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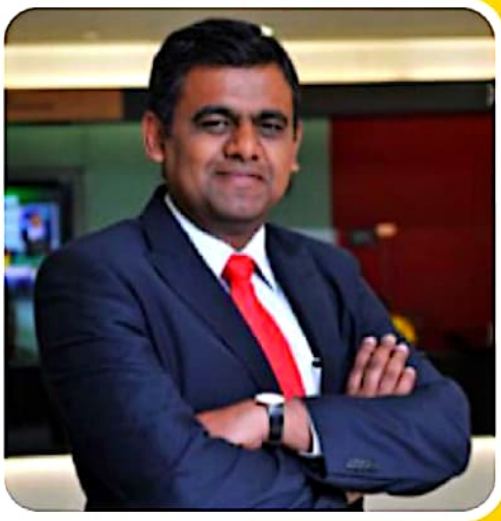
# ANNUAL REPORT

## FY 2024-25

# Annual Report FY2024-25

## Our activities on Drinking Water Supply, Sanitation and Skill Development are aligned with Sustainable Development Goals (2030 Agenda of UN)



## Rahul Johri, Managing trustee

*" We have made strong strides in the financial year 2024-25 towards our stated objective of improving the quality of life for weaker section households in semi-urban and rural India. The support of our partners (Govt. of West Bengal-Utkarsh Bangla, Jana SFB, West Bengal Police, water.org) has allowed us to progress on a host of activities. The prominent initiatives have been skill empowerment training & placements for the youth, health camp for sex workers, health awareness drives and basic computer training for marginalized children,youth of our society."*

## Anisha Johri, Trustee-

*"We have touched the lives of over 44,000 weaker section households in West Bengal and Odisha in the areas of skill Empowerment, sanitation and clean water. I am delighted that we have successfully imparted classroom training to youth in the villages who have been then placed with corporates such as mPockket, Tatwa, Ujjivan, Muthoot Finance, Fusion and TechArch Solutions Pvt.Ltd."*



# Our Partners

# Their Guidance, Our Strength



**Rahul Johri**
*Managing Trustee*



**Anisha Johri**
*Trustee*



**Prasanta Kumar Sahu**
*Financial Trustee*



**Sumit Hans**
*Trustee*



**CK Srinivasan**
*Head- Strategic Initiatives*



**Ranjan Gangopadhyay**
*Chief Business Head*



**Gargi Sen**
*General Manager*

# About the Organisation

***Goal:*** *Creating better lives and equal opportunities for the underprivileged and challenged sections of society*

Bargach Foundation was set up in September 2020 as a non-profit entity.

The Objective is to create better lives and equal opportunities for the people of weaker section of society.

Thematic areas are Safe Drinking Water, Sanitation & Skill Development.

Bargach Foundation works in tandem with the initiatives of government in making a fair society.

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## Our Presence



**3 STATES: WEST BENGAL, ODISHA AND MADHYA PRADESH**

## Our Reach

BENEFICIARIES COVERED AS ON FY 24-25

**9295**

**TILL NOW OUR TOTAL REACH IS 44007**

# For Better Livelihood

## *Livelihood Skill Development, Training and Placement Program at Bansberia, Hooghly in association with Utkarsh Bangla Kendra*

Skill development is a pressing need for society across India at present. Bargach Foundation is striving to develop skilled youth for the betterment of their lives.

They have successfully partnered with Utkarsh Bangla, Dept of Technical Education, Training & Skill Development, Govt of WB for this project. The youths are being trained on various aspects of skill development for 3 continuous months in the center through lecture mode, practical sessions and industry exposure visits. After training of the youth, they are placed in various finance companies.



From left to right : Shri Rahul Johri, Managing Trustee, Bargach Foundation to right Shri Sujit Kr Roy, Officer-in-Charge, Bansberia Mill Town Outpost



From left to right : Shri Avijit Sinha, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Shri Sumit Hans, CEO and CO-Founder of Bargach Finance Private Limited, Shri Ramendra Roy, Personal Manager, Ganges Jute and Manufacturer Pvt.Ltd, Shri Kamanasish Sen, IPS, Superintendent of Police, Hooghly Rural Police, Shri Rahul Johri, Managing Trustee, Bargach Foundation .




*Appointment letter distribution program under Utkarsh Bangla Project at Bansberia, Hooghly in presence of Managing Trustee*

# One Story, Many Tales



*"I always wanted to work in corporate, but I didn't know how to prepare myself. I did not have the required grooming for appearing in corporate interviews. Microfinance Operation Associate, training program at Bansberia, has given the opportunity to learn about personality development and computer skills. It has given me opportunity to appear for interview in finance company, which is a corporate sector. With the help of this program, I have confidently appeared for Bargach Finance interview and I have got my dream job."*

***Nitish Gupta***
*Microfinance Operation Student*
*currently working at Bargach Finance Pvt.Ltd*

*" The training program has helped me to develop my personality, communication skills and basic computer knowledge. Classes on Microfinance operations has given me an insight of finance industry, it's scopes of work and career development. The program has given me the opportunity to appear for interview in Vector Finance. This was the 1st interview of my life. I was very tensed before the interview, but all my mentors had helped me well to face the interview. I have secured a job in Vector finance, I have received my offer letter from the organization. I am very thankful to Utkarsh Bangla Kendra Bansberia and my mentors for helping me select the right path of my life."*

***Priyanka Chowdhury***
*Microfinance Operation student*
*currently working at TechArch Solutions Pvt.Ltd*






Kavita Dom, 20 yrs, one of the beneficiaries of the project, has successfully completed the training and secured a job in Vector finance. She is presently working in Vector Finance as tele callers (grade officer) with gross salary of 15000/- per month. Prior to joining Bargach Foundation's skill training program, she was very introvert and was doing her graduation. She came to know from Bansberia Police outpost about the course. To be financially independent and help her father in comfortably managing the family, she joined the skills training course and after the course completion, she bagged a job with Vector finance. She is now contributing towards her family and is a helping hand to her father. After the training she has become much confident and aware of the job market requirements for the freshers.

Kavita said:" Irrespective of the gender, every youth should be financially independent and create an identity of their own"

*Kabita Dom is currently working at TechArch Solutions Pvt.Ltd*

# Stepping Stones, for Bigger Leap

### *Basic Computer Skills Development Training at Bansberia, Hooghly.*

Today, technology is everywhere and the use of computers is deeply embedded into our day to day lives: work, school, and home. Keeping this in mind, Bargach Foundation in collaboration with Hooghly Rural police, has started basic computer skills development training centre at Bansberia in Hooghly, The training course caters to basic computer learning skills of youth. Some of the areas of learning are operating computers, MS office (word, excel, PowerPoint), CV making, accessing various digital platforms etc. From the time of inauguration, till date, we have successfully trained 100 youth on basic computer skills at our training centre.




## Participating Youth





*Civic volunteers from Purba Burdwan Police District have taken basic computer training from our various branches in Purba Burdwan.*

### *Community IT Centres in West Bengal*

Access to technology is essential for social interaction, employment, and education in the present digital era. However, many impoverished areas lack access to computers, the internet, and digital skills. The Community IT Centers were established to provide technology, digital literacy training, and job-finding IT skills to marginalized community members in an effort to bridge the digital divide. Our community IT centers provide free venues for individuals to learn and use technology, which helps to close the digital divide. With funding from Jana Small Finance Bank, the community IT centers have successfully taught 10705 people, improved job prospects, and encouraged digital inclusion. Community IT centers have made significant strides in bridging the digital gap and leveraging technology to empower the community. In January 2025, ten more Community IT Centers were created in West Bengal districts, increasing the total number of Community IT Centers to 30 .



*Smt Neha Jain, IPS, SDPO Naxalbari , Darjeeling Police District inaugurated the Community IT Center at Bargach Bidhannagar Branch.*

# "Water, Water Everywhere..."

## *Water Project at Dariyapur, Dokrapara, East Burdwan*





Bargach Foundation is relentlessly aiding the rural artisans of West Bengal, Odisha and Chhattisgarh for improving their daily life through installation of safe drinking water system and construction of basic toilets. For this quarter, the foundation has installed 33 taps for drinking fresh and uncontaminated water at Dokra (a traditional form of metal casting in India) village of Dariapur. Dariapur is a village under Dighnagar II- Gram Panchayat of Ausgram-I Block of Purba Burdwan district. The village use to suffer from huge scarcity and contamination of water for domestic purpose. Foundation's work of installing 33 taps, for bathing, drinking and other domestic use, has been a blessing for the population for the village. The project has been funded by Jana Small Finance bank, benefitting 50 families and 250 people through this safe drinking water project.

*"The water taps will solve our problem of drinking water during the summer season. We are grateful to Bargach Foundation and Jana Small Finance Bank "*

***Community people***
*Dariapur*

# Bringing Light to their Lives

## *Free Eye Checkup Camp*









On 9th August ,2024 Bargach Foundation in collaboration with Kolkata Municipal Corporation's Ward Number 48 and 48 Jana Kalyan Seba Sangha club had organized a "Free Eye Checkup Camp" for the marginalized section of our society. The camp was held with the technical assistance from M-Swasth and was held at 81, Premchand Boral Street, Kolkata-700012. This initiative aimed to provide comprehensive eye examinations and promote eye health among the most underserved community of our society.

The camp provided a range of essential eye care services to the sex workers and their community, including comprehensive eye examinations and medicinal support to 150 visiting patients.

# Job Drives, Better Lives

Job drive in collaboration with Kolkata Municipal Corporation at Ward 48, targeting the semi-skilled, educated unemployed youth of red-light area aged between 18 yrs-30 yrs. 50 unemployed youth participated in the program. Considering the youth's desire to get themselves employed and earn a dignified life for themselves the job drive was organized in the ward. 40 candidates got selected by renowned corporates like: TATWA Technologies, S&IB and Quess Corp. Renowned social organization like Save the Children, Hope Kolkata supported Bargach Foundation in this noble cause by sending their job seeking youths to participate in the drive.

Job drive organized in collaboration with Bidhannagar Police Commissionerate on 27th December at Lake Town Police area. 35 educated unemployed youth from below poverty line participated in the drive. 33 youths have been selected by TATWA Technologies, Bisk farm, Quess Corp and S&IB







## Upcoming Projects

Women Entrepreneurship Project with mjunction RASHMI Group, SRMB,Shyam Metallics and NSDC.

Computer literacy project with Flipkart.

Skill Development Project with Emami.

Financial literacy cum entrepreneurship development training among the underprivileged women for sustainable livelihood- To be funded by Ujjivan Small Finance Bank.

Water and Sanitation loan and sustainable use of water- To be funded by water.org.

Skill development project with Utkarsh Bangla at Khanakul Hooghly.

# Deep Impact of Our Endeavour

## *Case Study 1*



Sayan Das, 10 yrs old, bright but underprivileged student, had never used a computer. His school has limited resources, and struggled to complete online assignments or any research for projects. Sayan's parents enrolled him in 'Basic Digital Literacy' program at our Kalna Community IT Centre branch.

Over five months, he learned:
- How to use computer and navigate the internet
- How to access online educational resources
- How to use MS Word & paint

After enrolling himself at the community IT center, his school performance improved, he confidently completes his assignments. He even teaches his classmates how to use computers and has referred his friends to get themselves admitted at our community IT Center to learn computer.
Sayan's parents were also happy seeing him with improved confidence and seeing him participating happily in educational assignments. Sayan has shared "now I feel empowered and confident, when using computer. My friends come to me to learn computers. I feel very happy".

## *Case Study 2*

Sarat Ghosh, a 19 Yrs old, undergoing graduation in Arts, belongs to a low-income family background. He dreams of working in an IT-based company in future. However, he lacks the computer skills required to bag jobs in IT companies. His father is the only earning member in the family, hence he cannot think of enrolling in computer centers for learning MS office and software packages, since it such centers are very costly. His mother works as a helper in a school in Purbasthali. Sarat's mother came to know that the branch is operating free of cost community IT center for the community school children, youth and other community members. Immediately, he got Sarat admitted in Purbasthali branch community IT center for learning computers. Sarat is coming to the center, past 4 months.



Over the months he has learned:
- Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Resume writing and online job application strategies
- Basic computer operations
- Internet handling
- Email handling

Sarat, is very happy coming to center and learning computer skills. His center's coach, even encourages him to come to the center in his free time and practice his weekly computer sessions. After 4 months of intensive computer training, he has gained confidence in IT skills. He is still in learning mode and discovering more about computer operations. Sarat said "I can now see myself working in IT company after I graduate. I can feel my dream come true."

# Press Coverage


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নিজস্ব প্রতিনিধি, চুঁচুড়া: রাজ্য সরকারের উৎকর্ষ বাংলা প্রকল্পের হাত ধরে চাকরি পেলেন ২৬ জন শিক্ষার্থী। বাঁশবেড়িয়ার উৎকর্ষ বাংলা সেন্টারে মঙ্গলবার এক অনুষ্ঠানে তাঁদের হাতে নিয়োগপত্র তুলে দেওয়া হয়। অনুষ্ঠানে হুগলির গ্রামীণ পুলিস সুপার কামনাশিস সেন সহ বিশিষ্টরা উপস্থিত ছিলেন। জানা গিয়েছে, ওই ২৬ জন শিক্ষার্থী বিভিন্ন বেসরকারি সংস্থায় কাজ পেয়েছেন। পুলিস সুপার বলেন, উৎকর্ষ বাংলার মাধ্যমে গত ফেব্রুয়ারি মাসে চাকরির প্রশিক্ষণ দেওয়ার কাজ শুরু হয়েছিল। প্রথম ব্যাচে আমরা ৩২ জনকে পেয়েছিলাম। তাঁদের মধ্যে ২৬ জনই এদিন নিয়োগপত্র পেয়েছেন। আমরা আরও বেশি করে উৎকর্ষ বাংলা কেন্দ্র চালু করার কথা ভাবছি। প্রসঙ্গত, মুখ্যমন্ত্রী বেকার যুবক-যুবতীদের নানা রকম চাকরির প্রশিক্ষণ দিতে উৎকর্ষ বাংলা প্রকল্প চালু করেছিলেন। -নিজস্ব চিত্র

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