

**Empowerment
of Rural and Tribal
Women by Barli
Development Institute For
Rural Women
Indore, MP, India**



- Only 92 of every 1000 tribal girls were literate
- Only 3 girls in every 1000 made it as far as middle school
- Just 1 in every 1000 girls actually completed secondary schooling



Early Days August 1985

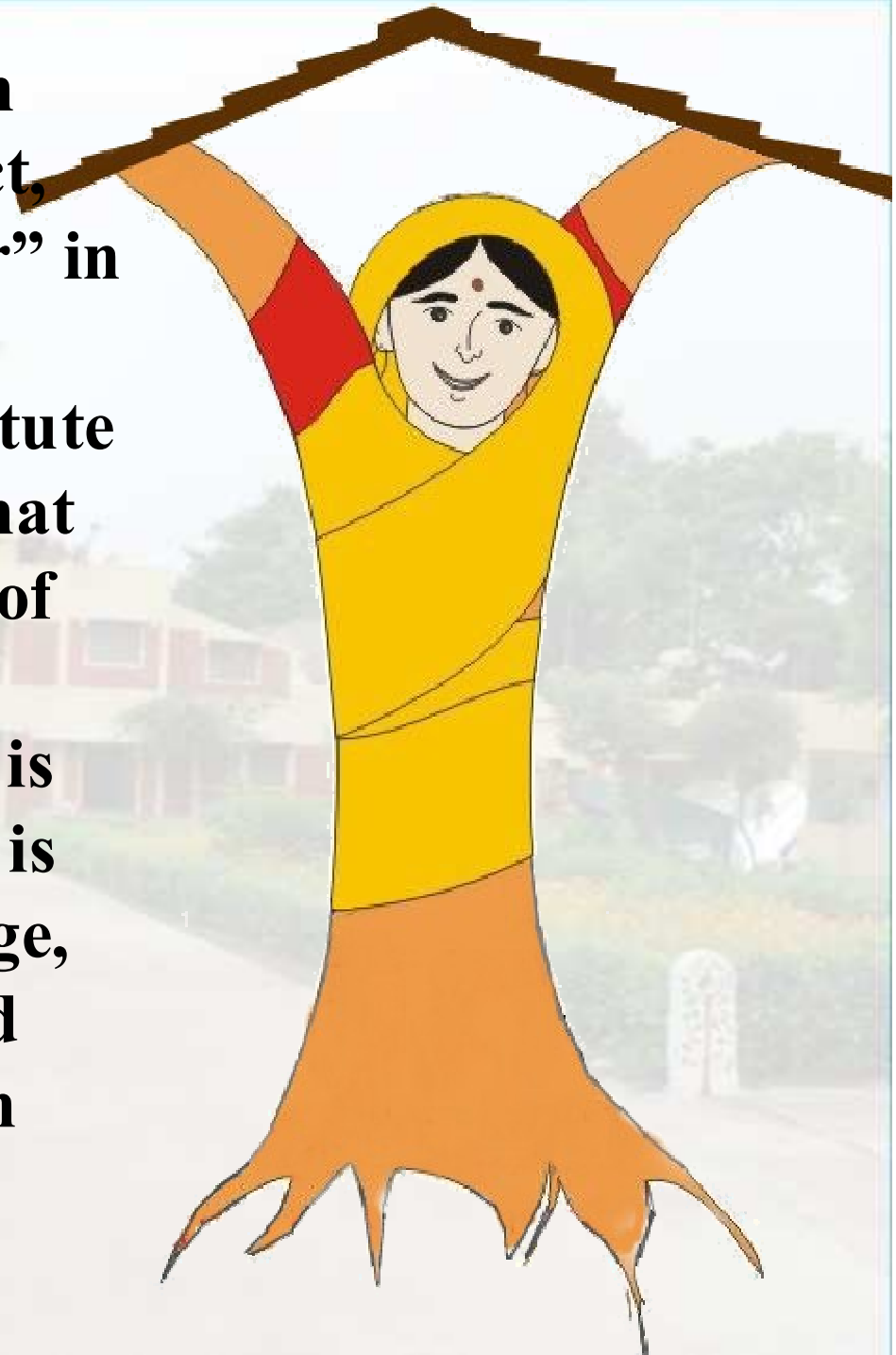


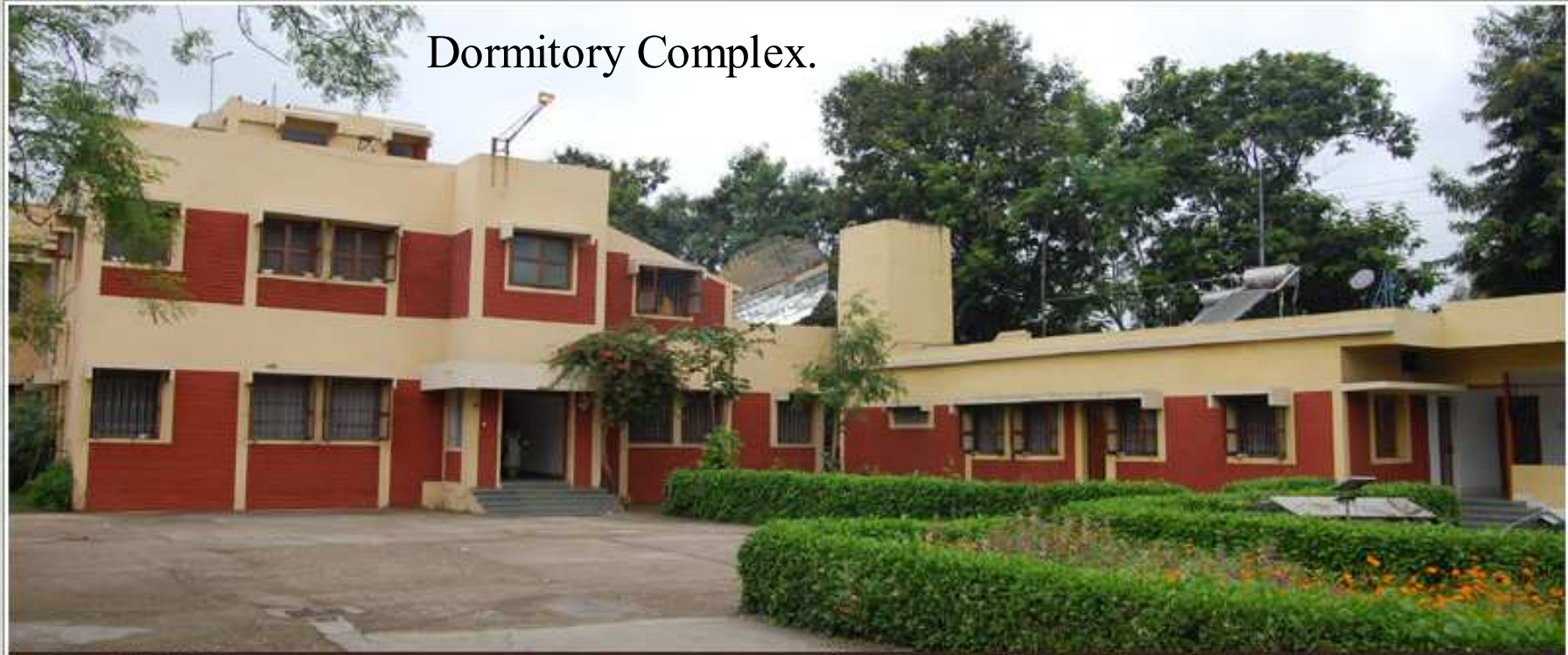


A Baha'i inspired NGO, has been working in the state of Madhya Pradesh in India since 1985. The main focus of the Institute is to facilitate the process of sustainable community development at the grassroots level by training rural and tribal women as human resources.

The word ‘Barli’, is a common female name in Jhabua district, literally means “Central Pillar” in a tribal house.

Programmes of the Barli Institute are based on the philosophy that women are the central pillars of society and that if they are empowered, the whole society is empowered. This is because it is through women that knowledge, attitudes, practices, values and skills are passed on to children and diffused throughout the society





Dormitory Complex.



Office and Library



Main Training Centre

Courses have been developed over 24 years through testing and experience of 4500 graduates from over 450 villages

Now Barli has three extension Centres in the state of Chatisgarh

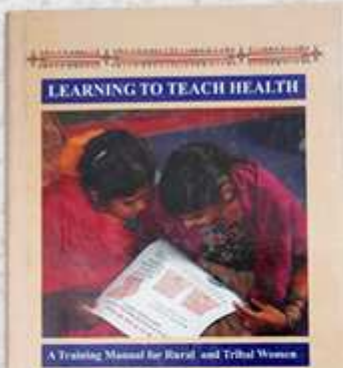


Training Programmers

The young women at the Institute, most of which have never gone to school, are peer tutored by their school dropout friends as *community volunteers*, who are simultaneously being trained as *grassroots trainers* by previous trainees turned trainers



Curriculum/Publications



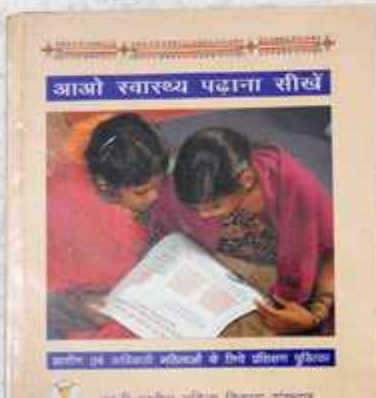
Health/English



Cutting & Tailoring



Hindi Literacy



Health/Hindi



Health/Marathi



Barli ki Duniya Newsletter

Community Volunteers:

A six-month residential course for young girls who upon completion return to their villages as voluntary community workers



Grassroots Trainers:

An integrated, more extensive one year course to train selected community volunteers, who also assist the trainers during the six-month course



Grassroots Trainers take the same courses as Community Volunteers with additional 6 month training in:

Typing

Word Processing

Basic computer operations and programmes



Health and Hygiene

Based on Its own experience Barli developed a health book “Learning to Teach Health” It helps the grass root trainers to practice for Themselves and to Teach others



Learning About Food and Nutrition



Personal, Home and Community Hygiene



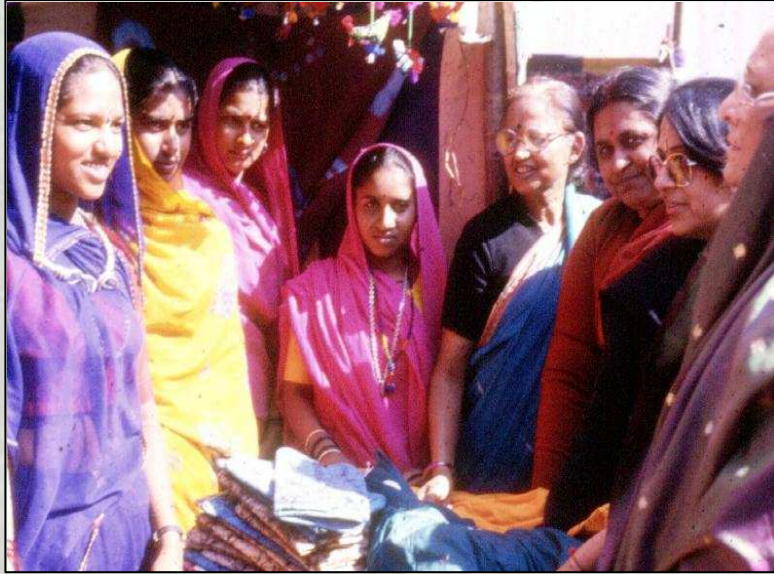
Trainees learning to clean teeth with *neem* twigs

Awareness About Existing Status of Health in Terms of Knowledge, Attitudes, Practices and their Effects



Learning about pregnancy

Personal Development



Personal Development Physical and Mental Capabilities



Communication Skills Capabilities

Social and Spiritual Capabilities

Understanding the role they play in their village



Speaking in public audience



Literacy Skills



Literacy is taught in a more functional way towards the skills they are also learning



From illiteracy to qualifying National Institute of Open Schooling Vocational Exams in 6 months

Peer Tutoring by School dropouts

Over the years Barli has developed its curriculum and found that Peer Tutoring has been a very effective method for educating the unreachable population.



Vocational Skills

Income generating skills such as garment making, indigenous arts and handicrafts, machine knitting, computer skills and organic gardening





Learning New Skills

Parents meeting Barli Development Institute for Rural Women



News coverage about the parents meet

Tribal women getting ready to usher in change

Apoorva Mandloi
Indore, September 14

HERE IS a different story of a 'saas' (mother-in-law) from a sleepy village in Dhar district who, having lived and realised the futility of a life fettered by conservatism and illiteracy, has decided that her 'bahu' will not be left to meet the same fate.

The daughters-in-law Sumitra Dawar and Ghalu Bai Dawar, two young trib-

al women, are now on their way to empowerment and are determined to become agents of social change. They are in a process of acquiring a wide range of skills and knowledge so as to improve the lives of their families, their communities and themselves.

They have come to Barli Development Institute for Rural Women here all the way from Alod of Kukshi tehsil in Dhar district breaking the shackles of



PHOTO/HT

Members of the tribal family who have come to Barli Development Institute for Rural Women.

conservatism and superstitions. They would be here for six months and would in all likelihood return to their village as different persons.

Their mother in-law,

Janki Dawar and father-in-law, Ralia Hawaldar Dawar, and husbands had granted them permission and told them "Go and evolve yourself we will look after the

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Out Reach Centres



Out-Reach Centres



Staff and Volunteers

- 29 full-time staff.
- All trainers are Barli graduates.
- Till now more than 150 volunteers from India and overseas have helped.



A model of caring for the environment

Caring for the environment is taught to the Institute's trainees as a spiritual responsibility, along with practical work. The value of indigenous knowledge in this area is pointed out and theoretical knowledge is applied practically in the garden of the Institute

An environmentally friendly campus: An oasis of green in the middle of Indore, a dusty and noisy city.





On the campus of the Institute approximately 50% of the area is occupied by roads, parking, building, lawns and other amenities.

Rest of the area is used for agriculture and horticulture. With the exception of crops, wheat and rice all the food vegetables, many spices and crops of maize, potatoes, grams and lentils are grown.

Providing a classroom for the young rural women to learn modern methods agriculture and horticulture.



The programme provides not only technical skills, but also a sense of personal worth, giving the women confidence to implement initiatives of their own. It also promotes the concept that managing the environment is a service to the community and a spiritual responsibility through its training”



Rakhi Trees



During the festival of Rakhi, a festival in India where brother pledge to take care of sisters, and bring gifts to them.

At the Institute we ask them to bring tree sapling and we plant trees on this festival. At least 80% of trees growing on the campus are Rakhi.

As this has been a practice for more than 20 years, children come with their parents to see the Rakhi trees, that were planted years before, and also plant their own trees.

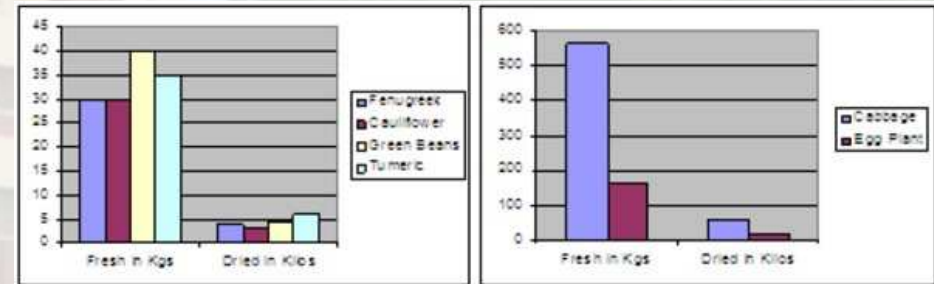
Three generation of one family come on this day to plant trees.

Solar drying of Vegetables etc.

During the winter when there is a surplus of vegetables, these are dried in the low cost solar tunnel driers. This provides a supply of vegetables to the kitchen during the dry season.

The rural women learn that for a minimum cost they can turn low value surpluses into valuable food.

Many spices and other medicinal herbs are also dried in these solar driers.









The Sun Provides the Cooking Energy

For last 10 years the hostel for students Barli Development Institute has been cooking all the food for 100 persons using large Scheffler solar cookers, 3 meals per day for approximately 300 days per year.



Barli Development Institute for Rural Women also promotes the use of solar cookers in the rural areas.

More than about 350 SK 14 solar cookers, are already in use in the families of trainees and by others including micro credit groups who use and income generation tool.

Scheffler solar cookers are manufactured at the Institute to facilitate other NGOs to establish solar kitchen similar to the one at Barli





We are trying to use solar energy and heat in whatever way we can, a solar oven has been designed and built to bake bread cakes etc.

Designing a boiler that will give 1 litre of boiling water every 10 minutes while sun is shining.

Clothes are ironed with the old type irons heated on the solar cookers. House hold size reflectors made that the cook can be under some shade while cooking.



Sourcing fuel wood, producing fuel



During the approximately 65 days when we have, cloudy partial cloud and rainy days, All fuel for the kitchen is sourced from within the campus.



Throughout the year all deadwood is harvested, trees trimmed, fast growing trees are cut back to promote new growth, providing fuel, even the smallest breaches are harvested. Waste papers, tree leaves and farm waste are made into briquettes to provide fuel..

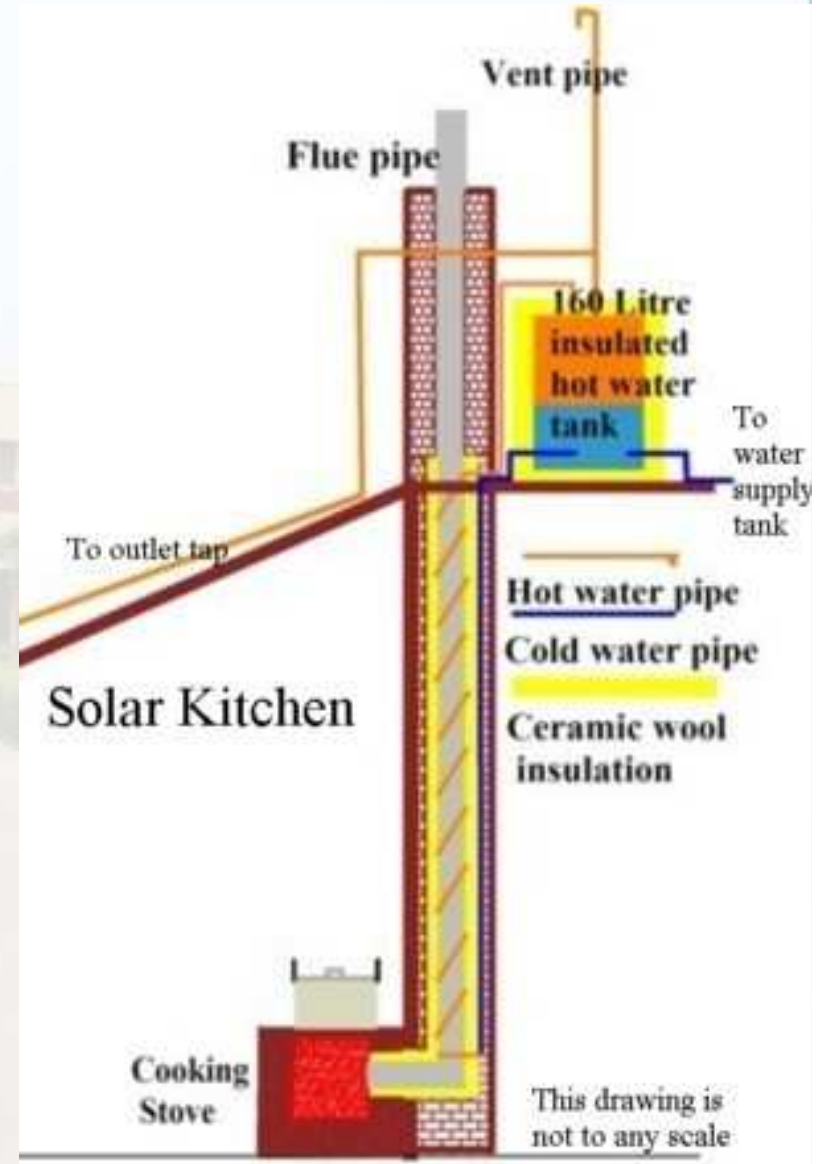


Saving fuel wood

When cooking on the wood burning stove during cloudy days, water is heated up to nearly boiling point.

Inside the brick built chimney a copper pipe is wrapped in a spiral around the flue pipe, this is insulated with 30 mm of ceramic wool. Water is piped to the system from a overhead supply tank.

Using this high temperature water in the cooking process, results in a saving of 10 kilos of wood per day.



Near Zero Waste **Creative Recycling**

Barli uses creative methods for recycling and reuse.

Some examples are paperweights made from used torch batteries.

Fallen hairs from students is collected in each dormitory and use to make brushes for use in the batik printing.

Rice and flour sacks are artistically embroidered and turned into strong ethnic and stylish carry bags.

Waste from cutting and tailoring classes get reused to make colourful mobiles for children and decorations



Brooms are made from date palm leaves, the tree grow in the Institute

News papers when read are used for pattern making in the cutting and tailoring class, then mixed with tree leaves etc and made into briquettes for fuel.

Rubble created during renovations etc is reused to build concrete roads and parking areas.

All biodegradable material is composted and use in and use to grow vegetable and crops.



Water Management



Washing-bathing water and sewerage are both separated at source, sewerage water is treated, both are stored in underground tanks and used to irrigate the growing crops.

For more than 10 years all rainwater falling on roofs of building, roads, yards and agriculture land is harvested through a system of small pond, pipelines with chambers to arrest silt and floating material. This water is channeled to the open well through a series of filters to the open well, and used for irrigating the crops.

Saving electricity

Every effort is made to save electricity, supply meters are read daily to monitor consumption.

Only CFLs and other energy efficient lights are used, all campus exterior lighting is controlled by passive infrared detectors.

All electric motors, particularly pumps are opened on a yearly basis and repaired where necessary.

All bathing and washing water and is heated by solar collectors, there are no electric geysers on campus.



Other Support Programmes

Other than its main training programmes Barli conducts support programmes for capacity building of Govt, NGO's and Micro credit groups. This includes, solar cooking technology transfer, income-generating training by using solar cookers etc.



Micro credit Group Generating Income Using SK14 Solar Cookers

Since 2004 the Institute expanded its solar cooker training to assist the existing micro credit groups in the state of Madhya Pradesh to use this technology to produce and market homemade food made from solar cookers. These programmes were from six to ten days.



Solar Cooking/Income Generation and Self Help-Groups

- solar cookers have been linked with making marketable food items like traditional homemade sweets and *Namkeens*, Soya products in Self-help Groups and use them as income generating vocation and some are using for earning by ironing the clothes on these cookers



Training includes, purchasing materials, value of time spent in production, calculate profit and loss, packing and presentation of finished product.





Snacks and cookies
made on the solar
cooker

More than 350 domestic solar cookers being used in rural villages





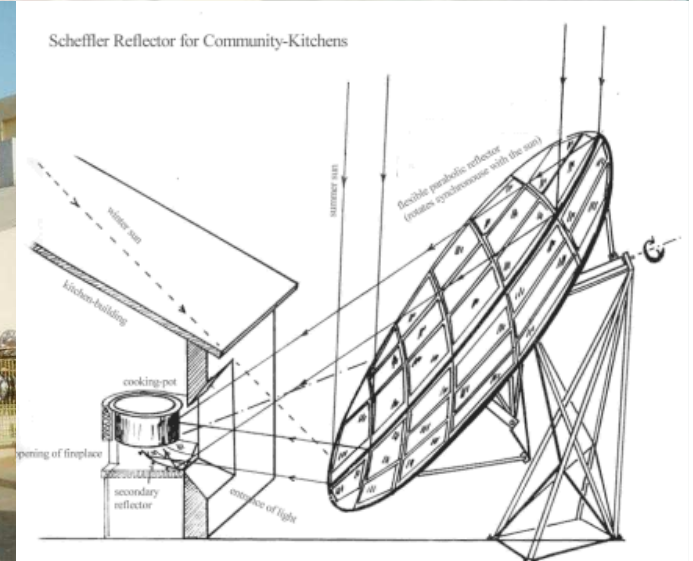


Dr. Dieter Sierfert

scientist and
inventor of this
type of parabolic
solar cooker
teaching the rural
trainers at Barli
the correct way to
assemble the K14
solar cookers



In 1998 a solar cooker was installed at Barli Institute for evaluation by MNES to evaluate the Scheffler system. In 2000 institute built a kitchen specially designed for solar cooking. In 2003 Heike Heolt from Solare Brucke a charity based in Aislingen trained staff at Barli how to build these solar cookers



Training and Manufacturing of Large Community Solar cookers for other NGOs



Dattigaon

Dattigaon is a small remote village in Dhar district of Madhya Pradesh, where a catholic mission has a boarding School for 450 children from the surrounding tribal area



Gadwada

Gadwada is a village located 10 kilometers west of the city of Jhabua a tribal district of Madhya Pradesh. Here a German Charity based in Munich run a boarding school for 900 tribal children from the surrounding areas



Shradhranand Orphanage

Shradhranand Orphanage located in the centre of the city of Indore where there are more than 100 children from the age of 2-19 years old, this orphanage is run by a Hindu Charity based in Indore city





Solar tea stall in village Semlipura in Dhar district Madhya Pradesh during Bhagoria festival



On January 14 to 16 2009 Barli Development Institute for Rural Women hosted on it's campus the first International Solar Food Processing Conference, Organised by International Solar Energy Society's Solar Food Processing Network



Letters to the conference from president of India and Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh



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MESSAGE

The President of India, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, is happy to know that the Barli Development Institute for Rural Women in collaboration with the school of Energy and Environment Studies of the Devi Ayhila Vishwa Vidyalaya, Indore is organizing an International Food processing Conference from January 14 -16 2009.

The President extends her warm greetings and felicitations to the organizers and participants and wishes the conference every success.

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संदेश

प्रसन्नता का विषय है कि भरली ग्रामीण महिला विकास संस्थान इंदौर द्वारा अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सौर ऊर्जा खाद्य प्रसंस्करण सम्मेलन आयोजित किया जा रहा है।

किसानों को अधिक समृद्धि में बागवानी एवं खाद्य प्रसंस्करण इकाइयों का विशिष्ट योगदान है। इस सम्मेलन में बागवानी फसलों तथा मसालों को सुखाने तथा नड़ी-पुटी आधारित इकाइयों को तैयार करने में सौर ऊर्जा के उपयोग के संबंध में विचार-विमर्श से प्रदेश के किसान को लाभान्वित होंगे। विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में सौर ऊर्जा के अन्य लाभकारी उपयोग के संबंध में जानकारी से हमारी नवी पीढ़ी भी अवगत होगी।

अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सौर-ऊर्जा खाद्य प्रसंस्करण सम्मेलन की सफलता के लिए शुभकामनाएँ।

(शिवराजसिंह चौहान)

Approximately 140 delegates from 23 countries and 11 states of India attended the conference.

Papers were presented on all aspects of solar food processing from simple village cooking through to large scale packing and marketing.

The conference was conducted under the same environmentally friendly ethos that Barli campus is committed to.

No bottled drinking water, all drinking water was solar boiled and filtered and served in glass and stainless steel. No paper or plastic plate and utensils were used in the 3 day conference.



Some pictures of solar cookers in the villages, what they say

>It is gender friendly the men want to cook on it.

>Small children don't get burns.

>Less journey to the jungle to collect firewood.

>Many rapes and molestation take place while on trips to forest to collect wood.

>Useful for cooking cattle food





Recently a team for Korean Educational Broadcasting Service visited the Institute while filming for a documentary on use of solar energy in India

On returning to Korea the wrote in an email that the experience of seeing the solar cookers in use in the remote villages and the interview with Janak was the high point in the work they did traveling throughout India



Outcomes

An external evaluation, conducted by a third party consultant, showed a discernable impact in:

- Literacy
- Health
- Vocation
- Self confidence
- Environment and social mobilization
- Capability for delivering the same skills to family and community members



A health education campaign freed 302 villages of the Jhabua district of Guinea Worm, by teaching the importance of clean drinking clean water.



Literacy

Before the training, out of the trainees:

- 34% spoke Hindi
- 47% were illiterate
- 33% were semi-literate

After the training, 100% were literate in Hindi.



Other Statistics

	Before	After
Correct general knowledge – i.e. days of week, months, time, name of state	50%	90%
Correct numeric skills – counting to 100, basic arithmetic	24%	87%
Correct knowledge of health topics, i.e. snake bites, diarrhea	31%	82%
Correct awareness of causes and prevention of HIV/AIDS	9%	76%

Employment

Looking at the employment of trainees who had completed the training, the study found:

- 75% were self-employed in a tailoring vocation
- 3% were employed as Anganwadi/ASHA workers (government health projects)

Most of the respondents asserted that domestic work has not posed any problem in the process of income generation through activities such as tailoring.



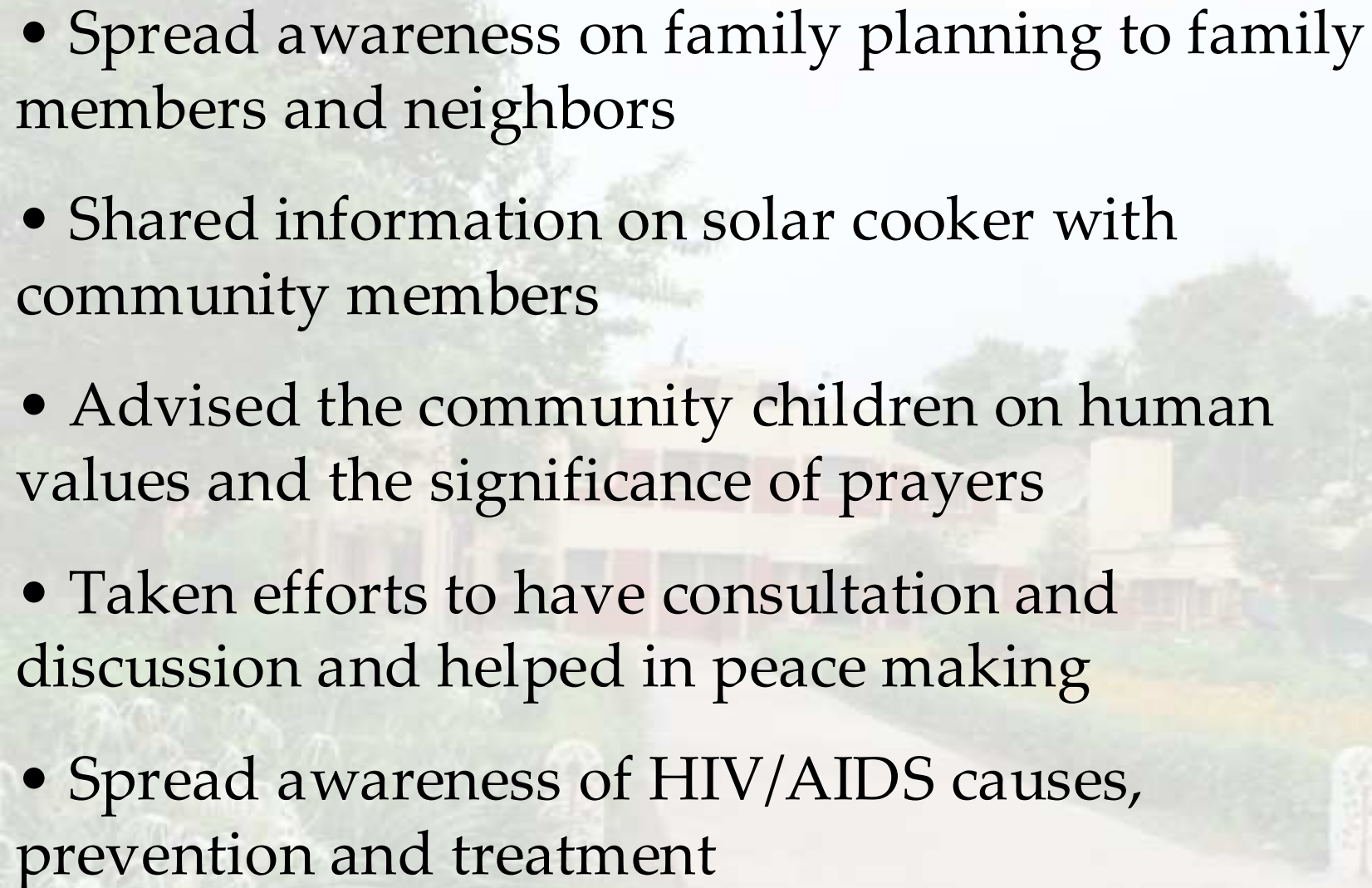
Decrease in Seasonal Migration

- 43% of the trainees have completely stopped migrating to find work. They are now gainfully employed in their local villages.
- 24% have reduced migration.
- Many trainees would earn Rs. 60 per day when migrating to work in construction. Now, working as tailors, some earn Rs. 350 per day without having to travel.
- Not only does this help them economically, it protects them from the dangers of seasonal migration.

Impacting the Local Community

The field study found trainees who had done the following activities in their local community:

- Taught children on literacy and encouraged the children to go to school
- Helped children get vaccinations
- Educated community people on clean drinking water
- Motivated pregnant women get health check ups

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- Spread awareness on family planning to family members and neighbors
 - Shared information on solar cooker with community members
 - Advised the community children on human values and the significance of prayers
 - Taken efforts to have consultation and discussion and helped in peace making
 - Spread awareness of HIV/AIDS causes, prevention and treatment

Stories of BDIRW Graduates



Roli Chouhan

Chotti Wegalgaon, Alirajpur, Madhya Pradesh

- She had never studied in school before. After the training, she studied in the evenings, and successfully passed all subjects in the 5th exam.
- Roli helped her family purchase 50,000 Rs worth of land. She contributed 20,000 Rs, which she had saved up over the previous five years working as a tailor.



- She uses the Institute Health Manual when family members get sick. For example, when anyone is vomiting or has diarrhea, she prepares the ORS (oral rehydration solution) treatment.
- She and her sister help their mother at the Anganwadi center (mother & child development center), where they prepare food for the community's children.



Kamy Chouhan

Umralli, Alirajpur, Madhya Pradesh

- After graduating from the training, she worked for several years at the Institute as an instructor.
- In her marriage, old habits, like drinking alcohol, were slowly undone and the couple began sharing household responsibilities.
- She and her husband Ramesh work together to run a successful jewelry and cosmetics shop.



Kamy describes the changes she has seen in her town over the last two decades as a result of the Institute:

“This village has completely changed. Before, there used to be no adivasi (tribal) women working as tailors. All the tailors were men that had come from larger towns and set up shops in Umrali. Now, almost every single tailoring shop run in Umrali is run by an adivasi woman that was trained at the Institute.”



Leela Bhati

Para, Jhabua, Madhya Pradesh

- After the training, she worked for several years at the Institute, where she eventually became a trainer.
- She and her husband purchased a plot of land for 20,000 Rs, and registered the land in Leela's name.
- Her husband had also learned how to tailor, and together they opened a tailoring shop, which has become very successful. They have hired four employees, and they tailor a wide variety of items.



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- After the training, she worked at the Institute. She taught trainees and worked in the office typing reports and press releases and working with the Institute director to write stories for the Institute newsletter, Barli ki Duniya.



- She has returned to her home and taken up private studies at Indira Gandhi University. She is currently a second year student in BA, Arts.



- Lata has helped establish several Barli Extension Centres in Kanker district, Chhattisgarh and serves as the in-charge for the Extension Centres. She says, *“I am very happy that I went to Barli. It has been a golden opportunity. My life has completely changed.”*



Amila Kange

Ichapur, Kanker, Chhattisgarh

- Amila had studied up to 8th class in school, but 9th class is not offered in her village. She had stopped studying and is working in her family's fields. Now the Extension Centre has given her an opportunity to continue her learning while working.



Miss Nurnaj (Noori)

Rampur, Uttar Pradesh

- Noori was trained at Barli Institute in 2002 in Cutting and tailoring and Typing.
- She passed the National Institute of Open Schooling exam.
- She started working in the institute as a trainer in the year 2003 and serving with complete dedication.



- On 25th June 2008, the Rotary Club of Indore City commended Noori for "outstanding work done in the service of mankind." She was presented with a fine shawl and a Certificate of Excellence.
- Noori said that she has been awarded for the first time in her life and feels proud of it.



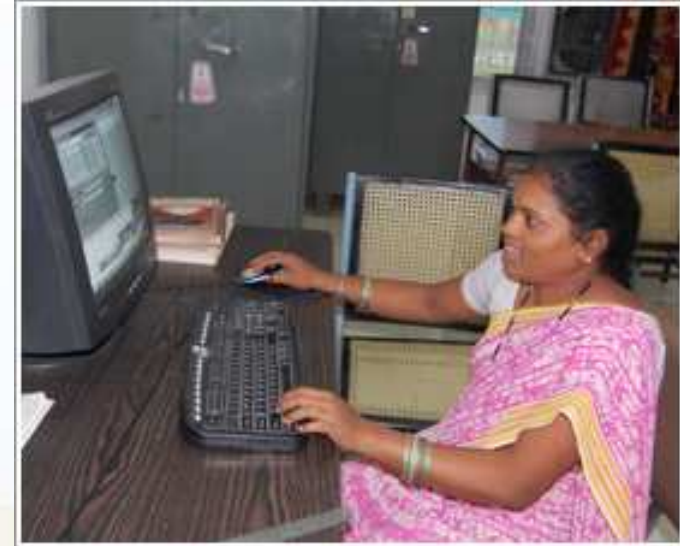
Dhedi Dawaar

Ojhad, Jhabua, MadhyaPradesh

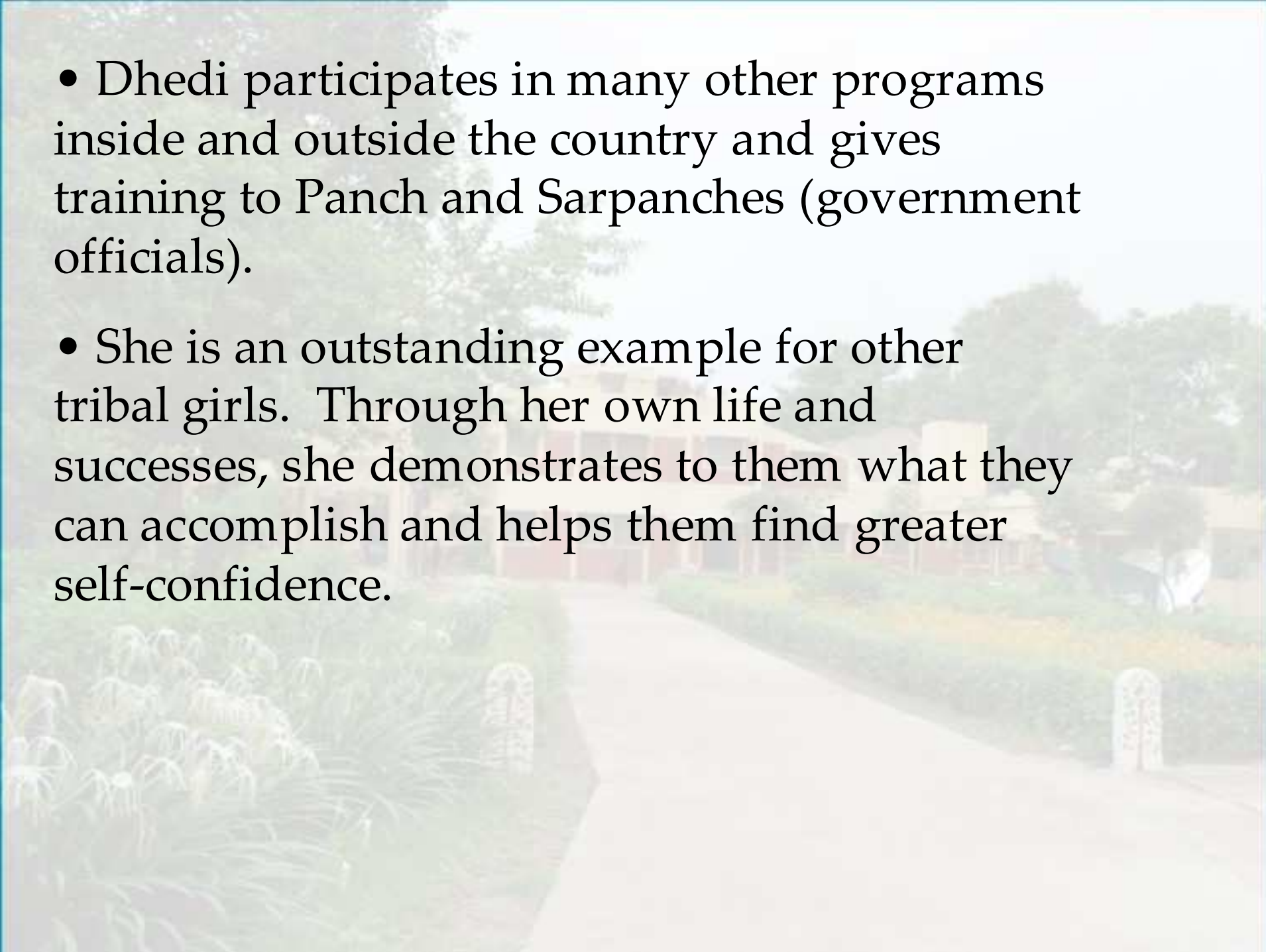
- Although Dhedi desperately wanted an education, her father would not allow her to study past the 5th class.
- After her training at BDIRW, she began working at the institute.
- She later got married and found herself in an abusive situation. She eventually left that environment and came back to the institute.
- She has worked as a trainer, and has been promoted to program officer.



- She also recruits trainees from different villages and conducts follow-up work.
- Dhedi guides and assists village girls in getting help and loans from the government so they can buy sewing-machines and set up small businesses.



- She has continued in her studies, and has passed some of the exams for the 10th class.
- She also works regularly in the BDIRW office, using her computer skills to help with projects.

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- Dhedi participates in many other programs inside and outside the country and gives training to Panch and Sarpanches (government officials).
 - She is an outstanding example for other tribal girls. Through her own life and successes, she demonstrates to them what they can accomplish and helps them find greater self-confidence.

Antari Baghel – A Remarkable Success

A STORY OF GRIT

Shy tribal girl turns role model

Sonia Khandelwal
Indore, January 20

A SHY tribal girl, who could not even pronounce her name properly, fared badly at studies and cleared high school in three attempts. But all that is past. Today she is an inspiration for people in Bhagawa village of Dhar district, situated some 170 km from here.

Meet Antari Baghel who has become a role model for many in her village.

Everytime she failed, something went on in her mind. She asked what she lacked. This thought process was



ANTARI BAGHEL

her overcome hesitation to ask questions and seek replies.

Brimming with confidence, Antari went back to her village, bought a sewing machine on loan and started a tailoring shop. After six months, she applied for class X exams and cleared with good marks. She hasn't looked back since. "I wanted to be self-dependent and make my parents proud. And I think I have done that," says Antari, second among three children.

She is now pursuing B Ed from Sanskar College, Bhopal. Says her teacher

Institute for Development of Rural Women, Indore, for community volunteer training programme in 1999. "A girl

Antari Baghel was labeled a role model because of her excellent progress. She went from being illiterate and extremely shy, to becoming independent and successful in her work and studies. She continued in her education until she earned her BA in Education. She is about to complete her Masters in Education.

Visit to Villages in the Jhabua and Dhar Districts of Madhya Pradesh

- Girls from the institute received training in building pit latrines.
- They use this expertise of masonry in their villages to build pit latrines under government programs for which they are paid.
- They are trying to encourage others in the village to use these in order to improve the health of the community.



- We met an entrepreneurial team of two BDIRW graduates. They had set up an STD Phone Booth, and they were selling government milk packets. The women themselves were using mobiles.



- The cleanliness of the house and the latrines was remarkable. They looked prosperous and happy.



- They also tutor children from their village totally free of cost.



Awards & Recognition



Dr. Mrs. Janak Palta McGilligan, Director BDIRW since 1985, received the Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Social Service Award in 2007. The award was given by the Madhya Pradesh Government for her dedicated work for tribal and rural women.

Government of Madhya Pradesh awards Social Service Award 2007 to
Janak Palta McGilligan Director, Barli Development Institute for Rural Women Indore

Bhopal, March 8 2008.

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan Saturday honored two women for bravery and social service on the occasion of International Women's Day in the presence of thousands of women, gathered from all over the state to attend the award ceremony. Dr.(Mrs.) Janak Palta McGilligan, Director Barli Development Institute For Rural Women, Indore has been conferred state Award namely Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Social Service Award for 2007 for her dedicated work for tribal and rural women's empowerment since 1985 by Madhya Pradesh Government in Bhopal, the capital city. This is only award given every year to one woman social worker out of 48 districts in Madhya Pradesh and the name is recommended by the district Collector after a screening Committee and the district Women and Child Officer has approved.



The large pandal (tent) with 3 sections, each having 4 rows of chairs maybe 20 chairs wide each.



Basic translation of the banner. International Women's Day 2008.

Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Social Service Award (Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia was the Erstwhile Queen of Gwalior and a dedicated Social Worker).
And Rani Avanti Bai Bravery Award (Rani Avanti Bai was a famous Queen of Jhansi who led her army to victory against the English troops)



The Persons giving the award are Mrs. Sushma Swaraj a leading member of the opposition in the Raja Sabha (House of Parliament) Government of India.

Mr. Shivraj Singh Chouhan Chief Minister of the Madhya Pradesh government

Other present were: Minister for Women and Child Development, Chairperson of State Commission for Women



Janak is honoured by placing a fine woollen shawl on her shoulders, in India a very special honour.



She is also presented with a coconut; a unique symbol of honour in India, this one is packed in a silver orb.



She also gets a plaque with the picture of Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia.



A Citation. "Madhya Pradesh Government respectfully confers the Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Social Service Award for 2007 to Dr. Mrs. Janak Palta McGilligan for continuous activities in the field of social services, service attitude and achievements full of challenges and gaining prestige."

(This is translation from the original Hindi, may not be totally accurate)



And a cheque for 100,000 Rupees.



The Rani Avanti Bai Bravery Award was given to Priya Saini of Ujjain for catching two notorious criminals in Uttar Pradesh's Muzaffarnagar district in April 2007
One of them snatched her gold chain, she caught hold of him and held on, his partner shot her with a revolver, the bullet passed through her body she still held on to him until help arrived.

With Regards, Jimmy.

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Queen Elizabeth honours McGilligan

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James McGilligan, manager of Barli Development Institute for Rural Women, has been honoured with Order of British Empire (OBE) by Queen Elizabeth II.

The award is presented for rendering outstanding services said to be of 'Most Excellent Order' every year on the occasion of birthday of the Queen.

McGilligan was conferred the award for his services to social causes and the use of alternative energy in rural communities in India.



James McGilligan

He is credited with establishing the largest solar kitchen in MP at the Barli institute and then in tribal school hostels in Jhabua, Dattigaon, Dhani among other places. Similar solar cookers have been made operational in rural and tribal areas.

The institute also trains women of the community in vocational skills, health, literacy and environmental development. A British citizen, McGilligan was born in Garvagh in rural Ireland and was a land reclamation and drainage contractor before he left his country to serve the rural communities in India.

Mr. James McGilligan, manager of BDIRW since 1988, has been conferred Order of British Empire (OBE) by Queen Elizabeth II June 2008. He was awarded "for his services to social causes and the use of alternative energy in rural communities in India."



Elizabeth R

Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith and Sovereign of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in Our twenty and sixth Natural James McSilligan Esquire

Whereas We have thought fit to nominate and appoint you to be an Ordinary Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire

We do by these presents grant unto you the Signify of an Ordinary Officer of Our said Order and hereby authorize you to have held and enjoy the said Signify and Rank of an Ordinary Officer of Our said Order together with all and singular the privileges thereto belonging or appertaining

Given at Our Court at Saint James's under Our Sign, Manual and the Seal of Our said Order this Fourteenth day of June 2008 in the Fifty-seventh year of Our Reign

By the Sovereign's Command

Wm R
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 Mr. Malcolm Dawson
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 Dr. James Kirkwood
 Mr. David Livermore
 Professor George Lunt
 Mr. Keith Marshall
 Mr. James McGiligan
 Dr. James Penman
 Mr. Paul Thurston
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 For services to rural communities in
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 For services to the Department for
 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.
 For services to the Actuarial Profession.

Meeting with the President of India



Mr. James McGilligan and Dr. Mrs. Janak Palta McGilligan were invited to meet the Honourable President of India, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, where they received recognition for their service.

On Wednesday the 18th March at a special programme organized by Centre for Environment Protection Research and Development (C.E.P.R.D.) Barli Development Institute for Rural Women was the recipient of the Paryavaran Mitra Puraskar 2008 (Environment Friend Award).

Dr. (Mrs.) Janak McGilligan, Director of the Institute and Manager Mr. Jimmy McGilligan received the award on behalf of the Institute
The award was given Mrs. Tara Bhattacharya, granddaughter of Mahatma Gandhi,



Some of the Products made by the Trainees





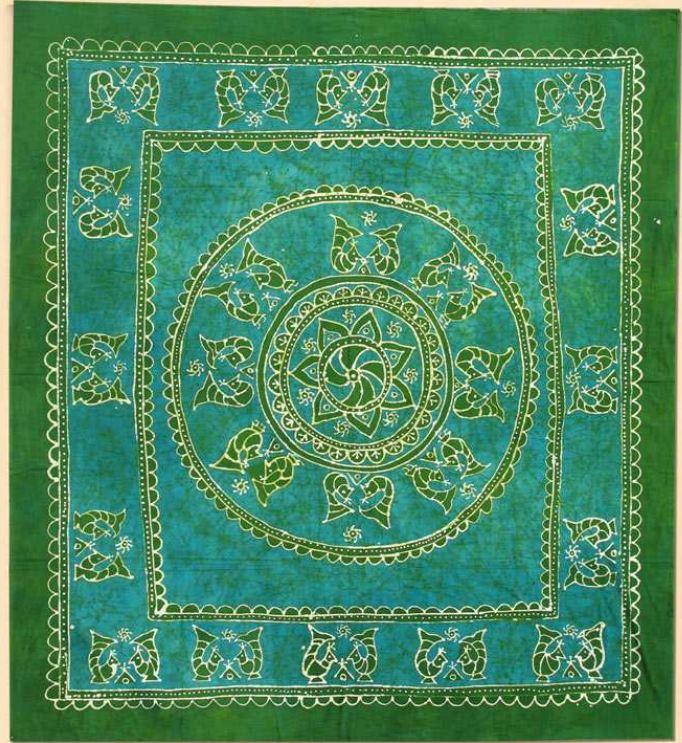


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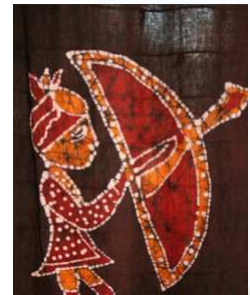


























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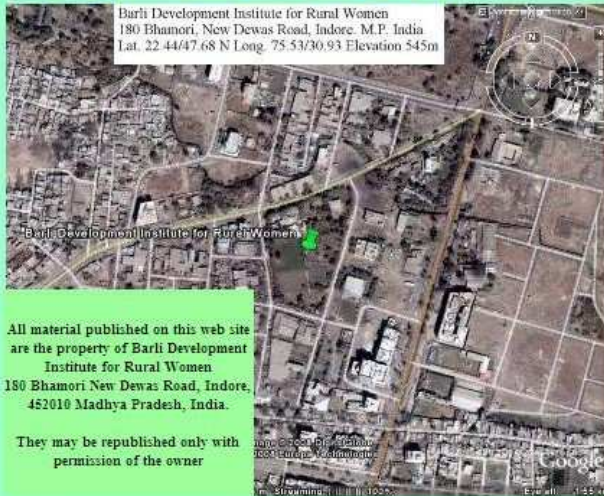
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