

Note from our Founder



Proteek Kundu

As we start a new financial year, lets take a look at the year gone by. The FY 23-24 was the fourth year of our operations....

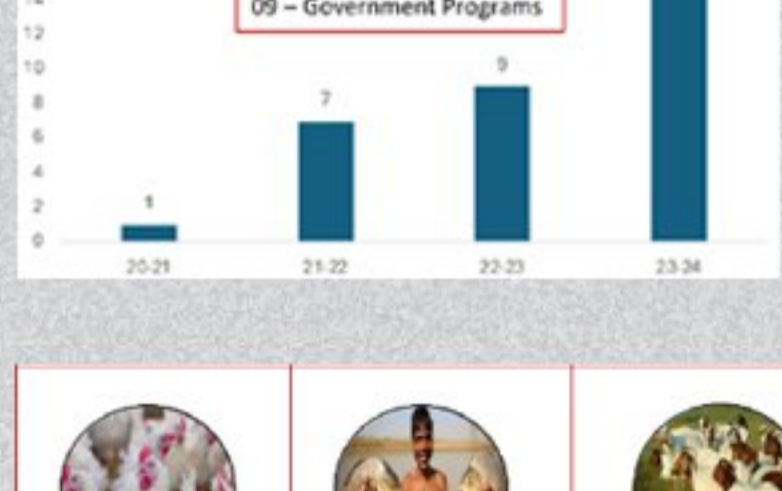
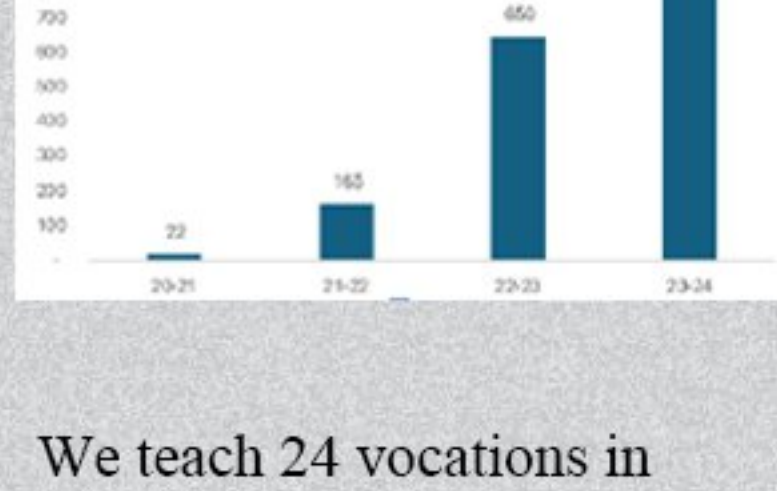
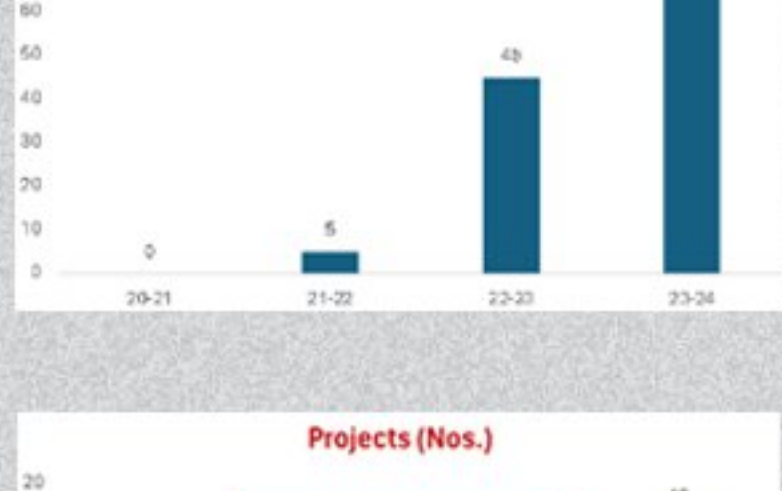
Neevjivan Foundation has been working with a focus on Skill Development & Vocational Training for the tribal community in rural Maharashtra. It is our endeavor to create alternate sources of income and opportunities for sustainable livelihood for the women and youth in their villages, so that they do not have migrate to the cities in search of better opportunities.

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We run a "mini incubation program" in the villages with a five pronged approach to help the beneficiaries start and successfully run micro businesses on their own –

1. Technical training on vocation of choice
2. Module on Entrepreneurship skills
3. Facilitate access to funds
4. Help start the micro business with machinery, raw materials, packaging, branding, etc
5. Support for 10-12 months to stabilize operations including market connect

We are happy to report that over the last four years, we have successfully trained 125 Self Help Groups covering close to 1,800 tribal women and youth and helped in setting up of 35 micro businesses which are running successfully.



We teach 24 vocations in association with our Knowledge Partners – Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Dahanu and ID Tech Foundation, details of which are indicated below -



Impact of our work so far...

No. of farmers, women & youth trained-

1,625 on Vocations of choice

1,925 on Entrepreneurship skills

200+ by us who started their Business

No. of Entrepreneurship Projects funded by Neevjivan Foundation / Other Organizations **45**

No. of beneficiaries whose projects are in pipeline for funding **910+**

No. of Entrepreneurship projects successfully running **35**

Training on Vocational Skills

We currently have ten micro businesses which are at various stages of implementation across villages in Nashik and Jawhar. Some of the groups underwent training on technical aspects of the vocation at the premises of our Knowledge Partner – M/s. Krishi Vigyan Kendra in Dahanu last month.



Session on Poultry Farming



Session on plant grafting for Nursery



Session on Vermi-compost Making



Session on Kulhad making

In addition to the above, we had trainers for clay cup making (kulhad) coming over from Rajkot to train the women in Jhaap and Aina villages in Jawhar.

Training in Modgaon village in Dahanu taluka



Training in Chehadi village in rural Nashik



Training in Kogda village in Jawhar taluka

This is the time of the year wherein we cover as much ground as possible to mobilize the self help groups across villages (before monsoons set in) and train them on vocations of choice and also teach them the basics of entrepreneurship skills. Continuing from where we left in March, we covered 20 Self Help Groups across Jawhar, Dahanu and rural areas of Nashik in the month of April.

These groups will be taking up Poultry Farming, Goat Farming, Agarbathi Making, Food Processing, Patrawali Making and many other vocations in due course. Do watch out this space for more.....

Customized orders for Corporates



One of our ardent supporters and CSR Partner recently celebrated their Annual Day and ordered a sizable number of chiku hampers to be distributed among their guests. Each hamper comprising of chiku chips and chiku powder was customized as per their need.

We will be happy to customize orders for any corporate. In case of any requirements for corporate gifting (customized), please write to us at support@neevjivan.org

Financial Literacy Program by volunteers



Financial literacy is a very important aspect of our journey with our entrepreneurs because it is very important for them to know the avenues of saving their money once they start earning from their micro-businesses.

We recently had volunteers from M/s. Tresvista talking to our entrepreneurs who run their own poultry farm and patrawali making center in Jawhar.

Stakeholder Speaks



Members of Hirkani Mahila Bachat Gath, Vill. Shiroshi, Tal. Jawhar, Dist. Paighar

“While Neevjivan Foundation helped us in procurement of the machines and raw materials, they have also trained us on making the plates and bowls with leaves which are locally available... Now, they are also helping us in finding customers and selling this product”.

