

## Reaching 1131 Dreams- College level Scholarships



For 2019-20, we awarded 1131 scholarships (Rs. 2.40 Crore) to students with economic constraints to fulfill their professional studies' dreams in fields such as Engineering, Medicine, Nursing, Management, Vocational/Polytechnics etc. **Majority of these students belong to Punjab and are children of laborers, farmers who are earning merely Rs. 1.80 Lakh annually.** It's been very difficult for them to support the expensive education of their children and here the support of such scholarship initiative then acts a big support. The events were held across New Delhi and Punjab. We along with our partner Sikh Human Development Foundation, USA (SHDF) support them to complete their studies and achieve their dreams. [Read Detailed Report](#)

 **1131**  
SCHOLARSHIPS WORTH  
**₹2.40 CRORE**

### QUICK FACTS

**70%**  
OF OUR  
BENEFICIARIES  
COME FROM  
RURAL BELT



**79%**  
FEMALE  
BENEFICIARIES



**Nursing**  
**Engineering**  
**IT/Computers**

**TOP 3**  
**STUDY**  
**STREAMS**



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## CORONA CAN SEPARATE HUMANS FROM HUMANS BUT NOT HUMANITY

Nishkam's COVID-19 Response Fund is reaching to marginalized and low-income families in the country with dry ration kits. Living in the lockdown without any means of employment, families of daily wage earners and destitute especially our Sikligar families are fearing death by hunger more than Coronavirus. Your timely support saved them.

### Sewa amid COVID-19 Coronavirus

March-May 2020

Provided  
Ration  
Kits/Cooked  
meals worth  
**₹20.45+**  
**LAKH**



**Ration Kit**  
comprising of:

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Besan, 3 types of  
Dal, Tea, Sugar, Salt,  
Mustard Oil, Spices and  
Bathing essentials etc.  
to sustain a family of 4  
members has been  
delivered through our  
volunteers.

**Across**  
**7 STATES**



Among  
**3012+**  
Families  
Including  
Sikligars

Delhi  
Haryana  
Uttar Pradesh  
Madhya Pradesh  
Rajasthan  
Punjab  
Maharashtra



Special thanks to all donors who let us fight this battle. Your single penny has been valued and utilized with great care. Your support motivated us. We could engage and manage efficiently from web meetings to coordinate with our teams in remote areas while WFH (working from home) to our brave volunteers on the ground. We left no stone unturned in putting smiles across vulnerable sections.



# Empowering 130 girl students with access to education



(L) Cheerful Beneficiaries (R) S. GS Bindra giving scholarship cheque to Ms. Archana Rastogi, School Principal

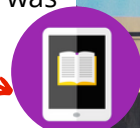
Nishkam associates with generous hearts and institutes to help deserving students from less fortunate backgrounds to achieve their dreams, so that their economic background does not become a barrier in their journey to secure a bright future. **For the year 2019-20, Rs. 11.55 Lakh is awarded to 130 scholars.** These all are needy girl students from Guru Nanak Girls Inter College Lohia Nagar Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh. S. GS Bindra, Convener of Scholarship Project- Nishkam handed over the cheque to the institution Principal. We along with Guru Nanak Girls Scholarship Foundation, USA support these needy students. The students in this event along with their teachers and parents shared heartwarming and inspiring stories of their experiences and journeys. *Click the Youtube Icon and watch the event and testimonials of benefeceries. (13 March)*

## Soft Skills Workshop for future professionals

A one day interactive workshop on "Soft Skills and Interview Techniques" was held at Guru Nanak Dev Engineering College- Ludhiana, Punjab. The speakers shared their expertise on **Personality Development, Spirituality to Success; Interview Techniques; Communication Skills and global scholarship opportunities** for further studies. The workshop was attended by 48 students from Ludhiana region. This year Dr. HS Sethi, Founder Member/Treasurer of Sikh Human Development Foundation, USA along with his wife showed his presence and motivated the students. S. Narinder Singh, Nishkam President and S. KS Talwar (Nishkam member) too motivated the students and distributed participation certificates to all. It was a good learning experience and enjoyed by one and all present. **(12 Jan)**



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## Career Guidance Workshop

The interactive workshop for class X/XII learners was conducted at Nishkam Bhawan with expert faculties and mentors from various educational institutions. The speakers guided students to work on their aptitude and General Awareness in order to seek multiple benefits. The students were motivated to think about their skills and interests from 1st year itself in order to have a clear view of their career. Around 50 students attended the sessions along with their parents. In all, the event was a hit and was worth every minute. **(Jan- 2020)**



## Awareness drive for EWS admissions

Nishkam along with Mission Education Trust holds a month-long awareness drive for parents before Nursery level admissions across Delhi. The purpose of the drive is to assist and educate needy and vulnerable parents. Out of various government welfare schemes initiated for the public interest, **EWS (Economically weaker sections)** is the first step towards getting school admission. The dropout rates of children belonging to these families are higher. Hence, such families need to know about the benefits as most of them are illiterates and due to lack of awareness and form filling issues, an access point acts as a big relief to them. **(Feb-March)**

**कहाँ दिलाएँ अपने बच्चे को दाखिला ?  
कहाँ और कैसे एडमिशन कराएँ बच्चे का?  
EWS स्कीम से कैसे ले फायदा?**

अच्छे प्राइवेट स्कूल या हो मुफ्त शिक्षा ?

**आओ मिलकर निकाले हल**

**अगर है आपके बच्चे की उम्र 3 से 7 साल की (31 - मार्च -2020 तक)**

**तो मिलिए और साथ लायें**

निष्काम सिख वेलफेयर काउंसिल  
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(2) बच्चे का जनम प्रमाणपत्र  
(3) माता/पिता का आधार कार्ड



# Filling the Digital Divide with 44 hopes Computer Certificate Distribution

Skills' training is one of the most essential drivers for transforming lives and for fueling economic growth and Nishkam, through its focused projects, works relentlessly towards this noble cause. Through its skills training initiatives, Nishkam on 22- Feb. honored 44 students with certificates from marginalized families who successfully completed 6 months computer course.

## --New Batch Started--

Also, the 12th batch session of computer course has been inaugurated by DSP (Faridkot) S. Gurpreet Singh Gill on 15th Feb. Nishkam's Faridkot unit runs Bhai Kanhaiya Nishkam Computer Center, Faridkot. The Center has been offering the computer training courses in association with Bhai Ghanaiya Cancer Roko Sewa Society (Regd.) Faridkot since 2016. **More than 500 students have completed their course.** Prominent socialites from Faridkot belt congratulated the students and applauded the mission of Guru Nanak for human development.



## House built for the needy widow



Paramjit Kaur's life looked shattered after the death of her husband, Harjit Singh who committed suicide in utter sadness that he couldn't provide shelter to his family. The family belongs to Virewala Khurd, a village in Faridkot. He left his three small children in struggles and with no roof and means; one can imagine the grimness of the family. The problem got resolved when local socialites of Faridkot appealed to Nishkam. The matter was addressed urgently and with the help of local unit at Faridkot along with Bhai Jaitajee Awas Yojna got a constructed house for the needy widow. The renowned face of Faridkot from Min. of Shipping, GoI, S. Harjit Singh Sandhu handed over the keys to Ms. Paramjit. She couldn't control the tears of gratitude and thanked all through the bottom of her heart. Mr. Sandhu praised the efforts of Nishkam and felt satisfied that the mission of Guru Nanak is flourishing through selfless services rendered by helping hands like Nishkam and the people associated with them. **(29 Feb.)**

## Obituary S. Rajinder Singh



### ***You will be missed!***

S. Rajinder Singh, Nishkam's Ex- Vice President left us with memories on 1-Feb. He joined Nishkam after getting retired as a very senior officer from Dept. of Telecommunications. He kept devoting ample time in his capacity even in his advancing years of life. A very soft-spoken and hardworking Sewadar, he was. To pay homage to the departed soul, a prayer (Ardaas) meeting at Nishkam Bhawan was organized. The example set by him will be carried forward by all other team-members

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**I feel you have precisely got the pulse of our ailing society, instead of investing in gold on our gurdwaras; we need to invest in mentoring for Nobel Laureates in our society.**

Dr. Sarabjeet Singh - Mentor/Professor-PAU Ludhiana

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# Glimpses of Sikligar Education Project

## Field Visits: Karnataka and Maharashtra

S. Narinder Singh- Nishkam President along with S. Amarpreet Singh- Moral Education Teacher visited the schools and colleges across Maharashtra and Karnataka to assess the ground realities regarding attendance and performance of Sikligar students in their 18 days visit.

The team held various meetings with school/college heads and teachers, family counseling and project heads and discussed their performance while fostering the encouragement to all. **It's been remarkable to see that our beneficiaries' who have completed their education till university level have shown encouraging gesture to hold the hands of their fellow community children and help them in studies.** At Nashik (Maharashtra) the Sangat has shown enthusiasm for the education of Sikligar children. S. Balbir Singh Pawa Ji, a very dedicated Sewadar of Nishkam and actively leading the project coordinated the visit.

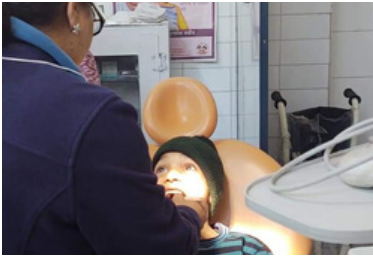


## Gurbani Recitation competition

Local Gurdwara committees of Sonipat, Haryana celebrated the Guru Gobind Singh Parkash Parav and organized Sri Japuji Sahib and Gurbani competition where our Sikligar students lead by Moral education teachers participated with great fervour and devotion. The aim of this function was to spread the message of Gurbani among students and parents. The **students participated very well and grabbed the winning positions** as well. The judges praised the courage and spirit of the participants. Its morale boosting experience for Sikligars and positive gesture for our Sikh brethren to see the abandoned coming back to Gurmat while following the path shown by the Gurus with devotion. S. Narinder Singh, Nishkam President also visited their homes and met their parents. He exhorted the students to do better in future. **(January)**



## Dental Camp



In continuation of Dental health awareness by Civil Hospital, Kharar, a free dental checkup and awareness camp was organized for the children of Mata Gujri Sukh Niwas. (Orphanage and Old age Home) A team of specialized doctors carried out a comprehensive dental checkup on children. The camp was initiated with dental awareness talk, educating children about common dental ailments, especially stressing on tooth decay and gum diseases and preventive measures. They were highlighted about the eating patterns and food choices causing tooth decay. **(15- Feb)**

जरूरतमंद को मकान बनाकर दिया  
निष्काम सिख वelfेयर काउंसिल ने भाई जैता जी  
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