About Aan

AAN, meaning *Dignity* in Hindi, is a multifaceted non-profit entrepreneurship conceptualized on a single thought that 'a small gesture we make, makes a big



difference in future'. AAN has been striving hard to achieve Sustainable Development Goals, specially Good Health & Well Being, Quality Education, Gender Equality, Sustainable cities and Communities.

AAN Charitable Trust has undertaken several projects in the past 5 years and has been consistently working towards UN SDGs. Some of the initiatives by AAN Charitable Trust involved the awareness campaigns of Good Touch & Bad Touch with primary government school children, Women empowerment & Skill development programs, Digital literacy - Keep Children Reading and Prioritizing menstrual hygiene programs with adolescent rural girls.

AAN Charitable Trust also initiated and implemented Covid-19 relief projects "Project SAMVEDNA" - to support the hill districts of Uttarakhand in their battle against COVID-19. "Surakshit Hum Surakshit Tum Abhiyaan" in collaboration with NITI Aayog and Piramal Foundation to provide home care for elderly corona patients. One of the flagship projects undertaken by AAN is 'Periods don't stop for pandemics' and distribution of "DIGNITY KITS" menstrual hygiene kits during Covid-19.

Our Projects

- Good Touch and Bad Touch
- Women Empowerment
- Skill Development
- Digital Literacy
- Menstrual Hygiene Management

About Program

किशोरी उच्च शिक्षा प्रोत्साहन योजना : An Initiative by **Aan Charitable Trust** in collaboration with **Uttarakhand Open University** to create awareness and offer financial aid to meritorious rural area girls of Kashipur Block for pursuing Higher Education through ODL (Open and Distance learning mode).

Higher education is the most critical element of growth in this era of knowledge economy. The National Knowledge Commission has brought out valuable documents outlining the critical role of higher education. In this context, the role of



Open and Distance Learning System (ODL) becomes significant and unique. The experience across the globe substantiates that the ODL system is an effective tool for educationally empowering the different sections of society who, for one reason or the other, had missed the formal 'face-to-face' education. These days, distance education provides many vocational, professional and technical courses, including specialised programmes oriented towards the higher end of technology usage. It also has the potential to reach the unreached, marginalized and excluded people residing in distant places and difficult terrain.

Objective of KUSPY

This awareness campaign will be conducted by Aan Charitable trust in Kashipur Block, US Nagar district. The Objective for conducting this program is to provide equitable opportunity to the meritorious rural girls who want to continue with their higher education after class 12th.

- Aan Team will be regularly conducting these Awareness drives in Government Girls Inter College's (GGIC) to motivate and inspire Grade 11th and 12th Girl students to pursue their higher education via ODL mode in case they are not able to take admission in regular colleges.
- AAN Charitable Trust has also collaborated with Uttarakhand Open University to give full Scholarship to 3 such meritorious girls of Kashipur Block.
- Aan team will look for more sponsors to provide financial aid for eligible girls and facilitate their higher education via ODL mode in Uttarakhand Open University by providing mentorship and time to time intervention to guide them in their career journey.

Uttarakhand Open University



Uttarakhand Open University (UOU) was established by the Act of Uttarakhand Legislative Assembly in 2005 with the aim of disseminating knowledge and skills through distance learning. The University focuses on the educational needs of women, the tribals and other marginalized sections. It also extends its reach to the most distant and difficult places of Uttarakhand and has made its presence felt even in the remotest corners of the state.

UOU offers its programmes through 240+ Study Centres established at different locations in the state under eight

Regional Centres at Dehradun, Roorkee, Pauri, Uttarkashi, Dwarahat, Bageshwar, Haldwani and Pithoragarh. The University has also signed Memorandum of Understanding with several leading research institutions, companies and professional bodies for the benefit of its students.

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Launch Program



Date: 06 October 2021

Venue: Government Girls

Inter College,

Mahuakhera Ganj

(Kashipur)



Awareness Program



Venue: Government Model Inter College, Banskhera

Date: 28 October 2021



