



2023-24 ANNUAL REPORT



Building People Building Communities

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Let our thoughts, strategies, and interventions promote sustainable growth and development for the people we serve, especially the less privileged and those in high-risk situations.

At Jan Vikas Samiti (JVS), we envision an inclusive, just, and humane society rooted in equity, justice, freedom, and brotherhood. Our mission is to support the most vulnerable and marginalized, striving for a world where everyone is cared for, respected, and valued. We work directly with communities and partner organizations to provide assistance, hope, and meaningful improvements in quality of life.

I am pleased to present the Annual Report for Jan Vikas Samiti for 2023-24. This year, we focused on building inclusive, community-based institutions for sustainable livelihoods, particularly for rural women. Despite challenges, our commitment to empowering communities remains strong.

Our community-based inclusive development programme for children and youth with disabilities is making a significant impact, improving both the development of these children and the attitudes of rural communities.

Our web portal and mobile app (JVSM2r) enhance this programme by providing child-based goal-setting, therapeutic interventions, and ensuring greater accountability.

We deeply value our programmatic and financial partnerships and remain committed to collaboration for community sustainability. Our key areas of focus - community health, skill development and livelihood, and early identification and intervention - are positively impacting rural communities, especially marginalized groups.

A big thank you to our supporters, partners, staff, and volunteers for your dedication. We look forward to continuing our work together in the coming years.

Chandran Riymonds
Executive Director

ABOUT JAN VIKAS SAMITI

Superstitious beliefs, discrimination, and the daily struggles of the marginalized inspired our founding members to respond to these challenges. In 1998, we initiated adult literacy and community health programmes in 20 gram panchayats in Harahua block, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. Since then, JVS has engaged with various stakeholders to foster an inclusive society through community-led initiatives and programme.

We empower marginalized groups by fostering solidarity and forming collectives for effective action, enabling them to take on leadership roles and drive social change. With a comprehensive approach encompassing education, health, skill development, and disaster relief, JVS is dedicated to sustainable and inclusive growth for women, children, persons with disabilities and other underserved groups across India.

Our growth is marked by significant milestones: from establishing 60 Self-Help Groups (SHGs) today in 2001 to facilitating 828 SHGs and identifying 22 children with disabilities in 2003, to now serving over 4,625 individuals today.



VISION

We visualize an inclusive humane society based on the values of equity, justice and freedom.

MISSION

Empowerment of the marginalized people, including women, children and persons with disabilities through a process of awareness building and collective action to ensure and promote their rights and entitlements.

GOVERNING BOARD

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Gender	Age
1.	Alexander Philip	President	Male	59
2.	Jose Perincheril	Vice-President	Male	74
3.	Chandran Riymonds	Secretary	Male	51
4.	Rojo Thomas	Treasurer	Male	44
5.	Promila Charan	Member	Female	61
6.	Sivy Mathew	Member	Female	52
7.	Prem Antony	Member	Male	61
8.	Emmanuel George	Member	Male	68
9.	Prem Kujur	Member	Male	47

ADVISORY BOARD

Sl. No.	Name	Profession	Gender
1.	CA Priyanka	Chartered Account	Female
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3.	Dr Mahendra Rai	Doctor	Male
4.	Adv Gurinder Singh	Advocate	Male
5.	Dr Kamaluddin Sheikh	Professor	Male
6.	Mr Kanhaiya Lal Pathik	Journalist	Male
7.	Bindu Singh	Social Worker	Female

Remuneration to Board Members - NIL

International Travel by Board Members - NIL

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



Empowering women is a major focus of JVS, where we prioritize gender equity and women's empowerment as fundamental human rights.

Our efforts include forming and facilitating Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) to promote solidarity and develop local solutions to local problems. We see empowerment achieved through thrift and credit opportunities, enabling women to initiate livelihoods and achieve self-sustenance.

Economic empowerment of women enhances their wellbeing and that of their families. Currently, we have 832 SHGs with a total of 10,015 members across 208 panchayats in four districts of Uttar Pradesh. Our projects, "Building Community-Based Institutions for Sustainable Livelihood Opportunities," implemented in Kerakat (Jaunpur) and Pindra & Harahua (Varanasi), supported by MISSIO Munich and Manos Unidas, aim to address gender imbalances in enterprise development.

These projects also focus on building women's collectives in the form of Co-operatives and Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), strengthening their skills to assume leadership roles in managing these community-based organizations. Through a series of training programmes, women are gaining confidence, improving their skills and knowledge, and learning to lead their institutions.

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women capacitated on Leadership, Conflict Management, Financial Literacy, Documentation, Entrepreneurial Skills and Market Strategy



2007

Membership in Nidhi Company

Facilitated the formation of a Financial Institution with 2007 women shareholders.



2018

Membership in FPO

Facilitated the formation of a Farmer Producer Organization with 2018 women shareholders



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Capacity Building of Nidhi & FPO Members

Members capacitated on the management of Nidhi & FPO and its related activities.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT & LIVELIHOOD



Skill development enhances capabilities, fostering personal and professional growth, opening doors to opportunities and empowering individuals to navigate challenges effectively and ensuring lifelong adaptability.

01 Computer, Tailoring, and Beautician Courses

The project "Computer Education for Inclusive Employment" provides basic computer education, including accountancy software (Tally) and GST to unemployed youth aged between 18 to 30 from rural and semi-urban areas. This project aims to enhance employment opportunities for youth, including those with disabilities. During the year, 62 youngsters completed computer training programme of whom many found jobs in local areas. The 'Beautician and Tailoring' courses are aimed at providing skills to generate self-employment locally for adolescent girls and young women. During the year, 175 adolescent girls were trained in Beautician course and 144 trained in Tailoring course through our 4 centres in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar.

- 47 carts distributed to women under the Rural Livelihood Program.
- 98 women earning their livelihood through their outlets/small shops.
- 1657 women engaged in various agri & non-agri activities.

02 Entrepreneurial and Livelihood Programme

JVS promotes entrepreneurial and livelihood activities among SHG women. One thousand and thirty-seven women participated in various skill development training programmes throughout the year, covering the production and marketing of mushrooms, toilet and washroom cleaners and washing powder, sanitary napkins, etc.

02 LEDP & DPR Programme

The DPR project on Mushroom Cultivation and LEDP on jute bags, jewellery and home décor for SHG women supported by NABARD aimed at empowering rural women to engage themselves meaningfully at home and become entrepreneurs.

03 Certificate Course in Rehabilitation Therapy (CCRT)

The CCRT, a one-year diploma course, approved by the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), New Delhi was another initiative of JVS this year. Fourteen youngsters took admission and are getting ready to serve as rehabilitation therapists in Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) set-up and assist different organizations in the disability sector.

DISABILITY INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT

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Early Identification and Early Intervention (EIEI)

The EIEI project through Telerehabilitation started in April 2023 in six locations across three states namely Bihar, West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh with the support of Liliane Fonds, the Netherlands. The main objective of the project is to promote equal opportunities and freedom from exclusion in every form for children with disabilities in the age group of 0-5 years. The project is a real-time rehabilitation solution for community-based rehabilitation for children with development delays and disabilities living in remote locations in the country.

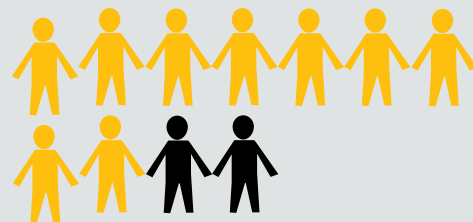
456 children demonstrated Activities of Daily Living (ADL), promoting independent living skills.

6 therapy kits and aids, along with 32 adaptive developmental devices provided to aid rehabilitation efforts.

103 children identified for specialized services and 5 provided corrective surgeries.

18 CBR facilitators trained to enhance their skills in managing and supporting individuals with disabilities.

62 meetings organized with Anganwadi Workers, Accredited Social Health Activists, and Auxiliary Nurse Midwives to strengthen primary healthcare and social welfare initiatives.



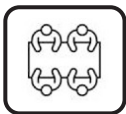
881 children undergone comprehensive assessments to tailor rehabilitation plans.

330 training sessions conducted engaging 11,531 participants on various topics including parental training and disability rights.

Inclusive Development of Children & Youngsters with Disability

For over two decades, JVS has been dedicated to enhancing the lives of children and youngsters with disabilities through its flagship programme, "Inclusive Development of Children and Youngsters with Disabilities." Employing Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) as its cornerstone strategy, JVS has been instrumental in fostering positive transformations in the lives of around 6000 children and youngsters with disabilities across North and Northeast India annually.

In the year 2023, JVS made significant strides, directly impacting 5625 children across 60 locations in 14 states. Central to our approach is the empowerment and capacity building of CBR facilitators in rural areas, ensuring effective interventions that cater to the diverse needs of children and youngsters with disabilities. The programme is efficiently managed using the JVSM2r Web Portal and Mobile App, which facilitate daily reporting, monitoring, planning, and therapeutic interventions. This technological backbone enhances our operational efficiency and ensures timely and targeted support to beneficiaries.



3157 CBR Facilitators, Caregivers & Health workers capacitated on various topics including Gender and Sexuality, Physical Assessment & Home-based Rehabilitation, etc.



2055 children and youngsters with disabilities supported for school and college education.



1038 DPO members capacitated on formation and strengthening of Inclusive Children's Parliament and Disabled People's Organization.



2584 children and youngsters with disabilities supported for assistive and development devices, corrective surgeries, medication, therapy services & nutritional supplements.

COMMUNITY HEALTH



The project 'Community Mobilization for Safe Motherhood' operating across 30 panchayats in Badagaon and Dobhi blocks of Varanasi and Jaunpur districts respectively aims to create sustainable improvements in the health and wellbeing of rural people, especially expectant and lactating mothers and adolescent girls.

4900+ **Stakeholders Capacitated**

Expectant women, lactating mothers and adolescents capacitated through 117 training sessions on Menstrual Health Management, Anemia, Nutrition, Sexually Transmitted Infections, Reproductive Tract Infections, Reproductive Health Management and Risk Reduction, and WASH practices.

JVS is committed to addressing maternal mortality and enhancing reproductive health rates in rural areas. Through community mobilization, education, training and empowerment programmes, we strive to empower rural women and adolescents, ensuring their access to and control over maternal health services.

35 **Health Camps**

2999 persons including children, expectant women, lactating mothers and adolescents benefitted from the camps.

27 **Street Plays**

2587 persons including lactating mothers and expectant women sensitized about health concerns and nutritional needs.

15 **Movie Screeninig**

750+ people made aware on healthy diet, nutritional supplements and mother and child immunization.

127 **Adolescents Group Meetings**

1640 adolescent girls empowered on health and hygiene issues.

DISASTER & RELIEF

Distribution of Dry Ration Kits and Blankets in Manipur

In response to the ethnic conflict in Manipur, JVS provided vital relief by distributing dry ration kits to 500 families. The kit included rice, sugar, dal, and cooking oil.

2,376 families supported with blankets during the winter months.



National Nutrition Week 2023

JVS celebrated National Nutrition Week 2023 across three blocks of Varanasi – Harahua, Chiraigaon, and Sevapuri – covering 16 villages. Our goal was to promote the health and wellbeing of the next generation, with a special focus on women who are key to nurturing young lives. Collaborating with Anganwadi workers, SSA school teachers, and community women leaders, we raised awareness about the importance of nutrition.

The campaign reached 1,860 individuals, including many children, emphasizing the crucial role of proper nutrition in building a prosperous society.



Campaign to Educate Marginalized Children

JVS launched a campaign to ensure children from disadvantaged communities stay in school. This initiative encourages school children to donate their old textbooks and notebooks. The proceeds are directed to the educational needs of marginalized children. We commend the students from various schools in Varanasi. To support these children further, JVS established Community Learning Centers and Libraries in villages.

NEW INITIATIVES



01 Garv Se Centre

In October 2023, a Garv Se Centre was launched at JVS in collaboration with EnAble India. This initiative targets individuals with disabilities aged 18 to 45, aiming to enhance their livelihood opportunities. Additionally, the Hamari Vaani programme was introduced on 3rd November, 2023. Hamari Vaani serves as a mobile platform connecting people with disabilities, NGOs, companies, and others to share and access information on employment, education, and government schemes.

During the year, two ten-day EDP training programmes were organized, attended by a total of 70 persons with disabilities. Sixty of them either expanded their existing livelihood activities or initiated new entrepreneurial ventures, highlighting the programmes' success in fostering self-reliance and economic independence among

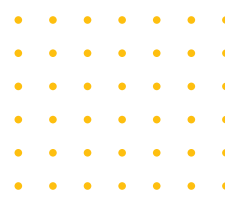


02 Prosthetic and Orthotic Unit

On 11th March, 2024, a Prosthetic and Orthotic Unit was launched at JVS with a commitment to offer affordable assistive devices to people with disabilities, particularly those in rural and remote areas. The unit operates on a nonprofit, sustainable model, focusing on manufacturing and distributing prefabricated orthoses and prostheses. Its core mission is to ensure inclusivity by providing ongoing services such as device maintenance, customization and comprehensive gait training programmes.

Since its inception, the unit has delivered a total of 54 devices, including 44 ankle foot orthoses, 2 knee orthoses, 4 insoles, and 4 supramalleolar orthoses. This initiative marks a significant step towards enhancing accessibility and quality of life for individuals with disabilities, addressing their specific needs through locally produced assistive technologies.

SPECIAL EVENTS



International Divyang Film Festival



In collaboration with Special Able Foundation and Brotherhood Delhi, JVS organized an International Divyang Film Festival on 19th August, 2023 at BLW Cinema Hall, Varanasi. The event celebrated the exceptional talents and abilities of individuals with disabilities while raising awareness about the challenges they face, such as accessibility issues, lack of rehabilitation services, and social inclusion. Shri Lakshman Prasad Acharya, the Governor of Sikkim, graced the festival as the chief guest. A total of 40 short films were screened during the event, drawing an audience of approximately 1,200 people from diverse backgrounds.

International Day of Persons with Disabilities

In collaboration with local CSOs, JVS celebrated the International Day of Persons with Disabilities across 63 locations. A total of 7,752 individuals, including persons with disabilities, parents and stakeholders participated in these vibrant gatherings. The events featured a spectrum of activities, including sharing inspiring life stories, conducting awareness programmes, facilitating medical certification camps, and hosting sports and cultural events. Distinguished dignitaries, including Members of Legislative Assemblies, Deputy Collectors, Chief Medical Officers, District Education Officers, Teachers and Block Development Officers graced these occasions with their presence.

Through these gatherings, individuals with disabilities found a platform to strengthen their unity within Disabled People's Organizations (DPOs) and foster solidarity in advocating for their rights and entitlements.



SPECIAL EVENTS

International Women's Day



JVS in collaboration with NABARD commemorated Women's Day on 7th March, 2024. The event served as a platform to honour the remarkable achievements of women in advancing gender equality and empowerment. Attended by more than 1500 women from Varanasi and Jaunpur districts, the celebration showcased their talents through folk songs, group dances, and compelling dramas, alongside sharing inspiring stories and experiences. Distinguished guests, including the District Panchayat President, AGM NABARD and the Plant Head of Amul, encouraged women to assert their rights and pursue their aspirations. Furthermore, the event recognized exceptional women leaders and entrepreneurs across various fields, underscoring their invaluable contributions to society.

International Day of Girl Child

From 11th-13th October, 2023 the International Day of the Girl Child was celebrated across various blocks in Varanasi and Jaunpur districts. Around 1,450 girls participated in the festivities, showcasing their talents through speeches, skits, and cultural performances. These events stood as symbols of our commitment to fostering a society where girls have equal opportunities as their peers. Additionally, the programmes served as platforms for raising awareness about gender equality, particularly emphasizing girls' right to education.



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CASE STUDY & SUCCESS STORY



Overcoming Adversity with Determination and Compassion

Laxmina Devi lived with her husband and 4 daughters. Her husband suffered from paralysis and had to stop working. Laxmina Devi took upon herself the responsibility to look after the family by engaging herself as a domestic worker in the neighbourhood.

In 2000, Laxmina Devi joined the SHG in her village and participated in different training sessions. In 2017, she got the opportunity to run a canteen at Asha Jyoti Center and was able to educate her daughters.

Today, she earns between Rs. 500 to 600 per day. Her story is one of the life-changing impacts of community support and confidence in oneself.



A Journey from High-Risk Pregnancy to Healthy Motherhood

Srishti Maurya faced a challenging and life-threatening phase during her pregnancy as her condition became increasingly severe. Upon learning about her pregnancy through the local ASHA worker, the JVS Safe Motherhood team members visited Srishti's home for an assessment. The assessment revealed that Srishti was extremely weak and classified under High-Risk Pregnancy (HRP). It was apparent that her diet and intake of essential nutrients like iron and calcium were inadequate, exacerbating her fragile condition.

Recognizing the urgency of the situation, the team supported Srishti with necessary nutrition and supplements and educated Srishti about the importance of a balanced diet and proper care during pregnancy. Over time, Srishti's health showed remarkable improvement. Her weight increased steadily, and with continuous monitoring and the right nutritional support, she transitioned out of the HRP category. By the time of delivery, Srishti was in good health and gave birth to a healthy baby weighing 3.7 kilograms.

FINANCIAL

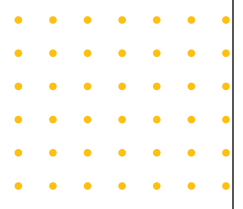
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31ST MARCH 2024

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

		SCH	CURRENT YEAR (INR)	PREVIOUS YEAR (INR)
(I) CAPITAL FUND				
Opening Balance		3,13,56,785.52	3,24,91,752.84	2,84,150.68
Add: Assets transferred from Specific Projects & General Fund		54,97,722.50	28,84,150.68	35,333.00
Add: TDS & TCS Deducted during the year		16,651.00	16,651.00	-
Total		3,68,71,159.52	3,54,11,236.52	-
Less: Sale of fixed asset Transferred to General Fund		11,000.00	-	-
Less: Refunded during the year (TDS) transferred to General Fund		41,27,683.00	8,423.00	40,46,028.00
Less: Depreciation during the year		-	-	-
Total		3,27,32,476.52	3,13,56,785.52	-
(II) EAR-MARKED-FUNDS UNDISBURSED				
Opening Balance		2,50,97,105.80	76,35,777.30	2,31,43,118.91
Add: Excess of Income over expenditure transferred		2,06,01,973.83	3,07,78,896.21	-
Add: Bank Interest received during the year		4,56,99,043.63	-	-
Less: Excess of expenditure over Income transferred		-	-	-
Less: Assets transferred to Capital Fund		-	-	-
Less: Project Handholding charges transferred to general fund		23,63,966.00	24,03,993.68	32,77,796.73
Total		4,28,76,841.63	2,50,97,105.80	-
(III) GENERAL FUND				
Opening Balance		65,69,834.64	26,95,139.34	11,03,965.57
Add: Assets of the opening year transferred from Capital fund		-	8,423.00	32,77,796.73
Add: Project Handholding charges transferred from earmarked fund		4,58,236.00	-	-
Add: Sale of fixed asset Transferred from Capital Fund		11,000.00	70,85,346.64	-
Less: Excess of expenditure over Income transferred		5,39,745.66	-	-
Less: TDS & TCS Deducted During The Year		16,651.00	35,333.00	4,80,157.00
Less: Assets transferred to capital fund		31,33,757.00	33,48,916.98	65,69,834.64
Total		7,89,58,235.13	6,30,23,725.96	-
ASSETS				
(I) FIXED ASSETS				
At cost less Depreciation	01	3,26,25,341.52	3,12,66,301.52	-
(II) OTHER ASSETS				
Income Tax (TDS on FFD)		89,957.00	63,047.00	35,333.00
Add :TDS Deducted during the year		16,651.00	98,389.00	8,423.00
Less: Refunded during the year		-	1,06,608.00	89,957.00
Total		1,06,608.00	1,06,608.00	-
(III) INCOME TAX TCS				
TCS Deducted on Purchase During the Year		527.00	527.00	-
(V) CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash Balances		14,331.15	26,613.15	3,11,35,902.29
Bank Balances		4,71,44,918.46	4,71,44,918.46	4,00,000.00
FDRs Balances	02	4,00,000.00	72,414.00	16,150.00
Imprest Balances		67,508.00	18,961.00	(2,72,139.00)
Accrued Interest		18,961.00	18,961.00	2,88,000.00
Accrued Interest		(17,07,960.00)	(17,07,960.00)	-
Advances		2,88,000.00	4,62,25,758.61	3,16,66,940.44
Total		7,89,58,235.13	6,30,23,725.96	-

		SCH	CURRENT YEAR (INR)	PREVIOUS YEAR (INR)
RECEIPTS				
Opening Balances:				
Cash Balances		26,613.15	26,613.15	95,76,569.49
Bank Balance		3,11,35,902.29	4,71,44,918.46	40,530.00
Imprest with Projects		72,414.00	4,00,000.00	4,00,000.00
FDRs Balances	2	4,00,000.00	(2,72,139.00)	(28,000.00)
Payable :		(2,72,139.00)	16,150.00	-
Accrued Interest		16,150.00	2,88,000.00	-
Advances		2,88,000.00	3,16,66,940.44	3,15,746.00
Total		3,16,66,940.44	1,03,30,916.64	-
Restricted/Ear-Marked Funds Receipts:				
Foreign Contribution Receipts		9,89,12,527.60	5,63,97,297.08	34,39,700.64
Indian Contribution Receipts	06	24,21,840.93	10,13,34,368.53	5,98,36,997.72
Total		12,30,943.53	15,77,341.61	-
General Donations/Funds Receipts:				
Foreign Contribution Receipts		9,82,080.46	19,62,216.64	-
Sale of Fixed Asset (F:C)	07	11,000.00	-	-
Indian Contribution Receipts		7,03,314.40	16,96,394.86	12,49,525.70
Total		17,96,394.86	21,61,732.34	32,11,742.34
Bank Interests:				
Bank and FDR Interests (Foreign Contribution)	08	12,57,003.00	4,91,402.00	25,468.00
Bank and FDR Interests (Indian Contribution)		45,569.00	12,82,572.00	5,16,870.00
Total		13,02,572.00	17,73,974.00	5,22,338.00
Other Receipts:				
Income Tax Refund		-	8,423.00	-
Interest on Income Tax Refund	09	-	887.00	9,010.00
Total		-	9,310.00	9,010.00
PAYMENTS				
Restricted/Ear-Marked Funds Payments:				
Foreign Contribution Payments		8,22,87,288.30	3,57,37,049.17	3,94,95,452.17
Indian (Local) Contribution Payments	10	17,64,721.40	8,40,52,009.70	-
Total		9,40,52,009.70	14,03,891,298.87	3,94,95,452.17
Other establishment/ Amln. Etc. Payments:				
Foreign Contribution Payments	11	20,03,187.77	25,52,099.52	6,54,653.63
Indian (Local) Contribution Payments		5,48,911.75	31,33,757.00	4,80,157.00
Capital Expenses/ Additions to Fixed assets	12	-	-	-
Total		25,52,099.52	26,85,856.52	11,34,810.63
TCS & TDS				
Foreign Contribution		16,651.00	5,330.00	29,985.00
Indian Contribution		-	16,651.00	35,333.00
Total		16,651.00	21,981.00	65,318.00
Advances:				
Indian Contribution	02	2,88,000.00	2,88,000.00	-
Total		2,88,000.00	2,88,000.00	-
Payable :				
Foreign Contribution		(16,36,210.00)	(12,259.00)	-
Indian Contribution		(71,750.00)	(2,59,880.00)	-
Total		(17,07,960.00)	(14,849.00)	-
Closing Balances:				
Cash Balances		14,331.15	26,613.15	3,11,35,902.29
Bank Balances		4,71,44,918.46	4,71,44,918.46	4,00,000.00
FDRs Balances	02	4,00,000.00	72,414.00	16,150.00
Imprest Balances		67,508.00	18,961.00	(2,72,139.00)
Accrued Interest		18,961.00	18,961.00	2,88,000.00
Advances		2,88,000.00	4,62,25,758.61	3,16,66,940.44
Total		13,59,80,275.83	7,39,05,536.70	-



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