

Dear friends,

Thank you for your letter and your concerns for Jagriti Vihara. Due to the busy schedule we could not answer to your queries earlier. As you know March and April is very important months for us. We have to prepare documents for the government. It is mandatory for us. It takes a lot of time and energy. But being a social organization we have to follow the rules of the government. We are happy to know that Andersji and Ingerji have decided to visit us in November this year after a long time. We welcome both of them to Jagriti Vihara.

Livelihood Development for women : We are happy to inform you that the first phase of sewing project work has been started at the centre. Machines and training materials have been provided to the training centre. Lucy has prepared a list of trainees and divided them into groups to make the course comfortable and manageable. Each group will get training as per training schedule. Staffs as well as the villagers are happy that they can get training at their door step. They are sending their thanks and gratitude to our JVV friends for their support.

Other source of Income for Jagriti Vihara : This is a very crucial and important issue for us. We are now discussing about it. We are trying to find the ways to get some government projects if the bureaucratic system allow us to do so. There are many ideas in the pipeline which are to be discussed in the Board meeting of Jagriti Vihara. We will keep you updated. We extend our thanks to JVV for supporting us for the last five decades. It shows the strength of our friendship and trust on each other. We hope that our cooperation will continue for many more years to come.

We have deposited all our papers to the Auditors for auditing the accounts of Jagriti Vihara. It will take some time. We will send you the Receipts and Payments accounts soon after getting approval from the auditor .

Scorching hot days : Summer has come . Temperature is increasing every day. Yesterday it was 41 degree Celsius in Ranchi. It is hard to go out in day time. Schools and colleges are open till 10:30 AM . Board examinations for class X and XII are going on . Students have been advised to drink a lot of water to keep themselves hydrated. In the second week of May all educational centres will be closed for summer vacation for one month. Considering the extreme hot summer government has announced yellow alert in the state at precautionary measures to keep people alert and awake during the season.

Rise in prices of essential commodities : The prices of essential commodities are rising every week. It is very hard to fulfill the requirements of the people even in the rural areas. The prices of petroleum products have been increasing on daily basis. Petrol are sold at the price of Rs.109 per litre in Ranchi and the cooking gas is sold at over 1000 rupees per cylinder. Rice , Dal, vegetable, cooking oil etc. are now very expensive. Experts say that this is because of the war between Russia and Ukraine. Let us hope that the war will end soon .

Panchayat Election in Jharkhand : The Election Commission of Jharkhand has announced to hold the Panchayat Election ( Village Council Election) in Jharkhand from 14<sup>th</sup> May to 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022 in total four phases in various districts. The Panchayat election will be held in 53480 polling stations across the states. It is very important for the administration to hold a free and fare election in the state. People of Jharkhand will cast their votes to elect their representatives in the village council. The campaign for the election is going on.

Pandemic situation in Jharkhand : The situation of Pandemic in the state is normal. Few cases have been recorded in the state. But due to the increase in the number of cases in Delhi and other states the government is now vigilant on the situation and suggested people to use mask at precautionary measures.

Power supply in the state has been interrupted because of the shortage of coal supply to the power plants. The production of electricity has been reduced to the minimum and as a result of that we are getting few hours of power supply every day. we are still very much dependent on the coal for electricity production. The government is now focusing on the solar power generation at large scale in India. Hope one day we will have uninterrupted solar/green power supply in India.

We all are fine and doing well. How is life in Sweden? How is the impact of war in Sweden?

Sending our warm greetings to all of you.

Thanks and Regards,

Rajesh