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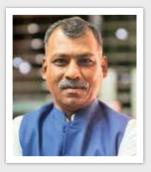
A Wonderful gathering of Citizens Foundation members, remarkable moments, working in multiple sector that all of equal importance to the UK-India relationship. I am so thankful for the opportunities.



British Deputy High Commissioner



FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



I am delighted to announce that Citizens Foundation has successfully completed 27 years of service to society. What started as a personal mission to assist society has transformed into an organization with clear long-term goals, impacting a broader segment of society. Our journey, rooted in a personal drive to help society, has now evolved into a purpose-driven institution focused on specific long-term development objectives. I extend my gratitude to the Central Government, State Governments, PSUs, Corporates, and trusts for their unwavering support in achieving sustainable development goals. We seek your continued support as we advance our initiatives. I dedicate this milestone to the invaluable contributions of all individuals connected with the organization, as their efforts are truly invaluable to us.

Mr. Ganesh Reddy

Secretary Cum CEO

27 YEARS OF SUSTAINABILITY:

Celebrating Milestones and Unity at Citizens Foundation



Citizens Foundation celebrated 27 years of success on February 3rd, coinciding with the birthday festivities of our esteemed Secretary cum CEO, Mr. Ganesh Reddy. It was a joyous day in the office, symbolizing a significant milestone of accomplishment and unity. Here's to the prospect of countless more years ahead, filled with love, laughter, and enduring happiness.

BRIDGING HORIZONS:

The Round Table Sparks Insightful Conversations, and Strengthening Indo-British bond

The Round Table Discussion at Citizens Foundation emanates a vibrant atmosphere as attendees representing diverse backgrounds delve into topics spanning Culture, Heritage, Sports, Economics, Education, Environment, and more. Dr. Andrew Fleming, the British Deputy High Commissioner, his extensive expertise, igniting insightful imparts conversations and illuminating crucial matters. Through interactive dialogues, participants contribute to a dynamic exchange of ideas, cultivating a spirit of cooperation that facilitates the development of innovative solutions and tangible societal advancements. The event played a significant role in strengthening connections between India and Britain.



SBI OJAS SCHOLARSHIP EMPOWERS STUDENTS IN SHAHPUR BLOCK, BHOJPUR DISTRICT, BIHAR



Within the villages of Shahpur Block, Bhojpur District, Bihar, students are paving the way to promising futures through the SBI Ojas Scholarship. Sanjana, MD. Riyaj, and Arzoo stand as shining examples of this journey towards brilliance. With joint efforts of Citizens Foundation and SBI Foundation's Gram Sabha and Sanjeevani Project, holistic development is flourishing across 20 villages within Shahpur Block, Bhojpur District, Bihar.

MR. GANESH REDDY ATTENDED UN GCNI'S 18TH NATIONAL CONVENTION IN NEW





Mr. Ganesh Reddy, Secretary, Citizens Foundation and Joint Secretary, UN Global Compact Network India, shared his insights during the Valedictory session of the UN GCNI's 18th National Convention themed 'Advancing Sustainable India: Forward Faster 2030.' His insights were presented alongside distinguished personalities including Mr. Subash Kumar, former CMD of ONGC Limited, and Ms. Susan Ferguson representing UN Women India, and Dr. Santosh Sahu, Professor at IIT Madras. The valedictory session took place at Hotel Ashoka in New Delhi.



COMMUNITY AWARENESS PROGRAM ON WORLD LEPROSY DAY AT BOKARO

On World Leprosy Day, an awareness program took place at Nirmal Gram, jointly organized by Citizens Foundation and ESL Vedanta as part of the Aarogya Project in Bokaro, Jharkhand. The session saw the participation



of 46 leprosy patients, who received comprehensive information on the condition, including its causes, treatment options, preventive measures, and government initiatives. Additionally, essential items like soap, masks, and medicines were distributed among all attendees. The event was further enhanced by the presence of doctors, Project Coordinators, Block Coordinators, ANMs from the Aarogya team, and representatives from Team Citizens Foundation.

EMPOWERING EDUCATION AND SUSTAINABILITY:

Solar Lamp Distribution in Arunachal Pradesh









Under the initiative of Citizens Foundation and HDFC Bank Parivartan, under HRDP Arunachal Pradesh, solar lamps were distributed to students at Govt. Middle School Dakte Hoj, Arunachal Pradesh. This initiative promises extended study hours, decreased reliance on non-renewable energy sources, and improved health and safety conditions. By addressing immediate education and safety challenges, it also contributes to broader development goals such as health, economic empowerment, and environmental sustainability.

CASE STUDY

Nutritional Kitchen Garden to support Household

Overview:

When the nation had accepted Sikkim as the epitome of organic farming, the community here has taken one step ahead to make themselves self-sustainable at household level. HRDP Sikkim Citizens Foundation supported by HDFC Parivartan then came up with a facilitating activity of setting up Nutritional Kitchen Garden at household level in project villages of Pakyong where 152 households were benefitted. Among them was one household on the highest altitudes of project area in Safung ward of Linkey Parkha GPU in Pakyong which has set a benchmark of success in it.

In Safung village of Thekabong Parakha GPU in Pakyong, Mingma Sherpa (50yo) became the beneficiary of the activity for Nutritional Kitchen Garden at household level. She, with her husband Lakpa Sherpa (54 yo) and three daughters Sangay Lhamu Sherpa (30 yo), Lakpa Doma Sherpa (24 yo) and Diki Shera (16 yo) have a dedicated setup of the household towards farming as livelihood. They are dependent on livestock and agriculture where they have been benefitted by the Nutritional kitchen Garden setup and grown variety of crops in their Kitchen garden namely potato, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, tomato, etc.

Impact:

The facilitating activity of providing tools, seeds, kits ad necessary Equipment for farming to one family has brought a high yield of crops and also self-sufficiency in the family. There are 152 such stories in Pakyong.





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