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## Scholarships worth Rs. 18.83 lakh given to 318 scholars

### SCHOOL LEVEL SCHOLARSHIPS

A Scholarship Distribution Program was organised by Nishkam in Delhi on 6-7th April 2024.

Through a rigorous selection process, scholarships were granted to 318 outstanding students studying in government/aided schools from Class 6-12. A total sum of Rs. 18.83 lakh was distributed among these bright minds. We were honoured to have local gurdwara heads and Nishkam members who graced the event by inspiring students to excel in their academic journey and strive for success in their careers.

This initiative aims to empower and support deserving scholars in their pursuit of knowledge and success. Additionally, 14 students of S.G.N.P Girls Sr. Sec. School at Shahbad- Haryana received the scholarship cheques in the presence of school principal Ms. Devansh Kaur Ji. These students belong to underprivileged families and are in dire need of financial support.

Together, we remain committed to empowering the next generation of leaders through education, paving the way for a brighter future. We are thankful to our donors who have been supporting this mission for quite a long time. For more than two decades this scholarship program has been running successfully and has brought changes in the lives of many students.



*Enthusiasts at Chander Vihar Gurdwara, Delhi*



↕ *Enthusiasts at Ashok Nagar Gurdwara, Delhi*



*At SGNP School- Shahbad, Haryana*

## Memorial Scholarship

Let's establish a Memorial Scholarship to honour a special person while carrying his or her legacy towards educating the future of mankind

Those who desire to institute a scholarship in the sweet memory of their near and dear ones can do so by donating a minimum of Rs. 1,00,000/- (One Lakh) by visiting our website (mentioned on the last page)

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## Career Counselling Session

On 21st April, we hosted a successful Counselling Session in Nishkam Bhawan-Delhi. We were delighted to welcome over 150 students from various schools across Delhi for an informative and interactive session led by Dr Jasmeet Kaur from Mata Sundri College for Women, Delhi University. She engaged the students with a fantastic presentation, covering essential topics such as:

- Choosing the right subjects and courses
- Guidance on skills and qualifications required
- Admission requirements and application processes for colleges

An interactive session of three hours solved many queries and doubts of the audience. Afterwards, the students were divided into Science, Commerce, and Humanities streams for more focused discussions with respective experts. You can watch the recording on YouTube! Here's the link: [CLICK HERE](#)



## Strengthening Linguistic Skills

In a commendable effort to enhance the linguistic abilities of children, volunteers at the Nishkam Sikh Welfare Association have initiated specialized English language classes. These classes commenced on April 28 and continue to make significant progress.

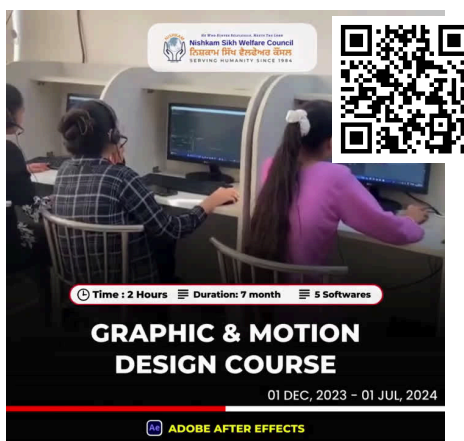
With a strong initial enrollment of over 60 students, the classes now see a dedicated group of about 40 students regularly attending. The sessions are held daily for two hours, six days a week, during the vacations ensuring consistent and comprehensive learning. The curriculum is designed to teach correct usage, spoken English, and comprehension skills through unseen passages.

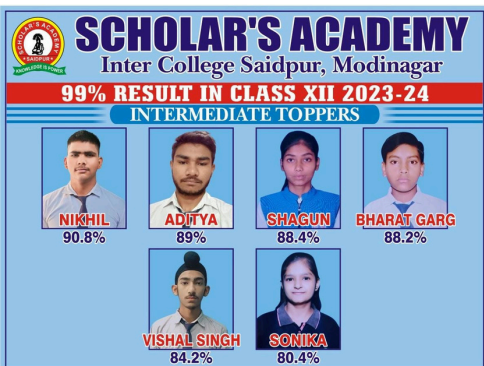
Utilizing audio-visual presentations and innovative teaching methods, the program covers essential aspects of English such as grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, and the use of idioms and proverbs. The balanced course content focuses on developing the students' speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills.

This initiative is a testament to the Association's commitment to fostering education and empowerment among children, equipping them with vital skills for their future.

## Creative Showcase

*A sneak peek into the student's work at Nishkam Computer Center, Delhi. All these artworks have been produced by students while pursuing Graphic and Motion Design course*





## Son of a Locksmith tops in Class 12th

Vishal Singh, son of a locksmith has fought all odds and topped in his school of UP Board's 12th Results 2024. With superb 84.2% marks in the commerce stream, he has set a stellar example for his community. A student of Scholar's Academy, Inter College Saidpur, Modinagar, UP his name is shining bright in the school's topper list among other stream students. His family has long struggled with matching means to ends. His father was a labourer and a locksmith because of the Sikligar community's traditional work, he never had plenty to take care of his family along with the studies of the children. Vishal, one of the beneficiaries at Mohiuddinpur Village, Meerut District was very sharp in academics, he's getting educational support from Nishkam from nursery to higher secondary level. From school fees to transportation and many other expenses covered by Nishkam, he was determined to score and achieve perfect marks. We wish him all success in his life and thanks to all donors and well-wishers that with their support such students from the Sikligar community are outshining many. They have the spark but need support and motivation. A dream come true for all of us and let our support uplift many Vishal Singhs around.

## Earned laurels

It is a moment of pride that Jaspreet Singh, our beneficiary of Class 8th at Sant Hari Dass High School in Jatheri, Sonapat, Haryana, participated in the General Knowledge (GK) quiz conducted by Kaun Banega Champion. Son of a poverty-ridden Sikligar Sikh family at Jatheri his father is a locksmith. He's been excelling well in academics and tried his hand in the GK contest held at school. He's won the participatory certificate but it's a matter of pride that our Sikligar beneficiaries are keen to jump out from the poverty chain and enhance their livelihood by participating in a larger perspective. We wish many Jaspreets to shine with your support.

**Jaspreet Singh>>>**



## Visits: Bridging the gap for Sikligar students

To review student beneficiaries from the Sikligar community, a team of Nishkam coordinators and members have been frequently visiting Uttar Pradesh and Haryana. They met school principals, teachers and parents as well. The schools shared the positive outcome of students who are regularly attending and performing well in academics and activities. More and more children from Sikligar families are going to school and excelling. The team also visited their Bastis (Hutments) and interacted with their parents.

In the initial years, it was quite challenging for Nishkam to build trust and facilitate the Sikligar community with education and welfare. The Sikligar families as a part of their traditional perception do not encourage young male folks to pursue education and girls are expected to marry at a very young age and follow the patriarchal norms where education is nowhere in their lives. But with consistent efforts, Nishkam found great success in pushing the community for the betterment. Now they feel empowered and educated and can live a dignified life with a better lifestyle and possibilities to earn more with the demanding socio-economical changes.



## Husnpreet, an orphan in MGSN shine in the school exams



Husnpreet has cleared his annual Class 8th exam with 65 % marks. But unlike others, he has no one in the family to celebrate his success with. He lost both his parents when he was just 12 years old and has been living in MGSN since 2022. He lost his mother at a very early age, and his father brought him to MGSN but unfortunately, he lost his father too just a month back this year. With only his old grandmother left at home, he has been feeling a home at MGSN where he has been studying and living with smiles. With your generous support many orphans are living in MGSN and Nishkam left no stone unturned while giving support to such bright minds.

## Awareness camp



A lobby of district-level lawyers led by Advocate Gurpreet Kaur visited MGSN where they conducted an awareness session for senior citizens on their rights and the laws. Their main aim is to impart legal awareness and literacy about basic socio-legal issues which senior citizens encounter in day-to-day life. To create a community where the old, needy, despondent, isolated and unprotected senior citizens of the society live together and share their feelings and console each other to develop a home-like environment.



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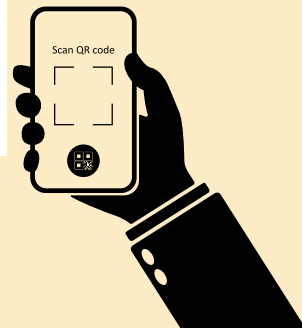
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