



World Bank Advisor Visits MNSKPCL Operational Areas

01 March 2023, Murhu (Khunti): World Bank's Senior Advisor, Mr. Rajeev Topno, recently visited operational areas of the World Bank funded JOHAR Scheme in Jharkhand. The visit was coordinated

by Murhu Nari Shakti Kisan Producer Company Limited (MNSKPCL), the apex community institution promoted under Lakhpati Kisan Smart Village programme by NBJK with support of CInI-Tata Trusts.

Mr. Topno was accompanied by officials from the Government of Jharkhand and they visited villages to assess the impact of JOHAR Phase II. MNSKPCL made a presentation over the integrated approach of Lakhpati Kisan programme & JOHAR before the visitors. It's noteworthy that MNSKPCL is co-opted by JOHAR by JSLPS also.

Seminar on Women's Empowerment and Gender Equality

11 March 2023, Hazaribagh: On the occasion of International Women's Day, a seminar was jointly organized by NBJK and Action Village India. The seminar witnessed the participation of 68 people, including women from rural areas.

The theme of the seminar was women's empowerment and their role in society. Various



speakers like Mr. Girija Satish (President, NBJK), Mr. Ivan Nutbrown (Founder, AVI), Mrs. Jennie, Prof. Lalita Rana, Mr. G. S. Rana (Former MLA), Mr. S. C. Jain (Sr. Advocate) have discussed the issues of discrimination against women, women's reservation in parliament, and economic self-reliance through women's livelihood development programs.

The speakers also emphasized the need to stop domestic violence against women and to maintain equality between sons and daughters. The seminar concluded with the notion that the illusion of daughters being a burden is breaking.



Usha Silai School Teachers on Exposure Visit

18 March 2023, Ranchi: Usha Silai School teachers trained under NBJK run Usha Silai School Programme recently went on an exposure visit to Kishor Exports, a textile manufacturing unit in Ormanjhi, Ranchi.

The visit was organized by SIDBI and facilitated by NBJK, with the support of Usha International Limited. 23 women entrepreneurs, including 15

from Hazaribagh and 8 from Ranchi districts, have joined the visit. They had the opportunity to witness the large-scale garments making process and got inspired to do something big in the future.

Kishor Exports is a SA-8000 & GOTS certified garments & home-wear manufacturing company that produces 100% organic apparels & home textile products.

The exposure was a success and the teachers left feeling motivated as well as excited about the possibilities for their own futures.

PReJHA and NBJK Partner to Provide Job Opportunities for Youths

21 March 2023, Ranchi: PanIIT Reach For Jharkhand Foundation (PReJHA) has joined hands with NBJK and its network partner organizations to provide skill development training and job opportunities for underprivileged youths in Jharkhand.



A decision to this effect was taken after a meeting of NBJK and other VOs with PReJHA officials in Ranchi. Mr. Satish Girija (Secretary, NBJK) was present there.

PReJHA run Kalyan Gurukuls offer two months' free residential training in various trades under manufacturing, construction and sewing machine operations for youths between 18-32 years old. After completing the training, they are guaranteed jobs with social security benefits.

The VOs and PReJHA collaboration will help in the socio-economic upliftment of the marginalized communities in Jharkhand.



Sports Competition for Girls of RCCs

22-23 March 2023, Churchu (Hazaribagh): Girls from Remedial Coaching Centers run by Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra under Young India Project of UTI Mutual Fund

showcased their sports skills at a two-day competition held at Roshni Dhruv High School campus in Nagri village of Churchu block.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation in various competitions such as 100 meters race, Kabaddi, Speech, and Music. The top performers were awarded books, shields, and medals. The event was organized with the support of UTI Mutual Fund and commended the efforts of RCC teachers and school teachers in making it a success.



Accessible Eye Healthcare Empowers Women

Mrs. Pobiya Devi, a 68-year-old midwife from Dhamna village in Bihar, had her income reduced due to cataracts affecting her vision.

With little means to seek medical attention, she struggled to maintain her livelihood. However, she learned about an eye screeningcum-cataract camp organized by NBJK run

Vimla Ramkrishna Bajaj Eye Hospital, Deoghar with the support of SBI Foundation, which provided her with a free eye check-up, conveyance, surgery, medicines, glasses & follow up services.

After the surgery, Mrs. Devi's vision was restored, and she was able to resume her work as a midwife with renewed confidence and comfort. This case demonstrates the significance of accessible healthcare, particularly for women who face social and economic barriers.

