



Informal Waste Workers Slowly Turn The Tide

A Note from Akanksha Borkar, Regional Manager, FINISH Society

Sustained efforts have been made to better the lives of Informal Waste Workers of Chirala & Guntur. Today, they have been slowly empowered to become better armed to face life and improve their quality of life, thanks to the efforts put in by Secretary, Abhijit Banerji and his team.

Some of the key tools the IWWs are armed with is that today they are:

- Financially Literate
- Regular medical camps have been conducted to improve their health indicators
- Cluster level meetings are conducted on a monthly basis to cover different government schemes like housing, and training to create secondary livelihoods and to provide them linkages with other government schemes.

Two examples illustrate how training and secondary source of income have boosted the women's economic power to help them lead a more empowered and comfortable life.

Ms. Kotamma lives in Swarna Bharathi Nagar, in Guntur. She has two children (one girl and one boy). Her daughter got married while her son is studying in Class 10th in the local Government High School. Her husband expired 10 years back. She joined as Municipal Worker in 2018 as an outsourced employee. She works at Krishna Tulasi Nagar and commences work at 05:30 am and her daily schedule ends at 02:30 pm. Her income is not sufficient to run the family. After ITC MSK began a secondary livelihood training program as vegetable grower and vendor her combined income has jumped to Rs 21,000 a month. She is today a much happier person and her quality of life has seen a quantum jump.

Ms. Rosemary hails from Adavitahkkelapadu Colony, Guntur. She has two children (one girl and one boy), and while her daughter got married, her son is working in the private sector. Her husband left the family after the birth of the children. She too joined as Municipal Worker in 2018 as outsourced employee. She begins her duty at 05:30 am and her day ends by 03:30 pm .After receiving training from ITC MSK she started a secondary livelihood by opening a petty snacks outlet in the evening time. She now earns Rs 22 thousand a month from her combined activity. At present, she proudly says she has cleared all the debt she owed her money lenders and lives a happy and content life.



Champions of Change in Devashish City

Poonam Singh and Rajni Soni, residing in the vibrant city of Devashish, Rajasthan have transformed their homes and society into living examples of cleanliness and creativity. Poonam, a diligent student who got educated in Mumbai, and Rajni, a dedicated resident for the past eight years, have emerged as champions of change.

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Lalgate's Emotional Tale Of Community Resilience

In the heart of Udaipur, nestled behind the majestic Jagdish Temple in Ward 52, there once existed a sprawling eyesore known as the GVP (Garbage Vulnerable Point). This area had become a dumping ground for the residents of the surrounding neighborhood, a place where the detritus of daily life found its final

resting place. Piles of waste had accumulated over time, creating a daunting challenge for those seeking to restore the area's cleanliness.

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A Girl's Journey From Bad Health To Empowerment

In the quiet village of Jhalthecriwal, nestled in the serene landscapes of Kapurthala district, a young girl named Muskandeep Kaur had a challenging start to her school days. When just in class VII, she found herself frequently absent from school due to persistent health issues—diarrhea, stomach pain, and vomiting plagued her, often confining her to her home while her friends played outside

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Sujat, From Waste Collector To Wealth Generator

This is the poignant and life-changing story of Sujat, originally from West Bengal now settled with his family in Vyas district, Punjab, garnering livelihood opportunities. Initially, Sujat started a small business collecting and selling scrap, gathering discarded items from various places or purchasing them from people

to maintain a family. However, the income from this venture was barely sufficient, making life an arduous challenge.

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How community action revitalised GVP

Prof Chandan Mahabadi

It is a well-known fact that the GVP (Gandhi Vastu Project) in Nagpur has been revitalised through the community action of the people. The GVP was established in 1982 and has since then been working for the welfare of the people. The community action has been a key factor in the revitalisation of the GVP. The people have taken up the challenge and have been working hard to make the GVP a success. The community action has been a key factor in the revitalisation of the GVP. The people have taken up the challenge and have been working hard to make the GVP a success.

Mobilising sanitation solutions

Prof Chandan Mahabadi

The article discusses the challenges of mobilising sanitation solutions in rural areas. It highlights the need for community action and the role of the GVP in providing such solutions. The article also mentions the importance of education and awareness in promoting sanitation. The GVP has been successful in mobilising resources and providing sanitation solutions to the people. The article also mentions the importance of education and awareness in promoting sanitation.

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जिला अस्पताल में 300 किलोवाट के दो सोलर पावर प्लांट का उद्घाटन, बिजली समस्या दूर होगी

करौली। करौली-मंडगल रोड स्थित जिला अस्पताल के एमसीएच भिमा में लगे 150-150 पावर के दो सौर पावर प्लांट का शुभकार सूत्र 10 बजे मेडिकल कॉलेज के प्राचार्य डॉ. आर.सी. मीना, पीएमओ डॉ. रामनेश मीना ने उद्घाटन किया। एसबीआई काई प्रतिनिधि लक्ष्मी ने बताया कि करौली नवीन इन्फिस्टल में आउटडोर से 150 किलोवाट और वायू रिचार्ज इकाई में 150 किलोवाट कुल 300 किलोवाट सोलर पावर ग्रिड स्वयंसेवा लक्ष्य है। करौली ग्रिड स्वयंसेवा से रोज करीब 1200 से 1300 क्यूबिट बिजली का उत्पादन होगा। सोलर पावर ग्रिड स्वयंसेवा शुरू होने से ना सिर्फ ग्रामीण कनेक्शन सौर भी बनाने होंगे। साथ ही बिजली उत्पादन के दौरान होने वाले कार्बन उत्सर्जन में भी कमी आएगी।



पीएमओ डॉ. रामनेश मीना और मेडिकल कॉलेज प्रिंसिपल आरसी मीना ने सोलर प्लांट उद्घाटन करने के लिए अभिनंदन जताया और स्वयंसेवा कनेक्शन काई प्रतिनिधि से नए अस्पताल में बिजली की सुविधा के लिए मदद करने को भी कहा।

प्रिंसिपल सोमेश्वरी के नेतृत्व निचोरे ने बताया कि करौली में स्थित सोलर पावर सिस्टम पर करीब 1 करोड़ 50 लाख रुपये के लक्ष्य इन्फिस्टल में सोलर पावर ग्रिड सिस्टम शुरू हो गया। इससे न केवल करौली इन्फिस्टल में बिजली संकट दूर होगा, बल्कि उपग्रह के दौरान होने वाली करौली लक्ष्यों सौर की रफि भी बनाने भी होंगे। अस्पताल को होने वाली बचत का उपयोग मरीजों के कौशल प्रशिक्षण आरसी मीना और स्वयंसेवा कनेक्शन करने के लिए अभिनंदन जताया और स्वयंसेवा कनेक्शन काई प्रतिनिधि से नए अस्पताल में बिजली की सुविधा के लिए मदद करने को भी कहा।

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