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VISION

“A literate, healthy and self-reliant Community”

MISSION

- *Identify and work with socially and economically backward people, especially girls and differently-abled;**
- *Enhance people’s skills, especially of the youth;**
- *Promote community self-reliance through community participation.**

ABOUT NIPUN

“NIPUN” - a Hindi word, meaning ‘one who is skilled’ - is a Non Government Organization founded by a group of socially conscious development workers in 2005.

Its primary aim is to enhance quality of life of the poor and the vulnerable children, youth and women are its target group, with physically and mentally challenged children and adult forming a priority category. Pre, Non-formal and Remedial Schools, Community Health Programmes and Promotion of Self Help Groups form its major strategies.

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You can join our efforts by contributing your time, skills or money for strengthening and improving our programmes. You can also donate computers, books, toys, medicines, ration, furniture etc. for our various programmes. Please note that donations made to NIPUN are eligible for 50% tax exemption under Sec 80G of the IT Act.

World Breastfeeding Week

Celebrated every year in the first week of August (from 1st-7th), is a significant global health event. Throughout this week, numerous local and global organizations come together to highlight the crucial benefits of breastfeeding for both infants and their mothers. The Week is also aimed at advocating, protecting, & supporting the right of women to breastfeed their infants wherever and whenever they choose.

At NIPUN Day Care Centres, the Week was marked by engaging with mothers of children aged between birth to 3 years.

The interactive sessions were well-attended, with mothers enthusiastically participating and getting their misconceptions and uncertainties clarified.



Awareness Program on Wet and Dry Garbage Segregation

An awareness program was conducted for the community residing at the J.J. Cluster V P Singh Camp, South East Delhi, to educate children about the importance of segregating wet and dry garbage.

The program highlighted the benefits of proper waste management and encouraged active participation in sustainable practices.

Children showed enthusiasm in adopting waste segregation techniques, and the program successfully instilled a sense of responsibility towards the environment and waste management among the community.

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Mainstreaming the underprivileged

NIPUN's Remedial Education Center is a transformative initiative dedicated to providing quality education and mainstreaming support to students in MCD/Government schools, primarily from the urban slums of Delhi/NCR.

With personalized remedial plans, qualified teachers, and technology integration, the center has significantly improved students' academic performance, strengthening their weak subjects like Hindi, English, Mathematics & Social Studies and fostering an inclusive learning environment.

As of today, the center has expanded its reach, operating 18 centers, showcasing its vital role in bridging educational gaps and shaping a brighter future for underprivileged learners.



Internship at NIPUN

Congratulations to Sh. Kavya Singh and Sh. Mannan Roy, students of UPES University, Dehradun, for the successful completion of their 45-day internship program at NIPUN.

Their dedication and hard work have truly made an impact.

A special moment was shared as they received certificates of appreciation for their internship completion from Sh. Pradeep Kumar, the Secretary of NIPUN. We're thrilled to have been a part of their learning journey and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

At NIPUN, we're committed to nurturing talent and fostering growth. Congratulations once again to Sh. Kavya Singh and Sh. Mannan Roy. Your journey has just begun, and we're excited to see where it takes you!



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Lighting the Path to Self-Reliance

NIPUN's Vocational Unit stands as a beacon of hope for underprivileged youth aged 18 to 28. Our commitment is crystal clear: to nurture entrepreneurship skills that not only enhance earning potential but also pave the way for diverse business models and job placements.

From Computer Training to Beauty and Wellness, Self-Employed Tailoring to Tally & Basic Accounting, we're providing holistic training that's not just about skills—it's about empowerment. Through this journey, we're shaping futures, transforming aspirations into tangible achievements.

NIPUN Vocational Unit is more than education; it's a catalyst for self-reliance. We're empowering today's youth to carve their paths, craft their destinies, and enhance their livelihoods. Till date we have empowered more than 5000 underprivileged and unskilled youth. Join us in this transformative journey by connecting with us at info.nipun@gmail.com. Together, we're building a foundation of independence and brighter tomorrows.



Targeted Intervention Projects

NIPUN is actively implementing a Targeted Intervention (TI) project for High-Risk Groups (HRGs) in Batala, Gurdaspur, Punjab, with valuable support from the Punjab Aids Control Society.

Our TI project has been consistently providing an array of prevention services to HRGs. Notably, a significant number of individuals benefiting from these services have embraced positive behaviors over time.

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NIPUN Nurtures: Building Healthy Futures for Children

At NIPUN, we are not just about improving healthcare; we are about creating brighter tomorrows. Our Nutrition Project shines as a beacon of hope for the children of construction workers. With a dedicated day care center and a focus on growth monitoring and promotion, we're nurturing young lives from birth to five years.

Our day care center is more than just a space—it's a haven for the children of construction workers. We provide a nurturing environment where these young minds can grow, learn, and thrive.

Alongside health monitoring, we believe in the power of nourishment. We provide these children with hot, cooked, and nutritious meals that fuel their growth and potential. Because at NIPUN, we understand that healthy bodies and minds go hand in hand.

At the same time, every month, NIPUN organizes Health Checkup cum growth monitoring activities, supported by the expertise of Dr. Kalyani Mishra, MBBS, and her team. During these sessions, the children's height, weight, primary immunization, and nutritional status are meticulously validated. The doctor's keen eye ensures that each child receives appropriate care, nurturing their health and well-being.

Join us in this journey of nourishment and care. With NIPUN, children are not just growing; they are flourishing. Reach out to learn more at info.nipun@gmail.com. Together, we're sowing seeds of a healthier and happier future for our young ones.



NIPUN has extended their appreciation by presenting an Appreciation Certificate to the Community Youth Volunteers for their exceptional contributions in the domains of community cleanliness, girl child education, and the integration of children who had previously been out of school or dropped out.



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Awareness on Menstrual Hygiene

On the 27th of August 2023, NIPUN conducted an awareness program focused on Menstrual Hygiene and Safety. The event involved the participants of the Self Employed Tailoring unit trainees.

Throughout the session, the resource person, Ms. Mona, dispelled various misconceptions regarding Menstrual Hygiene. Additionally, she distributed sanitary pads to all the participants.



Celebrations with High Risk Groups

NIPUN is currently carrying out a Targeted Intervention (TI) initiative aimed at assisting High-Risk Groups (HRGs) in Batala, Gurdaspur, Punjab. The project has received significant assistance from the Punjab Aids Control Society.

On the occasion of Raksha Bandhan and Hariyali Teej, members of the high-risk groups (HRGs) came together to organize a gathering and enthusiastically celebrate the day.

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Rakshabandhan 2023

Children of Nipun celebrated the festival of Rakshabandhan with enthusiasm and happiness as “Rakshabandhan, Shikshabandhan”, under which workers, workers and slum children made colorful rakhis and tied them on the wrists of each other Shikshabandhan children and took a pledge that we Everyone will go to school every day.



Swagat Kendra - Empowering Marginalized Children

Swagat Kendra shines as a center of hope, specifically tailored to address the educational needs of a group often overlooked: children who have dropped out or never entered school. Situated in Delhi's South West District, this initiative by NIPUN is a response to the challenges faced by marginalized communities, extending a wholehearted welcome to them.

In families with uncertain incomes, education often takes a backseat, especially for girls. Swagat Kendra steps in, providing tailored education for children aged 3 to 14, bridging gaps and preparing them for mainstream schooling.

But Swagat Kendra isn't just about academics. It nurtures latent talents through workshops in art, craft, dance, and music, offering holistic growth.

Beyond education, comprehensive support is a cornerstone. Registered children receive supplementary nutrition, healthcare, and growth monitoring.

Community engagement is key. Parents-Teachers meetings and awareness campaigns on essential topics like sanitation, the POCSO Act, and women's empowerment build bridges and foster understanding.

Swagat Kendra exemplifies the transformative power of education, offering every child the chance to thrive, regardless of circumstances.



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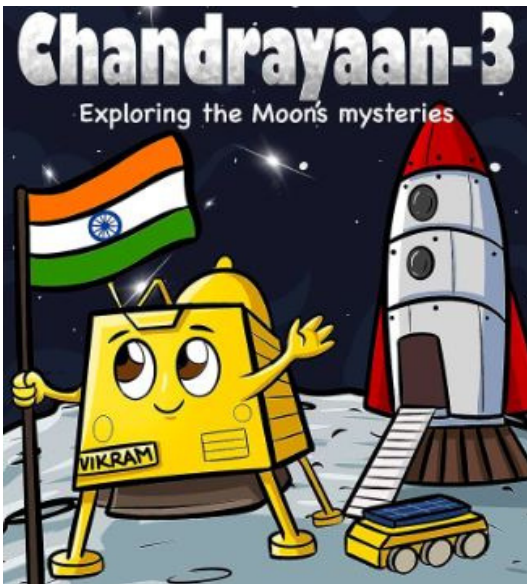
Capacity Building Workshop

NIPUN recently conducted a feedback session for their Capacity Building workshop focusing on enhancing life skills among adolescent girls from slum communities. The event took place on July 29, 2023. During this session, certificates were distributed to commend the successful completion of the 3-day Life Skills Training Programme. The initiative aimed to equip adolescent girls with essential life skills.

The training provided valuable insights on crucial subjects including life skills, dealing with peer pressure and bullying, addressing substance abuse, understanding child sexual abuse and the significance of the POCSO Act, promoting gender sensitization, and raising awareness about HIV/AIDS.

The ceremony concluded on a positive note as enthusiastic participants were presented with certificates as a token of recognition for their accomplishments.

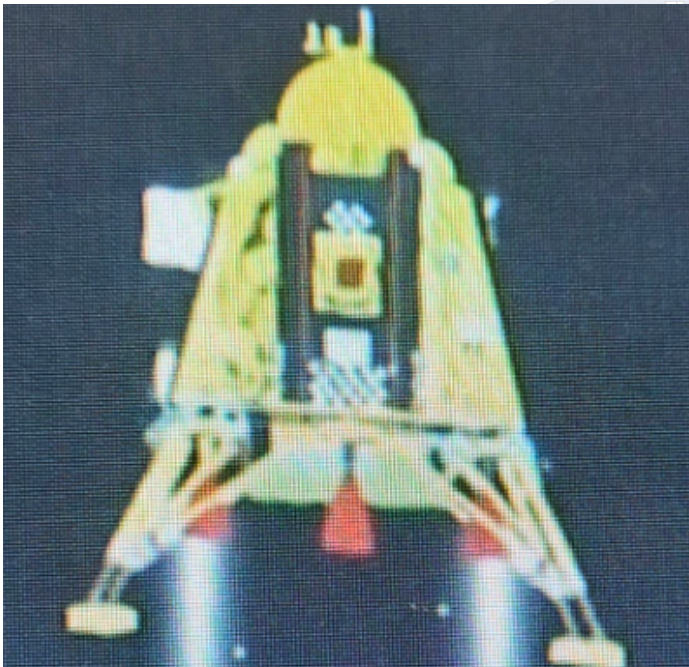
TARGET MOON



Reaching the Moon

Heartfelt congratulations to all fellow Indians for achieving this humongous leap in space science! We are proud of each and every individual including the scientists at ISRO, the team, and the country's leadership who made this possible.

The inquisitive Children of NIPUN Knowledge Enhancement Centre of Meera Bagh and Nihal Vihar made paper model of Chandrayan 3 along with Rangolis and immersed in a knowledge exchange discussion on the project. It is heartwarming to witness the enthusiasm and quest for science that the children of new India possess. It brings immense joy to the entire team of NIPUN to have gotten an opportunity to work with these sharp minds and future ambassadors.



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS AT NIPUN



"Azadi Ke Rang 2023" - A Showcase of Art

To mark the 76th Independence Day, the young participants of NIPUN - Remedial Education Centre orchestrated an art exhibition centered around the theme of Independence Day. The children poured their creativity into crafting vibrant artworks, which were proudly exhibited for both their peers and parents.

Through this artistic exposition, the spirit of India's Independence Day came alive, as seen through the lenses of imagination and skill. The event was a delight for hundreds of children hailing from underprivileged communities, who reveled in the occasion.

Sare Jahan Se Achcha, Hindustan Hamara

As our nation celebrates "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav", the children of NIPUN-Shiksha Saheli Project effectively hosted a Poetry Conference, where they wholeheartedly sang patriotic melodies, infusing the air with a strong sense of patriotism. Notably, the girls also participated with great zeal, harmonizing with the patriotic tunes.

Ramesh, a student from the Remedial Education Centre, resonated with "*Mere Desh Kee Dharti*"

Aarti, representing the Non Formal Unit, echoed "*Veer Tum Bade Chalo*"

As the event concluded, certificates and prizes were bestowed upon the children.



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Youth Day 2023

On the occasion of the upcoming Independence Day, the enthusiastic and patriotic youth of our UMANG Vocational Training Center came together to organize a vibrant Tiranga Yatra.

This spirited event saw them uniting under the tricolor flag, symbolizing the spirit of freedom and unity. With hearts filled with pride and a sense of purpose, they set out on a meaningful journey, parading through the community with the Indian flag held high.

The Tiranga Yatra not only showcased their unwavering love for the nation but also served as a reminder of the sacrifices made by countless heroes for our freedom. This initiative exemplified their commitment to upholding the values of independence and honoring the essence of the tricolor that represents our diverse and united nation.



Tiranga Yatra

The NIPUN Mahila Mandal, a dedicated group of empowered women, orchestrated a spirited and patriotic event called the "Tiranga Yatra" at the V.P. Singh Camp recently. The primary goal of this yatra was to instill a sense of national pride and unity among the camp's residents, while also paying homage to the Indian tricolor.

The Tiranga Yatra began with fervor as participants, adorned in vibrant traditional attire, gathered at the V.P. Singh Camp premises with the aim of promoting the slogan "Har Ghar Tiranga" and embarked on a community-wide journey.

The atmosphere was charged with enthusiasm and anticipation as NIPUN Mahila Mandal members distributed miniature Indian flags to fellow residents, further enhancing the spirit of patriotism and unity.



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Exhibition at NIPUN

The NIPUN Knowledge Enhancement Center set up a special exhibition showcasing our freedom fighters.

The pictures and information used disseminated us about these brave people who fought for our country's freedom.

The pictures and stories about their lives, how they gave up everything for our country's freedom, were a way to show gratitude and remind us to remember their sacrifices.

The exhibition also made us feel proud and grateful, and showed how the Center wants us to always remember these special people who still inspire us today.

Pottery training by an Expert

"Paying Homage to the Soil and Saluting the Heroes", under the banner of 'Mitti ko naman, veeron ka vandan', stands as a nationwide movement of collective participation, commemorating 75 years of India's independence. This initiative, spearheaded by the Government of India, celebrates the valorous souls who made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation's freedom.

In a recent endeavor, NIPUN orchestrated an engaging session focusing on the art of pottery for young minds. Facilitated by Mr. Ashok Kumar, a seasoned expert in clay craftsmanship, the workshop provided an insightful experience in diverse clay crafting techniques. The event garnered the enthusiastic participation of over 100 children, reflecting the enduring spirit of community engagement and learning.





Celebrating Independence Day with Joy: Children of Shiksha Saheli Project in South East Delhi

"Mera rang de basanti chola"

The spirit of freedom soared as the children of our Shiksha Saheli Project in South East Delhi celebrated Independence Day.

Amidst colorful decorations, the kids showcased their talents through songs and dances, radiating the diversity and unity of our nation.

The event combined celebration with learning, emphasizing the sacrifices of our freedom fighters. As the national flag waved, a renewed commitment to education and empowerment ignited.

This celebration reminds us that education fuels our nation's future, lighting the way for a brighter, more inclusive India.

Empowering Independence Day at Meera Bagh: Together We Shine!

Amidst cheers and unity, our children of the Empowering Girl Child project in the slums of Meera Bagh celebrated Independence Day.

Joined by a vibrant crowd, including our community's strong mothers, we marked the day with performances (cultural programs), songs, and empowering speeches. This celebration reflects our commitment to nurture dreams and uplift our community.

As we honor our nation's freedom, we also champion the freedom for every girl to thrive and succeed.



GLIMPSES OF EMPOWERING GIRL CHILD PROJECT

I-Day Celebration by NIPUN's Transgender Community

The vibrant spirit of freedom shone brightly as the transgenders of NIPUN came together to celebrate Independence Day!

With pride in our hearts and unity as our strength, we commemorated this special day through speeches, cultural performances, and a shared commitment to equality.

As the national flag soared, so did our aspirations for an inclusive society free from HIV/Aids.



Children of Nipun Swagat Kendra, South West Delhi celebrated Independence Day with enthusiasm, hoisted the tricolor flag and sang patriotic songs.

The NIPUN Mahila Mandal, West District, New Delhi a dedicated group of empowered women celebrated 76th Independence Day.





Celebrations at Learning Center

The learning center of NIPUN in Greater Noida, sponsored by IIFL and Mobile Creches, which caters to the children of construction workers, joyfully celebrated Independence Day.

The kids exhibited a vibrant cultural performance, showcasing their excitement. The entire center was adorned with lively decorations.

The NIPUN Day Care staff organized a lunch for the children during the festivities.

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

Amidst a symphony of patriotic fervor, NIPUN - UMANG Vocational Training Center in Nihal Vihar came alive to celebrate Independence Day!

The Secretary of NIPUN, Shri. Pradeep Kumar passionately addressed the gathering, igniting the spark of entrepreneurship and marketing skills. The vision of nurturing entrepreneurs and fostering livelihoods resonated in his inspiring words.

With the tricolor soaring high, a sense of unity and pride enveloped the center. The flaghosted by our Secretary symbolized not just freedom, but also the spirit of empowerment and progress.

The atmosphere was adorned with cultural vibrance as learners showcased their talents through mesmerizing patriotic songs and performance. Their voices echoed the rich heritage of our nation, reminding us of the sacrifices that led to our freedom.

This Independence Day celebration is a testament to our commitment to nurturing skills, fostering entrepreneurship, and creating a brighter future. As we honor the past, we also embrace the potential of our learners to shape a dynamic and self-reliant India.



APPEAL



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