

Helping Villages: Unnat Bharat Abhiyan Project

Our college joined the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan program to help villages improve. We picked five villages: **Kuruli, Kudaje, Chimbali, Rihe, and Watunde**. Teachers and some students visited these places. We talked to people to understand what they need and the problems facing on Ground, and the general facilities available.

We did two kinds of surveys: one about the village and another about households. We collected a lot of demographic information about things how people live.

Now, we want to help these villages get better. We'll work with the people who live there to make things nicer. Our goal is to make all villages great places to live. The information we gathered from the surveys will help us decide what to do next. Together, let's make a positive change in these villages!







Report on Unnat Bharat Abhiyan for Kurali Village, Pune, Maharashtra



Introduction

Kurali is a rural village located in the Pune district of Maharashtra, India. This report aims to provide an overview of the village's demographics, infrastructure, challenges, and potential areas of intervention under the UBA program.

Location and Geography

Kurali is a village in the Khed Taluka of Pune District, Maharashtra, situated about 24 km north of Pune city and 17 km from Khed. It is part of the Desh or Paschim Maharashtra region and falls under the Pune Division.

Demographics

Kurali has a population of approximately 10,000 people, with a relatively even distribution between male and female residents. The village has a mix of socioeconomic backgrounds, with a significant portion of the population belonging to the lower-income and marginalized sections of society.

Infrastructure

The village has basic infrastructure like roads, electricity, and access to public transportation. However, Electricity outages and water shortages pose significant hurdles, impacting daily life during summer season and the healthcare facilities are limited, with only small clinics available, and the nearest major hospital is in Chakan, approximately 2.4 km away.

Educational Institutions

Kurali has a few primary and secondary schools, but higher educational opportunities are scarce within the village. Students often need to travel to nearby towns like Chakan or Pune for college and university education.

Healthcare Facilities

The village has a primary health center that provides basic medical services. However, the center is often understaffed and lacks essential equipment and supplies. Residents frequently need to travel to nearby towns or the city of Pune for more specialized healthcare.

Self-Help Groups (SHGs)

Kurali has several active self-help groups, primarily focused on women's empowerment and income-generating activities. These groups have had some success in improving the economic and social status of their members, but their reach and impact could be further expanded.

Agricultural Productivity

Agriculture is the primary economic activity in Kurali, with a focus on crops such as wheat, rice, millets, cotton and vegetables. However, the productivity of the land is often hindered by limited access to modern farming techniques, irrigation facilities, and market linkages.

Educational Disparities

Limited access to quality education beyond the primary level results in educational disparities, especially among marginalized groups.

Potential Interventions under UBA

The Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) program presents an opportunity to address the challenges faced by Kurali village. Potential areas for intervention include:

1. Sustainable Agriculture Practices

Introducing sustainable farming techniques, improving access to irrigation, and strengthening market linkages to enhance agricultural productivity and income.

2. Skill Development and Entrepreneurship

Providing vocational training and supporting entrepreneurial initiatives to diversify the village's economic activities and create new livelihood opportunities.

3. Education Infrastructure Enhancement

Upgrading the facilities and teaching quality in the existing educational institutions, and exploring the possibility of establishing new educational institutions to improve access and quality of education.

4. Healthcare Outreach

Strengthening the primary health center, increasing the availability of medical personnel and equipment, and exploring mobile health clinics to improve healthcare access.

5. Anganwadi Kendra

Enhancing the services and facilities of the Anganwadi Kendra, which provides essential services for early childhood development and maternal health.

Conclusion

Kurali village faces a range of challenges, from infrastructure deficiencies to educational and healthcare disparities. However, the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan program presents an opportunity to address these issues and drive sustainable development in the village. By focusing on key areas such as agriculture, skill development, education, and healthcare, the UBA program can help Kurali unlock its full potential and improve the overall well-being of its residents.

