### **Fundamental Action and Research Foundation**



Vision to Development and Human Rights

# Jana Prayas

#### ABOUT FARF— A SMALL INITIATIVE

**Fundamental Action and Research Foundation\*\* (FARF)** is a Bengaluru based non-profit organization, working in the field of Rural development, agriculture and related research areas.

Our rural organization is helping in rural education and development of poor and disadvantage people irrespective of gender, age, caste or religion and also work towards quality digital services.

Our Vision of Rural Development and Research is to "serve the basic needs and priorities of the socially, educationally and economically backward sections", by working towards transparency in Government schemes, awareness campaigns, agriculture campaigns among other things.

As part of one of its program "Adarsh Gram Yojana", FARF has adopted more than 5 villages. As part of this initiative, FARF has taken action by organizing trainings, community meetings to spread awareness about central & state government schemes.

FARF has started a new program **KALRAV**, which aims at connecting urban India to rural India. As part of this initiative, we facilitate service where anybody can come and understand problem in rural areas. We help in connecting people, organize meetings and other relative services.

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- ⇒ FARF has adopted 7 villages (Sanathpur, Bhikharirampur, Naiyapur, Ahmadpur Phulwariya, Raipur, Shikhapur, Jorai) in Bhadohi constituency, UP based on one active members from each village. Except few, FARF has been successful to provide services in adopted villages.
- ⇒ FARF has successfully organized "Kalrav" in 2017. As part of this program, we help connecting professor, students with villagers and help them understand real rural problems.
- ⇒ We have also extended our child education program. This year we are targeting to provide free education to approx. 40 students. .
- ⇒ We started digital service, where we are providing online details related to various schemes. Also, FARF has own Common Service Centre to provide income, caste, domicile certificates etc free of cost. FARF distributed more than 30 certificates free of cost to the needy people and applied around 6 pension forms .
- ⇒ FARF has collaborated with similar organizations and involving experts from universities locally and internationally. E.g. Amrita School of Business, Xavier School of Rural Management etc.
- ⇒ With building trust, more people are connecting to us. With one such effort, we have distributed warm clothes and sweaters to kids adopted as part of education program.





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**Other Key Supporting Team Members:** Vikas Dubey, Uttam Kumar, Chandu Rai, Manish Tiwari, Mayank Mishra, Ravish Pandey, Vinod Yadav, Rajesh Gowda, Prashant Mishra & few more





# IMPORTANT INFORMATION RELATED TO AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

- ⇒ Government has announced a slew of farm-focused announcements in Union Budget 2018, raising the minimum support price to 1.5 times the production cost for Kharif crops, a key demand of distressed farmers.
- ⇒ Total credit to Agriculture set at Rs 11 lakh crore for FY19.
- ⇒ Strengthening the e-national agricultural market network.
- ⇒ National Health Protection Scheme for 10 crore families.
- ⇒ It provides a health cover of Rs 5 lakh per family a year.
- ⇒ Rs 600 crore to provide nutritional support for tuberculosis patients.
- ⇒ Free cooking gas aim raised to 8 crore poor households under Ujjwala Scheme.
- ⇒ Under the 'Swacch Bharat' scheme, six crore toilets made so far, aim to make two crore more. To increase spending on rural sanitation.
- ⇒ Dedicated affordable housing fund to be set up; allocation for National Livelihood Mission at Rs 5,750 crore.
- ⇒ Scheme to combat air pollution in National Capital Region to be launched.
- $\Rightarrow$  To invest Rs 1 lakh crore on education infrastructure over four years.
- ⇒ Amended RTE Act to train 13 lakh teachers.

### **TESTIMONIALS**

- ⇒ Your trainees did a good job, the case studies were quite detailed and well researched. And the memento was awesome. Thanks a lot.
  - Vishakh Iyer (District Magistrate, Bhadohi)
- ⇒ Thanks for your great work and contributions to society. I am glad to see that the kids are able go to school because of your and teams effort. Again, thanks a lot for fantastic initiative and work.
  - Alok Kumar (Senior Professional, Accenture, Chicago, USA)
- ⇒ Excellent thought process and efforts taken towards one of the most important draw back of our country. .
  - Brijesh Kr Singh (Indian Navy )



# **FARF-IN PICTURES**

# Child Education support



Village Meeting



People awareness campaign





Meeting with Bhadohi DM

FARF Team in adopted villages







## WHY FARF???

A question comes to one's mind naturally, why FARF. As we already know, FARF stands for Fundamental Action and Research. In other words, FARF has two verticals: ACTION and RESEARCH.

Now comes answer to most sought question, why FARF? As FARF is also a bunch of curious people who came together and are trying to learn from their experiences. Therefore, a RESEARCH vertical is where understanding is developed for very basic problems of people, what went wrong, what could be done better etc. The conclusion derived from this is then taken into ACTION.

## **FUNDAMENTAL ACTION**





## AND RESEARCH



### **KALRAV**

Last year we started a new program KALRAV, where we invite people to come and experience village life. This is kind of a cultural exchange program. While the guests can benefit from new rich experiences, spirituality, a new dimension to look through etc., they can also help village people in resolving issues in more scientific ways.

Last year, students from a prestigious college, XSRM Bhubaneswar, came to visit villages adopted by FARF as part of their RLLE program.

This was a success, students experienced village life closely, understand real world problems and also get to present their ideas to District Magistrate of Bhadohi.









## FORTHCOMING EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

- ⇒ **Sports Event:** A Sports event is going to be organized in June 2018 at Bhadohi District .
- ⇒ **Digital Education initiative:** FARF is going to start this in one or two Government School as a pilot project .
- ⇒ **Financial Literacy Camp** in adopted Villages
- ⇒ **Expansion of Child Education Support:** Enrollment of five new children in Private school in Jaunpur district in addition to existing children.

## Do You Know / Facts:

According to Government of India, 100% village electrification will be achieved by May 1,2018.

#### **FARF MESSAGE**

Dear All,

Most of us in FARF are professionals/students who are contributing their valuable time & efforts towards rural development and agriculture transformation. Considering limitations on resources, finance etc, we are progressing very gradually but we are consistent and untired in our journey and achieving our goals.

So far in our journey, we have received tremendous support from all section of the society. We hope to get your continuous moral support and best wishes. It really encourages us when we hear kind words for our work as we are not here for any business but for small changes.

If you want to be involved directly or indirectly for the socio-economic development in your state/district/village, feel free to contact us. You may contribute through time/suggestion/financial support. We are in process but still have not been certified as 80-G. Hence, we are sorry that you may not get tax-exemption till the time we are 80-G certified.

If interested for financial support, the account payee cheque or demand draft can be made in favour of **FUNDAMENTAL ACTION & RESEARCH FOUNDATION**, payable at *Bangalore*.

#### Account Details for online/account transfer:

Payee Name Fundamental Action & Research Foundation

Account No. 510101003169102

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IFSC Code CORP0000507



### **SUCCESS STORIES**

- ⇒ FARF has few success stories from Northern part of India (District: Bhadohi (Sant Ravidas Nagar), State: Uttar Pradesh)
- ⇒ Success Story#1:Due to continuous follow up and demand, we were successful to organize open meetings in two adopted villages: Bhikharirampur and Sanathpur. On our demand, all the beneficiaries list under ODF was out in villages in public demand.
- ⇒ Success Story#2: KALRAV, an initiative where urban and rural India meets and exchanged ideas/experiences was successfully organized this year. This was appreciated by DM of Bhadohi and was covered by local media as well.
- ⇒ Success Story #3: FARF had started child education support program last year which got extended this year due to growing support. This year we are going to extend our support to 100 children approximately.

#### **ABOUT FARF:**

FARF registration in Karnataka in 2014



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