

An internal newsletter is crucial as it fosters effective communication and serves as a platform to share updates, successes, past events and ensure everyone is informed and aligned with the organisation's work. We bring to you our first quarterly newsletter for the year 2023-24 with the aim to enhance collaboration, boost morale and strengthen our sense of community.



Newsletter - 2023

April - June

ON GOING WORK IN EDUCATION, HEALTH & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Aquaculture

In aquaculture existing water bodies are developed to create additional water areas for large scale fish production. It can also include rehabilitation of marshy and swampy lands, developing them into modern fish production systems.

In the coastal Kendrapada district of Odisha, 5 ponds are being renovated for aquaculture farming and production with support from DCB Bank in collaboration with Concern. 75 beneficiaries from 5 villages will be trained on aquaculture farming and entrepreneurship development. 25,000 fingerlings/advanced yearlings will be provided to them, equipping them for sustainable aquaculture farming, thereby greatly enhancing their incomes and bringing overall benefit to the villages.



Aquaculture in the coastal Kendrapada district of Odisha

Suraksha

Concern India Foundation continues its efforts to promote good health and personal hygiene among school children under the Suraksha programme. 500 hygiene kits were distributed to students from various schools in Pune.

Students were educated on issues such as child abuse, personal safety and hygiene.

The aim of Concern's Suraksha programme is to empower children and equip them with the knowledge and skills needed to stay safe and healthy.





Scholarship for students from underprivileged or marginalised backgrounds

A meeting was organised in Mumbai with some of the beneficiaries under the Scholarship for Students from Underprivileged and Marginalised Backgrounds to understand their requirements for the year 2023-24. In the meeting, the children shared their experiences of the previous year. Fees support is given for college, hostel, coaching class/entrance exams/competitive exams, etc. thus enabling them to continue their education. Sessions will be organised with a career counsellor to provide insights on their aptitude and suitable professions or further education. About 600 students in need will be supported with scholarships under different categories in 2023-24.

AREA OF FOCUS FOR THIS NEW FY - COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY CLIMATE CHANGE



Nature and communities

In response to the urgent challenge of climate change, every action is crucial. Concern recognises the importance of taking steps to support communities affected by climate change, while also addressing factors such as carbon footprints, water table imbalances and more. We are steadfastly increasing our commitment to various restoration initiatives to tackle these issues. Sustainable development and support for local communities go hand in hand with addressing environmental mitigation challenges. Through these practices, we strive to make a substantial contribution to the creation of a greener and more prosperous future for all.

BENEFICIARY EVENTS

Splash Bangalore - 26th May, 2023



ON GROUND EXPERIENCE SHARING



Water is an invaluable resource that requires preservation. Concern recognises its significance and has implemented watershed projects in several states including Odisha, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Karnataka, and Andhra Pradesh, with active community participation.

These projects encompass a range of measures such as soil water treatment, renovation or construction of percolation tanks, Gabion walls, check dams, canal de-silting and deepening. This improves water retention and management. During the heavy rains caused by a cyclone on June 11th, all the water structures in Marathwada were filled to capacity. For the first time, flowing water was successfully halted and collected, which proved to be a significant boon for the neighboring areas. This achievement showcases the positive impact of our efforts and the benefits they bring to the local communities.

OUR EVENTS



ART FOR CONCERN

MONOCHROMATIC MASTERS

Art for Concern brought for the first time a Monochromatic Masters online show on 24th May, which showcased the black & white purest art forms done by masters like Jayasri Burman, Jogen Chowdhury, Suhas Roy to name a few.

ONLINE SHOWS



Nature's Bounty

13th April

Celebrated Artisans

20th April

Reflections

15th May

Bangalore Edit

8-12th June

OUR EVENTS

PAUSE FOR A CAUSE



DELHI

(11th & 12th April)



BANGALORE

(29th & 30th June)

Know Your Weaves

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Indian weaves comprise of an age old, diverse and rich traditions of textile artistry. It encompasses a wide range of techniques, designs and materials, which showcase incredible skills and craftsmanships of Indian weavers. Pause for a Cause has initiated Know your Weaves in an attempt to throw light on this diversity and bring it to you. An information series designed internally, please do check out our posts on the official Pause for a Cause handles.

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On 1st April Concern India Foundation was set up. This year the teams celebrated to mark 31 years of our foundation.



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marginalised individuals were reached out to providing them with support and opportunities in the FY 2022-23

WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW JOINEES:

Ms. Shivani Gurjar has joined us in the Program team at Pune.

Ms. Suman Rastogi has joined us in the Accounts team at HO Mumbai.

Ms. Kirti Marathe has joined us in the Fundraising team at Pune.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

About us...

Concern India Foundation is a motivated team of eleven professionals, working to help projects for the underprivileged. Our objectives are met through identifying projects that urgently need assistance, and then lending financial aid or any other service that they require in the areas of awareness and liaison work for additional funds from other agencies or the government.

The projects that we support include education, health, community development and environmental programs. Here we give you a deeper insight on some of these interesting programs.

We will also tell you about some of the invigorating events that were organised and what they meant for the participants.

It has been a totally overwhelming 18 months for us all at Concern. We are all enthused with the needs that we have reached out to, and those that remain to be addressed charge us with a sense of urgency.

We would like this newsletter to be a forum for an exchange of your views on development work. **Make our concern yours, because if you don't who will?**



As the title suggests, we've gone back in time to bring to you a true 'blast from the past.' The image on the left is a snapshot from Concern's newsletter dated back to 1993. From a team 11 individuals at the start to the beautiful way the Concern family has grown by leaps and bounds. Sharing wonderful experiences and working together to make many more. Here is a little inspiration for each of you.

UPDATES FOR YOU

- Request all to share information of the latest work happening in your city on concernmarketing2022@concernindia.org in your respective city folders.
- Please reconfirm all active payment/donation links from the website as it has recently been updated.
- Please go through the website as we are in process of updating the latest information and numbers. Do write to the communications team for any feedback.

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