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Summer Training Project Undertaken Jointly About the Project

Drishtee Foundation

Implementation of placement linked skill development (SGSY Scheme) in Mathura

The project addressed capacity building of rural youth of BPL families on the issue of unemployment through mobilizing and training them to develop requisite skills and provide placement opportunities by organizing job fairs by public private partnership. The study documented unwillingness to move out of village, expectation of high salary among the rural youth making the scheme less effective. Targeting needy youth from BPL families and focusing on specialized trainings for self employment rather than wage employment will make this SGSY scheme successful.



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Research Project Contribution of primary health care centre in health status of people: Study of a Primary Health Centre (PHC).



Summer Training **Chinmaya Organisation for Rural Development** (Cord), Kangra District, Himachal Pradesh

Project Undertaken Jointly An assessment of Implementation of United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) in the state of Himanchal Pradesh

About the Project The project assessed the current scenario of the disabled persons, their issues on social status, grievances, unemployment, health, illiteracy and accessibility in public premises, existing Government policies, welfare schemes and facilities provided and the impact on their lives. The study found huge gap between government data and grass root reality of the disabled in terms of benefits from the welfare schemes, limitations in the implementation of UNCRPD in the rights of disabled in equality and its success lies in creating awareness among disabled, providing its guidelines to Government officials, adequate funding with close monitoring and utilization.



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Summer Training **Chinmaya Organization for Rural development** (Cord), Himachal Pradesh
Project Undertaken Jointly System of Rice Intensification in Sidhbari, Himanchal Pradesh: Motivation, Training and Implementation
About the Project The project created awareness in the new technique of rice cultivation involving mechanical weeder and marker and the use of organic manure in rain fed areas by motivating and mobilizing the farmers through various trainings for implementation. The study finds that farmers convinced with SRI techniques over conventional method of rice cultivation in view of less water and cost with increase in yield. Risk averse farmers having no other source of supportive income lack initiatives in adopting SRI techniques. Wider adoption of SRI techniques emphasizes the need for crop guarantee through insurances and input subsidies.



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Research Project A study on post- harvest marketing losses of green vegetable in Allahabad

Summer Training Project Undertaken Jointly

Centre for Agriculture and Rural Development (Card), New Delhi
 Event management for farmers: An experience with Centre for Agriculture and Rural Development, Lucknow, Auraiya District

About the Project

We managed an event providing opportunities for interaction between progressive farmers, technical experts, product and service providing organizations on behalf of CARD. The event sensitized the farmers to latest innovative techniques and ideas in agriculture and allied sectors. We approached various organizations such as Mahindra and Mahindra, Escort, VRN Seeds, Excel Crop care and persuaded them to participate in Kharif Goshti. This helped us learn interacting with top management of organizations, coordinating an event and crisis management during the process.



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Research Project	Illness among poor households of SC in rural areas



Summer Training	People Science Institute Dehradun, Uthrakhand.
Project Undertaken Jointly	Resource Gap Analysis for Watershed Development: Preparing a Detailed Project Report (Dpr) of Thanaksoga panchayat, Himachal Pradesh
About the Project	The study focuses on the estimation of gaps in available basic resources through PRA technique in a resource constrained watershed village for the preparation of a DPR. It documents the detailed status of various resources, its estimated gaps, specific problems faced, prioritized and proposed activities to cope with them, estimated the budget involved and technical feasibilities by a technical team. The proposed actions in the DPR to meet out the gaps involved lift irrigation, bio fencing for soil conservation, improved agricultural and allied activities, fodder production and pasture development on fallow lands.



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Research Project Study change in the mind set of people regarding women participation in village panchayat elections



Summer Training **People's Science Institute (Psi)**, Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
Project Undertaken Jointly Developing Self-Reliant Villages in Bundelkhand

About the Project The basic aim of this project is to assess the poverty level in the drought stricken communities in Bundelkhand region through estimating the percentage of unemployment, agricultural labourers, marginal workers, cultivable waste area, irrigated area, SC/ST population to eradicate poverty and mitigate draught in a sustainable basis. This Self-Reliant Development would include community mobilization and formation of village level institutions with improved governance, convergence of funds available with PRIs and existing government schemes and use of information technology tools for planning, reporting and monitoring.



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Research Project Challenges & opportunities in rural areas in context of CSR initiatives



Summer Training We The People, New Delhi
Project Undertaken Jointly Identifying potential of employability for unskilled, semiskilled and skilled workforce in National Capital Region
About the Project The project examines the role of virtual online employment exchange platform in creating better employment opportunities for the rust collar workforce of unorganized sector. This addressed the issues, conditions and expectations of both demand (job provider) and supply (job seeker) sides of innovative model of employability. Organized suitable trainings for skill up-gradation of the work force to meet the potential and requirement of the job providers. While this virtual employment mechanism caters the need of both employer and job seeker, upon their mutual negotiation, the issue of migration on the demand side and lack of permanent job tenure for the supply side need special attention.



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Research Project Credit access and poverty reduction: A case study of SHG-Bank linkage program in Phoolpur Block, Allahabad



Summer Training Association for Community Transformation (Act), Jabalpur.
Project Undertaken Jointly Process documentation of rehabilitation of slum

About the Project Studied the role played by Association for Community Transformation (Act) in the rehabilitation of slums through mobilizing the agitated crowd, verifying the bonafide residence, allotment of land, providing sanitation and drinking water and supplying food grains and other basic commodities, all with transparency in services. The NGOs are better than the Government department in successfully rehabilitating the community.

House hold survey for Integrated Watershed Management Program

Under IWMP, made a household survey of 25 villages of Parashia block on socio-economic condition of the people, agricultural productivity, sources of water resources, identified drains and feasibility of constructing check dams and gully plugs, available employment opportunities and prepared micro-plan for some villages to ensure water for irrigation and drinking purpose, guaranteeing employment and capacity building to promote entrepreneurship.



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Summer Training
Project Undertaken
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About the Project

Samaj Pragati Sahyog, Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

Impact Assessment of Self Help Groups (SHGs): A case of SPS in Bagli, Kataphod and Udainagar Location of Dewas District.

This study analyzed the performance of the SHG-Bank Linkage program of SPS on the socio-economic and psychological upfront of the member women. The SPS through its continuous efforts succeeded in bringing out the large proportion of core poor from the vicious cycle of indebtedness by means of raising money from the 'Samuh' itself in the form of savings as well as allowing loans to be procured for consumption and income generation. The SHGs serve as a platform to empower women by making them capable of voicing their rights on various social and political issues, by inviting leadership among women and thereby increasing their confidence. The SHGs suffer due to delinquencies in repayment by the members and insincere facilitators, which calls for adoption of stricter norms and awareness sessions as well as encouraging entrepreneurial activities for successful functioning.



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Research Project Impact of Mid-Day meal scheme in Primary Schools: An assessment



Summer Training Central Himalayan Rural Action Group (Chirag), Bageshwar, Uttarakhand
Project Undertaken Jointly Production and Marketing of horticultural products in a remote village

About the Project The study analyses Chirag's intervention in marketing the agricultural and horticultural produce of small farmers to get fair and better prices in hilly regions of Uttarakhand where market facility is poor. Assessing the production and consumption pattern of the villagers, the study recommends introduction of hybrid seeds and fertilizers to increase the current productivity, techniques for improving land irrigation to bring more area under cultivation and involving them in the diversified activities like making vegetable pickles, providing scope for sustainable marketing activities and sense of business among the villagers.



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Research Project	Micro-finance: Empowering women



Summer Training	Samarthan Weakling Development Foundation (Swdf) , Jaamatara, Jharkhand (Registered under Section 25, Companies Act 1956)
Project Undertaken Jointly	Working strategies of Micro-Finance: A case study of Samarthan Weakling Development Foundation (Swdf).
About the Project	Samarthan follows safe loan lending process by effective group recognition test to women Joint Liability Group (Jlg) which ensures prompt repayment of loans. The project examined the organization structure, strategies and implementation processes of SWDF initiating for promotion of income generation activities. It examined the current strategic positions indentified by Samarthan and the potential areas for expansion. The project identified that traditional handicrafts of tribal, woodworks like making of baskets, ladders, chairs and similar income generation activities open up the good opportunity to increase its portfolio lending for the future expansion.



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Research Project Contribution of microfinance institution in financial inclusion in rural context

Summer Training Aditya Birla Group
Project Undertaken Jointly An assessment of Corporate Social Responsibility (Csr) Intervention in social sector: A case of Aditya Birla Group
About the Project The project studied the functioning and the impacts of various activities undertaken by CSR initiatives by understanding the process and strategies involved, the nature of interventions with the communities through public private partnership, their strength and limitations and evaluated the overall impact in terms of awareness in health and hygiene, employment and livelihood opportunities, infrastructure developments, importance and the role of education. The experiences of case study act as agents to change the mindset of the community and highlight the key need areas as opportunities that the corporate needs to consider in future.



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Research Project Everyday economics of cultural entertainers in Magh-mela, Prayag



Summer Training Watershed Organisation Trust (Wotr), Ahmednagar,
Project Undertaken Jointly Impact analysis of watershed development project
About the Project The project examined the changes in the socio-economic condition of tribal village-Pagan, district-Dhule, Maharashtra due to watershed development activities. Watershed techniques resulted in increased water recharge, agricultural diversification with introduction of usage of hybrid seeds and fertilizers, increased rice production through System of Rice Intensification (SRI) technique and reduction in migration of laborers. The successful case studies of SHGs highlight the scope of entrepreneurial activities, awareness of education among girls and their empowerment in society.



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Research Project Microfinance enhancing the income levels in rural India: A case study of a village in Allahabad District



Summer Training Aarohi , Nainital ,district Uttarakhand
Project Undertaken Jointly Development plan for village Khati
About the Project The project aimed at to prepare a village plan through baseline survey of village Khati having no proper road connectivity but serving as base for tourists. There was lack of service providers like police, ANMs and teachers, livelihood mainly on the illegal growing of drugs and absence of any government schemes towards legal income generations. The development plan includes improving the road connectivity, ensuring regular visits of the barefoot teachers and health workers, introducing cash crops, mushrooms and medicinal plants, encouraging goat rearing and poultry farming, promoting village shops with AAROH I products (handicrafts) and developing tourism related infrastructure



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Summer Training Aga Khan Rural Support Program (India)

Project Undertaken Process documentation of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mgnregs) implemented under Rajiv Gandhi Mission for Watershed Management (Rgmwm) at Khargone District (Madhya Pradesh).

About the Project The project studied various processes followed by NGOs in mobilizing the community to implement MGNREGS and the nature and guidelines involved in establishing linkages and liaisoning with the PRIs in planning, capacity building, implementation that can influence the policy at the macro level. The NGOs helped improve the livelihood of the community with wage security through drought proofing, plantation, land development and other activities of watershed management. This initiation of employment with watershed management has paved the way for sustainable development with natural resource management

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Research Project Women empowerment through SBLP in context of Allahabad district
Summer Training Satin Credit Care Network Ltd., New Delhi.



Project Undertaken Risk management in Satin Credit Care: A comparison with other Micro Finance Institutions (MFIs) and SWOT analysis.

About the Project The project made an attempt to understand the policies and procedures adopted in the credit operations, identified the areas of risk and strategies followed in risk management and analyzed the strength and weakness of Satin and other competitive MFIs. The high professional management and coordination among its employees, rigorous cross checks and fast execution in the credit disbursement, transparency of the activities, easy and simple documentation are the factors that make Satin a successful MFI among its competitors. Defaulting due to large commission charges by agents, instances of money robbery due to poor salaries warrant attention in the risk management



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Summer Training **PRATHAM** Rajasthan (Jaipur, Dungarpur, Karauli, Jalore and Ajmer)

Project Undertaken Finding the best practices of volunteer mobilization

About the Project PRATHAM has a project for improving learning abilities of children through interactive education processes. The project is undertaken by volunteers. The study focused on the system and concept of volunteer mobilization, mobilization processes, objectives and motivating factors to join as a volunteer and the culture and practices followed by Trainers and Monitors. PRATHAM could enroll volunteers through public relations without the first point of contact and reach out to people who wish to do something for the society voluntarily. Establishing their identity in society as a teacher and the PRATHAM experience certificate were also motivating factors in the mobilization. Some financial support can encourage volunteers to continue.

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Summer Training **NSD, CARE and Vinoba Sewa Ashram**, Shahjahanpur, U.P

Project Undertaken Theatre, Culture and Social Development.

About the Project The project first studied the techniques of organizing and coordinating a theatre workshop with community participation. Subsequently initiated process of creating awareness on various health issues of malnutrition and tobacco drug addiction. Based on a survey on drug addiction in seven villages of Shahjahanpur, we improvised a play to display its harmful effects. The study observed that the theatre act and Nukkad natak served both effective information dissemination and entertainment in creating awareness. Social stigma among rural women restricted their participation in theatre activities.



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Project undertaken	Exploring New Markets for Organic Cotton
About the project	The project identified the scope of non conventional use of organic cotton in surgical purposes in Indian and global markets. It developed a business plan under innovative fair trade practice by studying the manufacturing process, cost involved and human resource requirements and provided a database of potential allies in making the project feasible. The study observed that the recent trend of awareness among hospitals could increase its demand and subsequently the momentum of its supply in the market, bringing down its present high price. This would result in healthy and profitable venture.