

Newsletter from Jagriti Vihara, August 2023

The Executive Committee of Jagriti Vihara met on 19th of August to discuss the various issues of the organization. Some of them are as follows:

School Project

The Executive Committee of Jagriti Vihara, on the request of the parents, has decided to start the school for children in the campus of JV from January 2024. We had several meetings with the parents and the representatives of the villages regarding the school project. Finally the board of Jagriti Vihara has taken decision to go ahead with this project.

Next week, we will sit together and make budget plans for this project and send them to you and our Norwegian friends for discussions and support. In the beginning we will start the school with minimum 50 students up to class 5 and every year the number of students will increase. We are expecting some support from the parents too.

Tribal Art and Culture

We are also agreed to start some activities at the exhibition centre of Jagriti Vihara with the tag name of *Tribal Art and Culture*. We have started planning for this project and will try to start the activities in October, after the monsoon.

Memorial of Jayaji

We will start the fencing work at the memorial site in the month of October. We have made the plan for its renovation and execute as per our plan so that it looks good. On 12th of October we will celebrate his 5th anniversary as SADVAAVNA DIWAS.

Cleaning of Campus

Due to the monsoon rain, bushes and grasses have grown and increased throughout the campus. Roads are also damaged because of heavy rain and needs to be repaired. We will start the cleaning and repairing work in the middle of September when the monsoon rain is less or stopped.

Farmers started agricultural activities very late this year in Jharkhand due to the late arrival of monsoon rain. Meteorological Department of Jharkhand has recorded 37% rainfall deficit this year. The state is facing a drought like situation and less than half of target cropping area for paddy (Only 44%) has been planted so far. Other than paddy, maize, pulses and other crops, a remarkable deficit in cultivation has been recorded till now. People have started stocking the rice and other cereals for future use

because they are afraid of increase in prices of food materials if the productions of these are less than expected. On the other hand some parts of India are facing problems due to excessive rain and landslides. Many people have lost their lives.

You must be aware of the India's mission on Moon. The India has successfully landed on the south pole of the moon on August 23 at 06:04 pm and created history. India became the first country to do so. It is good for the Scientists and the science lover to learn more about the space.

We are sending our warm greetings to all our friends.

Rajesh, Sushil, Hari