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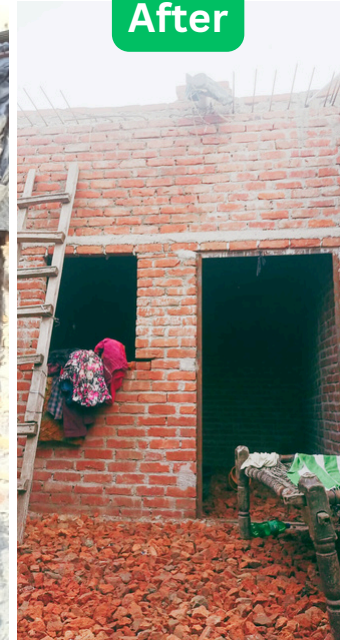


Sheltering Humanity

Last month, our team of Sikligar Education Project was on a visit to Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh to meet the school management, student beneficiaries and their parents. There we saw a collapsed *jhuggi* (Slum Hut) and the Gursikh old man who belongs to the Sikligar community. He was helpless and in tears while describing his life and his family. The fellow has been surviving on a state pension for senior citizens which is just around Rs. 1000/- only. He is a heart patient as well. The family of 3 members were living in shambles. With trembling fingers the 75-year-old man became emotional in sharing that he lost his son last year in an accident, the sole breadwinner of the family working in some lock factory in Aligarh. He was newlywed and his widow was having a baby of just 4 months in her womb when he met with death. His wife is bedridden and fighting with diabetes and a fractured foot. They survive on livestock while selling the milk of goats. The family's tragic condition has been addressed by Nishkam on a serious note and facilitated with empathetic support by constructing a house for them and providing a decent roof to a destitute family. Many thanks to our donors for supporting the mission.



Before



After



The beneficiary family at Aligarh, UP

Let's Rebuild

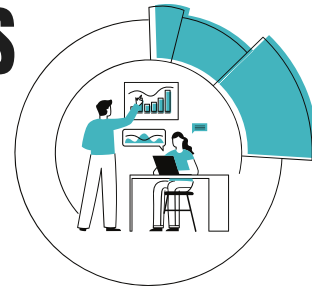
Many families live in shabby, uncovered huts, with no privacy, leaking roofs, and fragile structures. They generally take refuge in the grass and stick huts. Let's change the equations and support in building dignity and homes.

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SUCCESS SPEAKS IMPACT

Vocational Education
Success Story



Making her future in flying colors

Loveneet Kaur is a career-oriented young girl. She completed her graduation and soon after began looking for a job and as per the admin level jobs she wanted to be in, a good typing speed is necessary. She heard about Nishkam from a friend who has already done the typing course. Belonging to a needy family, her father passed away in her early childhood and she was raised in the struggled conditions. She knows her responsibility quite well. She's keen to work in airports and practises to better her typing skills. After completing the course, she applied for opportunities at Delhi Airport and got selected as a Customer Service Associate at IGI Airport Terminal, 3. She's happy and confident after getting the work.



Loveneet Kaur

Customer Service Associate



**IGI Airport
Terminal, 3**

DELHI **INDIRA GANDHI
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Leap to Success



Neeraj Kumar

Head Constable (Ministerial)

**Central Reserve
Police Force (CRPF)**

Neeraj was struck while leaping the professional goals. He's already in the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) and posted in Delhi. Born and raised in Delhi, he's already done his graduation. He was passionate about being in a securities job. He's feeling superb but on the road to progress and is waiting for the new twists and turns, destiny demands his better version and here he feels struck and is given 2 months to upgrade himself. He joined the Nishkam Library to study and for the exam as his new profile at CRPF requires a good typing speed for the job promotion. While spending hours at the Library and Typing Centre, the day of joy arrived when he upgraded to Head Constable (Ministerial). Now he's been using his newly upgraded skills to complete everyday tasks. There are many like Neeraj, who are preparing for government and private jobs but feel compromised in skill sets and here Nishkam's vocational courses come as support not only in upgrading but learning skills for the lifetime as well.

Talent show

The program showcased various activities for students, including devotional hymns, stories, skits, paintings, dances, and songs. Teachers Gurpreet Kaur, Manmeet Singh, and Jasleen Singh were praised for hosting and capturing memories. Elementary school students were assisted in preparations, and non-Punjabi students performed Haryanavi dance and Sanskrit recitals. The grand finale featured Bhangra and Gidda performances. President Narinder Singh ji shared Nishkam's mission and vision, while S. Ranjit Singh presented a PPT on Dr. Narinder Singh Kapany's groundbreaking work. The program emphasized the importance of healthy food and the support of Nishkam staff. (Oct. 26)



Teachers Day Celebration

On this Teachers Day, at Nishkam Coaching Center, teachers were thanked and students took on the role of teachers. It was really enjoyable to learn about the experiences of seasoned educators like Kulbir Bhainji, who has been with us for more than 15 years, and Ravinder Singh Puri ji and Uddeshpal Singh ji, who have been with us for about 20 years. The combination of veterans and young people is giving our centre strength because our youth teachers are tech-savvy and proficient with computers. We apologize for omitting your names, but you are all very dear to our hearts. Respected Teachers, Many blessings.



Poetry Workshop

A children's poetry workshop was organized by the Nishkam Tuition Center. It cannot be emphasized enough how important it is to learn poetry in both; the native tongue and the languages that are taught in our schools. Students who had previously been apprehensive about language were pleasantly surprised to see how enthusiastically they recited poems in both their tongue and other languages. English, Hindi, and Punjabi poetry were read aloud. A particularly lengthy poem that contained the names of Indian months was repeated by the youngsters as a group, yet they did it with astonishing ease.



Painting and Drawing Competition

On September 20-21, 2024, the Nishkam Tuition Center hosted a Painting and Drawing Competition. Learning about our kids' exceptional artistic ability was a delightful surprise. Seeing the ingenuity displayed by both elementary and middle-wing children was really inspiring. Understanding how critical it is to develop such talent, we are dedicated to giving them growth opportunities. Thus, we shall routinely provide training sessions and contests to help them hone their abilities.

Visits for Sikligars



The Nishkam team visited various centres in their respective districts across Haryana and Uttar Pradesh to meet Sikligar students, school officials and their parents. They counselled the students being supported by Nishkam and emphasized the importance of education for them. During their interactions with the parents, they urged them to encourage their children to be regular in going to school. Nishkam has been supporting these children through education and appointed Teachers to assist these students after school hours. Nishkam Sewadars frequently undertake such trips to their bastis and try to coordinate with family beneficiaries throughout India for consistently better performance in their studies.

Rest in Peace

Just recently when the world was in a celebration mood for Diwali, we lost our dedicated moral education teacher S. Surjit Singh on 30th October, 2024. He met with a road accident and left 2 children along with his wife. A sole breadwinner of the family he belongs to the farming community of Gajroula, UP. and was associated with Nishkam for the last 16 years for the education of Sikligar students in Uttar Pradesh.



Late S. Surjit Singh

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