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SOUTH SUNDARBAN JANAKALYAN SANGHA

VISION

Sustainable development of people ensuring everyone
- even the most deprived can progress towards achieving basic education, health programme and an adequate livelihood and training



MISSION

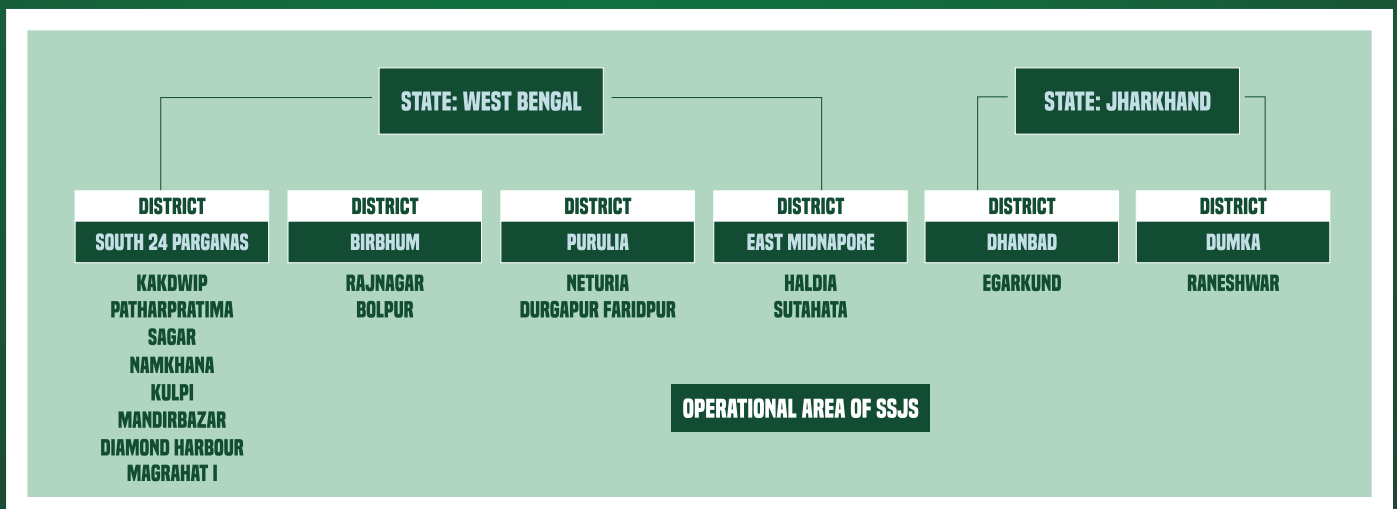
Enabling the more disadvantaged to analyse and deal with their problems themselves.
To enable them to gain access to integrated and comprehensive development



GOAL

To enable the target population and create a just society.
To make an egalitarian society in the context of Indian democracy

THEMATIC AREAS OF WORK





SSJS AS A HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATION

Founded in 1991 by a group of energetic and philanthropic enthusiasts, South Sundarban Janakalyan Sangha or SSJS is a non profit civil society organisation. Based in Raghunathpur village, P.O. Madhabnagar of Kakdwip block , the organisation works for the upliftment of rural people irrespective of caste, creed and race. SSJS also has four project offices; one at Rajnagar- Birbhum, East Midnapore, Kolkata and the other office is at Maithon, Jharkhand.

The organisation is registered under West Bengal Societies Act 1961. Registration No. S/67639 of 1991-92 dated 26 April 1991 including Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) 1976, Ministry of Home Affairs, Gol vide renewal registration No. 147110370 dated 6 December 2021. Also registered for the exemption of u/s 80G, 12A, PAN, TAN of IT Act, 1961 and Professional Tax under IT Act. SSJS is affiliated to Credibility Alliance, Guidestar India and Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS).



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SSJS
EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES
IMPROVING LIVES

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

It's my pleasure to present before you the Annual Report of SSJS for the year 2021-2022.

After a turbulent 2020 when we were hoping that things would return normal after the first wave of COVID 19 pandemic, things took a worse turn.

The second wave of the pandemic hit a heavier blow on all of us, particularly the common people. Its impact on the poor, marginalised people were beyond imagination. On top of that the Yaas Cyclone turned matters even worse.

SSJS, instead of lamenting came out stronger and stood beside the people in Sundarban areas. We are extremely happy to have been able to contribute in alleviating their pains and sufferings to some extent.

SSJS in collaboration with generous support of donor agencies, corporate entities and non government organisations provided the people affected by the pandemic and cyclone Yaas with non food items, drinking water facilities and information.

Thousands of poor people have got some relief through the support we provided. This gives us immense satisfaction.

However SSJS is not complacent. Our organisation wants to reach more and more people who needs help and support to stand up in life. We have already made our presence in other parts of West Bengal like Birbhum, East Midnapore and Purulia district and even in Jharkhand state. SSJS plans to work for the indigenous people and provide skill development and basic facilities for living.

I take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to all the donor agencies who have come forward to collaborate with SSJS in building the communities we work for.

I also thank my staff, whose dedicate and hard work has been an exemplary contribution to this mission of service.



RAFIK UDDIN
SECRETARY | SSJS

PROJECT SUPPORTED BY

BPCL

SWACHHATA PAKHWADA



Beneficiaries holding up reusable cloth bags

This project focused on spreading awareness about health, hygiene, keeping the environment clean and safe. A series of awareness programmes were conducted in Kulpi, Kakdwip, Patharpratima and Namkhana block of South 24 Parganas district. Since this programme was conducted during the COVID 19 pandemic situation awareness was also generated on precautions and COVID appropriate behavior.

As a part of this Swachhata Pakhwada programme, the community was made aware on keeping their roads, ponds and home clean, reduce the use of plastic bag and stress on reusable items like cotton bags etc. Road safety awareness was also a part of these programmes.

SSJS promoted recycling of material by distribution cotton bag, health and hygiene kits to SHG members and women and farmers. Approximately 85,000 people were reached through Swachhata Pakhwada campaign.



Mask distribution during the campaign

PROJECT SUPPORTED BY

ECGC

**INSTALLATION OF HAND PUMP FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER
IN YAAS CYCLONE AFFECTED AREA IN SUNDARBAN**

With the support of ECGC, SSJS installed 5 deep water tube wells to provide safe drinking water in the Yaas cyclone affected areas in Gopalnagar Gram panchayat of Patharpratima Block. Many of the tube wells were damaged during the cyclone Amphan and Yaas resulting in acute drinking water problems in this areas. These safe drinking water tube wells not only contributed to reducing the water shortage but also helped in drastically reducing incidents of water borne diseases.

SSJS also formed Water User Groups in the villages where tube wells were installed entrusting them with the task of tube well maintenance. Awareness programmes on safe drinking water and hygiene were also conducted in these villages. As a result of these 5 new tube wells approximately 5,082 people have benefitted.



People using the tube well



Girl drawing water from the tube well

PROJECT SUPPORTED BY
GICHFL

PROVIDE FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER FOR HEALTH & HYGIENIC OF POOR & BACKWARD COMMUNITY



Awareness campaign on health and hygiene



Tube well boring underway



Completed tube well

Large parts of Sundarban areas are reeling under severe drinking water shortage. The condition has aggravated in the recent years due to powerful cyclones battering these areas. In order to meet the need of growing drinking water shortage, SSJS with the support of GICHFL installed 11 deep tube wells in Krishnapur Gram Panchayat of Mandirbazar block. Awareness on health and hygiene along with water hygiene was conducted in these villages. All tube wells installed by SSJS is checked and water quality is tested before hand over. The project is in its implementation phase. A total of 6,683 people benefitted from these tube wells.

PROJECT SUPPORTED BY
LIC HFL

**INSTALLATION OF HAND PUMP FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER
IN YAAS CYCLONE AFFECTED AREA IN SUNDARBAN**

17 deep water tube wells were installed by SSJS with the support of LIC HFL in Gopalnagar Gram Panchayat of Pathar Pratima block. This is an ongoing project. Once the tube wells installation is complete around 18,867 people will benefit from this project.



PROJECT SUPPORTED BY

RAILTEL

SAFE DRINKING WATER IN SAGAR, PATHARPRATIMA BLOCK



People using the tube well



With the financial support of Railtel Corporation of India Ltd. SSJS has begun implementing a project of providing safe drinking water to villages in Patharpratima and Sagar block.

The project is ongoing and a total of 6 deep water tube wells will be installed through this project benefitting around 1,886 people in these two blocks.

PROJECT SUPPORTED BY
SELF FUNDING BY SSJS

DRY RATION DISTRIBUTION FOR YAAS CYCLONE AFFECTED FAMILY

SSJS mobilised its own funds to support the vulnerable population who were severely affected by Yaas cyclone in 2021.

SSJS provided dry food items to 500 families in different villages of Kakdwip, Patharpratima, Sagar, Namkhana, Kulpi, Diamond Harbour and Mandirbazar blocks of South 24 Parganas.

The focus was reaching out to widow headed families, migrant workers, physically challenged and the fringe marginalised population.



PROJECT SUPPORTED BY
INDIAN SOCIETY FOR REHABILITATION OF CHILDREN

DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD ITEM TO THE COVID 19 AFFECTED PEOPLE



Indian Society for Rehabilitation of Children came forward to support 400 beneficiaries with dry ration. The food support was given to people affected by COVID 19 pandemic and Yaas cyclone in Narayanpur Gram Panchayat of Namkhana Block.

PROJECT SUPPORTED BY
ADRA INDIA

YAAS CYCLONE RESPONSE



ADRA shelter & hygiene kit distribution

ADRA India, a humanitarian relief agency supported 1,924 households with shelter and hygiene kits in Kakdwip, Patharpratima, Sagar and Namkhana blocks of South 24 Parganas. These relief materials were given to the Yaas cyclone affected communities in the Sundarban area covering around 9,620 beneficiaries. The kits contained tarpaulin, ground sheet, soap, toiletries, bucket, mug etc. SSJS provided logistic and communication support in the project.

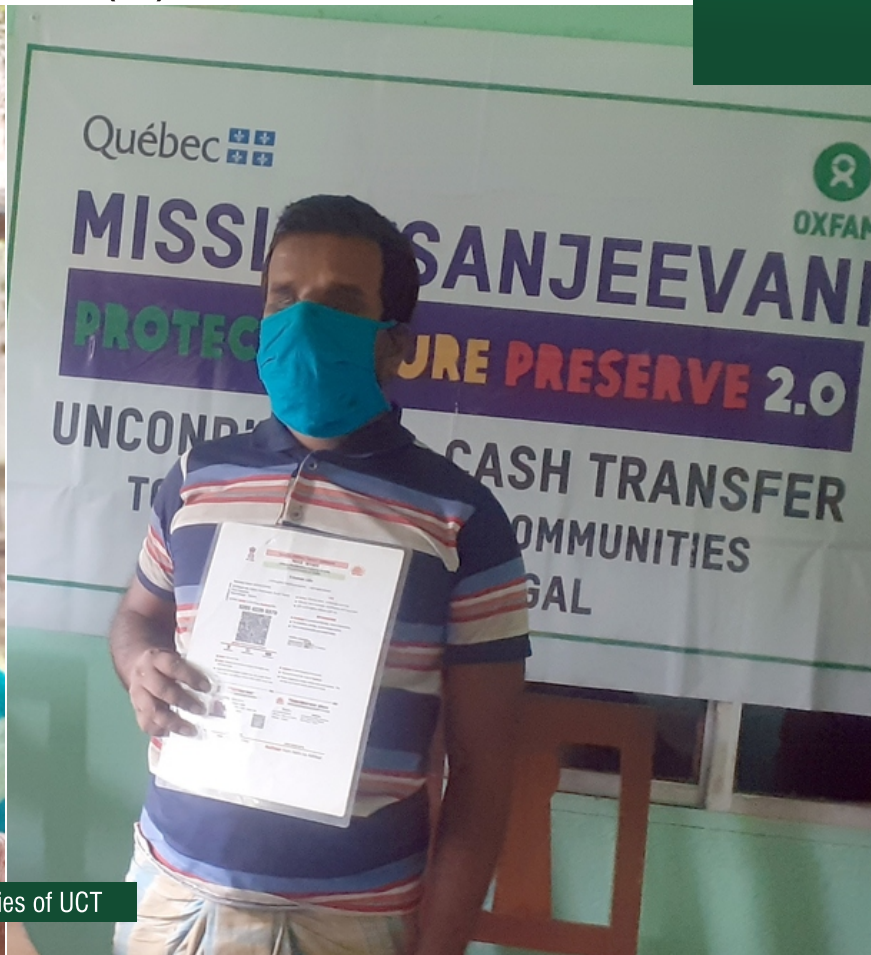
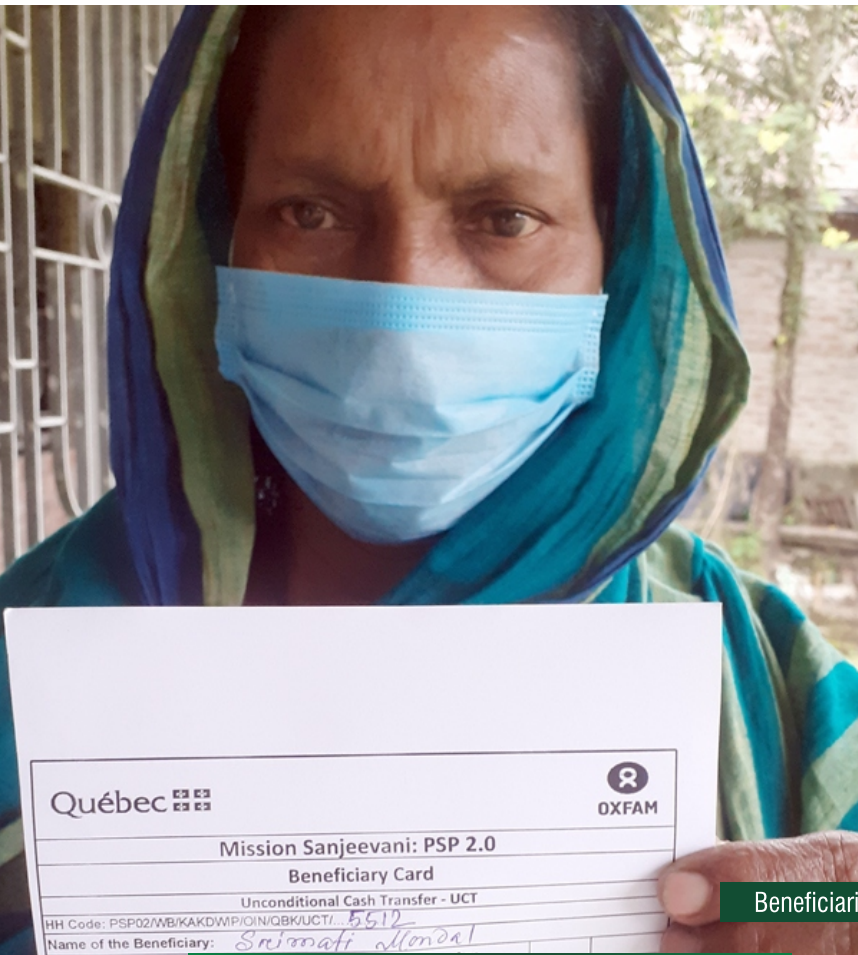


Distribution of dry ration

PROJECT SUPPORTED BY

OXFAM INDIA

**MISSION SANJEEVANI: OXFAM INDIA'S COVID-19 RESPONSE 2.0
UNCONDITIONAL CASH TRANSFER (UCT)**



Beneficiaries of UCT

OXFAM India through the logistic support of SSJS provided UCT to 100 beneficiaries in Kakdwip area who were severely affected by COVID 19 pandemic.



PROJECT SUPPORTED BY

OXFAM INDIA

MISSION SANJEEVANI: OXFAM INDIA'S COVID-19 RESPONSE 2.0



OXFAM India handing over COVID kits

As a part of COVID 19 response OXFAM India supported police stations and front line workers with precautions kits. 27,000 masks and sanitisers were distributed to 17 police stations and front line workers in district of South 24 Parganas.



PROJECT SUPPORTED BY
UTTORAN FOUNDATION

DRY RATION FOR COVID 19 & YAAS CYCLONE AFFECTED PEOPLE

Uttoran Foundation collaborated with SSJS to provide dry food and non food items to people affected by COVID 19 pandemic and cyclone Yaas in Narayanpur Gram Panchayat of Namkhana block. 500 people received the support in Durgapur village of Narayanpur GP. SSJS provided logistical and communication support in the relief work.



SUNDARBAN B.ED COLLEGE & SUNDARBAN PRIMARY TEACHERS' TRAINING INSTITUTE

RECOGNIZED BY NATIONAL COUNCIL OF TEACHER EDUCATION (NCTE)
AFFILIATED TO WBUTTEPA & WBBPE

Sundarban B.Ed College is an important landmark in Kakdwip and a leading educational institute in the district of South 24 Parganas. The college is administered under the auspices of SSJS with the primary objective of imparting low cost, affordable quality education to the disadvantaged population of this riverine district.

The sprawling campus of Sundarban B.Ed College offers a serene and educative environment for the students. The college has some of the best faculties in the district and students prefer Sundarban B.Ed College due to the uncompromising standard it offers, coupled with subsidised education fee with the facility of payment in installments.

At present 200 prospective teachers are enrolled in this college preparing themselves to take on the education sector with top class experience and quality learning.

The campus also houses Sundarban Primary Teachers' Training Institute offering D.El.Ed course for students preparing to become primary school teachers. 100 students are currently undergoing this D. El.Ed course.

Both B.Ed and D.El.Ed students are trained to take up employment opportunities in any government school, colleges, private schools and institutes. 300 student in total.





Glimpses of college activities



PROJECT SUPPORTED BY
CENTRAL SOCIAL WELAFRE BOARD

NATIONAL CRECHE PROGRAMME

SSJS with the support of Central Social Welfare Society runs a creche programme for children in Kakdwip. The children are provided education along with nutritious food and educational materials. At present there are 100 beneficiary children in this programme.

SSJS runs a Child Care Centre catering to the educational and nutritional needs of 116 poor children. These children have no one to look after during the days as their parents go out to work and return in the evening. This programme is run solely by SSJS' own fund and without any external support.

With the support of West Bengal Social Welfare Board SSJS is also implementing State Balwadi Programme for underprivileged children. Through this programme the children are provided education, food and educational materials. There are currently 53 children enroled in this programme.



Children at creche

PROJECT SUPPORTED BY
SSJS OWN FUND

SKILL TRAINING PROGRAMME

SSJS conducted the following job oriented skill development training for youth preparing them for employment. These trainings were conducted in Kakdwip block.

COURSE	NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES
Computer & Hardware	40
Beautician	30
Telecom	45
IT & ITES	40
Health care	40

PROJECT SUPPORTED BY
SSJS OWN FUND

SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD & AGRICULTURE PROGRAMME

SSJS supported the poor community members of Kakdwip and Patharpratima blocks by increasing their earning capacities through training and providing them with inputs for livelihood.

TYPE OF SUPPORT	NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES
Poultry farm	50
Duck rearing	150
Livestock management	80
Fishery	40
Vegetable cultivation	120
Beetle vine	80
Marketing & business dev.	50



Orientation on livelihood initiative

SUNDARBAN RURAL LIBRARY
DISTRICT RURAL LIBRARY, SOUTH 24 PARGANAS



SSJS with the support of District Rural Library, South 24 Parganas runs a rural library for students and common people in Kakdwip. The library is located in SSJS office from where students can borrow books for the educational purposes. However the library is open for young and old and caters to the needs of all book lovers. At present there are 471 members in the library and houses approximately 3,424 books.



Students at the library



HOMEO CLINIC
SSJS OWN FUND

SSJS runs a free homeopathy clinic for the poor and marginalised community in Kakdwip. This clinic provides free treatment and medicines for people with ailments. Around 3,463 people benefitted from this clinic in the last financial year.

OTHER ACTIVITIES OF SSJS

SSJS conducted other awareness programmes including Womens’ Rights, Health & Hygiene and Panchayati Raj Institution, environment and social issues. These programmes help spread knowledge on their rights and duties, safe hygienic practices and government schemes available for the community.

PROGRAMMES	NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES
Women’s Rights	350
Environment	200
Early marriage	250
Panchayati Raj	280

SSJS also helped the local communities in accessing the facility to link their Aadhar Card to banks. The community found it difficult to go to banks or cyber cafes to do these works as it required travel time and conveyance cost. SSJS organised this Aadhar linking camp so that people could avail this facility at their own village.



Villagers arriving for Aadhar linking

OBSERVATION OF SPECIAL DAYS



Every year SSJS observes and celebrates days and events of national and international importance.

During this financial year SSJS celebrated International Women's Day at its office.

Women from SHG groups attended the programme where resource persons spoke of the importance of the day and rights of women.

SSJS also celebrated Independence Day, Republic Day, Basanta Utsav involving local community members and college students.

Women's Day celebrations

GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS

Nurjaman Sardar	President
Nirmal Sharma	Vice President
Rafik Uddin	Secretary
Basudeb Dalui	Asst. Secretary
Anima Purkait	Treasurer
Kallol Chakraborty	Member
Parbati Mondal	Member

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

LAST 3 YEARS TURNOVER (IN LAKH)

Year	Receipts (Rs)	Payments (Rs)
2019-2020	443.91	443.11
2020-2021	668.78	624.89
2021-2022	422.75	407.88

LAST 3 YEARS INCOME & EXPENDITURE (IN LAKH)

Year	Income (Rs)	Expenditure (Rs)
2019-2020	301.57	316.12
2020-2021	596.33	602.57
2021-2022	319.91	319.85

LAST 3 YEARS EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE (IN THOUSAND)

Year	Amount (Rs)
2019-2020	-86.784
2020-2021	-624.44
2021-2022	5.76

NO ONE HAS EVER BECOME POOR BY GIVING

Give generously. It is because of you that so many people are able to smile and have food in their stomach.

South Sundarban Janakalyan Sangha (SSJS) is a not profit organisation and run on contributions and donations from people and organisations who care for the less privileged. Without their generous support and concern, thousands of lives would not be as happy as today.

You too can make a difference and bring smiles on the faces of many more marginalised and poor people. Please contribute and support whatever little you can and see lives bloom. We assure you, your contribution will be accounted for and utilised to bring improvement in the lives of the poorest of the poor.

You may please send your donations in favour of 'South Sundarban Janakalyan Sangha' through Bank transfer at this bank detail:

Punjab National Bank, Kakdwip Branch

Account No: 6928000100016036

IFSC Code: PUNB0692800

You may also contribute through cheque or demand draft and send at this address:

South Sundarban Janakalyan Sangha

Raghunathpur. Post Office Madhabnagar. Block Kakdwip. South 24 Parganas

Pin 743374. West Bengal. India.

Or call on 76790 22275 | 97345 13751

Email us at ssjsindia.org@gmail.com/south_sundarban@yahoo.com

All your donations will be exempted from Income Tax under 80G

COLLABORATORS OF SSJS



SSJS is grateful to all the collaborators who have generously extended their support for the poor and needy people of Sundarbans and other areas of West Bengal and Jharkhand. SSJS takes pride in being a part of this mission of service.



South Sundarban Janakalyan Sangha (SSJS)

Our Other Offices

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Dist.: Dhanbad, Pin: 828 207
Jharkhand, India.

East Midnapore District Office
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P.O.: Chaitanyapur, Dist.: East Midnapore
Pin: 721 645, WB, India.





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CELEBRATING 75TH YEAR OF NATION BUILDING

SSJS is proud to be a part of nation celebrating its 75th year of Independence. It is a historic moment for all Indians. Irrespective of our differences, we are all bound by a thread of commonness, which is unity and love for our motherland; India.

Hundreds of thousands have contributed to building this great nation. It is due to their sacrifices and hard work that we live and breathe in a free country today. SSJS fondly acknowledges the immense contributions of those great souls but for whom freedom would remain a distant dream. We pay our deepest respect and homage to them on this 75th Anniversary of our Independence.

We also remember the numerous people who relentlessly contribute to the ethos and spirit of our independence each and every day of their lives. Their love for this motherland drives them to serve the nation and contribute in nation building.

In perhaps a very insignificant way SSJS is also a part of this nation building. Over the last more than 30 years SSJS has served the poor, marginalised and the deprived people of the country in an effort to help them achieve financial freedom and freedom from poverty, illiteracy and social limitations.

SSJS is proud to be a part of this great nation and wishes everyone a more prosperous and happy life. Jai Hind.





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