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Gandhi Martyrdom Day Observed with Reflection & Resolve

Hazaribagh, 30 January 2026: Jagriti Socio-Economic Empowerment Services, in collaboration with District Lok Samiti and District Sarvodaya Mandal, organized a commemorative meeting at Gandhi Memorial Campus to observe Mahatma Gandhi's Martyrdom Day.

The program began with floral tributes, followed by discussions on Gandhian values. Addressing the gathering, Lok Samiti National President Mr. Girija Satish emphasized truth, non-violence, love, and de-addiction as vital solutions to present-day challenges.

Speakers highlighted the relevance of Gandhian principles in education, social harmony, and youth development. Presiding over the meeting, senior advocate Mr. Swaroopchand Jain described Gandhi as an eternal idea dedicated to public welfare.

Nearly 100 women and several social activists participated, reaffirming their commitment to Gandhian ideals.

A prayer meeting and fasting were also organized at Bhitiharva Ashram, Bihar, by Bihar State Lok Samiti.



Strengthening Rural Eye Health in Hazaribagh

Hazaribagh, 28 January 2026: Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra (NBJK), with support from Sightsavers India, organized one-day training for Ophthalmic Assistants under the Rural Eye Health Programme at Sadar Hospital, Hazaribagh. The

training focused on quality eye screening, refraction, referral services, and the goal of making every block cataract-blindness free. It also emphasized organizing free eye screening camps in schools.

Held under the guidance of Civil Surgeon Dr. Ashok Kumar, ACOMO Dr. Shashi Jaiswal, and HOD Ophthalmology Dr. Shefa Habib, the programme saw participation from Ophthalmic Assistants of 11 blocks of Hazaribagh district. A total of 35 participants, including NBJK team members and hospital staff, attended the training.

🇮🇳 Republic Day at NBJK 🇮🇳

Jharkhand-Bihar, 26 January 2026: Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra (NBJK) celebrated India's 77th Republic Day with enthusiasm at its Hazaribagh Coordination Office. The National Flag was hoisted by Shri Girija Satish, President, NBJK, who highlighted the importance of safeguarding constitutional rights and resolving global challenges through the Gandhian path.

Shri Satish Girija, Secretary, NBJK, spoke about changing trends in the development sector and shared that, with the support of Signify, NBJK is installing fans and tube lights in 200+ schools across Hazaribagh district. He also informed that Azim Premji Foundation and Cummins have recently come forward as new donors. NBJK's work now reaches 5,000+ villages across Jharkhand and Bihar.

The programme saw participation from NBJK staff, children and community members, and similar celebrations were held at NBJK-run schools, eye hospitals and branch offices at other places in Jharkhand & Bihar.

Jai Hind! 🇮🇳



Lok Samiti Felicitates Senior Journalist Kamal Kishor

Aurangabad (Bihar), 23 January 2026: Bihar State Lok Samiti organized a felicitation ceremony to honor senior journalist and Nav Bihar Times Editor Shri Kamal Kishor for his nomination as a Permanent Member of the Bihar Legislative Assembly Press Advisory Committee and for receiving the Bharat Visionary Leader Award 2026 by Business in Bihar.

Held under the guidance of National President Shri Girija Satish and led by State General Secretary Shri Shivji Singh, the event brought together Lok Samiti leaders from multiple districts. A congratulatory message from the National President was read, and Shri Kamal Kishor was felicitated with a garland, angavastram, and citation.

Expressing gratitude, Shri Kamal Kishor appreciated Lok Samiti's selfless and constructive contributions to society.

🌱 Inauguration of Food Security & Climate Resilient Agriculture Initiative 🌱

Chanho (Ranch), 19 January 2026: The Food Security and Climate Resilient Agriculture Initiative, supported by MetLife and implemented by Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra (NBJK), was formally inaugurated at Karambo Village, Chanho Block, Ranchi district.



Launched across 7 villages of Chora and Tala Panchayats, the program brought together 200+ farmers and community members, along with representatives from Jila Parishad, BTM, IFFCO, Bazar Samiti and the NBJK team.

📄 The project brochure was released, and leaders shared insights on:

- ✓ Climate-resilient agriculture
- ✓ Modern farming technologies
- ✓ Market linkage & convergence with government schemes
- ✓ The role of FPOs & VDCs in long-term sustainability

🎯 The initiative aims to strengthen irrigation, ensure household food security and enhance incomes of poor and marginalized farmers in Chanho block.

Together, we move towards resilient farming, empowered farmers and sustainable rural livelihoods.



NBJK Promoting Entrepreneurship 🚀

Jharkhand, 15 January 2026: With support from SIDBI, NBJK is implementing the Micro Enterprise Promotion Programme (MEPP) to help youth start their own enterprises through bank linkage, financial & technical support, and market access.

🌟 Success Examples from Hazaribagh

◆ Saurabh Kumar started “Apna Zayka Masala Store”, producing and supplying high-quality packaged spices in the local market. Supported by Union Bank (PMFME Scheme with 35% subsidy), he now employs three people.

◆ Mukesh Saw from Banha village set up a bike service center under the PMEGP Scheme with support from SBI (35% subsidy). His expanded services have increased customers, and he now employs one assistant.

🌱 In the last two years, NBJK has supported 609 entrepreneurs in Hazaribagh, Ramgarh, Giridih, Khunti and West Singhbhum districts through the SIDBI-MEPP programme.

National Youth Day | Swachhta Abhiyan in Jamtara

Jamtara, 12 January 2026: On the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra (NBJK), with the support of SBI Foundation under the SBI Gram Seva Programme, organized a Swachhta Abhiyan (Cleanliness Drive) across five villages—Bamandiha, Mahishakhura, Turka, Karjori and Dudhani in Fatehpur block, Jamtara.

Local youth led a powerful rally with brooms, banners and placards, spreading messages on hygiene and sanitation while cleaning village roads and lanes. The rally concluded at the Gram Seva Kendra, Mahishakhura, inspiring the community to adopt cleaner and healthier habits.

This initiative reflects our commitment to youth leadership, community action and Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, while strengthening villages through ongoing efforts in health, education, veterinary care and sanitation.

Together, we are building cleaner villages and a stronger future!



Strengthening Rural Development in Jharkhand

Ranchi, 09 January 2026: Mr. Satish Girija, Secretary, Nav Bharat Jagriti Kendra (NBJK), met the Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, Animal Husbandry & Co-operative, Ms. Shilpi Neha Tirkey, at her Banhora residence

in Ranchi.

During the meeting, NBJK shared the mission, vision, and key impacts of the HDFC Bank-supported Holistic and Focused Rural Development Programs being implemented in Chanho Block, Ranchi. The Hon'ble Minister appreciated NBJK's work and encouraged the team to share detailed plans on Farmer Producer Companies (FPCs) and program outreach.

Earlier, under the Focused Rural Development Program (FRDP), an awareness event was organized at Lepsar Bazar, Chanho Block, with participation from 105 farmers and community members. Farmers shared inspiring experiences of adopting drip irrigation, mulching, sprinkler systems, and coco-peat sapling development, leading to better yields, water conservation, and improved incomes.

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