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# Annual Report

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## Message from the Chief Functionary

Dear Friends and Supporters,

As we reflect on another year of impactful work, it gives me immense pleasure to present our annual report for 2023–2024. This year has been a testament to the strength of our vision, the resilience of our team, and the unwavering support of our donors, partners, and community members.

At DREAM–India, our mission has guided every initiative we undertook this year. We have worked tirelessly to adapt to evolving challenges, explore innovative solutions, and create sustainable change in the lives of those we serve.

Highlights of this year include:

- Key achievement or milestone, e.g., "Reaching over 10,000 beneficiaries through our literacy program for accessing government schemes and entitlement
- [Another significant achievement, e.g., "Launching our new initiative to promote mental health awareness in rural areas."]
- [Impact stats or partnerships, e.g., "Collaborating with local governments and NGOs to expand access to clean water for 5,000 families."]

These achievements would not have been possible without the dedication and passion of our team members, who go above and beyond to turn our vision into reality. To them, I extend my heartfelt gratitude.

I also want to thank our donors, sponsors, and volunteers who place their trust in us and provide the resources and support that enable us to continue our journey. Your contributions are the foundation of our success.

Looking ahead, we are filled with hope and determination. We plan to [mention future goals, e.g., "expand our programs to new regions and strengthen our advocacy efforts for social justice"]. Together, we can build a more inclusive and equitable society.

As you browse through this report, I hope you feel the same pride in our shared accomplishments that I do. Thank you for being a part of our journey.

With gratitude and warm regards,

Asish Rajhans  
Executive Secretary  
DREAM–india

## Promoting and Protecting Environment

As part of our ongoing commitment to sustainable development, this year we have continued to prioritize initiatives that promote environmental stewardship and mitigate our ecological footprint. This section outlines key actions, achievements, and future goals aimed at fostering a healthier planet.

### Community Engagement

- Education and Awareness Programs30 village of Gudvella and Deogoan block
- promoted 10,000 traditional saplings for the promotion and forest.
- Developed partnerships with selected community to integrate environmental program in the PRI

### Volunteering Efforts

- Community members contributed over 5,000 volunteer hours to environmental causes, including tree planting, river cleanups, and wildlife monitoring.

### Biodiversity Enhancement

- Double the scope of habitat restoration projects and increase collaboration with conservation experts.

### Climate Resilience

- Integrate climate risk assessments into operational planning to ensure long-term sustainability and adaptability.

- Our efforts to promote and protect the environment are foundational to our mission of creating a sustainable future. We are proud of our achievements this year and remain steadfast in our commitment to addressing environmental challenges. By working collaboratively with stakeholders, we aim to continue making meaningful progress in the years to come.



## Combating Malnutrition

Addressing child malnutrition remains a critical priority in our efforts to improve health and well-being. This year, we implemented a range of targeted interventions aimed at reducing malnutrition rates and promoting sustainable development in affected communities.

### Key Achievements

Provided supplementary feeding to 197 undernourished children of the age group 0.6 to 5 years through specialized nutrition centers.

Distributed almendajol and vitamin tablets to vulnerable households.

### Rahat

Provided 50 kg of rice to pregnant women and mothers whose children are enrolled in our nutritional center annually.

### Health Interventions

Conducted 4 mobile health camps to screen and treat malnourished children, benefiting over 197 children.

Expanded immunization and deworming coverage to reduce disease-related malnutrition.

### Community Engagement

Trained 100 mothers from the community in nutrition management and child care practices.

Partnered with local leaders to raise awareness of malnutrition prevention, reaching over 30 caregivers.

By prioritizing child nutrition, we are not only addressing immediate health concerns but also contributing to the foundation for healthier, more productive futures for communities.



## **Women and adolescent girls Empowerment**

Empowering women and adolescent girls involves fostering an environment where they can fully realize their potential, participate meaningfully in societal decisions, and achieve economic, social, and personal growth. Here are key strategies and approaches to empower women and adolescent girls:

### **Education and Skill Development**

- **Access to Quality Education:** Provide access to primary, secondary, and higher education tailored to the needs of girls and women.
- **Skill Training Programs:** Offer vocational training and digital literacy to enhance employability and entrepreneurship opportunities.

### **Legal Rights and Protection**

- **Legislation Against Gender-Based Violence:** Strengthen and enforce laws against domestic violence, harassment, and human trafficking.
- **Legal literacy:** educate women and girls about their rights and provide free legal aid when needed.
- **Property and Inheritance Rights:** Advocate for equitable access to land and property ownership.

### **Social Awareness and Cultural Shifts**

- **Breaking Stereotypes:** Conduct campaigns that challenge gender stereotypes and promote positive role models.
- **Engaging Men and Boys:** Include men and boys in dialogues to foster gender equity and shared responsibilities.
- **Community Leadership:** Encourage women to take up leadership roles in local governance and community initiatives.

### **Mentorship and Networking**

- **Mentorship Programs:** Pair adolescent girls and women with mentors in their fields of interest.
- **Support Groups:** Establish peer networks to share experiences and build confidence.

## Accessing Government schemes and entitlements

The National Food Security Act (NFSA), 2013, is a landmark initiative by the Government of India aimed at ensuring food and nutritional security to citizens by guaranteeing access to adequate quantities of quality food at affordable prices. This section of the annual report outlines the achievements, challenges, and social security measures implemented under the NFSA during the reporting period.

### Achievements

- 521 PDS card are facilitate to the women, poor, needy old aged and PWD.
- Grievance Redressal: connected with grievance cells and toll-free helplines for 217
- Coverage Expansion: 701 families are linked as inclusion of marginalized and newly identified vulnerable groups.
- 103 MGNREGA late payments are accessed to the people

### Challenges Faced

- Implementation Gaps: Variability in state-level execution led to unequal coverage.
- Leakages and diversions: instances of pilferage and inefficiencies in the supply chain.
- Awareness Deficit: Limited awareness among beneficiaries about their entitlements and grievance mechanisms.

### Social Security Measures Linked to NFSA

The NFSA aligns with broader social security objectives by:

- *Addressing Hunger and Malnutrition:* Synergizing with programs like ICDS, PM-POSHAN (midday meal scheme), and National Health Mission.
- *Supporting Livelihoods:* ensuring food security for economically weaker sections to reduce vulnerabilities.
- *Emergency Support:* Provisions for additional food grain distribution during crises, such as natural disasters or pandemics.

The NFSA continues to be a cornerstone of India's social security framework, ensuring food and nutritional security for millions. While significant progress has been made, addressing implementation challenges and leveraging technology can further strengthen its impact.

## Actions in photos



## Conclusion

The past year has been one of remarkable progress, resilience, and impact for **DREAM-India**. Through the collective efforts of our team, partners, and supporters, we have made significant strides toward our mission. Despite challenges, we remained steadfast in our commitment to addressing core issues, and the results speak to the power of collaboration and determination.

Key achievements this year include malnutrition for 197 Dalit and Adivasi children, mostly women, and adolescent girls empowerment, and promotion and protection of the environment. These accomplishments demonstrate not only the effectiveness of our programs but also the deep trust and support we have received from our stakeholders.

**Challenges and Future Directions:** While significant progress was made, challenges such as resource constraints and regional disparities persist. Moving forward, we aim to:

- Scale up interventions in underserved areas.
- Enhance monitoring and evaluation systems to measure impact.
- Strengthen partnerships to ensure long-term sustainability

As we look ahead, we remain focused on expanding our reach, enhancing program sustainability, and embracing innovation to address emerging challenges. The lessons learned this year will guide us in refining our strategies to maximize our impact.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our donors, especially GGF, JDF, volunteers, partners, and the communities we serve for their unwavering support. Together, we will continue to work toward building a more equitable and sustainable future for all.