



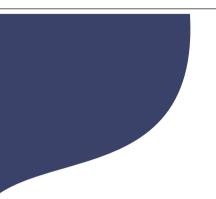
# **NISHKAM TIMES**

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# BACK ON TRACK

# Life After Lockdown



Our centers at Nishkam Bhawan specifically our vocational centers which have been closed due to the coronavirus pandemic are reopened and there is great enthusiasm among the beneficiaries and students. As most of the students belong to underprivileged families, access to gadgets, books, instruments and the absence of the teacher has compromised their hopes. Above all our Medical beneficiaries can now get a sigh of relief through our team of caring doctors and affordable medicines/tests.



Without any doubt, 2020 and 2021 were years like never before. Yet we stood together and came out stronger with utmost dedication & commitment. Your accountability matters through all thick and thin while consoling many. We would like to thank our donors. volunteers and passionate team members for their remarkable contributions. At last, WE SURVIVED. Let us deliver more hopes and solutions while widening our engagement at all levels.

# From Orphanage to becoming an Engineer

Harshit has lost his mother in childhood and later his father admitted him at MGSN, Kharar. Being a laborer it was difficult for him to afford his son on financial grounds and to offer parental care. He was admitted to MGSN when he was just 10 years old. In spite of all odds, Harshit continued to excel in his studies at school and started living life in a discipline at MGSN. He did a Diploma course after 10th in Mechanical Engineering and is today working as Engineer in Pushpanjali Agro Industries at Ambala Haryana. It was difficult to raise the children in the orphanage and their life is quite different from normal children. They need care, love, exposure, and moreover attention so that they can learn life skills and positivity. He thanked Nishkam for making him feel capable to earn and live a dignified life. There are many Harshits living at MGSN where Nishkam provided their education, coaching, and living expenses and made them feel self-reliable and good human beings. Many got jobs and became breadwinners.



Harshit at Work





Pritam Singh (70) lives in village Bahoru, Block Attari, Amritsar with his grandchildren. Earlier he was working at Mata Gujri Sukh Niwas, Kharar as a Watchman but now his health is not letting him stand for any job. The old house was not ideal as it lacked proper infrastructure, in other words, he's reluctantly living in a shanty. He has lost his son and daughter-in-law a long time back and his grandchildren are living with him. The pain of losing his son and living in an old house with a poor structure made the family highly vulnerable. The small setup of the two-room set has been damaged, his meager savings dried up and he urged Nishkam to build a roof on his head. Nishkam stepped in to help relieve Pritam Singh from this stress, and build a decent shelter. He is most grateful for the timely help.





Above: Ardaas (Prayer) ceremony before the start (below)

# Solar Panel Installation at Nishkam Bhawan

Erection of a new rooftop solar panel on 3 July got started in Nishkam Bhawan (Project Office), Delhi with the Ardaas ceremony. In present times, the world has been adopting renewable power at a rapid rate. This initiative will help in cutting down electricity bills. This inclination enables us to be a more sustainable, self-reliant, and environment-friendly organization for a better tomorrow.

# Nishkam receives applications for college-level scholarships (2021-22)





SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM- 2021

# CAN'T AFFORD COLLEGE FEE? THINKING OF LEAVING STUDIES?

Scholarships For Bright Students From Low-Income Families UP TO INR ₹33,000
Annually

#### **Pursuing Professional Courses**

Pharmacy, Engineering, IT-Computers, Nursing, Architecture, Medical, Journalism, Law, Music, Hospitality, Teaching, CA, CS, MBA, BBA, Physical Education, Fashion, Physiotherapy, Library, Agriculture, Home Science etc...

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- (1) Up to Rs. ₹ 2.5 Lakh Annual Family Income
- (2) Minimum 60% marks in the last exam
- (3) Only "Regular mode" students and Class (10/12) pass-outs
- (4) For Delhi, Punjab and neighbouring areas

#### **IMPORTANT**



Website: www.nishkam.org
Email: scholarships@nishkam.org

We have received a total of 2210 applications for scholarships at the college level. Friday 15th October was the last day of applying. Following the trends of the previous years, nearly 80% of applicants are from Punjab and around 20% of them are from Delhi and other states.

This year (2021-22) we have received 200 more applications compared to 2000 last year. More than 700 students also applied for the renewal of their scholarships. Like always, more girls have applied than boys. Also, the majority of these applications belong to rural areas.

Reversing the new normal and due to the Covid pandemic, there's no negative impact on the zeal and passion of students who want to pursue professional courses. This year we have received an overwhelming response which is a good gesture for youth thinking about their career first.

The increasing application numbers are a tribute to our esteemed donors and volunteers who work tirelessly to raise awareness and financial support for marginalized youth and their careers for overall success.

# **MGSN Updates**

### Senior citizens vaccinated



MGSN had approached the Civil Hospital for vaccination of people at the old age home as some of them are too old to step out. The Civil hospital of Phase 6- SAS Nagar collected the data of the beneficiaries at old age home. Thereafter inoculators (person who administers vaccine) were sent to the MGSN along with the vaccine doses. It is a big help for the beneficiaries who have been immobilized due to mishaps, age, surgeries, and ill-health, etc. (25 Aug.)

## **Senior Citizen Day celebrated**



World Senior Citizens' Day (21 Aug.)-A day to express gratitude to elders has been celebrated at Mata GujriSukhNiwas, Kharar (Old-age home and orphanage) S. Baljinder Singh, Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, SAS Nagar visited the MGSN and aware the elders about the welfare measures set up by governments. He also spoke about schemes and legal provisions available to senior citizens under the law. Social interaction is the key to happiness in this age. Nobody wants to live in old-age homes unless or until one is all alone in the world. They need a roof over their heads. Nishkam is providing facilities and holistic care to destitute, sick, and abandoned by family due to various reasons so that they feel at home away from home and live life with dignity.



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# Got 7 more oxygen concentrators

So far, we have provided 186 concentrators in Delhi/NCR; Punjab; West Bengal; Uttar Pradesh, and Jammu Kashmir





# Ration Kits distributed worth INR 11.53 Lacs

Providing ration kits to the most vulnerable families to combat the pandemic crisis across Punjab, Haryana, Delhi NCR, Uttar Pradesh, and Maharashtra





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