

Annual Activity Report (2023–2024)

Raees Sifa Imdadi Khana, Madhubani

Introduction

Raees Sifa Imdadi Khana, Madhubani, is committed to serving society with a vision of holistic development. The year 2023–2024 was marked by multiple initiatives focusing on social awareness, empowerment, education, culture, environment, and healthcare. Each programme was designed with clear objectives, executed with community participation, and evaluated for its impact. The following report presents a detailed description of the activities conducted during the year.

❖ Cultural Competition/Programme

Culture is the soul of society, and preserving cultural heritage is one of the core objectives of the Trust. During the year, several cultural competitions and programmes were organized in schools, community halls, and villages. Activities included folk dance performances, singing competitions, traditional drama shows, and poetry recitations. Students actively participated, presenting themes of social unity and moral values through cultural expression.

Parents and teachers were also involved, making it a family-oriented event. The outcome was not limited to entertainment—it instilled pride in local traditions, encouraged youth to take interest in art, and built community solidarity. Certificates, prizes, and recognition boosted participants' confidence. The Trust plans to expand such programmes to district-level festivals next year.

❖ Sports Activities

Sports nurture discipline, teamwork, and a healthy lifestyle. The Trust conducted football tournaments, kabaddi matches, cricket leagues, and athletic events for rural youth. Girls were encouraged to participate equally, breaking gender barriers in sports. Participation was enthusiastic, with teams from different villages competing with zeal.

Beyond competition, the initiative focused on teaching sportsmanship, health awareness, and physical fitness. Coaches and volunteers guided students about training routines and nutrition. Many youths discovered

hidden talent, some even aiming to pursue sports professionally. Sports became a medium of reducing stress, preventing addiction, and channelizing energy positively.

❖ **Women Empowerment Programme**

Women's empowerment remained a central focus of the Trust in 2023–24. Training workshops on tailoring, handicrafts, food processing, and small business management were conducted. Awareness sessions on health, nutrition, maternal care, and legal rights were also held. More than 300 women participated across different villages.

The programme emphasized self-reliance. Women learned financial literacy, including banking, savings, and digital payment systems. Case studies of successful entrepreneurs were shared to inspire participants. Women who completed the training were linked to self-help groups (SHGs) and encouraged to start micro-enterprises. The transformation was visible: women who earlier hesitated to step out of their homes are now confident leaders in their communities.

❖ **Environmental Awareness Programme**

Recognizing the urgency of environmental protection, the Trust launched awareness drives in schools and villages. Activities included tree plantation, waste segregation training, cleanliness campaigns, and seminars on climate change. Over 500 saplings were planted in public spaces, with communities pledging to nurture them. Workshops were conducted on renewable energy, water conservation, and plastic waste reduction.

Children were taught creative uses of waste materials through craft competitions. The programme not only educated but also motivated behavioral change—families reduced plastic use and adopted eco-friendly habits. The Trust aims to create 'Green Villages' as model projects in the coming years.

❖ **Computer Literacy Programme**

In the digital age, technology is power. To bridge the gap in rural areas, the Trust organized computer literacy programmes for youth, women, and school students. Courses covered MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, internet browsing, digital payments, and social media safety.

Over 200 learners completed the training, many of whom now use digital tools for studies, online job applications, and small businesses. Women learned to use mobile banking and online markets. Teachers appreciated this initiative, as students gained confidence in e-learning. The programme significantly reduced the digital divide, preparing participants for modern opportunities.

❖ **Human Rights Awareness Programme**

Awareness about human rights is essential for justice and equality. The Trust conducted seminars, street plays, and awareness meetings on rights related to education, equality, freedom, and dignity. Experts explained laws against domestic violence, child labour, and discrimination.

Special focus was given to marginalized communities, women, and youth. Case discussions helped participants understand how to seek legal support when rights are violated. These sessions empowered individuals with knowledge, making them more assertive in society. The Trust aims to develop community rights clubs to sustain this awareness.

❖ **Rural Development Programme**

The Trust addressed various aspects of rural development, including sanitation, livelihood, education, and healthcare. Clean drinking water awareness camps were held, and hygiene kits were distributed in schools. Livelihood projects, such as mushroom farming and handicraft production, were supported. Educational support was given through distribution of books, stationery, and tuition classes for underprivileged children. Health camps were organized to provide medical aid in remote areas. This multi-dimensional approach improved living standards and encouraged rural families to adopt sustainable practices.

❖ **Mithila Painting Training Cum Production**

Mithila painting is not only art but also a source of livelihood. The Trust organized structured training sessions in Madhubani, teaching traditional painting techniques to women and youth. Participants learned natural color preparation, design methods, and storytelling through art. To ensure sustainability, production units were set up where trained artists could create paintings for exhibitions and sales. Several paintings were displayed in fairs and

cultural events, generating income for participants. This programme revived traditional art while offering economic independence to artisans.

❖ **Tailoring and Cutting Training Cum Production**

Vocational training in tailoring and cutting was one of the most successful initiatives. Women were taught stitching, embroidery, machine operations, and garment production. Training centers provided practical exposure, and production units created uniforms for schools and garments for local markets. Women expressed pride in being able to contribute financially to their families. The programme not only generated income but also boosted self-confidence, reducing dependence on others. The Trust envisions expanding this initiative into a cooperative society for women entrepreneurs.

❖ **Old Age Care Programme**

Respecting elders is a social responsibility. The Trust organized health check-up camps for senior citizens, providing medical consultations and free medicines. Recreational programmes like storytelling, folk singing, and cultural evenings brought joy to their lives. Counselling sessions addressed loneliness, neglect, and emotional well-being.

Volunteers regularly visited old age homes, offering companionship and support. The initiative reminded society of the invaluable wisdom and contribution of the elderly. Future plans include setting up a dedicated senior citizen day-care center.

❖ **Career Counselling Programme**

To guide youth towards meaningful careers, the Trust held counselling workshops in schools and community centers. Experts guided students about higher education, vocational courses, competitive exams, and entrepreneurship opportunities. Personality development, communication skills, and interview techniques were part of the sessions. Many students discovered clarity in their career goals and gained motivation to pursue higher studies. Parents also benefited by understanding how to support their children's ambitions. The programme created a bridge between aspirations and opportunities, motivating youth towards success.

❖ **Miscellaneous Activities**

Apart from structured programmes, the Trust undertook miscellaneous activities like relief distribution during floods, awareness rallies on health and hygiene, and support for underprivileged families. Educational aid, food distribution, and small-scale community projects were implemented as per local needs. Though small in scope, these interventions provided timely help to many beneficiaries, building goodwill and trust among the community.

❖ **Anti-Corruption Awareness Programme**

Corruption hampers development. The Trust organized anti-corruption awareness drives through seminars, street plays, poster exhibitions, and rallies. Students, villagers, and local leaders participated in discussions on honesty, ethics, and transparency. Interactive sessions highlighted how corruption affects everyday life and the nation's progress. People pledged to stand against corruption in their personal and professional lives. This initiative encouraged collective responsibility towards building a corruption-free society.

Conclusion

The year 2023–24 was a journey of impact, progress, and empowerment for Raees Sifa Imdadi Khana, Madhubani. Each activity—from cultural programmes to vocational training, from awareness campaigns to social support—contributed to community development in unique ways. Women gained independence, youth received guidance, elders felt respected, and children found inspiration. The Trust expresses gratitude to its members, volunteers, and supporters for their continuous encouragement. With renewed commitment, we look forward to expanding our programmes and serving society with greater strength in the coming years.