

14th Foundation day celebration -Gaya Region



The 14th foundation day was celebrated at Fetehpur location office, involving community, movement workers and professionals working in the region. It was the first time for the locations in Gaya to celebrate the foundation day. The event met its purpose of revisiting the commitment to work with people for the development. The Talisman of

Mahatma Gandhi was read out to inculcate its meaning and relevance. The community was informed about the significance celebrating the foundation day on Mahatma Gandhi's birth anniversary. A cultural event was also organized on the day. There were about 100 people gathered to celebrate the event.

The event started at 11.00 A.M with prayer and Pooja. Then the homage was paid to the father of the nation, Mahatma Gandhi in his remembrance. The welcome address was given by Mr. Praveen Kumar. He also briefed about the importance of celebrating the day together. Latter Mr. Gopi Verma delivered his speech on the struggle and efforts put



by Mahatama Gandhi in freedom movement. He stated the vision and mission of Dhan Foundation and briefed Gandhi's view on achieving the real freedom from hunger, poverty, illiteracy and discrimination. He also correlated the Gandhian philosophy and Dhan's philosophy to achieve the development by carrying out grassroots actions. He also stressed on the Gandhian ways of development to follow by every movement worker. Latter he delivered his speech on poverty scenario in south Bihar and DHAN strategic efforts on water bodies' development and SHG movement to tackle the situation and speed up the development process.

The second speech was given by Neelabh Kumar, PE, KCBP, Tankuppa Block. He briefed about the present outreach of the organization in Gaya region. He informed that the organization has made a significant outreach of working with more than 4,000 families within one year. He also told about the way in which the organization has started the work in Gaya and reasons for making and intervention in Tankuppa and Fatehpur blocks of the district.



Tushar Krishna, PE, KCBP, Fatehpur location first announced that on 17th of September DHAN Foundation got India best NGO award for 2009 by Union Minister Mukul Wasnik. He also described about the overview of workings of DHAN foundations in India and what kind of projects the organization has undertaken for development intervention among the poorest of the poor in region of North, South, west and Eastern India. He also briefed about areas of interventions and expertise of the various thematic institutions of DHAN Foundation like Kalanjiam Foundation, Vayalagam Foundation, different centers, Tata Dhan Academy, Rainfed Programme, CALL programme etc. He also told about the present outreach in Bihar and all over India and the benefits that has been achieved from the poorest of the poor community.

The movement workers were honored on the day. A book written on the life of Mahatma Gandhi was given to them as a token, through Naga Baba who is one of the reputed persons in Fatehpur block. The event was called off by giving thanks to each and all.

<u>Programme Schedule</u>	
Meeting Date : 02-10-2010	
Venue : DHAN Foundation Office, Fatehpur, Gaya	
Time	Programme Details
10:00 -11:00	Registration Process
11:00 – 11:10	Prayer, Lighting the Lamp
11.10 – 11:20	Welcome Address
11.20 – 11:40	Cultural Songs
11:40 – 12:05	Poverty Scenario in South Bihar
12:05 – 12:25	DHAN interventions in Bihar and its outreach
12.25 – 12:45	About DHAN Foundation – Its Outreach of thematic institutions
12:45 – 1:15	Cultural Event
01.15 – 2:10	Break for Lunch
02:10 – 02:20	Vote of Thanks and End of the Programme