



Highlights

21 Capacity-building Sessions: 4,718 individuals strengthened awareness on MHM, anemia, nutrition etc

25 Health Camps: 1,551 individuals received essential medical care and nutrition support

ASARA Varanasi: 132 elderly persons assessed for assistive devices at RVY camp

IWD Celebration: 1,600 women celebrated their journey from home to financial leadership

Women Farmers' Sammelan: 600 women farmers convened; Santara, Meena and Sunita honoured for leadership in natural farming

Sneh Kendra: 146 children at brick-kilns started new learning phase with daily nutrition

Women's Street Theatre Group: Chat Pati-a 12 member women's street play group trained on gender and labour rights

Building Inclusion Through Learning and Action

Over the past three months, Jan Vikas Samiti has been actively working with communities, frontline workers, and organizations to strengthen support for persons with disabilities and the elderly. The focus has been on practical learning, sharing experiences, and building systems that can actually work at the community level.

Educational & Physical Assessment Training (24–28 March 2026)

A five-day training was conducted for 26 CBR consultants from Bihar, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, and Uttarakhand. Participants learned simple ways to assess children's learning and physical needs, set realistic goals, and support families in community settings.

Basic Rehabilitation Training (18-20 March 2026)

27 youngsters from organizations of persons with disabilities across 5 states joined a three-day training. The sessions focused on understanding disability and basic rehabilitation, with hands-on learning through case discussions and interaction with children at Muskaan Rehabilitation Centre, Murdaha, Varanasi

Women's Street Theatre Group for Social Change

March was a powerful month for women's empowerment, beginning with a 5-day street theatre training under the WW4C (Women Workers for Change) program for working women of Ramaipatti, Varanasi. The training focused on women's rights, social issues, freedom and equality. Participants learned acting, dialogue delivery, and teamwork while discussing topics like domestic violence, gender discrimination, education and legal rights. The program ended with street play performances that highlighted key social issues and spread messages for positive change. The training helped boost confidence and encouraged women to participate more actively in their communities.



Assistive Devices Assessment Camp for Elderly (26 March 2026)

An assessment camp was held in Harahua block under the Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana scheme, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, govt. of India. 132 elderly persons (60+) were assessed for assistive devices like walking aids and mobility support, which will be provided free of cost to improve daily living.



International Women's Day Celebration

On International Women's Day, JVS organized a program in Varanasi in collaboration with the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD). Around 1,600 women from Self-Help Groups joined the program, sharing their journeys from dependence to financial independence, managing Self-Help Groups and supporting their families through small businesses and livelihood activities. For many, joining a Self-Help Group was the first step toward confidence and self-reliance.

Shri Tribhuvan Ram, MLA, Ajagara graced the occasion as the chief guest. He appreciated the growing role of rural women in community development and economic progress.



Women Farmers' Conference

JVS organized a Women Farmers' Conference on 21 February 2026 at JVS premise with over 600 women farmers gathered for the conference. Shri Tribhuvan Ram, MLA, Ajagara, along with Vinod Kumar Upadhyay (Block President, Harahua), Badri Prasad Tiwari (BDO, Harahua) and others appreciated the dedication and innovation of women in agriculture. Three outstanding women farmers - Smt. Santara, Smt. Meena and Smt. Sunita were facilitated for their successful agriculture practice. A street play performance by Purna Kala Manch on natural resource conservation focused on the importance of water and soil preservation. Dr. Ganesh Kumar Gupta and Dr. Roshan Kumar (T.D. College, Jaunpur) led technical sessions on natural farming, livestock management and family nutrition.



Sustainable Farming and Entrepreneurship Workshops

JVS organized multiple workshops over the past three months across different gram panchayats to promote sustainable agriculture and entrepreneurship activities among women farmers. These sessions focused on practical, easy-to-adopt techniques that can help improve farm productivity while also creating additional sources of income.



Location	Key Topics Covered	Participation & Outcome
Dedhvana Kerakat, Jaunpur	Crop rotation, permaculture, soil enrichment, use of compost and animal manure	100 women farmers participated Women expressed willingness to adopt these practices to improve soil health and productivity.
Bhoura, Kerakat Jaunpur	Food processing, and preparation of organic inputs	50 women farmers participated Women showed interest in exploring alternative livelihood options.
Pidrai Pindra, Varanasi	Improved cultivation techniques for potato, garlic, vegetables; use of fertilizers and pesticides	53 women farmers participated Women agreed to adopting improved practices.

Health, Nutrition, Education and Livelihood Support for Brick Kiln Workers

Over the past three months, JVS has been working across several brick kiln sites and nearby communities to support migrant workers and their families, with a special focus on improving health, nutrition, education, and awareness. Most families living in these sites face difficult working and living conditions with limited access to basic services. The initiative has aimed to reach them directly at their workplaces and living areas, providing regular support along with practical information that can help improve their daily lives and overall well-being.



Key Highlights

On-site Health Check-up Camps:

151 persons in brick kilns examined through four health camps and given essential medicines to ensure easy access to medical services without loss of wages.

Education Support for Children:

146 children of brick kiln workers attending remedial classes at brick kiln sites under the Sneh Kendra project. Students are provided learning materials and simple daily nutrition.

Awareness and Education Activities:

Four sessions were conducted at different brick kilns on hygiene, nutrition, maternal care, and childcare along with community meetings on workers' rights and government schemes such as pensions, housing support, and VB-G RAM G.

Nutrition Support for Mothers:

33 pregnant and lactating women provided nutrition kits every month with basic food items and supplements to support maternal health.

Strengthening Community Health under the Safe Motherhood Project

Under the Safe Motherhood Project, multiple interventions were implemented across Badagaon and Dobhi blocks during the quarter to improve awareness and access to healthcare services among pregnant and lactating mothers, adolescent girls and the wider community.

Key Highlights

- 21 training sessions conducted on MHM, anemia, nutrition, reproductive health, RTI/STI, and WASH and 4,718 people benefitted from these trainings.
- 21 health camps organized and 1,400 pregnant and lactating women received free health check-up, iron, calcium, multivitamins and essential medicine.
- 84 wall writings on health and safe motherhood completed.



Disability Inclusion, Awareness & CBR Initiative

Over the past three months, JVS has been working closely with communities, families, and frontline health workers to make inclusion part of everyday life. Through small but consistent efforts, the focus has been on greater understanding around disability, encouraging early identification, and providing necessary support they need.

Activity	Block	No. of sessions	No. of Participants	Focus
Health awareness meetings	Moyna, Sevapuri, Magrahat-2, Nautan, Majhaulia	09	320	Understanding disability, early support, inclusion
ASHA workers training	Moyna	01	19	Early identification & linking families to services
AWWs trainings	Majhaulia	02	93	Child development & inclusive early care
Parent support group meetings	Mahmudabad, Moyna	05	194	Sharing experiences & building support networks
Caregiver trainings	Bhadohi, Mahmudabad, Moyna, Magrahat-2, Nautan and Majhaulia	39	1,080	Home-based care & practical support
Interface meetings with government staff	Mahmudabad, Moyna, Magrahat-2, Nautan, and Majhaulia	05	196	Coordination between government departments to strengthen referral systems for children with disabilities and their families.



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