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shouldn't be that women are the exception.".

– Ruth Bader Ginsburg

We began our journey in 2022 with a few targets, as we do every year. One key goal is to expand our efforts to cover 4500 girls in 31 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) across Haryana in the next two years. This is inclusive of Girls, Teachers, Parents, Wardens, and Government officials. The growth and trust SwaTaleem has seen in the last three years speak volumes of your support and we hope that it will continue in the future. This year, we're also focusing on mutual learning among our Team members at the Office and Field levels.

Continuous Engagements with our Girls: 2022

In early January 2022, KGBVs closed again due to the third wave, and online classes restarted. In the first week of February 2022, the KGBVs reopened and we resumed field visits. We revived in-school sessions with Girls facilitated by our Field Coordinators. Concurrently, we continued digital engagement sessions for our Girls focused on storytelling, story writing, and the English language.



Sahina, our Field Coordinator, with Girls in KGBV Nuh



Girls during class hours- KGBV Punhana

Since November 2021, Nivedita Bedadur, a member of the School of Continuing Education and University Resource Centre at Azim Premji University, has been supporting our Team to build capacity focused on English language learning. The sessions are open to the KGBV teachers who are keen to learn the English language. She conducted 2 sessions with our team members and 1 session with the KGBV Teachers on storytelling and reading books with illustrations.



During one of our online sessions with Nivedita

Reflect and Learn: Step-Back 2021

Over January 3 - 8, 2022, we conducted our Annual Step Back with all our Team members at Eklavya Foundation in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. The major objectives were to reflect on our efforts, understand each other better as Team members, and plan for our next 3 years. We discussed accomplishments, challenges, and learnings of 2021, engaged with eminent Speakers from other Organizations and critically analyzed our efforts for all streams of engagements within SwaTaleem.



Team members photograph post Step Back 2021-22



Step-Back 2021-22, Sahina our field coordinator explaining her work to the team

Google "Leaders to Watch 2022"- Ananya

On February 22, 2022, Google.org announced seven “Leaders to Watch” from nonprofits around the world. We are proud of our Co-Founder, Ananya Tiwari, for being one among them. We congratulate her for the recognition from Google.Org and for being the first recipient from the Asia-Pacific region. This recognition is accompanied by mentorship from senior Google leaders and an unrestricted funding support

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Ananya Tiwari,
SwaTaleem

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What I learned by Teaching



Our Journey into the Future

I joined SwaTaleem through my Experiential Learning Module at the Young India Fellowship. I chose this project as I did feel we have gaps in the education sector that we need to address and the idea of working with girls to build their..... [Read more](#)

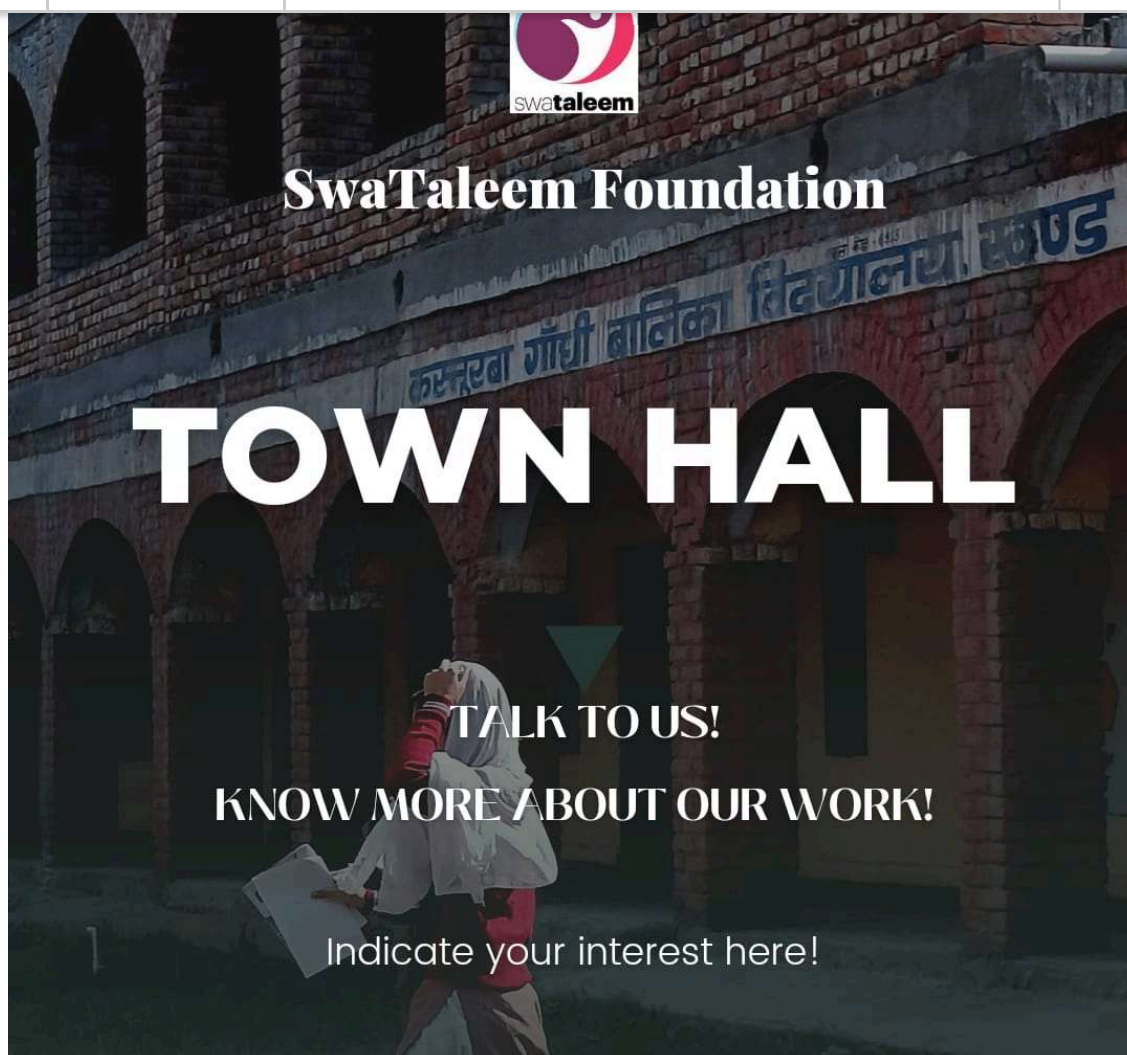
My team and I were inducted into the SwaTaleem Foundation through the Experiential Learning Module which is an integral part of the course, the Young India Fellowship. This project excited me because of the chance to work within the....[Read more](#)

Become part of our journey!

We always believe supporters and volunteers are our major strength and appreciate their support. With rising interest in our work and questions to know more about us, we thought of talking to you all directly! Join us in SwaTaleem Town Hall to speak to us!

We would like to know if you will be interested in attending this Town Hall. Please indicate your responses [here](#).

We will communicate the details to you for a fun introductory session where you will get to meet our Team who works closely on the ground with all stakeholders. In this session, you can ask us questions and interact with the team to know more about us and the work.



Annual Report 2021

We present our [Annual Report](#) for 2020-21, we are excited to share our engagement through this. We hope that this would take you through various aspects of our involvement and brings in more insights and ideas about our activities. This covers details about our team, goal, and the previous year's financial statement.



A Note from one of our Directors

"I am proud of SwaTaleem's accomplishments in the last several months. The Team has continued creating learning opportunities for our Girls and it has redoubled efforts despite challenging times in the world. I am most proud of SwaTaleem for receiving the Google Impact Challenge for Girls & Women. This grant will not only allow SwaTaleem to enrich programs but will also enable bridge-building between SwaTaleem and other organizations. As SwaTaleem shares and learns with other organizations even greater impacts can be made. I look forward to future collaborations and great ideas that will come from them".

- Hemang Srikisan, Director, SwaTaleem US

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