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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
310

Outreach
12 States

Impacted Households
1,29,091

Live Projects
24

Institutional Strengthening and Strategic Engagements



A 2-day Training and Capacity Building on Program Management titled “Driving Project Effectiveness: Management, Efficiency & Leadership” was organized at Head Office, Hyderabad for the Project Managers, Team Leaders, Regional Heads, to strengthen leadership capabilities and enhance project efficiency & effectiveness.



An Annual Work Plan (AWP) workshop on High Impact Mega Watershed Project (HIMWP) 2.0 was organized at Chhattisgarh by PRADAN and BRLF where CSO partners including IGS actively participated.



A 2-day Stakeholder Co-creation Workshop on Lives, Livelihoods, and Living Landscapes was organized by Tata Trusts at Maharashtra, to design a new program at the human-animal conflict landscapes around Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve, Chandrapur. Dr. Sanjib Sarangi, COO contributed in the convening.



Under the HIMWP 2.0, the MGNREGA Cell and IGS team jointly organized a one-day block-level workshop on Water Conservation under the "Mor Gaon Mor Pani (My Village My Water)" programme to strengthen water conservation efforts.



Under the Safe Tourism Destination for Women Project, the team participated in a one-day workshop organized by Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board at Bhopal. The workshop focused on promoting sustainable tourism practises and strengthening safe tourism initiatives for women.

Our Partners in Change

Existing Partners

NatWest Group · NABARD · brac · PARIVARTAN A step towards sustainable progress · ELEMENT Project · IDFC FIRST Bank · Azim Premji Foundation · BRLF Bharat Rural Livelihoods Foundation · SFAC · Directorate Of Horticulture, Government Of Odisha · ASK Foundation

New Partner

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Awards & Recognitions

From Grassroots to National Recognition

Ms. Laxmipriya Parida, Project Manager, Guava Orchard Management Project, Jajpur, Odisha, was selected as a **Winner of the CII Woman Exemplar Program 2026**, held in New Delhi on 12 May 2026, under the **Micro-Enterprise category**. She was awarded a **cash prize of ₹1,00,000** along with a certificate of recognition. Among more than **350 nominations** received from across the country, only **20 women changemakers** were selected through a rigorous evaluation process.

Indian Grameen Services extends its heartfelt gratitude to the **CII Foundation** and the esteemed jury for recognizing Ms. Laxmipriya Parida's outstanding contributions to women-led rural entrepreneurship. We also express our sincere appreciation to **Mr. Dharmendra Pradhan**, Honorable Minister of Education, Government of India; **Mr. Rajiv Memani**, Chairman and CEO, CII; and the program co-facilitators, **Ms. Akanksha Mishra**, Gender and Policy Leader, and **Ms. Shivani Kumar**, Gender and Development Specialist, CII New Delhi, for celebrating and encouraging grassroots women leaders driving sustainable change across the country.



Partners Engagement



Under the Samruddha Kisan Project implemented at Nandurbar, Maharashtra, Mr. Siddhartha Iyer, Assistant Vice President and Head, CSR and Mr. Pankaj Patil, Project Manager – Monitoring & Evaluation, ASK Foundation visited the project location and interacted with the community, project team and reviewed the progress, key learnings.



Under the HDFC Bank Parivartan Initiative, Holistic Rural Development Programme, called as Project SAAKSHYAM implemented at Nandurbar, Maharashtra, Mr. Yogesh Pagare, Sr. Manager–CSR, HDFC Bank & Mr. Kumaresh Rout, Head of Operation, IGS visited the project location to see various initiatives and interacted with Village Development Committees, Community Resource Persons, farmers, project team and reviewed the progress of ongoing initiatives.



IGS hosted the NatWest Group Employee Volunteering Programme under the SESL project at Aravalli Foothills near Gurugram. 47 employees planted 160 native saplings through a plantation drive, then visited the waterbody restoration initiative, and interacted with the community, while gaining firsthand insights into community-led ecological restoration, water conservation, and sustainable livelihood initiatives.



Under the Restoration of Riparian Area project, Narmadapuram, Madhya Pradesh, team from WRI India visited the project location to review the progress of plantation activities, Assisted Natural Regeneration activities, verify the project documentation and monitoring records, interact with the community and project team.



Under the Guava Orchard Management project, Jajpur, Odisha, a joint team from District Mineral Foundation, Odisha Livelihood Mission, Horticulture and Forest Department visited the project site as a part of the monitoring process and interacted with the project team.

Glimpses of the Quarter



Leadership visit to HDFC FDP (HIGHLANDs) to assess progress and impact



World Environment Day observed with Harit Narmada Sangathan in Aharkheda village, MP



Pond Renovation at Kandhnayagarh, Mangalajodi, Odisha



Review of community initiatives by VDC members, Samruddha Kisan Project, Nandurbar, MH



Seed Ball Making Programme in Randhal , Narmadapuram, MP



Women farmers participated in Natural Farming & Jeevamrit training at Rawta, Delhi NCR



Community-led check dam construction, Badoli, Rajpur, Chhattisgarh, HIMWP 2.0



FPO Board of Directors meeting on governance strengthening, Guava Orchard project, Jajpur, Odisha



Community awareness rally on waste management, at Ghamroj, Delhi NCR, SESL Project

Media Corner


Development Initiative Association (SDIA)

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Welcoming New Employees



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Senior Executive- HR



Sachin jagannath Lanje

Livelihood Expert



Saket Vijay Kulkarn

District Head



Sandip Gulabrao Patil

Block Resource Person



Sonali Waman Mhatre

MIS Executive



Swati Jaiswal

Cluster Coordinator

Impact Story

Solar-Powered Irrigation: A Pathway to Sustainable Future

For years, farming was the only source of livelihood for Magan Bhimsing Naik, Bajrasing Mahadu Naik, and Vajrasing Mahadu Naik, three tribal farmers from Karanjwe village in Maharashtra's Nandurbar district. Despite having wells with water throughout the year, they depended on costly diesel pumps for irrigation. Spending nearly INR 70,000 annually on diesel made summer cultivation impossible, restricting them to a single Kharif crop while valuable groundwater remained unused.



Everything changed under Project SAAKSHYAM, implemented by IGS with support from HDFC Bank Parivartan. A shared solar irrigation pump replaced the diesel engine, providing reliable, fuel-free irrigation. With guidance on solar pump operation and improved crop management, the farmers expanded cultivation to three cropping seasons and introduced summer crops such as maize, bajra, and castor.

The results were remarkable. Three acres came under summer cultivation, producing 16 quintals of maize, 15 quintals of bajra, and 4 quintals of castor. Together, the farmers earned over INR 81,000 in a single season while saving around INR 30,000 in diesel costs. Beyond higher incomes, the intervention boosted their confidence, reduced production costs, and demonstrated how clean energy can transform agriculture. Today, their success is inspiring other tribal farmers in the village to adopt sustainable, climate-resilient farming practices.





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