



EQUITY FOUNDATION

A Forum for Women and Child



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.

OUR VALUES

Commitment & Transparency

We believe in dedication and hard work to achieve our vision. We believe in honesty. We want our work to be as visible as possible to encourage everyone to join us in our vision.

Participation

We believe in collective decision making, involving all stakeholders, especially, women without discrimination.

Developing everyone

We believe in empowerment rather than dependency. We try to develop everyone to have the knowledge, attitude and practice they need to become positive change-makers.

Innovation

We want to promote change through creative methods, to shine a light on ignored issues. We have a culture of improving ideas from the grassroots. We are resilient and view failure as something to learn from and do better next time.

AREA OF WORK

Empowerment Through Participation & Education

EF works to empower women, children, their families, schools, community stakeholders and duty bearers in-

Leadership Skills
Women's Rights
Child Rights

FOCUS AREA:

- 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

Protection From Violence

EF works to protect women and children from-

Domestic Violence & all other forms of violence
Abuse
Exploitation
Child Labour
Child Marriage

FOCUS AREA:

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

Learning

EF works to promote learning through Learning Resource Centre

Benefiting students by supplementing the learning process through training.

Centre provides access to learning materials and serve as a peer learning centre

FOCUS AREA:

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). 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.

- * **Aahaar Bihar - Food Atlas of Bihar**
- * **Mukhiya ki Diary**
- * **Encyclopaedia of Gender Terminologies**
- * **Women Struggle for Existence**
- * **Gender & Budget**
- * **Naayika Apne Jeevan ki (For Women and Child Development Corporation, GoB)**
- * **Navrang (for Art and Culture Department, GoB)**

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 India 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

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9. RNI Registration for Hindi Magazine 'Manjari'



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