

# SAMARPAN FOUNDATION INJUSTICE OF JUSTICE NARRATIVE REPORT (APRIL 2024-MARCH 2025)

Name of Project	Injustice of Justice	
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## **Project Overview**

Our society has often assumed the criminal and the crime to be one, ostracizing the individual. The ripples of the incarceration of an individual are felt not just by the one imprisoned, but, by the whole family and affect all familial ties adversely. In India, this interaction between the Law and the Individual has also been influenced by the socio-economic strata one belongs to. The majority of prisoners have been identified as belonging to low-income households. In this scenario, hopelessness leads to succumbing to a perpetual cycle of crime, as a viable source of livelihood. It is this frustration and hopelessness that Samarpan Foundation aims at alleviating for the prisoners and their families, by providing viable methods aimed at growth and self-sustenance. Samarpan Foundation takes a multipronged approach to provide parallel assistance to the inmates and their families, that are geared towards creating an inclusive development environment. In our interactions with these families, we came across other individuals and families that were in dire need of basic essentials such as food, medical aid, and educational support.

To that end, Samarpan Foundation has been providing both the immediate requirement of sustenance as well as creating opportunities for long-term empowerment. Statistics show a link between criminality, poverty, and lack of education. The majority of prisoners hail from economically disadvantaged backgrounds and there is a high rate of illiteracy. They face a life of poverty and crime in the communities to which they are returned.

## • Program for Prisoners families and disadvantaged families

Understanding the needs of the families of prisoners, Samarpan initiated a program for their families, wherein they are supported under the three major categories of Nutrition, Education, and Healthcare. The members of the families are provided with the tools needed to gain financial and self-empowerment.

The details of the support provided in the three categories mentioned above are:

#### 1. Nutrition

Access to food and proper nutrition is fundamental to survival, and under the IJOJ project, delivering nutritional assistance is a key priority. As part of this initiative, we provide consistent, timely, and uninterrupted support to our beneficiaries. We provide Food and Toiletries Bags to families every month. Each bag consists of: Wheat Flour, Rice, Pulses (2 kinds) Tea leaves, Sugar, Salt, Porridge (Daliya), and toiletries – Bath soap, washing soap, toothpaste. The quantity of items in each bag is tailored according to the size of the family. The families are also supported/compensated for Transport and Conveyance expenses when they come to collect their bags to take home. Our support provides families with essential nutrition assistance, offering them significant help and enabling them to lead healthier lives. This initiative bridges the nutritional gap, empowering families to thrive.

In addition, if a family has had an extra requirement in any month for a particular event/ ceremony at their house, additional quantities have been given to support them, along with monetary support. For families who are unable to collect their supplies in person either due to age, distance, or relocation, we offer monetary support, enabling them to purchase the required provisions locally.





Over time, the project has earned a reputation for being reliable and consistent, with month-on-month support. This reliability has made a profound impact: children are able to stay in school rather than seek odd jobs to support their families, and women have the opportunity to enter the workforce, take charge of household responsibilities, and move towards self-sufficiency.





Some pictures of Ration distribution

### 2. Education

The IJOJ project is strongly committed to building better individuals and one of the ways we do this is by supporting education, be it with school and college fees, tuition or coaching classes. We have children ranging from Class III right up to college and even those in vocational/specialized courses like Teacher's training. Some of our children go to Government schools and also go for paid tuition classes which the Project supports.

One inspiring example is Kaveri, a young woman from a prisoner's family whom we have been supporting for some time. Despite many challenges, she pursued her education with determination and completed her B.Ed. degree from SOL, Delhi University. Alongside, she also completed the Nursery Teacher Training diploma. Today, she is working as a teacher in a private school and teaches Math & English classes, teaching students from grades 1 to 5. She now earns around ₹10,000 per month and continues to support her family wholeheartedly.

Another remarkable example is Sonia, who comes from a prisoner's family that Samarpan has been supporting for many years. Despite growing up without her father due to his incarceration, Sonia remained determined to pursue her education whilst being mindful of her family's difficult





circumstances. After completing her 12th grade, she upskilled herself doing a computer course, thanks to Samarpan's guidance and support. This opened the door to employment opportunities and valuable work experience. Today, Sonia is proudly working at Tim Hortons, an international coffee brand, where she earns around ₹17,000–₹18,000 per month. Her commitment to supporting her family and building a better future makes her journey truly inspiring.





**Kaveri** Sonia

#### 3. Healthcare

Samarpan Foundation has always been committed to ensuring access to essential healthcare for those in need, whether it is providing medicines, facilitating medical examinations or supporting treatments. Some of the major interventions done under the healthcare section during the year are:

## • Cataract Surgery

One such case this year is Sushila Tomar, who had long been struggling with vision problems. Upon examination, she was diagnosed with cataracts, which had severely impacted her ability to work with electric boards, an occupation that demands precision and sharp eyesight. With the Foundation's support, Sushila underwent successful cataract surgery on January 11th at Shroff Charitable Hospital. Following treatment, her eyesight has been restored significantly, enabling her to return to work and





daily life without difficulty. Grateful for the intervention, Sushila now leads a healthier and more independent life, free from the burden of her eye-related challenges.



Sushila Tomar, post cataract surgery

## • Eye Camp

On February 16, 2025, an eye camp was organized in collaboration with the Centre for Sight. A total of 71 beneficiaries participated and received free eye check-ups. Spectacles were distributed to those who needed them after evaluations by the doctors. Beneficiaries received not only immediate care but also long-term support for their vision needs. The active participation and enthusiasm of the community contributed greatly to the success of the camp.









## • Distribution of Multivitamins

On 23rd March 2025, alongside the regular Ration Day distribution, multivitamin supplements were provided to beneficiaries to support their overall health. Before the distribution, a short awareness session was conducted to explain the purpose, benefits and correct usage of the supplements. Clear guidance on dosage and instructions was shared to ensure that everyone understood how to take the medicines safely and effectively.











# 4. Other Miscellaneous Support

## • Blanket Distribution

Alongside our regular ration distributions, we have also supported the families with essential items like blankets during the winter months. This has been vital, offering much-needed relief from the harsh cold. Providing blankets not only ensures warmth and comfort but also promotes better health and wellbeing during the season. Such initiatives help ease suffering, restore hope, and make a meaningful difference in the lives of marginalized families.









## **Summary of Achievement of Key Performance Indicators (April 2024- March 2025)**

This summary outlines the overall achievements and key highlights of the entire year's progress
within this project, including all the necessary support provided in healthcare, education, and
nutrition.

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1.	No. of beneficiaries supported for Nutrition	74
2.	No. of beneficiaries supported for medical expenses	8
3.	No. of beneficiaries supported for Education	11

## **Challenges**

• One of the significant challenges we face is securing funds and donors. Most of the children have now moved from school to college, therefore, paying higher fees. This financial strain underscores the need for sustained support from donors and well-wishers to ensure the continued success and impact of our initiative.

### Success story

• Name of the Beneficiary: Yashika Tomar

Yashika Tomar, the eldest daughter of Sushila Tomar, a beneficiary of Samarpan Foundation's Injustice of Justice (IJOJ) Project, is an exceptional young individual who has transformed adversity into opportunity. With her father incarcerated in Tihar Jail for a prolonged period, Yashika's mother has been the family's pillar of strength, raising and educating her three children, Yashika, Deepika, and Pratham, with remarkable resilience and dedication.

The IJOJ program has played a pivotal role in supporting their academic journey, and Yashika has consistently stood out for her exceptional performance. She secured 90% in her 10th grade and an outstanding 95% in her 12th grade, earning the top rank in her school. Her achievements are a true testament to how education, combined with determination, can overcome even the toughest challenges.



Currently, Yashika is in her final year of a B.A., B.Ed. program at the Regional Institute of Education, Ajmer, where she is completing her training and internship to qualify as a teacher. Her long-term goal is to become an educator and provide financial stability for her family. With strong determination, she is also preparing for government teaching exams like Delhi Subordinate Selection Services Selection Board teacher recruitment (DSSSB), to enhance her career prospects and secure a brighter future.

Her siblings are also making commendable progress: Deepika is pursuing a B. Com degree, while Pratham, the youngest, is studying in 9th grade. Together, they embody the resilience and strength of a family that refuses to be defined by hardship.



## • Name of the Beneficiary: Sumit Dhoundiyal

Sumit, an intelligent and resilient child from a family affected by incarceration, has encountered significant challenges from a young age. With his father incarcerated for many years, Sumit and his younger brother Lakshya grew up in an environment marked by struggle and uncertainty. Yet, despite these challenges, both siblings have consistently demonstrated remarkable resilience and academic excellence, becoming shining examples of the IJOJ Project's work.

Guided and supported by Samarpan, Sumit has transformed his journey from a childhood overshadowed by adversity to a future full of promise. Their mother, Suman, has been a pillar of strength throughout, raising her sons single-handedly while prioritizing their education and well-being. Her resilience has been instrumental in nurturing the boys' growth and keeping them focused on building a better future. Academically, Sumit has excelled. Scoring an impressive 73.2% in his 12th grade, he prepared diligently for the JEE exam and is now pursuing a B. Tech degree at Delhi Technical Campus, GGSIPU, Delhi. He continues to work hard with the ambition of creating a dignified life for himself and supporting his family.







Despite the weight of his family's struggles, Sumit chose perseverance over despair. His determination, coupled with Samarpan's support, has allowed him to rise above challenges and focus on building a brighter future.

"Your continued support inspires us to keep moving forward" Thank you!

