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STORY OF THE MONTH:

Sambhaji Nagar Embraces Sustainability with UTKARSH 2's Educational Program

CYDA in association with CIE India, initiated UTKARSH 2 -Green School Project on 24th April at Sambhajinagar, with an aim of sustainability initiative at transforming nine ZP schools in Paithan block. There were 30 participants including dignitaries, Smt. Jayshree Chavan, DEO, Sambhaji Nagar, Mr.Sandeep Tendolkar, WASH Consultant, UNICEF, Mr. Rajiv Saxena, AGM, CIE India, Mr. Umesh Sonwane, Kendra Pramukh, Beedkin, Mr. Rajendra Dukare, Kendra Pramukh, Chittegaon & Mr. Pravin Jadhav, ED, 9 ZP schools HM's & Pramit Foundation were present. The dignitaries emphasized benefits for students in enhancina environmental awareness, personal and public hygiene & community responsibility. Also, they highlighted the commitment to implement improvements district-wide. The main focus was on implementing green technologies and promoting sustainable practices among teachers and students. The collaboration with multiple stakeholders strengthened partnerships among CIE India, UNICEF & CYDA. A commitment was made to install solar panels, water filters, rainwater harvesting systems, and other sustainable features. The plans were outlined for promoting eco-friendly practices, enhancing environmental awareness, and refurbishing school facilities.

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Breaking Gender Stereotypes and Securing Employment Success

In March 2024, 74 women underwent soft skills training through CYDA's Non-Traditional Livelihood (NTL) program. 24 women employed at petrol pumps in Sinnar and Nashik received uniforms, while 60 machine operators were equipped with kits. The dignitaries Mr. Mukund Adhav, Proprietor, Petrol Pump Jail Road Nashik, Mr. Deepak Nagmoti, Head, ITI Institute Nashik and Mr. Vinod Sithole, Placement Contractor, Malegaon MIDC praised CYDA's efforts in providing opportunities for women in non-traditional skills and playing a significant role in breaking gender stereotypes in our society. The program boosted participants' confidence in group presentations, exposed them to diverse career options, and honed their resume-writing and interview skills. As a result, 24 women secured jobs as petrol pump assistants, marking a significant success for the program. Keep up the good work, CYDA!





STEM Solutions for a Sustainable Future

Celebrating World Earth Day on 22nd April, 2024, STEM ILC marked the global observance of World Earth Day with a vibrant participation of 15 students, 8 girls and 7 boys. The event served as a platform to enlighten students about environmental issues such as climate change, pollution, deforestation, and biodiversity loss. Through discussions and hands-on experiences, students were sensitized to the pivotal role they play in shaping a more sustainable future for generations to come.

The event not only fostered a deeper appreciation for the Earth but also inspired students to become proactive



stewards of the environment. By equipping them with knowledge and awareness, STEM Innovation Learning Centre is empowering the next generation to take meaningful action towards safeguarding our planet.





The key highlight of the World Earth Day event was the emphasis on raising awareness among students about the importance of reducing waste, conserving water, and supporting sustainable products.

Charting Your Path: Career Guidance Camp for Tribal Youth

Samrudhha Kisan Prakalp, in collaboration with ASK Foundation, conducted a transformative Career Counseling and Guidance Camp at the Government Ashram School in Ranipur, Shahada Block. The event aimed to broaden the career horizons of tribal students, particularly those in classes 10 and 11, by introducing them to diverse vocational and educational pathways.

Dignitaries including Mr. Pradeep Bhise, and Mr. Sanket Admane from CIE India Institute of Skills, Mr. Pankaj Vrushali, Career Counselor, Mr. Anant Todulkar, Psychologist and Hypnotist, graced the occasion, sharing invaluable insights into future career opportunities. Through specialized career interest tests, 128 students were empowered to identify their potential professional paths, sparking enthusiasm and motivation among attendees.

Notably, 49 students who had discontinued their education found renewed hope and purpose through the camp. Nine of these individuals, hailing from project villages Chirade, Pimprani, and Nagaziri, seized the opportunity to enroll in vocational training programs at the CIE India Institute. Now nearing completion of their training in hydraulics and pneumatic systems, as well as



tool and die making, these students are on the point of realizing their career aspirations.

The event showcased the ongoing commitment of the Samrudhha Kisan Prakalp and ASK Foundation to empower youth through education and vocational training, thus fostering a future of hope and opportunity for many in the tribal communities of Shahada Block.

Youth4Change team helped in Eye check-up camp Youth4Change



On Sunday, April 7th, 2024, there was an event at Yerwada, Pune where people could get their eyes checked. It was organized with the help of Sau. Sheela Raj Salve Memorial Trust and CYDA. About 1000 people from the community got their eyes checked at the event. Young volunteers from YOUTH4CHANGE helped out with tasks like signing people up and keeping things organized. In the eye check-up camp, the youth helped the needy people and learnt how to organize a social event.



Keeping the objective of creating social awareness among the youth, we are giving opportunities to the youth to volunteer under various social programs through which they can be aware of the real situation in the community.

Be the Change: Vote4Change by Youth4Change





Currently there is an election atmosphere in the country. A responsible citizen should be aware of the situation and system of the country. Vote4Change campaign was organised under Youth4Change campaign. We are undertaking this campaign with the aim of informing the youth about the democratic process. Also through this the youth is included in the decision making process. First of all, a session was held to inform the youth of the community about the constitution and Indian administration. The name of the youth whose age is above 18 was included in the voter list. People are being made aware with the support of social media. Manifesto has been prepared by the youth on questions from different countries through discussion. We are undertaking this campaign with the aim of informing the youth about the democratic process. Also through this the youth is included in the decision making process.

CYDA Steers Toward Sustainability: Unveiling the 5th Strategic Plan





CYDA's 5th strategic plan meeting held on April 27th and 28th, 2024 at Manshanti Skill center, Indapur, Pune. Mr. Sirish Joshi talked about how important it is to plan carefully before making a plan for the future. He said that the plan should be flexible and always changing, based on what is working and what isn't. He also mentioned that there are a lot of young people in India who can help make the country better. He suggested that CYDA should think about what they are good at and what they need to work on. The main goal of the plan is to show CYDA which way to go. He also said that CYDA should make sure they are staying focused on what they do best, as things are changing in the country, with more people moving to cities for work and less people relying on farming for a living. During the creation of the strategic plan, the organization should aim to move from a state of confusion or discomfort to clarity. It is imperative that there is no uncertainty during the crafting of the strategic plan.

Taking Stock, Taking Charge: CYDA's Annual Review 2024





CYDA's Annual Review Meeting & Pre-Planning took place at Mann shanti Skill Development Center, Indapur from April 26th to 27th, 2024. Mr. Pravin Jadhav, Executive Director, welcomed the guests and initiated discussions. Dr. Shantaram Badgujar, Secretary CYDA, and Board members including Mr. M.N. Sanyal, Mr. Shahaji Gadhire, Mr. Satish Bansode, Dr. Kuldeep Singh Rajput, and Mr. Mathew Mattam attended the meeting. Program Managers presented achievements and future plans for their respective units. Mr. Sirish Joshi facilitated the preparation of CYDA's 5th Strategic Plan. Mr. Mathew Mattam stressed CYDA's shift from program implementation to support organization, focusing on Reach, Reputation, and Revenue. Dr. Badgujar emphasized the distinction between a "janadolan" and project implementation, suggesting youth involvement in agriculture for addressing unemployment. Mr. Sanyal highlighted staff development opportunities, emphasizing a dynamic organizational growth. Mr. Gadhire underscored the youth's contribution and urged reinvigorating youth engagement And he advocated for implementing programs targeting marginalized sections of society. Dr. Rajput emphasized continuous learning and data-driven decision-making for effective outcomes. Mr. Satish Bansode expressed his concern regarding the declining engagement of youth in recent years. He highlighted CYDA's commitment to providing ample opportunities to staff based on their skills and abilities.



The annual staff meeting fostered team building, uniting individuals into a cohesive force, and propelling collective success.

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