



International Women's Day in Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand

TARA Akshar+ celebrated 'International Women's Day' on 8th March, 2019 in all the three locations – Aurai block, Bhadohi district, Jakhaura block, Lalitpur district (Uttar Pradesh) and Bhagwanpur block, Haridwar district (Uttarakhand). During the celebrations, TARA Akshar+ neo literates shared their experiences of their journey 'From Thumb to Pen'. They also decided to end the evil practices of society like child marriage, dowry, etc. This event witnessed a large number of local dignitaries which has helped the programme to gain visibility among various interest groups.

The District Magistrate (DM) Bhadohi, Shri Rajender Prasad was the Chief Guest. The other guests for the event were the Chief Development Officer (CDO), Chief Medical Officer (CMO), Bhadohi, Secretary, District Legal Service Authority and Director RSETI, Bhadohi. The Sub District Magistrate (SDM), Lalitpur, Ms Gajal Bhardwaj, IAS was the Chief Guest. The other guests for the event were the Secretary District Legal Service Authority (DLSA) Justice Shri Rahul Mishra and President, Gram Pradhans Association of Lalitpur Shri Sovran Singh Bundeli. The State Minister Uttarakhand, Dr Vinod Arya (Deputy Chairman of

Uttarakhand Animal Welfare Board) was the Chief Guest. The other guests for the event were the Block Education Officer (BEO) and Upper Tehsildar, Bhagwanpur.

Radio Bundelkhand, Development Alternatives' community radio, also hosted a special programme on International Women's Day highlighting the significance of celebrating it not just for one day, but every day. Radio Bundelkhand has been striving to create awareness on developmental issues and hosting special programmes for women.

Glimpses from Aurai Block, District Bhadohi



Chief Guest-District Magistrate lighting the lamp and inaugurating the International Women's Day Event



Chief Guest- District Magistrate, Bhadohi exploring more about TARA Akshar+ and the DA Group



Chief Guest-DM Bhadohi addressing the TARA Akshar+ neo-literates



Chief Guest, DM Bhadohi awarding the certificate to a TA+ Neo-literate



TARA Akshar+ neo-literate Kalua Devi, Musahar Basti speaking about importance of literacy



TARA Akshar+ neo-literate Sarita Devi, Harinarayan Pur Village sharing her Success Story post TARA Akshar+ & Vocational Training



School Girl from Chakwa Primary School presenting Dance Play on "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao"



Team Nukkad Natak presenting play on TARA Akshar+



Neo-literates of TARA Akshar+ showing their certificates on the International Women's Day 2019

Glimpses from Jakhaura Block, District Lalitpur



Chief Guest - SDM Lalitpur Ms Gajal Bhardwaj, IAS lighting the lamp and inaugurating the International Women's Day Event



SDM Lalitpur addressing the TA+ neo-literates



TA+ neo-literate Foolkunwar from Nandanwara village speaking about importance of literacy



SDM Lalitpur giving certificate to a TA+ neo-literate



Secretary DLSA Lalitpur giving certificate to a TA+ neo-literate



Neo-literates with the Guests and the TARA Akshar Team

Glimpses from Bhagwanpur Block, District Haridwar



Chief Guest- State Minister Uttarakhand, Dr Vinod Arya lighting the lamp and inaugurating the International Women's Day Event



State Minister Dr Vinod Arya addressing the TARA Akshar+ neo-literate



State Minister Dr Vinod Arya awarding the certificate to a TA+ Neo-literate



School girls performing a dance item



TARA Akshar+ neo-literate Joni Devi of village Hallu Mazra speaking about importance of literacy and Self-dependency



TARA Akshar + neo-literates showing their well-deserved certificates awarded to them on International Women's Day

Glimpses of the Celebration at Radio Bundelkhand, Madhya Pradesh



Radio Bundelkhand team and community members sharing their take on International Women's Day