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Crafting 1786 hopes through scholarships worth Rs. 4.13 Crore

After three years due to the long setback of Covid-19, we kick-started our scholarship distribution events for the year 2022-23 in Punjab and Delhi. 1786 students were shortlisted for the scholarships which include renewal cases as well. We awarded scholarships worth Rs. 41,298,335 (4.13 Crore) to 1786 meritorious students from underprivileged families. Nishkam, the associate partner of the Sikh Human Development Foundation (SHDF, USA) has been imparting, organizing and promoting the scholarships since 2000 in India. The project started with 22 scholarships and in the span of 22 years; it has crossed the 12,984 scholarship mark and this includes Nishkam's Merit cum Means Scholarships input as well. A big salute to the Donors, volunteers and members who have devoted their selfless support in crafting the professional calibre of tomorrow's difference makers.



Ludhiana



Faridkot



Chandigarh



Delhi

 **1786
Scholarships**
 **4.13 Crore**

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12,984
Scholarships**

**75 % Female
Beneficiaries
58 % Rural
Background**

Career Counselling Session on "Digital Literacy"

Nishkam organized a career counselling workshop on Graphic Designing, Full Stack Developer, and Business Analyst (Excel) by S. Jashandeep Singh, IT Pro, Nishkam Computer Centre at Sri Muktsar Sahib, Punjab and S. Udeshpal Singh, IT Pro and Tutor at Nishkam Computer Centre at New Delhi on 15th January 2023. The event was held on the premises of Nishkam Bhawan where more than 90 students attended and gained insights. The objective of the workshop was to introduce the participants to various facets of the changing digital trends, and new career opportunities in this field and to inspire them to explore this discipline further.





244 Hopefuls appeared for Interviews Nishkam School Level Scholarships

After the scholarship test held on Dec. 11, 2022, interviews were conducted for pass-out students studying in Class IX to XII. The purpose of interviewing students was solely to assess the calibre of prospects from underprivileged families.

Flyers were distributed. Individual counselling sessions were arranged in making a way possible for which Nishkam will stand with them after and during school days through possible vocational courses and college-level scholarship help so that their process of education can never stop.

We thank our dedicated volunteers and members for sparing their time for interviews and marked a day for selfless service on 5 Feb' 23 at Sukho Khalsa School, Delhi. We feel that deserving students may get the true advantage from the scholarship help which will give a boom to their dreams and hopes.



Letter of Appreciation - Recognizing Nishkam's Contributions across Punjab

Nishkam has been felicitated for its work towards creating positive social impact and welfare practices at Faridkot. Punjab Government recognised Nishkam as one of the most trusted NGOs at the Republic Day parade ceremony on 26th January 2023 in Faridkot. Cabinet Minister, Government of Punjab Chetan Singh Jauramajra awarded the certificate to S. Harvinder Singh, Nishkam member and Coordinator of the Faridkot area. Nishkam was awarded for its work towards transforming lives through education and scholarships.



Dignitaries Visit



Just recently a senior member of the Sikh Human Development Foundation, USA (SHDF) Dr. Gurpal Singh Bhullar visited the Nishkam office to have a discussion with the management of Nishkam. He discussed the possibilities for scholarship advancement and reviewed the scholarship project. He also visited Punjab and met scholarship recipients and local coordinators. Dr. Bhullar praised Nishkam's selfless service to the welfare initiative.

Reaching Hopes Visit for student assessment Sikligar Education

We have organized an outreach visit for the Sikligar Sikh students. (January-March) This field visit aimed to reduce the number of school dropouts and encourage enrolments. School authorities felt obliged to the community development initiatives of Nishkam. The visit also highlighted the importance of parents' role in raising awareness for education in family/community development. The team went to various districts to follow up on children who had enrolled but later dropped out or went irregular and took on new school enrolments. The very reason/s for students' irregularities and dropouts were brought forward through interactions and they were encouraged a lot for a better future.



Sikligar children recited Kirtan

Events to mark the martyrdom of Sahibzaade were organized. On 3rd January, Gurudwara Badkhalza memorial, Sonipat hosted Gurbani Kirtan where the local Sikligar community, "Khalsa Panth Sikh Sikligar Jatha" sang pious gurbani kirtan all night. All the student artists are beneficiaries of Nishkam's Sikligar welfare project. The sangat felt overwhelmed. Thanks to the moral education teachers for mentoring and educating the students at Sonipat.



Fire Training Session

A fire training session was conducted at Nishkam Bhawan on 30 March. The Expert imparted the training to staff and members of Nishkam, the main objective of the awareness was to understand the major causes of fires in the workplace, preventive measures, and vigilance regarding fire hazards. The training was a proactive effort to create awareness regarding efficient usage of fire safety devices in the Nishkam's premises, so as to have a safe evacuation in case of any need of emergency and minimise loss of life and property.



