



J.& K. 'SAISTAR' SOCIETY

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“Healthcare, Education & Environment”

“Welfare of Ex-servicemen & Widows”

J&K SAI STAR Society

(Annual Report for year 2021-22)

Nagrota Gujroo, Ramkot, Jammu- 184210, (J&K) INDIA

*** Registered No. 4680/S, under J&K Govt. Act VI of 1998 (1941 AD),**

****Member United Nations Global Compact**

*****Donations exempted from Income Tax under Sec 80 G of the IT Act**

Committed to: - “Ex-servicemen Welfare, Healthcare & Education”

1. Sainiks, Agriculturists and Intellectuals Society for Total Agrarian Rural Reforms (**Sai Star**) are a charitable NGO dedicated to improve the quality of life of rural population in Remote villages. The Society is mainly devoted to Rural Development, Promotion of Youth Activities and Adventure Sports, Healthcare, Environment up-gradation, empowerment of Women , Children; *Welfare of Ex-servicemen and widows.*

Vision

2. To improve quality of life of rural population by sustainable development at grass root level.

Mission

3. All-inclusive development by working at gross root level and employing sustainable technologies and information with regard to Healthcare, education, agriculture. Correct use of natural resources and

environment with special emphasis on empowerment of women, children and ***especially welfare of ex-servicemen and widows.***

Area of Work & Methodology

4. The Union Territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh has geographical area of 2.22 lakhs sq. kilometers which is 6.93 percent of total Indian Territory. Out of total area of Ladakh UT covers 70%; Jammu 19% and Kashmir 11%. As per 2001 census population of the State is one Crore and 70 thousands; population density per sq. km is 99 and 75.12% of the people live in rural areas. There are 22 Districts, 6758 villages, 143 Blocks and 4378 Panchayats. There are no major Industries in the State and thus corporate social responsibilities (CSR) activities are almost non-existent.

5. It was observed that some of the remote areas of Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh are most neglected specially in the field of Education and Healthcare. Keeping this in view *SAI STAR SOCIETY* has undertaken rural development work in backward areas of Udhampur and Kathua Districts of Jammu Division. People living Below Poverty Line (BPL) are worst suffers and need Civil Society intervention. This Society area of intervention specifically covers more than 100 Panchayats of Basoli, Billawar, Ramkot and Majalta Tehsils.

6. Sai Star Society being NGO member of the United Nations Global Compact is also adhering to its ten principle charter. The Society embraces the core values of integrity, excellence, professionalism and optimism.

Activities during the year 2021-22

7. Focus of the Society has been to create facilities and awareness in the rural areas on Self-Help basis which will act as pivots for grass root social work in consonance with overall mission. This is being achieved through "*Shamdasani SaiStar Helpline*" (*SSS helpline*), as Society Focal Point, which are co-located with the Society Office at Nagrota Gujroo on Dhar-Udhampur Road.

Development Work Undertaken and Impact on Target Group

8. Health and Family Welfare.

(a) Society Ambulance is provided for conveyance of patients from Helpline to Hospitals/ Polyclinics and nearest medical facilities.

(b) The Society conducted a COVID-19 awareness Campaign in Rural Areas of J&K and Slums of South Delhi. Contribution was also made towards the Construction of Sri Sathya Sai Sarla Memorial Hospital at Mudhanahali, Karnataka.

(c) Heart Check-up was organized in rural areas. Two children were found with hole in the Heart for which free Heart operations were organized at Shri Satya Sai Sanjeevni Hospital at Palwal, Delhi.

(d) Healthcare of veterans and Veer Naries was taken care through ESM Polyclinic and the Society acting as facilitator. Daily footfall at ECHS Polyclinic is 60 to 70 patients. OPD has increased 70 percent as against last year. Sai Star Society acts as facilitator to assist the Veterans in Healthcare utilization in this remote area.

(e) Healthcare assistance was and preventive healthcare counseling was provided by to the Rural Students.

9. Education & Youth Activities

(a) Fine Arts and Crafts course was conducted by the Society, in which rural Girls were trained in Fine Arts, Stitching and Tailoring.

(b) Since the year 2009, this Society is providing Internship Training to Post Graduate (MBA) Students of SP Jain Institute of Management & Research (SPJIMR), Mumbai, which is one of the *TOP TEN* Management Training Institute in India. This Year due to COVID restrictions it was done on line.

(C) Govt High School Babey which is located in remote area and was Up-graded with efforts of the Society has been adopted. Students of this School are being provided assistance/ counseling.

(d) The Society also donated Dictionaries to the poor Students of Sri Sathya Sai School, Hassan Campus at Hampi Karnataka.

10. Welfare of Ex-Servicemen, Widows and local Marginalized Community.

- (a) Large number of Ex-servicemen were provided assistance in their pension related cases and some of them were taken up with various Regimental Record offices pertaining to arrears in their dues.
- (b) Veterans/ widow pensioners and their Dependents were provided assistance in Healthcare through Polyclinic.
- (c) Ex-servicemen and Widow Pensioners were provided assistance in becoming ECHS Members by preparing documents for them.

11. General Welfare and Miscellaneous Work.

- (a) Environment awareness campaign is being organized in rural areas. An Environmental park is being established and sample Medicinal Plants have been procured and planted in a Nursery.
- (b) Financial assistance was provided to BPL & persons in distress and deserving girl students.

12. Shamdasani SaiStar Helpline.

Scope of Shamdasani -SaiStar Helpline sponsored by “The Shamdasani Foundation” has been further enlarged. Helpline is co-located with the Society Office at Nagrota Gujroo Km 67, in the center of 135 Km long Dhar- Udhampur Road. It provides support to an area of 1200 Sq. Km in Shivalik Hills consisting of more than 100 Panchayats of Tehsil Majalta of Udhampur District and Tehsils Billawar, Ramkot & Basoli of Kathua District of Jammu Province. In addition to civil population, it providing assistance to approx. 8,000 Ex-servicemen and their Dependents living in the area.

13. Shamdasani SaiStar Career Awareness Project (SS CAP).

A study was carried out by Post Graduate Management students of S P Jain Institute of Management & Research, Mumbai under the aegis of J&K Sai Star Society. A survey of school students in Classes 10th, 11th and 12th revealed that there is a lack of awareness about higher education, vocational and professional training and job opportunities in the focus area of Kathua and Udhampur districts. This confirmed the assessment of the need of a matching institution/ mechanism to guide students and help them make

informed choices. The Study team had interacted with more than 2000 students in 10 schools and 2 colleges in 2 districts of Jammu province.

The Project report recommended bridging the information gap through means such as career awareness campaigns and a helpline. It envisaged the use of an information system which is updated with latest information about courses, institutes and jobs relevant to the local students. Keeping above in view, a Career Counseling campaign for Higher & Vocational Education Awareness will be able to bridge this information gap. Thus with support from Shamdasani Foundation, SaiStar Society launched, a Career Awareness Project (SS CAP) during 2019. This Awareness Campaign was also conducted during the month of Mar 2022.

14. Community Development.

A community Development Centre (CDC) at village Babey, Udhampur is being maintained and run by the Society for welfare of rural public. To empower Villagers and the inadequate delivery of services that afflict many rural areas, the Society provides individual citizens and village Panchayats members with knowledge and confidence to become informed active self-advocates for the development of the community.

15. Cooperation with other NGOs to achieve the Objectives

The Society has achieved excellent networking with sister NGOs, specially, HP Sanstha, Ex-servicemen league Jammu, Indian Red Cross Society, International Committee for Development & cooperation (IRDRC). The Society also interacts with NGO at National Level.

16. We Support - United Nations Global compact

J&K Sai Star Society is a NGO Member of United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) and adhering to its Charter & Ten Principles. The Society participated in activities of UN Global Compact India at New Delhi.

17. **Environment.** The Society is actively working towards up-gradation of environment and awareness in rural area. It is making an effort to establish an Environmental Park on Dhar- Udhampur Road in Jammu & Kashmir State. Society is planning to establish an “Arogaya Vatika” in this Park for which a Project Report has been prepared with the assistance from the Department of Corporate Citizens, SP Jain Institute of Management & Research, Mumbai.

18. Society Boucher & Website.

Boucher of the Society has been updated giving detailed information regarding activities of the Society and printed in form of a Multicolored Leaflet. Website of the Society, www.saistar.co.in has also be redesigned and updated. Additional security features have been incorporated in consonance with the latest policies on the subject.

19. Way Ahead - Future Action Plan. To construct a Check Dam for water conservation and environment up-gradation. Also to establish an Herbal Garden in remote rural area.

Summary

20. Sai Star Society works with rural people and communities to create sustainable programs and has been able to achieve most the objectives set for the Year, like improving Healthcare in rural areas and Career Awareness Project for rural students. There has been significant impact during the year under review in improving quality of life of the rural people in the target area of intervention, especially Healthcare awareness to combat COVID-19.

21. *As per J &K Government notification the Society is required to be re-registered for which Documents have been completed and submitted to the Registrar of Societies, Jammu as per Resolution adopted by the Special AGM held on 10 Jun 2022. Donation to the Society are exempted under Section 80 G of the IT Act for which approval had been accorded by IT Commissioner Jammu, vide Unique Registration No. AAAAJ4561CF20216 dated 29 Mar22.*

22. Sai Star Society Website “www.saistar.co.in” is [very popular. The Society Face book page has also been redesigned and](#) large number of people have visited and shown interest in this site. Information about the society is also in public domain on Government of India NGO Darpan website- www.ngodarpan.gov.in.

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**“GOD grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
Courage to change the things I can,
And Wisdom to know the difference.”**

