

# BJS e-Bulletin

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# Empowering Today Enriching Tomorrow

# Chaara Chhaavni (Cattle Camp) Management in Drought Relief: The technical and skilled endeavour

### From the desk of the CEO



Shri. Prafulla Parakh

The massive operation of establishing Chaara Chhaavnis for cattle of the farmers hit by the dreadful drought began since March 2013. Over 30 Chhaavnis in the worst hit districts of Beed, Osmanabad, Jalna, Aurangabad, Latur, Solapur and Pune districts are

together housing nearly 10,000 cattle.

BJS is trying its level best to provide quality service to the cattle in its care, so that they remain healthy, and would be strong enough to get back to work along with their owners once the drought conditions subside. It has gathered the technical know-how on aspects of food and diet, health and hygiene, water management, allocation of movement space, segregation of cattle within the camp, safety and security measures, and round the clock vigil. Obtaining

governmental sanctions, procuring good quality fodder and cattle feed, maintaining records, managing data and conducting such other day-to day administration are important aspects of cattle camp management

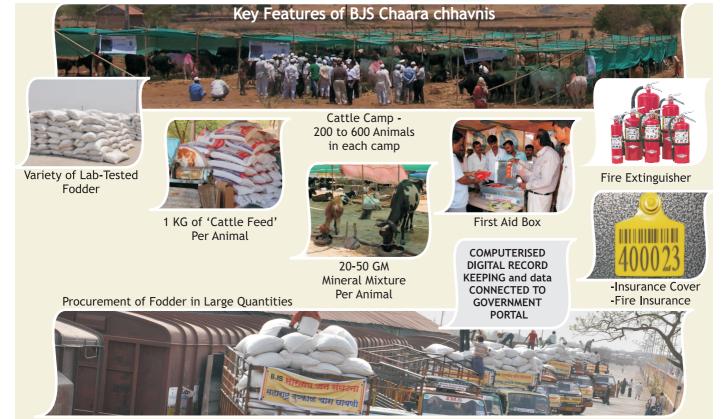
BJS, with the help of a team of experts, has trained the grass-root volunteers and support staff appointed by BJS Head Office, and the district Task Force members, who manage the day-to-day affairs of these Chhaavni. The trainers included expert

cattle-sheds (Goshala) managers, veterinary doctors, professors from Universities, and officials of government departments of animal husbandry and such other experts; and their guidance and support continues. BJS has also published a booklet on 'Guidelines in cattle-camp management' for ready reference of onsite Chhaavni operators.

Prafulla Parakh

Let's respond to the call
of these mate animals with
kindness.

Let's save a valuable
asset of the poor farmer.
Get involved with as in
whichever way you can.



## Education

### Enhancing Quality of School Education

#### It's the Time for Action..

The month of April saw the Accreditation department fervently churning out school assessment reports one after the other for quite a good number of schools assessed from the months of January to March. Thus BJS SAA school reports went out to two CBSE private schools in Old Delhi namely Rabea Girls Public School and Presentation Convent Senior Secondary School, as also to the three BJS schools i.e BJS Secondary School, Wagholi and BJS Primary and Secondary schools of Pimpri along with 11 Zilla Parishad primary schools of the Baur cluster. The department has embarked upon two important school transformation projects- the Model Cluster Project for the afore mentioned 11 schools of Baur cluster in the Maval block near Pune and the Model School Project for the three BJS run private aided schools. With the reports having been shared, the next phase for both these projects unfolds i.e. planning for the need based interventions as per the results of the diagnostics so conducted. Incidentally the team would also be assisting the Hiralal Jain Senior Secondary School in Delhi in the month of May in the school's endeavour to work along the improvement roadmap offered by BJS SAA. The team is looking forward to rolling out the school quality improvement action plans in all these schools in a phased manner. With the help of these projects it is hoped that new seeds of learning and sharing will be successfully sown for what could be exemplified as a path towards a rewarding future for the children of this country.

## BJS Student Assessment Programmes (SAP IV and SAP VIII) to go online

After successfully administering SAP IV and SAP VIII to over one lakh students in schools of Maharashtra, Goa, Gujarat, and Andaman & Nicobar, as well as Navodaya Vidyalay, BJS will soon offer these tests online, so that maximum number of students all over India can avail of them.

The elementary school years are a time of growth and discovery for children and the fourth as well as the eighth class are important milestones in a child's education.

SAP IV is a test that measures the emotional, social, physical and intellectual growth of a child in class IV in order to gauge the child's preparedness for holistic development.

SAP VIII is a test that measures the aptitude, interests, and personality traits of a child in class VIII in order to gain insights into the child's strengths and areas of improvement. It gives important pointers to the child and the parents of the child's potential and helps in planning academic and personal improvement.

Students will only need to register online, log in and take the test; the results will be available in real time as soon as the student completes the test. These multi-dimensional tests are under development and will be accessible to all from the new academic year.

#### We are Valued.....

We are happy to announce that the Government of Goa is considering two of BJS' initiatives - 'Mulyavardhan' and 'School Assessment and Accreditation' in its effort for improving quality of school education in Goa. This was officially announced in the Budget speech (for 2013-14) of its Hon'able Chief Minister - Shri Manohar Parrikar on March 18, 2013. Please refer pg 17 point 38 of the speech at:

http://www.goavidhansabha.gov.in/downloads/43\_file\_Budget\_Speech.pdf

#### A meeting with Mohan Bhagwat...

The RSS Sarsanchalak, Mr. Mohan Bhagwat received the team from BJS at his office in Pune. The RSS Chief listened very keenly to the work that BJS was doing and was clearly impressed. He was especially enthusiastic about the work BJS was doing in the area of value education. He said he was sure that this project would definitely have a long lasting impact on the future of India.



#### Mr. Kapil Sibal at BJS HO....



The H'ble Mr. Kapil Sibal, Minister for Communications and Information Technology took out some time from h is packed schedule during his visit to Pune on April

28, to visit the BJS Head Office. He understood the work BJS was doing he said that he Mulyavardhan project will prove to be a guiding star to society and the government. He said that social organizations like BJS play a vital role in taking forward projects that augment the efforts of the government.

Even though he was short on time, he made it a point to speak about the Mulyavardhan project. He said that moral and values education is more relevant today than at any other time period and more important than any other education. He further emphasized that ahimsa and dedication must be the basic values guiding our society. He was all praise for BJS and said that it has been farsighted and pioneering in launching this project 5 years ago and in implementing it in government schools so successfully. While it takes a long time for the government machinery to commence and implement any project, it is the social organizations like BJS which are able to undertake and implement them faster and more successfully.

BJS has earned accolades from all sections for the work it has done in Mulyavardhan. He has promised to come again and spend at least an hour with BJS.

## Social Development

## **Empowerment Of Girls**

In the aftermath of the brutal gang rape of the young student in December 2013, the entire nation rocked with rage. The prestigious Justice Verma Committee made revolutionary recommendations, and this was followed by a series of legal reforms with strong punitive measures - including death to the perpetrator. However such gruesome incidents continue to recur unprecedentedly; including rape on small children. Citizens continue to vent their rage through public demonstrations condemning such acts of terror, and demanding for sensitive and responsible law implementation.

We, as a 'progressive society' has to ensure that our young women are not deterred from enjoying the freedom that the Constitution of this country promises, and not 'lock' them up in the name of 'protection'. It is high time that we go beyond legal and procedural reforms to changing mindsets. It is time to 'empower' women - especially young women who are exploring their way into this complex world - with fearless attitudes, positive beliefs and appropriate actions.

We, at Bharatiya Jain Sanghatana (BJS), are making a sincere effort at doing exactly this. The programme: "Empowerment of Girls to face Social Challenges of the 21st Century " has been experimented since the year 2008. Conducted across 10 states, 8,223 young women

and their parents, have participated in it through 236 programs to date. It is currently conducted in the form of a workshop that extends for three full days for young women in the age group of 15 to 25.

The Programme aims at:

- building self-esteem and creating a positive self image,
- · promoting assertive communication and interpersonal relationship (especially in a society in which gender discrimination exists)
- developing insights into the changing value systems
- · Understanding the modern media, it usage and impacts
- enabling them to make appropriate choices an mature decisions

The content built for meeting these objectives, is facilitated through the following themes: Self and family, Friends and peers, Impact of media and technology, Marriage and intimate relationships and Role of parents. The programme has been well appreciated and has produced satisfying results

Please contact us for more information and join us with your ideas in reaching out to more and more young women.



#### EMPOWERMENT OF GIRLS(EOG)

-A Poem from one of our Empowered Girl...

EOG And Converting Them Into Shining Pearls A 3 Day Session...

And Dev R Relieved From Life Long Tension...

A Four Course Module Dat Says... Ffmm...

To Make Me Realise Who Actually I Am..??

To Make Them Able To Face The Challenges...

And Be Strong Enough To Bear The Consequences...

Changing Nature Of Family...

And The Increasing Responsibility...

Pressure Of Friends ...

And The Changing Trends...

The Impact Of Media

The Misuse Of Google N Wikipedia...

A Lecture On Topics Dat R Serious..

Results Of Hasty Decisions Are So Furious...

Time Is Changing At A Fast Pace..

U Don't Understand Now U Will B Lost & No. One Will Be Able To Trace..

Today U Fear To Share...

And UR Influenced By Peer..

Try A Different Approach If U Fear...

Otherwise One Day U Will B Left Out Wid Tears...

Technology Is An Integral Part Of Life...

If Not Used Wisely Acts Lyk A Knife...

EOG Will Help U Understand The Present Time...

And Will Prevent U From Doing Any Crime...

This Training Program Has Definitely Brought A Change...

And Will Take Our Lives To A Different Range...

Soumya Kankaria, Raipur (C.G.)

## Some Upcomming Events

#### Biography of Shri. Shantilal Muttha

The Silver Jubilee National Convention saw the biography of Mr. Shantilal Muttha being released in Marathi. Its audio version will be broadcast on FM institutional 101 MHz on All India Radio (Pune Kendra) every Tuesday at 10.20 am; so tune in and listen to inspirational story!

#### **Empowerment of Girls (EOG) Program**

3-5 May 2013 a. MP -Chhindwara-Contact- Shushma Jain-9407290500 Trainer - Amita Jain, Ujjain b. MP - Pipariya, Hoshangabad-27-29 May 2013 Contact- Varsha Samaiyya, 9893903516 c. GJ - Edar, Sabarkantha -10-12 May 2013

Contact- Nikesh Sankeshwara 9408511466

Trainer -Dr. Sunil Bhutada, Pune

d. KA - Sindhanur-May 2013

Contact- Gautamchand Mehta e. PU - Ludhiyana-

Contact- Adv. Sikandarlal Jain

Trainer - Amita Jain, Ujjain

#### 2. Summer Camp - Indore - a Youth 4 Youth Extravaganza

May 10-12 2013 for 15-25 age group

Venue: Hinkargiri Tirth, Near Air Port, Indore

Contact: Virendra Nahar- 9981776882 Kirti Shah-9406853116



#### **Jain Minority**

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We have been receiving many queries and we welcome them. Keep writing .Give us your feedback on how our response to them helped resolve your issue.

#### Benefits to Minority educational institutions:

In matters of admission of students, minority educational institutions can have reservation of up to 50 per cent for students of their community.

To get a Minority Status for your institute follow the guidelines given at the website: http://ncmei.gov.in/

### Connect with BJS!

#### **BJS** on Facebook

To connect http://www.facebook.com/BJSIndia

The BJS Facebook Commiunity is now more live & interactive. It is being regularly updated with lots of snaps, videos, information, events.. etc.

Mr. Shantilal Muttha, has been sharing his Thoughts, Experiences and is Questioning....It is Exciting, Challenging and Philosophical.

It is all Debate and Discussion and not just quotes from him. You must Participate.

### Volunteer

Look in at our website www.bjsindia.org to know what we do. If you feel inclined, get in touch and do contact us. We would certainly welcome and

appreciate your talent and time. We would love to have you with us.

The highlights of BJS processes

## national concern

### social sensitivity

#### developmental innovation

#### participatory brocess

enthusing all stakeholders for involved implementations

#### sustainable solutions

#### meaninaful impact

touching millions through our work!!!