

PICTURED: TWC Fellows pose for a group picture during the five-day residential induction training.



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FIVE MORE UNITS LAUNCHED UNDER SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT - PHASE 3

CHINAR launched five units under Phase 3 of small business support (SBS) across three districts – Kulgam, Budgam and Bandipora. All of them were part of 20 candidates selected in September through a rigorous selection process.

Syed Hassan Shah from Bandipora was given support to start his own boutique where he will sell dress material and ready made suits. Being an experienced tailor, he will provide stitching services as well. Adina, a young passionate woman from the same district, launched her dairy farm. Her family lost their house in the devastating floods of 2014. By running her farm, she plans to build a house for her family and pursue further education.

Bashir Gojri, from Sholipora – Budgam, was provided support to expand his unit of digital CSC (Common Service Center). Bashir holds a diploma in computer applications. CHINAR provided him with an Adhaar kit and PVC printer to start his unit. Another similar venture was launched in Chowgam, Kulgam by Adil Jabbar to serve customers of his area with digital services.

Foola Jan hails from Waltengo Kulgam where woman entrepreneurship is a dream. She overcame all the hurdles and got selected for SBS under the PARVAAZ project. Foola was given assistance to run a provisional store in her area. She wants to give the best education to her children.



CHINAR closed its cutting and tailoring center in collaboration with GGHSS (Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School), Nowhatta. A total of 9 students graduated the six-month course. As part of the final test, the trainees were made to stitch different clothing items in one hour. Sana Lateef, who topped the assessment, was provided a sewing machine to start her venture and work on part-time basis without compromising on her studies. Certificates were also distributed among the trainees. The closing ceremony was attended by school principal, teachers and students.

This month, another digital learning center was launched in Tularzoo, Baramulla to deliver a 3-month basic course in computer skills. Around 20 boys and girls were enrolled in the program.

STUDENTS GRADUATE IN SKILL TRAINING



LEARNING ASSESSMENTS AT SHOPIAN AND PULWAMA

CHINAR conducted learning assessment of 57 students at community learning centers of Shopian and Pulwama districts. The test paper was aligned with the learning outcomes expected from grade 1 to 8 students. The assessment was conducted in Mathematics, English (both reading and writing.).

These assessments are used to gauge progress and plan future interventions.



SKILL CENTERS AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (THE PARVAAZ PROJECT)

CHINAR successfully concluded the final phase of assessment survey in two areas of Srinagar district – Rakhe aarat and Palpora. After a thorough assessment and due-diligence, 43 children from 24 underprivileged families were enrolled in the Child Development program. Similar assessments were conducted in Gatipora and Herpora villages of Shopian district where 61 children from 33 families got selected for the program. Following final selection, CHINAR organized a community mobilization event at Srinagar to welcome new families and distribute the special hygiene kits among children. Next event will be held at Shopian. Under Youth Development, CHINAR launched a skill development center – cutting and tailoring at Gatipora, Shopian under the PARVAAZ project. A total of 20 women from low income group families enrolled for the six-month training course. Two more skill centers are in the pipeline.



CHINAR organized a 5-day residential training for the Teach with CHINAR fellows from 22 November to 26 November 2022. The training was held at our base office premises in Srinagar where 10 selected fellows from 6 districts participated. The training focused on capacity building, self-awareness, foundational literacy and creating a holistic school development plan. Participants were engaged in different learning activities based on classroom management, lesson planning and demo classroom sessions, each followed by feedback and training outcomes.

The successful fellows from Teach for India, our knowledge partner in education, shared their learning journeys with the trainees and delivered sessions on class differentiation, observation techniques and importance of learning circle meetings(LCM).

The training was further enlightened by inspirational speeches given by Omar Hafiz (Development practitioner and founder of The Stears) and Ruheed Gul (Teacher at DSEK) focused on self- exploration and educational set up in Kashmir respectively. All the participants enjoyed the training sessions and appreciated the team for making it a fantastic start to the fellowship.

5-DAY INDUCTION TRAINING FOR TEACH WITH CHINAR (TWC) FELLOWS



When I think about my journey as an intern at CHINAR International so far, it's been nothing but a blessing. The little voice inside me always kept asking me how we all want to look at the result, but not the journey that gets people there. So, I listened to that little voice and went to experience the journey itself, and it was amazing. Interacting with the kids (as well as the adults) and seeing how they were benefitting from CHINAR's CLCs during my field trips, reminded me of a beautiful quote, "Knowledge is power. Information is liberating. Education is the premise of progress, in every society, in every family."

Farheen (An intern)

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\$4,420 USD ONE TIME (PER YOUTH FOR LBS)

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CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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