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This year, Social Initiatives for Growth and Networking (SIGN), Ranchi has once again made a significant impact through its various programs and projects, empowering and transforming the lives of nearly 32700 people, of which more than 21200 were children. Training sessions, seminars, workshops, meetings and campaigns have been pivotal in driving this change. SIGN is committed to expanding its presence, enhancing its outreach, and showcasing tangible results across all facets of its initiatives.

SIGN has not only supported education of underprivileged children, but also organized sessions on “Good Touch and Bad Touch”, “World Yoga Day”, and “World Forest Day” to promote holistic development among the children in 21 Schools and 16 Hostels under its sponsorship program. It has extended its efforts in agriculture and livelihood development in 242 villages working with more than 2500 farmers promoting organic farming, short duration crop, ragi cultivation, animal husbandry and various income generation activities.

Recognizing, the crucial maternal health plays in the well-being of both mothers and children, it remains dedicated to enhancing maternal and child healthcare. SIGN connected communities with the government health workers and thus facilitated 98% Institutional deliveries and ensured the vaccination of 99% of children in the hard-to-reach places of Jharkhand.

This year, apart from the regular initiatives, SIGN launched a special project called “Awakening Tribal Soul”. Recognizing that young tribals are increasingly adopting modern lifestyles at the expense of their traditional ways, SIGN has taken the initiatives to reintroduce tribal culture and customs to them in the villages, and students in the schools and colleges across seven districts of Jharkhand.

Despite the challenges faced, this year has been a cause for celebration, especially considering the numerous lives that have been positively impacted and transformed. None of these achievements would have been possible without the collaboration and support of our partners, generous donors and well-wishers. We are deeply grateful to each of them, as well as to the communities who have warmly welcomed us and worked alongside us to foster enduring change

I extend my heartfelt thanks to our teams, who continue to serve diligently in challenging environments. However, there is still much work to be done to improve the quality of life of many underprivileged people in Jharkhand. With the support of our donors and well-wishers, SIGN is eager to expand its collaboration, scale its efforts and achieve greater impact in transforming people's lives.

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