# **Monthly Report of November 2017**

Month of November brought smile on the face of many through various activities. We were able to touch the life of many through our monthly meetings. Many women got an opportunity to aspire and achieve a better future for them through our skills training. Women got in touch with themselves and felt contented through group building sessions. Finally our supplementary children enjoyed themselves also made the life of others joyful through a variety of activities on children's day. Besides these we also had meeting with a new group and another group opened account in the bank. Yes a lot of things happened in this month.

#### Monthly meetings at different centers:

These meetings are the backbone of SHG's, were they feel free to share theirs and community situations also discuss coming programs etc. This is also the time to solve some of the misunderstandings between them and renew their relationship. Women always look forward to this meeting.





#### **Group Building Training:**

During this training they learned to embrace the discovery of the self. It was first time in their life they learned positive things about oneself also about others. It gave a real boost in their life. They

felt very happy when they heard positive qualities of theirs from others. All the women liked the sessions. They shared with us that nobody told a positive thing about them in their life so also they never told anything positive things to their children. We encouraged them to talk positive things to their husbands also to their children thus to experience the changes happened in their family.













## Children's Day Celebration:

Since children had gone to school in the morning, we went to the centers in the evening for the celebration. Teachers had prepared the children well with various programs. One center when we reached it was already dark but still we had the program. It was an occasion for them to know the importance of the day and exhibit their talents and abilities through a variety of cultural items. One of the centers the students and teacher told us that it is in first time they are having the children's day celebration. In this advancing society gadgets have taken an important place in the life of the people. This culture is spreading to the villages too and children become prey to it. This type of celebrations encourages them to keep up their culture and traditions and not to lose their childhood.



















### **Skills Training:**

Skills are the foundation of modern life. They are the driving force behind successful careers. A small training can transform the lives of the women. From ordinary women they can emerge as their own heroes. We have seen great potential, great energy and enthusiasm in the women and how they are transforming their lives and contributing to the society.

This year instead of taking them for an exposure visit, we arranged the skill training at our place in collaboration with Canara Bank. There is an old saying that "Instead of giving him a fish every day, teach him how to catch the fish". This was the experience of two days skill training. Altogether 33 women took part in it. Trainers were called to train them to make few food items.

First day they learned how to make pappad and Sevai(Noodles) and second day Puran poly and Baesan ladoos. These are some of the items people prepare for some particular festivals and functions in Maharashtra. Both days certificates were distributed to the participants for successfully completing the training. Women were extremely glad and articulated their gratefulness for arranging this program.





































The various activities enabled the women and children to transform their lives. A famous quote once said: "It is possible to fly without motors, but not without knowledge and skills" People must realize that the value is in the work one does, and not just in what one learns.

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