

PICTURED: Top 20 candidates selected for Small Business Support (Cohort-III) pose for a group picture with CHINAR team on the felicitation day



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CUTTING AND TAILORING CENTER LAUNCHED AT BANDIPORA

CHINAR launched the center of cutting and tailoring at Rakh Shilvat, Bandipora with an enrolment of 18 women. After ground assessment and multiple requests from local women, CHINAR started the center on 1st September. It will be a short term course of four months as trainees committed to spend 5 hours a day in the center to learn the skill on a fast track basis.



TEACH WITH CHINAR FELLOWSHIP CANDIDATE SELECTION UNDER PROCESS

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Teach with CHINAR is a two-year fellowship program with a mission to create a cadre of leaders who will not only teach but will also work towards CHINAR's school transformation plan and their own personal development. The aim is to uplift low-resourced schools through meaningful stakeholder engagements for providing quality education to children and improving the overall school ecosystem. A total of 100 candidates had applied for the fellowship, out of which 30 got selected for the final round after going through a thorough selection process that constituted, application review, lesson plan submission and formulation of school visit report. The next step of candidate interviews was carried out this month.

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The idea is to create leaders who are passionate advocates for children affected by conflict and inspire their communities to break free from the inertia of hopelessness and despair and aspire for greatness through quality education. They will be the children's Bai-lal and Ben-taeth (meaning Elder Brother and Elder Sister, affectionately in Kashmiri) and mentor them in acquiring skills and enhancing competencies.



BASELINING ASSESSMENTS AT SHOPIAN AND PULWAMA

Student learning assessments were conducted at 8 Community Learning Centers (CLCs) of Shopian and Pulwama districts wherein a total of 163 students starting from grade I to VIII appeared. These assessments were facilitated by CLC teachers of each center. A comprehensive tool was used to assess the student competencies in Mathematics, Language and Socio-emotional Learning (SEL). The test papers were aligned with the learning outcomes expected from the respective classes.



Zeba Durrani - CHINAR board member in US and a successful digital transformation leader conducted three day workshop for CHINAR staff focused on team building and improving organisational processes. The workshop engaged staff in brainstorming activities and discussions about the people, processes and technology.

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP FOR STAFF

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NETWORKING MEET WITH NGOS

CHINAR International hosted a networking meet with the selected NGOs working in Kashmir. The participants included *UNICEF, Save The Children, MSF, Koshish* and the *Social work department*. The NGOs working in respective fields, constructively participated to share the challenges and experiences in the development sector.



CHINAR International conducted a 4-day Small Business Support (SBS) program with TISS (Tata Institute of Social Sciences) as knowledge partners at Sangarmaal City Centre, Srinagar. The purpose of the event was to make the final selection of candidates for the third cohort of SBS. The SBS project provides start up support of 1.5 lac per business unit along with marketing and technical assistance to the selected candidates.

A total of 260 applicants had applied for the program from all the districts of Kashmir division, out of which 40 got shortlisted for the final round and presented their ideas before the panel of experts. The panelists of the event were Prof. Satyajit Majumdar - Dean of School of Management and Labour studies at TISS, Mr. Sujay Dixit - Vice President (Incubation and Excellence) at TISS, Irfan Shahmiri - CHINAR's Global Executive Director, Prof. Saad Parvez - NIT Srinagar, Dr. Shazia Manzoor - HOD, Department of Social work, Kashmir University and Abdul Rouf Khan (JKEDI). All the panelists hold expertise in the field of innovation, incubation and social entrepreneurship. On the first 3 days of the program, the applicants presented their ideas along with inspirational and motivational speeches from successful young entrepreneurs.

The felicitation ceremony of the top 20 candidates was held on day 4 in presence of Irfan Shahmiri, board members - Dr. Mushtaq Margoob and Dr. Zahida Shah, and CHINAR patron Mrs. Ismet Shahmiri. Post felicitation, a training and capacity-building program was conducted by TISS faculty for 20 selected candidates and CHINAR team.

SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT COHORT III LAUNCHED



The goal of the SBS program is to support youth coming from low-income families to become self-reliant. CHINAR supported twenty youth in the first two cohorts of SBS who are successfully running their units today

KASHMIR PATRONS MEETING

CHINAR International's Global Executive Director, Mr. Irfan Shahmiri facilitated an introductory meeting with CHINAR board of Kashmir, potential patronage and supporters at base office in Srinagar. The meeting covered the brief description of CHINAR programs, impact on ground, future plans.



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