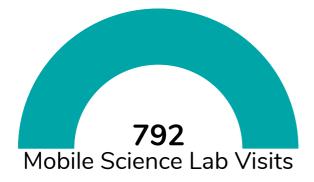


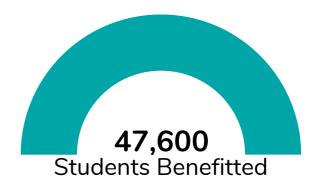
Promotes critical thinking skills



Inculcate problem solving skills

Through this initiative, BCML has reached out to schools and communities in rural Uttar Pradesh that may not have access to traditional science laboratories or resources. 100% of the respondents were aware of BCML's efforts to promote science education among students. All of the students the Third Planet Foundation team interacted with affirmed participation in sessions conducted through the mobile science lab.







6,800 unique children covered this FY 2022-23



Exposure to 400 teachers





Supporting Menstrual Hygiene Among Girl Students

Realising the need to promote safe and sustainable menstrual hygiene practices, BCML has also supported schools by installing sanitary pad dispensers and incinerators and carried out regular maintenance of sanitary vending machines & incinerators installed during previous years.

Stakeholders from all of the schools under this assessment affirmed that the initiative has helped promote better menstrual hygiene practices among girls.



Fig 11: Aware about the support provided
- Dispenser and Incinerator



Fig 12: Encourages better menstrual hygiene practices





Community Development

Access to Renewable Energy

The intervention aims to provide solar-powered lighting solutions communities or areas lacking reliable electricity access. By installing solar lights and distributing solar lamps or lanterns, the intervention helped has improve the quality of life for individuals in underprivileged areas.

BCML installed solar streetlights in community spaces. It also provided solar lamps to students to extend their study hours and improve educational outcomes. Solar lights installed in public areas reduce the risk of accidents provide safer а environment for community members, especially women and children. 750+ solar lights have been installed in villages across 3 districts in Uttar Pradesh.

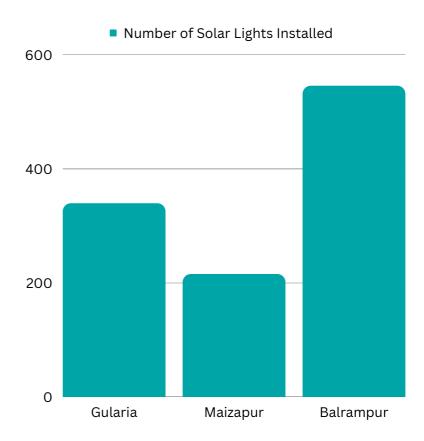


Fig 13: Number of Solar Light Installed





Sustainable Sanitation and Hygiene

BCML encourages the rural population to adopt better sanitation practices. Sessions were conducted on the importance of using toilets and waste management. BCML also installed dustbins to promote proper management of waste. Toilets including separate toilets for women were also constructed in the communities. Sanitary napkin dispensers were installed and maintained in schools and health centres to encourage better menstrual health among women.

Social Infrastructure for Community Spaces

BCML constructed 3 community halls during the financial year.

BCML distributed blankets to vulnerable groups, such as homeless individuals, impoverished families, or communities living in areas with extreme weather conditions. A total of 1,695 blankets were distributed.

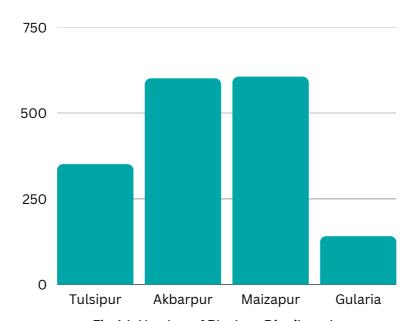


Fig 14: Number of Blankets Distributed



To support the Government of India's Har Ghar Tiranga campaign, 10,500 flags were distributed



Quality Healthcare











To assess the impact of healthcare interventions, the Third Planet Foundation team interacted with 29 stakeholders associated with various healthcare facilities, i.e. Public Health Center (PHC), Community Health Center (CHC) and Blood Bank.

Stakeholders Profile



59% Male, 41% Female



- Community Health Center (CHC), Maizapur
- Primary Health Center (PHC), Gularia
- Blood Bank Balrampur

To understand the impact of the intervention more holistically, the team interacted with doctors, ANM workers and medical and non-medical staff associated with the healthcare facilities. consulted doctors possessed MBBS degrees, while the staff members consulted graduates. Auxiliary Nurse and Midwife (ANM) members have received education up to the secondary/senior secondary level.

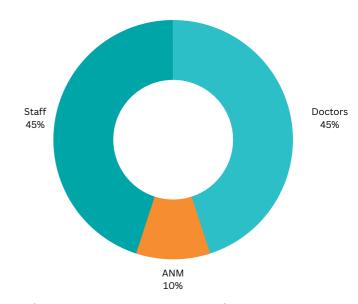


Fig 15: Stakeholder Representation - Health Care





Access to Quality Healthcare Services

In its efforts to provide access to quality healthcare, BCML has contributed to developing healthcare facilities in the areas surrounding its operations, including ANM centres, healthcare centres, and dispensaries. These facilities provide medical services to underserved communities and improve access to healthcare.

In FY 2022-23, BCML renovated 3 Auxiliary Nurse and Midwife (ANM Centers) in the Bijuwa block of Lakhipuri Khiri of Uttar Pradesh. The support has been extended in terms of building renovation, installation of solar lights, provision of furniture, weight measurement machine and plantation with tree guard at the ANM centres.



Infrastructure Improvement at 3 Centers



65,000+ patient benefitted



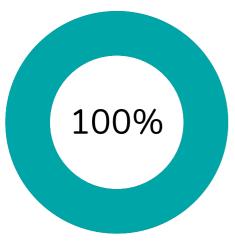
Maintenance of Ambulances



Health ATMs Installed in Maizapur and Gularia Health Centers







100% of the respondents interviewed in Maizapur confirmed receiving Health ATMs. Respondents from Gularia stated that they had received RO water and a cooler.

Fig 16: Received Health ATM

68% of the respondents have stated that their healthcare centre has received medicine from BCML. These were the same respondents from Maizapur who rated the quality of medicines as good. Respondents also stated that medicines are restocked every month.

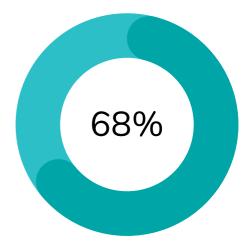


Fig 17: Received Medicines

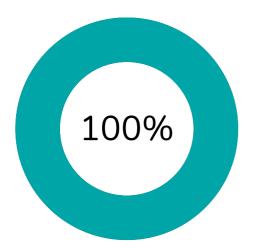


Fig 18: Medical Camps Organized

All of the respondents mentioned that BCM organised health camps in their community at regular intervals.





Sustainable Livelihood





A total of 40 women associated with BCML's women empowerment initiative were consulted to conclude findings and observations for this section of the impact assessment study. BCML's Silai School Initiative has helped improve women's lives in the community by providing means of livelihood.

Stakeholders Profile



100% Participation **Female**

Out of total 35 women, 18 and 17 women were consulted from Maizapur and Babhan respectively. 100% of these women surveyed are homemakers.

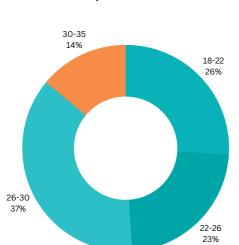


Fig 20: Age Profile - Women Empowerment

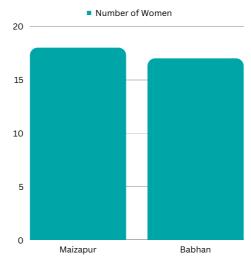


Fig 19: Location Wise Women Consulted -Women Empowerment

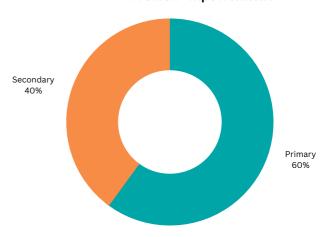


Fig 21: Education -Women Empowerment





Through this initiative, BCML aims to empower these women and make them financially dependent by providing necessary training and support to earn a livelihood. The major components of the program are as below.



Silai Training - Provided hands-on training on sewing techniques. This training equips them with the necessary knowledge to pursue a textile and garment industry career or start their sewing school or business.



Access to sewing machines and equipment - The Silai School has provided women with access to sewing machines, tools, and equipment needed for their training. This ensures they have the necessary resources to practice and develop their skills.

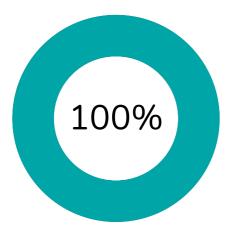


Fig: 22 Regularly attended sessions

All women respondents mentioned regularly attended sessions to gain the necessary skills. The trainings were conducted over a time of 2-3 weeks.

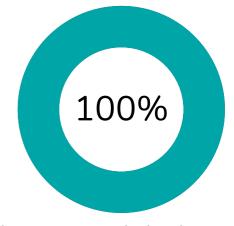


Fig 23: Improvement in Financial Condition

Women beneficiaries who participated in this initiative affirmed that it has helped them acquire the necessary stitching skills. This has helped them earn money, further improving the household's overall financial condition.





AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY



BCML's agriculture development initiative aims to promote sustainable farming practices, enhance agricultural productivity, and support the socioeconomic development of farming communities. 1,637 beneficiaries were consulted for the impact assessment study across locations in Uttar Pradesh.

Stakeholders Profile



95% Male, 5% Female Respondents



Farmers from 10 Villages consulted

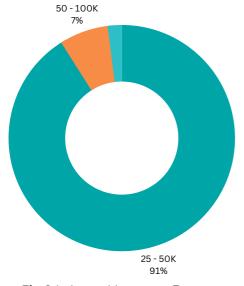


Fig 24: Annual Income - Farmers

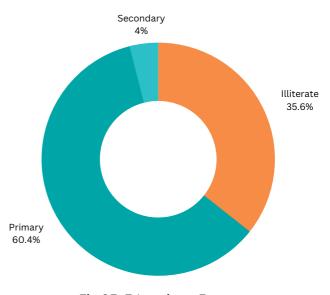


Fig 25: Education - Farmers





The support has been extended to farmers who possess small and marginal land holding sizes. 94% of the respondents interviewed have less than 5 hectare of land. Approximately 36 percent of the farmers interviewed are illiterate. Majoring of the farmers are dependent on agriculture for sustaining livelihood. 92% of the respondents' annual average income is within the range of INR 25,000 – INR 50,000.

BCML has supported farmers by providing access to farm machinery and equipment, such as tractors, power tillers, harvesters, and irrigation systems. This has helped farmers overcome the challenges associated with manual labour and enhances their efficiency and productivity. All of the respondents unanimously mentioned that they have received equipment support and training from BCML.

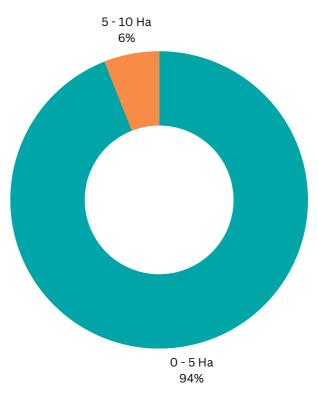


Fig 26: Land Holding Size

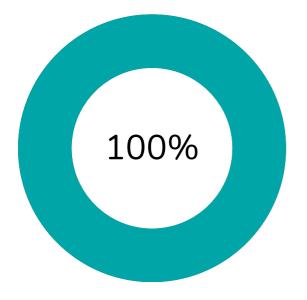


Fig 27: Received agriculture equipment support

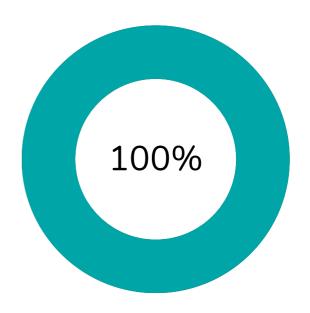
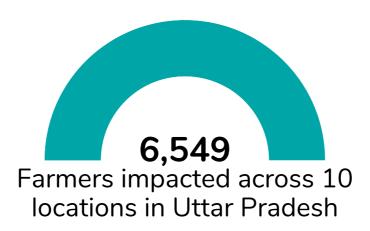


Fig 28: Part of Training Sessions







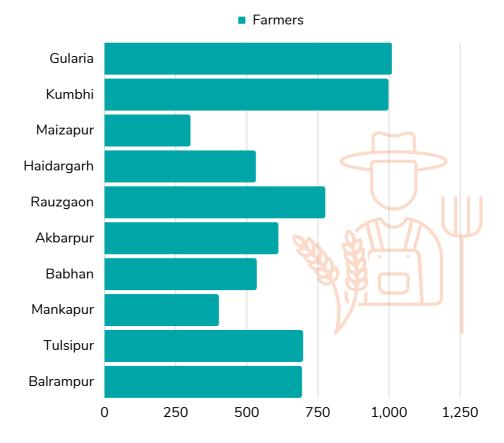


Fig 29: Location Wise Farmer Impacted

















Access to Water

Pond cleaning and water recharge are essential aspects of water management and conservation, particularly in areas where ponds and water bodies play a significant role in the local ecosystem and water supply. BCML's efforts to harvest and conserve water have benefitted more than 5K rural population.



36 Ponds Cleaned, Renovated and Recharged



5 Hand Pumps Installed

Afforestation for Cleaner and Greener Tomorrow

BCML streamlined its efforts to conserve biodiversity, mitigate climate change, conserve soil and water, and undertook the large-scale tree plantation drive ensuring participation and commitment from all stakeholders, including students, youth, elderly etc.







Quality Education

BCML may consider an education initiative that is project-wise and strategic to ensure long-term impact. Such projects can serve as models for quality education and holistic development. More focused and impact-driven model schools can be established in focused geographies along with the existing infrastructure and academic support—a few of the important parameters BCML may consider, as mentioned below.



Student-centred learning

Promote student-centred learning approaches that encourage active participation, critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity.



Technology Integration

Provide access to digital tools and resources to promote digital literacy among students and teachers.



Focus on Graduating some schools to Model Schools

Adopt and transform some schools into model schools by focussing on infrastructure development, technology integration, promoting sports and co-curricular activities, STEM education, teachers training, capacity building, access to quality water, sanitation and hygiene facilities etc.





Quality Healthcare



Access to Essential Healthcare Services

BCML may consider improving access to essential healthcare services, especially for marginalised communities. This can include mobile healthcare units, telemedicine services, and outreach programs to reach those who face barriers to accessing healthcare facilities. BCML can ensure affordability and inclusivity in service delivery through specialised health camps and referral services.



Capacity Building

Along with medical infrastructure and supplies, it is important to Invest in the healthcare workforce by providing training and skill-building opportunities for healthcare professionals and community health workers. This helps strengthen the healthcare system at the grassroots level and enhances the quality of care provided.



Collaborations and Partnerships

Foster collaborations and partnerships with government agencies, healthcare institutions, and the local community to leverage existing resources, expertise, and networks to implement sustainable healthcare programs with a broader reach and long-term impact.





Sustainable Livelihood - Gender Equality and Empowerment

Basis our interaction with women who are part of this initiative and on-ground observation, Third Planet Foundation recommends below activities mentioned to strengthen the project.



Develop Overall Capabilities

In addition to technical training, the Silai School may focus on developing the overall capabilities of women, including communication and interpersonal skills and entrepreneurship. This holistic approach will help women gain broader skills required for sustainable livelihoods.



Financial and Digital Literacy

Digital and financial literacy equip women with the knowledge and skills to access financial services, manage finances, and participate in economic activities. It enables them to make informed decisions, save money, start businesses, and improve their livelihoods.



Access to Government Schemes and Market Linkages

Many women are unaware of government programs or face challenges in accessing them. BCML can look at helping these women access government schemes relevant to their business and support them with market linkages.





Sustainable Livelihood - Agriculture Development and Technology



Collaborations and partnerships

BCML may collaborate with government agencies, agricultural research institutions, and other stakeholders to promote farm mechanisation. These partnerships facilitate knowledge sharing, technology transfer, and adopting best practices in agricultural mechanisation.



Strengthen Farmer's Support System

BCML can consider strengthening farmers' support system through access to knowledge for better crop management, crop insurance etc.



Custom Hiring Centres

BCML may establish custom hiring centres where farmers can rent farm machinery on a need basis. This approach allows farmers who cannot afford to purchase machinery to still benefit from mechanisation by renting equipment for specific tasks or seasons.





Community Development

A holistic village or community development project can be implemented to improve rural communities' overall well-being and quality of life. It encompasses various aspects of development, including social, economic, and infrastructure development. The specific components and strategies of a village development project can vary based on the needs and priorities of the community, but here are some common areas of focus:



Development of Sanitation and Hygiene Facilities

Quality sanitation and hygiene facilities are critical for healthy living and well-being as it improves the overall quality of life in the villages.



Promoting education and skill development

It is essential for empowering individuals and driving economic growth. The project may focus on improving access to quality education, providing vocational training programs, and promoting digital literacy to equip villagers with the necessary knowledge and skills for employment and entrepreneurship.



Projectivize current healthcare and livelihood efforts

BCML may consider the projectivisation of existing livelihood and health efforts to ensure the long-term sustainability of the initiatives.



Community Development, Participation and Governance

BCML may continue with the solar light program as it is beneficial for the communities and is long-term. Also, engage the community and promote participatory decision-making processes critical for successful village development. The project may involve capacity building, enabling community-based organisations, strengthening local governance, and fostering a sense of ownership and responsibility among community members.



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प्रशंसा पत्र

में प्रधानाचार्य- करतूरबा गांधी आवासीय बालिका विद्यालय, विकास खण्ड – बिजुआ, जनपद -खीरी हार्दिक प्रसन्नता के साथ सूचित करती हूँ कि "बलरामपुर फाउन्डेशन, बलरामपुर" संस्था मुलरिया चीनी मिल, गुलरिया के द्वारा सामाजिक दायित्वों के अन्तर्गत शिक्षा क्षेत्र के सरघनाओं को दृष्टिगत रखते हुए, विद्यालय में पढ़ने / निवास करने वाली बालिकाओं, शिक्षक एवं कर्मचारियों की स्विधा को दृष्टिगत रखते हुए *वित्तीय वर्ष 2022–23 में दो सिंगल सोलर लाइट तथा एक 7.5* किलोवाट क्षमता का सोलर पैनल पूर्ण रूप से स्थापित व संचालित कर विद्यालय प्रशासन को सुपूर्व कर दिया गया," अक्त सोलर पैनल लाईट्स से विद्यालय में पढ़ने वाले बच्चों एवं शिक्षकों को विद्युत आपूर्ति सम्बन्धित समस्याओं से निजात मिली है और समस्त निवास करने / पढने वाले बच्चों को प्रत्यक्ष रूप से भी लाम हुआ है।

अतः इस लोककल्याण कार्य के लिए शिक्षा विभाग एवं विद्यालय प्रशासन की और से मैं बलरामपर फाउन्डेशन, बलरामपुर की संस्था गुलरिया चीनी मिल, गुलरिया को धन्यवाद अर्पित करती हूँ तथा उक्त कार्य हेतु बलरामपुर फाउन्डेशन संस्था को भविष्य के लिए शुभकामनायें भी देती हूँ।

धन्यवाद ।

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महाप्रबन्धक बलरामपुर फाउडेंशन, बलरामपुर महोदय.

आपकी संस्था बलरामपुर फाउडेंशन, बलरामपुर द्वारा पुलिस चौकी, हलधरमउ थाना-कटराबाजार, जिला-गोण्डा में जनतादर्शन भवन का जो निर्माण कराया गया वह अति सराहनीय है, एवं आम जनता को इसका अति लाम मिल रहा है। उक्त का की जनता द्वारा चारो तरफ काफी प्रशंसा की जा रही है।

इस अपेक्षा के साथ सादर घन्यवाद कि बलरामपुर फाउडेंशन, बलरामपुर द्व जनहित हेतु भविष्य में भी इस प्रकार के प्रशंसनीय कार्य किये जाते रहेंगे। सादर!

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बलरामपुर फाउन्डेशन ईकाई मैजापुर कृपया अपने कार्यकम दिनांक:12.07.2022 का संदर्भ ग्रहण करने का कष्ट करें, जिसके द्वारा ग्राम मंगुरही पंचायत भवन के प्रांगण में 35 जरूरतमन्द प्रशिक्षु महिलाओ को सिलाई मशीन का वितरण किया गया था। उक्त कार्यकम की चारो तरफ प्रशंसा हो रही है, जिसके दृष्टिगत कुछ जरूरतमन्द महिलाये तहसील कार्यालय में सम्पर्क कर कार्यक्रम आयोजित कराने की मॉग कर रही है। इससे स्पष्ट है कि तहसील क्षेत्र में गरीब महिलाओं को सिलाई मशीन एवं अन्य आवश्यक वस्तुए उपलब्ध करायी जाय, जिससे वह स्वरोजगार के माध्यम से अपना जीविकोपार्जन

अतः आपसे अपेक्षा की जाती है तहसील करनैलगंज क्षेत्र के अन्य स्थानो पर कार्यक्रम आयोजित कराकर सिलाई मशीन अथवा स्वरोजगार के अन्य उपकरण वितरित करने का कष्ट

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सशक्तीकरण

वलरामपुर, संवाददाता। बलरामपुर वीनी मिल ने महिलाओं को स्वावलम्बी बनाने के लिए प्रशिक्षण अभियान चलाया है। उन्हें सिलाई कढ़ाई का हुनर सखाकर अन्य महिलाओं को भी प्रशिक्षित किये जाने का संदेश दिया है। प्रथम चरण में 20 महिलाओं का चयन प्रशिक्षण के लिए हुआ है। सोमवार को सलाई कढ़ाई केन्द्र का उद्घाटन मुख्य अतिथि एवं चीनी मिल के मुख्य प्रधान प्रबंधक निष्काम गुप्ता एवं उनकी धर्मपत्नी मीताली गुप्ता ने दीप प्रज्वलित करके किया।

चीनी मिल के मुख्य प्रधान प्रबंधक ने कहा कि बलरामपुर चीनी मिल एवं बलरामपुर फाउण्डेशन विभिन्न सामाजिक सरोकारों के लिए कार्य कर हा है। जिसमें पर्यावरण संरक्षण, जल-



बलरामपुर चीनी मिल परिसर में सिलाई स्कूल का शुभारंभ करते मिल अधिकारी

संरक्षण, स्कूली शिक्षा, पेयजल की उपलब्धता, स्वास्थ्य, कृषकों को कम मूल्य पर कृषि वन्त्रों को उपलब्ध कराना जैसे कार्य सम्मिलित है। इसी क्रम में आज 20 महिलाओं के सशक्तिकरण के लिये सिलाई स्कूल का शुभारम्भ किया गया है। बताया कि वह सभी कार्य बलरामपुर चीनी मिल के प्रबंधक निदेशक विवेक सरावगी एवं उनकी पुत्री अवन्तिका सरावगी की प्रेरणा व सहयोग से ही किया गया है। बताया कि महिलाएं प्रशिक्षण प्राप्त करने के बाद आसपास के ग्राम की महिलाओं को सिलाई-कढ़ाई का प्रशिक्षण देकर आत्मिनर्भर बनाएंगी। चीनी मिल के प्रधान प्रबंधक (विधि एवं कार्मिक) राजीव अग्रवाल ने बताया कि सिलाई स्कुल के लिए रेशमी शुक्ला, मैना देवी,

गायत्री यादव, नीलेश वर्मा, सोनी सिंह सहित 20 महिलाओं को चयनित किया गया है। महिलाओं को सिलाई स्कूल खोलने के लिए ऊषा सिलाई मशीन एवं अन्य सामान बलरामपुर फाउण्डेशन की ओर से दिया जाएगा। इस अवसर पर मंजू बिष्ट, दीपशिखा पाण्डेय, निधि अग्रवाल, दीपिका ठाकुर, दीपाली अग्रवाल, प्रधान प्रबंधक (गन्ना) श्याम सिंह, प्रधान प्रबंधक (यांत्रिकी) योगेन्द्र सिंह बिष्ट. प्रधान प्रबंधक (पॉवर व केमिकल) एमके अग्रवाल, एसडी पाण्डेय, डीएस चौहान, उदयबीर सिंह, दिनेश त्यागी, ओपीएस यादव, श्रीनिवास सिंह, संजीव मिश्रा, अंचल बिन्दल, कल्याण अधिकारी एसपी सिंह, सचिन वर्मा तथा ऊषा इण्टरनेशन के समन्वयक विजय पाण्डेय, प्रशिक्षक मीटा त्रिपाठी, टेक्नीशियन धर्मेन्द्र. आदि मौजूद थे।

हिन्दस्तान

नवनिर्मित कक्ष का डीआईजी ने किया उद्घाटन

संदेश वाहक न्यूज

कटरा बाजार, गोण्डा। बुधवार को कटरा बाजार थाना अंतर्गत हलधरमऊ पुलिस चौकी के कक्ष का पुलिस उपमहानिरीक्षक देवीपाटन परिक्षेत्र उपेंद्र कुमार अग्रवाल व मैजापुर चीनी मिल के इकाई प्रमुख संदीप अग्रवाल ने विधि-विधान से पूजा-अर्चना के बाद फीता काटकर उद्धाटन किया।

इकाई प्रमुख संदीप अग्रवाल ने डीआईजी को पुष्प गुच्छ देकर स्वागत किया। डीआईजी ने परिसर में पाकड़, बरगद व पीपल का पौधा लगाकर पर्यावरण संरक्षण का संदेश दिया। यह पुलिस चौकी अभी तक हलधरमऊ ब्लाक परिसर में चल रही थी। बलरामपुर फाउंडेशन के सहयोग



फीता काटकर नवनिर्मित कक्ष का उदघाटन करते डीआईजी व चीनी मिल के इकाई प्रमुख।

में स्थित मैजापुर चीनी मिल द्वारा क्षेत्र में कई ऐसे कार्य किए गए हैं।

इस अवसर पर पुलिस क्षेत्राधिकारी करनैलगंज मुन्ना उपाध्याय, प्रभारी निरीक्षक करनैलगंज सुधीर सिंह, प्रभारी कुमार, चौकी प्रभारी अजय पाण्डेय, सभाजीत सिंह, उपनिरीक्षक अभिषेक मिश्र, सौरभ गुप्ता, विजय बहादुर सिंह, योगेंद्र सिंह, जीएम गन्ना पी.के.चतुर्वेदी, संजय मिश्रा, शैलेंद्र विक्रम सिंह, अजीत सिंह, श्री प्रकाश



Success Stories

Adopting Better Farming Practices, Sustaining Livelihoods

Ramlal Singh hails from a Kaburpur village in Haidargarh of Uttar Pradesh. Ramlal Singh possesses marginal land size. He chose to differ from the typical resource-poor farmers struggling to make a living from agriculture.

His deep 'love for life' has earned him a decent living and, more importantly, inspired many other farmers to emulate him. Ramlal Singh, whose primary source of income depends on agriculture, wanted to increase his income through agriculture advancements, i.e. better quality inputs and farm mechanisation.



According to Ramlal, it is pivotal to adopt modern technology to improve efficiency in agriculture practice. He believes improved agriculture practices can improve crop yield and quality of life by optimising resources and earning more.

The assistance he received from the BCML under the agriculture project has been instrumental for him. Ramlal devoted all his time to agriculture and increased his source of income. Ramlal is confident and motivated to continue agriculture practices and learn to provide a better quality of life to his family by increasing yield in production.

Ramlal affirmed, "Farm mechanization has helped him accomplish tasks more quickly and efficiently. It has resulted in lesser reliance on manual labour, enabling him to cover larger areas of land and carry out operations such as ploughing, planting, irrigation, and harvesting in a timely manner. This has resulted in increased productivity and higher crop yields."



Success Stories

Against All Odds, Gender Equality and Empowerment

Laxmi Devi has opened Usha Silai School with the support of BCML through its project Nai Umeed.

After her husband's death, she was trapped in debt. Laxmi Devi had to sell all things, including jewellery. She had nothing in hand except both children. She has very less land. It became very difficult to fulfil her family's daily requirements. She knew some stitching skills and started stitching clothes in her village to run her household.



Due to the Covid-19 lockdown, her work was stopped, and again she spent all their savings during this tough period and was left with nil. For Laxmi, this was just the beginning. Aspiring for a better livelihood, she began looking for additional income sources that would also interest her.

Laxmi learned about the BCML initiative for women to help establish Usha – BPF Silai Schools for nearby villages. Since; Laxmi possessed stitching skills, she quickly enrolled on the program. She is now a certified Usha - BPF Silai School teacher and trains other women and girls. Laxmi earns up to INR 12,000 by training, stitching and selling cosmetics at her shop. She has purchased cosmetic and stitching material worth INR 10,000. She has also invested approximately INR 30,000 in her shop to scale the business.

Laxmi stated, "Silai school has played a significant role in my life. I can now afford better health care and education facilities for her children. I have also reinvested the money I earned from this business to scale up."



Success Stories

Self Reliance and Financial Independence, Gender Equality and Empowerment

Savita Devi belongs to a scheduled caste family; most male members are farm labour. Her husband, Mr. Shyam Sundar, is a daily wage/ farm labourer.

Due to the Covid-19 lockdown, her husband had to return to the village. The family was left with no income. They spent all their savings during this tough period and had no money. Looking at the family's situation, Savita decided to get involved with some work and earn for her family to help her husband in this tough time.

After knowing about the Silai school program, Savita got herself enrolled.

Savita is also a certified Usha- BPF Silai School teacher. She trains other women and girls in the community. She charges Rs 200 monthly fees from each learner and INR 50 as an admission fee. She now earns Rs.1,400 from learners' fees and INR 350 as an admission fee. She is also earning Rs.2,000 from stitching work. On average, she makes around INR 3,500 monthly from her Usha - BPF Silai school.





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