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Introduction

About Swabhiman Samiti

Swabhiman Samiti is a grassroots non-profit organization founded in **2004**, working actively across the districts of **Siddharthnagar, Maharajganj,** and **Kushinagar** in **Uttar Pradesh**. Committed to the values of **dignity, equity, and justice,** the organization focuses on empowering **marginalized and underserved communities**, particularly **women, children, and adolescents** who face multiple layers of social and economic exclusion.

Over two decades, Swabhiman Samiti has implemented a wide range of **multi-dimensional development programs** aimed at addressing both immediate and structural challenges. Its work spans several key thematic areas:

- **Adolescent Empowerment and SRHR**
- **Education, Sports and Digital Inclusion**
- **Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)**
- **Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction (CCDRR)**
- **Sustainable Agriculture and Livelihoods**
- **Health and Family Planning**

Key Flagship Programs

- **Kishori Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (KSP)** – focused on adolescent girls' leadership, health, and gender awareness
- **Project Chhalaang** – promoting physical literacy and social-emotional learning in government schools
- **EmpowerED** – bridging the gender digital divide through technology access and digital literacy

Transparency and Legal Standing

Swabhiman Samiti is registered under the Societies Registration Act and is fully compliant with legal and financial regulations. The organization holds the following certifications:

- **12A and 80G (Income Tax exemptions for donors)**
- **FCRA Registration (for foreign funding)**
- **CSR Registration (for corporate partnerships)**

These credentials underscore the organization's commitment to **accountability, good governance, and high-impact programming.**

With a strong field presence, a committed team, and a network of trained community volunteers, Swabhiman Samiti continues to innovate and deepen its impact—ensuring that the **voices of the most excluded are heard, respected, and empowered.**

Introduction

Vision

A world without poverty, patriarchy and injustice in which every person enjoys the right to life with dignity

Mission

To work with the poor and excluded people in their struggle to eradicate poverty, patriarchy and injustice.



Navigating Our Journey

2004 Swabhiman Samiti was established with a vision to empower marginalized communities in eastern Uttar Pradesh, focusing on gender justice, education, and health.

2007 Provided essential relief kits including food and household items to 1,200 flood-affected families.

2010 Launched the Krisak Club Program in Kushinagar to support smallholder farmers through capacity building, knowledge exchange, and collective farming.

2012 Initiated the Rojgar Evam Swasth Adhikar Pariyojna in Maharajganj, promoting access to employment schemes and public health services for marginalized communities.

2012 Launched the FASAL Project in flood-prone areas of Uska Bazar to enhance food security and agriculture resilience among marginalized farmers.

2015 Scaled efforts with Sujlam Suflam and FASAL Phase 2, promoting climate-smart farming, water conservation, and sustainable livelihoods in disaster-affected villages.

2019 Launched Know Your Body, Know Your Rights in Siddharthnagar, offering adolescent girls comprehensive sexuality education and promoting bodily autonomy.

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Introduction

Navigating Our Journey

2019 Partnered with Global Health Strategies to strengthen family planning services in Siddharthnagar through community engagement and health system support.

2021 Mobilized COVID-19 relief efforts, including hygiene kit distribution, tele-counseling, and community awareness campaigns targeting women and adolescents.

2023 Rolled out Project Chhalaang in 50 government schools across Siddharthnagar, integrating physical education and social-emotional learning.



2023 Launched Kishori Sashaktikaran Pariyojna Phase 2, reaching 500+ adolescent girls through peer learning, menstrual hygiene awareness, and leadership camps.

2024 Introduced EmpowerED and Digital Classroom Programs in Maharajganj and Siddharthnagar, bridging the gender digital divide in rural schools.

2024 The 20th Foundation Day of Swabhiman Samiti was celebrated on September 4, 2024 at the Swabhiman Samiti Office, Uska Bazar.

Legal Status/Registrations

S. No	Registration	Number
1	**Society Registration**	• Place: Gorakhpur • Year: 2004 • Date: 04-09-2004 • Registration No.: 559 (Act 21, 1860) • Valid Until: 03-09-2029
2	**Unique ID of NGO (DARPAN)**	UP/2009/0003761
3	**PAN No.**	AAHTS1478B
4	**TAN No.**	ALDS12291G
5	**12A**	AAHTS1478BE20148
6	**80G**	AAHTS1478BF20211
7	**FCRA**	137270025
8	**CSR**	CSR00054750
9	**E-Anudaan ID**	UP/00030382
10	**Udyog Aadhaar Number (MSME)**	UP70E0008993

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Our Core Areas of work

Your support can transform lives and shape a brighter future.

Swabhiman Samiti is guided by Gandhian values of Non-Violence (Ahinsa), Local Self-Governance (Gram Swaraj), and Sustainable Livelihood (Rojgaar). Its mission is to uplift marginalized communities, starting from the villages of Nichlaul Block, Mahrajganj.



Our Core Areas

- **Climate Change & Disaster Risk Reduction**
- **Water & Sanitation**
- **Adolescent & SRHR**
- **Women and Gender justice**
- **Health**
- **Education**
- **Livelihood**
- **agriculture**

Our Areas of Impact

Our Areas of Impact in 3 Districts, Siddharthnagar, Maharajgunj and Kushinagar of Uttar Pradesh.



01 Siddharthnagar

Siddharthnagar is a district in the northeastern part of Uttar Pradesh, India. It shares an international border with Nepal, making it a strategically significant location. Siddharthnagar an Aspirational District in Uttar Pradesh, focuses on improving health, education, and agriculture while empowering marginalized communities and fostering sustainable development initiatives.

02 Maharajganj

Maharajganj, a district in Uttar Pradesh, shares an international border with Nepal, making it strategically and culturally significant. Predominantly rural, its economy is driven by agriculture and small-scale industries. The region faces challenges in education, healthcare, and women's empowerment

03 Kushinagar

Kushinagar is a prominent district in Uttar Pradesh, India, known for its spiritual significance as the place where Lord Buddha attained Mahaparinirvana. With a largely agrarian population, the district faces challenges in education, health, rural development, sustainable livelihoods, digital education, and community empowerment.

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CURRENT PROJECTS

ON GOING

Swabhiman Samiti is currently running key projects aimed at enhancing education, health, and Adolescent & women's empowerment in Siddharthnagar and Maharajganj districts. These initiatives focus on creating lasting positive impacts and empowering local communities for a better future.

Current Project



Project Chhalaang

Project Chhalaang, an initiative implemented by Swabhiman Samiti in collaboration with the ELMS Sports Foundation, aims to enhance physical literacy and promote Social Emotional Learning (SEL) among school children in rural areas. Focused on 50 schools in Siddharthnagar district, Uttar Pradesh, the program seeks to improve students' physical health, motor skills, emotional intelligence, and life skills through physical education and sports activities.

The project also emphasizes gender equality by promoting the participation of girls in sports and physical activities, contributing to increased school attendance and retention.

Impact:

Improved Physical Literacy:
Students demonstrated improved physical health, motor skills, and coordination as measured by pre-and post-program assessments.

Increased School Retention Rates:
The program helped reduce dropout rates, particularly among girls, by increasing engagement through physical and SEL activities.

Enhanced Teacher Skills:
Physical Education Teachers (PETs) gained better skills to integrate physical literacy and SEL into the curriculum, ensuring the program's sustainability.

Stronger Community Engagement:
Increased parental and community involvement created a supportive environment for physical education.

Improved Student Leadership:
40 students were trained as youth leaders, fostering leadership and organizational skills.

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Current Project

Project Chhalaang









Current Project



Digital Classroom Program KGBV ITWA

The Digital Classroom Program at KGBV ITWA, Siddharthnagar, implemented in collaboration with eVidyaloka and Swabhiman Samiti, aimed to enhance digital literacy and foster an interest in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education among rural girl students. Running from December 2023 to March 2024, the program sought to equip students with foundational digital skills and expose them to STEM subjects, preparing them for future educational and career opportunities in the digital age.

Impact:

- **Digital Literacy:**
  95% completion rate with students demonstrating proficiency in basic computer skills, internet navigation, and essential software.
- **STEM Engagement:**
  Increased student interest in STEM subjects, with students actively participating in STEM-related projects and discussions.
- **Academic Excellence:**
  Two scholarships were awarded to top-performing students, motivating academic achievement.
- **Student Attendance:**
  86% average attendance rate, reflecting high engagement in the program.
- **Learning Hours:**
  A total of 350 child learning hours were completed, significantly impacting student learning outcomes.

Current Project

Digital Classroom Program KGBV ITWA









Current Project



eVidyaloka EmpowerEd: Digital Literacy Program

The eVidyaloka EmpowerEd: Digital Literacy Program, implemented by Swabhiman Samiti in collaboration with eVidyaloka, aims to address educational challenges in rural areas, specifically in Siddharthnagar and Maharajganj districts, Uttar Pradesh. The program, launched in 2024, equips 20 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) schools with digital classrooms, providing underserved students with access to quality education through online learning.

This initiative aims to bridge the digital divide, empower students with essential digital skills, and improve academic outcomes by leveraging volunteer teachers and digital infrastructure.

Impact:

- **Digital Infrastructure Setup:**
  All 20 schools have been equipped with necessary technology, including computers, projectors, webcams, speakers, and reliable internet connectivity.
- **Engagement of Volunteer Teachers:**
  Students, schools, local authorities, and parents have expressed satisfaction with the quality of education, showing increased engagement from students.
- **Capacity Building of Local Teams:**
  Training of Class Assistants and Field Coordinators has ensured smooth program operation and support for digital infrastructure.
- **Monitoring and Evaluation:**
  The Jupiter portal has facilitated effective tracking of student progress, ensuring transparency and data-driven improvements in the program.
- **Positive Feedback from Stakeholders:**
  Students, schools, local authorities, and parents have expressed satisfaction with the quality of education, showing increased engagement from students.

Current Project

eVidyaloka EmpowerED: Digital Literacy Program









Current Project



Kishori Sashaktikaran Pariyojna

The Kishori Sashaktikaran Pariyojna, implemented by Swabhiman Samiti in collaboration with Ajim Premji Foundation Grameen and Vikas Sansthan, aims to empower adolescent girls in the Uska Bazar block of Siddharthnagar District, Uttar Pradesh. Running in 2024, the project seeks to address key challenges such as sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), menstrual hygiene, early marriage, and education through community engagement, education, and skill-building activities.

The initiative strives to create a more informed, confident, and healthy generation of girls who are equipped to lead and make informed decisions about their lives.

Impact:

- **Increased Knowledge on SRHR:**
  525 adolescent girls gained knowledge on sexual and reproductive health, safe menstrual hygiene practices, and gender equality.
- **Reduced Dropout Rates:**
  The project helped reduce the dropout rates by encouraging continued education for girls in rural areas.
- **Prevention of Early Marriage:**
  Awareness campaigns led to a noticeable reduction in early marriages within the target communities.
- **Improved Menstrual Health Practices:**
  80% of the girls demonstrated better understanding and practices related to menstrual health and hygiene.
- **Leadership Development:**
  40 girls were trained as youth leaders, equipping them to mentor peers and initiate community-level changes in their villages.

Current Project

Kishori Sashaktikaran Pariyojna









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PAST PROJECTS

BACK IN TIME..

Swabhiman Samiti has led impactful projects in education, health, and empowerment in Siddharthnagar and Maharajganj districts, creating lasting community change through key partnerships.



PAST PROJECT | HEALTH

KNOW YOUR BODY, KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

The "Know Your Body, Know Your Rights" project, a collaborative effort between Swabhiman Samiti (led by Mamta Varma, President) and The YP Foundation, aimed to address the critical gap in Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) in rural areas of Siddharthnagar district, Uttar Pradesh. Running from 2019 to 2021, the project focused on empowering adolescents and young people by providing them with knowledge about sexual and reproductive health, gender rights, consent, and sexual abuse prevention. By fostering a generation of informed, confident, and respectful youth, the project sought to reduce stigma and promote healthy, responsible attitudes towards sexuality and rights.

IMPACT:

- Educated 300 adolescents on sexual health, gender equality, sexual abuse prevention, and reproductive rights.
- Successfully trained 30 Peer Educators (PEs), empowering them to spread knowledge about sexual health, gender rights, and sexual abuse prevention within their communities.
- Adolescents were empowered to recognize and report instances of sexual abuse, fostering an environment of greater community-level awareness.

Increased Awareness of Sexuality and Rights

Peer Educator Development



PAST PROJECT | HEALTH

100% COVID VACCINATION PROGRAMME

The 100% COVID Vaccination Programme, implemented by Swabhiman Samiti (led by Vinod kumar Prajapati,) with support from Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives (APPI) and Sahyog Society Lucknow, aimed to achieve full vaccination coverage for the population in the CHC Uska Bazar area, Siddharthnagar. Running from November 1, 2021, to April 30, 2022, the campaign targeted 74,000 individuals, ensuring they received both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. The initiative was carried out with the involvement of 110 paid volunteers, 12 Community Health Workers (CHWs), and local stakeholders, ensuring smooth execution and widespread coverage.

IMPACT:

- 100% Vaccination Coverage: Successfully vaccinated the entire targeted population, ensuring both doses for all identified individuals in the CHC Uska Bazar area.
- Successful Camp Organization: Conducted multiple vaccination camps, ensuring easy access to vaccines for all eligible individuals in the region.
- Community Involvement: Engaged 110 community volunteers and 12 Community Health Workers, facilitating effective mobilization and camp organization.

Accurate Data

Awareness Boost



PAST PROJECT | HEALTH

ACCESS TO FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN UTTAR PRADESH

The "Access to Family Planning Services in Uttar Pradesh" program, implemented by Swabhiman Samiti with support from Global Health Strategies Emerging Economies Pvt. Ltd. (GHSEE), aimed to improve access to family planning services by engaging community champions and strengthening government partnerships. The program, launched in 2019, sought to raise awareness, promote informed contraceptive choices, and address gaps in service delivery across underserved areas in Uttar Pradesh. By mobilizing civil society organizations (CSOs) and local leaders, the initiative aimed to create sustainable changes in the delivery of family planning services.

IMPACT:

- Empowered Community Champions: Successfully trained 20 community champions to advocate for family planning services, facilitating better communication between the community and local officials.
- Strengthened Government Partnerships: Facilitated regular meetings with local and district-level officials, improving service delivery and addressing gaps in family planning resources.
- Increased Awareness: Reached over 1,000 individuals through community engagement efforts, including health days, meetings, and media campaigns.

Media Coverage ▲

Service Delivery ▲



PAST PROJECT | LIVELIHOOD

FARMER'S ACTION FOR SUSTAINABLE AGRO-BASED LIVELIHOOD (FASAL)

The FASAL project, initiated by Swabhiman Samiti in 2012-2015, aimed to uplift marginalized farming communities in the flood-prone areas of Uska Bazar Block, Siddharthnagar. With support from the Sir Dorabji Tata Trust (SDTT), the project reached 534 farming families, focusing on enhancing agricultural productivity, promoting sustainable practices, and diversifying livelihoods. The initiative targeted the adoption of modern farming techniques, improving irrigation systems, and fostering financial inclusion for better resilience against recurring floods and economic challenges.

IMPACT:

- Increased Agricultural Productivity: 80% of farmers adopted modern techniques, leading to significant improvements in crop yields and resource management.
- Expanded Cultivation Area: 50 acres for Kharif crops and 75 acres for vegetable farming were added, boosting regional productivity.
- Enhanced Family Incomes: Family incomes increased by 25% on average, reducing dependency on migration and enhancing local economic stability.

Formation of SHGs

Livelihood Diversification



PAST PROJECT | LIVELIHOOD

FARMER'S ACTION FOR SUSTAINABLE AGRO-BASED LIVELIHOOD-2 (FASAL-2)

The Farmer's Action For Sustainable Agro-Based Livelihood-2 (FASAL-2) project, implemented by Swabhiman Samiti and funded by Sir Dorabji Tata Trust (SDTT) and HUF, focused on improving the livelihoods of 1,500 marginal farming households in the Naugarh Tehsil of Siddharthnagar, Uttar Pradesh. The project, which ran from 2015 to 2019, aimed to promote sustainable agricultural practices, enhance food security, and create economic resilience through community empowerment, crop diversification, and resource optimization.

IMPACT:

- Enhanced Livelihoods: The project improved the livelihoods of 1,500 households by promoting sustainable agricultural and allied practices, leading to increased productivity.
- Income Enhancement: 750 households experienced an annual income increase of ₹25,000, while the remaining households saw a 25% rise in income.
- Sustainable Energy Use: Reduced dependency on cattle dung for cooking by 50%, promoting composting and alternative energy sources.

Community Empowerment

Resource Management



PAST PROJECT | LIVELIHOOD

KRISHAK CLUB PROGRAM (2009-10)

The Krishak Club Program, initiated by Swabhiman Samiti in 2009-10, aimed to empower farmers in Kushinagar District, Uttar Pradesh, by improving agricultural practices and enhancing financial inclusion. The program, funded by NABARD, targeted farmers in the Khadda and Nebua Kotwa development blocks and focused on creating community-based platforms for sharing knowledge, accessing agricultural resources, and connecting with financial institutions for loans and subsidies.

IMPACT:

- Formation of 52 Krishak Clubs: A total of 52 Krishak Clubs were established in 27 villages, providing farmers with a platform to share experiences and learn about modern farming practices.
- Financial Inclusion: Bank accounts were opened for farmers, enabling access to loans and financial services through partnerships with Purvanchal Gramin Bank and NABARD.
- Expert Guidance: Over 16 "Meet the Experts" sessions were held, providing practical advice on crop productivity, pest control, irrigation, and soil management.
- Improved Agricultural Practices: Farmers received training on modern agricultural techniques, leading to improved farming practices and increased productivity.

Stronger Community

Increased Awareness



PAST PROJECT | CLIMATE CHANGE & DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

FLOOD RELIEF AND REHABILITATION PROGRAMME (2007-08)

The Flood Relief and Rehabilitation Programme, implemented by Swabhiman Samiti with support from the European Commission Humanitarian Aid and Action Aid India, aimed to address the urgent needs of flood-affected communities in Siddharthnagar District, Uttar Pradesh. The program focused on providing immediate relief, restoring livelihoods, improving water and sanitation conditions, and building community resilience to future disasters. It reached 1200 families across five Gram Panchayats, helping them recover from the devastating impact of the 2007 floods.

IMPACT:

- Immediate Relief: All 1200 families received essential relief materials, addressing immediate needs such as food and basic supplies.
- Vulnerability Reduction: 215 families received targeted support through vulnerability assessments to help them recover and reduce future risks.
- Improved Shelter: 78 families received safer, more durable homes, offering better protection against future floods.

Livelihood Restoration

Economic Recovery



PAST PROJECT | CLIMATE CHANGE & DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

WATER AND SANITATION PROGRAM IN FLOOD-AFFECTED AREAS

In response to the devastating floods that struck Siddharthnagar on 8th July 2007, Swabhiman Samiti, in collaboration with ActionAid India, implemented a comprehensive Water and Sanitation Program. The floods caused widespread damage to infrastructure, including roads and water sources, leaving the affected communities without access to safe drinking water. This program aimed to address the immediate water and sanitation needs, restore access to clean water, and prevent the spread of waterborne diseases in flood-affected areas.

IMPACT:

- Improved Access to Safe Drinking Water: The repair of handpumps and the raising of platform heights ensured that clean drinking water remained accessible, even during future floods.
- Water Purification Awareness: The educational campaign, including the distribution of posters, helped communities understand the importance of boiling water and using water purification tablets to prevent contamination.
- Prevention of Waterborne Diseases: Fogging operations across 39 hamlets in 16 villages effectively reduced the mosquito population, helping to control the spread of diseases such as malaria, dengue, and Japanese encephalitis.

Health Improvement

Community Resilience

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AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

AWARDS

Swabhiman Samiti has received several awards for its impactful work in education, health, and women's and children's welfare in rural areas, highlighting the dedication of its team and partners.



AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

FOOD AGRI AWARD

VINOD KUMAR PRAJAPATI HONORED WITH THE STATE-LEVEL FOOD AGRI AWARD

Vinod Kumar Prajapati, the Secretary of Swabhiman Samiti, was awarded the prestigious State-Level Food Agri Award on August 26, 2023, at Dr. Ambedkar Auditorium in Siddharthnagar, Uttar Pradesh. The event celebrated exceptional contributions to the agricultural sector, particularly in sustainable farming practices and rural development.

District Magistrate Mr. Sanjeev Ranjan (IAS) and Special Guest Mr. Jayendra Kumar (IAS) graced the occasion, emphasizing the importance of honoring individuals like Vinod Kumar Prajapati, whose work has significantly impacted agricultural development. Organized by Delhi Press in collaboration with Kapilvastu Farmer Producer Company Ltd., the award recognized Prajapati's efforts in advancing agricultural practices and improving the livelihoods of farmers in the region.

Sponsorship from Madhav Govind Food Products Pvt. Ltd. further underscored the significance of such initiatives. This recognition highlights Vinod Kumar Prajapati's dedication to enhancing agriculture and supporting local farmers in Siddharthnagar and beyond.



AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION

VINOD KUMAR PRAJAPATI HONORED BY GENERAL MANAGER, NHM-UP

Vinod Kumar Prajapati, Secretary and Chief Functionary of Swabhiman Samiti, was honored for his contributions to sexual and reproductive health (SRH) by Dr. Manoj Shukla, General Manager of the National Health Mission, during a state-level event organized by Sahyog on October 9, 2023, in Lucknow. The event, titled Engaging Men to Break the Silence Around SRH, focused on raising awareness and fostering open conversations about SRH issues. Prajapati shared his insights alongside esteemed professionals from the National Health Mission, including Dr. Uday Pratap and Dr. Amit Singh. His participation in this program highlighted the importance of involving men in SRH discussions. Prajapati was recognized with a certificate of appreciation for his unwavering dedication to promoting SRH education, especially in rural communities. This honor reflects the significant impact of his leadership in advancing community health initiatives and strengthening Swabhiman Samiti's role in promoting health awareness in the region.

KEY POINT

- Vinod Kumar Prajapati honored for SRH education in Lucknow.
- Highlighted male involvement and strengthened community health.



AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

MERI KAHANI MERI ZUBANI

ZARINA KHATOON HONORED BY DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

On July 10, 2024, Zarina Khatoon, a volunteer from Uska Bazar block, was honored by District Development Officer (DDO) J.P. Kushwaha during the “Meri Kahani Meri Zubani” program, organized by the Piramal Foundation at the District Development Building Auditorium. The event celebrated individuals who have made significant contributions to menstrual hygiene awareness and the re-enrollment of school dropouts.

Zarina, a resident of Khutwa village, had to discontinue her education after class eight. However, with support from Mamata Verma, President of Swabhiman Samiti, Zarina resumed her studies and became an advocate for menstrual hygiene and education among adolescent girls. Despite challenges, she successfully completed her Intermediate exams in 2024.

In recognition of her dedication, Zarina was praised by DDO J.P. Kushwaha and considered for the position of Brand Ambassador for Menstrual Hygiene. Zarina aims to expand her awareness efforts beyond her village to the district level.



AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

SELF-AWARD

NEETU SINGH HONORED WITH THE “SELF-AWARD” BY THE CHIEF MINISTER

Neetu Singh, a Kisan Trainer from Siddharthnagar, Uttar Pradesh, was honored with the prestigious "Self-Award" by the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh in 2015. This recognition, presented by Gaon Connection, celebrated her tireless dedication to rural development and agricultural improvement. The Self-Award is given to individuals who have made exceptional contributions to rural empowerment, particularly in agriculture. Neetu’s selection for this award highlights her significant impact on the agricultural sector, especially in training farmers, capacity building, and promoting sustainable farming practices.

As a Community Resource Person (CRP) at Swabhiman Samiti, Neetu has played a pivotal role in implementing agricultural projects and training farmers in the Uska Bazar block. Her practical approach and deep understanding of farmers' challenges have led to improved crop yields and the adoption of modern farming techniques. Neetu’s leadership has empowered local farmers, increasing productivity and promoting sustainability.

The Self-Award recognition also brought attention to the vital role of women in rural development, highlighting Neetu’s influence in empowering women to take leadership roles in agriculture. Her ongoing work continues to make a lasting impact on the agricultural landscape of Siddharthnagar, inspiring positive change in the community.



AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

SWAYAM AWARD

VINOD KUMAR PRAJAPATI HONORED WITH SWAYAM AWARD BY ASP

Vinod Kumar Prajapati, Secretary and Chief Functionary of Swabhiman Samiti, was honored with the prestigious Swayam Award by ASP and CO Siddharthnagar during the Swayam Festival, organized by Gaon Connection. This award celebrated his exceptional contributions to rural development and social welfare, acknowledging his unwavering commitment to uplifting underprivileged communities in Siddharthnagar.

The Swayam Award is given to individuals who have shown extraordinary dedication to their communities, and Vinod's recognition highlights his transformative impact on the lives of marginalized groups, particularly the Musahar community. After founding Swabhiman Samiti in 2004, Vinod’s work in disaster relief, education, and social empowerment helped improve the livelihoods of countless families.

Notable for his leadership during the 2007 floods, Vinod’s inclusive approach transcended caste boundaries, earning him support from numerous organizations. The Swayam Award acknowledges his lifelong dedication to social service and his ability to inspire others to drive positive change in their communities.



AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

BEST FARMER TRAINER

HONORED AS BEST FARMER TRAINER: A RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

CRP Neetu Singh of Swabhiman Samiti was honored as the Best Farmer Trainer for Siddharthnagar district by Divisional Commissioner Sushil Kumar at the Divisional Level IFFCO Cooperative Conference in Basti. This prestigious award recognizes Neetu's exceptional work in agricultural training and development.

Neetu Singh has made significant contributions to agricultural development throughout her career. In 2015, she was honored by the then Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Akhilesh Yadav, for her efforts in the agricultural sector. Her latest recognition came during IFFCO's 50th Foundation Day, where Agriculture Minister Shri Surya Pratap Shahi presented awards to individuals for their contributions to agriculture.

As a Community Resource Person (CRP) at Swabhiman Samiti, Neetu has worked tirelessly to improve farming techniques, increase crop yields, and promote sustainable agricultural practices. Her efforts have greatly impacted the farming community in Siddharthnagar.

Neetu's work continues to inspire positive change and drive progress in the agricultural sector.

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SWABHIMAN SAMITI MAJOR EVENTS OF 2024

EVENTS

In 2024, Swabhiman Samiti organized impactful events promoting empowerment, awareness, and sustainable development, driving positive change in education, health, and community welfare in Siddharthnagar and Maharajganj districts.

Major Events of 2024



Two-Day Self-Defense Training for Adolescent Girls Concludes: Empowering Girls with Safety and Confidence

The two-day self-defense training program for adolescent girls concluded successfully at the Swabhiman Samiti Training Center in Uska Bazar. This initiative, part of the Kishori Sashaktikaran Pariyojna (Adolescent Empowerment Project), aimed to equip 40 selected adolescent girls with essential self-defense skills and safety knowledge to protect themselves in real-life situations.

Key Highlights:

- **Training Focus:**
  The training covered practical self-defense techniques, safety awareness, confidence building, and mental preparedness.
- **Facilitators:**
  Led by Vinod Kumar Prajapati, Mamta Verma, Sambhavati, Suman Sahani, and Priyanka Chaudhary.
- **Key Objective:**
  Empowering girls to feel more confident, resilient, and prepared for personal safety.
- **Participants:**
  40 girls from various villages actively engaged in the training sessions.

Major Events of 2024



Kishori Balika Milan Samaroh: Empowering Adolescent Girls on International Girl Child Day

The Kishori Balika Milan Samaroh (Adolescent Girls' Gathering) successfully concluded at the Swabhiman Samiti Office in Uska Bazar on October 17, 2024, marking the end of a week-long celebration of International Girl Child Day. Organized from October 11th to 17th, Swabhiman Samiti hosted various activities, including meetings, discussions, and creative workshops with adolescent girls from surrounding villages, culminating in this impactful event.

Key Highlights:

Program Overview:

The event featured a drawing competition where girls showcased their creativity, followed by speeches from key speakers, including Dr. Preeti Shukla, Medical Officer at Community Health Center Uska Bazar.

Speakers

Sambhavati discussed the significance of International Girl Child Day, while Vinod Prajapati and Mamta Verma motivated the girls to pursue their dreams and take active steps toward empowerment.

Prizes

The top three winners of the drawing competition were awarded by Dr. Preeti Shukla:

- 1st Prize: Manisha Chaudhary
- 2nd Prize: Amesha Nishad
- 3rd Prize: Sadhna Bharti

Closing Remarks:

The event was hosted by Priyanka Chaudhary, who ensured smooth proceedings throughout the event, followed by a reminder for all girls to continue their educational journeys and aspirations.

Major Events of 2024



Launch of Empower Ed Digital Literacy Program in KGBVs

The Empower Ed Digital Literacy Program was officially launched at Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) in Uska Bazar as part of a broader initiative to enhance digital literacy in the Siddharthnagar and Maharajganj districts. This program aims to equip students with essential digital skills to improve their learning experience and prepare them for the digital world. The launch of 20 centers across these districts is a significant step towards improving access to quality digital education in rural areas.

Key Highlights:

Inauguration
The program was inaugurated with the lighting of a lamp by Mahendra Kumar, Block Education Officer, Dr. S.K. Patel, Medical Superintendent, and other distinguished guests.

Program Overview:
Participation from key stakeholders, including Khyati Srinivas from eVidyaloka, who discussed the program's objectives.

Key Attendees:
Notable participants included Mamta Verma and Vinod Prajapati from Swabhiman Samiti, and Nisha Singh, Warden of KGBV.

Major Events of 2024



Independence Day 2024 Celebration at Swabhiman Samiti Office

On August 15, 2024, Swabhiman Samiti held a flag hoisting ceremony at its office in Uska Bazar to commemorate India's 77th Independence Day. The event brought together staff, volunteers, and community members to celebrate the nation's freedom and reflect on its progress.

Key Highlights:

- **Flag Hoisting:**
  Vinod Kumar Prajapati, Secretary, hoisted the National Flag, marking the celebration.
- **National Anthem:**
  All attendees participated in singing the National Anthem, expressing unity and patriotism.
- **Speeches:**
  Brief speeches emphasized unity, democracy, and the importance of contributing to the nation's development.

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20th Foundation Day Celebration of Swabhiman Samiti

Swabhiman Samiti marked its 20th Foundation Day on September 4, 2024, at its office in Uska Bazar, celebrating two decades of impactful work in the community. The event commenced with the worship of Goddess Saraswati and the lighting of a lamp by distinguished guests. This milestone celebration reflected on the organization's journey and its continued efforts towards disaster management, education, health, women's empowerment, and community development.

Key Highlights:

Welcome Address:
Mrs. Mamta Verma, President, outlined the organization's mission and vision.

Keynote Address:

Mr. Vinod Prajapati, Secretary, shared a 20-year journey of accomplishments in various sectors.

Chief Guest's Speech:
Mr. ISB Pramod Kumar, Assistant Development Officer, acknowledged the organization's community contributions.

Recognition

13 workers were honored for their exceptional contributions.

Dignitaries
The event featured speeches by prominent figures including Dr. S.K. Patel, Mr. Manish Pandey, and Ms. Aradhna Singh.

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Digital Classroom Setup Initiative by Swabhiman Samiti

On 29th July 2024, Swabhiman Samiti launched a transformative initiative to set up digital classrooms across 20 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) in Siddharthnagar and Maharajganj districts. The project, aimed at enhancing digital education in rural areas, was inaugurated by Shri Devendra Kumar Pandey, District Basic Education Officer of Siddharthnagar, who officially kicked off the distribution by handing over a laptop to the warden of Birdpur KGBV.

Key Highlights:

Objective
To modernize education by providing digital tools, promoting digital literacy, and improving access to online learning.

Equipment Provided:

Laptops, smart TVs, web cameras, 4G LTE routers, speakers, batteries, inverters, and battery trolleys.

Inauguration
Shri Devendra Kumar Pandey inaugurated the program, with participation from Mrs. Mamta Verma, President of Swabhiman Samiti, and Shri Surendra Kumar Srivastava, DC Balika.

Impact

The initiative will empower students with the necessary tools to access quality digital education, enhancing their learning environment and future opportunities

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Two-Day Training on Digital Literacy for Class Assistants and FC

Swabhiman Samiti, in collaboration with eVidyaloka, organized a successful two-day training session on digital literacy for class assistants and FC at Kasturba Gandhi Residential School. Held from July 1st at Hotel White Palace, the event aimed to enhance the ability of class assistants to support online education and ensure the effective delivery of digital learning to students.

Key Highlights:

Objective
Equip class assistants with essential digital literacy skills to facilitate online classes and support students' learning.

Inauguration

The training was inaugurated by Dharmendra Pal, Block Education Officer of Naugarh, along with Khyati Srinivas Upantika and Mamata Verma.

Training Focus
Covered the roles and responsibilities of class assistants in conducting online classes, promoting digital literacy in education.

Participants

Khyati Ji led the sessions, with Vinod Prajapati, Mamata Verma, Sarvesh, Nitesh, Vijay Shankar Chandni, and 20 class assistants in attendance.s

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International Menstrual Hygiene Day Celebrated

To mark International Menstrual Hygiene Day, Swabhiman Samiti, in collaboration with the Community Health Center Uska Bazar, organized an awareness program at the Swabhiman Samiti office in Sekhui, Uska Bazar. The event aimed to raise awareness about menstrual hygiene, address the challenges girls and women face during menstruation, and promote health and hygiene practices.

Key Highlights:

Speakers and Sessions:

- Dr. S.K. Patel, Superintendent of the Community Health Center Uska Bazar, emphasized the natural occurrence of menstruation and discussed the importance of consulting a doctor for irregularities or health concerns.
- Dr. Preeti Shukla focused on the use of sanitary pads and maintaining hygiene during menstruation.
- Satyendra Ji addressed social myths related to menstruation, encouraging proper understanding and practices.

Cultural Presentation:

A skit performed by adolescent girls creatively highlighted the importance of menstrual hygiene and debunked common myths.

Program Coordinators and Participation:

Coordinated by Sambhavati from Swabhiman Samiti, the event saw the active participation of over 150 girls and women, as well as notable members from Swabhiman Samiti.

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Three-Day Training under the Adolescent Empowerment Project

From May 19 to May 21, 2024, Swabhiman Samiti conducted a successful three-day training under the Kishori Sashaktikaran Pariyojna (Adolescent Empowerment Project) in Siddharthnagar District. This training aimed to empower adolescent girls by equipping them with crucial knowledge and skills on sexual and reproductive health, education, leadership, and overall personal development. The program provided a platform for girls to share their challenges, discuss key issues, and foster a sense of community and empowerment.

Key Highlights:

Objective

Educating girls on SRHR, menstrual hygiene, preventing early marriages, and promoting education.

Sessions

Focused on leadership development, sports, and holistic health.

Community Engagement

The training involved 20 Adolescent Groups, creating opportunities for peer support and shared learning.

Staff Training:

26 field staff members were trained to support the program's implementation.

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Women's Day Celebration and Women's Honoring Ceremony

In March 2024, Swabhiman Samiti organized a Women's Honoring Ceremony at its office to celebrate International Women's Day. The event provided a platform for women and adolescent girls from various villages to share their challenges and aspirations while highlighting the importance of women's empowerment, health, and education. The ceremony brought attention to key issues such as gender equality and provided an opportunity for open discussions in a supportive community environment.

Key Highlights:

Objective

Celebrate women's achievements, raise awareness about health and rights, and promote gender equality.

Speakers

Dr. Saniya Siddiqui, Medical Officer, and ANM Sushila Yadav addressed health-related topics.

Cultural Engagement

A skit on gender discrimination was presented by adolescent girls, followed by cultural performances celebrating women's contributions.

Participation

Over 120 women and adolescent girls actively engaged in the event, contributing to discussions and activities.

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Sports Material Distribution in 50 Pre-Secondary Schools

In a significant effort to enhance physical education in the region, Swabhiman Samiti, in collaboration with the ELMS Sports Foundation, distributed essential sports equipment to 50 pre-secondary schools. This initiative reached 32 schools in Uska Bazar block and 18 schools in Lotan block, including Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya Uska Bazar. The distribution aims to foster physical activity and well-being among students by improving sports infrastructure and encouraging participation in physical education.

Key Highlights:

Objective

To enhance sports infrastructure and encourage physical activity among students.

Equipment Distributed

Footballs, volleyballs, cones, domes, bibs, air pumps, whistles, and stopwatches.

Key Figures:

Vinod Kumar Prajapati, Secretary of Swabhiman Samiti, and Mr. Mahendra Kumar, Block Education Officer, played key roles in the distribution.

Impact

The initiative will improve sports facilities in schools and promote a balanced development of students, combining physical and academic growth.



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