

Annual Report 2019-20



Ekal Abhiyan



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एकल विद्यालयों की संख्या एक लाख तक पहुंचने पर एकल संगठन को बहुत-बहुत बधाई। ग्रामीण एवं आदिवासी क्षेत्रों में शिक्षा की अलख जगाने का यह सतत और समर्पित प्रयास सराहनीय है।

मुझे खुशी है कि 2022 में देश की आज़ादी की 75वीं वर्षगांठ तक मैंने एकल विद्यालयों की संख्या बढ़ाकर एक लाख तक करने का जो आग्रह किया था, उसे संगठन ने समय से पहले ही पूरा कर दिखाया है।

शिक्षा समावेशी विकास की कुंजी है। शिक्षा ही विकसित समाज की कल्पना को साकार करती है। शिक्षा व्यक्ति का विकास कर, उसे समाज और राष्ट्र की प्रगति का एक योग्य माध्यम बनाती है। निश्चित रूप से 'एक शिक्षक एक विद्यालय' के अपने अनूठे मॉडल के जरिये सुदूर ग्रामीण और जनजातीय अंचलों में शिक्षा के प्रसार में उल्लेखनीय योगदान देते एकल विद्यालयों की भूमिका प्रेरक है।

एकल संगठन इसी ऊर्जा और उत्साह के साथ नए भारत के निर्माण में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाता रहेगा, इस विश्वास के साथ संगठन को भावी प्रयासों के लिए शुभकामनाएं।


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FTS, Kolkata team greeting the President of India during his visit to Kolkata on 30th September 2019

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Foreword from Chairman

Dear Ekal family

It is with a great sense of pride and satisfaction that I write to you about the health of our beloved organisation in the present times.

The year gone by has been momentous, as you all know. We achieved our cherished goal of operating schools in 100K tribal and rural villages across the entire Bharat. The landmark event was celebrated in Songarh, Gujarat in the presence of Hon'ble CM Shri Vijay Rupani and addressed virtually by Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi. A very befitting programme to commemorate the occasion.

The new year, however, started as a dampener with the worldwide onset of the Covid-19 pandemic. Like other organisations, we too felt the effect severely and were compelled to temporarily close our schools.

Our organisation rose to the occasion and under the able leadership of our Mentor Mananiya Shyamji Gupta, the entire team geared up to connect the cities and villages under the banner of Vichar Kranti. The results were completely outstanding. For the first time ever, we achieved our long standing goal of bridging the urban rural gap!

The highlights of this achievement were unbelievable. We succeeded in protecting about 3,50,000 villages from the Covid-19 virus by creating a Sena of 1.5 million youth. Over one million migrants were tested before allowing them to enter their villages after suitable quarantine process. Awareness about the Ayurvedic potion, Yoga and immunity building efforts were created in all the villages. We

were duly recognised by the Hon'ble Health Minister Shri Harshvardhanji for this enormous support to the Government.

Our tailoring trainees took the challenge of producing over 3 million masks for distribution to the front-line warriors and the villagers. Food packets were distributed to over 2.3 million people besides many other required services from time to time.

What Next?

Our Vision 2025 outlines the following:

- Continue and consolidate the quality in the 1,00,000 schools and add organic farming, Sanskar Kendra and sports clubs
- Increase the number of GRCs to 27, IVD in 50 blocks
- Increase the number of EoWs to 85
- Create 100 satellite skill centres
- Cover 6,000 villages under the anaemia eradication and 6,000 under Telemedicine
- Achieve all the above with 50% local support

The goals are lofty, but the enthusiasm is immense. I am confident that together we will scale these heights and raise the flag of Ekal at the pinnacle.

Wishing you a safe, healthy and active year ahead in all your endeavours,

Pradeep Goyal



Report of President

The challenges of sustaining achievement of lifetime ambitious goal and that too with impactful delivery are enormous for any service organisation and Ekal is beset now with these very challenges. The year 2019 saw the momentous event of accomplishment of target of reaching 100,000 villages, an audaciously ambitious goal set by Ekal leaders. This is a record achievement by any standard, to run daily primary schools throughout length and breadth of a mammoth country of size of Bharat, that too in remote areas of forests, hills and countryside. The journey of 31 years to reach from 60 villages to 100,000 villages has been momentous, torturous and bumpy, yet extremely satisfying, in service to Bharat Mata. The phenomenal growth achieved over last 3 years in particular, from 52,864 schools in December 2016 to 100,000 in December 2019, can be equated with last mile gusto in a marathon, at phenomenal CAGR of 24%.

Parivartan Kumbh, a five yearly event of taking stock of past, and laying path for next 5 years, held in February 2020 immediately after the cited historical achievement, truly addressed these challenges. The deliberations and resolutions made relate to focusing on enhancing the impact of services by improving their quality on ground, rapid growth in all services but sparing primary schools, and preparing for passing on leadership to next generation.

The year witnessed growth in E-shiksha, an initiative of digital education by tablets in Ekal Vidyalayas, which has now graduated to a project from pilot. The number of schools equipped with tablets increased from 180 to 1,170 during the year. Similarly, the number of places being served by Gramothan projects increased significantly. Ekal on Wheels, the mobile digital vans, increased from 19 to 29. Infrastructure for farmers and skills training got a boost by addition of new Gramothan Resource Centres at Khargone, Hoshangabad, Gajraula and Bharatpur, taking the tally to 15 such centres. Coverage of new areas for Integrated Village Development (IVD) continued as well as opening up of

Skill Centres at 7 new places. The hallmark of the year was operating 9 skill centres under PMKVY, which required upgrading the infrastructure and better quality of trainers. The growth in number of villages served with Sanskar Kendras grew too, moderately albeit. Health services got boost through consolidation of Tele-Medicine programme and addition of a new service, mobile Eye diagnostic van.

Improving and updating skills of trainers has always been a challenge for Ekal. A central training school, Ekal Prashikshan Kendra, became operative this year at Kolkata where trainers and master trainers of all verticals are being catered. This step will go a long way in enhancing the skills of the senior trainers, for managerial and subject related both. This will be pivotal in coming years in endeavours to improve quality and enhance the impact.

Ekal Yuva, the youth wing of Ekal became active this year and started expanding to new cities, preparing ground for team building to take responsibilities to carry the baton.

Covid corona virus stuck towards end of the year affecting the operations adversely. The normal field activities came to halt since middle of March and the pandemic presented various kinds of challenges, financial and operational. While the organisation responded very swiftly and efficiently to the need of the hour, the financial challenges will have impact for some time in that the fund mobilisation has become quite challenging. This has opened up new vistas looking for means of such mobilisation too.

The year started with great enthusiasm which made it possible to accomplish the splendid results, but ended at somewhat gloomy note due to pandemic. Yet, the strong teamwork and sheer commitment has been guiding the organisation to tide over the challenges and steer through the path laid down at Parivartan Kumbh. The outlook is certainly bright.

Bajrang Bagra

INTRODUCTION

EKAL MODEL FOR INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT



Ekal Abhiyan; a movement started more than three decades ago has been successful in reaching out to most deprived tribal and rural brethren in remotest villages of India. The movement embarked upon five pronged programmes to achieve Gandhi's vision of Gram Swaraj: literacy, health & hygiene, rural entrepreneurship, cultural values and empowerment.

Manifold contribution of Ekal Abhiyan has resulted in a rapid scaling of an important milestone in its journey. It is a matter of pride that the Hon'ble President of India alongwith the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India presented the highest award for service organisations 'Gandhi Peace Prize' for the year 2017' to Ekal Abhiyan Trust, for its contribution in providing Education for Rural and Tribal Children in remote areas pan India.

Gandhiji's principle of basic education - 'Buniyadi Shiksha' has found place in 'Ekal Vidyalayas' - Ekal's key programme for primary education, started in 1988 from Jharkhand, which has now spread all over India.

Ekal Vidyalayas - 'One Teacher Schools' ensure functional literacy among all children and further link them to formal schooling. These schools provide free, non-formal education to 25-30 children in the age group of 6 to 14 years, operate for 2.5 hours to 3 hours a day, for about 22 days a month throughout the year. Acharya (Teacher) is essentially from the same village. Ekal imparts informal primary education to 27,82,396 students enrolled as on 31st March 2020 in 1,02,090 villages in 26 states of India & in Nepal. It has almost 50 percent girl-child participation.

Despite several villages now having Government primary schools under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and Right to Education Act (RTE), the Ekal schools continue to be the main source of basic education, for reason of

other schools either not having teachers at all or if posted, the attendance of teachers in such remote areas is generally very poor. Almost 90% of Ekal students further pursue education in nearby Government Schools, continuing in class 4th or 5th. The dropout rate of Ekal students is relatively very low compared to other students. Several students enrolled in Government schools in higher standards too attend Ekal schools for reasons of relatively better quality.

In addition to reading and writing, Ekal children are taught basic arithmetic, general knowledge, basic science, ethics, health and hygiene, crafts, culture and even functional digital knowledge. Emphasis is given

VISION

To facilitate the process of empowering rural and tribal communities based on the concept of social, economic and gender equality.

MISSION

Holistic development of nation through empowerment of Tribal and Rural communities with Education and Skills, Health, Agriculture and Non-Farm Rural Entrepreneurship.

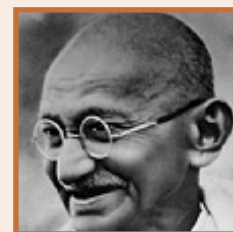
on making the children a complete man or woman, having their mind both analytical and creative with a strong physique with the help of Yoga and sports. Ekal's goal is to make responsible citizens, aware of rich cultural heritage of Bharat with a sense of citizenship, patriotism and self-respect earned through self-reliance.

Ekal Abhiyan started with Ekal Vidyalaya, is a movement involved in integrated and holistic development of rural & tribal India. The main activity undertaken by the movement is to run one-teacher schools in the remotest rural and tribal villages to take the education to every child. The overriding philosophy of Ekal Movement is to take a holistic approach of social and economic development of tribal and rural communities. Other projects of Ekal besides education are as follows:

Ekal's Arogya Yojna is actively engaged in spreading awareness for cleanliness through Prabhat Pheris, wall-writing, counselling and training for maintaining waste-pits and soak-pits in each household. It also involves counselling of villagers for healthy life style, cordial living with nature and preventive methods for

"My idea of Gram Swaraj is that it is a complete republic, independent of its neighbour for its own vital needs and yet interdependent for many in which dependence is necessity".

Mahatma Gandhi



health and hygiene. Healthcare education has considerably reduced the occurrence of diseases in general and improved maternal and child health in particular in the villages where Ekal is providing services. All these have been achieved by spreading awareness about usage of easily available herbs and spices under the home remedies programme, motivating rural women to attend most minor ailments promptly and without cost with preventive and curative measures.

Special project to eradicate anaemia was taken up with females in age group of 12 to 45 years and children of 2 to 10 years of age and covered 1056 villages with a

Ekal's Five Fold Education Model



BASIC EDUCATION

1. Reading
2. Writing
3. Arithmetic

HEALTHCARE EDUCATION

1. Personal Hygiene
2. Sanitation
3. Disease Identification
4. Nutrition
5. Maternal and Childcare

EMPOWERMENT EDUCATION

1. Heritage Awareness
2. Government Functioning
3. Constitutional Rights
4. Voting Importance
5. Panchyati Raj

DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION

1. Vermicompost
2. Plantation
3. Water Management
4. Vegetable Cultivation
5. Cattle Care
6. Self Help Group

ETHICS & VALUE EDUCATION

1. Social Behaviour
2. Dedication for Society
3. National Integration
4. Love for Country

Journey at a Glance - in numbers

(As on March 31, 2020)

| Activity | Unit | 2012 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Anchal (Distt.) | No. | 196 | 223 | 226 | 233 | 287 | 327 | 358 |
| Ekal Vidyalaya | No. | 36,783 | 51,537 | 52,497 | 55,646 | 68,348 | 86,401 | 102,090 |
| Students | No. | 10,77,199 | 13,96,471 | 14,45,512 | 14,79,375 | 18,69,221 | 23,40,902 | 27,82,396 |
| Sanskar Village | No. | 30,744 | 44,395 | 49,134 | 49,419 | 54,601 | 62,865 | 69,406 |
| Sanskar Rath | No. | 18 | 24 | 23 | 25 | 30 | 39 | 46 |
| GRC | No. | | | | 10 | 10 | 14 | 16 |
| Skill Centre | No. | | | | 10 | 16 | 22 | 60 |
| Ekal on Wheels | No. | | | 1 | 3 | 10 | 19 | 29 |
| Arogya Village | No. | | | | 938 | 895 | 878 | 1,110 |
| Expenses | Rs. in Crore | | | 91.81 | 99.05 | 112.39 | 141.50 | 170.82 |

trained health worker functioning in each of these villages. Tele-medicine project has been started in Odisha, Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh. Close to 3,000 medical professionals support these services as volunteers.

Ekal's Gramothan Yojna aims to develop 'agriculture based on cow and local industry based on agriculture'. Ekal is engaged in empowering rural communities in developing rural entrepreneurship so as to check urban migration. This is achieved through empowering the farmers by training them in producing organic compost and pest repellants and avoiding use of harmful chemicals and fertilizers. Gramothan runs several centers imparting various skills to youth with orientation to become entrepreneurs in their own areas. The noteworthy initiative is digital education in the centers for those who can come and through mobile vans visiting village to village, for those who cannot afford to come to the centers for whatsoever reasons.

Ekal also runs various programmes under its **Shri Hari Satsang** wing to impart '**Sanskar**' (values) and to make the tribal communities aware of their cultural heritage and values, social harmony, social and gender equality, de-addiction and self-reliance.

Empowering rural communities with knowledge of constitutional duties and rights, democratic process, Government schemes for their development and welfare, tools to ensure good governance, encouraging for 100% polling and participating actively in all community affairs are activities undertaken by Gram Swaraj Manch of Ekal.

'E-Shiksha' education by tablets in Ekal Vidyalayas, uses the technology in full measure for enhancing quality of education and simultaneously preparing rural students for digital usages.

The model of **volunteerism** is the core strength of Ekal. The team of Sevavarti Karyakartas devoting full time for a period ranging from 5 years to 30 years is backbone of Ekal operations. Such team has now swelled upto 8,176 as on 31st March, 2020. Besides, Vanprasthi, Gram and Nagar Sangathan Karyakartas in large number, crossing 8 lakh, sacrifice their resources of time and funds regularly. Financial support for all Ekal activities comes from community and none from the Government. All these put together denote development of Trusteeship in a more practical and sustainable manner.

Ekal has synthesized the social aspects of Gandhian development into its processes and programmes, as summarised here under:

Gender Equality: Ekal has made woman a change agent at the grassroot as depicted by the statistics in the box:

Women Empowerment through Ekal

Females constitute:

- ▲ 50% of students in Ekal Vidyalaya
- ▲ 72% Ekal teachers
- ▲ 100% health workers
- ▲ 100% students in tailoring
- ▲ 22% whole time volunteers
- ▲ 40% IT literacy trainees in GRCs
- ▲ 30% trainees under Ekal on wheels
- ▲ 15% farmer trainees for organic farming
- ▲ 60% trainees of nutritional garden
- ▲ 35% Sanskar volunteers
- ▲ 40% participants in weekly Pathshala
- ▲ 60% participants of Sanskar Rath and Katha

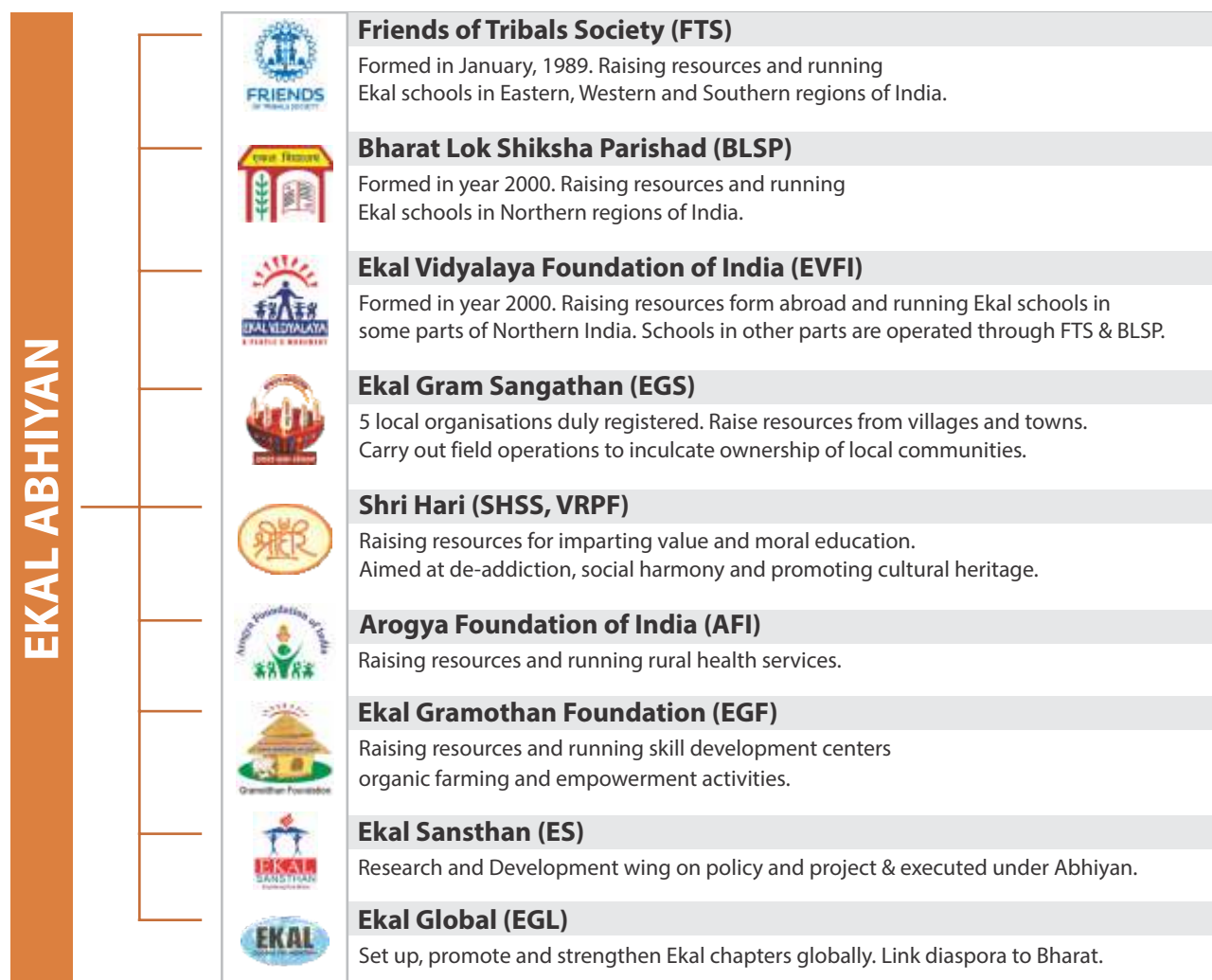
Social Harmony: It is one of the major subjects for 'Weekly Pathshala' in villages. All gatherings, in schools,

skill centres, weekly Pathshala, Rath, Katha and others are strictly without any discrimination based on caste, creed or tribe. Sanskar Karyakartas, mostly from so called backward classes, enjoy high respect like a preacher when delivering Katha and leading weekly Pathshala.

Respect for all faiths: Ekal emphasises through its school curriculum, student enrolment, volunteers' selection and other operating practices on equal respect for all religious faiths. Due emphasis is placed on local cultural heritage to consolidate sense of pride and self- respect. The fact that Ekal Vidyalaya has been operating in 480 villages of Kashmir valley, which is exclusively inhabited by Muslims and also in several villages of Tamil Nadu and Kerala which are predominantly Muslim or Christian, is a testimony to such truly secular practice.

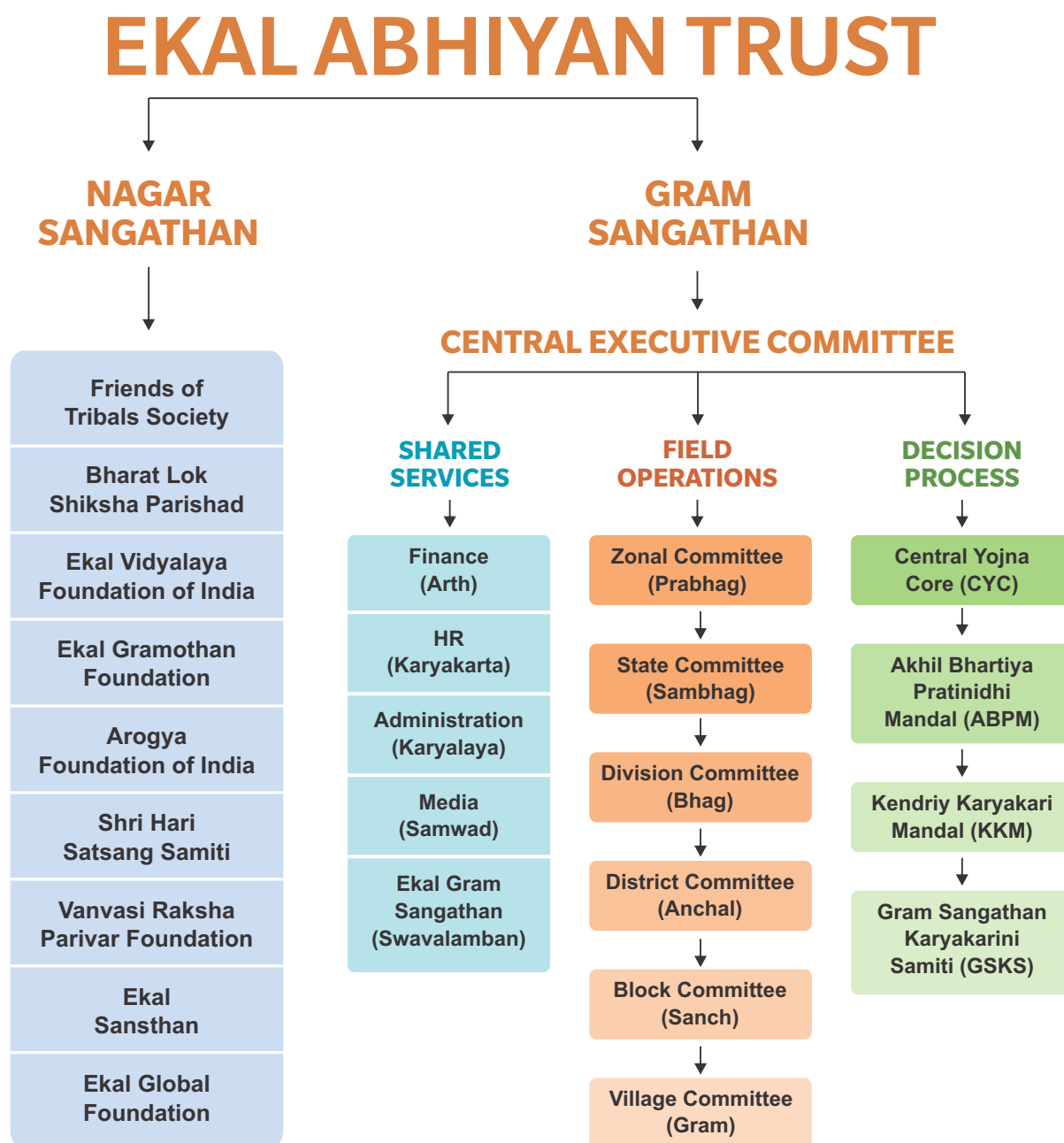
Non-Violence: Most of heartland of Bharat in tribal belt is infected with left extremism waging violent war against society. Ekal operations are located in most of such areas and other conflict zones on international borders. The waning influence of the extremists is another testimony to Ekal's efforts over three decades. True that there have been several other factors responsible for such improvement like efforts by Government and other civil organisations, but it is Ekal only which has been present on ground in each village on daily basis and working in tandem with communities taking them away from violence. All above is a true testimony to such a prestigious honour being bestowed on Ekal- the true follower of Gandhian philosophy for Integrated Rural Development.

Functional structure of Ekal Abhiyan comprises of its affiliate bodies as depicted



EKAL ABHIYAN ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW

Ekal Abhiyan Trust is the apex body, registered under Indian Trusts Act, laying down policy and planning framework. The field operations are undertaken by its organizations which are independently registered autonomous bodies under Societies Act or Indian Trusts Act. These follow the curriculum designed by experts together with the protocol on training, supervision, organization, accounting and compliances as decided by the Trust.



EKAL'S REACH & IMPACT AT A GLANCE



Ekal Vidyalaya reach as on 31st March, 2020

| | | | |
|---|--|---|--|
| Schools (In as many Villages) 102,090 | Students Total Numbers 27,82,396 | Girls Total Numbers 13,90,728 | Boys Total Numbers 13,91,668 |
|---|--|---|--|

BENEFICIARIES OF EKAL VIDYALAYAS

(in remote rural and tribal villages)

Direct

- 2.8 Mn children enrolled currently
- 6.8 Mn Ekal pass out students

Indirect

- 14 Mn family members of present enrolled
- 34 Mn family members of passed out

EKAL'S COMMUNITY REACH

- 8,176 Whole time field Volunteers
- 62,000 whole time professional city volunteers
- 7,51,234 Part-time volunteers serving in committees
- 593 Part-time volunteers outside India

EKAL'S GEOGRAPHICAL REACH

1,13,199 Villages | 26 States
3,527 Blocks | 358 Districts

EKAL'S EXPANSION IN NEW AREAS

(Tribal, Border and Sensitive) during 2019-20
16,137 Villages | 543 Blocks | 31 Districts

KUMBH DEPICTING TRANSFORMATION

A Congregation, Parivartan Kumbh, was organised on 17th & 18th February, 2020 in Ambedkar Auditorium, Lucknow to apprise the nation of the transformation Ekal has been able to bring about. Ekal, a symbol of enhanced capabilities, skills, self-reliance and confidence of tribal and rural communities, has been organising such congregations at intervals of 5 years. This epoch-making event was made successful by Ekal volunteers from cities and villages working together, with leading role well played by Lucknow chapter of BLSP.

The exhibition arranged outside the auditorium brought out the various transformations live in all spheres of village life. The number of delegates was the highest this time at 2,921 from Bharat and abroad. The culturally warm welcome by female volunteers in traditional attire of Uttarakhand, putting sandalwood Tilak on forehead while singing folk prayers mesmerised everyone before they got into the gorgeous auditorium. The subject wise separate sessions, all compered by tribal volunteers, brought out the transformation Ekal has ushered in social, cultural and economic lives of rural communities. A book narrating the journey of the movement over 3 decades was also unveiled.

The valedictory session was a bit emotional in the sense that the baton of leadership was handed over to next generation by the present one. The future plans were unveiled by the young leaders. The sessions presented a galaxy of speakers, from S/Shri Yogi Adityanath- the Chief Minister of UP, Raj Nath Singh - Defence Minister, Dr Krishna Gopal- Joint Secretary of Sangh to Pt. Vijay Shankar Mehta and Pt. Ramesh Bhai Ojha, congratulating Ekal volunteers for the successful movement. The delegates from abroad carried the fond memories of meeting thousands of field volunteers and city volunteers, old acquaintances and forming new ones too.



SECTION 1

EKAL VIDYALAYA



Ekal Abhiyan is a people's movement based on the fundamental principle that the solution to linking the deprived man in the last row to nation's progress lays in education. Basic primary education to children in remote villages manifested in the form of 'Ekal Vidyalayas'; form the foundation stone for all Ekal interventions in the village.

'Ekal Vidyalayas' or 'One Teacher Schools' are run in remote rural and tribal villages to provide free, non-formal primary education to children and operate for about 22 days a month throughout the year.

Key features of Ekal Vidyalayas:

- One Village, One School, One Teacher
- 25 - 30 students of 6 to 14 years age group
- Flexible 2.5 to 3 hours school timing
- School runs under a tree/in temple/in village community courtyard or at teacher's home
- Teacher - a local youth preferably a female, with minimum 10th grade education
- Students divided into three gats (groups) based on their capability on the basis of primary evaluation
- School curriculum covers reading, writing, arithmetic, general knowledge, basic science, health and hygiene awareness, moral education, local sports, Yoga, craft and creativity
- Activity based learning through games, songs and dances
- Children imbibe ethical values & Indian ethos
- Ownership taken by Village Committee which makes school functional and sustainable

ACTIVITY BASED PEDAGOGY (3 Hours Daily)

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Prayer | 15 Minutes |
| Language | 30 Minutes |
| Arithmetic | 30 Minutes |
| General Knowledge and Basic Science | 30 Minutes |
| Songs/Stories | 10 Minutes |
| Drama/Handicraft/ Indoor Games | 30 Minutes |
| Outdoor Games/Yoga | 30 Minutes |
| National Anthem | 05 Minutes |

- Ekal acts as a facilitator, management and control lies in hands of local community
- Local youth as teacher reduces the risk of absenteeism, faced otherwise in Government schools
- Local teacher teaches in familiar dialect, easy for village children to relate to
- Teacher attends training sessions every month, undergoes monthly evaluations and refresher courses
- Provides support education to the children who are enrolled in formal schools
- Students continue further studies in formal schools in standard 4 to 6 onward.

Ekal Vidyalayas ensure the holistic development of a child and not merely make them literate. Inculcation of 'Sanskar' - good human values in children is the essence of Ekal's education model. The values include respect for their parents, teachers, elders, care for nature and surroundings and pride for the Nation and the culture. These children would in turn become 'change leaders' in their respective families and village communities by spreading the importance of education, removal of social evils like alcohol addiction and superstition, encouraging environment conservation by tree plantations, inculcating sensitivity towards maintaining the village surroundings clean and hygienic.

Primary objective of Ekal Vidyalaya is to ensure functional literacy among children of the village. Functional education is imparted to village community through weekly adult schools or 'Saptahik Pathshalas' which covers healthcare education, empowerment, development and value education.

RATIONALE OF EKAL VIDYALAYAS: FILLING THE GAP IN EDUCATION IN REMOTE RURAL & TRIBAL POCKETS

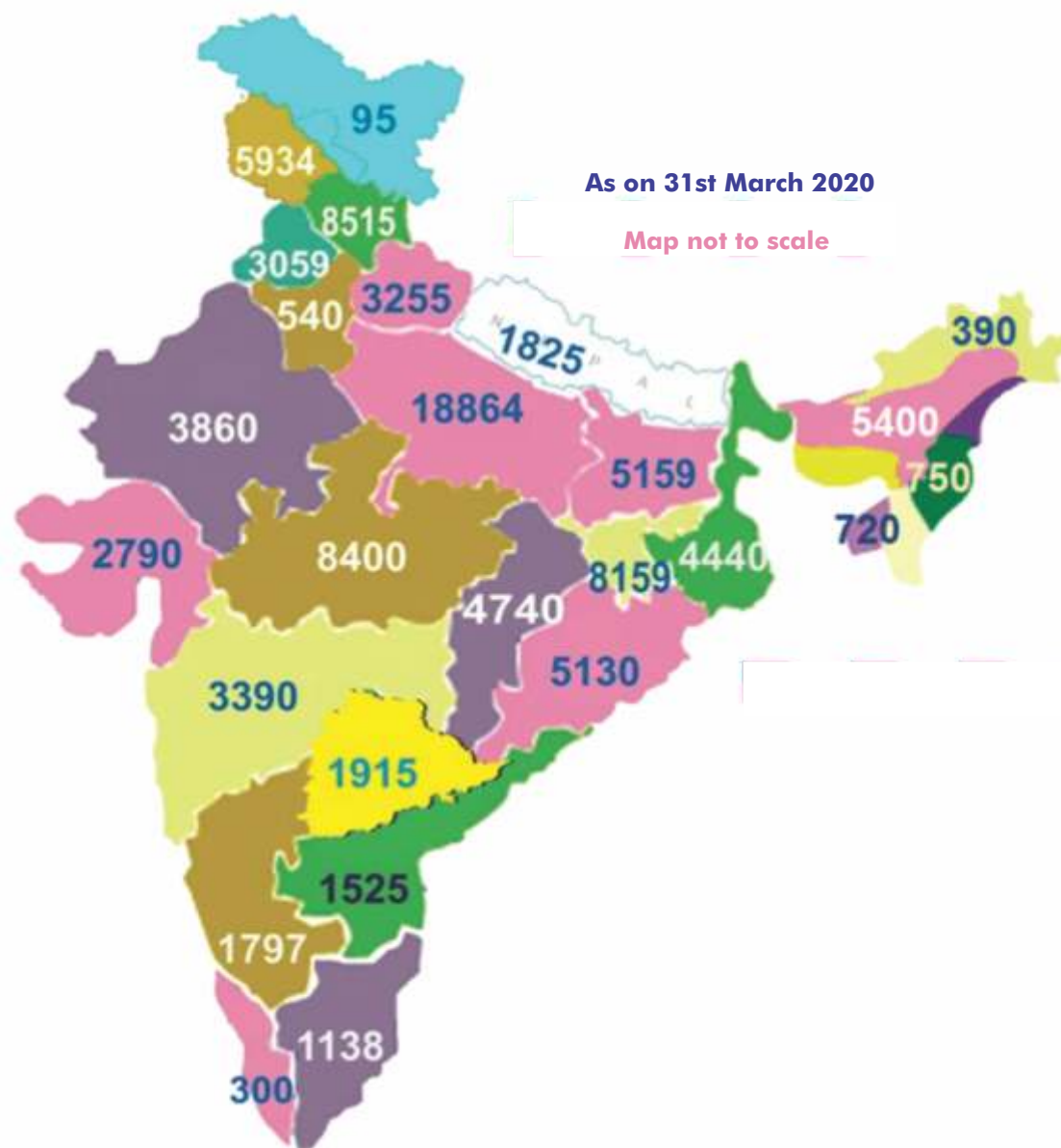
Government through *Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan* and RTE has increased both the schools and enrolment of children. There are however still remote rural areas, especially forest and hilly regions where there are scattered hamlets, still not having access to education, the Government school being located in Panchayat Village only at a distance from these hamlets and unapproachable locations. There are serious issues relating to the quality of education and school dropouts in areas where Government has managed to reach.

Where formal schools do exist, they are either irregular or non-functional due to non-availability or poor attendance of teachers, as most are not from the nearby locality. This in turn results in poor quality and performance of children. Mid-day meal is mostly the only attraction to come to such schools. Involvement of rural children in household activities like cattle rearing, taking care of siblings, fetching water and wood, participation in agriculture or other economic activities make them eventually dropout of school owing to inflexible timings of formal schools. Ekal fills in these gaps.

EKAL VIDYALAYA OPERATIONS AND FUNDING

Ekal serves tribal and rural communities sans any consideration of caste, creed, faith, religion, sex or any other classification. All 480 Ekal schools in Kashmir valley have local teachers, trainers and students exclusively from local community. Most of students in Ekal Schools are from SC/ST/OBC categories. About half of Ekal schools are located in areas affected by various kinds of extremism like Maoism in Jharkhand, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Odisha, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, Naga, Bodo and Kuki extremism in north-east and separatism in Kashmir. Large parts of the remaining villages too lie in conflict zones being on international borders.

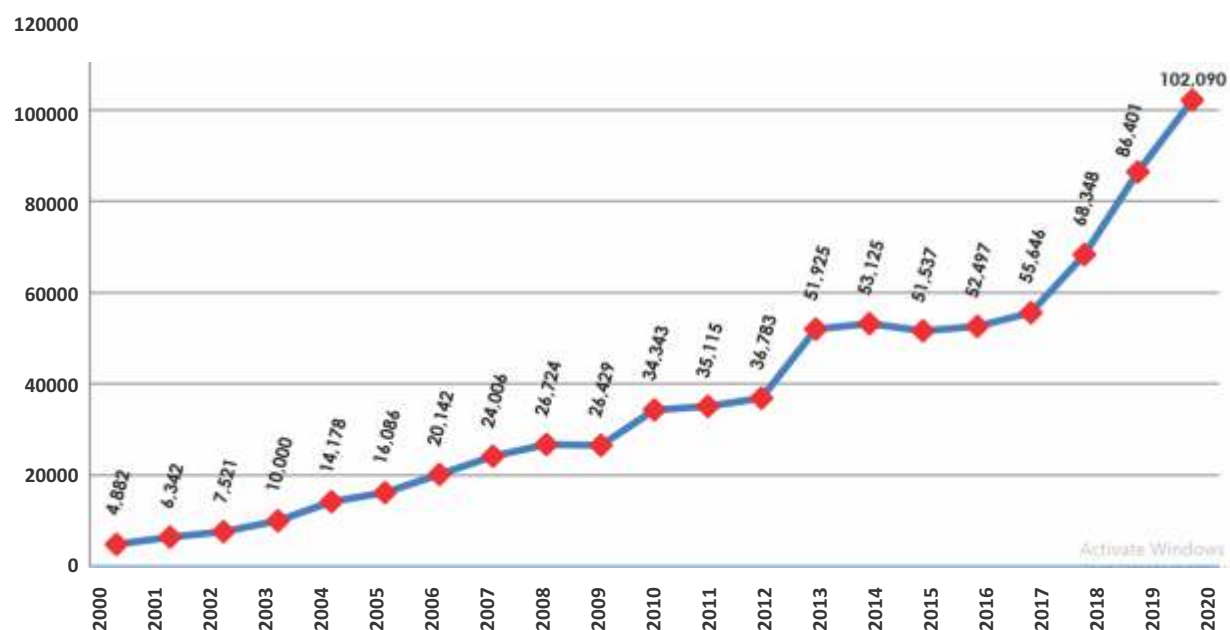
102,090 Ekal Vidyalayas Educating 27,82,396 Children



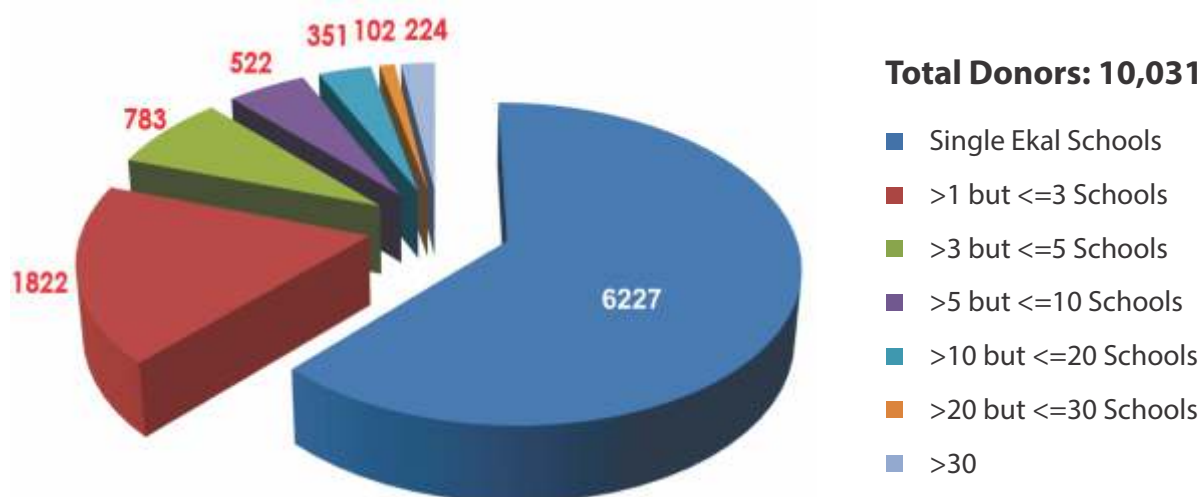
Ekal Abhiyan Growth Rate and Data Chart

| YEAR | 2019-20 | | 2018-19 | | GROWTH | |
|--------------|-----------------|---------|---------------|---------|------------|---------|
| Organization | Funded | Managed | Funded | Managed | Funded | Managed |
| FTS | 39,734 | 55,303 | 32,536 | 46,176 | 22% | 20% |
| BLSP | 17,965 | 22,670 | 14,813 | 19,012 | 21% | 19% |
| EVFI | 37,517 | 17,243 | 32,459 | 12,350 | 16% | 25% |
| GS | 6,874 | 6,874 | 6,593 | 8,863 | 4% | -22% |
| TOTAL | 1,02,090 | | 86,401 | | 18% | |

Year Wise School Growth as on 31st March, 2020



Number of supporters as per size of support for Ekal Schools in 2019-20



The grassroots support by individuals has been at the base of sustainability of growing scale of Ekal activities, as brought out by above distribution chart. No support from the Government or from multi-lateral agencies has been secured, making Ekal truly a Peoples' Movement.

EKAL PASSES THE MILESTONE OF 100k VIDYALAYAS



Ekal's dream of reaching 100,000 villages with Ekal Vidyalaya was realised on 6th December 2019 when 100,000th school was inaugurated by Shri Vijay Rupani, Chief Minister, Gujarat in a Gala event organised in village Kasudi, Songarh, Gujarat. Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India addressed the large gathering through video conferencing and lauded the role of Ekal Abhiyan for this exemplary achievement.

A large number of leading volunteers of Ekal Abhiyan from all over Bharat and a few from USA assembled to witness and enjoy this historic and proud moment. Thousands of rural and tribal folks from hundreds of nearby villages were present to mark the occasion.



Ekal has passed through many ups and downs in its long tumultuous journey of three decades but the recent years have recorded an unprecedented upsurge in growth of schools, recording a quantum jump in three years from 53,000 to 100,000. The challenge was daunting but accepted and delivered by a dedicated team formed for the specific objective. The continued support from Nagar Sangthans in meeting the increased need for funding played a pivotal role in achieving this.

The growth has been focused on the regions which were tribal, border and other sensitive areas. This posed several challenges, the key being the limited availability of dedicated volunteers to work in such remote and difficult areas but with the help of support organisations, it could be overcome.

Achievement of goal, despite of all odds, has once again filled the volunteers with a new zeal. Passing this milestone was a source of great satisfaction and joy in the Parivartan Kumbh, held a few months later.



SECTION 2

EKAL GRAMOTHAN FOUNDATION

A Step to Empower Rural Bharat



Vision: To empower the rural and tribal villages by imparting skills and training, promoting micro-entrepreneurship and creating economic opportunities and thus by bringing holistic and integrated development.

Mission: Holistic Development of remote tribal and rural villages:

- Farming with Profit
- Self-Sustainable Farming
- Reduction in Migration to Urban Cities

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We want the education by which character is formed, strength of mind is increased, the intellect is expanded, and by which one can stand on one's own feet.

- Swami Vivekananda

- Self-Employment for Youth
- Women Empowerment
- Food Security and Nutrition in Villages

An Ideal GRC: GRCs are opened in those areas where Ekal Vidyalayas are already functional. Currently, there are 16 GRCs. Some of these are fully developed while some are in the early stages of development. Apart from these, 7 GRCs are in pipeline. The ultimate aim is to have one GRC in each of the Bhag (Division comprising of 4-5 districts).

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Books are the means by which we build bridges between cultures.

- Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan

Gramothan Resource Center (GRC)

Skill

Livelihoods

Entrepreneurship

Market Linkage

R&D

NRM

100 Villages

Agriculture

Non Farm Activities

2,000 Families

Tribal

Rural Poor

Women Empowerment: In India, female workforce participation rate (WPR) is 31.8%, which is less than half of the male WPR. In many States, female WPR is around 15% only. India could boost its GDP substantially by 2025, if female workforce participation rate is improved by 10% points. This will require bringing 68 million more women into the non-agriculture labour force. Ekal Gramothan Foundation believes that empowering women can impact the growth of a village in unimaginable ways. It can create an eco-system of self-sustainable and holistic development.



Tailoring Centres: The idea is to create women micro-entrepreneurs in rural and tribal villages and connect them to urban consumers. The whole programme has been designed in the hub-and-spoke structure so that it can be scaled with a broad base. Rural/tribal women are trained at the main centre i.e. GRC. Out of these trained women, if some women opt to open a spoke training center in their villages to start tailoring, EGF provides them initial resources i.e. machines etc. on a soft loan basis. Many of these women start training other women of their villages.

Handicraft: What can be better than a profession that provides economic opportunities and scope for creativity? This is the reason that many women opt for handicraft training. EGF has started market research and is confident of solving the problem. At present, there are 32 master tailoring centers and 21 spoke centers operational, whereas, 5 more are in pipeline. In addition to this, 21 satellite centers were also opened in villages. WEC are opened at GRC, IVD, SDC or can be standalone. Total 962 trainees are trained so far.



Sustainable Farming: EGF promotes 'Organic Farming' and 'Bio-diversity' and encourages farmers to use innovative yet sustainable practices. Regular training are conducted at GRCs' demonstration fields and farmers' own fields. Making farming profitable and sustainable in long term is the most important focus area of EGF, apart from empowering population engaged in agriculture. Total 68,592 farmers at different GRC centers are trained so far through the project of Gramothan. Motto is: "Food without poison and Farming with profit".



Organic Poshan Vatikas: Gramothan Yojna (GMY) is working for providing permanent solution of malnutrition through establishment of nutritional garden in villages. It is a holistic concept in which we establish a small nutritional garden in every household on a small piece of land in vicinity of the house so that women members can take care of it. These are designed in Three Tier and Three Rotation Integrated Farming System so that the fruits & vegetables will be available in sufficient quantity round the year.

Six to seven types of works are done in a nutritional garden simultaneously.

1. Plantation of Fruit plants - 5-6 types and 20-25 in numbers.
2. Production of Vegetables - Green and Leafy Vegetables, Tubers, Salads, Chutney
3. Planting Herbs for Home Remedy
4. Organic Compost and Pest Repellent Formulated by Indian Cow Urine, Cow Dung and some bitter green leaves.
5. Conservation of Cattle (Cow)
6. Fodder Production
7. Rain Water Harvesting

Integrated Village Development: The main aim of the integrated development is to make village community economically self-reliant and develop the villages as centres of economic activity. Under this initiative, EGF focuses in all 5 Ekal domains i.e. Primary Education, Skill Development, Healthcare Awareness, Digital Literacy and Cultural and Traditional Values. This is done through the following interventions:

1. Ekal Vidyalayas
2. Skill Development Centre
3. Arogya Activities
4. Organic Nutrition Gardens
5. Governance
6. Ekal on Wheels
7. E-Shiksha

The 1st pilot project was started in Shikharji and Parasnath Sanch in Giridih district in Jharkhand. Within a very short span of time, the project expanded to 10 more locations across the country. List of all the IVDs are as given below

IVDs operational as on 31.03.2020

| | |
|----|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Shikharji (Jharkhand) |
| 2 | Parasnath (Jharkhand) |
| 3 | Dang (Gujarat) |
| 4 | Dahod (Gujarat) |
| 5 | Dedhiapada (Gujarat) |
| 6 | Tinsukia (Assam) |
| 7 | Prayag (U.P.) |
| 8 | Satoha, Mathura (U.P.) |
| 9 | Khargone (M.P.) |
| 10 | Dumma, Deoghar, Jharkhand |
| 11 | Rikhiya, Deoghar, Jharkhand |
| 12 | Chandan, Deoghar, Jharkhand |

Total Poshan Vatikas till March 2020: 96,752

Tailoring Centres

9,418 (Total Beneficiaries)

4,600 at 32 master WEC | 4,818 at 21 spoke centres

LEARNING for Self-Sustainability



Ekal Social Enterprise: In this short span of time, EGF has delivered tremendous results. This has resulted in a constant investment by the supporters. EGF strives for creating self-sustainable models of economic empowerment. After a thorough deliberation, EGF has conceptualized a Social Enterprise. Purpose of this enterprise will be to sustain all EGF interventions and other Ekal interventions in due course of time.

Standardize GRCs and Interventions: EGF works in different parts of the country which have varied socio-cultural and economic attributes. Achieving the similar results is a big challenge in such circumstances. EGF has started standardizing interventions and processes at GRCs, so that all GRCs can deliver at the same level. It will also help in better management and evolving replicable models. EGF also intends to do SWOT analysis of all the GRCs.



Restructure Organization with Well-defined Verticals and Horizontals: EGF has decided to form verticals and horizontals with well-defined communication protocols. The verticals will include Resource Mobilization, Operations and Research and Impact. As per this reorganization, roles and responsibilities of Trust Board, Advisory Committee and Managing Committee have also been well-defined.

Hand holding Micro-entrepreneurs - Incubation at GRCs: EGF has been investing its resources to create micro-entrepreneurs in rural and tribal areas. Entrepreneurs in villages, many a times, can't progress even if provided with initial resources and training. This is due to the lack of environment that can support them through thick and thin. EGF has decided to handhold selected micro-entrepreneurs at GRCs.

Ekal Gramathan Utpad Foundation (EGUF) : GRC's training and mentoring interventions skill the potential micro-entrepreneurs (farmers, women and youth) and will build a network of SHGs, FPOs and individual micro-entrepreneurs; the social enterprise will connect these micro-entrepreneurs with market. In order to carry out this project, a non-profit section 8 company, Ekal Gramathan Utpad Foundation was formed. FSSAI registration has also been granted to EGUF which is conceptualizing Ekal Mart and Ekal Kart to scale the enterprise.



- 15 Farmer groups and 2 SHGs have been formed at village level.
- A total of around 20 tonnes organic turmeric has been processed in 1st phase of this project.
- A target has been set to procure and process around 100 tonnes of raw organic turmeric in phase 2.

The organic turmeric being processed by EGUF has very high curcumin content with curcumin value of 6.39%.

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana: A scheme under National Skill Development Corporation by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship. In order to provide centrally recognised certification and national standards skill training to the rural and tribal youths, EGF pitched for PMKVY recognition of its Gramothan Resource Centers. Under this, EGF has



been allotted 2,880 target allocation for the year 2019-20 to train at its 9 different locations.

Expanding Reach: EGF is aiming to expand its reach by starting Integrated Village Development project and opening up new GRCs at various locations. EGF is also focusing on Special Projects in regions where GRCs are not available. Apart from this Ekal on wheels project are also being expanded at various locations.

CSR support for Ekal



SECTION 3

AROGYA

Sustainable Healthcare



Ekal Arogya Yojna is being run for last 27 years initially through preventive health initiatives including hygiene & sanitation, anemia control pilots and then first aid, medical camps, home remedies and Chikitsa Sahayata Kendra. All have now been amalgated into Arogya Resource Centre – ARC to make it more intensive and effective model.

Key features of Arogya Interventions

- Bridge the gap between remote areas and modern health facilities
- Create healthcare awareness with emphasis on Sanitation, Nutrition, Personal Hygiene, Mother & Child Healthcare
- Create awareness about the National health programme
- Provide preventive and some curative health services

Intensive Health Services

Arogya Resource Centres- ARC

Intensive services aimed at spreading awareness about

preventive health and anemia control are provided through ARCs under the scheme where a trained female health worker (Arogya Sevika) discharges this responsibility in each village of a cluster of 30 villages. This is the largest Arogya intervention with deepest impact. As on March'2020, there are total 37 operational ARCs spread across Bharat. Besides this, other activities like soak pits and waste pits etc are also looked after by the same team.

Soak Pits and Waste Pits: Proper drainage of waste water of household is the key to prevent five major mosquito borne health problems of India viz- Malaria, Filariasis, Chikengunya, Dengue and Japanese Encephalitis. These pits also have advantage of replenishing the depleting ground water table. It bears



such a great importance because all our fields are irrigated by tube wells and now India has become the global leader in extraction of underground water which is going down at a speed of 0.33 metre per year. In one year, the country depletes mother Earth of its 300000 billion litre of water. In this scenario household soak pit are very useful.

Medical Camps: National Medicos Organization consisting of like-minded doctors and medical students have branches in almost all medical Colleges of our country. They have contributed major part in many health initiatives taken up by Ekal Arogya throughout the country whether it is ARC monitoring, tele-medicine project or medical camps.

Ekal Arogya initiated holding series of medical camps in many states. This year total 90 camps were organized. This year's two unique features were that unlike last 3 years, when the camps were held within a span of 3 – 5 days, this year the camps were held throughout the year 5 to 15 camps in every month. Other special feature was that 10 camps were held in



Laddakh - Aryan valley as well as in Jhanskar valley.

Telemedicine Project: This mode of outreaching the rural patients with common ailments was initiated in Odisha and Jharkhand amidst much complicated controversy about its legality. Now as Government of India has promulgated a clear circular endorsing our mode of implementing Telemedicine in Arogya villages, we can freely expand it. AFI's telemedicine projects have returned almost 7 times more benefits to the society than what it took to initiate and run these projects in Odisha and Jharkhand.

Pre-Medical/ Medical Externship Programme: The 2019-20 Pre-Medical Externship Programme was held in Baroda, the new location for the programme and was completed successfully and with great satisfaction! With 9 pre-medical students from various universities in the USA, the pre-medical externship programme was held from December 23, 2019 to January 2, 2020.



Mobile Diagnostic Services

Two Eye Vans have been arranged during the year together with equipment for purpose of providing eye testing as well as providing glasses wherever necessary. The serious cases identified during the testing will be provided expert support in nearby cities. These services will be launched in Rajasthan and Jharkhand, once Covid related restrictions are lifted.

SECTION 4

GRAM SWARAJ

Rural Empowerment



Ekal Abhiyan started its Empowerment Education of Social awakening of rural and deprived masses in four Lakh villages through its “Gram Swaraj Yojna”. The purpose of this Yojna is to provide opportunities for these down trodden villagers to realize their dreams and aspirations and give voice to their pain and suffering.

‘Gram Swaraj Manch’ of Ekal has accepted to take up the cited task. Govt of India has been launching various schemes for the welfare, upliftment and development of all citizens, but the fact remains that normally only urban areas avail the benefits of these schemes and the benefits doesn’t fully percolate down to the rural and remote areas, who continue to be deprived. The major reason for this is the lack of social awareness of the rural masses. The urban masses being educated and aware, are able to take timely advantage, whereas rural mass is not adequately aware. Even if some schemes reach the

rural areas, local political representatives of various parties at times misuse their power to exploit these innocent folks. The government servants also have little interest to implement these and they also mostly exploit and do not act fairly.

In order to uplift the village folk from these miserable conditions, ‘Gram Swaraj Manch’ feels that if all the youth of these villages are self determined to change their conditions, the misgovernance can be curtailed and developmental schemes can be easily implemented. They have just to firmly determine that

they need to actively participate and decide how to implement developmental activities.

A sustained campaign to register youth, who have firm resolve to get the things move in right direction, has already been commenced. All such youth, who have resolved to turn the dream of Gram Swaraj propounded by Mahatma Gandhi into reality, are Swaraj Senanis. A pilot project was started in twenty thousand villages of UP and Uttarakhand in 2019-20, which culminated into a successful 'Swaraj Senani Sammelan' on 16th February 2020. The conference was held at Ramabai Ambedkar ground in Lucknow. To make the conference successful, large number of Sanch level meetings and public meetings were held in various districts of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand. About 80,000 Swaraj Senanis, from twenty thousand villages, participated in this conference. Lucknow was

decorated well to welcome these honoured guests from villages. Almost 50,000 families of 400 colonies of Lucknow had cooked meals at their residences for these guests from countryside to their city.

Gram Swaraj Manch has been able to carry out various activities at village level. The activity wise achievements in the year 2019-20 are as follows:

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| 1) Applications under RTI | 19,097 |
| 2) Tree Plantation | 25,40,110 |
| 3) New Aadhar Cards | 42,49,633 |
| 4) New Bank Account | 32,66,453 |
| 5) PM Suraksha Bima Yojna | 10,75,179 |
| 6) PM Jiwan Jyoti Bima Yojna | 8,57,282 |



SECTION 5

SANSKAR

Promotion of Culture, Values and Indian Ethos



Ekal Abhiyan is engaged in cultural, social and educational uplift of Vanvasis in tribal and remote rural Bharat to bring positive change in the society with value education through its Sanskar Shiksha vertical. It makes them aware on issues like social harmony, de-addiction, cultural heritage and patriotism etc.

VYAS KATHAKAR TRAINED DURING 2019-20

| S.N | Prashikshan Kendra | Trainees |
|-----|--------------------|------------|
| 1 | Ayodhya | 69 |
| 2 | Vrindavan | 73 |
| 3 | Nasik | 28 |
| 4 | Nagpur | 25 |
| 5 | Dibrugarh | 21 |
| 6 | Navdeep | 21 |
| | Total | 237 |

SANSKAR KENDRA STATUS

| | | |
|----|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. | Sambhag | 26 |
| 2. | Bhag | 67 |
| 3. | Anchal | 251 |
| 4. | Sanch | 2,166 |
| 5. | Sanskar Kendra - Bharat | 68,157 |
| 6. | Sanskar Kendra - Nepal | 1,193 |

KARYAKARTAS

| | | |
|----|--------------|--------------|
| 1. | Vyas | 999 |
| 2. | Sadhak | 1,459 |
| 3. | Rath | 116 |
| 4. | Others | 36 |
| | Total | 2,610 |

MOTIVATIONAL ASSEMBLY

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 3 days | 3,150 |
| 5 days | 269 |
| 7 days | 95 |
| 9 days | 69 |
| Total Assemblies | 3,577 |
| Total Attendance | 5,17,000 |



| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Total number of Rath | - 46 |
| Running Days | - 8,109 |
| Public Meetings | - 7,828 |
| Public Meeting Attendance | - 15,34,270 |



Work Detail (2019-2020)

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| A. Sanskar Kendra Attendance | 1,94,98,233 |
| B. One Day Assembly | 44,935 |

EVENTS

Inauguration of Ekal Bhawan, Guwahati

New multi-functional Ekal Bhavan built by Guwahati Ekal Parivar was inaugurated on 20th July 2019, by President of Central Executive Committee, Shri Bajrang Bagra, SHSS National President Shri S.N. Kabra and FTS National President Shri Sajan Bansal.



Shrimad Bhagwat Katha by BLSP

BLSP organized Ekal Bhagwat Gyan Yagya in Delhi based on the theme of "Arpan Tarpan Samarpan". The Katha was delivered by Shri Ramesh Bhai Ojha from 15th to 22nd April, 2019. The purpose of the Katha was to garner support for Ekal Vidyalayas besides, branding various Ekal activities.



Mass Marriages, Siliguri

In Indian tribal areas, performing marriage ceremonies are difficult due to economic conditions. Siliguri committee organised Samuhik Vivah (Mass Marriages) and gave social acceptance to 125 pairs on 6th December 2019 at Bagdogra. Siliguri chapter is also running Bal Sanskar Kendra in Siliguri city. These are run by Mahila Samiti only, wherein slum dwellers are taught about values and Indian culture.



Vanvasi Raksha Parivar Kumbh, Delhi

On 23rd February 2020, Vanvasi Raksha Parivar Foundation organized – Vanvasi Raksha Parivar Kumbh at 'Shabrigam' in presence of Sant Swami Anubhutanand Ji, Geeta Manishi Shri Gyananand ji and other esteemed guests. Around 25,000 people attended and the main aim of the Kumbh was to reach One lakh families and give the message "Protect the Villages, Protect India".



SECTION 6

EKAL GRAM SANGATHAN

Instilling the Sense of Local Ownership



To usher in local ownership through Swavalamban (self-reliance) collections at local level, Ekal formed organizations at local level named SVO (State Voluntary Organisation) working in different locations of India. In 2018, Ekal Gram Sangathan (EGS) a registered society came into existence by merging all these SVOs into it. Branches of EGS were opened in all Bhag Kendras and separate bank accounts were opened to deposit the Swavalamban Rashi. Total 6,874 schools were being run by Gram Sangathan in FY 2019-20. During the Ekal Parivartan Kumbh at Lucknow all Karyakartas and Samiti members actively participated and showcased the activities done by them in different states.

Future of Ekal lies on Swavalamban and Ekal Gram Sangathan is bound to play pivotal role to meet this target.

Concept and Objectives of Gram Sangathan

1. To instil the sense of ownership for the Ekal Abhiyan among the villagers.
2. To form dedicated teams in the villages for social change.

3. To make Abhiyan a people's movement by mobilizing masses through Sanch and Anchal Samitis.
4. To activate village, Sanch and Anchal Samitis.
5. To create a robust ground army of full time and part time volunteers.
6. To raise "Dharti Ki Takat" by rousing self confidence among the village masses.

In the period of Corona small contribution with increased donor base of Ekal will be main point which will take us through this difficult time.



SECTION 7

DIGITAL EKAL



E-SHIKSHA LEARNING WITH TABLETS : Ekal Vidyalaya Movement is making the best possible efforts including adopting technology for improving learning experience at bottom of pyramid. Ekal e-Shiksha is one such initiative where Ekal teachers are trained to use tabs with pre-loaded content so that they can guide children to use ICT for better learning outcomes!

Ekal E-shiksha phase-2 launched in 7 new states on the auspicious day of Varsh - Pratipada! New-age method of teaching through tablets at Ekal Vidyalayas under the E-shiksha scheme has made a remarkable difference in bringing rapid change in the remote tribal and rural regions of Bharat. The phase-2 of the project was launched on the day of

Chaitra Navratri in the states of West Bengal, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Assam, Gujarat, Jharkhand and Uttarakhand. The Acharyas were distributed multiple tablets to enable ease of teaching and receiving education by the remote villagers and tribals, taking the tally of villages covered to 1,170.

IT Labs: Classroom Programme



The digital world has thrown new opportunities and challenges. The digital divide is keeping rural/tribal youth away from the progress. To solve the problem, EGF runs Computer Labs at GRCs to provide working knowledge of computers to the rural youth and children. The curriculum has been designed with the help of spoken tutorial organisation at IIT Bombay. The successful trainees who have undergone training and appeared for assessment test get

certificates. Some of these beneficiaries got job as data entry operator in block office, post office etc.

Ekal on Wheels

Taking Computers to the unreached Ekal Vidyalayas are inspired from the life mission of Swami Vivekananda - *"If the poor cannot come to education, education must reach them"*. Aligned with the same philosophy, Gramothan says *"If the rural and tribal youth cannot come to the skill training centres, skill training centres must reach them"*. Ekal on Wheels (EoWs) is an effort in the same direction. It is a mobile computer training lab established inside a vehicle. An EoW reaches out to the remotest villages and conducts training there. This programme was tried out on an experimental basis at GRC Karanjo. Encouraged by the results, EGF is replicating the programme at all the GRCs, IVD, SDCs and standalone EoW project also.

29 EoWs (in operation/ ready to be operational and under registered process)
-26 in operation | -3 to be registered



SECTION 8

EKAL YUVA

Channelizing Youth Spirit and Energy



Ekal Run by Ekal Yuva in Nepal

Ekal Yuva team of Nepal organized their first Ekal Yuva Run at DAV School, Kathmandu. Participating for the first time in this type of event, all members were thrilled with the warm response.

1st December BKC

(<http://juniorthon.com/mumbai/about-us/>)

In Juniorthon, Ekal Yuva was charity partner for the event. Got 25 students for Wada in Maharashtra to participate in the run. Ms Shania NC was the chief guest. It had around 4,000 student participants and Ekal fliers were sent to everyone with the forms.



Eduabroad

(<http://www.eduabroad.in>)

Ekal Yuva has a tie up with Eduabroad for awareness programmes and internship programmes. Ekal Yuva volunteers went to the institute to give presentation about Ekal activities to the students enrolled with Eduabroad. Did a fundraiser with them for solar lamps for Ekal schools and managed to get 90 Solar Panel Batteries and LED Bulbs.





Ekal Yuva National Meet

The Annual Ekal Yuva Meet in Mumbai at famous co-working company. Everyone shared ideas about how they were working in their respective cities.

Dream India Tour Seminar on Ekal in Kirorimal College, Delhi by BLSP



Bharat Lok Shiksha Parishad organized a seminar in Kirorimal College DU, Delhi on 19th August, 2019. The seminar was organized under the leadership of Shri Nand Kishore Aggarwal, President, BLSP, Dr. Virendra Kumar, Joint General Secretary and Shri SK Jindal, Trustee, BLSP and under the chairmanship of Dr. Veenu Gupta, Directorate of Physical Education,

Kirorimal College. The motto of the seminar was to motivate youth to join Ekal and contribute towards making Nation strong through association with Ekal. Further, seminar was aimed at to introduce "Dream India Tour Programme" at the college. More than 90 students attended the seminar enthusiastically and promised to work for branding Ekal.

EKAL RUN KOLKATA MARATHON 2.0

Friends of Tribals Society (FTS), Kolkata Chapter organised the second version of Ekal Run marathon on Sunday, 22nd December, 2019 in Kolkata. The event saw an overwhelming participation of 2977 participants from the city in the category of 3 km, 5 km, 10 km and 21 km run.

This run with the tagline "Chote Kadam, Bade Irade" was aimed to create awareness among people including the corporate and the youth in particular about Ekal Abhiyan movement.



EKAL EVENTS IN USA



Big and Grand Future of India: US Gala

For the third year in a row, Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation US presented the “Future of India” Gala, which took place on November 9, 2019 in Manhattan. The gala helped raise \$3.1 Million for Ekal.

Distinguished speakers included Shri Raju Reddy, founder of Sierra Atlantic before it was acquired by Hitachi; Shri Ragy Thomas, the founder and CEO of

Sprinkler and Shri Vivek Oberoi, Bollywood superstar known for his philanthropic work with children. The keynote panel was moderated by Ms Amrita Saigal, a young Indian American entrepreneur. Special guests for the evening included Consulate General of India in New York, Ambassador Shri Sandeep Chakravorty and Congress woman Ms Carolyn Maloney, D-New York.

Ekal National Conference 2019



Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation USA's 3 day National conference in California reviewed covered current performance level of activities and plans for 2020. Presentations were made on overview of special projects – Gramothan Resources Center (GRC), Integrated Village Development (IVD), Ekal on Wheels (EoWs), Tailoring Centres and Computer Lab

besides brainstorming sessions, strategies, youth initiatives, road map for the future and proposed outlining the non-profit goals. Shri Raju Reddy, Indian American entrepreneur, philanthropist and community leader, who was invited to the event as a guest of honour, noted that Ekal's reach, the scale of its work and the organization's integrity truly

inspired him. "Ekal is one of those rare organizations that is focusing exclusively on rural India and even within rural India, the remotest of areas", he said.

Shri Bajrang Bagra, CEO of Ekal Abhiyan in India, described the various new initiatives that have taken shape in India, adding that technology is beginning to play a huge role in the next phase of Ekal.



100,000th Ekal Vidyalyaya Celebrations at Houston, USA

EVF USA Houston chapter volunteers celebrated the opening of 100,000th Ekal Vidyalyaya on its inaugural day, 6th December 2019. Many volunteers from Houston participated in the celebration.



"Bharat Ke Rang Ekal Ke Sang" Tampa event raises funds for 800 Vidyalyayas



Ekal Karyakartas, who have turned into artists, on their visit to USA, showcased their talent in a programme held in Tampa on 22nd February 2020. Despite their

rural background in India, they can sing, dance, play musical instruments and act very well, like accomplished artists. Their introduction was very heart touching and audience gave them standing ovation. The event received loads of compliments/praises from over 400 participants, which led to raising of funds for almost 800 Ekal Vidyalyayas. Carrying with them the earthy flavour of India's villages, Ekal artists' team had a 5 month long plan of visiting different states of USA and perform in around 70 funds raising events in USA, but due to Covid-19 virus they had to cut short the stay and return to India in March 20.

VANYATRA REPORTS



Shri Pravesh Gangaram Hurdeen from Durban, South Africa

While on his vacation, visiting his family in Sassaram, Bihar in India, wanted to visit his sponsored school since last 8 years. The school visit was arranged on 16th of December. He along with his family members had a very memorable day with children and villagers



School visit by Shri Ramesh Shah Chairman, Ekal USA

Shri Ramesh Shah, an inspiration for all the Ekalites, meeting and interacting with children, teachers, villagers, village samiti members and Karyakartas, discussing work, mission and understanding their issues.



Ekal Learning Yatra for Indore students

A group of students from different institutions in Indore participated in an educational tour to the forest village of Girwalpura in MP, 100 kms from Indore city. The Indore students learnt about the methodology used by Ekal and marvelled at the computer labs on buses for the tribal students, and the processes used by Ekal to impart education at the grassroots level, making awareness and learning reach every child.



A group of students from California and Chicago

A Reach to Teach - High school internship (led by Samarth Kadaba, Tri-Valley/North LA chapter). Thanks to Dr. Hasmukh Shah for joining and for his incredible guidance and support. Ajay Bhargava and Samarth Kadaba from Los Angeles joined Paranshu Shah and Sarthak Parikh from Chicago in Delhi and together they embarked on a week long educational and fun internship at Karanjo in the Jharkand district. These boys are 11th and 12th grade students and went with an expectation that EKAL is focused on only education, but were surprised to see many different aspects, Ekal is working on.



SUCCESS STORIES OF EKA



Computer Education has made Anand Yadav independent

Anand Yadav of village Atva of Mishrikh block in Sitapur, UP completed his high school and came to know about the free computer education services provided by Ekal GRC at Nemisharanya. He says, "I am very grateful to Ekal GRC for this free education given to us." Anand says, my wish was fulfilled by GRC. After completing the course, I opened up a shop where I made vehicle number plates with radium cutting etc. At present, I am earning Rs15,000/- per month.

Ekal alumni won medals at National Level

An Ekal Vidyalaya student, Karn Singh from village Rajol, in Kotla block of Himachal Pradesh competes in national wrestling. Karn, from the very beginning was a sports lover with special interest in wrestling. He used to participate in all bouts around. He later performed very well in the state championship and won several awards. He performed very well in the national championship. Similarly, a girl, Shabina, from the same Ekal Vidyalaya, excelled in Kho-Kho and Kabbadi at state level.



Ekal Impact

This is the story from Silli block in Ranchi district of Jharkhand. Sunita (now 21 years), a resident of Kareydih village of the Silli block is now serving in the MGM Medical College & Hospital as a staff nurse. In the year 2004 to 2006 she was a regular student in Ekal Vidyalaya in the village. After this she was directly admitted to sixth grade in the local government school. Later, she graduated passing the Jharkhand Academic Council examination. She took training for nursing and got employment with ease. Sunita's parents and she herself talk without any hesitation as to how Ekal has changed her life.

Ekal alumini wins International Karate Champion

Ekal Vidyalaya alumni Chandan Kumar Yadav, a resident of Muzaffarpur, Sanch Sikarganj (Jageshwar Dham) Kashi, told us that they had Ekal Vidyalaya in their village. Acharya Shri Prabhu Pal, conducted daily classes in the evening. Acharyaji used to come to my house repeatedly and take me to school and tell me sports stories. I started practicing Karate and slowly my passion grew. Starting with participation in district level competitions, I moved ahead and competed in state and then for my country and also had an opportunity to an International event in Visakhapatnam - "International Karate February 2017" where I won the silver medal for Bharat. Not only this, later on in 3rd International Karate Championships 2018 held in Kathmandu, I won Bronze medal. Now my confidence is sky high and I want to win 10 gold medals.



AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS



GANDHI PEACE PRIZE

Ekal Abhiyan Trust was bestowed upon with coveted Gandhi Peace Prize – 2017 by the Hon'ble President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind in the presence of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi on 26 February 2019.

AWARDS DURING 2019-20

CMAI Award

'CMAI CSR Leadership Award for Education'
on 15th October 2019



Mahatma Award

Mahatma Award for Social Good
from Aditya Birla Group and Live Week (USA)
on 1st October 2019, delivered by
Smt Rajshree Birla

CSR BOX Award

'CSR BOX Award for
Imparting Education in Rural Area'
on 24th September 2019



KEY CAMPAIGNS



Bhama Shah Samman Samaroh

BLSP organized Bhama Shah Samman Samaroh on 21st September 2019 to honour its high-end donors. The chief guest of the programme was Honourable Lok Sabha Speaker Shri Om Birla.



Crowd Funding Workshops

Bharat Lok Shiksha Parishad, Delhi organized Crowd funding workshops in big corporates. To start with, workshops were held in offices of corporates who are already our existing donors. This facilitated in branding Ekal besides broad basing the funding. Four such workshops were held on different locations.

Novel idea by Boston Ekal Mela team

On Independence Day, Ekal Booth in Boston sold new or lightly worn donated clothes including sarees, suits etc. The idea brought many to the booth and helped in raising money. People donating the clothes were happy that their clothes were being used to raise funds for a good cause.



Ekal Bhavan at Jaipur

Newly constructed Ekal Bhavan in Chordiya city, Jaipur was inaugurated on 28th December 2019. Puja was performed on 12th December in the presence of Shri Shyam ji Gupt and distinguished members of Jaipur FTS chapter.

THIRD PARTY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

In order to track the effectiveness of the pedagogical approach, the learning levels of the students and teachers at Ekal Vidyalayas, Aspiring Minds, a pioneer independent agency conducted PAN India Third Party Impact Assessment during three year. The agency submitted its detailed report along with recommendations after an extensive assessment survey. Major issues of Executive summary and recommendations are as follows:

- On an average, L1 (6 – 10 years of age) students have scored more than 72% in all modules except mathematics and digital literacy
- On an average L2 (11–14 years of age) students have scored more than 65% in all modules except mathematics and digital literacy
- Male and Female students are almost at par in all the modules for both L1 and L2 candidates
- Ekal students are learning concepts along with rote learning
- Ekal students are seen to have better learning levels in mathematics as compared to other students from rural India (ASER report reference taken)
- Scores of student are directly related to the teacher's score as the regions where the teachers

are performing good, the students are also performing good and vice versa.

- As per state wise assessment, students and teachers from some of the states like Assam, West Bengal, Uttarakhand and Rajasthan have performed better than other states

Community Feedback

- 96% villagers are aware of Ekal school
- 100% want to send their children to Ekal school
- 99% recommend Ekal to their friends/family

Recommendations

- Better teachers mean better student learning. Ekal should set a minimum learning standard for their teachers (established through a test) and do regular trainings and assessments.
- Assessment should be made a regular feature across all learners to get student-wise feedback and village-wise feedback.
- Feedback will help teachers concentrate on the right areas for the students.

WAY AHEAD



Having achieved a major milestone in terms of number of villages served in 2019, the future path for 5 years has been laid down in Parivartan Kumbh held in February, 2020.

Ekal Vidyalaya

The cornerstone of the future path in respect of Ekal Vidyalayas is to lay emphasis on enhanced quality and impact of the services on the ground. Having passed the milestone of 100,000 Ekal Vidyalaya, the numerical expansion will not be the focus henceforth. Detailed plans for the purpose of improving quality have been laid with dedicated responsibility to COO. With an objective to bridge the digital divide between urban and rural India, E-Shiksha program will be expanded from 1,200 schools to all Ekal Vidyalayas, over 100,000 presently.

The Sanskar Shiksha, Gramothan and Arogya services have been identified as object of growth and quality. The targets have been set for all these verticals:

Gramothan

- No. of GRCs to be increased from 16 to 27
- No. of Ekal on Wheels to go up from 26 to 85
- No. of blocks (Sanch) under Integrated Village Development (IVD) to grow from 12 to 50
- Skill Development Centres to increase from 33 to 100

Sanskar Shiksha

- All Ekal Vidyalaya villages to be covered by weekly Pathshala. Presently they are run in 68,157 villages
- 5 New regional training centres for Kathakars in local languages
- To double the no. of Kathakars from present level of 999 to 2,000
- No. of Shri Hari Mandir Rath to reach from 46 at present to 75

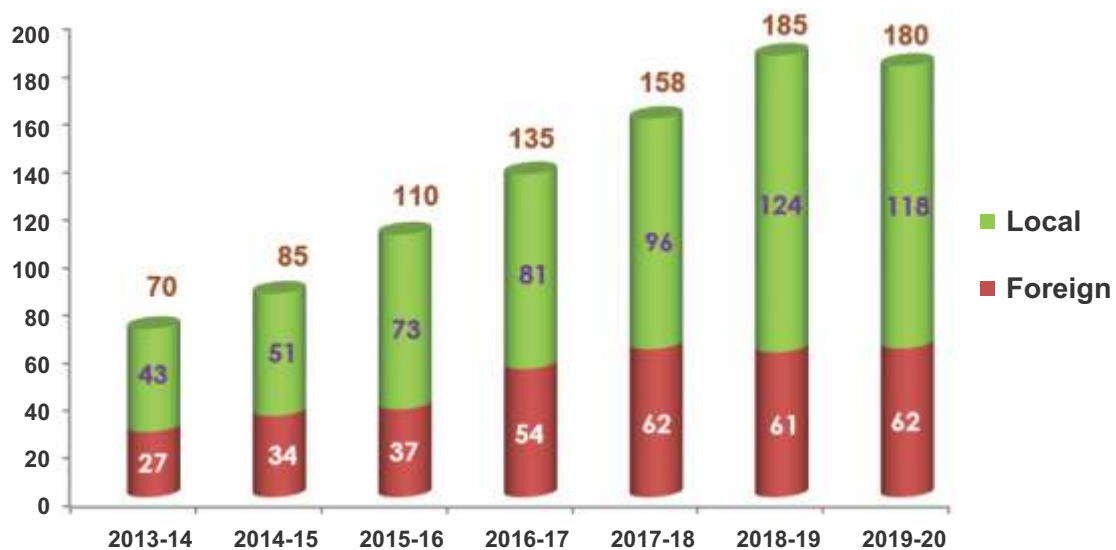
Arogya

- No. of villages under (ARC) to go up from 1,056 at present to 6,000
- Telemedicine initiative to be taken up in project mode after successful pilot and grow from 120 to 6,000 villages
- Mobile diagnostic services for Eyes and other tests- 10 Vans

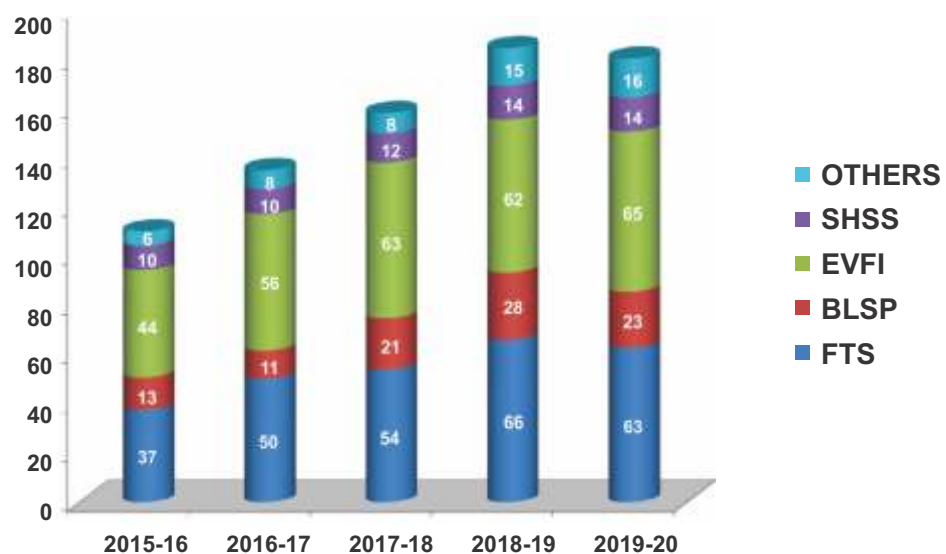
An ambitious target has been fixed to enhance the funding of Ekal Vidyalayas by local communities, from present level of 6,874 villages to half of the total number of schools.

FINANCIALS

Funding – Local and Foreign Rs. in Crore



Funds Mobilisation by Ekal Institutions Amount Rs. in Crore



CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Rs. in Crore (1 Crore=10 million)

| PARTICULARS | 2019-20 | 2018-19 | 2017-18 | 2016-17 |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| INCOMES | | | | |
| Contributions from Abroad | 62.27 | 60.65 | 61.94 | 53.62 |
| Local Contributions | 101.59 | 108.05 | 84.11 | 67.84 |
| Interest | 16.21 | 14.93 | 11.41 | 9.74 |
| Others | 0.32 | 1.03 | 0.79 | 3.87 |
| Total Income | 180.39 | 184.66 | 158.25 | 135.07 |
| EXPENDITURE | | | | |
| Honorarium | 120.89 | 87.05 | 74.45 | 64.04 |
| Training | 7.37 | 5.46 | 5.13 | 4.79 |
| Travel | 8.40 | 10.75 | 7.00 | 6.08 |
| Materials | 5.13 | 6.44 | 4.09 | 2.95 |
| Field offices | 7.25 | 6.88 | 4.36 | 4.85 |
| Others | 5.17 | 10.78 | 7.24 | 7.01\ |
| Project Expenses | 154.21 | 127.36 | 102.27 | 89.72 |
| OVERHEADS | | | | |
| Management | 10.67 | 9.22 | 7.35 | 5.45 |
| Depreciation | 2.07 | 1.46 | 1.16 | 0.41 |
| Programmes | 3.86 | 3.44 | 1.29 | 2.51 |
| Others | 0.01 | .02 | 0.32 | 0.96 |
| Overheads | 16.61 | 14.14 | 10.12 | 9.33 |
| Total Expenditure | 170.82 | 141.50 | 112.39 | 99.05 |

Notes:

1. Internal transfers between institutions of Ekal Abhiyan have been ignored while consolidating the above sums.
2. Various sponsorships not in cash but in kind have not been evaluated and not accounted for. The above statement does not capture such in-kind sponsorships, mostly for training and field offices.
3. Contributions received include sums for various projects towards capital costs like development of Gramothan infrastructure, equipment and mobile vans etc. Expenditures on these projects span over more than one year and is capitalised. Such capital expenditure does not form part of expenditure shown above, except for depreciation for the year.

KEY VOLUNTEERS



EKAL ABHIYAN TRUST

TRUSTEES

Shri Pradeep Goyal, Chairman
Shri Bajrang Lal Bagra, Secretary
Shri Sajan Kumar Bansal
Shri Sajjan Kumar Bhajanka
Shri Satya Narain Kabra
Shri Naresh Jain
Shri Ramesh Kumar Saraogi
Shri Arun Kumar Bajaj
Shri Shyam Sundar Damani
Smt. Manju Srivastava
Shri Nand Kishor Agarwal
Shri Rajesh Goyal
Shri Laxmi Narain Goel
Shri Madhwendra Singh
Dr. Lalan Kumar Sharma

INVITEES

Shri Shyam Gupta
Dr. H. K. Mittal
Shri Suman Dhir
Shri G. Anil Kumar

ADVISORY BOARD

Late Shri Mangi Lal Jain till Jun'20
Shri Rameshwar Lal Kabra
Shri Jitendra Bhansali
Shri Satya Narain Bandhu
Shri Ratan Lal Parakh
Shri Shyam Gupta
Shri Bajrang Bagra

CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| President | Shri Bajrang Lal Bagra |
| Vice President | Shri Natwar Bang |
| Vice President | Shri Uday Khardekar |
| Vice President | Shri Amarnath Joshi till Aug'20 |
| Vice President | Dr. R. B. Singh till Aug'20 |
| Vice President | Shri Rajesh Goyal since Sep'20 |
| Vice President | Smt. Manju Srivastava since Sep'20 |
| Secretary | Shri Madhwendra Singh |
| Joint Secretary | Dr. Lalan Kumar Sharma since Sep'20 |

MEMBERS

Shri Surya Prakash Sharma till Aug'20
Shri Sapan Mukherjee till Aug'20
Shri Birendra Sharma till Aug'20
Shri Gyan Brahma Pathak till Aug'20
Shri Bhuwan Chandra Pandey since Sep'20
Smt. Usha Jalan
Shri Pawan Agarwal since Sep'20
Shri Khemanand Sapkota
Shri Deep Kumar since Sep'20
Shri Kameshwar Sharma since Sep'20
Shri Sanjay Sahu since Sep'20
Shri Jitu Pahan since Sep'20

INVITEES

Shri Shyam Gupta
Shri Suman Dhir
Shri Vasant Gamit since Sep'20
Shri Om Prakash Sharma

EKAL GLOBAL FOUNDATION

Chairman: Shri Naresh Kumar
President: Shri Prem Assudani
Gen. Secretary: Smt. Sangita Gupta

NAGAR SANGATHANS

Friends of Tribals Society

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| President | Shri Sajan Kumar Bansal |
| Working President | Shri Ramesh Kumar Saraogi |
| General Secretary | Shri Ramesh Maheshwari |

Bharat Lok Shiksha Parishad

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| Chairman Trust | Shri Laxmi Narain Goel |
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Working Committee

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|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Chairman | Shri Ghanshyam Dass Goel |
| President | Shri Nand Kishore Agarwal |
| Working President | Shri Neeraj Raizada |
| General Secretary | Shri Rajiv Agarwal |

Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation of India

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Chairman | Shri Pradeep Goyal |
| President | Shri Ravidev Gupta |
| General Secretary | Smt. Anand Vadehra |

Ekal Gramothan Foundation

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|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Chairman | Shri L N Goel |
| President | Shri Naresh Jain till Aug'20 |
| President | Shri Arun Bajaj since Sep'20 |
| Gen. Secretary | Shri Ramesh Kanodia till Aug'20 |
| Gen. Secretary | Shri Uday Khardekar since Sep'20 |

Arogya Foundation of India

| | |
|-----------|--|
| Chairman | Late Dr. P. R. Krishna Kumar till Sep'20 |
| President | Shri Avineesh Matta |
| Secretary | Shri Sudarshan Sureka |

Shri Hari Satsang Samiti

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| NCC President | Shri Satya Narayan Kabra |
| NCC Secretary | Shri Anil Mansingka |
| President-Delhi | Shri Manoj Arora |
| President-Mumbai | Shri Gopal Kandoi |
| President-Kolkata | Shri Pradeep Rawalvasia |

Ekal Sansthan

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Chairman | Late Dr. P. L. Chaturvedi till Dec'20 |
| Chairman | Smt. Manju Srivastava since Jan'21 |
| President | Shri Praveen Arya since Oct'20 |
| General Secretary | Shri Shankar Halder |

FIELD OPERATIONS

Gram Sangathan

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Prabhari | Shri Rajesh Goyal |
| President | Shri Inder Mohan Agarwala |
| Working President | Shri Santosh Jain |
| Secretary | Smt. Veena Bhat |

OPERATIONS

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Abhiyan Pramukh (COO) | Shri Madhawendra Singh |
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EDUCATION

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Sanskar Shiksha Pramukh | Shri Jitu Pahan |
| Prathmik Shiksha Pramukh | Shri Navneet Karma |
| Gatividhi Shiksha Pramukh | Shri Pradeep Swain |

PROJECTS

| | |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Gramothan Yojna Pramukh | Dr. Lalan Sharma |
| Arogya Yojna Pramukh | Dr. Mukul Bhatia |

CENTRAL SUPPORT

| | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Nagar Sangathan Pramukh | Shri Khemanand Sapkota |
| Gram Sangathan Pramukh | Shri Sanjay Sahu |
| Karyakarta Vibhag Pramukh | Shri Deep Kumar |
| Arth Vibhag Pramukh | Shri Kameshwar Sharma |
| Gram Swaraj Manch Pramukh | Shri Ramchandra Verma |
| Karyalaya Vibhag Pramukh | Shri Chaitanya Prasad Jena |

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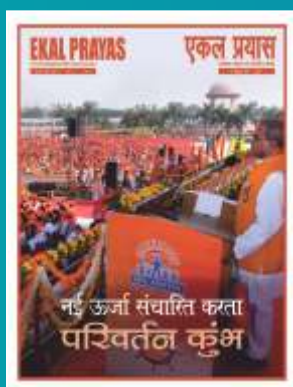
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Ekal Periodicals

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| Ekal Prayas | Bi-monthly | Physical and uploaded on website www.ekalprayas.org |
| Ekal Varta | Monthly | Both Physical and Online |
| Ekal News | Monthly | Online |
| Vananchal ki Pati | Quarterly | Physical |



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