

Paul Hamlyn Foundation

Grants Announcement India Programme

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Grants Made in India

The [India programme](#) supports local organisations, aiming to focus our resources where we can add most value in priority geographical areas. In October 2020, we made the following grants. Details of all grants made are available in our [grants database](#).

Amhi Aamachya Arogya Sathi

Grant amount: ₹67,53,600

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: West\Maharashtra

Project: Social entrepreneurship and employability development of people with disabilities – (EASE for PwDs) – phase three

Description: Amhi Amchya Arogya Sathi (AAA) works to build the capacity of communities experiencing marginalisation. This initiative supports disabled people in Nagpur and Vidarbha to increase their skills and employability and access relevant resources and information. The third phase of funding will allow AAA to set up social enterprises and assemble an association of disabled people to play an active role in helping their members access services, entitlements and psychological support.

Bal Sakha Assam

Grant amount: ₹37,06,800

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: North East\Assam

Project: Developing socially conscious tea garden management in Assam – phase two

Description: Bal Sakha Assam works to improve the health, education and wellbeing of children and families across rural areas and tea gardens in Assam through community-based activities. The organisation aims to build a socially conscious system of managing labour in tea gardens by working with management teams and training social advisors. This grant will support Bal Sakha Assam to introduce a programme for students pursuing courses in Tea Management Training Institutes and to develop online modules for tea garden employees.

Breakthrough Trust

Grant amount: ₹46,45,000

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: North\Delhi West\Maharashtra

Project: Using culture to change gender norms

Description: Breakthrough Trust aims to create an equal world by changing the way people see women and girls. This grant will support the organisation to engage with a network of content creators across cinema, digital, advertising and the media to make and disseminate content with a gender focus. The network will connect content creators directly with people who have worked extensively on gender issues in the region. By putting content that promotes gender equity into the mainstream, the project aims to shape mindsets and shift norms around issues like gender-based discrimination and patriarchal stereotypes.

Centre for Action Research and Management in Developing Attitudes Knowledge and Skills in Human Resources (CARMDAKSH)

Grant amount: ₹37,04,800

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: Central\Chhattisgarh

Project: Small livestock for livelihood security in Korba, Chhattisgarh

Description: The Centre for Action Research and Management in Developing Attitudes Knowledge and Skills in Human Resources (CARMDAKSH) is a civil society organisation that focuses on the empowerment of tribal women. This grant will help CARMDAKSH to develop a village-level support system to strengthen veterinary services, and to improve management knowledge, creating a primary and dependable source of income for local farming communities. They will also introduce an integrated approach to rearing livestock to meet both dietary and emergency financial needs during crisis and establish links with markets to improve prices.

Chhattisgarh Agricon Samiti

Grant amount: ₹26,23,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: Central\Chhattisgarh

Project: Community mental health initiative - Chhattisgarh

Description: Chhattisgarh Agricon Samiti works to improve quality of life in rural and tribal areas of the region. Through this grant, the organisation will address the mental health issues observed in the community. The project will undertake an assessment, and prepare intervention plans for self-care, nutrition, social justice, family, groups, individual support, healthcare, and livelihoods. It will help the community to address adverse effects of climate change through assessment, training and capacity-building.

DiYA Foundation

Grant amount: ₹1,09,94,654

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: North East\Assam

Project: Reducing economic vulnerability of tribal households in Kamrup through integrated homestead and livestock farming (IHLEF) – phase three

Description: DiYA Foundation supports communities experiencing marginalisation to access education, livelihood opportunities, rights, resources and information. This grant will continue to support DiYA to increase household incomes through an approach evolved in the first two phases, further strengthen and federate women's collectives to take up social advocacy, and establish livelihood support systems through a group of 20 community-level experts.

Jai Bharati Shiksha Kendra

Grant amount: ₹20,78,100

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: Central\Madhya Pradesh

Project: Community-based management and development of land under the Forest Rights Act – phase four

Description: Jai Bharati Shiksha Kendra (JBSK) supports tribal communities to help them access suitable livelihoods through the management of natural resources. This additional final year of support builds on their work to collectivise members of tribal communities at village, cluster and block levels to foster community-based management and development of land. JBSK will further develop their agenda to focus on institutional strengthening, empowering women and livelihood enhancement.

Kadam Jan Vikas Sanstha

Grant amount: ₹57,07,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: Central\Madhya Pradesh

Project: Ek Kadam - developing women's collectives (with an additional initiative on mental health) – phase two

Description: Kadam Jan Vikas Sanstha (KJVS) works to support and empower people experiencing social and economic disadvantage to develop sustainable livelihoods. The organisation also focuses on gender and women's rights, children's rights, education, public health and local self-governance. In its second phase, the programme continues to address the increase in cases of suicide for people aged 10-39 years in the Gwalior district of Madhya Pradesh, and identifies key learning and impact. KJVS continues to raise awareness, provide counselling, and direct people to relevant services, alongside their new mental health support helpline.

Kalpavriksh Environment Action Group

Grant amount: ₹76,12,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: West\Maharashtra North\Uttarakhand Central\Madhya Pradesh

Project: Democratising conservation governance in India

Description: Kalpavriksh Environment Action Group works between wildlife and biodiversity conservation policies and programmes, and the needs, livelihoods, use and access rights of local communities. The project consolidates previous work on community-led conservation through extensive research, documentation, networking, multi-actor consultations and outreach. It responds to international conservation agreements which call for inclusive conservation governance and co-existence in and outside of protected areas and the need for free prior-informed consent of local communities towards conservation and developmental goals.

Kotra Adivasi Sansthan

Grant amount: ₹75,27,019

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: North\Rajasthan

Project: Easing the strain of migrating tribal labour – phase three

Description: Kotra Adivasi Sansthan provides development services and support to tribal communities in the remote parts of the Udaipur and Sirohi districts. This project aims to support people who migrate to work in small industrial towns in western Rajasthan. The third phase of this grant will sustain work to strengthen labour and trade collectives, improve working conditions and enable access to legal aid, training, medical and other services.

Lokmitra

Grant amount: ₹1,21,66,478

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: North\Uttar Pradesh

Project: Community-led initiatives for preschool and primary education in Banda – phase two

Description: Lokmitra's mission is to ensure that every child experiencing disadvantage completes elementary education to become a life-long learner and an empowered member of society. The second phase of this grant allows the organisation to strengthen their community-led initiatives to support pre-school and primary education in Banda.

Manav Vikas Bahuudheshiya Gramin Seva Sanstha

Grant amount: ₹62,69,949

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: West\Maharashtra

Project: Services for deafblind and multiple sensory impaired (MSI) people in Nagpur – phase two

Description: Manav Vikas Bahuudheshiya Gramin Seva Sanstha support people experiencing disadvantage to participate in decisions that impact their lives and the development of their communities. In its second phase, the project aims to expand work supporting the developmental needs of children with visual, hearing and multi-sensory impairments, by offering training to parents, carers and teachers in language and motor skill development, and by supplying assistive devices.

Muskaan

Grant amount: ₹37,27,600

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: Central\Madhya Pradesh

Project: Strengthening community organisations in urban areas – phase three

Description: Muskaan work with people experiencing marginalisation in Bhopal. Previous phases of the grant supported Muskaan to develop an adult education offer for people experiencing disadvantage, work with the Pardhi tribal community to develop a cohort of leaders, and organise individuals to access rights and entitlements. In this third phase, Muskaan will continue to support tribal and minoritised communities, strengthen leadership and provide enhanced support to the Pardhi community.

Prayas

Grant amount: ₹54,07,390

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: West\Gujarat

Project: Ensuring social security to seasonal migrant construction workers – phase three

Description: Prayas are a non-governmental organisation operating in a remote tribal area of Pratapgarh who have undertaken essential work on forest rights, minimum wage, bonded labour in agriculture, education and tribal identity. This is the third grant phase of the project which allows Prayas to continue promoting the wellbeing of migrant construction workers in the city of Ahmedabad by working with families who have migrated to improve their access to public services including education, early childhood care and healthcare.

Samagra Seva

Grant amount: ₹56,69,800

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: East\Bihar

Project: Improved access to quality education for Musahar children in the Jamui district of Bihar

Description: Samagra Seva believes in every child's right to a childhood – to live, learn, grow and play. Through this grant, the organisation will address the high drop-out rates among Mushahar schoolchildren through provision of Cultural Education Centres (CECs). CECs will provide morning educational activities and facilitate school enrolment and regular attendance. The project will strengthen school and village councils to support schools and liaise with local government to implement policy. Interest in education among children will be encouraged through sports events, music programmes, short dramas and local exposure programmes, embedding art and culture within the community.

Samata

Grant amount: ₹36,80,000

Grant duration: 12 months

Location: East\Jharkhand East\Orissa Central\Chhattisgarh South\Andhra Pradesh

Project: Strengthening constitutional values through discussion on Samata Judgment

Description: Samata (which means equity) has worked intensively for the rights of people to have greater control of their own resources, particularly in areas identified as tribal majority areas. Samata successfully fought a case against the state of Andhra Pradesh which ensures that non-tribal communities do not get mining leases in protected (Fifth Schedule) areas - this court judgement is referred to as the Samata Judgement. This project aims to develop a toolkit that can be used by tribal leaders to advocate with government and judiciary in addressing issues of access, control and use of natural resources by tribal communities. The toolkit will help elected representatives to identify issues and use the constitutional provisions of the Samata Judgement in accessing these rights.

Savera Foundation

Grant amount: ₹82,60,300

Grant duration: 36 months

Location: East\Jharkhand

Project: Reviving traditional management of water resources in Thansighdih Panchayat, Tisri block, Giridih, Jharkhand – phase two

Description: Savera Foundation works to build the capacity of tribal communities in Giridih and improve livelihoods, health, social equity and agricultural development. Through the second phase of this grant, the organisation will continue their sustainable programme to address water and food security, by renovating water resources, providing agricultural training, connecting with government facilities and creating and supporting community-based 'water leaders'.

Sense International India

Grant amount: ₹70,00,000

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: East

Project: Developing services in Eastern India (core support) – phase three

Description: Sense International India supports and advocates for better services for children and adults with sensory impairments across India and partners with non-governmental organisations and the government to provide care and education. The previous phases of the project focused on building a strong infrastructure of regional and state learning centres and expanding the services in five states in Eastern India. In this third phase, Sense India will continue to strengthen the services expanded across the five states and simultaneously develop the capacities of partner organisations to move towards becoming centres of excellence in the region.

South Orissa Voluntary Action (SOVA)

Grant amount: ₹72,33,550

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: East\Orissa

Project: Assimilation of dam displaced communities with their host communities, South Odisha – phase three

Description: South Orissa Voluntary Action (SOVA) works to ensure that communities experiencing disadvantage can access rights, education, livelihoods and health services. This project supports communities that have been displaced following the construction of the

Upper Kolab dam to resettle and integrate with host communities. The previous phases of the initiative focused on strengthening village institutions, building a cross-community group of change makers and increasing the managerial capacities of community organisations. In this phase, SOVA will continue to support Village Development Committees with village development plans, livelihood enhancement strategies, and peace-building initiatives.

Synergy Sansthan

Grant amount: ₹63,60,654

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: Central\Madhya Pradesh

Project: YUVAALAY - development of a youth-centric space in Harda – phase two

Description: Synergy Sansthan is a youth-led organisation, co-founded and staffed by individuals from rural backgrounds, that specialises in developing holistic, experiential learning programmes. The first phase grant supported the development of a youth resource centre offering internships and peer-led workshops on leadership, gender, inclusion and career development. In this second phase, Synergy Sansthan will continue to strengthen their learning programmes for young people and learn, improve and maximise the impact of their youth-centric approach.

Synroplang for Social Transformation

Grant amount: ₹42,94,200

Grant duration: 24 months

Location: North East\Meghalaya

Project: Transformative education for shepherd and out-of-school children of Meghalaya

Description: Synroplang for Social Transformation (SST) is a charity working in education and literacy, vocational training, women's development and empowerment. Through this project SST will provide education to children in rural traditional Khasi villages through three parallel programmes: evening learning sessions, monthly residential learning camps, and day-schools to prepare children for Open Basic Examinations. They will also deliver Class X, a project to prepare children in five examination subjects: English, Maths, Science, Computing and Social Science. The project uses a pedagogic innovation called CCC (content-context-concept) and maintains continuity of learning between home and school.