

## **Rise & Rebuild: Supporting Women Survivors and Marginalized Women in Bhopal and Indore**

**Project Start Date:** 01 September 2024

**Project End Date:** 31 March 2025

**Status of the Project** – Active

### **Financial Overview:**

Proposed budget : INR 25,90,000

Project Utilisation: approx. INR 12,04,500 (As of January 01, 2025 )

### **Project Background & Summary**

The current project builds on the success of subsequent phases in Bhopal and Indore, Madhya Pradesh, working with diverse women survivor of violence, single women, women informal workers and women living in difficult circumstances. **This project aims to revisit previous livelihood trained women and enhance their skills, as a part of upscaling their existing skills to support them in getting additional benefits at their current employment.** Additionally, women will be supported to form collectives to continue their ventures as a group for pursuing their trades, this will give an avenue to foster economic independence, build community, and promote social change. The project will support trainees of Organic Farming (Mushroom) and E-rickshaw to create collective models to pursue this trade and to scale up the operations by expanding to new markets and provide continues support till they become independent. Seed fundings will also be provided to those women-led entrepreneurs to start their own ventures.

### **OBJECTIVES**

- (i) Provide long-term economic and social rehabilitation for GBV survivors.
- (ii) Increase awareness on GBV prevention and available service (with focus on developing Indore as a centre for GBV support); and on the issues of gender diversity and sexual orientation as a part of GBV.



**Expected Outcomes:**

- Strengthen rehabilitation centres as spaces for women empowerment
- 160 women in two districts would receive specific vocational training under this project
- 3 collectives will be formed – 2 Organic Farming (Mushroom) and 1 E-rickshaw to pursue this trade and to scale up the operations by expanding to new markets and provide continuous support till they become independent.
- 40 women start their own ventures through seed funding
- Increased Awareness and agency to advance gender justice as well as support women, girls and gender minorities

**Next Steps and Future Plans (February -March 2025)**

- **Collective/ SHG Formation** – Establishing and Strengthening women's groups for mushroom farming and E-rickshaw operations.
- **100% Livelihood Engagement** – Ensuring all targeted women are connected to sustainable livelihood opportunities.
- **Seed Funding Process** – Initiating the seed funding process from the third week of February.
- **Women's Trade Market** – Organizing a trade market on March 8th to celebrate International Women's Day and support women entrepreneurs.

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