

# LUCKNOW MAHILA SEWA TRUST ANNUAL REPORT- 2018-2019



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**About LMST**-LMST is registered under Indian Trust Act 1882 in the year 1992. LMST work for sustainable holistic development by uplifting the informal sector women workers, the most deprived and disadvantaged section of the society, with a particular emphasis on empowering self-employed women of rural/urban slum areas.

Among the cardinal objectives of fetching succor to poor and hapless women of the include making its members self-reliant and putting them on the continuous cycle of empowerment and working for their quality, equity and social justice, promotion of education, health care and family welfare, poverty elevation and conservation of environment. LMST is committed to strengthening the movement of self-employed women in the informal economy by highlighting their issues at the National level and building women's capacity to empower them at grass root level. The LMST has been focusing its activities to improve their quality of life by providing vocational training and life skill education irrespective of casts, creed and religion so that they may contribute positively and become part of national development process.

LMST encourages self-employed women for sustainable livelihood, full employment with all social security, full employment, health, own house & leadership.

**1. Geographical presence** Sewa U.P. has its headquarter in Lucknow in U.P. It is working in 10 districts of state. The districts are Lucknow, Barabanki, Mathura, Raebarely, Sitapur, Unnao, Hardoi, Amethi, and Kanpur in Uttar Pradesh.

## **ACTIVITIES-**

### **1.1 Family Farming:**

LMST organized different types of trainings, orientation workshops and Awareness camps, seed camps, fertilizers camps, Advocacy campaigns for linkage with government schemes to encourage women farmers towards sustainable livelihood through agriculture. More than 250 activities were organized during the reporting period.

Trainings on soil conservation and management, Process of Rice Intensification (SRI) & System of Wheat Intensification (SWI), Kitchen Gardening, Water conservation, Soil conservation and organic farming was done in 45 villages in Raebarely, Lucknow, Barabanki, Hardoi, Sitapur districts to support the farmers grow especially the women farmers.

### **Achievements:**

- LMST is working with 8000 women farmers that are engaged in agriculture-based activities under different programs and activities.
- 500 women framers got seeds through Seed distribution camp.
- 200 women farmers accessed fertilizers through Fertilizer Camps
- 1000 women farmers got subsidy on seed by government agriculture department.
- 100 women farmers adopted SRI/SWI methods after getting training under our programs
- Under Organic Farming 55 women, farmers are involved in mushroom and vegetables cultivation.
- 150 women farmers are using vermi compost in the fields.

### **1.2 Sustainable livelihood for rural/urban LMST Members:**

LMST has assisted women and adolescent girls in providing opportunities to improve their livelihood through vocational training program on Tailoring & Embroidery (Chikan crafts, Zardozi, Applique, Mukesh, Machine, Crochet work and other), special training for women for Sewing Machine Repair, Food Processing, Broom Making, etc. Under these activities, we enable the rural/urban women to acquire and enhance their skills to increase their scope of employability and therefore, improve their livelihood condition.

### **1.3 Craft Development Center**

Craft Development Centers provides platform for state level arcticians to sharpen their skills, develop prototype with the help of fashion designer from reputed fashion designing institutes, getting their registration with office of the

Development Commissioner of Handicraft, Learning, Participation in Exhibitions, Selling out the finished products through these exhibitions and other means and Planning marketing strategies by the beneficiaries. CDC assists in procurement of raw materials.

**Achievements:**

- Vocational Training Centers are established in Hardoi, Raebarely Rural and Urban, Barabanki, Sitapur and Lucknow.
- 640 women and adolescent girls completed basic training on tailoring.
- 350 women and adolescent girls completed basic training on embroidery.
- 80% women are linked with **Craft Development Center**, Local Tailor Shops and Manufacturing Units, LMST Creations etc.,
- Approx. 70 women are involved in sewing uniform of Upper Primary School in Raebarely, Barabanki and Lucknow
- In Raebarely, district 60 women got order from Government Polytechnic, Raebarely for sewing uniforms of students.
- 80-90 women are self-sustainable and are taking orders to stitch garments from local vendors, Feroz Text Star, Khadi Bhandar Raebarely.

#### **1.4 Samman LMST- Economic Empowering of Domestic worker**

This program developed skills, which are helpful in generating income and livelihood for domestic workers. The main aim was to train women from the underprivileged section of the society. Under this project, Para nursing (nursing assistant), training was given to take care for old and sick women. Target beneficiaries are trained to perform different tasks like cleaning of bed, pots, clothes of the patients, arrangement of toiletries in the bathroom, sponge of patient, cleaning of room, cooking of food etc. Apart from this as per demand, we have started kids care and cooking training courses. They are certified by LMST.

Samman LMST federation is independent federation of women formed by themselves with the objective to empower women economically, and make them self-esteemed and self-reliant. Employment is guaranteed for the certified domestic workers, as it is a demand driven employment in the informal sector. They are appointed based on their convenience as full-time and part-time workers.

**Achievements:**

- More than 500 domestic worker are trained under this program
- Women member are capable of negotiating for their rights.
- The women have raised their income from Rs 1500- 2000/- per month to Rs 8000- 10,000/-
- The work place are made safe to work with full employment and respect, provide minimum wages, linkages with social security's schemes, etc.
- 250 Samman LMST Members undergone training on Basic Nursing Assistant.

#### **1.5 Savcheti ane Salamati (Cervical cancer Awareness)**

Create awareness on HPV vaccine for prevention of cervical cancer, which includes community level knowledge, community perceptions well as community misunderstanding and misconceptions regarding vaccine, cervical cancer. In this program, LMST developed Master trainer by building their capacities and create awareness and educate the community members in their villages/nearby villages, and bring in community perspectives on HPV vaccine and prevention of cervical cancer.

### **Achievements:**

- 2000 people are made aware through door-to-door campaign in Lucknow and Raebarely.
- 10 members attended ToT and are developed as Master Trainers.

### **1.6 Avkaar, E- Roti- Making rural women entrepreneur**

To create women entrepreneur in context with social transformation, create self-income generation chain, create new business opportunities, community development and engagements, and also create rural level jobs and create productivity with better income. The purpose of this project to enhance the living standard. LMST trained 200 women as a good entrepreneur.

### **1.7 Digital financial inclusion- Improving Banking/financial literacy**

In digital financial inclusion, we generate awareness regarding banking and financial services and financial literacy. Through this project we aware 2000 rural women and make them capable for banking and financial services

### **1.8 Campaign for Bidi Rollers Worker**

This program is focused for the welfare of the next generation of Beedi Rollers giving them the opportunity for alternate means of livelihood. Under the program, we provided training in basic tailoring and fashion designing including training on arts of Chikan, zari, mukesh etc.

700 women and adolescent girls attended the training. As an outcome, many members got jobs in boutiques and few started their own shops/small ventures. Apart from providing alternate means of livelihood, we also worked for the social and economic betterment of the beedi rollers. This involved numerous activities ranging from getting them registered with the welfare board and getting their ID cards renewed. This helped us getting them under the umbrella of government schemes/bidi welfare schemes and aids. For one instance, the beedi rollers in the area and around were unaware of the location of the hospital for Beedi workers. We provided the very much-needed link between the beedi rollers and the welfare board. This enabled them to get benefits of health aid schemes, scholarship for their children, etc. The project received overwhelming response and we hope to continue our efforts for their cause in the future as well.

### **Achievements:**

- Renewals of Bidi Cards – 4500 members
- Registration on new bidi cards- 1500 members
- Health camps for bidi worker- 10 members
- Overall engagement with Bidi rollers in 2018-2019- 10,000 members
- Camps for Awaas/pension/Adhaar/ration card/voter ID card- 50 camps

### **1.9 Membership- Digital membership-**

To have the details of LMST UP members, the digitalization of data is done for last 2 years. This digitalization of membership has following advantages:

- Transparency of membership
- LMST organizers and the concern organization can easily view update of membership.

- 30 Aagewaan are authorized for registering the membership digitally.
- Membership Management System (MMS) target for 2018-19 is set for 50000 members.

### **1.10 Linkages with Government policies/Schemes**

In addition to different activities implement by LMST, the achievements are as follows:

- Linkages with seeds/crop/fertilizers subsidy – 1000 members
- Facilitate with loan schemes – 65 members
- Pradhan mantri Fasalbema yojna – 10 members
- Sanitation and drainage related schemes – 55 members
- Linkages with Krishi Vigyaan Kendra and block office – 8000 members
- Unorganized Maan Dhan pension Yojna- 200 members
- Pension schemes- 1000 members
- Pradhan mantriawaas yojna- 50 members

### **1.11 Formation and Strengthening Self Help Group (SHG)**

SHG is covering the all aspects like self-employment, organizing the rural farmer and women have built up their capacities. Main objective to form an SHG is to develop rural farmers as:

- Increase savings of rural farmers.
- Linkage for loan to form small entrepreneur.
- Gain economic prosperity through loan and credit.
- Create group feeling in women's; enhance the capability, self-reliance, confidence of poor farmers.
- Developed the decision-making quality.
- With the help of SHG move towards the social responsibility among all women.
- Create SHG in all district
- 350 SHG formed in 2018-2019

### **1.12 Campaign for Construction worker**

LMST organized campaign for construction workers to get them registered under State Building and Construction Welfare Board and make them aware on various laws, acts and government programs for construction workers. For awareness building meetings, puppets shows, advocacy with trade union, cultural activities at brick kiln sights.

#### **Achievements:**

- More than 5000 construction worker registered with construction worker board.
- 1500 construction worker linked with MAAN DHAN SHRAM KARMKAAR PENSION schemes
- 50 construction worker applied in Pradhan mantra awaas yojna
- 100 adolescents of construction worker linked with Sukanya Samriddhi Scheme
- 650 boys/girls of construction worker registered withscholarship schemes in Uttar Pradesh
- LMST running 4-5 learning centers and skills center for children of construction worker
- LMST organized Adhaar card updating, rectification for local construction worker
- Health camp checkups- more than 500 construction worker registered in this camp for eye checkups, blood pressure, sugar, thyroid, liver, hemoglobin checkups

Street vendors –

Advocacy and Liasoning with street vendor for registration of vendors with Lucknow Municipal Corporation for issuing vendor cards.

**2. Recognition and Rewards:**

LMST has received the best NGO leadership award of Uttar Pradesh 2018 and Skoch order of merit award 2018 for SammanLMST.

