

## NAVCHETNA 2024



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## **PREFACE**

We are very excited to present inaugural edition of Navchetana - The newsletter from Kiran Foundation. This is newsletter is the platform to showcase the vision and actions of our foundation. This first issue reflects the journey of Kiran Foundation as we step into 2025, celebrating the milestones, growth, and efforts that have defined the past year.

Through this newsletter, our family of change-makers will communicate, collaborate and create change. This is a space to inspire and get inspired, sharing ideas that empower society and drive positive change.

We started newsletter towards the end of december and it was completed within a month. We express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone, who contribute. The cooperation and timely provisioning was crucial in publishing this newsletter in time; this would not been possible without dedication of many volunteers, students and interns. Entire team sprung into action from the word go to make this newsletter a success, which enabled us to build the momentum and deliver such a monumental task in a short period of time.

Special thanks from all of us to every volunteer for their dedication and their valuable efforts for the foundation. Without you, we would not have been here. Your unwavering support has played a big role in our growth and success. We look forward to your continued dedication and hope you'll keep supporting the foundation with the same passion and commitment.



## FROM DIRECTOR'S DESK

Jai Jinendra

Dear kiran foundation,

As we step into a new calendar year, 2025, I wish you a new hope, a new vigour and freedom from past inhibitions; be the best you can be.

As we look back at 2024, I am filled with immense gratitude for what we have achieved together at Kiran Foundation. If I were to caption this year, it would undoubtedly be: The Year of Collective Effort and Great Teamwork. The journey of Kiran Foundation that began in 2016 has unfolded in the ways we couldn't have imagined. In the early days, the path was challenging, and at times, it felt lonely. However, the life and vision of Kiran Maa guided us, giving us strength during the most difficult times. The challenges continue to test us today, but with your dedication and determination, her vision lives on.

One of 2024's defining moments was welcoming twelve exceptionally talented students into the Kiran Pratibha Program. These young individuals, from 11 districts across 8 states, have extended Kiran Foundation's reach nationwide. These hard working and talented youth have ambitious dreams, strong determination and commitment to turn their dreams into a reality. Some students have also graduated from Kiran Pratibha Program and started their journey to contribute back to their families, communities and society. Notable among them is Aditi Jain, making her way into Madhya Pradesh Public Service Commission. Kiran Pratibha program is not just a scholarship, it's a transformative program to transform youth into the reformers and leaders of tomorrow. I wish all graduating students not only professional success but also the courage, determination, and vision to spark a meaningful change and shape a brighter future for India. The 2024 Pratibha selection process was efficiently managed by Shreya, one of the graduates of Kiran Pratibha Program; this is a testimony to our deep rooted values. The Kiran Shakti program also continued steadily in 2024, running free courses/workshops and empowering hundreds of women across India.

Challenges are an inevitable part of any meaningful journey, and this year has been no exception; despite various challenges, we have been able to move forward, thanks to the tireless efforts and selfless service of our volunteers. Our volunteers and supporters leave no stone unturned to maintain the quality that Kiran Foundation stands for. They consciously choose to sacrifice their comfort today for a better future for our society. We owe much of our achievements to their hard work and collective effort, and we are deeply grateful for their invaluable contributions. The year ended on a joyful note with Kiran Foundation being awarded the 80(G) certification, a milestone that reflects the efforts of diligent and meticulous work by our team.

While we celebrate our achievements, we must not forget that we are not able to support many equally talented students. Many dreams get crushed due to harsh realities of life. India has about 125 million youth who are in their formative years of life (14-20 years of age) across 787 districts; to put it in perspective, this is about double the population of the whole of the United Kingdom. We are setting a modest goal of supporting about 10 students from every district; a total of 7870, which is about 0.06 percent of eligible youth. If we can transform the lives and hopes of these students in every corner of India, it will bring a new ray of hope and brighten up the entire country; it will transform India, district by district.

As we grow we must not compromise on the quality and personalised attention we give to every student. That is our strength and our character and we shall strive to preserve it. Keeping character while scaling requires compression, conviction and resources. That is why in 2025 we would like to take a step back and strengthen our foundation before we can take a giant leap. I call upon everyone to contribute; no contribution is big or small. We are looking to: Raise funds, build local chapters, and develop technology solutions for nationwide transformation. We are looking for persuasive fundraisers, open-source programers, outstanding mentors, empathetic trainers to bring our vision to life. If you cannot do any of the above, we also need supporters and believers in our visions to empower socially, physically and financially disadvantaged sections of society and provide wings to their dreams. May we create a truly merit-based society where every individual, regardless of their background, has the opportunity to thrive based on their abilities, efforts, and potential.

Your faithfully,

Anurag Jain



### VISION AND MOTTO

Kiran Foundation is a vision of Kiran Maa; this vision is the driving force that drives every volunteer in Kiran Foundation. She used to say, "If a hardworking and talented youth cannot fulfill their dreams due to lack of resources, it is the failure of the whole society." This foundation was established with inspiration from her life, her thoughts and her actions. It was her wish that we must do all in our capability to fulfill the dream of a hardworking and talented youth. She strongly believed that diligent and hardworking people take society on the path of progress. If their dreams are not supported, society starts to deteriorate. We must keep hope and dreams alive!

"We dream of a society where merit, dedication and hard work take the driver's seat."

In India every year many bright young kids, let go their hopes and dreams due to lack of petty resources. They are forced to battle with harsh realities of life at the cost of their future. Many of them born into underprivileged and marginalised families. Through Kiran pratibha program we aim to identify exceptional but underprivileged youth and support them in their endeavours of Education, Sports or Art according to their interest and abilities. Our vision is to see a society where every youth gets equal opportunities and support to pursue their dreams; the path to success should be on a level paying field.

"To empower socially, physically and financially disadvantaged sections of society and provide wings to their dreams."

Knowledge, Transparency, Discipline and Compassion are the foundation of our mission. Enabling ability to acquire right knowledge is true empowerment; it enables individuals to take informed decisions and create opportunities for self and for society. Transparency is the best approach to build trust; it not only builds accountability but also strengthens our shared vision. Discipline drives us to remain consistent in our efforts and Compassion connects us deeply to the people and causes we serve. Together, these core values shape our approach, empower our team, and inspire our vision for a brighter, more equitable future."



## **OUR INITIATIVES**



Kiran Pratibha



Kiran Shakti



## KIRAN PRATIBHA

Kiran Pratibha is our flagship program supporting talented youth in pursuit of their dreams. India is home to exceptional talent, but many of them are born in unfavourable conditions and unable to pursue their talent. The harsh realities of life crush their dreams; they compromise and live a mediocre life which only strengthens the cycle of poverty. Kiran Pratibha offers hope and support to those shining stars; it is essentially is a scholarships program for exceptional but underprivileged youth in pursuit of their endeavours of Education, Sports or Art, according to their interest and abilities. The foundation not only offers complete financial support but active guidance and personalised mentoring.

#### Our Aim

The sole aim of the program is to support, nurture and guide our pratibha scholars achieve the best they can be. We are very clear that our goal is not to give out money or any other perks; our purpose is to build capable individuals, who can build future of our society. Our purpose is to inspire youth for lifelong learning, discipline and service to society. Our purpose is to empower these talented youth to become leaders of tomorrow and bring the change that they passionately believe in. We will strive to provide all necessary support to the student most prominent are: mentoring and financial support.





#### What we Offers

Kiran Foundation intend to fully support the Pratibha students in pursuit of their career goals; the financial resources should not hinder the path to success. This covers all the expenses towards career building and includes fees, accommodation, travel, purchase of books, equipment etc. The level of support depends on the financial situation of the Student's Family.

Our team at Kiran Foundation works very closely with each student to support unique needs they have. The team gathers necessary resources and connections suitable to each students and charts out a path to their goals. Each student is assigned personal mentors; the mentors not only guide and monitor them but also help them navigate through the complex web of challenges they face. We select mentors very carefully; all our mentors not only excel in their respective field but also are compassionate human beings. These mentors will be available to support students throughout their journey. Progress of every student is tracked via scheduled discussions with core team. We strive to arrange for every resource needed for success of each student.

Personal Mentoring is a unique proposition of Kiran Foundation Scholarship. We believe in holistic development of the student to turn them into future leaders. Our students are some of the brightest mind in the society and the scholarship will enable them to bring a long lasting positive change to the world.

Kiran Foundation is also a platform for students to connect with each other and learn from each other's journey. They collaborate with their peers, share valuable insights, exchange knowledge, and learn from each other's experiences. This network helps them build confidence, healthy competition, and stay motivated on their journey to success.

#### **Selection Process**

For our Pratibha community, a student must satisfy certain requirements. First of all the student should normally be 14 years of age or passed 8th standard. The should be exceptionally talented and should be able to demonstrate potential and dedication in their field of interest. Needless to say that we support only students from underprivileged background and family's financial capability is thoroughly assessed. The process start with student applying for the Kiran Pratibha program. We review each application thoroughly and filter them based on the documentation provided. The filtered applications then passes through the due diligence, background checks, and telephonic interviews. In the final step, our selection committee will have a thorough discussions with student and their family.

# STAR PRATIBHA SCHOLARS OF 2024-25



Aditi Jain, from Mardevra, Chhatarpur, scored 74.8% in her BBA (Hon.) and cleared MP-PSC 2021. She graduated from Pratibha program in 2024 and currently appointed as AIAO in Madhya Pradesh Govt. She hails from a religious family, earning a modest income form small shop in the village. Aditi's journey is driven by determination and resilience. Her success is a reflection of her hard work, and the unwavering support of her family and our Foundation,



Astha Jain, a talented student from Damoh, M.P. She is studying 3rd year of B.A.LLB (Hons.) from DAVV, Indore. She secured the prestigious first rank in her university during her first year. Raised by single mother running a utensil shop, Astha's dedication and hard work shine through her results. Her interests include reading, writing, and cooking, which complement her disciplined approach to life. She aspires to become a Civil Judge.



Tanuj Samaddar, a 2nd-year B.A. Geography (Hons.) student at Kirorimal College, Delhi, aspires to become a civil servant. Hailing from Kamrup, Assam, Tanuj has earned over 50 international and 130 national awards, including prestigious Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2021, US President's Educational Award, and Karveer Chakra. His hobbies include art, painting, quizzing, and narrating.

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Aaruhi Jain Mt.Abu, Rajasthan 10th Standard



Aastha Jain 11 th Std. INDORE



Aastha jain BA. L.L.B. (Hons.) 3rd yr. DAVV, INDORE



Aghouri Rishabh 12th Std. Deodattpur, Bihar



Lakshit Sharma Dhanishikar, Rajasthan B.Tech, NIT Surathkal



Manasi Sharad Jagdale 11th Std. Sangli Maharashtra



Mohita Jain 12th Std. SAGAR, M.P.



Mouli Jain Bsc. Stats ( Hons. ) 4th Sem LSR, (DU)



Nainsee Sahu Bsc. 2nd year Holkar College of Science, INDORE



Naman Jain BMS 4th Year BETUL, M.P.



Neer Jain 11th Std. SAGAR, M.P.



Nikita Rajput 10th Std. RAJGARH, M.P.



Rashi Morwal 9th Std. Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh



Rishika Sharma 10th std. Pune, Maharashtra



Rutika T.Kolhapure JCE Karnataka (2nd year)



Saransh Jain B.Tech (I.T.) 1st year SGSITS, INDORE



Sahil Kalange MBBS Pune, Maharashtra



Sakhtivel V B.E. ( Mechanical) 2nd year, TAMIL NADU



Sanyam Jain Sagar M.P. Preparing for UPSC



Sanyam Jain B. Tech CSE IIIT, BHOPAL



Shreya Jain B.Tech (CSE) 4th Yr. SGSIT, INDORE



Shreyansh Jain B. Tech (CSE) DSC BANGALURU



Swathi Shetty Udupi, Karnataka 1st year BA.LLB



Swayam Jain B.A.(Maths+Eco) 4th Sem SBSC, DU



Tanuj Samaddar, FRSA B.A. Geo.(Hons.) 4th Sem Kirorimal college, DU



Vanshika Jain 11th Std. SEONI, M.P.



Yadava HC
Oxford College of
Engineering, BANGALURU

## PRATIBHA ALUMNUS



Keshu Jain



Shreya Jain



Aditi Jain



Darshan K.



Aastha Jain



Shivam Jain

### Kiran Shakti

Confident and empowered women are essential for a strong and resilient society. Unfortunately, vitality of women as a catalyst for change is grossly underestimated. Kiran Shakti Program is a transformative initiative designed to empower women through essential skills for respectable life. Through this program we provide vocational and life skills training for women (specially home makers) in their native language. Through the series of thoughtfully designed workshops, we focus on equipping women to take charge of their lives, and lead their families and communities with confidence.

From understanding their legal rights to mastering financial and digital skills, the program empower women holistically, equipping them to not only thrive in various aspects of life and become change-makers in their communities. By building confidence and self-reliance, Kiran Shakti program creates a ripple effect that strengthens families, uplifts communities, and drives social progress.



Art credit: Nancy Sahu

#### Our Aim

Our aim through these initiatives is empower women knowledge, skills, and confidence they need to overcome challenges, in daily lives and lead independent and fulfilling lives. **Empowered** with essentialy knowledge, the can take decisions confidently, not only themselves but also for their families.

The program address key areas like legal awareness, digital proficiency, communication skills and financial literacy. We strive to create a supportive environment where women can find support, ask questions without being judged and unlock their true potential, building a more equitable and inclusive society.

Our program is built on four major pillars:

### Everyday Law for women

Through our "Everyday Law for Women" workshops and courses, we've empowered over 300 women by educating them on vital rights, including protection from domestic violence, workplace harassment, maternity benefits, and equal inheritance. We do this to ensure women are informed, confident, and capable of shaping a future built on equality and justice.

#### **Essential Digital Skill**

Through our digital skills workshops, we have empowered over 250 women by providing hands-on training in essential areas such as mobile skills, Canva design, and other critical digital tools. These workshops are designed to bridge the digital divide, helping women gain confidence, unleash their creativity, and open doors to personal growth, entrepreneurial ventures, and professional success in an increasingly technology-driven world. Our mission is to ensure every woman has the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in the digital age.

#### Essential Financial Skill

Through our essential finance skills workshops and courses, we have empowered over 200 women with practical knowledge in budgeting, saving, investment planning, and financial independence. We also raise awareness about SIPs, mutual funds, government-backed schemes, and other financial tools to help women make informed decisions and build a secure financial future.

#### **English Speaking Club**

Through our online Conversation Groups, we help women boost their confidence and enhance their overall communication skills. These online sessions provide a safe space to practice speaking English, overcome language barriers, and connect with women from diverse backgrounds. With expert facilitation and a flexible format, we help participants foster confidence, enhance fluency, and grow as effective communicators.



## OUR CORE TEAM



Anurag Jain Chairman of the Boad



Rituja jain Pratibha Lead



Anjali jain Shakti Lead



Sushma Badkul Events Lead



Anant Pankaj Jain Treasurer



Shreya Jain Co-ordinator



Swayam jain Student Co-ordinator

## PRATIBHA TEAM



Rituja jain Pratibha Lead



Shreya Jain Pratibha (Junior) Lead



Anjali jain Counsellor



Kanchan Jha Mentor, English



Preeti jain Counsellor



Pratibha Tomar Mentor, MBA



Arpit Jain Mentor, JEE



Pooja Vinod Mentor, CSE & IT



Shreya jain Mentor



Swayam Jain Student Co-ordinator

## SHAKTI TEAM



Anjali Jain Shakti Lead



Shreya jain Co-ordinator



Sushma Badkul Co-ordinator



Deepika Murthy Lead, Everyday Law



Kanchan Jha Lead, English Club



Isha Gil Trainer, Financial Skills



Keshu jain Trainer, Digital Skills



Bhawna Jain Member



Vijeta Rathore Trainer, Financial Skills



Rituja Jain Member



Harshil Prajapati Trainer, Financial Skills



Madhu Jain Member



Pankaj jain Trainer, Financial Skills Trainer, Financial Skills



Ninad jaltare

## Our Tech Teams

As many more students look to Kiran Foundation with hope, we feel humbled but also a sense of responsibility sets in. We must make every effort to keep those hopes and dreams alive. This requires us to be able to scale our operations to be able to make best use of available resources and acquire new resources. Last year, we have grown our tech team and the team remains in prime focus for year 2025. Our tech teams are building the future of Kiran Foundation Today. We primarily have three tech teams - Pratibha App Team: A digital platform for the Kiran Pratibha program, Digital Cell: manages our social media, Website Team: Developing new website.



Olga Sater Lead Designer, Pratibha App



Chaitanya Sathe Product Manager, Pratibha App



Sarthak Sharma Lead, Digital Cell



Sangeeta Sinha Quality Assurance, Pratibha App



Pacifique Quizera Developer, Pratibha App



Swayam Jain Co-lead, Digital Cell



Prashul Jain Developer, Pratibha App

# A Year Of Inspiration: Kiran Foundation's 2024 Journey

As we reflect on the past year, we celebrate the milestones that brought us closer to our mission of empowering women, fostering creativity, and strengthening communities. Here's a detailed look at what we accomplished this year:

#### Empowering Women Through Everyday Law

We began the year with the Everyday Law for Women course, designed to educate women about their legal rights and equip them with the tools to navigate challenges. This program covered critical topics such as the Women's Reservation Bill, workplace harassment laws, maternity benefits, and the right to free legal aid. Participants also learned about their rights to private defense and equal inheritance. This initiative empowered women to make informed decisions and strengthened their confidence to stand up for their rights.

#### Pratibha Scholars Programme: Expanding Opportunities

Our Pratibha Scholars Programme saw a significant breakthrough this year with the inclusion of 12 new scholars. The scholarship attracted applications from a wide pool of talent, thanks to the hard work of our volunteers, who listed it across platforms. After a rigorous selection process, we welcomed these brilliant students into the program. While resource constraints limited the number of selections, we remain committed to broadening the scope of this initiative to support more deserving candidates in the coming years.

#### Skill Development to make Women's Self Reliant

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#### Celebrating Sankalp Diwas

On June 15th, we celebrated Sankalp Diwas in honor of Kiran Maa's vision and legacy. The event was marked by heartfelt tributes, as students shared their thoughts, poems, and creative expressions. It was a day of reflection and inspiration, bringing together the community to reaffirm our shared commitment to empowerment and progress.



#### Diwali Meet and Creative Initiative

Our Diwali Meet was a beautiful celebration of creativity and sustainability. As part of the event, we organized the "Best out of Waste" initiative, where students showcased their innovative skills by creating decorations using recycled materials and sustainable ideas. The meet also included a drawing competition, where students expressed their imagination and artistic talents. These activities highlighted the importance of sustainability and the value of creativity in building a better future.

#### Avtran Diwas: Mindfulness and Connection

This year's Avtran Diwas combined mindfulness with celebration. The day began with a meditation program, emphasizing the importance of mental clarity and well-being. In the evening, we organized interactive Q&A sessions and shared thoughtful gifts with winners of the day's activities. The event fostered unity, joy, and a deeper connection among participants, making it a truly special occasion.

#### 80(G) Certification: A Major Milestone

One of our most significant achievements this year was securing the prestigious 80(G) Certification. This milestone allows our donors to avail tax benefits for their contributions, enhancing their ability to support our cause. This success was made possible by the tireless efforts of Pankaj Jain , who worked diligently with the Income Tax Department, and Rituja Jain, whose meticulous record-keeping ensured everything was in order. This certification is a testament to our transparency and integrity as an organization.

#### Starting a New Chapter: Proud Milestone for our Foundation

This year, we started a new chapter of the Kiran Foundation in Delhi and held our very first offline meet, which was a proud and exciting moment for all of us. During the meet, we discussed how to improve our work for the foundation and make it more impactful. We also talked about new ideas and future plans to help the foundation grow and achieve its goals. It was inspiring to see everyone's dedication, and the meet encouraged us to work harder together for our cause. This gathering marked the beginning of a stronger journey for the Delhi chapter.

This year has been a remarkable chapter in Kiran Foundation's journey. From empowering women with essential skills to fostering sustainability and creativity, every initiative brought us closer to our vision. As we step into a new year, we are filled with gratitude and determination to continue making a difference. Together, we look forward to achieving even greater heights in the years to come.

## REFLECTION ON THE PRATIBHA 2024 SELECTION PROCESS



The journey of managing the Kiran Pratibha Scholarship 2024 application process has been both incredibly rewarding and, at times, looks difficult to achieve. From the moment we initiated the process, we understood that it would be a challenging, but with careful planning and a dedicated team, we made it through. As we reflect on this journey, we are filled with gratitude for everyone involved and for the lessons we have through our process.

#### Initiating The Ground Work

Our first step was to make sure that potential applicants knew exactly where and how they would apply. We ensured that the scholarship was accessible through a variety of platforms. Applicants could submit their applications in multiple ways, whether by sending letters, via WhatsApp, or through the online scholarship platforms where we had promoted the opportunity. To maximize reach, we also made sure to distribute posters with application details, some even physically pasted on walls, in some locations. Our volunteers worked tirelessly on WhatsApp marketing, trying to reach out students and encouraging them to apply. We also want to acknowledge the volunteers who provided their personal numbers to assist applicants with questions about the process. These volunteers became the lifeline for many students, providing them with the clarity they needed to submit their applications.

#### The First Hurdle: Managing All Applications Together

As expected, once the application process opened, we were flooded with inquiries from eager applicants. The phone calls, messages, and emails quickly accumulated, as many students were seeking for detailed info about the application process. The volume of questions quickly became unmanageable, but thanks to our volunteers, we managed to address each query with patience and care.



#### The Heart of the Process: Collection and Selection

After the initial promotion and answering questions, we entered the phase of collecting all the applications. This was where we encountered one of the biggest challenges-ensuring that every application was accounted for. With so many students applying, with so many different channels, it became a constant concern to ensure that no application was lost or overlooked. We feared not missing someone truly deserving, which added pressure to us. Once all the applications were gathered in one place, we began the actual selection process. We had set out clear strategies for reviewing applications, starting with a preliminary screening phase. During this phase, we evaluated each application based on its merit and completeness. The next step involved a second round of eliminations, where we had to narrow down the fields. Every decision was taken with great care, as we knew that each applicant represented not only their own future but also their community. We kept our strategies confidential throughout the process to prevent applicants from altering their profiles or providing misleading information. Choosing from such a large pool of talented, deserving applicants was not an easy task. Some applications that we ultimately rejected were still incredibly strong, which made the process even more challenging. However, due to limitations on the number of recipients, we had to make tough choices.

#### Interviews and Final Selections

After completing the initial screenings and eliminations, we moved to the final stage: the interviews. We conducted three levels of interviews to assess each candidate more deeply. These interviews allowed us to understand the true potential of each applicant beyond the paperwork and to identify those who truly embodied the values of the Kiran Pratibha Scholarship. When everything settled, we had our final list: 12 Pratibhas, a diverse and outstanding group of students who impressed us with their drive, passion, and potential. Selecting these 12 from such a large pool was both a privilege and a challenge, but we are confident that each of them will excel in their respective fields and contribute meaningfully to society.

#### A Heartfelt Thanks to Our Team

As we reflect on this journey, we are immensely proud of what we've accomplished. None of this would have been possible without the support of our incredible team of volunteers. From spreading the word to answering countless queries, every member played a vital role in the success of the process. A special thank you goes to Shreya, who coordinated the efforts of our volunteers with exceptional skill. Her ability to assign tasks based on individual ensured that everything ran smoothly and efficiently.

The 2024 application process has not only been a success but also a valuable learning experience. As we look toward the future, we realize that the need for scholarships like Kiran Pratibha is growing. With more students in need of financial assistance and more talented individuals seeking support, we know that we must grow alongside this demand. Our goal is to ensure that in future application processes, we can select even more deserving students and provide them with the opportunities they need to thrive.

To achieve this, we will need to expand our team. We will require more volunteers, experts, and resources to support the increasing number of applicants. We hope that, with the same dedication and hard work, we can continue to offer life-changing opportunities to even more students in the years to come.





In a remarkable effort, our dedicated team physically promoted Kiran Pratibha 2024 application posters, spreading awareness and ensuring the message reached every corner. Their hard work played a pivotal role in driving our mission forward.

## Making Women Financially Empowered through our Innovative Approach

introducing focused aim to equip women with essential relevant remains accessible and impactful.

Pankaj, Mr. Ninad, and Ms. Vijeta, are for long-term economic independence. focus leading workshops that and other investment strategies. The empowerment and opportunity. workshops have introduced participants to key financial topics, ensuring a gradual yet impactful learning

In the past year, Kiran Pratibha Group Journey. One participant shared how she has embraced a transformative these workshops helped her take the first approach to women's empowerment by steps toward managing her finances one-hour confidently, inspiring her to share this workshops. These concise sessions are knowledge with others in her community. designed to fit into busy schedules and By combining practical insights with financial trends. financial skills, ensuring that learning workshops empower women to take charge of their financial futures. With Our dedicated trainers, including the topics ranging from government-backed newly joined Ms. Isha and Mr. Harshil, schemes to investment basics, we aim to alongside our experienced mentors Mr. provide women with the skills they need

on We are proud of the positive impact and practical financial these initiatives have had topics. These include budgeting, savings, participants and the wider community. and understanding financial tools, with Together, we continue to build a future ongoing sessions on SIPs, Mutual Funds, where financial literacy paves the way for







#### Aastha Jain

Damoh Madhya Pradesh

A poem inspired by the core values of our foundation. She expressed her thoughts in this heartfelt poem. Beautifully, this poem shows the vision of our foundation.

## A Poetic Perspective on Our Foundation's Vision

हो प्रतिभा पर सक्षम ना हो महँगी फीस चुकाने में , स्वप्न टूटते से लगते हो अपना लक्ष्य सजाने में, जीवन का आधार कहाँ है कैसे इसको पाना है हर बाधा को भेद स्वयं को मंजिल तक पहुँचाना है। शिकन मिटाने माथे की, बन किरण सुर्य की आती है गुम न हो कोई प्रतिभा ऐसा संकल्प सजाती है जिसकी रुचि हो जिसमें वैसा संबल बन जाती है पाकर इस अपनेपन को रुखी कली सुप्त खिल जाती है किरण शक्ति बस नाम नहीं है नारी के सम्मानों का यह तो गीत सुनाती हरदम नारी के यशगानों का। यह किरण आपकी कितने ही परिवारों को रौशन करती है और दुआएं देकर दिल से सबका आभार वो करती है जिसे जरूरी हो उसे आपका साथ हमेशा मिलता है सच मानो पावन प्यारा यह हृदय कमल भी खिलता है उम्मीदें सबकी पूरी हों यह संकल्प उठाया है आप सभी के विश्वासों को मिलकर सफल बनाया है





#### Nainsee Sahu

A Pratibha scholar, she is pursuing B.Sc. from Holkar College of Science Indore. Her goal is to become a dedicated civil servant, serving society with integrity and strong moral values.

## Breaking Barriers

Through this poem, she tries to convey her message to everyone about the struggles and sacrifices women face, questioning the inequalities rooted in society. It envisions a future where daughters are celebrated, respected, and empowered. At Kiran Foundation, we share the same vision and consistently break these barriers through our initiatives. Together, let's aim to create a society where every woman is empowered, and daughters are valued.

एक बेटी ने जन्म लिया, पर इस किलकारी से उतनी खुशी क्यों नहीं, क्यों रोते हो इसके जन्म पर, क्या यह घर का अभिमान नहीं! जन्म से लेकर मृत्यु तक देखा इसे हर क्षण कुछ अलगाव ही तो मिला वह बेटी, बहु, पत्नी वह माँ, उसने हर सांचे में स्वयं को ढाला, सहती रही, पर मौन रही उसने हमेशा ही चाहा सबका भला..... मैं क्या लिखूँ.....? एक नारी की चीख पुकार लिखूँ, या होता उसके साथ दुर्व्यवहार लिखें, हो रहा शोषण हर कोने में, तो क्या होता उस पर अत्याचार लिखूँ,हे समाज..! तू कब सुधर पाएगा तुम लड़की हो, वह लड़का है, क्या कभी अपना नजिरया बदल पायेगा..? क्यों ना मैं भी एक नये सबेरे की आस लिखूँ, जहा बेटियों से होता इस जहां में प्रकाश लिखूँ !





Mouli Jain, Chhatarpur, Madhya Pradesh, 2nd Year, B.Sc. (Hons.) Statistics, Lady Shri Ram College.

#### A Nurturing Approach Helping Every Student Succeed

"If a hardworking and talented youth can not fulfill her/his dreams due to lack of resources, it is a failure of the whole society" - a thought given by Ma Kiran Jain which later became the foundation for driving positive change in society.

KIRAN FOUNDATION - it is more than just a name or an NGO offering financial assistance to students—it is a home, a second family to many. Founded in June 2016 by Mr. Anurag Jain, it stands as a pillar of support and belonging. It gives financial as well as moral support to students and just wishes for their growth and bright future. All of us might have seen the movie Jai Ho. There was a dialogue - "One person helps another, and that person helps three more and it goes on...... one day, the whole world will help each other." our foundation is a living example of this.

Here, every month, a meet is conducted to keep students connected with each other. From organisers to students, everyone has their own stories, their own sorrows, but whenever a meet happens, it feels like an escape . Everyone just leaves their own things aside and becomes part of this online gathering. Along with monthly meetings, one-on-one sessions is also conducted with Anurag sir himself where students can share his/her monthly report and problems if they are facing any. Psychology says - "When students feel valued and heard, they are more likely to engage actively in their learning journey". This one-on-one provides a stage for students to share their problems without the fear of being judged. Even small achievements are given appreciation that significantly boost student's confidence and motivation. It's like a therapy session with a psychologist.

Also a mentor is allocated to every student to whom they can reach out anytime if they can't contact Anurag sir or otherwise. These mentors themselves are high achievers in their field and provide moral support to students and also give their time whenever needed. This regular communication helps students in identifying potential challenges and developing personalised strategies to address them. This organisation is fully based on self service.



Lakshit Sharma from Dhanisikar, Rajasthan B.Tech, 3rd Year NIT Surathkal.

#### REFLECTIONS FROM A STUDENT

I feel immensely grateful to be a part of the Kiran family, where the culture of support and encouragement is truly remarkable. It is a place where every member is committed to helping one another grow, ensuring that no one feels left behind in their career journey. Under the exemplary guidance of Anurag Sir, I am benefited from regular career-oriented discussions, including monthly meetings, frequent feedback sessions, and consistent tracking of individual progress. These provide me with clear guidance and the motivation to move ahead in life. The support I receive goes beyond professional mentorship; it feels as close and comforting as support from a family.

My mother, being a single parent, struggles to manage all our expenses. The financial support provided by the foundation has been a tremendous relief, enabling me to continue my studies without burdening my family or myself. For this, I am truly thankful. It has not only lightened our financial load but also given

me the confidence to focus entirely on my academic goals.

Beyond career guidance, the Kiran Foundation also places a strong emphasis on giving back to society through various social service initiatives. These sessions, organized by the dedicated members of the Kiran family, particularly focus on empowering women and fostering their upliftment. By addressing key social challenges, such as providing education to underprivileged students, empowering women, and guiding students who have lost their way, the foundation actively contributes to creating a positive impact on the community. It embodies a spirit of service and compassion. The combination of familial support and teacher-like mentorship offered is just what one needs to achieve their goals.

"Thank you, Lakshit for your kind words. However, it is your talent and dedication that have truly earned you a place with us, and we are proud to be part of your journey."



#### Shreya Jain

A former Pratibha Scholar and now a core team member of our foundation, we greatly appreciate her contributions to the foundation's operations and her consistent efforts towards its growth.

When I was on the verge of losing hope, my life took an extraordinary turn: I encountered Kiran Foundation. Their unwavering support not only transformed my life but also became the cornerstone of my success. By sponsoring my graduation studies, they opened doors I never imagined possible, and in the process, they became much more than a sponsor-they became my second family. The support by Kiran Foundation extended far beyond financial assistance. They provided emotional guidance, mentorship, and a sense of belonging that I had been yearning for.

Whether I needed advice, encouragement, or a listening ear, they stood by me through every challenge. This profound connection grew stronger over time, and the foundation became an Integral part of my life. With their relentless encouragement, I worked hard to achieve my dreams. The day I graduated and became an independent engineer was a moment of immense pride.

It was not just a personal milestone but a testament to the faith and support Kiran Foundation had invested in me. From that moment, I vowed to never leave this incredible family and to contribute to their mission in every possible way. One of the most transformative

of journey experiences my volunteering with Kiran Foundation. I had the privilege of becoming an instructor for the Kiran Shakti course. Guiding and empowering through this program was a deeply fulfilling experience. Witnessing their determination, growth, and resilience filled me with pride and reinforced my in the foundation's Teaching these women was not merely about imparting knowledge; it was fostering confidence about and independence. Each class reminder of the power of education and the ripple effect it creates communities. Knowing that my efforts were contributing to the empowerment of others was a profoundly humbling motivating experience. Kiran Foundation is more an organization; it's a beacon of hope and transformation. It has left an indelible mark on my life, and I am committed to giving back in any way I can. Whether through volunteering, mentoring, or offering my skills, I will always stand by my Kiran family, just as they stood by me. This journey with Kiran Foundation has been the testament to transformative power of compassion, education, and community. It is a story I am proud to share, and I hope it inspires others support and to contribute to this incredible mission.



#### Sushma Jain

A Core team member of our foundation, Managing Every Events and we greatly appreciate her contributions to the foundation's operations and her consistent efforts towards its growth.

## समर्पण और सृजनात्मकता से महिलाओं को सशक्त बनाना

मैंने 2019 में एक छात्रा के रूप में किरण फाउंडेशन से जुड़कर अपनी यात्रा शुरू की। नियमित कक्षाओं में भाग लेना, समय पर होमवर्क पूरा करना, और प्रमाणपत्र प्राप्त करना मेरी प्राथमिकता थी। धीरे-धीरे, मैंने एक विद्यार्थी से एक सिक्रय स्वयंसेवक बनने की ओर कदम बढ़ाए। हमारे एनजीओ हर साल कई कार्यक्रम आयोजित करता है, जैसे 15 जून को स्थापना दिवस, 17 अक्टूबर को माँ किरण के अवतरण दिवस, और आर्ट एंड क्राफ्ट, पेंटिंग, स्केचिंग, कविता, और कई अन्य रचनात्मक गतिविधियाँ। मेरी सतत लगन और कार्यकुशलता को देखते हुए मुझे इवेंट हेड बनाया गया। मेरी मेहनत और समर्पण के लिए मुझे "Exceptional Volunteer 2023-24" के सम्मान से नवाजा गया. जो मेरे लिए गर्व का क्षण था। वर्तमान में, मैं एनजीओ की कोर टीम का हिस्सा हूँ और कार्यक्रमों को ऑनलाइन और ऑफलाइन दोनों तरीकों से सफलतापूर्वक संचालित करने में योगदान दे रही हूँ। इस दौरान, मैंने महिलाओं की ज़िंदगी में बदलाव होते देखा है. जो बेहद संतोषजनक है।

उदाहरण के तौर पर मेरे घर के पड़ोस की एक महिलाजो लंबे समय से घरेलू हिंसा का शिकार थीं, किरण फाउंडेशन की कक्षाओं में शामिल होकर अपनी स्थिति को समझने और उससे बाहर निकलने में सक्षम हुईं। आज वह अपनी कठिनाइयों से मुक्त होकर खुशहाल और आत्मनिर्भर जीवन जी रही हैं।

मैं किरण प्रतिभा और किरण शक्ति समूहों के साथ काम कर रही हूँ, जो यह दिखाता है कि ज्ञान केवल सीखने तक सीमित नहीं है, बल्कि इसे जीवन सुधारने और दूसरों की मदद करने के लिए उपयोग में लाया जा सकता है। एनजीओ की शिक्षा कक्षा से परे जाकर महिलाओं को सशक्त. बनाती है और एक सहयोगात्मक और समर्थ समुदाय का निर्माण करती है। अपने इस सफर के माध्यम से, मैं यह सुनिश्चित करना चाहती हूँ कि हर महिला अपनी आवाज और ताकत को पहचाने और उनका सही उपयोग करे। मैं इस एनजीओ के माध्यम से महिलाओं को प्रेरित करती रहूंगी और समाज में सकारात्मक बदलाव लाने के अपने प्रयासों को जारी रखूंगी।



#### Anjali Jain

A core team member and Shakti Program Lead, she efficiently manages operations, guides women to join the Shakti Program, and drives the foundation's growth. Also a guest Hindi teacher at HSS Garhakota, her dedication inspires and empowers many.

#### किरण फाउंडेशन की अब तक की यात्रा

संघर्षमयी जीवन जिया पर कभी न मानी हार, ऐसी मां किरण जी को हम नमते बारंबार ।। दी प्रेरणा बच्चों को बनाया संस्कारवान ,बच्चों ने जीवन में की प्रगति, साथ रखा आपकी बातों का ध्यान।। आपका हमें छोड़कर जाना एक अपूर्णनीय क्षति थी ,और उससे उबर पाना आसान बात नहीं थी।।

फिर लिया संकल्प आपके विचारों को आधार देने का, सिद्धांत आपके अपना कर जन को नई गित-नई दिशा देने का। स्थापना हुई किरण फाऊंडेशन की शुरुआत एक नए उद्देश्य की.नींव रखी गई फिर युवाओं के उज्जवल भिवष्य की।। युवा बने सक्षम आत्मनिर्भर प्रतिभाशाली, ना रोक पाए उन्हें आर्थिक तंगी या बदहाली।। चाहे शिक्षा,खेल या हो कला,करें प्रतिभा का श्रेष्ठ प्रदर्शन।

चाहे कानून हो, चाहे तकनीकी ज्ञान या हो वित्त प्रबंधन,सीखें, आत्मिनर्भर बनें, नए गुणों से सजाएं अपना जीवन।। इसी श्रृंखला को बढ़ा आगे, दो नए कार्यक्रम शुरू किए, उन कार्यक्रमों को किरण ज्ञान व किरण सम्मान नाम दिए।। फाउंडेशन के साथ आज बच्चे युवा और बड़े, प्रगित करें,आगे बढ़ें इस भावना से हैं जुड़े।।

नई ऊंचाइयां पायें, निरंतर सफल होता जाए ,जो भी फाउंडेशन से जुड़े, इसी परिवार का होता जाए।। निष्फल और निःस्वार्थ भाव से शुरू किया गया ये काम, सफलता निश्चित मिलेगी दूर होंगी मुश्किल तमाम। ऐसी अनंत मंगल शुभकामनाओं के साथ, अब देती हूं अपनी कलम को विराम।।





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focusing on AI and
cloud computing to
solve real-world
problems.

## Kiran Ma's Enduring Spirit

In the memory of Kiran Ma, a foundation grew, To uplift lives, her legacy, they pursue.

With humble beginnings, a son's education secure, Anurag's story, values profound, pure.

Eight years since its start, a journey so grand, Supporting dreams, across the land.

Scholarships provided, a beacon of hope, Mental support, helping each one cope.

Monthly meetings, guidance and care, Instilling belief, dreamsto dare.

Anurag, simplicity personified, From his mother's grace, he derived.

Though Kiran Ma's gone, her spirit endures, Inspiring greatness, forever ensures.

Nine years since she left, yet her light shines bright, Kiran Foundation, spreading hope's - delight .:





Kanchan Jha is an experienced educator from Mumbai, with 20 years at State Bank Association School. She has trained new teachers, guided students, and supported parents. An MA B.Ed in English she is now a trainer for Shakti Group's English Club and Mentor for Pratibha students.

#### Empowering Women through Education

Kiran Foundation is a baby of Kiran Ji, which is growing in the careful hands of Anuraj Ji, a visionary and an entrepreneur, with her thoughts and vision he had made her dream true. With faith and hope, this foundation started working for the upliftment of society. And give women the chance to realize their potential.

संसाधनों के आभाव में यदि प्रतिभाशाली युवा के सपने बिखर जाए तो यह समाज की असफलता है।

The foundation works to help underprivileged and talented students, providing them with opportunities so they can fly high and achieve

नारी शक्ति जो अपने गृहस्त जीवन में व्यस्त रहती है, उन्हें भी सपने पूरे करने का अवसर प्रदान करती है। उठो जागो, ज्ञान के प्रकाश से प्रकाशित हो, बच्ची का मार्गदर्शन करो

Our programs offer women the chance to develop skills and discover their potential. They can learn and enhance their power to speak English through the English Speaking Club, taking Basic and Advanced English courses to improve communication skills. The foundation helps women connect with other women, feel updated, and above all, become a guide for their own children.

अपने आप को पहचानो, समय के साथ चलो, वक्त निकाली, बदलाव लाओ

English Speaking Club, taking Basic and Advanced English courses to improve Kiran Prathibha works to give scholarships with proper online guidance as a teacher for every subject, helping students overcome their difficulties. This year, I had the opportunity to guide a few girls to improve their grammar and develop their writing skills. I am sure my motivation and guidance have brought about a positive change in them. They are now trying regularly to improve in both writing and speaking, and this change is possible because of the chance given to them by the foundation. English Speaking Club is a way for women to join and learn to gain confidence, improve communication skills, and develop vocabulary. The environment is friendly and supportive, offering emotional support and a lot of fun while practicing speaking. In the New Year, take a promise to develop your skills that need support and guidance. Join the English Speaking Club to bring change within yourself. It costs only your time and punctuality and in return, gives you knowledge to improve and enhance.

Come, ladies and children, join hands to get support from our English Speaking Club!





#### Bhawna Jain

A Shakti team member of our foundation, we greatly appreciate her contributions to the foundation's operations and her consistent efforts towards its growth.

#### BREAK YOUR BOUNDARIES

We learn how to walk during our childhood. We attend school to gain knowledge and explore new ideas. We complete our graduation and post-graduation to refine our careers. Throughout this journey, we continuously adapt and evolve to keep pace with the changing times.

Now, we find ourselves in the technological era. It's imperative to master banking methods, speak English fluently, and proficiently use essential tools like Canva and Google with full confidence for your own business. There's no age limit to acquiring new knowledge.

Kiran Foundation organizes workshops and weekly courses for the women. They are absolutely free. Use effective presentations, clear doubts. So, do join the courses on time to keep yourself updated.





## CALL TO ACTION

Join Us in Empowering Dreams and Building a Better Society!

At Kiran Foundation, we are committed to creating an inclusive society where talent is nurtured, dreams are supported, and opportunities are accessible to all. Guided by the vision of Kiran Maa and carried forward by Anurag Sir, we strive to:

- Empower Youth: Provide mentorship, financial support, and career guidance.
- Support Women: Offer vocational training to help women lead confident and independent lives.
- Foster a Collaborative Community: Encourage knowledge sharing, insights, and mutual inspiration.

#### Our Flagship Programs:

- Kiran Pratibha:
  - Supporting exceptional but underprivileged children in education, sports, and arts. We also offer financial aid to remove barriers like tuition, accommodation, and study materials.
- · Kiran Shakti:
  - Equipping women with life skills to build confidence and connect them to opportunities that match their potential.

We are building a society where every child gets the resources they deserve, and every woman can live with confidence and dignity. But we cannot do this alone—we need your support!



#### How Can You Help?

Volunteer: Share your time and expertise as a mentor or trainer. Your guidance can change lives.

Donate: Help us fund scholarships, training programs, and essential resources for our Initiatives. Every contribution counts.

Partner with Us: Join hands with us to create sustainable opportunities and expand our reach.

Spread the Word: Share our mission with your network and inspire others to join this movement.

Let's Keep Dreams Alive!

Together, we can ensure that no hardworking and talented individual is held back by circumstances. Join us in making Kiran Maa's vision a reality—a world where talent, hard work, and determination are the driving forces of progress.

Visit our website, follow us on social media, or reach out to us today. Let's make a difference, one life at a time!













## Message of Hope and Gratitude

At the heart of Kiran Foundation lies a powerful dream—Kiran Maa's vision of a society where talent and hard work are never overshadowed by lack of resources. Her unwavering belief in the potential of diligent individuals continues to inspire every step we take. She taught us that a society thrives when it uplifts its hardworking youth and empowers its women, and it deteriorates when dreams are neglected. Today, we are proud torch bearers of her legacy, working to keep hope and dreams alive.

Through our Kiran Pratibha and Kiran Shakti programs, we strive to fulfill her vision of progress. Kiran Pratibha seeks out exceptional young talents from underprivileged backgrounds, giving them the support they need to shine—whether in education, sports, or the arts. Meanwhile, Kiran Shakti equips women with vocational and life skills, helping them take confident strides toward independence and opportunity.

As we embark on this journey, we are deeply grateful for the love and trust bestowed upon us by our supporters, volunteers, and mentors. Your contributions—big or small—fuel our mission. Whether by raising funds, mentoring youth, or simply believing in our vision, you are an integral part of this movement.

Looking ahead, we are committed to preserving the personalized care and attention that define Kiran Foundation. Scaling this mission while staying true to our values requires strength, conviction, and collective effort. In 2025, we aim to solidify our foundation to create lasting change and a truly merit-based society.

We express our heartfelt gratitude to every individual who has walked this path with us. Together, we are shaping a brighter future—one where no child's dreams are hindered by their circumstances, and every woman is empowered to soar.

Let us keep the hope alive and continue to dream big. With your unwavering support, we will bring Kiran Maa's vision to life.

With hope and gratitude Team Kiran Foundation





















KIRAN SOCIAL FOUNDATION (CIN-U85300MP2021NPL058498), a non-profit making Company, within the meaning of Section 8 (Section 8 Licence Number 130621) of the Companies Act, 2013, was incorporated on 22-11-2021 and granted registration under section 12AA & 80G of the income tax act, 1961.

The primary objects of the Company are:

- To promote, undertake, plan, organize, develop, implement, and execute activities that would support, encourage, and promote education including special education among the masses.
- To initiate, plan, execute, implement activities directed towards enhancing the quality of life of the poor and needy sections of society.
- To implement work in the areas of social issues such as women empowerment and equality and lot more objects as mentioned in the Memorandum of Association.

Details of Legal Registration is as under: -

- Approval under section 12AA of the income tax act,1961 vide approval no. AAJCK1633P23BP01 dated 04-03-2024, vailed up to AY 2026-27, granted by Commissioner of Income Tax exemption BHOPAL.
- Approval under section 12AA of the income tax act,1961 vide approval no. AAJCK1633P24BP01 dated 18-12-2024, vailed up to AY 2026-27, granted by Commissioner of Income Tax exemption BHOPAL.

NGO Darpan portal registration no. MP/2022/0308093 dated 07-03-2022.



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Our mission is to build a society where every youth is given the opportunity they deserve, free from any constraints, and where women lead independent lives, standing equal to men. We are dedicated to supporting exceptional but underprivileged children, nurturing their talents in education, sports, or the arts, according to their interests and abilities.

We also aim to empower women through vocational and life skills training, connecting them to opportunities that match their skills and circumstances. Our commitment is to keep dreams alive and foster a resilient society, driven by hope and progress.















