

## **Gewar Sankalp Samiti (GSS)**

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### **INTRODUCTION:**

Gewar Sankalp Samiti (GSS) was formed in January 2017 by a group of individuals who had strong believe that community based and people centered initiatives should be promoted to strengthen the sustainable process of development. Since the inception of the organization it has started working on improvement of the living standard of people of rural areas of Himalayan region of Uttarakhand with especial focus on women and gender empowerment. A life of hardship with drudgery for women and forced migration of men in search of petty jobs in the cities is needed to change and a process of true and holistic development of the community is required of the time. With this basic idea in mind and to utilize the vast resources, human and natural of the rural villages, this non-governmental organization was formally set up in August 2017.

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- **Contact Person:**

Mrs. Bhawana Sharma (President)

- **Legal Status:**

- Registered under Society Registration Act 1860 (Registration No. 20 / 2017 dated 18 August 2017).
- Registered under 12- A & 80- G of Income Tax Act.
- Registered under CSR-A

- **Vision:**

GSS strives for developing models for inclusion of socio-economically deprived section and poor women working in remote hilly regions. Its vision is for a Society where people are self-reliant and in control over their resources and lives.

- **Mission:**

GSS helps reducing poverty and social exclusion by facilitating community empowerment especially women and girls from poor and marginalized section of society.

- **Area of Work:**

Uttarakhand.

## **GOAL AND OBJECTIVES:**

### **Goal:**

- To make prosperous living of poor rural community of Uttarakhand hills.

## **Objectives:**

The main objectives of the organization are as follows:

- To undertake and support action initiatives for the sustainable development of the entire humankind through formation and strengthening of Community Based Organizations (CBOs), Self Help Groups (SHGs), FPOs etc. with promotion of women and gender empowerment.
- To inculcate the habit of thrift (Savings) and credits among target groups.
- To provide the sustainable livelihood Models for the rural hill community of Uttarakhand.
- Promotion of diversified agriculture farming and providing backward and forward linkages to marginal farmers.
- To work for providing safe drinking water, basic health care, hygiene and sanitation facilities to the community.
- To work for develop and promote models on functional elementary education.
- To promote self employment and income generation activities through capacity and skill development trainings and value addition.
- To implement schemes and programmes formulated by the government for socio-economic development and welfare of all including Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, Woman, Youths, Children, Handicapped and Aged persons living in nook and corner of the area.
- To undertake research and evaluation studies on different development issues.

- To protect, conserve and restore the natural environment and preserve biological and cultural resources.
- To establish libraries or centers promoting traditional value system and nature cure, yoga and meditation at convenient places in the region so as to facilitate dissemination of finding of the various research studies, experimental innovative action oriented activities.
- To organize need based trainings, workshops and orientation programmes, management and technology related course in order to empower and build capability of each and every needy person, women group, youth group, Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe communities and weaker section of the society.
- To conserve and promote the traditional & folk dances and cultural heritage of the area

### **MAJOR INITIATIVES UNDERTAKEN/PROMOTED:**

The summary of major activities undertaken by the organization is as following:

1. Livelihood improvement programme i.e. food processing, mushroom and vegetable farming, drawing & painting on local culture (AIPAN), tailoring course, computer course etc.
2. Promotion of basic health care, hygiene and sanitation practices.
3. Mother, child & adolescent health.
4. Promotion of functional elementary education; pre schooling, formal & non-formal education.
5. Promotion of diversified agriculture farming, value addition and marketing.
6. Environment conservation, protection, promotion and natural recourse management.
7. Women and gender empowerment. Formation and strengthening of community based groups- SHGs, FPOs etc.
8. Promotion of local art and culture heritage.

# Annual Work Progress Report

## ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2022-2023

### OUR FUNDING PARTNER

Gewar Sankalp Samiti in collaborations with various organizations has carried out various activities in the area through which efforts have been made for the social, economic, mental and development of the area. The department is written as follows.





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CULTURE**

During the reporting year 2022-23 the main focus was given on livelihood improvement activities of rural community, organize environmental conservation and protection awareness campaigns, women and gender empowerment initiatives, promotion of local art and cultural activities, organize village and cluster level health check-up camps, clean up campaigns of village common property resources and trainings on livelihood promotion and organizational development. The detail of activities undertaken during the reporting year is given in different heads asfollowing:

## Year 2022-2023

### ➤ Capacity building programme S.D.G.:-

To create poverty-free and livelihood-enhanced villages by training Panchayat representatives on SDG and GDP through Gewar Sankalp Samiti and to encourage villagers for quality education. To make people aware of gender equality and to encourage them to do decent work for the economic development of the society.



### ➤ Livelihood and enterprise development programmes:-

To make women self-reliant Gewar Sankalp Samiti provided free training in tailoring, mushroom and handicraft through Uttarakhand Skill Development Mission in various villages of Block Chaukhutia Almora, due to which women tried to strengthen their own economy by taking skill development training.



Under NABARD our organization has given training to 90 women in LEDP in district Almora and folk art aipan and a weaving project is being done with 90 women of district Chamoli, out of which more than 50% women are doing their own business. Becoming self-reliant.

**The detail of activities is given in the following table:**

Sl .	Name of Activity	Date	Place	No. of Participants	Remark
1 .	Training on Tailoring	12.04.2022 to 20.07.2022	Block Chaukhutia, Village Bakhali Bisht, Kheera, Dulari, Tatalgaon, , Udlikhan	200	Skill development
2 .	Mushroom farming	15.06.2022 to 19.07.2022	Malla Tajpur, Kolgadhera	70	Livelihood improvement
3 .	Food processing	05.08.2022 to 19.10.2022	Chandikhet, Dhudhliya,	40	Pickle making & Kumauni Namak
4 .	Livelihood promotion	16.11.2022	Dhone, Bhatkot, Naugaon, Akhodiya, Betandhar	100	PM Loan scheme, CCL
5 .	Agriculture activities	21.11.2022 to 24.12.2022	Bhanotiya, Negar, Jamaniya, Chaukori, Peli	75	Livestock and increasing milk production
6	Poultry Farming and Fishery	11.01.2023	Malla Tajpur, Boragaon, Ramnagaon	25	

➤ **Catch the Rain and water resources FTK kit and O&M Management training:-**

The GSS, in collaboration with Nehru Yuva Kendra, conducted awareness programs for water conservation with women of various schools and groups on Catch the Rain and along with Jal Jeevan Mission, formed women's committees for water quality in various villages and made them online and these women water



testing was also taught in the FTK kit so that the village women could test the water and drink pure water and avoid water-borne diseases.

● **Environment protection and plantation programme:-**

For environmental protection, Gewar Sankalp Samiti conducted environmental protection programs in various groups and schools and along with women's groups, tree plantation programs were conducted in villages. GSS is making students aware about saving the environment by organizing environment based competitions in schools for environmental protection and along with women, they are



appealing to save the forest from forest fires.

**The detail is given in the following table**

Sl.	Name of Activity	Date	Place	No. of Participants	Major Issues Discussed
1.	Quiz, debate and cultural activities	14.04.2022 06.05.2022	G.I.C Kalron, G.I.C Yogsain, S.S.H. Bisht	1200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cultural activities on environment protection.</li> <li>• Protection of</li> </ul>

		15.07.2022  0508.2022	Memorial Public School Chaukhutia, D.A.V Public School Bazpur		forest from fire. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Broad leaf mix spices plantation.</li> <li>• Promotion of diversified organic farming.</li> </ul> <p>To organize women s group and make efforts to make them self reliant</p>
2.	Meeting on forest fire protection	15.09.2022 21.09.2022 11.10.2022	Village – Rampur, Digot, Simalkhet, Ramnagaon, Tajpur	90	
3.	Cleanliness campaign of village common resources	04.11.2022 06.01.2023 16.03.2023	Block – Chaukhutia, Block Dwarahat in Almora District, Village – Dhankahl, Binta, Kama, Bagwalipokhar, Malli Mirai, Talli Mirai	320	

### ➤ Health, and Sanitation Programme:-

The efforts initiated in the previous years for betterment of community health, hygiene and sanitation in the rural villages were continued and initiated with more attention during the reporting period 2022-23. Under this activity mass awareness were carried out on personal and domestic hygiene and sanitation condition. Village and cluster level meetings and workshops were organized with community on cleanliness of village common footpaths, personnel hygiene, healthy and nutritious food intake; child immunization etc. school and college level meetings were also organized on these issues. For adolescent girls various sessions on important of individual hygiene during the menstrual periods were dealt and with the support of Shri Narayan culture Samiti Noida manufacturing of economical sanitary napkins were done and installed one vending machines in remote project areas for distribution of sanitary pads.



The detail is given in the following table:

Sl .	Name of Activity	Total No.	No. of Villages covered	No. of Participants	Remark
1 .	Meeting with SHGs & village community	12	Block –Chaukhutia, Bhanotiya, Mallatajpur, Rampur,	720	Health, hygiene & sanitation
2 .	Training and workshops with women and adolescent	8	Block – Syaldey, village –Chchroti, Walmara, Talai, Babaliya, Patalgaon Block – Bhikiyasen Village – Pantgaon, Shreekot Manjhali, Ugaliya	400	Health, hygiene and proper nutrition
3 .	Health camps	3	1 Digot center of Gewar Sankalp Samiti  2 Village Bhanotiya Block Chaukhutia	8000	Full Body Test, Sugar Test, LFT, B.P, ECG, Eye Test, Dental Checkup, ENT
4 .	Awareness camp on importance of sanit Amnary pads & menstruation , Free sanitary Pads distribution	5	Village Bakhali, Siroli, Basbhira, Garsyari, Mahadgaon, Block Dwarahat Village Pujakhet, Dharamgaon, Mirai, Hat,	480	To create awareness about problems occurring during menstruation and to provide information to women about health and hygiene during menstruation and to distribute free

					sanitary pads to women
5	Awareness camp on women nutrition and health	6	Wisdom Convent School Chaukhutia, Vidya Mandir Dwarahat, M.D. Tiwari High School Dwarahat, Block Salt Villge Jogyuda , Malihari, Bunga, Puriya Chaura, Kunidhar, Nainwal Pali, Kukrad	280	Organize village community level monthly meetings and trainings/workshops on health, hygiene & nutrition awareness issues.  School/college level various awareness events i.e. quiz, debates, poster making, pedestrian campaign (Padyatra) etc. within regular interval.

- **Cultural activity on Uttarakhand folk and music:-**

Gewar Sankalp Samiti is making continuous efforts to preserve the culture of Uttarakhand by teaching them Aipan with schools and groups. Uttarakhand is making continuous efforts to preserve its culture by celebrating festivals like Phooldhei, Ghee Sankranti, Harela with groups.



Music by the Organization. To do more work in the field of music, sankalp Music collage has been established and in which more than 40 students are taking free music education. The GSS in conducting cultural programs with women at various fairs and festivals.

**The detail is given in the following table:**

Name of Activity	Name of Block Covered	No. of Villages Covered	Total No. of Participants	Remark
Uttarakhand Culture Preservation and Training	Chaukhutia, Dwarahat & Bhikiyasen	20	250 women	Supported by Ministry of . Culture, Govt. of Uttarakhand, Dehradun
Handicraft Training ( Aipan, Carpet etc)	Chaukhutia, Syaldey & Salt	18	90 women	Supported by District Industries Centre Almora.

## Yoga and Fit India Movement:-

Gewad Sankalp Samiti to promote fitness as easy, Fun and free. Our organization we encourage fitness and help all to get freedom from obesity, laziness, stress, anxiety, diseases, etc. To raise awareness among students, faculty, and staff about the benefits of yoga, meditation, and physical activity for maintaining mental and spiritual balance. Practice of yoga may produce many health benefits, including increased cardiovascular fitness, improved muscular strength and normalization of blood pressure.



➤ S.H.G. formation and women empowerment programme:-



Gewar Sankalp Samiti has made an effort to make women self-reliant by forming groups in collaboration with the departments in district Almora, Chamoli and Udham Singh Nagar to start employment for those women. Gewar Sankalp Samiti, in collaboration with NABARD and Ministry of Culture, has learned the work of women's aipan and craft and has prepared their products and delivered them to the market.

The detail is given in the following table:

Sl.	Name of Activity	Date	Place	No. of Participants	Major Issues Discussed
1.	SHGs Formation	As per SHGs fixed date	Jamaniya, Chaukori, Simalkhet, Talla Tajpur, Malla Tajpur, Udalikhan, Baisokhala	700	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn them regular meetings, regular savings</li> <li>• Regular inter-loaning, timely repayment.</li> <li>• Up- to-date books of accounts</li> </ul>
2.	School/College level events	According to available time of students	Sishu Mandir Chaukhutia, Vidya Mandir Chaukhutia, G.I.C Patalgaon, Block level competition on Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan and other current issues	350	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gender Sensitization</li> <li>• Information on govt. departments</li> <li>• Protection of forest from fire.</li> <li>• Natural resource management</li> <li>• Debates poster, competition</li> <li>• Nukkad natak on gender equality</li> <li>• Career counseling for better future</li> </ul>

- **Launch Local brand Mijat for marketing of S.H.G products:-**

Local brand Mijat was launched by the Gewar Sankalp Samiti for the clothes, Aipan and other products made by the women, in which efforts are being made to market the products made by the women. Efforts are being made to make women self-reliant through Mijat. Women are being encouraged for self – employment.



**Children’s award 2022:-** on the auspicious occasion of Children’s Day, the Children’s Award 2022 was given by the child protection commission to our organization Gewar Sankalp Samiti for making children aware by giving them skill development, by honorable Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami ji at Chief Sevak Sadan, Chief Minister’s residence, Dehradun. GSS is the first organization who received this award from Almora district.





**President Mrs. Bhawana Sharma Honored by NABARD:-**

On 8 March 2023, on women's day, Mrs. Bhawana Sharma, President of Gewad Sankalp Samiti was given this award by Mr. Vinod Kumar, Chief General Manager of NABARD for, her commendable work in rural development and empowering women. This award was given to only 12 women from entire Uttarakhand was given to. Along with NABARD, the organization is working with 180 women in LEDP

Programme in District Chamoli and District Almora, out of which more than 50% women are also working from home.

➤ **Other Development Activities:**

During the reporting period GSS has organized various other development.

S. N.	Name of organization	No of trainee	Scheme name	Job role / training subject
1.	Panchayati raj	2000	capacity building development training	9 themes of S.D.G. training
2.	NABARD	90	Livelihood and enterprise development programmes.	Knitting machine
3.	Directorate of Industries	200	Udayam Vikash Prashikshan.	Dhoop and carpet making training .
	Ministry of Culture	90	Himalayan culture heritage promotion of and based on development of folk art.	Aipan training
4.	Minority welfare (Mukhyamantri Hunar yojana)	40	Mukhyamantri Hunar yojana	Swing, mushroom training
5.	Nehru Yuva Kendra Almora	10 Villages	Catch the rain & Millets.	Awareness programme
6.	NABARD	30	Rural Development Fund.	Solar panel installation
7.	Uttarakhand peyjal nigam	100	Jal Jeevan mission	2 <sup>nd</sup> phase implementation & training.

