

Providing land on lease and other assistance for agricultural work to Musahar women as a means of sustainable livelihood.



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1. Kisaani se kamai (Earning from farming)

In the absence of land, capital and education, labor has been the main source of livelihood for the people of Musahar community. Due to poverty and illiteracy, they are forced to work at half or quarter of the market rate. Even in agriculture work is available only for three-four months. The condition of women was even more pathetic. Another source of livelihood of the Musahar community has been the production of country liquor. Nari Gunjan has been seeing alcohol as an obstacle to the development of the society. Because Musahar men and women have been victims of widespread exploitation due to



alcohol.

Nari Gunjan has made a revolutionary contribution to the sustainable development and prosperous social transformation of the most deprived

Musahar community of Bihar. In this context, Nari Gunjan thought of providing means of livelihood to Musahar women by taking land for farming on lease. In



the year 2015, regular meetings were organized by Nari Gunjan with the women of Parsa, Punpun. They were inspired to choose farming as their livelihood. They were told that farming was easy for them because of the following reasons:-

- ✓ Farming is the best means of livelihood.
- ✓ Farming is a labor force based work in which Musahar women are capable.
- $\checkmark\,$ All Musahar women work as laborers in the fields, as a result they know



how to do farming.

✓ Women are given the lowest wages for working in the fields.

They were prepared for farming through various meetings. Nari Gunjan provided financial assistance to women for taking small landholdings on cash lease. Renting agricultural land for a year by paying a fixed lump sum amount is farming on cash lease.

In this way, this new scheme 'Kisaanee se kamaee' for the development of the Musahar community by Nari Gunjan could be formally launched in February 2016. After that, those women were also made aware of various aspects related to farming. From time to time, necessary financial assistance was also provided for agricultural work.

It yielded good results and these women made themselves self-reliant by cultivating rice, wheat, oilseeds, pulses and vegetables.

April 2016, the Bihar In government implemented complete prohibition in the state. With this step, liquor manufacturing, major а means of livelihood for the Musahar community, was snatched away. Due to this, a large number of Musahar families in this area were also affected. Through Nari Gunjan's intensive efforts in of this thousands area,



women were connected to farming, which made agriculture the main means of livelihood for the women of this area.



Sanju Devi, became a millionaire

Due to the support of Nari Gunjan and her hard work, Sanju Devi has become a

millionaire. Sanju, mother of five children, says.



When we earn money, first of all we take our child out of the government school and send him to a private school which charges Rs 3000 per month. Then got the house constructed and now have bought half a kattha of land. Both I and husband Mohan my Manjhi plow our fields and farm also do labor

whenever we get time."

It is like a miracle for Sanju, who comes from the Dalit Musahar community in Bihar, that she has bought a piece of half a hectare of land by paying an amount of Rs 4.5 lakh.





This change in the life of Sanju of Simra village of Parsa Bazaar adjacent to Patna has been brought about by the farming started with the help of Nari Gunjan. Actually, in 2016, Nari Gunjan had started farming by taking the land on cash lease to Sanju.

In the year 2017 he made a profit of Rs 50 thousand and in 2018 he made a profit of Rs 1.5 lakh. Now Sanju has sown onions in 3 bighas of land.

Kanti Devi's revolution

Kanti Devi (43 years) smiles while showing the vegetables grown in her field.



The vegetables from his farm are ready to go to the market. Which her





husband Manglesh Manjhi will load on a local cart fitted with engine and sell it in the wholesale market of Mithapur, Patna.

Kanti Devi, who speaks very little, says:-

"I got married at a very young age. It's been 20 years since I got married, but I was not able to get enough food for two meals a day. Ever since I started farming, I have been able to get food and education for my children. My two daughters go to Punpun to study. He spends Rs. 64 per day as tempo fare and one of his sons studies in a hostel."



3. Finance

Nari Gunjan uses the financial support received from various organizations to spread this revolutionary change of women to the masses. The amount is used

for taking land on lease, farming related materials such as fertilizers, seeds, irrigation etc. Efforts are made to ensure that all farmers also get the facilities provided by the government.





4. Report for the year 2023-24

Nari Gunjan starts the Farmers Earning Scheme in the following steps:-



01. Survey

The total amount for financial assistance to 10 Musahar women by Nari Gunjan for agricultural work on lease at the rate of ₹ 35,000/- per bigha per year is ₹ 3,50,000/- (three lakh fifty thousand rupees only).



After getting the approval, a survey of many Mahadalit villages around Parsa Bazaar was conducted.

02 Selection of Beneficiaries

In this sequence, the Musahar women living on the quay of Sakraicha village of

Phulbari Sharif expressed their desire to start livelihood through farming. lease Many informal formal and meetings were organized for this. In which Nari informed Gunjan about the everyone benefits of farming being



done by Mahadalit Musahar women around Parsa Bazaar due to the efforts of Nari Gunjan. It was also told by him that due to the earlier efforts of Nari Gunjan, many women have joined farming and have also purchased their personal land.

After a thorough survey, ten women were selected who said that they were willing to do farming on lease and had already been working in other's fields at very low wages. If she gets support in this field, she will cultivate vegetables



and also try to sell them herself.

03 allocation of support amount

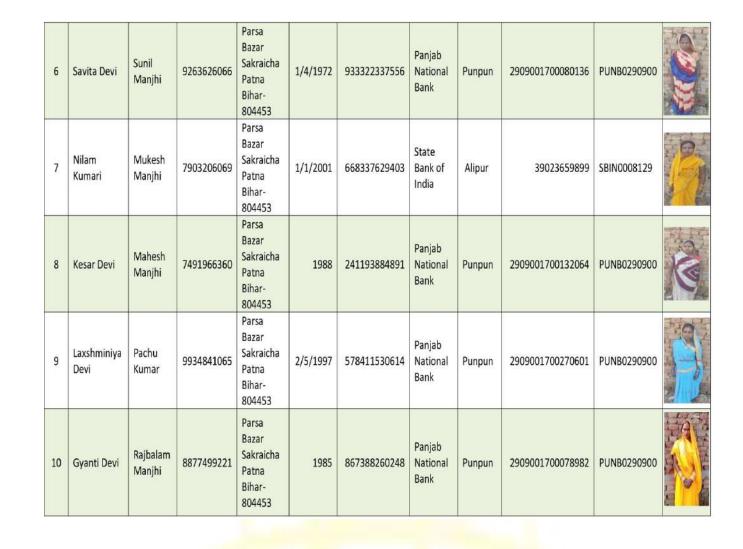
In various meetings, women were requested to provide assistance in the form of land as well as other items. Initially, the women requested to give ₹ 20,000 for taking land on lease and other necessary materials and after taking the land on lease, ₹ 15,000 was requested for agricultural materials like fertilizer, seeds, pesticides and other materials.

Copies of their personal details, Aadhar card and bank passbook were obtained from all the ten women. Whose details are as follows:-

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	NAME OF		MOBILE		DATE OF	AADHAR	BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS				
	FARMER	HUSBAN D	NUMBER	ADDRESS	BIRTH	NUMBER	Name of Bank	Branch	Account No.	IFSC Code	Photo
1	Ranju Devi	Lalbabu Manjhi	8102646910	Sakraicha Patna Bihar- 804453	1/1/1996	528253995691	Panjab National Bank	Punpun	2909001700150556	PUNB0290900	
2	Anita Devi	Vinay Manjhi	6303697804	Sakraicha Patna Bihar- 804453	1/1/1995	584217639920	Panjab National Bank	Punpun	2909001700300531	PUNB0290900	B
3	Chinta Devi	Dinesh kumar	7739363677	Sakraicha, Parsa Bazar, Patna, Bihar- 804453	1/1/2001	711445735266	Panjab National Bank	Punpun	2943001700139964	PUNB0294300	P
4	Arti Devi	Raju Manjhi	8252502561	Parsa Bazar Sakraicha Patna Bihar- 804453	1/1/1996	781751909198	Panjab National Bank	Punpun	2909001700177465	PUNB0290900	P
5	Rajkumariya Devi	Umesh Manjhi	9661386742	Parsa Bazar Sakraicha Patna Bihar- 804453	1980	449589273560	Panjab National Bank	Punpun	2909001700078496	PUNB0290900	2

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On 16.03.2024, as per the suggestion of the women, initially Rs. 20,000 per beneficiary was transferred into their bank accounts for land on lease and other necessary materials. After the women provided self-declaration of taking land on lease, the remaining scheme amount of ₹ 15,000 was made available to them in the last week of March for agricultural materials like fertilizer, seeds, pesticides and other materials.



04 Training & start of farming

On 10-04-2024, necessary information related to agriculture was made available to the ten selected women through experts. They were provided



various about stages of agriculture. His farm was inspected by The experts. women told that the farm will be transferred to them in the first

information

week of May and after that they will do farming using scientific method.

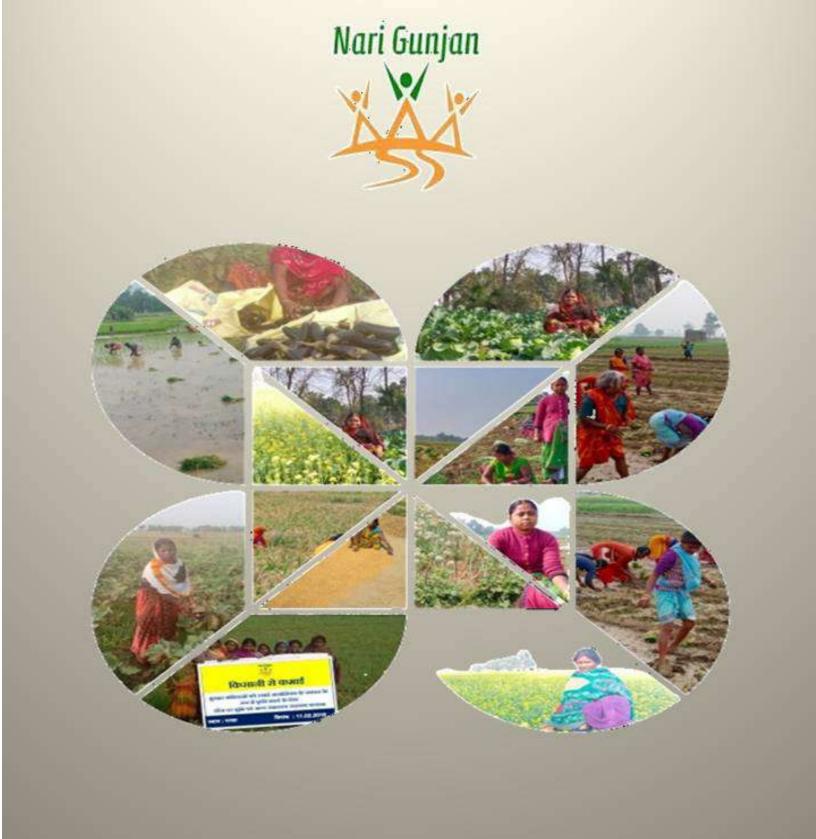
Nari Gunjan remains in regular contact with women and keeps providing necessary support to women from time to time. These cooperation includes agricultural cooperation, technical cooperation, economic cooperation, market linking etc. For the village environment, farming by Musahar women is a completely new experience for the society; therefore, sometimes social challenges also have to be faced. In these circumstances, Nari



Gunjan stands for women's rights and entitlements.







Annual Report: Earnings from farming Nari Gunjan, Lal Kothi, Danapur Patna, Bihar