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Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Policy

1. Concept

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) is strongly connected with the principles of Sustainability; an organization should make decisions based not only on financial factors, but also on the social and environmental consequences. Therefore, it is the core corporate responsibility of **NK SECURITIES RESEARCH PRIVATE LIMITED (NKS)** to practice its corporate values through its commitment to grow in a socially and environmentally responsible way, while meeting the interests of its stakeholders.

The term "Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)" can be referred to as a corporate initiative to assess and take responsibility for the company's effects on the environment and impact on social welfare. The term generally applies to companies' efforts that go beyond what may be required by regulators or environmental protection groups.

Corporate social responsibility may also be referred to as "corporate citizenship" and can involve incurring short-term costs that do not provide an immediate financial benefit to the company, but instead promote positive social and environmental change.

2. Definitions

Company shall mean NK SECURITIES RESEARCH PRIVATE LIMITED, a Company incorporated under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 with its registered Office at PO4-02C, 02D & 02E, 04th Floor, Tower A, WTC GIFT City, Block-51, Road 5E, Zone 5, GIFT City, Gandhinagar, Gujarat-382355;

Act shall mean the Companies Act, 2013 and includes any other rules, regulations made under the Act, statutory amendments, from time to time, and any other statutory enactment thereof;

Board shall mean Board of Directors of the Company (NK SECURITIES RESEARCH PRIVATE LIMITED);

Independent Director shall mean the Director as defined and enunciated in sub section 6 of section 149 of the Act, 2013;

CSR shall mean the Corporate Social Responsibility as defined in the Section 135 of the Act and rules made there under;

Committee shall mean the CSR Committee formed by the Board of Directors of the Company;

Activities shall mean the CSR activities as prescribed by the Committee to the Board in cohesion with those enunciated in schedule VII of the Act and analogies drawn from

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same for the primary benefits of the localities of nearby area of operations of the Company and even otherwise;

NGO shall mean the non-profit organizations be it a registered trust, society, section-8 companies of the Act made by the company or its holding, subsidiary or associate company, or any association formed and registered under the respective statutory body in India;

Global NGO shall mean non-profit organizations formed and registered under the respective law of the Country other than India and caters for the beneficiaries globally and includes UNO, UNESCO;

Beneficiaries shall mean the person (s) or sector of people fructifying the benefits from the activities defined and shall include ecology and environment;

Directors' Report shall mean the report under the Section-134 of the Act by the Company;

Website shall mean the official website of the Company;

3. Effective Date

This policy will come into force with effect from the date of approval by the Board after seeking inputs and recommendation from the CSR Committee constituted for the purpose.

4. CSR Committee

i. The Board of Directors of the Company shall constitute a Corporate Social Responsibility Committee (CSR Committee) of the Board consisting of three or more directors, out of which at least one shall be an Independent Director, provided where the appointment of independent director is not applicable to any company, it can form CSR committee with other directors

Provided further that Private Limited Companies, where there are only two directors on their board, are exempted to have three directors for CSR committee, i.e. Private Limited Companies can form the CSR committee with two directors only.

The present composition of Committee comprises of persons as enshrined in **"Annexure-A"**;

ii. The Committee, referred above, shall:

a. Formulate and recommend to the Board the CSR Policy and any amendments thereof;

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b. Recommend the area, amount and timing of expenditure to be incurred on the activities, as per CSR Policy (**gist stated as "Annexure-B"**);

c. Be responsible for implementation and monitoring of CSR projects or programmes or activities of the Company whereupon transparency is to be ensured by members and they are free to devise any means to ensure same for proper implementation and monitoring of CSR Projects. The Committee may ask for explanation and may visit the sites at which activities are undertaken including having discussion with locals i.e beneficiaries and may adapt other strategies for ensuring appropriate and effective monitoring independent of the Board.

iii. Quorum of the meeting of the CSR Committee shall be one third of the total strength or two directors, whichever is higher and Company Secretary of the Company, as and when appointed, shall act as Secretary of the Committee.

iv. The CSR Committee may invite Executives, Advisors, representatives of Social Organizations, Auditors i.e Statutory/Internal of the Company and such other person(s) as it may consider necessary to attend the meeting.

Chairman

The Chairman of the committee shall be elected by the members of the Committee. It is desired to have the committee be headed by an Independent Director.

Meeting

The committee members may meet according to exigencies of circumstances and its decision / discussion etc. must be apprised to the Board.

Notice of any meeting of the CSR Committee has to be given at least 3 days prior to any such meeting to be held, unless all Members unanimously waive such notice. Irrespective of the length of notice being given, attendance of a meeting by a Member shall be deemed waiver of the requisite length of notice by the Member.

Minutes

Minutes of the proceedings and resolutions of the CSR Committee meetings shall be signed and confirmed by the Chairman of the meeting. Minutes so signed and confirmed shall be conclusive evidence of such proceedings and resolutions.

Minutes of all Committee meetings will be open for inspection at any reasonable time on reasonable notice by any member of the Board of Directors of the Company.

Minutes of the committee meeting shall be recorded in loose sheets bound and shall be initiated by the Chairman in physical or in electronic form and may also be signed digitally by the Chairman.

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Maintenance Of Records

Company Secretary of the Company or any other member of his/her team may be nominated as a responsible person for maintaining the records of all the Meetings and duly signed minutes of the Meeting of the CSR Committee at a place designated by the Committee which is the registered office of the Company at present and/or any other place as may deem appropriate and permissible under the Act.

5. Activities and implementation

The scope of this policy will extend to activities as stated under Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013, read with section 135 and applicable rules as presently in force and/or amended from time to time provided CSR Policy as framed is not inconsistent with terms of reference of provisions of Companies Act, 2013. The scope of the policy is to also include all additional and allied matters, as will be notified by Ministry of Corporate Affairs or such other body, as appointed / notified by Central or State Government, from time to time for this purpose so as to sub serve and upheld the cause of introduction of the concept of CSR.

The Board of Directors of the Company may, on recommendation of the CSR Committee, determine / approve the projects or programmes or activities (identified project or programmes or activity) to be undertaken by the Company under CSR initiatives, from time to time. However, the Board shall ensure that the projects or programmes or activities undertaken are related and within the broad purview of the activities as stated under Schedule VII or any other relevant provision of the Companies Act, 2013.

The minimum eligibility criteria for any project or programmes or activity and / or other incidental or ancillary matters, including but not limited to quantum of proposed expenditure, shall be finalized by the Board of Directors or any delegate thereof, on recommendation of the CSR Committee which recommendation is binding as to quantum, timing and avenue for spending upon Board, provided same is in the larger interest of the Company and those for whom initiative is being taken.

The modalities including timing of execution of CSR projects or programmes or activities and implementation thereof shall be determined by the Board of Directors or its Committee (excluding any Board Committee formed for some other specific purpose, however including but not limited to Committee of Directors, if any, from time to time, upon recommendation of CSR Committee.

The CSR Committee shall frame rules or issue directives with regard to monitoring of the CSR projects or programmes or activities and said directives may include directions as to providing impetus to the CSR Committee as and when deemed expedient by the Committee.

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The CSR Committee may by resolution or under authority of Chairman (whereupon same is to be ratified by Committee in its ensuing meeting) delegate or entrust any of the function, acts, deeds or things, etc. as may be required to be performed or complied by it, whether under Companies Act, 2013 or rules made thereunder or otherwise to any person, whether in employment of the Company or otherwise, and any such function, acts, deeds or things, etc. performed by such person pursuant to such resolution shall have effect, as if the same has been performed by the Committee itself.

The Board may, on the recommendation of the CSR Committee, decide to undertake CSR projects or programmes or activities through a registered trust or a registered society or a Company or an associate Company established by NKS or otherwise (Implementing Agency). Provided that, in such case the provisions relating to Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility) Rules, 2014 and 2019 and any other amendments, as may be enunciated by MCA at any given point of time, are required to be complied with.

The Board of Directors may on recommendation of the CSR Committee decide to collaborate with other Companies for undertaking CSR projects or programmes or activities.

While undertaking CSR projects or programmes or activities preference shall be given to the local area or area including proposed area of operations of the Company. Such area of operation including timing thereof for any identified project or programmes or activity shall be finalized by the Board of Directors or any Committee thereof, upon recommendation of the CSR Committee.

6. Quantum of investment

The Company shall spend, in every financial year, at least 2% of the average net profits of the Company made during the immediately 3 preceding financial years (or even less period, in case Company became a prescribed company less than 3 years of its inception). Net profit in such case will have the meaning as stated under Rule 2(f) of the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility) Rules, 2014, but shall not include the following:

- (i) Any profit arising from any overseas branch or branches of the company, whether operated as a separate company or otherwise, and
- (ii) Any dividend received from other companies in India which are covered under and complying with the provisions of section 135 of the Act.

The Board may recommend spending beyond the threshold of 2 % as aforesaid to the CSR Committee and may act accordingly.

CSR Expenditure shall include all expenditure including corpus for projects or programmes relating to CSR activities approved by the Board on recommendation of CSR Committee. However, the same will not include expenditure on any item not in

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conformity or in line with the activities stated under Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013.

CSR projects or programmes or activities undertaken in India only shall be considered as CSR Expenditure.

Projects or programmes or activities that benefit only the employees of the Company and their families shall not be considered as CSR activities.

Contribution of any amount directly or indirectly to any political party shall not be regarded as a CSR activity.

Any expenditure incurred for building CSR capacity, whether own or that of eligible Implementing Agency, shall not exceed five percent of total CSR expenditure, in any particular financial year.

It is also agreed that any surplus arising out of the CSR activities shall not form part of the business profit of a company and shall be ploughed back into the same project or shall be transferred to the Unspent CSR Account and spent in pursuance of CSR policy and annual action plan of the company or transfer such surplus amount to a Fund specified in Schedule VII, within a period of six months of the expiry of the financial year.

Compliance with provisions of Rule 7 of The Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility) Rules, 2014 shall be ensured all the time.

7. Allied Matters

With regard to CSR activities, Boards Report to state such particulars as stated under Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility) Rules, 2014 including amendments therein, as the case may be, from time to time.

The Company shall display such particulars relating to CSR Policy and activities undertaken thereunder as stated under Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility) Rules, 2014 including amendments therein, as the case may be, from time to time.

However if the Company ceases to be covered under sub-section (1) of Section 135 of the Act for three financial years, then it shall not be required to, comply with the provisions laid down under sub-section (2) to (5) of the said section, till such time it meets the criteria specified in sub-section (1) of the Act.

The CSR Committee may recommend to the Board for its obligations (voluntarily) towards CSR, which may/may not be adhered to by the Board, irrespective of % terms norms.

8. Website Disclosures

The following shall be disclosed on the website of the Company:

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- The composition of CSR Committee;
- CSR Policy and Projects approved by the Board; and
- CSR policy
- Any other documents/information that may be directed by MCA via rules as cited as aforesaid

9. Amendments to the CSR Policy:

This policy shall be updated from time to time, by the Company in accordance with the amendments, if any, to the Companies Act, 2013, rules made thereunder or any other applicable enactment for the time being in force so as to make same in sync therewith. NKS's Board shall have power to amend the CSR Policy at any point of time after taking recommendation of CSR Committee.

10. Assessment

Accounting on the money spent on CSR.

Auditing and submission of activity reports for the approval of the Board before the AGM.

11. Reporting

The CSR Committee shall be responsible for monitoring the amount of expenditure, as approved by the Board of Company and proper utilization of funds. Apart from the above, the Board Report of the Company shall include an annual report on CSR containing the particulars in the prescribed format.

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ANNEXURE A

Composition of CSR Committee

<u>Member's Name</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Designation</u>
Mr. Sudhanshu Narang	Promoter/ Director	Chairman
Mr. Faraz Khan	Promoter/ Director	Member

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ANNEXURE B

ACTIVITIES INTENDED TO BE INCLUDED IN CSR POLICY-

The Policy recognizes that corporate social responsibility is not merely compliance; it is a commitment to support initiatives that measurably improve the lives of underprivileged by one or more of the following focus areas as notified under Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014 as amended from time to time:

The Company intends to initiate/foray/continue in either of specified genre of activities:

(i) Eradicating hunger, poverty and malnutrition, promoting health care including preventive health care and sanitation including contribution to the Swach Bharat Kosh set-up by the Central Government for the promotion of sanitation and making available safe drinking water.

(ii) promoting education, including special education and employment enhancing vocation skills especially among children, women, elderly and the differently abled and livelihood enhancement projects.

(iii) promoting gender equality, empowering women, setting up homes and hostels for women and orphans; setting up old age homes, day care centers and such other facilities for senior citizens and measures for reducing inequalities faced by socially and economically backward groups.

(iv) ensuring environmental sustainability, ecological balance, protection of flora and fauna, animal welfare, agroforestry, conservation of natural resources and maintaining quality of soil, air and water including contribution to the Clean Ganga Fund set-up by the Central Government for rejuvenation of river Ganga.

(v) protection of national heritage, art and culture including restoration of buildings and sites of historical importance and works of art; setting up public libraries; promotion and development of traditional art and handicrafts;

(vi) measures for the benefit of armed forces veterans, war widows and their dependents, Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) and Central Para Military Forces (CPMF) veterans, and their dependents including widows;

(vii) training to promote rural sports, nationally recognized sports, paralympic sports and Olympic sports

(viii) contribution to the prime minister's national relief fund or Prime Minister's Citizen Assistance and Relief in Emergency Situations Fund (PM CARES Fund)] or any other fund

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set up by the central govt. for socio economic development and relief and welfare of the schedule caste, tribes, other backward classes, minorities and women;

(ix) (a) Contribution to incubators or research and development projects in the field of science, technology, engineering and medicine, funded by the Central Government or State Government or Public Sector Undertaking or any agency of the Central Government or State Government; and

(b) Contributions to public funded Universities; Indian Institute of Technology (IITs); National Laboratories and autonomous bodies established under Department of Atomic Energy (DAE); Department of Biotechnology (DBT); Department of Science and Technology (DST); Department of Pharmaceuticals; Ministry of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy (AYUSH); Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and other bodies, namely Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO); Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR); Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), engaged in conducting research in science, technology, engineering and medicine aimed at promoting Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

(x) rural development projects.

(xi) slum area development.

Explanation.- For the purposes of this item, the term `slum area' shall mean any area declared as such by the Central Government or any State Government or any other competent authority under any law for the time being in force.

(xii) disaster management, including relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction activities.

The Above list is illustrative not exhaustive. All activities under the CSR activities should be environment friendly and socially acceptable to the local people and Society and should be undertaken considering the needs of the area so as to serve the cause of CSR and not lead to wastage of resources. However, the Committee may identify such areas other than stated above including timing thereto, which may/may not be on recommendation of Board, as it may deem fit, and recommend it to the Board for undertaking CSR activities.

The modalities of execution may include construction/improvement in infrastructure as to school and health centers, provisions towards mid-day meal etc. enhancing vocational skills of unskilled and semi-skilled persons in the vicinity and prompting them to join

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same which will lead to eradication of poverty as after seeking skills and basic education they are able to utilize same in other spheres of life.

For NK SECURITIES RESEARCH PRIVATE LIMITED

Sd/-

Sudhanshu Narang

Chairman

CSR Committee

DIN: 08488752

Sd/-

Faraz Khan

Member

CSR Committee

DIN: 08488751

****The policy was drafted and approved and adopted on the 08th day of July, 2021 pursuant to the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Amendment Rules, 2021.***

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Composition of the CSR Committee as on March 31, 2022@

Sl. No.	Name of Director	Designation / Nature of Directorship	Number of meetings of CSR Committee held during the year	Number of meetings of CSR Committee attended during the year
1.	Mr. Sudhanshu Narang	Chairman/ Promoter	1	1
2.	Mr. Faraz Khan	Member/ Promoter	1	1

@ As per requirements of Section 135 of The Companies Act, 2013 and The Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility) Rules, 2014 including amendments therein, since the contribution / obligation towards CSR was more than Rs. 50.00 Lakh, the Company was required to constitute a CSR Committee. Hence, the Board constituted the CSR committee in its meeting held on 08th July, 2021, and said the committee is discharging the functions as designated/earmarked to it.

The duly constituted CSR Committee held its first meeting on 08th July, 2021 for the purpose of the formulation of the CSR policy and for consideration & approval and adoption by the Board in its meeting.

For and on behalf of the Board

For NK Securities Research Private Limited

Sd/-

Sudhanshu Narang

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Project Progress Report

"Education and Livelihood awareness for Female (Women Empowerment)" Under CSR



Project Implementing Partner:

SUM DRISHTI EDUCATION SOCIETY

Funding Partner:

NK SECURITIES RESEARCH PVT. LTD.

Project Summary Sheet:

Project's Title	Education & Livelihood Awareness for Females (Women Empowerment)
Implementing Partner	Sum Drishti Education Society
Country	India
Target Beneficiaries	1645 Women

Project Period	April 2021- March 2022
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1- Executive Summary

The project, entitled "Education & Livelihood Awareness for Females (Women Empowerment)," has been carried out by Sum Drishti Education Society with funding from NK Securities Research PVT. LTD. The project's overarching goal is to expand women's access to livelihood assistance and to secondary education for underprivileged adolescent girls living in extremely low-income homes. Through programs for entrepreneurial education, business development coaching, and mentorship, we previously sought to economically and socially advance women.

One of the main objectives of programmes created especially for the grassroots is to increase awareness of the importance and advantages of the schemes and programmes among the target population.

All of the scheduled activities were carried out successfully, and by the end of the project's duration, 1647 women had profited from various project components. 638 women attended informational seminars on the value of women's economic and social empowerment; 460 women received a package of training in entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and life skills; and 547 women, all of whom are female, were given work prospects.

This report contains comprehensive information on the accomplishment of project goals and results, as well as on challenges encountered and solutions adopted, sustainability, lessons learned, and resource and expense management. Financial utilization, human interest tales, and a documentary movie made for this initiative are all included in the report's annexes.

2- Project Objectives

We want to interact positively with female dropouts and assist them in finding long-term, lucrative jobs that will allow them to become part of the mainstream economy.

The project has the following specific goals:

- Mobilize female school dropouts from communities, and through the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS)/SIOS or other State open schooling systems, give them a formal education and certification up to grade 8 or 10.
- Provide integrated skill training in market-driven skills to the adolescents as part of the program.
- Raise public knowledge of life skills and health.

Project Outcomes

- In addition to getting mentorships and consulting services for business development, women got training in entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and life skills.
- Women participated in education seminars on the value of female entrepreneurship and empowerment.
- Conducted a workshop with a focus on women to develop a list of suggestions for empowering women in Uttar Pradesh and Delhi on the social and economic fronts.



3. Project Conclusions

- In addition to getting mentorships and consulting services for business development, women got training in entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and life skills.
- Women in education seminars on the value of female entrepreneurship and empowerment.
- Conducted a workshop with a focus on women to develop a list of suggestions for empowering women in Uttar Pradesh and Delhi on the social and economic Training

S.No.	Trainings Conducted	Total No. Of Female Trainees
1	Delivered life skills training to enhance their skills for better business opportunities.	1645
2	Delivered training and business tactics regarding the women's empowerment, value of basic education in day today life, and how to be an entrepreneur.	
3	Conducted the basic training of skills which helped them to get the entry-level jobs at various platforms. Like, Boutiques, Fabric Industries and Cloth Outlets.	
	Total	1645

Conclusion 1

Self-awareness, planning, time management, stress management, relationships, initiative and responsibility, effective communication, and leadership are all part of the life skills training module.

Life skills are the capacities for flexible and constructive behavior that allow people to successfully navigate the demands and difficulties of daily life.

Women's self-confidence has increased as a result of life skills training, and they are now more equipped to participate in the social and economic life of their communities.

In addition to topics like market research, risk identification, business setup, sales development, reaching potential customers, and contingency planning for unforeseen events like conflict, the entrepreneurship module covers small and medium business management, marketing, accounting, and business plan development. Women's entrepreneurial abilities and knowledge have improved as a result

of entrepreneurship training, enabling them to develop clear, in-depth, and considered business feasibilities. Sum Drishti's Stepping-Stone for Business Youth was the curriculum used in this program.

Distance Coaching Sessions:

We tested monthly remote coaching sessions that will be provided by the Sum Drishti Education Society. The purpose of the coaching sessions is to give the targeted women entrepreneurs technical assistance in growing their small enterprises by offering consultations on how to advertise their goods and services, boost sales, draw in clients, and develop fresh business ideas. Based on the success of this pilot program for women's empowerment, the experience will be implemented in comprehensive training for women's empowerment because it was deemed to be successful and had favorable results.

Conclusion 2:

Multiple awareness sessions were delivered to 1647 women who were selected according to the same criteria mentioned in the executive summary for the purpose of targeting them again for more extensive training and mentorship of Entrepreneurship and Empowerment.

- The session's objectives for empowering women are:
- In order to combat patriarchal beliefs
- to change the institutions and structure
- In order to give poor women, access to and control over material and informational resources, it is necessary to reinforce and maintain gender discrimination and social inequality. By focusing on the three dimensions of material, human, and intellectual resources, can alter power relations.
- To enhance the conditions for living, particularly in light of the current, challenging economic environment brought on by the conflict, technological advancements, and gender-related issues.

The attendees of the awareness workshops spoke favorably about the value of such sessions for women, and they were eager to sign up for any such economic empowerment initiatives to help them achieve a life of dignity through running small companies.

The workshop included open working group discussions to determine the obstacles and the roles of the public and commercial sectors, as well as microfinance organizations.

During the workshop, the following set of recommendations was discussed:

- To facilitate coordination for delivering the necessary services, such as technical and vocational training, mentorship, loans, and fund guarantees to support the beneficiaries in enhancing their capacities and supporting small businesses, it is important to establish an efficient network of the relevant institutions. Additionally, the network must help entrepreneurs by connecting them to markets and other parties with market stakes.

- Women and young people can acquire information, share knowledge, and expand their enterprises through the provision of business incubators.
- Increase public awareness to support the place and involvement of women in society.
- It is important to promote development-facilitated finance products for women and young people.
- Increase the staff's ability to serve customers with a focus on women and with gender sensitivity in microfinance organizations.
- Organize frequent seminars to talk about the latest difficulties and how to address/mitigate them.

4. Challenges and Actions Taken

The targeted women and their companies encountered a variety of difficulties, such as:

Poor Household/Economic Challenge: Compared to urban women, rural women have disadvantages. Rural women typically fit the stereotype of being uneducated, uneducated, poor, superstitious, inhibited, and oppressed due to their lack of skills. The rural woman needs to be empowered to compete on an equal footing with her urban counterparts, which requires proper training, education, and organization. To guarantee the flow of sufficient resources for the same, money has been set aside for the "woman component." Due to historical and socio-cultural factors, women in rural areas were unable to actively participate in decision-making, income-generating activities, and experience in public and political life. The dual burdens of being a woman and being poor fall on women. She works unpaid, is reliant, and is not involved in decision-making. Lack of entrepreneurship combined with low levels of skills, access to training, and finance facilities.

By offering additional ease in loan repayment procedures until things get better, SUM DRISHTI has always aided female entrepreneurs in running robust businesses.

Social obstacles: Social challenges are tied to culture and customs that have negative attitudes on the role that women play in the community, both economically and socially.

Gender bias: The first cause of disempowerment is that women tend to live in low-income households, and they also experience more intensely than men in the same home due to their gender. Second, gender stratification disempowers women more than other forms of stratification like caste. At the core of a democratic society is empowerment. Some of the contributing reasons are gender bias, invisible contributions to the family economy, and mobility restrictions. The three main components of empowerment of the poor are eliminating inequality, eliminating poverty, and creating employment. Sum Drishti has the authority, offers support, and represents the poor people's powerlessness. Empowering women socially, economically, and politically is a challenging undertaking, especially for disadvantaged groups. Through a participatory strategy that involves the community in the implementation of programs, the goal of women's empowerment is realized and can be replicated in various contexts. Women have the "inner power" and desire to create what is necessary for the current environment for women's power to be asserted and sustained. Despite several attempts by the SUM DRISHTI team to assist the women in every manner imaginable.

Self-Help Groups (SHGs):

For the social and economic empowerment of women in villages, SHGs are seen as a fresh lease on life.

Self-help organizations' ability to empower rural women can be an important breakthrough in our nation's history of rural development. SHGs that genuinely demonstrated results in development and emancipation. The SHG members appeared to stay in their routine of working, earning, spending, and saving. However, they are not stereotypes; rather, it is possible to identify them by gaining knowledge of their differences in activity and activity-oriented performance. Self-help organizations were crucial in providing finance to rural areas.

For our nation to flourish socioeconomically, women must participate in a variety of activities.

5. Lessons Learned-

- Empowering women would entail giving them the tools they need to be financially independent, confident in themselves, and able to handle any challenging circumstances. It would also mean enabling them to participate in the nation's development efforts.
- The initiative has had a positive impact on society, which inspired many women to request enrolment in the project in order to enhance their standard of living and overcome financial obstacles.
- Life skills training results in traits like self-worth, social aptitude, and tolerance. Action encompasses everything needed to take action, create change, and have the freedom to choose what to do and who to be. Possessing specific skills facilitates the process of empowerment.
- Giving the women training in management, time management, planning and organizing their work, life skills, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy helped them greatly to develop their entrepreneurial, financial, and managerial skills.
- Due to project financial constraints, only technical entrepreneurship training and mentorship support were possible. However, offering vocational training as part of any future initiative will significantly improve the level of services.

NOTE: - We have successfully completed the training of 1645 women of the proposed target (NK Securities Research PVT LTD) under CSR Activities

Thanks & regards

For Sum Drishti Education Society

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Mr. Aasif Shah
(National Head)


A. Aasif Shah

Education & Livelihood Awareness for Females *(Women Empowerment)*

Executive Summary

PROJECT TITLE	Education & Livelihood Awareness for Females (Women Empowerment)
IMPLEMENTING PARTNER	SUM DRISHTI EDUCATION SOCIETY
FUNDING PARTNER	N.K. SECURITIES RESEARCH PVT.LTD
STATES COVERED	UP, J&K, RAJASTHAN
TOTAL NO OF FEMALE BENIFICRIES TRAINED	1220

Introduction:

Education and Livelihood Awareness for Females is an initiative aimed at empowering women by providing them with access to education and opportunities for sustainable livelihoods. This comprehensive program recognizes the critical role women play in the socio-economic development of communities and seeks to address the barriers they face in pursuing education and economic independence. By empowering women through education and livelihood training, we aim to create a more equitable society where women can lead, thrive, and contribute to the growth of their communities. More than 1200 female candidates was trained and get the awareness about various aspects. We have covered almost 18 districts in 3 states.

Objectives:

Increased Female Enrollment:

The program aims to increase female enrollment in primary, secondary, and higher education institutions, ensuring that girls have equal access to quality education.



Enhance Livelihood Opportunities:

By providing training in various skill areas, the program will equip women with the necessary tools to pursue meaningful livelihood opportunities, breaking the cycle of poverty and dependency.

Foster Entrepreneurship:

The initiative encourages and supports aspiring female entrepreneurs to start and grow their own businesses, fostering economic independence and creating job opportunities for others.

Raise Awareness on Women's Rights:

Through targeted awareness campaigns and workshops, the program aims to educate both women and their communities about gender equality, women's rights, and the benefits of women's empowerment.



Vocational Training:

We have conducted vocational training programs to equip women with practical skills in areas such as tailoring, computer literacy, agriculture, and small business management.



Mentorship and Support:

The initiative has been established a mentorship network connecting successful women professionals with aspiring individuals, providing guidance and support throughout their educational and entrepreneurial journeys.

Community Engagement:

Through workshops, seminars, and awareness campaigns, the program engaged with communities to challenge gender norms, promote women's empowerment, and advocate for equal opportunities.



Increase in Female Enrollment:

Monitor and measure the increase in the number of girls attending schools and pursuing higher education.

Livelihood Opportunities:

Track the number of women who successfully secure employment or establish their own businesses after completing vocational training.

Economic Empowerment:

Measured the growth of women-led businesses and their contribution to the local economy.

Gender Attitudes:

Conducted surveys to assess changes in attitudes towards gender roles and women's rights within targeted communities.

Conclusion:

The Education & Livelihood Awareness for Females (Women Empowerment) program seeks to create a significant and positive impact on the lives of women, their families, and their communities. By providing access to education and livelihood opportunities, we aim to break down barriers, challenge stereotypes, and pave the way for a more inclusive and equitable society. Empowering women is not only a matter of social justice but also a crucial step towards sustainable development and prosperity for all. Through the collaborative efforts of stakeholders and the commitment of participants, we aspire to create a brighter future where women are valued, respected, and empowered to reach their fullest potential.



Submitted By:- Sum Drishti Education Society



To

The Governing Body of the Entity,

NK Securities Research Private Limited

Unit Nos.: P04-02C, P04-02D, P04-02E, 4th Floor, Tower A, WTC Gift City, Block no 51, Road 5E, Zone 5, Gift City, Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India 382355

Independent Practitioner's Report on Utilization of Funds by Graphic Era Educational Society for purposes of discharging the Corporate Social Responsibility requirements of NK Securities Research Private Limited

1. This Report is issued in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 15th April, 2023.
2. The accompanying Statement contains the details of utilization of funds received from NK Securities Research Private Limited from whom CSR amount has been received (hereinafter referred as "the Company") by Graphic Era Educational Society (hereinafter referred as "the entity") under Perception of students about use of social media in Universities in India under which the amount was received and (hereinafter referred as "the Project") having its office at 566/6, Bell Road, Dehradun for CSR.

Management's Responsibility

3. The management of the entity is responsible for preparation of the accompanying Statement including the preparation and maintenance of all accounting and other relevant supporting records and documents. This responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and presentation of the Statement and applying an appropriate basis of preparation; and making estimates that are
4. The management is also responsible for ensuring that the Project of Perception of students about use of social media in Universities in India complies with the requirements specified by the Company at the time of providing the funds regarding end utilisation to meet the CSR requirements of the company and for providing all relevant information to the Company as agreed to between the Company and the entity spending on the Project on the activities specified in Schedule VII to the Companies Act, 2013.

Practitioner's Responsibility

5. It is our responsibility to provide reasonable assurance in the form of an opinion on the Statement based on our examination of the matters in the Statement with reference to the books of account and other records of the Graphic Era Educational Society, whether the details given in the Statement have been accurately extracted from the unaudited financial statements of the Graphic Era Educational Society produced before us for examination and the activities for which amount was utilized by the Perception of students about use of social media in Universities in India of the entity are covered under CSR activities as per Schedule VII to the Companies Act, 2013.

We have performed following procedures in this regard:

- a) Traced and agreed the amounts in the attached Statement, to the unaudited financial statements of the entity as at and for the year ended March 31, 2023.
- b) Checked whether the entity has incurred amounts on the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities specified in Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013.

- c) Traced the amount spent on CSR activities from the bank statements / cash book of the entity.
 - d) Checked whether amounts spent on CSR activities have been adequately disclosed in the financial statements of the Project for Perception of students about use of social media in Universities in India of the entity.
 - e) Obtained written representation from the management of the entity on the total amount unspent and their plan to disburse the unspent amount related to the project.
 - f) Tested the arithmetical and clerical accuracy of the Statement.
6. The financial statements of the entity as of and for the financial year ended March 31, 2023 are unaudited and certified by the management of the entity. Our audits of these financial statements were conducted in accordance with the Standards on Auditing and other applicable authoritative pronouncements issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.
7. We conducted our examination of the Statement in accordance with the Guidance Note on Reports or Certificates for Special Purposes issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. The Guidance Note requires that we comply with the ethical requirements of the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

Opinion

8. Based on our examination as above, and the information and explanations given to us, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the details given in the Statement have not been accurately extracted from the unaudited financial statement of the Project of the entity for the year ended March 31, 2023 produced before us for examination.

Restriction on Use

9. This report is addressed to and provided to the governing body of the entity for the purpose of certifying the utilization of the funds by the Project of the entity for CSR activities as envisaged by the CSR Committee of the Company, and should not be used by any other person or for any other purpose. Accordingly, we do not accept or assume any liability or any duty of care for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come without our prior consent in writing.

For M S R A & Associates

Chartered Accountants



Firm's Registration No.: 020115C

CA. Peeyush Sharma

FCA, DISA(ICA), Partner

Membership No.: 404679

Place: Dehradun

Date: 25th Day of April 2023

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