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Deepak Foundation Marks 42 Years of Community Empowerment



Deepak Foundation celebrated its 42nd Foundation Day, a remarkable milestone that honored over four decades of dedicated service toward empowering marginalized communities. The Foundation's anniversary event, centered around the theme of **"Inclusivity"**, reflected its unwavering commitment to fostering an equitable society where every individual can thrive.

The celebration was graced by the esteemed presence of Trustees Dr. Ruchi Mehta and Dr. Riddhi Mehta, whose vision continues to steer the Foundation toward impactful community work. The event featured inspiring performances by the talented students of Samaj Suraksha Sankul, showcasing their artistic expressions through soulful singing and captivating performances. The day also highlighted the outstanding contributions of Deepak Foundation's team members—especially those involved in the **Flood Relief Team and Support Staff**—whose tireless efforts have made a tangible impact in uplifting lives across various regions.



With initiatives spanning from health care and education to disaster relief, Deepak Foundation has created lasting change in countless communities. As we look forward, the Foundation reaffirms its commitment to inclusivity, aiming to create a world where every person, regardless of background, has the opportunity to flourish. The journey of these 42 years is only the beginning, and as Deepak Foundation continues to expand its efforts, the hope for a more inclusive and equitable world grows stronger.



Strengthening Healthcare Accessibility with Innovative Mobile Solutions *Mobile Mammography Unit: A Lifeline for Early Breast Cancer Detection*

In a groundbreaking initiative aimed at improving women's health, Deepak Foundation, with support from **Deepak Phenolics Limited**, launched the **Mobile Mammography Unit** in December 2024. This mobile unit will bring early breast cancer detection and diagnostic services to underserved communities, where access to medical facilities is limited.

Vagra; and **Shri D. K. Swami**, Member of Legislative Assembly, Jambusar, along with senior Foundation representatives. By offering free breast screening services, the mobile unit aims to empower women to take control of their health and detect breast cancer at an early stage—when treatment is most effective.

This initiative reflects Deepak Foundation's dedication to ensuring equitable healthcare for all, regardless of geographic or socio-economic barriers.



The inauguration event was attended by **Shri Kunvarjibhai Halpati**, Hon'ble Minister of State-Tribal Development, Labour and Employment, Rural Development, Government of Gujarat; **Shri Rameshbhai Mistry**, Member of Legislative Assembly, Bharuch; **Shri Arunsinh Rana**, Member of Legislative Assembly,



Women's Empowerment at the Heart of Deep Jyot Mahila Credit Cooperative's 10th Anniversary Celebration

Empowering Women through Financial Inclusion

Deep Jyot Mahila Credit Cooperative Society, a pioneering women-led cooperative founded in 2015, recently celebrated its 10th Annual General Meeting. This event marked a decade of significant contributions to the community, focused on empowering women through financial inclusion, entrepreneurship, and sustainable development.



Over the years, Deep Jyot has achieved an impressive turnover of ₹2 crores, with a profit of ₹5.63 lakh, demonstrating its success in creating meaningful change. The event highlighted the achievements of the cooperative and celebrated its continued growth, supported by the efforts of **Project Shasakt**—a program that nurtures women entrepreneurs.

As a result of the cooperative's initiatives, women in the community have gained financial independence, ensuring a brighter future for themselves and their families. With a strong

foundation and ongoing support, Deep Jyot Mahila Credit Cooperative continues to be a beacon of hope for women across Gujarat, empowering them to build businesses, improve their livelihoods, and create lasting social change.



Empowering Women Through Entrepreneurship: Crafting a Brighter Future in Gujarat *Traditional Craft Meets Modern Entrepreneurship*

In the picturesque villages of **Mevali** and **Zumka** in Vadodara district, women are creating a remarkable transformation. Through the support of Deepak Foundation and funding from **Deepak Phenolics Limited**, these women have come together to form **Self-Help Groups (SHGs)**, where they share skills, resources, and a vision for sustainable livelihoods.

One of the standout achievements has been their successful venture into handicraft toran making. With training and mentorship, these women have crafted over **3,300** torans, generating sales worth ₹3.54 lakh. This initiative not only provides women with a steady income but also allows them to assert their independence and become leaders within their communities.

As a result of Deepak Foundation's efforts, these women are now entrepreneurs who are breaking societal barriers and redefining what it means to be a woman in rural India. Their inspiring journey showcases the true power of community-driven entrepreneurship and the significant role women can play in driving economic growth.



HIGHLIGHTS

Participation in Para Sports Association of Gujarat by Sankul students

Students of Visually Impaired category from Samaj Suraksha Sankul Participated in the 47th Gujarat State Para Athletics Championships (For Blind) 2024-25. Students have participated in various categories of games and had an amazing experience of exploring wide grounds and professional game rules.



National Sports Day Celebration – Chess Tournament



Deepak Foundation's Project Vivek Vidya hosted a chess competition for 36 students from 12 communities, celebrating National Sports Day. Winners received shields, and all participants were awarded certificates, showcasing the intellectual skills and dedication of the young minds in the community.



AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

Deepak Foundation Shines at the Indian CSR Awards 2024

Recognition for Social Impact and Sustainability

At the **Indian CSR Awards 2024**, Deepak Foundation was honored with two prestigious awards in recognition of its impactful initiatives.

Deep Jyot Cooperative was recognized as the **Best Women Empowerment Initiative of the Year** for its transformative work in empowering women through financial inclusion. In addition, **Project Vivek Vidya** received the award for the **Best Primary Education Initiative of the Year**, celebrating its commitment to providing quality education to underprivileged children.

These accolades are a testament to the dedication and hard work of the Deepak Foundation team, as well as the unwavering support of its partners and beneficiaries. The Foundation remains committed to creating long-term, sustainable social impact, and this recognition serves as an encouragement to continue the work in making a difference in the lives of countless individuals.



LIC Golden Jubilee Foundation donated a vehicle for Samaj Suraksha Sankul student

Deepak Foundation's Samaj Suraksha Sankul received a generous contribution from LIC as part of their CSR initiative – a vehicle to further support and strengthen their community service efforts. Shri Sanoj Kumar, Zonal Manager; Shri Arun Razdan, Regional Manager (MKTG); Shri Narvir Raghava, Regional Manager (MKTG); and Shri Utpal Tarafdar, SDM were the guest for the event. We are grateful for their continued commitment to social welfare. Together, we drive change!"



Empowering Rural Communities through Government Scheme Access Sangath Project: A Catalyst for Rural Development in Morbi

In a significant partnership between the *Morbi District Administration* and *Deepak Foundation*, the two organizations signed a Non-Financial MoU for the "Sangath" project, aimed at empowering marginalized communities by improving access to government schemes. The Sangath project has proven to be a game-changer for many rural families. Since its inception in 2020, the project has successfully helped marginalized beneficiaries secure essential documents and access various government resources. With an impressive **95% approval rate** for applications, this project is making an undeniable impact on the development of rural communities, ensuring that they have the support they need to thrive.

At the signing ceremony, *Hon'ble Collector & District Magistrate Mr. Kiran B. Zaveri* emphasized the importance of raising awareness and improving access to government services for rural development. With continued support, the Sangath project is set to improve the quality of life for countless families, enabling them to take full advantage of the resources available to them.



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