



## OUR MISSION, VISION & HISTORY

Equity Foundation (EF) is a Non-Governmental Organisation, with the primary objective of empowering women and educating children through creating new pathways for overcoming the obstacles to Women / Child development through a *synergy of "Knowledge", "Voice" and "Action"*. EF was founded in March 2002 by a group of women activists with 8 Members Executive Committee, and officially registered under Societies Registration Act on 26th March 2003. *Our vision is* empowering women and girls, aiming for gender equality and the eradication of all forms of discrimination against them.

## APPROACH

Equity Foundation builds the capacities of rural and urban women to advance democratic values and processes. It strongly believes in ensuring basic rights and services to all of them, and thus works on addressing key women rights issues such as health, survival, protection, development, and participation. In order to reform the landscape of women empowerment in India, we engage with policy and opinion leaders through field projects, advocacy, campaigns research and publication.

## AREA OF WORK

<b>Empowerment Through Participation &amp; Education</b>  EF works to empower women, children, their families, schools, community stakeholders and duty bearers in-	<b>Protection From Violence</b> EF works to protect women and children from-	<b>Learning</b>  EF works to promote learning through Learning Resource Centre
Leadership Skills Women's Rights Child Rights <b>FOCUS AREA:</b> -Strengthening Democratic Governance Women's Rights and Safeguarding women from all forms of violence -Claiming education for every child -Gender Budget , -Health/nutrition, hygiene and sanitation - Education/Research, IEC, Publication, Documentation -Training, Internships -Workshops and advocacy campaigns	Domestic Violence & all other forms of violence Abuse Exploitation Child Labour Child Marriage <b>FOCUS AREA:</b> Women Helpline Centre in Panchayats Strengthening of laws (PWDVA 2005, PCMA 2006, POCSO, PCPNDT, Sexual Harassment Act 2013, The Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act of 1986, RTE, Panchayati Raj Act 2006 etc.) through awareness generation Campaigns and workshops Training Distribution of IEC Materials	Benefiting students by supplementing the learning process through training. Centre provides access to learning materials and serve as a peer learning centre <b>FOCUS AREA:</b> Reading activities: aim to sow reading habits Information search: search on internet and using references Centre offers a group of services to meet student needs, and these services can be developed according to their needs. These services are: guiding readers, references services, borrow out, copying and scanning and bibliographical services.

## PUBLICATIONS

Since 2014 Equity Foundation has also been publishing a quarterly Hindi Journal titled 'Manjari-stree ke mann ki' ([www.emanjari.com](http://www.emanjari.com)). It was conceptualised for raising issues related to women and society. It is registered under Department of Registration, GoI. The web URL is [www.emanjari.com](http://www.emanjari.com).

- \* Aahaar Bihar - Food Atlas of Bihar
- \* Mukhiya ki Diary
- \* Encyclopaedia of Gender Terminologies
- \* Women Struggle for Existence
- \* Gender & Budget
- \* Cartoons, Posters & Illustrations on various social issues

## PROJECT PARTNERS & DONORS

### FCRA:

UNDP-TAHA, Centre for World Solidarity (CWS), Association for World Solidarity (ASW), Save the Children, Action Aid, Catholic Bishop Conference of India (CBCI), CARE, TARU-Leading Edge, PLAN, OXFAM, Education Development Centre (EDC), DFID-PACS, Corstone Foundation.

### GOVERNMENT:

Planning Commission of India, TISS, Ministry of Women & Child Development (GoI), Women Development Corporation (GoB), Power Grid Corporation (GoB), Ministry of Youth & Culture, Bihar Rajya Pul Nirmaan Nigam (GoB), Sudha COMFED, Department of Art & Culture (GoB), Department of Tourism (GoB), Jeevika.

### CSR:

Sir Dorabji Tata and Allied Trusts, Sulabh International, International Development Enterprises of India (IDEI), Constella Futures, Power Transmission Company (GoB), Rajiv Gandhi Foundation (RGF).

## REGISTRATION

1. The Foundation is registered under Society Registration Act, 1860
2. 80 G
3. 12 A
4. PAN
5. Darpan ID (Niti Ayog)
6. Apple Benetivity Fund
7. FCRA
8. CSR1
9. RNI Registration for Hindi Magazine 'Manjari'

## ACTIVITIES:

### 1. PUBLICATION OF MAGAZINE

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### 2. First Manoj Srivastava Annual Memorial Lecture, August 19, 2021

**Speaker-** Prof. Abhijit Vinayak Banerjee, Nobel Laureate in Economics (2019), and currently Professor of Economics at the MIT, USA,

### 3. Project title- Women's Participation in Local Governance is Enhanced by Making Governance Gender Responsive (2020-2021)- Equity Foundation-CWS / ASW

SL N	Activities proposed	Oct 2020	Nov 2020	Dec 2020	Jan 2021	Feb 2021	March 2021	Total
1	Sensitizing the Gram Panchayat and the community about importance of organic farming and the impact of climate change (through campaigns)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5
2	Preparation & printing of IEC	✓					✓	1
3	One day separate training program at Panchayat level for the GP members and GK members to effectively execute functions assigned to them.				✓			1
4	Mobilization of people especially women and marginalized sections for active participation in Gram Sabha and conduct Gram Sabha meetings			✓	✓			2
6	Capacity building of Elected Representatives (ERs) on Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) and its implementation				✓	✓	✓	3
	Sensitization training for husbands and male family members of Elected Women Representatives					✓		1

The project moved successfully towards establishing the objectives. Through the programme we have directly reached to **3174** houses in 15 Wards. Various community awareness programs and campaigns focused on Panchayat Jagrata Samiti (PJS) have contributed in the general reach of the programme with respect to attitudinal and mindset changes among the community members. Although the awareness about climate change has been raised in the community, Equity Foundation faced problem in implementing activities due to Covid 19 and now imposing of model code of conduct. To tackle these problems, EF also discussed in the staff meeting as to how to improve the pattern of activities, how to make relationship with PRI members, how to establish contacts with different government functionaries and community. .As a part of community awareness programs and linkage efforts we have been able to influence community to the benefits of PJS and climate change programs as well.

**Number of beneficiaries covered during the project period**

Covered Population and Households under BajitputpurSaidat Panchayat Summary Details				
BajitpurSaidat of Panchayat				
Name Of District		Detailed data of Population in Panchayats/Villages		
<b>VAISHALI</b>				
S.NO.	Name of the Block / Panchayats	2011 Census Population		
Female	Male	Household		
<b>Bidupur Block</b>				
<b>BajitpurSaidad (Panchayat)</b>				
<i>Villages (Village wise details can be seen on tables on next page)</i>				
1	Hasanchak	672	729	1401
2	Gobindpur	1485	1753	570
3	BajitpurSaidad	3309	3863	1203
<b>Total</b>	<b>5466</b>	<b>6345</b>	<b>3174</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>11811</b>		

**Total Number of PRIs covered during the Project**

(a) GP and GK Members *Gram Panchayat Members	*Gram Kuchehrey Members
9 are women	7 are women
*TOTAL- 34 which includes 1 Mukhiya, 1 Up Mukhiya,1 Panchayat Samiti Members and 11 Ward Members of the Panchayat and 1 Sarpanch, 1 Up Sarpanch and 11 Panch of Gram Kuchehrey	

S No	Activity	No. of beneficiaries Covered				Total number of families in General Category (male and female)	Remarks
		Male		Female			
		Dalits/SC/OB C/EBC	Non Dalits	Dalits/SC/OBC/EBC	Total number of Dalit families /SC/OBC/EBC (male and female)		
1	Formation of Panchayat Jagrata Samiti (PJS) (Vigilance Committee)in the	975		863	336	2446	Members of the PJS were satisfied and vowed to work according to the

	Gram Panchayat						directions for the benefit of women and girls in the community
2	Awareness campaign to be organized around PJS safe guarding the rights of women.	975		863	-	2446	Awareness regarding the importance of PJS was enhanced in the community
3	Training of WERs on their roles and responsibilities	10	8	14	2	34	The participants were happy and satisfied about the training content and methodology used

**1. Impact of mainstreaming-**

- A. 22 members inducted in PJS
- B. 2782 Information Stickers and contact number of members of PJS on all doors of family of community members
- C. The PRI members attended training actively

**List of Members of Panchayat Jagrata Samiti (PJS) formed by the Organisation**

क्र.सं.	नाम	पद	योगांतर नं.
1	विद्या देवी		9521496103
2	मुनीश पाएवान		9162866064
3	मिना देवी		8804450643
4	राधिका देवी		8002497941
5	अश्विनी देवी		9386089922
6	विना देवी		809997820
7	सुप्रिया कुमारी		5207160527
8	विना देवी		9661721869
9	विना देवी		8583057280
10	विना देवी		9470018230

  

क्र.सं.	नाम	पद	योगांतर नं.
1	माती देवी		9563055573
2	मुनीश पाएवान		9162866064
3	मिना देवी		7070902224
4	राधिका देवी		7455423915
5	नवीन देवी		9777945346
6	अश्विनी देवी		9129063668
7	रज कुमारी		8961936813
8	सुप्रिया कुमारी		9708144532
9	मंजु देवी		7563853362
10	विना देवी		9576240032
11	गोपिका देवी		7077161410
12	सुप्रिया कुमारी		9134243694
13	विना देवी		9973280776
14	सुप्रिया कुमारी		7764022833
15	सुप्रिया कुमारी		9507548395
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क्र.सं.	नाम	पद	योगांतर नं.
181	मनि कुमारी		7513603703
182	रंज कुमारी		9931888235
183	विना देवी		9113165341
184	सुप्रिया कुमारी		9801692234
185	सुप्रिया कुमारी		9921239169
186	विना देवी		916236077
187	मंजु देवी		9208442641
188	गौरी देवी		8968732995
189	पद्मा कुमारी		9972612298
226	विना देवी		9455457067
227	सुप्रिया कुमारी		8394495344
316	सुप्रिया कुमारी		9135522815
317	सुप्रिया कुमारी		8521282013

  

क्र.सं.	नाम	पद	योगांतर नं.
181	उषा कुमारी		7323858923
182	सुप्रिया कुमारी		7079046229
183	विना देवी		992621180
184	विना देवी		771884442
185	सुप्रिया कुमारी		9455670742
186	सुप्रिया कुमारी		9931347493
187	माती देवी		829231653
188	मनीषा देवी		8578366566
189	विना देवी		8522080820
226	सुप्रिया देवी		8651619774
227	सुप्रिया देवी		9139620692

पंचायत जगरता समिति (कोर कमिटी) के सदस्यों की सूची :-

क्र.सं.	नाम	पद	योगांतर नं.
1.	विद्या देवी	मुखिया	अध्यक्ष
2.	अश्विनी कुमारी	सदस्य	उपाध्यक्ष
3.	विना देवी	ANM	सदस्य
4.	गौरी देवी	ANM	सदस्य
5.	उषा कुमारी	उपस्थ	सदस्य
6.	सुप्रिया कुमारी	उपस्थ	सदस्य
7.	विना देवी	नाई सदस्य	सदस्य
8.	राजकुमार सिंह	नाई सदस्य	सदस्य
9.	विना देवी	पंच सदस्य	सदस्य
10.	विना देवी	पंच सदस्य	सदस्य
11.	विना देवी	आंगणवाड़ी शिक्षिका	सदस्य
12.	अश्विनी	आंगणवाड़ी शिक्षिका	सदस्य
13.	सुप्रिया कुमारी	स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी	सदस्य
14.	सुप्रिया कुमारी	स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी	सदस्य
15.	विना देवी	स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी	सदस्य
16.	विना देवी	स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी	सदस्य