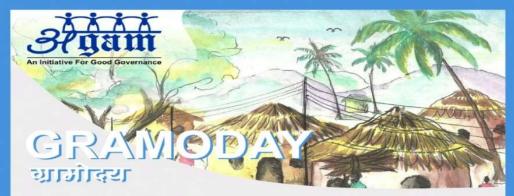


# ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021



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Rural India did not receive its due attention in the years following independence. However, the beginning of this millennium has seen substantial change on this front. In the past few years, the Government has laid special emphasis on the development of the rural areas alongside urban development and industrial growth. The inclusion of villages in the developmental process will have multifold impact such as inclusive development, increase in the farmer's welfare and income, support to secondary industries, etc. The governmental efforts are bearing results but there exists mismatch between the schemes and their intended outreach. The project the schemes and their intended outreach. The project Gramoday bears in mind this fundamental concern which needs immediate attention to bridge the gap between governmental schemes and the target

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#### **Foreword**

#### Governance in Ramayana

Rama and Ramayana occupy an important space in the hearts of millions of Indian. Ramarajya, as described in Ramayana, has been a part of Indian thinking for centuries. Practically, Ramarajya can be described as a means of putting the idea of Good Governance at the centre of all governmental activity. It had all the characteristics of Democracy.

Recently the terms "Governance" and "Good Governance" are being increasingly used in development literature. Bad Governance is being increasingly regarded as one of the root causes of all evil within our societies. Major donors and international financial institutions are increasingly basing their aid and loans on the condition that reforms ensuring "Good Governance" are undertaken.

The concept of "Governance" is not new. It is as old as human civilization. Simply put "Governance" means: the process of decision-making and the process by which decisions are implemented (or not implemented). Governance can be used in several contexts such as Corporate Governance, International Governance, National Governance and Local Governance.

Since Governance is the process of decision making and the process by which decisions are implemented, an analysis of governance focuses on the formal and informal actors involved in decision-making and implementing the decisions made and the formal and informal structures that have been set in place to arrive at and implement the decision.

AGAM has been started to address these issues and bring a positive change in the society by accepting all these challenges. AGAM envisioned to be the hallmark of **Good Governance** in India.

#### About AGAM: An Initiative for Good Governance

**AGAM** is a non-governmental organization registered under the Society Registration Act, 1860, purely run and managed by volunteers. The prime objective of AGAM is to raise the level of governance in the area of but not limited to Education, Health, Environmental Protection, Rural Development, Law and Justice etc.

**AGAM**, as a centre to promote **Good Governance**, finds its genesis in the premise that the government needs the support of the civil society to effectively implement developmental schemes and achieve the goals of **Good Governance** holistically.

#### Vision

The vision of AGAM is to be the hallmark of **Good Governance** in India.

#### Mission

The mission of AGAM are as follows-:

- To reach out to the last individual of civil society and include the same in reaping from the fruits of development.
- To make people aware of their citizenry rights and encourage them to use those rights when and wherever required.
- To be the support system of government in creating a multiplier effect in the outreach of its activities;
- To undertake independent and complementary action voluntarily or on demand to achieve inclusive development;
- To capacitate the needy through education and healthcare with the aim of building a motivated, strong, confident, and independent populace; and
- To enable the interface between various components to foster goals of nation building by promoting **Good Governance** nationally.

#### **List of Abbreviation**

- □ **BPL: -** Below Poverty Line
- □ **CSO: -** Civil Society Organisation
- □ **RTE: -** Right to Education
- □ **RTI: -** Right to Information
- □ **RTS: -** Right to Service
- □ **GSSK: -** Gram Shiksha and Suchana Kendra

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#### **Organisation Information**

#### Name: -

AGAM: An Initiative for Good Governance

#### Legal Status: -

AGAM was established in 2014. It is registered under the Society Registration Act, 1860 and has working areas all over India.

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Lucknow - 226003, UP

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#### **Contact Details: -**

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IFSC: CNRB0002832

Account No.: 2832101007346

#### Auditor: -

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#### **Letter from the President**

It is a pleasure for me to share with you AGAM's services and accomplishments since 2014 till now.

AGAM works with a mission to help every child to have a secure education, and to eliminate the causes of relinquishment and abandonment through advocacy, education and dissemination of resources.

After 7 years of a rollercoaster ride, our all the board members determined to overcome whatever challenges came their way.

With an aim to providing a better future to children, we initiated several programs with our partner institutions in India. We are building partnerships with several institutions and like-minded organizations in India to expand our reach, education and advocacy for serving the needs.

Putting puzzles together is something many people enjoy. There is real satisfaction in knowing what something has the potential to be and making it a reality. Many people start a puzzle by making a frame with all the smooth edges first, and then work their way to make it whole. The process of putting a puzzle together is a good analogy for what we do at NGOs.

Our unique combination of services provides the framework needed to help children and adults with the most complex disabilities rebuild their lives. The critical pieces that help produce successful outcomes come from our dedicated staff, committed volunteers and generous supporters.

Throughout this annual report and examples of the many different types of challenges (puzzles) those we serve, face and how, together, we helped them pick up the pieces and shape new lives for themselves.

May god bless our efforts to work together for a better future for all children.

Best Wishes,
Dr. JL Mishra
President

#### **AGAM Centre**

Village - Babhniyawan; District - Bahraich, UP

Village - Darjipurwan; District - Bahraich, UP

Village - Keshwapur Pajawa, District - Shravasti, UP

# Our Hallmark Project (Gramodaya)

## Small Efforts with Big Impact – Our Hallmark Project:

The villages in India are home to 830 million people, comprising 70% of India's population. This reveals the vast human capital of India residing in villages. The importance of this resource is further strengthened by the fact that India is an agrarian economy. India's villages also house exceptional resources in terms of tangible and intangible property such as traditional knowledge, handicrafts, handlooms etc.



Rural India didn't receive its due attention in the years following independence. However, the beginning of this millennium has seen substantial change on this front. In the past few years, the government has laid special emphasis on the development of the rural areas alongside urban development and industrial growth. The inclusion of villages in the development process will have multiword impact such as inclusive development, increase in farmer's welfare and income, support to secondary industries etc. The governmental efforts are bearing results but there exists a mismatch between the schemes and their intended outreach. The project **Gramodaya** bears in mind this fundamental concern which needs immediate attention to bridge the gap between governmental schemes and the target audience. AGAM as an organisation is involved primarily in facilitating an increase in the outreach of government schemes to the marginalised.

#### Hallmark Project - Gramodaya



The project **Gramodaya** is one of the tools to foster this end. **The Gramodaya** project uses a bottom-up approach, whereby the children are the agents of change. We have established **Gram Shiksha and Suchana Kendra (GSSK)** for the purpose of educating the children. The **GSSKs** serves as a centre of transformation assisting in providing quality education in subjects such as English, Mathematics, and Computer Science through technological intervention to necessary children.

Each such *Kendra* is being assisted by a **Gram Mitra** who is the first person of contact. The **Gram Mitra** not only educate the students enrolled with the centre but also involved in administrative tasks such as assessing the needs of the *Kendra*, identifying the needs of students, celebrating special days related to Environment, Governance, Independence Day etc., organising events (where and if necessary) for the parents of the students etc.

One of the crucial elements of the **Gramodaya** project is technological intervention in the field of **Good Governance**. This is being used foremostly in maintaining transparency in the structure and functioning of the **Gramodaya** project followed by imparting digital literacy to the students and other interested stakeholders at our **Computer Centre**.

#### Hallmark Project - Gramodaya

Further, we organise awareness camps on a regular basis not only to make them aware of their citizenry rights but also to inform them about social welfare schemes sponsored by the State and Central Government.

We also organise health camps in villages on a regular basis with an aim not just to provide health services but to create an environment where the whole community gets sensitized about health issues.



A few other initiatives are women empowerment program stressing upon training on operating sewing machines, embroidery, arts, and designing skills as well as tailoring that can assist in their livelihood.

Currently, **Gramodaya** project is being implemented in three villages namely *Babhniyawan*, *Darjipurwan*, in Bahraich district and *Keshwapur Pajawa* in Shravasti district of Uttar Pradesh and we are persistently looking to serve other villages across India under the project.

# List of Gram Shiksha and Suchana Kendra (GSSK)

- 1.) Babhniyawan, Bahraich
- 2.) Darjipurwan, Bahraich
- 3.) Keshwapur Pajawa, Shravasti

#### Gram Shiksha and Suchana Kendra (GSSKs) -

#### 1.) Babhniyawan, Bahraich

It is situated 40 kms away from **Bahraich**, which is both district and sub district headquarters of **Babhniyawan** village. The transport connectivity up to the village is not good. The government bus facility is available only up to **Payagpur** which is about 16 km away from the village. From there people have to have their own vehicle to reach the village. The other way one has to reach Bilaruwa **More** through local tempo/taxi and from there the village is about 3 kms away that has to be covered by bicycle/own vehicles/on foot.

According to the 2011 census of India, Babhniyawan's population is 3450 out of which 1893 people are illiterate which amounts for 54% - the darkest part of the village. Most of the villagers are farmers and totally dependent on their farm products for daily livelihoods.

In the village there is a school facility available only up to class 8 (that too only one primary govt. school till class 5 and one govt. high school till class 8). If one wants to study beyond, he/she has to travel at least 15 kms (to and fro) to go to secondary school.



#### Gram Shiksha and Suchana Kendra (GSSKs) -

#### 2.) Darjipurwan, Bahraich

Darjipurwan, is a village about one and a half kms from Babhniyawan. The conditions are almost similar. The literacy is below the national average. The majority of the population are Muslims and are dependent on agriculture. A major percentage of male population migrate to Saudi Arabia for livelihood as labourer, helper etc. The girls are married at an early age as conventionally they are considered to do household works only and education is not considered essential for them. In the village rarely any boy of age more than 15 has continued his studies mostly because they help their family by earning some money by doing some job in some near about city. In the village there is only one primary government school and one Urdu School. Some of the little faces who attend Urdu school don't know how to write their names in hindi/english, they lag behind others who goes to primary school in terms of modern education. The situation is worse for girls. Girls left study even at an early age mainly because of her marriage or traditional reason of not giving much importance to education for girls.



#### Gram Shiksha and Suchana Kendra (GSSKs) -

#### 3.) Keshwapur Pajawa, Shravasti

Keshwapur Pajawa village is located in Ikauna Tehsil of Shravasti district in Uttar Pradesh, India. It is situated 33 km away from sub-district headquearter Ikauna and 25 away from district headquarter Bhinga. Keshwapur Pajawa village is also a gram panchayat. The total geographical area of the village is 450.66 hectares.

Keshwapur Pajawa has a total population of 2,501 people. There are about 425 houses in Keshwapur Pajawa village. Bahraich is the nearest town to Keshwapur Pajawa which is approximately 22 km away.



# Programmes / Events During the Year 2020-2021

#### **List of Programmes / Events (2020-2021)**

#### **Applicable Penal Provisions During COVID-19 Lockdown**

During the COVID-19 lockdown period, there are different provisions of law that have been made applicable to the general masses. If anyone is found breaking the laws, he/she will be punished accordingly.

AGAM took this opportunity to make general public aware about the different penal provisions of the laws during these hard times.

Be a responsible citizen and follow the government guidelines.







#### **Distribution of Food and Ration for Migrant Workers**

AGAM: An Initiative for Good Governance, has been continuously supporting the stranded migrant worker, disabled and homeless person in its limited capacity to sustain them during this lockdown. To quote one instance in Delhi AGAM through its member and volunteer has been able to provide food and ration to 10-12 people (All migrant workers from Bihar) since the announcement of nation-wide lockdown. Our volunteers are also assisting them to get financial aid from the Government of Bihar.

We at AGAM are in its limited capacity constantly striving to help people effected due to COVID-19 and increase awareness among them in terms of sanitation, hygiene and social distancing and also to deter potential wrongdoing of spreading rumours, hoarding of essential items and disobedience of public officer during the lockdown in our fight against COVID-19.

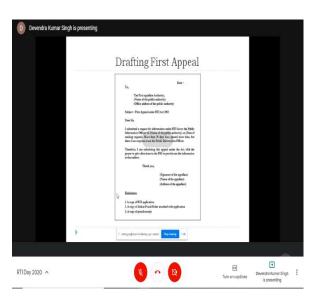


#### **RTI: A Tool for Good Governance**

Some more glimpses of today's webinar on RTI Day titled "RTI: A Tool for Good Governance". The session has been taken by IIT Kanpur and Delhi University alumnus and RTI Activist Shri Devendra Singh and hosted by Mr. Pramod Kumar. The entire event has been coordinated by Shri Rajan Mishra and Ms. Manya Tiwari, interns at AGAM: An Initiative for Good Governance.

More than 30 participants from different background joined first session of Webinar on "RTI: A Tool for Good Governance" organised by AGAM: An Initiative for Good Governance. More than 100 participants registered for the webinar.



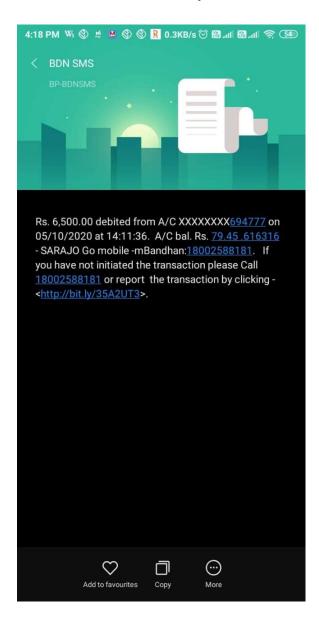




#### **Online Fraud Case Through Bank Account**

Recently we have shared an article in hindi about how to deal with online fraud, what to do, and how the money could be brought back into your bank account if an unauthenticated deduction happened.

It's a great pleasure for us to inform you all that we successfully brought back the amount of Rs.6,500/- which has been debited on 05/10/2020 from the bank account of Mr. Ajeet Kumar Roy. After the complaint has been made both to the nearest police station and to the Bank Manager, the same amount returned and credited within 4 days.





#### **World Food Day**

As part of our health sector initiative, on the occasion of world food day, our Food and Nutrition specialist Ms. Manya Tiwari has made A Balanced Diet chart that will help people to find out guidelines for a healthy diet.





#### Vigilance Awareness Week

As per the directions of Central Vigilance Commission, PSUs, PSBs and all other organisations have observed Vigilance Awareness Week from 27<sup>th</sup> October to 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020.

As part of our joint outreach programme during the Vigilance Awareness Week and to create awareness among people about the various aspects of vigilance, Our Senior Advisor, Shri Ashutosh Kumar Mishra, conducted a virtual session on "Tools of Preventive Vigilance" for the officers of Bank of Baroda on 27.10.2020.

"Preventive steps always scores above any punitive actions" ~ remarked Shri Mishra.





#### **International Anti-Corruption Day**

On the occasion of International Anti-Corruption Day, we at AGAM organised a webinar on "Whistleblowing in Private Sector: Protection and Way Forward" with a prime motive to strengthen the framework to protect the whistleblowers in India.

It was well moderated by Mr. Ashutosh Kr. Mishra, Advisor, AGAM and a great insight has been presented by our guest speaker Mr. Deepak Srivastava, Ex- National Manager, ICICI Lombard Fraud Control Unit and Associate Vice-President HR.

Mr. Srivastava shared his experiences working in ICICI and highlighted the need of a national representative body and some foolproof mechanism to protect whistle blowers in our country. Mr. Mishra asked some insightful questions to Mr. Srivastava and also presented his views on legal aspects of the issue.



#### **Good Governance Day**

On the occasion of Good Governance Day, we organised a panel discussion on the topic "Democracy & Inclusive Governance for Gender Equality and Sustainable Development".

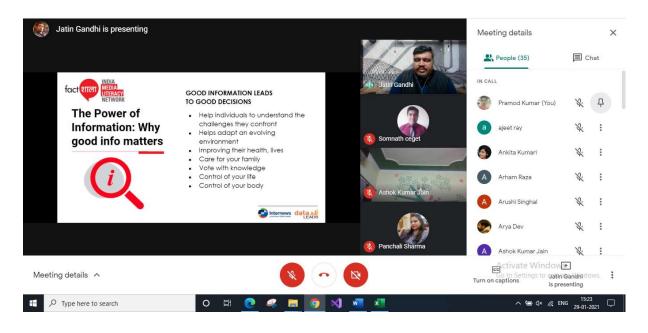




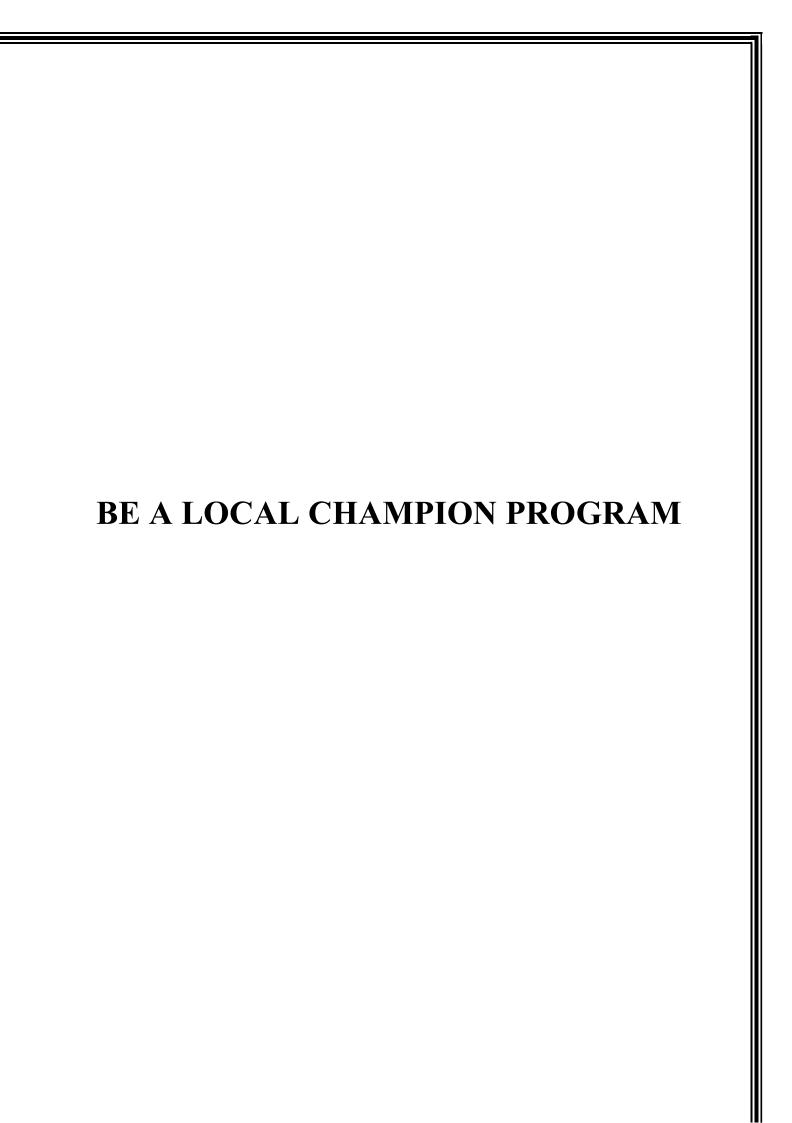
#### FactShala Literacy Programme

AGAM in collaboration with CEGET-GCNI (Centre for excellence for Governance, Ethics and Transparency – Global Compact Network India), has organised a FactShala Literacy Programme.

The aim of the programme was to educate professionals and others about media literacy and empower them to consume information critically. This will further help in spreading the all-important message of recognizing and shifting through misinformation and fake news from the daily dose of information that we consume online, offline and through our friends, family and contacts.







#### Be a Local Champion

We invite people to become a part of our **Be a Local Champion** program by assisting us to open a centre in their region. People become champion by not only winning gold medals or trophies but also by winning the heart of all the people of the society by their small works of kindness and by helping the poor and needy people of the society. You can also be the one just by taking the initial step towards a greater change. As a **Local Champion** a mutual assistance would be provided by AGAM including the basic infrastructure. Further, **AGAM** volunteers would be assisting the centre in various other ways on a regular basis. **AGAM** recognises the **Local Champions** as the **Agents of Change** and felicitate them at different occasions and programs at national level.

Be a part of change, Be a Local Champion.

Feel free to write us at <a href="mailto:coordinator@agamindia.org">coordinator@agamindia.org</a> or call at 011-4570 2615 / +91-79829 17824 for more information.

Financial Statement	

#### **Audited Report**



#### AGAM AN INITIATIVE FIR GOOD GOVERANANCE House No-218/17, Lakarmandi, Lucknow-226003

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2021

Liabilities	Amount (Rs.) Assets	Amount (Rs.)
Partner's/ Member's Fund Partner's/ Member's capital	Current Assets, Loans are 76117.00 Advances	
Current Liablities and Provisions Current Liablities Other Payables	Current Assets Cash and Bank Balance 2360.00 Balance with Banks	78477.00
- Total		
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#### **Audited Report**



#### AGAM AN INITIATIVE FIR GOOD GOVERANANCE House No-218/17, Lakarmandi, Lucknow-226003

Profit And Loss Account for the year ending On 31st March,2021

Particulars	Amount (Rs.) Particulars	
To Professional Fee	2 I mending	Amount (Rs.)
To Net Profit	2360.00 By Gross Profit 75031.00	77391.00
To Balance Carried to Balance Sheet in Partner's Account	77391.00	
		77391.00
	75031.00 By Net Profit	75031.00
Total	75031.00 Total	
		75031.00

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#### **Audited Report**



#### AGAM AN INITIATIVE FOR GOOD GOVERANANCE

House No-218/17, Lakarmandi, Lucknow-226003

Trading Account for the year ending 31st March,2021

Particulars	Amount (Rs.) Particu	lars	1.
Direct Expenses To Other Direct Expenses Office Expenses 51000 Seminar Expenses 34000 Bank Charges 90 To Gross Profit	85090.00 77391.00	ss Receipts From Profession	Amount (Rs.) 162481.00
Total	162481.00 Total	-	162481.00

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## **Future Vision**



- ❖ To ensure primary education to all children
- ❖ To provide non-formal education to the street & working children mainly from the deprived section of our society
- ❖ To promote literacy among adults, illiterate & needy villagers from rural areas and slum dwellers of urban areas
- ❖ To provide health care and education to the needy and deserving
- ❖ To create awareness among and care for people and their families who are affected by COVID-19
- ❖ To conduct vocational training and counselling for adolescents and needy people
- ❖ To generate opportunities for income among unemployed people
  − especially the youth and adolescents
- ❖ To work on gender issues and welfare issues for women and children especially girl child
- ❖ To provide awareness to the people about environmental issues
- ❖ To create awareness among people about their legal rights, justice issues, advocacy etc.
- ❖ To promote Brotherhood, Communal Harmony, National Integration at all levels

### **DONATE**

We are so proud of our recent work and achievements. We would like to thank every supporter and well-wishers for being a part of our community.

However, our mission to is a 24/7 undertaking! We need further and continued help to continue our work.

Past campaigns have enabled us to increase our outreach, though as a non-profit organization, we completely rely on community support. None of our efforts would have been possible without the help of donors, volunteers, and supportive community members like you.

Would you please consider making a donation to help us?

Any and all support is greatly appreciated. We're just excited to get to work! Thank you for being a part of our community and our story.

Please go through the link http://www.agamindia.org/page/donate-us to support us and do your part required to give something back to the society!!!!

#### **Bank Details:**

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