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About Us

Kaayam Rozgar – Khush-haal Pariwar
(Sustainable Livelihoods – Prosperous Households)

Indian Grameen Services is a national-level non-profit organization (NPO) with over four decades of journey as a development catalyst, established in 1987 under Section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013.

We are committed to address complex challenges in India, by design and implementing innovative, demand-driven, impact-oriented, and cost-effective livelihood solutions. Its work is primarily focused on resource-deficient marginalised communities, vulnerable and poverty-affected geographies, in Central, Eastern, and North-Eastern region of India.

IGS contributes to the broader goal of promoting sustainable livelihoods, with a strong emphasis on improving the wellbeing of rural and peri-urban communities, including women and marginalized populations.

Quick Updates

Human Capital

HR-157
Community Cadre-850

Outreach

12 States

Impacted Households

1,20,894

Live Projects

23

Institutional Strengthening and Strategic Engagements



In Maha Samruddhi Yojana (MSY), a workshop was conducted by J-PAL on **Process Evaluation Toolkit** to support effective monitoring of Graduation Approach pilot under Samaveshi Aajeevika Yojana (SAY) of Governent of India. The overall objective was to develop a Theory of Change for the MSY.



The IGS project team from Amagaon and Deori, Maharashtra participated in the Stakeholder Consultation workshop on **Climate-Smart Agriculture & DSR** (Direct Seeded Rice). Major discussions were on establishing a **community of practice**, DSR promotion, technical gaps between traditional farming methods and modern DSR techniques, and awareness level among the farmers.



In Rawta's Green Revival project, an exposure visit on **Integrated Farming System** (IFS) for farmers was organized. A total of 29 farmers participated in the exposure visit.



In Strengthening Ecological Security, Community Engagement & Livelihoods project at Ghamroj, Delhi NCR,, IGS Board Chairperson along with the Senior Leadership visited the project location including the **Biodiversity Interpretation Centre** and further interacted with the community.



The SDIA Network, Bhopal organized a **workshop on Theory of Change** bringing representatives from 21 organizations. Dr. Sanjib Sarangi, COO facilitated one of the sessions on the Theory of Change framework.



In Shwetdhara program, IGS promoted JMPCL FPC organized its **5th Annual General Body Meeting** in which more than 100 Gramsakhis participated representing more than 5,200 shareholders.



Under the Agriculture Production Cluster project, IGS promoted Maa Gruhalaxmi FPC organized its **3rd Annual General Meeting**. More than 450 women farmers from 25 Producer Groups participated in the program.



IGS Senior Leadership team facilitated a three-day training program on **"Reflecting the Outcome-Based Initiatives"** for the Lutheran World Service India Trust (LWSIT) team at Kolkata. More than 30 participants were engaged in the program.

Awards & Recognitions

IGS Recognised for Leadership in Climate Action



Indian Grameen Services (IGS) has been honoured as the **Winner – Leadership in Climate Action, Services Category** at the 4th Sustainability Symposium & Excellence Awards 2026, organised by the **Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC)** at New Delhi. The award was presented by Dr. Bhaskar Chatterjee, Father of Indian CSR and Sustainability, recognising IGS's commitment to climate action and meaningful, measurable impact across communities.



Pushkar Kisan Samriddhi FPC Wins Best FPC Award

IGS promoted Pushkar Kisan Samriddhi Producer Company Limited bagged the **Best FPC Award** in terms of best product and value addition in the 45th NABARD Foundation Day.

Maa Kichakeswari PG Honoured as Best Producer Group



IGS promoted Maa Kichakeswari Producer Group of Chaturanjali Village, Sukruli Block, was honoured as the **Best Producer Group** among all State Scheme **Agriculture Production Cluster (APC)** Blocks in Mayurbhanj District. The recognition highlights the group's contribution to community-led agriculture and sustainable rural livelihoods.



Laxmipriya Parida Honoured for Sustainable Rural Livelihoods

Laxmipriya Parida, Deputy Manager, IGS, was honoured with the **Desi Dhaakad Sustainability Excellence Awards (DDSEA)** 2026 in the Sustainable Rural Livelihoods category under the **Women Changemaker** segment. The award, presented on 10 July 2026 at NSE Atrium, Mumbai, recognises her commitment to advancing sustainable rural livelihoods, community empowerment, and resilience.

Partners Engagement



Annual project evaluation visit by the Partner, Azim Premji Foundation (APF) conducted at project SAMARTH during15–17 August 2026. The three-day visit included team discussions, field visits, and community interactions to assess interventions and ground-level progress. Ms. Maitreyee Ghosh (APF) shared valuable recommendations to further enhance project outcomes.

In Maha Samruddhi Yojana project, **Annual Joint Review** was conducted along with BRAC International, and a multi-international agencies meet organised in Nashik during 1-3 September 2026.





A field visit and review meeting was conducted by the BRLF SPMU team on 8th September 2026. During the visit, the team reviewed **the plantation work, IFS demonstration** and focusing more on NRM activities, livelihood interventions, convergence etc.

Glimpses of the Quarter



Sunita Didi leads sustainable agricultural practices as a POP Farmer under the High Impact Mega Watershed Project (HIMWP), Deori, Maharashtra.



Awareness Campaign of VB-G-Ram-G in Rajpur block, Chhattisgarh



Government College, Tamia students explore Gumtara Tourism Village under the Rural Tourism Project, MP



IGS Stall inaugurated by football legend Baichung Bhutia at the Kanchanjunga Tourism Festival 2026, Sikkim.



Building climate resilience through community-led plantation under Project Rawta Green Revival, Delhi



Pumpkin and chilli cultivation creating new income opportunities for women farmers in Sukruli Block under the APC Programme, Odisha.

Our Partners in Change

Existing Partners

New Partner

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Welcoming New Employees



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Impact Story

Strengthening Rural Education through Smart School Infrastructure

Pre Intervention:

Gujar Bhavali is a tribal village in Nandurbar district, Maharashtra, where the local Zilla Parishad (ZP) school serves as an important educational institution for children from predominantly tribal and smallholder farming families.

Before the intervention, the school faced several challenges that affected the quality and effectiveness of the learning environment:

- Limited digital learning facilities: Teaching was largely dependent on conventional methods, with limited access to digital learning tools and educational content.
- Inadequate sanitation and water facilities: Existing toilets required repair and renovation, while drinking water facilities needed improvement.
- Limited learning and recreational resources: The school had inadequate library resources and limited playground/recreational facilities, restricting opportunities for experiential and activity-based learning.
- Plain learning environment: School walls lacked educational and visual learning aids that could make the learning environment more engaging for children.
- Digital divide: Students had limited exposure to digital learning opportunities compared with their urban counterparts.
- Teacher capacity: Teachers had limited opportunities to use digital tools and interactive teaching methodologies in regular classroom instruction.

Intervention:

Under the HRDP – HDFC Bank Parivartan initiative, a comprehensive Smart School intervention was undertaken to strengthen the school's educational infrastructure and create a more engaging, child-friendly and digitally enabled learning environment.

The intervention comprised:

Area	Intervention
Digital Learning	Installation of Smart AI TV to facilitate digital and interactive classroom learning.
Library & Recreation	Establishment of library resources and installation of playground equipment to promote reading, recreation and experiential learning.
Sanitation & Water	Repair and renovation of toilet facilities and improvement of drinking water facilities.
Learning Environment	BALA (Building as Learning Aid) paintings across school walls to convert physical spaces into visual learning aids.
Teacher Capacity Building	Orientation/training of teachers on the use of digital tools and interactive teaching methodologies.

The intervention followed an institutional and community-oriented approach, involving the school and relevant local stakeholders in strengthening and sustaining the facilities created.

Outcome:

- Expectation of increased student admissions in the upcoming academic year.
- Noticeable improvement in daily student attendance and participation.
- 100% of the teaching staff are trained and capable of using digital tools for daily lessons.
- Students gained exposure to global educational content through the Smart AI TV.
- Reduced pressure on parents to migrate children to nearby towns for "better" private education.









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