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sections of society to make prohibition possible.

# **Union Tribal Affairs Minister Inaugurates Liquor Prohibition Conference**

Kharsawan (Saraikela), 02 April 2023: Union Tribal Affairs Minister Mr. Arjun Munda and National President of Lok Samiti Mr. Girija Satish jointly inaugurated a one-day prohibition conference organized by Yuva Jagriti Evang Swavalamban Sangh in collaboration with NBJK and Jamnalal Bajaj Foundation.

Hon. Minister emphasized the need to avoid consumption of not only alcohol but also other dangerous drugs. Mr. Girija called for a political willpower, financial discipline, phased action and cooperation from all

The event was attended by several social workers and hundreds of people, including women leaders, who submitted a memorandum to the Union Tribal Affairs Minister regarding the demand for liquor ban.

# Mr. Girija Satish Appeals for Peace and Harmony

Hazaribagh, 03 April 2023: Lok Samiti's national president and a noted Gandhian thinker Mr. Girija Satish, has expressed concern over the violent incidents that took place during Ram Navami celebrations in various states across India.

He emphasized that India is a democratic and secular country that values respect for all religions. He condemned the use of religious occasions to spread hatred and called for the restoration of peace and harmony.



It's noteworthy that Lok Samiti has been running a campaign for communal harmony in Bihar. Mr. Satish appealed to intellectuals and the public to cooperate in promoting mutual love and brotherhood in society.

## **Electric Motor Pumps to Farmers' Groups**

Jamui-Deoghar, 09-10
April 2023: NBJK, with the support of SBI
Foundation, has successfully provided electric motor pumps of 2 hp / 1.5 hp to 76 farmers groups from 16 villages of Deoghar Sadar and



Chakai blocks of Deoghar and Jamui districts of Jharkhand-Bihar.

The initiative took place under Gram Saksham project which aims to empower villages with sustainable solutions. The govt. officials, PRIs members and local dignitaries have graced the events.

The distribution of these electric motor pumps has greatly benefited the farmers in the area, as they can now irrigate their fields easily and more efficiently. This will help increase agricultural productivity and improve the livelihoods of the farmers.



#### Seminar on Prohibition of Alcohol in Religions and Dawat-e-Iftar

Hazaribagh, 20 April 2023: A "Prohibition seminar on Alcohol in Religions" was organized by **NBJK** in Hazaribagh, followed by an Iftar feast. The event saw several participation from dignitaries including Mr. Gautam

Sagar Rana (former MLA), Mr. Swarupchand Jain (JP movement agitator & senior advocate) and around 60 people.

During the seminar, NBJK President Mr. Girija Satish quoted Swami Vivekananda and emphasized the importance of restraint, virtue, and conscience in every religious faith. He highlighted opposition to alcohol in Islam, Sanatan, Christian, Buddhist, Jain, Sikh, and Jewish religions, and called for religious leaders to advocate for prohibition in India, as it could help build a beautiful society.

The collective Iftar feast saw over 150 fasting people, including women and children, complete their Roza of the day.

#### ICAR-IIAB provides Poultry Unit & Training to Tribal Farmers

Khunti, 20-21 April 2023: ICAR-IIAB, Gadkhatanga, Ranchi, provided poultry training and input to tribal farmers associated with Lakhpati Kisan™ project by NBJK & CInI-Tata Trusts.

The training event was conducted as part of the Scheduled Tribe Component (STC)-Gol and resulted in the distribution of poultry units of 10 Kadaknath chicks and poultry feed to



each of the 152 local farmer families living in Chhota Baru, Gajgaon, Siankel, and Otongora villages in Murhu and Khunti block of Khunti district. The farmers were trained on the management of poultry units, especially on chicks' health care and disease prevention.

Dr. Soumen Naskar, Principal Scientist and coordinator of the scheme, explained about the features of Kadaknath breed. Mr. Somnath Das from CInI-Tata Trust and Mr. Mohit Purti from NBJK, along with their teams, fully supported the initiative.







### **US-Based Sponsor Helps a Girl Child Regain Vision**

Deoghar, 29 April 2023: Radhika Kumari, a nine-year-old semi-orphan girl from a poor family in Mahulbani village under Sonaraithari block in Deoghar district, Jharkhand, was struggling with vision problems. After being screened at an outreach camp by NBJK run Vimla Ramkrishna Bajaj Eye Hospital-Deoghar, she was recommended for a costly lens transplantation surgery. Fortunately, a young man based in the USA, Mr. Aniruddh Pillai, sponsored all the expenses for her treatment.

Radhika underwent the required surgery and r is grateful to the VRREH team and Mr. Pillai for

can now see without any problems. Her mother is grateful to the VRBEH team and Mr. Pillai for their support.

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