



# NATIONAL YOUTH EQUITY FORUM (NYEF)

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## ABOUT NYEF:

National Youth Equity Forum (NYEF) is a membership based collective of/for socially excluded young people striving to promote leadership and equal opportunity for youth towards achieving their social, education, economic and cultural rights with a vision to build a just and socially inclusive society for all.

Currently, NYEF evolving as a membership based youth led movement consisting over 5000 members across structured and organised youth led collectives as Bihar Ambedkar Students' Forum (BASF), Uttar Pradesh Youth Equity Forum (UPYEF) and Delhi Youth Equity Forum (DYEF). NYEF vision is to nurture young leadership among socially excluded communities i.e. Dalit, Adivasi, Muslim, Nomadic Tribes & De-Notified Tribes, voice out their concerns of growing inequalities and aligned together for community based actions to transform and influence their self, society and governance !

On the principle of educate, agitate and organize, around 140 fellows and thousands of motivated cadres across states is able to push the agenda of social equity & inclusion in the area of education, health (SRHR), employability and entrepreneurial education by keeping the national and global goals of "leave no one behind" in the frame of SDGs and Constitutional mandate of promoting equality, liberty, fraternity and justice for all!

## Highlights of Jan-Feb 2022

- Over 2000 girls from 4 districts of Bihar sent written post cards to the Prime Minister Office asking and advocating for equitable and inclusive education for all girls !
- 18 Young fellows completed "Jagrati Yatra (Digital version)" to walk on the path of discovery and transformation
- Fight Against Inequality Campaign reached out to hundreds of community members in different parts of Delhi led by DYEF Street theatre group
- 30 youths from 12 districts of Bihar onboarded as "Dr. Ambedkar Fellowship" journey for 18 months, through on ground biennial election of BASF
- 24 adolescents from "Musahar Community" onboarded as "CLAY fellows" on a journey of self to society for 27 months.
- 15 Women were supported to start their own "Start Up Business" who had lost earning member in family due to Covid-19

### On-Ground Voices

"Through feminist leadership journey, i could strongly feel about different aspects of my identity and leadership, which i can confidently express now ! I even have developed understanding around sexuality which is an addition to my tribal identity" - **Binita Hansda, Social Inclusion Fellow 2021-22, BASF, Purnia, Bihar**

"Being a girl, we have to face several obstacles to come out from the family and social bondages, but the opportunity of Jagrati Yatra being created by NYEF has broken many boundaries for me at personal and social level and i am thinking to build my career in the field of business !" - **Muskan, ASPIRE Fellow DYEF, Delhi**

"I see a lot of transformations within me, as i can use my creativity, skills and perspectives to design and execute workshops, campaign and build partnerships to expand my horizon to strengthen equity and inclusion perspectives !" - **Beauty Kumari, Field Operation Coordinator, CSEI-NYEF, Bihar, Advisory Member of YPAT at YuWaah, 2021-22**



**Bihar Ambedkar Students forum - BASF**

**A Collective of Dalit, Adivasi, Muslim and other marginalized youth operating in 12 districts of Bihar through "Dr. Ambedkar Fellowship programme and over 3500 members since 2012**

- 30 youths from 12 districts of Bihar onboarded as "Dr. Ambedkar Fellowship" journey for next 18 months, through on ground biennial election of BASF
- Orientation workshop with "Disom - A Leadership School"
- A workshop on gender in "bhojपुरi ;anguage" through The Gender Lab
- 25 youth facilitated to apply for different scholarship/fellowship
- Workshop with 55 youth towards formation of District Youth Forum in association with Restless Development and local CSOs

**Let's hear from State Collectives**



**Delhi Youth Equity Forum - DYEF**

**A collective of Dalit, Adivasi, Muslim and other marginalized youth operating in Delhi NCR through "ASPIRE Fellowship and over 450 members since 2019**

- 12 Youth onboarded for 18 months "ASPIRE Fellowship" journey
- 18 Youth undertaking "Samjho Toh" journey in association with Pravah and ComMutiny.
- 4 Street Theatre show in Delhi through ASPIRE Fellows on addressing inequality
- Two DSSW students joined as part of their co-curricular field work to conduct a research on career mapping of marginalized youth in Delhi
- 100 youth profiles created through home based survey in Pandav Nagar, New Delhi

**UP Youth Equity Forum - UPYEF**

**A Collective of Dalit, Muslim and other marginalized youth operating in 7 districts of UP through "Social Inclusion Fellowship and over 650 members since 2020**

- Youth Manifesto Campaign ( offline and Online)
- 9 Social Inclusion Fellow completed Jagriti Yatra (digital)
- 7 fellows completed 6 months of life skills journey with "Spreading Smiles"
- 2 fellow girls completed "feminist Leadership Journey"
- 5 Fellows went through training on gender and sexuality
- 2 girls nominated for professional scholarship from "Kraftsamla"
- 1 Social Inclusion Fellow selected for Video Volunteer's "Buland Bol" journey.

**Children's Equity Forum - CLAY Fellowship**

**An educational development interventions for most marginalized adolescents and children towards promoting equity and inclusion in education through CLAY fellowship and Children's Equity Forum in government schools and communities since 2013**

- Children's Equity Formation in 11 government schools
- 9 Weekly Learning Cycles organised for CLAY Fellows at Vyaktitva Vikas Kendra (VVK)
- Community Celebration on 3rd January as Savitribai Phule Jayanti, 7th February as Ramabai Jayanti, 26th January as Republic Day
- 19 CLAY fellows onboarded for 27 months journey based on self to society
- Training of team on child rights
- 20 Children participated in "National Inclusive Children's Parliament (NICPY)" and 1 CLAY fellow selected as national member.
- 4 CLAY fellows (Musahar community) youth hand hold to appear for 10th grade exams and 2 girls for 12th grade exam
- 2 Shiksha Samvaad held in community to address early marriage and child labour issues among community
- 18 girls went through 2 days workshop on gender, sexuality and menstrual hygiene
- 5 fellows completed digital jagriti yatra.



THE GIVING BACK FUND



**Upcoming Programmes:**

- Mahila Samman Diwas - Recognition and Felicitation Ceremony of 75 incredible girl/woman achievers to celebrate 75th independence anniversary (Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav !)
- Constitutional Literacy and Child Rights Education with Children Equity Forum in Government schools
- Various training workshop on perspective and skill building of fellows across Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Delhi
- Strengthening and showcasing of Start up (Business Plan) by 25 Women !
- Zero Drop Out Campaign
- Education Dignity day and Celebration of 14th April

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