



Annual Report NASVI

2023-2024

About India Street Vendor Forum

Street Vending has come a long way from the time the National Association of Street Vendors of India (NASVI) was formed 26 years before on 26th September 1998. Beginning as a network of few organizations, NASVI went on to organize the Street Vendors at the National level giving voice and visibility to a large section of urban poor who were present all across Indian cities but absent in Government Policies and Programs. NASVI went on to organize street vendors across India developing leaders and organizations at the city and state levels.

Responding to the advocacy efforts, Govt of India organized a National Workshop of Street Vending in the year 2000 which led to the setting up of a Task Force and a Drafting Committee and ultimately a National Policy on Urban Street Vendors in 2004. The Policy had mixed responses but the numerous communication between the Govt of India and State Govts in the making and implementation of the Policy sensitised the State Govts and to some extent Municipal Bodies. Implementation led to many experimentations and soon NASVI began demanding for a law which could incorporate the lessons from implementation and experimentations. Some states began enacting law by themselves but finally, after many ups and downs The Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014 was enacted by Parliament. The National Urban Livelihood Mission too was launched where implementation of the law became an integral part.

The Food Safety Act was enacted in 2007. Many thought it was a Capitalist gameplan to drive away small food operators like food vendors. NASVI began organizing Street Food Festivals from 2009 and demanding and facilitating the registration of Street Food Vendors. Soon FSSAI began supporting the Street Food Festivals and training the street food vendors developing a training module. Nationwide training of street food vendors started under FOSTAC along with EAT RIGHT MELA. However, as Street Food gained in popularity Big Retail Chains are began grabbing it as their business to the extent that NASVI has launched a campaign #Streetfood by vendors.

COVID and the closure of markets led Govt of India to announce the PMSVANIDHI scheme which came as a big booster to the Street Vending Act. States quickly framed the rules and schemes. Municipal Corporations began issuing Certificates of Vending. Town Vending Committees were constituted. PMSVANIDHI Mahotsava was organised by many Municipal Bodies. The number of PMSVANIDI beneficiaries have crossed 65 lakhs and street vendors

have caught the attention of the Hon'ble Prime Minister and other Ministries. Schemes like SVANIDHI SE SAMRIDHI were launched and the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs launched awards to encourage Municipal Bodies. Those availing Rs 50,000 can also graduate to the Mudra Loan which is for Entrepreneurs. Entrepreneurship of Street Vendors are now catching the attention of the Govt

However despite all these the Street Vendors feel they are at a crossroads. What does this cross road mean for the street vendors .This India Street Vendor Forum is all about this . What have been the achievements and what have been the hindrances? How have the Federal and the City Govts responded? How have their own organizations, leaders and vendors have responded? What is the next big thing to happen? How can street vendors take a leap ? What are the challenges?

To be organized on 26th and 27th of September at Constitution Club of India, New Delhi, the India Street Vendors Forum will bring together community leaders of street vendors across the country. The event will begin with participants presenting highlights from their cities followed by the plenary session. The Plenary session shall follow the broad directions of government policies and their impact on the ground Thereafter the event in divided into simultaneous various sessions so that participants go into smaller numbers for more interactive sessions. The sessions are a) 2024 ki Patri ki Kahaani, Vendors ki Zubaani b) Preliminary Session c) Climate Change Impact on Street Vendors' Livelihoods d) Engaging Street Food Vendors in Food Safety and Nutritional Campaigns e) Legal Quiz f) Urban Planning, local Governance & TVC: Challenges and Opportunities for Street Vendors g) Swach Bazaar, Safal Rozgaar h) Entrepreneurial Skills for Street Vendors: Fostering Business Growth and Sustainability with a focus on Women Vendors i) Digital & Financial Literacy and Street Vendors: Bridging the Technological Divide

25 Years of NASVI on 26th September 2023 at NDMC Convention Centre.

On 26th September 2023, NASVI celebrated its 25 years of journey at NDMC Convention Centre, where many respected dignitaries participated and celebrated the magnificent journey of NASVI where Street Vendors of India were represented by NASVI from street to parliament. In the event of the silver Jubilee celebration, many eminent guests were present and motivated the Street Vendors who had come across India for the event.

The Inauguration, lighting of the lamp, and book release “25 Years of NASVI” were done by the dignitaries on the dais i.e., Shri Manoj Joshi, (Sec MoHUA), Sailesh Pathak, (Sec General FICCI), Alay Mohd. Iqbal, (Deputy Mayor, Delhi), Kamesh Sanghi, (Director- livelihoods, American India Foundation), Syed Sultan U Ahmed, (ILO, India), Siddharth Roy, (principal manager SBCD, FSSAI), Chandra Prakash Singh, (President NASVI), Arbind Singh, (National Coordinator, NASVI). 25 Years of National Association of Street Vendors of India of NASVI Shri Manoj Joshi, (Sec MoHUA) Shri Manoj Joshi, (Sec MoHUA) addressed the participants and emphasized how important PM SVANidhi is for the street vendors and the actual implementation of the Street Vendors Act with the coming up of PM SVANidhi. He said that the issue of vending zones should be taken under consideration as the urban population is increasing. he also appreciated the efforts of NASVI in providing opportunities to street vendors of India to raise their concerns and issues on a larger platform.

After the session panel discussion was held on the Role of the PM SVANidhi Scheme in Securing and Promoting the Livelihood of Street Vendors, where Shri Rahul Kapoor, Joint secretary, MOHUA mentioned how the PM-SVANidhi acknowledged street vendors as business owners who contribute significantly to the economy.

Another Panel discussion was held on Street Vending in India- Challenges and Way Forward where street vendors across the country raised their concerns and the way forward for that. The Panel discussion was moderated by Ms. Sangeeta Singh Street Food Program Head, NASVI where it was discussed which are the key areas that need attention and to improve the situation. The celebration ended with a cultural program where the participants for the performances were none other than, street vendors. from performing classical music to modern Hip-Hop dance, the participants outdid themselves and made this celebration more memorable to everyone.



Women TVC Meeting

The Town Vending Committee (TVC) is an important step in citizen participation in their governance. MoHUA's consistent perusal and monitoring has helped constitute around 4600 TVCs across the country. The challenge now is to make them aware of their roles and responsibilities. One-third of all the elected street vendor members in the TVCs are women. A large number of these elected women are getting the opportunity for the first time to participate in any city-level forum. To increase the effectiveness of their participation in decision-making, NASVI launched a campaign across the country. As a prelude to the campaign, NASVI organized a national meeting to discuss the various facets of women's participation in TVCs to make their participation more effective in the future. NASVI invited 100 women TVC members from across the country along with some resource Persons. Their inputs helped design the campaign as well as future capacity-building activities among Women TVC members.

Some of the issues that were discussed in the meeting were How do they see their current TVC member? how is the women's participation in the TVC Meetings? according to them, what are some of the factors that can improve the decision-making of women TVC? How should the women TVC Members be made aware of the Street Vendors Act 2014 and about the schemes of the state?

Many such issues were discussed and raised in the meeting which gave direction to NASVI to work in that area. The meeting was very informative and fruitful in the maximum participation of the women street vendors in the town vending committees.



Policy Dialogue on the Future of Street Vending in Delhi at Ghalib Auditorium

NASVI held a Delhi city-level meeting, where a participatory approach was brought for the street vendors to focus on the burning topics and the way ahead with the consultation of other stakeholders. The distinguished guests - Ms. Gayatri Sharma, and Shri Alay Mohd. Iqbal, Ms.

Sanjuktka Bhaduri, Shri Rakesh, Shri Indu Prakash Singh, and Shri KK Shrivastav along with Shri Arbind Singh were present for the lighting the lamp ceremony to formally initiate the Policy Discussion. Saplings were presented to the distinguished guests as a token of thanks.

The Policy Dialogue on the Future of Street Vending in Delhi was held at Ghalib Auditorium Delhi on 8th August 2023. The attendees of the meeting were

- Ms. Gayatri Sharma (FES)
- Ms. Madhumanti (FES)
- Shri Kalpesh (SBI)
- Ms. Sanjuktka Bhaduri (School of Planning and Architecture)
- Shri Ravi (Prayas)
- Shri Alay Mohd. Iqbal (Deputy Mayor Delhi)
- Sri Ajay Maken (Ex Union Minister of UrbanPoverty Alleviation)
- Shri Indu Prakash Singh (Senior Social Activist)
- Shri Rakesh (Ex Councillor)
- Shri KK Shrivastav (NHRC)
- Prof. Vinayak (IMT Ghaziabad)
- Shri Arbind Singh (National Coordinator, NASVI)

Many important topics were discussed in the meeting about the issues Street Vendors are facing. Among many issues, the issue of women's street vendors was also raised when Ms. Gayatri Sharma highlighted how in India the women workforce is very low. In the wake of increasing tension between the street vendor community and authorities, this number can even deplete to alarmingly low rates, something which has to be given due importance.



Protest on National Action Day

On 9th August 2023, National Action Day was celebrated where the issued faced by TVC was addressed. According to the Street Vendors Act 2014, TVC has the power on many factors but till today the implementation of those powers is being hindered to address this issue, in 70 cities different activities were organized to put forward our demands and rights. In Delhi, the conference was organized whereas in some cities press conference and protest was also arranged. While in Orissa, Bhubneshwar a protest was organised.



Vijayawada Conference

A Policy Dialogue on the future of street vending was organized by NASVI on 27th October 2023, where market leaders from various markets in Vijayawada came and talked about the issues, they are facing while vending. The Meeting provides a chance for the leaders to talk among themselves and also interact with policy makers to find a solution to the challenges they are facing.



Bangalore Meeting

A policy dialogue was organized on 7th November in Bangalore where vendor leaders from various markets in Bangalore came and talked about the issues street vendors are facing and what can be done for solutions. Issues like the eviction of the street vendors by BMC, atrocities by Police officers, and much more. The highlight of the Meeting was that Dr DK Shiv Kumar Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Karnataka who also monitors BMC assured the participants that he would have the meeting with the concerned government officials and that issues would be solved. The dialogue discussion provides an opportunity for the vendor leaders to raise their issues and find a way to them.



NASVI in World Food India

NASVI has been representing Street Vendors of India at every platform, from national to international events and exhibitions. NASVI has been promoting the street vendors. The Ministry of Food Processing Industries has organized the second edition of World Food India held from the 3rd to the 5th of November at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi. The event has the participation of One-thousand buyers and 950 exhibitions from over 81 countries across the globe.

The National Association of Street Vendors of India participated in the Second Edition of World Food India. In the view of 75th celebration of independence, NASVI has organized 15 stalls at the event and brought 75 cuisines which were all prepared by Street Food Vendors. Nasvi has partnered with Food Street which was curated by Master Chef Ranveer Brar. Street food vendors from across the country participated in the event. Empowering street vendors across the country and giving them the golden opportunity to showcase their culinary skills at such international events gave them the entitlement of respect and opportunity.



The 15 stalls included dishes like Pahadi Pakodi, Tamatar Chaat, Nagori Halwa, Milken Anguli Pitha, and many more. Street Food Vendors from Assam, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, and more participated in the event. Celebrity Chef Mr. Rahul Kapoor, Chef Ashish Basin, and many such chefs came to the NASVI food Stalls and tasted the food prepared by the street food

vendors, which was such a delightful moment for the vendors as this opportunity gave them the chance to cook and serve their delicious food to eminent personalities. Many respected government authority personalities also come to the stalls and taste the food, they also meet the street food vendors and appreciate their efforts. Such events play an important role in the advocacy for street food vendors and help in the growth of our vendors as well.

National Street Food Festival, December 2023

NASVI organised its National Street Food Festival this edition took place from the 29th to 31st December 2023 at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Gate number 14. The event was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs, Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hon'ble Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, and Celebrity chef Shri Kunal Kapoor.



Every vendor came with their special food and represented their state food at the festival, many hidden foods were also discovered at this festival and this year we have brought international cousins to the tastebuds of Delhiites. Street food vendors representing the cuisines from Turkey, Afghanistan, Nepal, Tibet, and many more participated in the festival and served the people authentic street food of their respective countries.

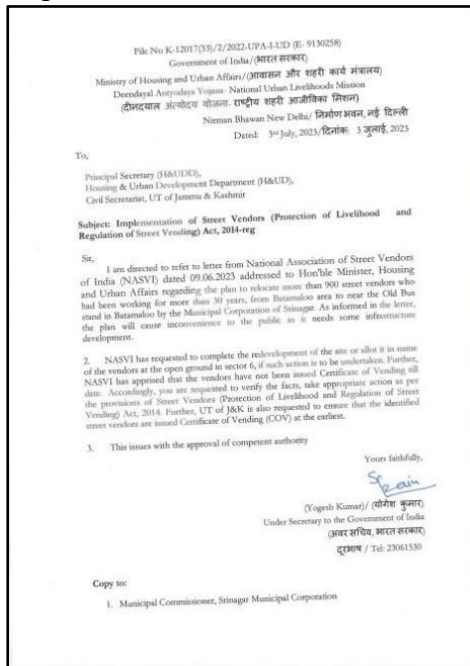


Besides this, it is also in full compliance with plastic base management rules where no single piece of single-use plastic has been used. All cutleries were made of natural leaves like “pattal” and wooden spoons and forks. All the organic waste was sent for composting and all the packaging plastics and paper was sent for 100% recycling. The festival stood apart from other similar events as a “Zero Waste” initiative.

Srinagar Intervention

In June 2023, 900 street vendors in Srinagar faced a forceful eviction from Batamaloo the place where they have been vending for the past 30 years to Old Bus Stand. This plan would have caused trouble to the vendors and regarding this NASVI has written a letter to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and requested to complete the redevelopment of the site or allow it in the name of the vendors at the open ground in Sector 6 if such action was to be undertaken. The action taken by was principal secretary of the Housing and Development

Department, J&K issued a letter to relocate the vendors to their original space.




Court Case

In the Legal Department, several achievements have been marked as well. The Street Vendors were evicted by the Municipal corporation of Delhi, and the Street Vendors had to face Unemployment and Struggle for Legal Aid. So, upon the intervention of NASVI and legal advice from our Advocate Mr. Ravi Nigam, NASVI supported the Vendors and fought the legal battle in the Delhi High Court, The High Court passed judgment and directed the MCD to allow these Vendors to Vend in their respective Areas. This was an important milestone achievement and decision in the favour of street vendors.

Other than such milestone decisions NASVI also intervened in many such cases where the street vendors were facing many issues. One of the instances is of Anil Kumar who has his own Tea Stall, the licensing inspector of the area was troubling Mr. Anil Kumar and was forcing him to remove his stall, despite the fact he has COV the issue continued, upon the intervention of NASVI, Anil Kumar filed a complaint against the L. I and after a few weeks, the Deputy Commissioner, MCD, transferred the Officer from that area. Another Example is Satish Kumar, who was from Karol Bagh. His goods were seized by the Licensing Inspector, upon the intervention of NASVI and legal advice from our advocate, Satish filed an R.T.I for the same, and later action was taken by the Deputy Commissioner, MCD where the Licensing Officer gave a compensation of 4,000 Rupees to Satish Kumar.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

Judgment Delivered On: 06.09.2023

W.P.(C) 10710/2023 & CM APPL. 44295/2023 (to place on record additional documents)

MAHAMMAD YAKOOB & ORS. Petitioners

versus

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF DELHI & ORS..... Respondents

Advocates who appeared in this case:


For the Petitioners : Mr. Varun Singh, Ms. Kajal Gupta, Ms. Smriti Wadhwa and Ms. Somesa Gupta, Advocates.

For the Respondents : Ms. Tajinder Viridi, Standing Counsel for R-1 and R-2/MCD.
Mr. Mohit Bhardwaj, Advocate for R-3/SO, P.S.: South Shahdara Zone.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SIDDHARTH MRIDUL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANISH DAYAL

JUDGMENT

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10 years of the Street Vendors Act

To celebrate the 10 years of the Street Vendors Act 2014, NASVI in collaboration with CCS organised an event where street vendor leaders and many eminent personalities came and discussed the future of the Street Vendors Act. Arbind Singh National Coordinator, National Association of Street Vendors of India mentioned how NASVI played a very prominent and significant role in demanding the Street Vendors Act. 'NASVI has been on the forefront to ask for the rights and Act for the street vendors of India and after the 10 years of it are coming many things have changed for the street vendors across India'.

He also said that the lives of street vendors changed after the coming of this act and making an impact but there are still some loopholes that need to be worked upon. TVC across India should be functioning and working properly.



National Coordinator Mr. Arbind Singh at CCS Meeting

Grievance Redressal Committee

On 4th January 2023, a Grievance Redressal Committee Meeting was held in the Indian Habitat Centre which Hon'ble Minister Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs attended. On this occasion, the Hon'ble Minister mentioned how NASVI is working for the street vendors of India and the initiative of Zero Waste was one of a kind in the National Street Food Festival and **has to become a norm**. He also mentioned NASVI is working on three things that are important to the development of street vendors which are **Zero Waste, Hygiene practices, and Street Vendors skills upgradation and training**.

After the PM SVANidhi Scheme the confidence of the Street Vendors increased and as the Hon'ble Minister mentioned there is an **unprecedented wave of financial inclusivity and digital literacy**. NASVI has always worked for the betterment of street vendors and worked tirelessly to help the vendors get the benefit of the scheme.

Till now only 17 states have made the GRC and through the seminar, a message will go to many states that still have not implemented the GRC. Sanjeev Mishra's licensing & enforcement cell, MCD, Delhi also ensured that we will be working to ensure that the GRC works.



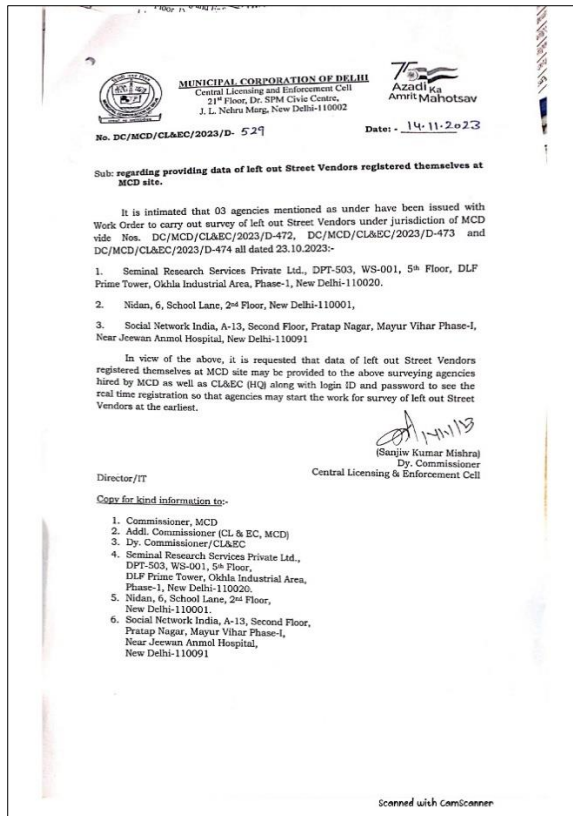
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NASVI Representation at GRC Meeting



Municipal Corporation of Delhi, Survey

Three agencies have been selected to conduct the survey in Delhi, and Nidan one of them has been selected for the survey of street vendors in India. 4 zones have been allocated to us, Shahadara South, Shahadara North, Central Delhi & South Delhi. The procedure started in 2023 and an application has also been developed by the other agency. MCD is willingly delaying the survey of street vendors which is causing chaos among our vendors community. Despite paying a hefty sum to use the app for the survey, the process is as slow as the speed of a turtle. But Nidan has been pressuring the authority to conduct the survey an immediate basis.

Survey Letter

Citizens for self-workers

The initiative was launched in the completion of Street Vendors Act 2014. The campaign "Citizens for Self-Workers" was launched on 1st May 2024. The launch of the "Citizens for Self-Workers" campaign marks a significant milestone in advocating for the rights and recognition of self-employed individuals within our society. Citizens play a crucial role in advocating for the rights of street vendors, recognizing their importance in society. This involves addressing exploitation, ensuring fair treatment and representation, and actively supporting the implementation of legislation like the Street Vendors Act. By engaging citizens in awareness campaigns and collective action, obstacles such as bureaucratic pressure and challenges within regulatory committees can be tackled.

Personalities *Mr. Arbind Singh, National Coordinator, NASVI, Ms. Sangeeta Singh, Street Food Program-HEAD, NASVI, Mr. Indu Prakash - Senior Social Activist, Vijay Pratap - world Social Forum, Dr Neeta Senior Scientist -ICMR, Joginder Singh RWA Paharganj, Varun Singh - Senior Advocate, Rohit Nagpal Senior Advocate, Rony Banerjee, WASME, Monika Dhyani NASS, Arvind UNI – IGSSS, Neha Arora, IMT Ghaziabad Professor, Shehnaj Senior Social Worker, Firdos Khan Delhi commission for women, Anjali Bharadwaj NCPRI, Amrita Johri NCPRI, Purushottam Bhatt IPTA, Rupendra Jha, Dr. Sunil Kumar Pandey, and many others.*



Launch of initiative

Patna Satyagraha

After the shocking and unexpected announcement of the Divisional Commissioner of Patna Kumar Ravi said that Street Vendors will not be able to do their vending activities for almost 10 hours a day on Bailey Road, Nehru Path, Boring Road, and other places. The news came as a shock as it was affecting the livelihood of Street Vendors.

The order of the Divisional Commissioner is none less than any other order under the British Raj, it reflects the same level of atrocity, exploitation, and superiority against the *mango people*.

NASVI took immediate action on it and wrote letters to many officials regarding this decision and protested that it should be taken back, vendors should be allowed to vend and TVC meetings should be conducted.

The solidarity of Street Vendors of Patna came as an answer to the system that if exploitation is done against them, they will not hesitate to take action.



Vendors uniting against the autocratic decision

The consequence of the 3-day Satyagraha was, that Mandi was closed due to which the commodities were not sold and almost 4 crore was lost. Naturally, the prices of fruits & vegetables also went up which was the optimum sign of why Street Vendors are an integral part of our economy.



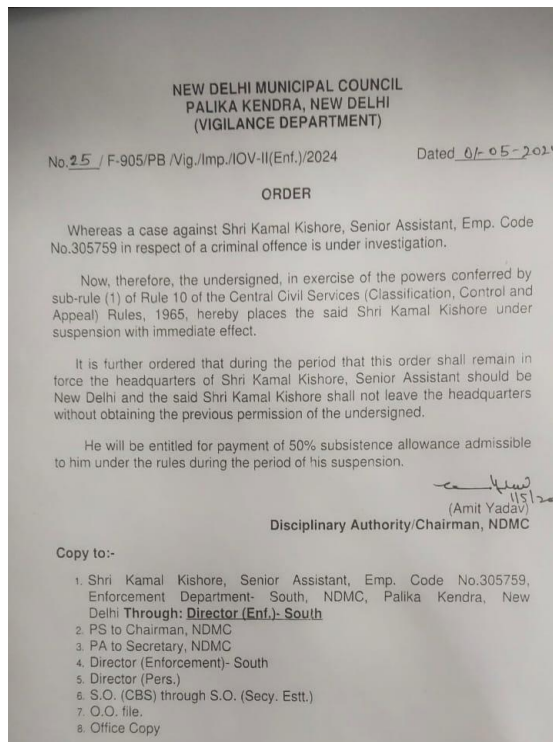
Market being closed for 3 days

Resistance on Streets

Sarojini Nagar Case of Ms. Kanchan, Ms. Sarita, and Ms. Saroj was a prominent example of how Resilience is the key to justice. For the last 5 months, Mr. Kamal Kishore (NDMC, Enforcement Officer) has been harassing the Women Street Vendor of Sarojini Nagar.

Later, Many complaints were filed in the Vigilance Commission NDMC, DCP, Delhi Police, Vigilance Department, Delhi Women's Commission, and NHRC. After these complaints, the NASVI delegation team also had meetings with the Director of Vigilance Commission, NDMC, Mrs. Garima Singh where the NASVI Delegation team explained the issue to the officer in detail. Later, we also held a meeting with NDMC Chairperson, Mr. Amit Yadav where he was briefed about the issue and he considered the points.

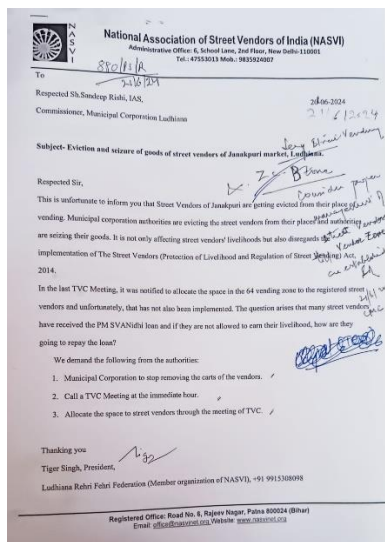
After constant efforts and patience, NDMC issued a letter regarding the suspension of Mr. Kamal Kishore.



Victory of resistance

Punjab Intervention

Street Vendors of Janakpuri were getting evicted from their place of vending. Municipal corporation authorities were evicting the street vendors from their places and authorities were seizing their goods. In the last TVC Meeting, it was notified to allocate the space in the 64 vending zone to the registered street vendors and unfortunately, that has not also been implemented. The issue was taken to the Municipal Commissioner of Ludhiana and he assured with his conversation with the zonal incharge that steps will be taken to create vending zones and street vendors will not be harassed by the authorities.



Tiger Singh meeting the commissioner of MCL

Justice to Street Vendors of Mira Road (Mumbai)


The Azad Hawkers Union recently convened a meeting at Mira Road, Mumbai, to advocate for the rights of hundreds of street vendors in Shanti Nagar. The gathering was graced by the presence of former Member of Rajya Sabha, Mr. Sanjay Nirupam, who served as the chief guest. In his address, Mr. Nirupam expressed his commitment to securing justice for the affected street vendors. He questioned the discriminatory practices of the police and municipal administration, emphasizing that both the Indian Constitution and the Street Vendors Act mandate equal treatment for all street vendors, regardless of their religion. Mr. Nirupam assured attendees that he would engage with the Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Mr. Eknath Shinde, to advocate for the street vendors' rights and ensure their grievances are addressed. The meeting was organized by the Azad Hawkers Union and attended by its Founder President, Mr. Dayashankar Singh, Secretary Mr. Jayshankar Singh, State Coordinator of NASVI India Mr. Gurunath Sawant, Advocate Kunvar Pandey, and members Mahesh Shetty and Renu Soni.



Road to Justice

CHALLENGING MCD 30 MINUTE DECISION

After the horrendous decision of MCD declaring street vendors as mobile vendors and not allowing them to vend at their place for more than 30 minutes, NASVI wrote a letter to the MCD Commissioner, Mayor & Deputy Mayor to make their stand clear for street vendors in Delhi. On one hand, MCD is deliberately delaying the survey, and on the other hand, making such crucial decisions. NASVI is continuously making efforts to stop the duality of MCD and make its stand clear on whether it wants the actual implementation of the Street Vendors Act 2014 in the National Capital or not.



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To,
 Respected Smt. Shelly Oberoi
 Hon'ble Mayor of Municipal Corporation of Delhi
 New Delhi

Subject- Stop this hybridism & make your stand clear for street vendors of Delhi.

Respected Ma'am,

It is high time that MCD makes its stand clear on the street vendors of Delhi. On paper dreams of the creation of vending zones and survey are woven to street vendors but on the other hand, MCD is declaring all vendors as mobile vendors that will eventually stop them from vending at particular places for more than 30 minutes. MCD is also deliberately delaying the survey of street vendors, the domino effect of it would be, no creation of a vending zone, no allocation of vendors in vending zones and eventually declaring vendors as mobile vendors.

It is high time that, MCD stops this hybridism and makes it clear whether they are going to follow and implement the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014 or not. Street Vendors of Delhi are hanging in between neither they are getting surveyed nor they are getting recognized by MCD.

In the coming months, the Code of Conduct is going to be implemented again due to Delhi Legislative Assembly elections, and again the possibility of the survey being delayed will be high. Steps need to be taken by the authorities for the implementation of the law and starting the legacy of inclusive cities for all.

Therefore, we demand the following.

1. Do not declare street vendors as mobile vendors as it will immensely affect their livelihood.
2. Advancement in the conducting of survey
3. Creation of Vending Zones

We would also request an urgent meeting with you to discuss the mentioned issues.

Thanking you
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Delay in second phase of MCD survey leaves vendors vulnerable

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New Delhi: The Municipal Corporation of Delhi is yet to start the second phase of its survey of street vendors even though an announcement on this had been made by mayor Shelly Oberoi in December last year. The National Association of Street Vendors of India (NASVI) has been informed that modifications to the software were the cause of the delay in the survey. Arbind Singh, executive director, NASVI, expressed concern at the lack of progress, stating, "The delay has left the vendors vulnerable and without the necessary protections and recognition that the survey aims to provide. The authorities pleaded that the software was being upgraded."

Shing also criticised a recent MCD decision declaring all street vendors as 'mobile vendors' who should not stop at a particular selling point for more than 30 minutes. He said, "The street vendors are part of society and culture but they are always being targeted by MCD. The decision of MCD because thousands of street vendors' lives will be affected by this step."

There was no response from the mayor's office or MCD officials on why the survey hasn't started yet.

The authorities have identified around 75,000 individuals as being street vendors. But hawkers' associations claim that there are approximately 1.5 lakh of them in the city. However, without a complete survey and identification certificates, proper management of street vendors will remain unlikely. In Sept 2020, Delhi govt notified 28 town vending committees for the first time. The first step after this notification was to conduct a survey across the entire city to identify street vendors, a process that was supposed to be completed within a month but is still ongoing.

During inspections at Laxmi Nagar and Vishwas Nagar last year as part of a cleanliness campaign, Oberoi claimed that MCD had hired three agencies and that the survey work would begin soon. She also mentioned that the problem of street vendors would be resolved to a large extent within a year or two. Now the vendor associations claim that even the work begun then has come to a halt.

The city authorities face the challenge of striking a balance between the rights of the street vendors to earn a living and the concerns of traders and the public regarding their crowded presence in commercial centres and markets and their encroachment into public spaces.

NASVI Stand on MCD Decision in High Court

Intervention in the Vending zone in Varanasi under the project of Pro Paryatan by the World Bank & Ministry of Tourism

According to the Uttar Pradesh Pro-Poor Tourism Development Project Vending Zone was proposed, after the initial survey with Rishi Narayan, and the verification was done by a third party without informing us. There was manipulation and distortion in the list of street vendors



To
Respected Shri S. Rajalingam (I.A.S.)
District Magistrate, Varanasi
Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

Subject- Distortion & Manipulation in the list of Street Vendors for vending zone under the project of Pro Paryatan by World Bank & Ministry of Tourism.

Respected Sir,

The National Association of Street Vendors of India has been associated with the street vendors of India for more than 25 years, from demanding the Street Vendors Act 2014 to implementing the act, NASVI has always been at the forefront of promoting and protecting the rights of Street vendors of India.

According to the Uttar Pradesh Pro-Poor Tourism Development Project Vending Zone is being made in Sarathi Varanasi and Some issues are being faced by the street vendors from Sarathi Varanasi and we would like to highlight them.

- The survey was conducted by the officials in collaboration with Rishi Narayan, and Chairman Samatha Patti Parayyan Vikas, and during the survey, the verification was done through a private institution which was not indicated.
- It is proposed to distribute 286 vending carts in the Samatha Vennadu vending zone by the World Bank and the Ministry of Tourism but during the survey and verification, the officials have tried to change the name and location of the vendors. Also, the names of some vendors are not on the list.
- There are many Street Vendors who still have not received their Certificate of Vending and License from the Municipal Corporation.
- The department is also trying to cover up Handicraft shops in Varnansi Samatha which has been in the area for the longest time and has been the source of livelihood for many families.

We demand that action should be taken against this issue and that vending space should be allotted to authentic street vendors. We also request that the COV should be distributed to every vendor and the handcraft shops should not be displaced by the authorities. We also demand that the Street vendors who are vending in their place should not be evicted or harassed by the concerned authority.

We hope the respected authority will take positive action regarding these issues and all the measures will be taken as per the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014.

Arbind Singh

National Coordinator NASVI
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CC- Hon'ble Shri Yogi Adityanath Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh
Shri Durga Shanker Mishra, IAS Chief Secretary, Govt. of U.P
Shri Rakesh Rathore 'Guru' Hon'ble Minister of State for Urban Development, Uttar Pradesh
Shri Anirudh Ahlhat, I.A.S Principal Secretary, Urban Development Department

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खाराणसी (एसएनबी)। सारनाथ के स्ट्रीट वेंडोर्स ने शिव वैंक की टीम के सामने जमकर हंगामा किया। उनका आरोप था कि यहां मनमाने तरीके से ठेला-रेहडू लगाने के लिए जगह अवैधित की जा रही। फेरी पटरों ठेला जगहों पर सभी विभाग मिलकर लिमिटेशन हैं और अनाथ लोगों को फायदा पहुंचाया जा रहा है।

मांग, किसी भी वेंडर को न

करने बेदखल
टीम की टास्क लीडर ने
समझा-बुझाकार किया शांत
दिया आश्वासन

दरअसल, क्विज बैंक की टीम सारना
में चल रही प्रो-पुअर परियोजना के तहत
विकास कार्यों का स्थानीय निरीक्षण कर रहे
हैं। इसी कड़ी में लगातार दूसरे दिन बुधवार
को टीम सुबह करीब 10:30 बजे सारना
पौराहा स्थित टूरिस्ट बंगला में प्राप्रधान
श्री अशोक कुमार शर्मा के अध्यक्षता में शामिल हो

कार्यक्रम का स्ट्रीट वेंडर सेवा समिति ने जमकर विरोध किया। समिति के अध्यक्ष प्रहृषि नारायण ने कहा कि बेसिक टीम लीडरों ने संदर्भाकार्की द्वारा कुछ वेंडरों और विश्व बैंक टीम के साथ गोपनीय मीटिंग किया जा रहा है, जिसका समिति विरोध कर रही है। कहा कि

ने आरोप लगाया कि मन मुताबिक सत्यवाले लिस्ट पर साइन करवा लिया गया जिससे यहाँ के ठेला व्यवसायियों में आक्रोह है। इसलिए फर्जी तरीके से बने लिस्ट पर पुनर्विचार कर पात्र वेंडरों को ही स्थान आवंटित किया जाए।

को समझते हुए कहा कि विश्व बैंक का उद्देश्य आपके जीवन स्तर को सुधारना है ना कि आपको उठाड़ना है। आप निश्चित रहे। वहीं, टीम को टास्क लौडर ने माना कि विकास कार्य की प्रगति सुस्त है, लेकिन हमें

स्वयं सहायता समूह
से मिली टीम : टीम सिंहपुर
सुल्तानपुर सहित विश्व बैंक द्वारा
संचालित सखी स्वयं सहायता
समूह, पंचा स्वयं सहायता समूह

दुर्गा स्वयं सहायता समूह, मां स्वयं सहायता समूह, लक्ष्मी स्वयं सहायता समूह, महिलाओं द्वारा हस्तशील शिल्पियों एवं कारों तथा सिल्क एवं करीब बुनकर बेटी मिट्टी के शिल्पकार कास्ट कल कार से मलकाल कर विचार-विमर्श

इस दौरान एलबी दुबे, सोनहवा पीटर, श्री मिश्रा, अमन साहू, रामचंद्र, राजेश आदि उपस्थित रहे।



National Association of Street Vendors of India (NASVI)
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To

Respected Shri Neeraj Mandloi

Principle Secretary, Government of Madhya Pradesh

19-06-2024

Urban Development & Housing Department

Subject- Requesting the authorities to implement the Street Vendors Act 2014 in Madhya Pradesh & formation of Town Vending Committee in Municipal Corporations across the state.

Respected Sir

We are unhappy to inform you that after 10 years of The Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014, the state of Madhya Pradesh is **not implementing the law** in letter & spirit which is affecting the livelihood of street vendors across the state.

It is unfortunate that in the majority of the state, there is no sign of Town Vending Committee and even if there is a TVC it is not functioning the way the law states it to. Thousands of vendors are beneficiaries of the PM SVANidhi scheme and even after getting the certificate, authorities are not acknowledging them and continuously evicting them from their place of vending.

Madhya Pradesh has 16 Nagar Nigam, 99 Nagar Palika, and 264 Nagar Panchayats and if the whole system starts to implement the law, the effects of it would be tremendous but unfortunately, the opposite is happening as if the system is not aware that such law for one of the most important community of our society, Street Vendors, even exists.

TVC is the core & first step of implementing the act and therefore, immediate actions must be taken for the formation of TVC, officials taking the meetings, and implementing the act. Through this, not only vendors' livelihoods will be protected but also through the creation of Vending Zones our cities will be more organized and beautiful.

Therefore, Sir, we request you to give us an appointment to meet you at urgent basis and discuss all the mentioned points and find a way forward for street vendors.

Thinking now

Thanking you

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Jabalpur Intervention

Vending Zone in Guwahati

On February 15, 2023, it was the first massive agitation by NASVI in collaboration with the Street Vendors Association of Assam, protesting a mass eviction drive due to the G20 summit. After doing rigorous press meetings and making press releases, we managed to reconstruct the TVC committee and in the first meeting of TVC on 11/1/2024, NASVI took advantage of raising voices for vending zones through TVC members, resulting in NASVI, the Guwahati team along with TLF and ASVA went to every market to map every possible vending zone area and proposed 130 potential vending zones, and 22/2//2024 we able to get 81 free vending zones (non evicted) declared.

NASVI has also been given the responsibility to make a Vending Zone model to GMC.

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OFFICE OF THE GUWAHATI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
Market Branch : Lakhidola : Guwahati
Date : 22/02/2024

NOTIFICATION

In the interest of the public service and in pursuance of decision taken in Town Vending Committee, Guwahati in its meeting dated 11-01-2024, the following locations are hereby declared as Vending Zones under GMC in exercise of powers conferred under Section 18 (1) of the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihoods and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014.

SL. NO.	SLOT	AREA	WARD NO.	CAPACITY	TYPE OF VENDING ZONES
1	NEAR LABOUR COMMISSIONER OFFICE, KANAKLATA PATH (FROM BELA KALITY TOWARDS KANAKLATA)	30 MTR L, 1.5 MTR B	36	13	FREE VENDING ZONE
2	OPP BANHARSHI MISSION ROAD, NEAR ASHOK KISHOR DEWA SANTHA	23 MTR L, 9 MTR B	39	14	FREE VENDING ZONE
3	NEAR ATANKUL, AK ADAR ROAD, GOWDATH NAGAR	15 MTR L, 1 MTR B	18	6	FREE VENDING ZONE
4	KANAKLATA PATH (FROM HOSPITAL TOWARDS TOWARDS BANHARSHI MISSION ROAD)	30 MTR L, 1.5 MTR B	36	13	FREE VENDING ZONE
5	NEAR KANAKLATA PATH, BANHARSHI MISSION ROAD	27 MTR L, 1 MTR B	39	14	FREE VENDING ZONE
6	MAHARAJA ROAD, BANHARSHI MISSION ROAD	27 MTR L, 1 MTR B	39	14	FREE VENDING ZONE
7	NEAR KANAKLATA PATH, BANHARSHI MISSION ROAD	27 MTR L, 1 MTR B	39	14	FREE VENDING ZONE
8	NEAR KANAKLATA PATH, BANHARSHI MISSION ROAD	27 MTR L, 1 MTR B	39	14	FREE VENDING ZONE
9	NEAR KANAKLATA PATH, BANHARSHI MISSION ROAD	27 MTR L, 1 MTR B	39	14	FREE VENDING ZONE
10	NEAR KANAKLATA PATH, BANHARSHI MISSION ROAD	27 MTR L, 1 MTR B	39	14	FREE VENDING ZONE
11	NEAR KANAKLATA PATH, BANHARSHI MISSION ROAD	27 MTR L, 1 MTR B	39	14	FREE VENDING ZONE

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CORRIGENDUM

In partial modification of this Office Notification No. GMT/97/2023/50 dated 22.02.2024, the following Vending Zone is hereby re-notified as follows :

SL. NO.	SLOT	AREA	WARD NO.	CAPACITY	TYPE OF VENDING ZONE
11	BACKSIDE OF ARVIND SCHOOL	2 BIGHA	29	500	FREE VENDING ZONE

Sd/- Commissioner, GMC cum
Chairman
Town Vending Committee
Guwahati

Janasanyog/DF/3063/23/14-March-24

Declaration of Vending Zones in Guwahati with NASVI's continuous efforts

Panchkula

On February 29, 2024, as previously announced, hundreds of street vendors from Panchkula gathered at the park near Bela Vista Chowk at 10:00 AM. As the group prepared to march

towards the Red Bishop Hotel, the SHO on duty and CID officers approached them. The officials advised the vendors not to proceed with the demonstration and assured them that their memorandum of demands would be received by a competent authority and conveyed to the Chief Minister of Haryana. After deliberation, all the present members agreed to this.

Subsequently, the Duty Magistrate, SHO, CID officers, and police personnel accepted the memorandum through the Duty Magistrate. Following this, the vendors held a meeting and warned the administration that if prompt positive action was not taken on the demands listed in the memorandum, they would be compelled to stage a protest. This protest would involve a funeral procession for the Municipal Commissioner throughout the city, culminating in an overnight protest at his residence.

लघु व्यापारियों ने लोनिवि के आई को घेरा



हरिद्वार (सच कहूँ न्यूज़)। रेहड़ी पटरी लघु व्यापार एसोसिएशन ने देवपुरा चौक से लोक निर्माण विभाग कार्यालय तक रैली निकाल लोनिवि के खिलाफ प्रदर्शन किया। एसोसिएशन ने लोनिवि सहायक अभियंता गणेश दत्त जोशी का घेराव कर ज्ञापन भी सौंपा।

शुक्रवार को एसोसिएशन के प्रांतीय अध्यक्ष संजय चौपड़ा ने बताया कि हरिद्वार में नियमानुसार चौथा वेंडिंग ज़ोन सेक्टर दो बैरियर से भगत सिंह चौक तक स्थापित किया गया है। वेंडिंग ज़ोन पर लोनिवि ने आपत्ति लगाई है। विरोध में लघु व्यापार एसोसिएशन ने रैली निकाल कर नारेबाजी करते हुए आई जोशी का घेराव किया है। कहा कि उत्तराखंड सरकार के निर्देशन में नगरी फेरी नीति

नियमावली के नियमानुसार नगर निगम प्रशासन द्वारा फेरी समिति का गठन किया हुआ है।

लोनिवि द्वारा सेक्टर दो वेंडिंग ज़ोन पर आपत्ति जताना उत्तराखंड शासन की नगरी फेरी नीति नियमावली का उल्लंघन है। लोनिवि को अपना पक्ष रखना है तो फेरी समिति की बैठक के दौरान न्याय पूर्ण तरीके से रखे। घेराव करने वालों में नम्रता सरकार, पुनम माखन, सुमन गुप्ता, संगीता चौहान, सीमा, राजकुमार, मनोज, पवन, मुकेश, जमीन अंसारी, आजम अंसारी, तस्लीम अहमद, सभापति सिंह, यश अरोरा, विजय, भोले शंकर, लालचंद, सचिन बिट्ट, चंदन रावत, प्रमोद गुप्ता, बालवीर आदि लघु व्यापारी शामिल रहे।

Haridwar Intervention

रेहड़ी पटरी पर काम करने वालों ने वेला विस्टा चौक पर किया प्रदर्शन

ज्ञापन के माध्यम से मुख्यमंत्री हरियाणा को उनकी मांगों को पूरा करने की मांग की

सवेरा न्यूज़/ संतोष

पंचकुला, 29 फरवरी : पंचकुला के आंकड़ों रेडी पटरी पर काम करने वाले साथी वेला विस्टा चौक के साथ पार्क में सुबह 10 बजे इकट्ठा हुए। जल्दा रेड बिशप होटल की ओर चलने को तैयार हुआ उसी वक्त वहां पर ड्यूटी में तैनात एसएचओ साहब व सीआईडी के साथी हमारे बीच पहुंचे और उन्होंने कहा आप प्रदर्शन करने के लिए वहां पर ना जाएं हम आपका ज्ञापन मांग पत्र किसी सक्षम अधिकारी के माध्यम से यहीं पर प्राप्त कर लेंगे और आपकी आवाज मुख्यमंत्री हरियाणा सरकार तक पहुंचाएंगे। जिसके बाद वहां तैनात ड्यूटी मजिस्ट्रेट एस एच ओ, सीआईडी के साथी पुलिस बल के जवानों के बीच मांग पत्र ड्यूटी मजिस्ट्रेट ने स्वीकार किया। सभी ने बैठक कर प्रशासन को चेतावनी देते हुए मांगों पर शीघ्र सकारात्मक कार्रवाई नहीं की गई तो हम प्रदर्शन करने के लिए मजबूर होंगे। रोष स्वरूप अधिकारियों की शव यात्रा पूरे शहर में निकाली जाएगी। शाम को उनके ही आवास पर उन्हीं के शव को रखकर पूरी रात वहां पर विरोध प्रदर्शन करेंगे। जिसके लिए हरियाणा सरकार पंचकुला प्रशासन एवं नगर निगम आवुक्त जिम्मेदार होंगे। धरने

युनियन के सदस्य पुलिस एसएचओ के माध्यम से मांग पत्र को मुख्यमंत्री तक पहुंचाते हुए।

में उपस्थित सीटू जिला प्रधान रामदेवी, रेडी फडी युनियन प्रधान रामदेव सिंह पटेल एवं जनरल सेक्रेटरी अमरनाथ वर्मा, उप महासचिव राममिलन वर्मा एवं संस्था के चेयरमैन फोदी रजक आदि लोगों ने संबोधित कर प्रशासन से शीघ्र समाधान करने की अपील की।

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Haridwar

The Street Street Small Trade Association took out a rally from Devpura Chowk to the Public Works Department office and demonstrated against the PWD. The association surrounded PWD Assistant Engineer Ganesh Dutt Joshi and also submitted a memorandum.

On Friday, the provincial president of the association, Sanjay Chopra said that as per the rules in Haridwar, the fourth vending zone has been established from Sector 2 Warriar to Bhagat Singh Chowk. PWD has objected to the wedding zone. In protest, the Small Business Association took out a rally and surrounded AE Joshi while raising slogans. Said that the city ferry policy under the direction of the Uttarakhand government

As per the rules and regulations, a ferry committee has been constituted by the Municipal Corporation Administration.

Surat

A march was organized by street vendors of Surat to raise their voices against the extortion done by authorities, thousands of street vendors encircled the municipal corporation and submitted their demands.



Surat Intervention

Town Vending Committee Meeting in Patna

NASVI has demanded before that with the continuous eviction of street vendors, vending zones should be declared, on 24 June 2024, a TVC Meeting was held where it was decided that 75 vending zones would be created for street vendors of Patna, Day-NULM, State mission managers were given this responsibility to conduct the survey and allocate the space to vendors via a lottery system.


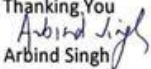


TVC Meeting in Patna

Advocacy Efforts Across Country

Through our advocacy efforts across the country, actions were taken by the authorities to take action on issues of street vendors.

India Gate

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To,	Date-05.02.2024
The Deputy Commissioner of Police	
New Delhi.	
Subject:- Removal of Street Vendors from Kartavya Path despite creation of vending space by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MOHUA)	
Dear Sir,	
With lot of efforts Govt of India created vending space for Street Vendors at Kartavya Path, Parking P-1, just beside the Ice cream sellers; Unfortunately, they have been removed from there on your orders.	
As Street Vendors serve lakh of visitors coming to India Gate, we urge you to restore their livelihood urgently.	
Thanking You  Arbind Singh	
(National Coordinator)	
National Association for Street Vendors of India	
CC to- Sh. Sagar Preet Hooda, Special CP (Law & Order), Delhi Police	
-	Commissioner of Police, Delhi Police
-	D Thara Joint Secretary to Additional Secretary Ministry of Housing and Urban affairs.
-	Sh. Deepak Aggarwal, Joint Secretary (Central Vista)
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Ujjain

NASVI raised its voice when space was being allocated to street vendors and existing vendors were neglected. Concerns were raised to give priority to street vendors who are already vending there.



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Respected Shri Roshan Kumar Singh, IAS
Commissioner

Ujjain Municipal Corporation

Subject- Prioritizing to give a street food hub to existing street food vendors in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to draw your kind attention to the establishment of street food hubs in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh. We believe that it is crucial to prioritize the inclusion of existing street vendors in the Street Food Hub.

The **National Association of Street Vendors of India** has been advocating the rights of street vendors in India for 25 Years. NASVI played an important role in the formation and implementation of the Street Vendor Policy in 2004, and then in Street Vendors Act 2014. From continuous meetings with eminent government officials to strategic meetings with street vendors, NASVI has been at the forefront of demanding and protecting the rights of Street Vendors. apart from taking an active role in legal advocacy, NASVI also plays an important role in the capacity building of Street Vendors in India.

Street vendors play a significant role in our local economy, contributing not only to the vibrant culture but also providing essential livelihoods for many families. Therefore, in the establishment and execution of street food hubs, the **first priority should be given to existing street vendors who have been an integral part of the local landscape.**

Ensuring the participation of these vendors will not only preserve the authenticity of our street food culture but also promote economic sustainability for those who have been contributing to it for years. I kindly urge the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) to work in collaboration with the Ujjain Municipal Corporation to implement policies that safeguard the interests of existing street vendors.

Your attention and support in this matter are highly requested and appreciated.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Jodhpur



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To,

Respected Shri Atul Parkash, IAS

Commissioner, Jodhpur Nagar Nigam (North)

Subject- Issues faced by Street Vendors of Jodhpur

Respected Sir,

The National Association of Street Vendors of India has been associated with the street vendors of India for more than 25 years, from demanding the Street Vendors Act 2014 to implementing the act, NASVI has always been at the forefront of promoting and protecting the rights of Street vendors of India.

We would like to bring your kind attention to the many issues that are being faced by the street vendors of Jodhpur on a regular basis and would request you to look upon it and take strict action on the following issues.

1. In 2016 Survey was conducted in the Jodhpur area and till now, no receipt, No Certificate, and no document has been given to the street vendors even then they have asked for it repeatedly. Over 2,500 Certificates are in the office and still not being distributed to the vendors.
2. Street Vendors have also applied for the Loan under the PM SVANidhi Scheme and for that they did not get the certificate. Even though street vendors have asked the authorities many times, still they have not received their Letter of Recommendation.
3. Since 2016 there has been no election for the Town Vending Committee and since 2020 there has not been a single meeting of TVC.
4. The Street Vendors of Jodhpur are continuously being evicted by the officers of Jodhpur Municipal Commissioner. This is clearly against the law as per Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act 2014

The mention is some of the issues Street Vendors of Jodhpur are facing and we request you to look and act upon it at the immediate hour. We want certificates of Survey & PM SVANidhi should be given to the street vendors. We also want the Re-election of the TVC should be conducted at the immediate hour and TVC meetings should be called upon at regular times and should be attended by the concerned officer. The eviction of street vendors must be stopped and allow the vendors to work in their respective areas.

We hope the respected authority will take positive action regarding these issues.

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Chief Secretary of Rajasthan, Shri Sudhansh Pant

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To,
Respected Shri Deepak Kumar Saxena (IAS)
Collector & District Magistrate
Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh

Subject- Encroachment of Street Vendors by Authorities

Selling affordable street food is not a criminal act but it's the fundamental right of street vendors in India and the authorities of Jabalpur are encroaching on the vendors from their place of vending and harassing them by seizing their goods. From the Municipal Corporation of Jabalpur to the police, the administration of Jabalpur treated the street vendors and street vendors like criminals and collected heavy fines by vandalizing the stalls with bulldozers and confiscating goods. This is their constitutional and now also statutory right. Recently, more than 50 street vendors who had been selling street vendors for more than 25 years from **Malviya Chowk in the Milliniganj** area were vandalized and removed with sticks and bulldozers, and street vendor Abhiraj Sahu and his two sons were arrested to raise their voices against this issue. A report was filed against Ankit Sahu and Aman Sahu in the Kotwali police station and they were sent to jail. There are more than **80,000 street vendors in Jabalpur city**.

The constitutional bench of five judges of the Supreme Court had given a historic decision in the Sohan Singh vs. New Delhi Municipal Corporation case [(1989) 4 SCC155] that street vending is the oldest business in India and the world and is older than other businesses. And like other businesses street vending also comes under **Article 19(1) (g)** of the Constitution and is their Fundamental right. Even in a developed country like England, a law has been made to regularize this right in 1982. But in a welfare state like India, if a law is not made, the courts will have to intervene. After this, in the case of **Gendaram vs. Delhi Municipal Corporation (2010) 10 SCC 715**, the Supreme Court directed the concerned government to make a law to regularize it. Expressing anger in the Supreme Court in the **Maharashtra Ekta Hawkers Union vs Municipal Corporation Greater Mumbai case [(2014)1 SCC490]**, he said that it is unfortunate that the police and local administration behave badly with the street vendors.

The continuous eviction of street vendors is an unfortunate action taken by our authorities and therefore we humbly request you stop these kinds of actions against the street vendors of Jabalpur and help to maintain the street food culture which is one of the highlights of our Indian Culture.

We request you have a meeting on these issues and find a solution to the encroachment and harassment for the sake of street vendors' lives and livelihoods.

Thanking you
With Regards
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Calicut

Shri M. K. Raghavan. MP inaugurating annual GENERAL BODY MEETING of national footpath unduvandi pettykada thozhilali union at Calicut.



Prayagraj

Footpath Traders Unity Committee under the leadership of Chief Patron of District Prayagraj Mr. Vijay Gupta submitted a memorandum to Additional Chief Municipal Officer Mr. Arvind Rai in the Municipal Corporation. Chief Patron Vijay Gupta said on this occasion that the Municipal Corporation officials are harassing the street shopkeepers. Every day the shops of street vendors are destroyed by the Municipal Corporation or challans are issued. On one hand the Prime Minister and the Chief Minister are including people in the PM SVANidhi Yojana for employment.

मांग भा पूरा हो जायगा।

नगर निगम अधिकारी के शिकायत योगी जी केशव जी नगर विकास मंत्री से करेंग नगर आयुक्त को पटरी दुकानदारों ने ज्ञापन सौंपा

प्रयागराज। फुटपाथ व्यापारी एकता समिति जिला प्रयागराज के मुख्य संरक्षक श्री विजय गुप्ता के नेतृत्व में नगर निगम में अपर मुख्य नगर अधिकारी श्री अरविंद राय को ज्ञापन सौंपा। मुख्य संरक्षक विजय गुप्ता ने इस अवसर पर कहा कि नगर निगम के अधिकारी के पटरी दुकानदारों को परेशान कर रहे हैं। नगर निगम के द्वारा आए दिन पटरी दुकानदारों की दुकान उखाड़ दिया जाता है या तो चालान कर दिया जाता है। जबकि एक तरफ प्रधानमंत्री जी और मुख्यमंत्री जी लोगों को रोजगार के लिए पीएम स्व निधि योजना में शामिल कर रहे हैं। इसकी शिकायत माननीय

मुख्यमंत्री योगी जी से एवं उपमुख्यमंत्री केशव मौर्य और नगर विकास मंत्री से लखनऊ से भरेगा। नगर निगम के



में मिलकर इसकी शिकायत करेगी। व्यापारी नेता प्रमिल केसरवानी व जिला अध्यक्ष विकास अग्रहरि और महामंत्री प्रमिल गुप्ता ने संयुक्त रूप से कहा कि अतिक्रमण के नाम पर

उपीड़न किया जाएगा तो वह पीएम स्व निधि का लोन कहां से भरेगा। नगर निगम के व्यापारी एकता समिति के सदस्यों को शामिल किया जाए। नगर निगम के द्वारा कने टाउन वेंडिंग कमेटी में कुछ लोग नम्र सदस्य बनकर वसूल रहे हैं पैसा ऐसे लोगों पर कारवाई किया जाए। आपसे गुजारिश है जब तक उनकी व्यवस्था नगर निगम द्वारा बसाने की प्रक्रिया व्यवस्थित तरीके से ना हो तब तक अतिक्रमण के नाम पर दुकानदारों को हटाया ना जा इस अवसर पर प्रमिल गुप्ता प्रमिल गुप्ता लीलावती कमलेश कुमार मोनिका केसरवानी सिंधु अंकित अग्रहरि रश्मि शिव शंकर अनुराग गुप्ता कमलेश कुमार राहुल राज अमरनाथ शिवम पुंखर प्रमोद कुमार बंटी पटेल आदि लोग शामिल रहे।

Puri

Ganadharana started at the Puri collectorate for the settlement of street vendors.



Bengaluru



Celebration of Street Vendors Day across India

On 20th January, NASVI celebrated Street Vendors' Day across India. From Madhya Pradesh to Vijayawada, the momentous day was celebrated by street vendors.

धूमधाम से मनाया स्ट्रीट वेंडर दिवस

विश्वास एक्सप्रेस

जोधपुर। फुटपाथ ठेला एवं खाद्य सामग्री स्वरोजगारी यूनियन जोधपुर की ओर से शनिवार को स्ट्रीट वेंडर दिवस धूमधाम से मनाया गया। इस अवसर पर अशोक उद्यान में शंकर लाल माखेचा के नेतृत्व में एक आम सभा का आयोजन किया गया जिसमें यूनियन पदाधिकारी एवं समस्त जोधपुर के वेंडर्स ने भाग लिया। बैठक में स्ट्रीट वेंडर एक्ट पर चर्चा की गई और वेंडर्स को अपने अधिकारों के बारे जानकारी दी गई। वेंडर्स दिवस पर सभी वेंडर्स को हार्दिक बधाई और शुभकामनाएं देते हुए यूनियन के पदाधिकारियों ने वेंडर्स दिवस के महत्व पर प्रकाश डाला।



कार्यक्रम में यूनियन के पदाधिकारी प्रवीण प्रजापत, भीम सिंह, अब्दुल मन्नान चौद, मोदी, मो. इफ्फान कुरेशी, जितेंद्र खींची, भानु प्रताप, जाकिर भाई, भोपाल सिंह, सुखाराम, किशन आदि ने सभा को संबोधित किया।

बान्हास न बारह प्रशासक आ सदायव वमा क साथ अतिथियों का स्वागत किया। आयोजन में सभी पदाधिकारीगण, ओपन दल के रोजर रेंजर एवम स्काउटर गाइडर उपस्थित रहे।

द्वारा मेजक गाड़ी पलाई गई। इस अवसर पर पूर्व विधायक पारस जेन, विवेक जेनी, जगदीश अग्रवाल, सोनू मेहता, जितेंद्र कुमावत, जगदीश चौपाल सहित कार्यकर्ता पदाधिकारी उपस्थित थे।

पथ विक्रेताओं को सम्मानित कर बढ़ाया मनोबल

नासवी ने मनाया पथ विक्रेता महोत्सव सप्ताह

उज्जैन की चौपाटी के पथ विक्रेताओं से कहा साफ सफाई का ध्यान रखें, सिंगल यूज प्लास्टिक मुक्त बाजार बनाना है



उज्जैन, मास एक्सप्रेस टावर चौपाटी पर नेशनल एसोसिएशन ऑफ स्ट्रीट वेंडर्स ऑफ इंडिया (नासवी) के द्वारा पथ विक्रेताओं के साथ पथ विक्रेता महोत्सव मनाया गया। इस कार्यक्रम में टावर चौपाटी, रेलवे स्टेशन रोड, तरण ताल चौपाटी, चरक भवन चौपाटी, ट्रेजर बाजार गणपति यारों से पथ विक्रेता शामिल हुए। नासवी

दिल्ली से आए अजीत कुमार और प्रदीप तिवारी द्वारा उज्जैन के पथ विक्रेताओं को फूल माला एवं मीठाई खिलाकर सम्मानित किया। साथ ही पथ विक्रेताओं का मनोबल बढ़ाया गया। कार्यक्रम के संबोधित करते हुए अजीत कुमार ने पथ विक्रेताओं को अपने अधिकार और कर्तव्यों के बारे में अवगत कराया तथा सभी उपस्थित पथ विक्रेताओं से शपथ ली कि अपने कर्तव्यों का निर्वाह ईमानदारी पूर्वक करेंगे। कार्यक्रम के दौरान उपस्थित पथ विक्रेताओं को संबोधित करते हुए उज्जैन रेलवे स्टेशन से पथ विक्रेता प्रतिनिधि मुकेश शर्मा एवं स्ट्रीट वेंडर्स एसोसिएशन ऑफ उज्जैन के अध्यक्ष राजेश बापे ने स्ट्रीट वेंडर्स से संबोधित करने की अपील करते हुए अपने बॉर्डिंग जैन साक सफाई का ध्यान रखते हुए सिंगल यूज प्लास्टिक मुक्त बाजार बनाने को कहा। इस कार्यक्रम को सफल बनाने में नितेंद्र सावले, देवराज चौहान अन्य पथ विक्रेताओं ने सहयोग किया।

देश

Street vendor mahotsav celebrated

UJJAIN: A Street Vendor Mahotsav was celebrated with street vendors by the National Association of Street Vendors of India (NASVI) at Tower Chowpatty, Street vendors from Tower Chowpatty, Railway Station Road, Swimming Pool Chowpatty, Charak Bhawan Chowpatty, and Treasure Bazaar Ganpati Yaron participated in this programme. Nasvi Ajit Kumar and Pradeep Tiwari, who came from Delhi, honoured the street vendors of Ujjain with garlands.

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पथ विक्रेताओं को सम्मानित कर बढ़ाया मनोबल



अर्जुन मशाल >> उज्जैन

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स्टेशन से पथ विक्रेता प्रतिनिधि मुकेश शर्मा एवं स्ट्रीट वेंडर्स एसोसिएशन ऑफ उज्जैन के अध्यक्ष राजेश बापे ने स्ट्रीट वेंडर्स से संबोधित करने की अपील करते हुए अपने बॉर्डिंग जैन साक सफाई का ध्यान रखते हुए सिंगल यूज प्लास्टिक मुक्त बाजार बनाने को कहा। इस कार्यक्रम को सफल बनाने में नितेंद्र सावले, ओम प्रकाश रैक्वार, विनय लाल योगी, राजेश श्रीवास्तव, योगेश वर्मा, देवराज चौहान अन्य पथ विक्रेताओं ने सहयोग किया।

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Autonomous and Financially Independent Vendor Associations are being formed in three cities Patna, Bhagalpur, and Dhanbad

Following consistent follow-ups by the TLF (Town Vending Committee) in Bhagalpur, the Bhagalpur Municipal Corporation distributed 16 vending kiosks in Lajpat Park. Subsequently, with continued coordination between the market committee, TLF, and the municipal corporation, 130 vendors were allocated vending spaces in the Sendic Compound area.

In the Mayagunj vending zone, although 47 vendors were present, only 26 vending kiosks were initially allotted during Phase 1. However, due to persistent follow-ups by the market committee and TLF members, the Bhagalpur Nagar Nigam initiated the construction.

In another instance, prompted by diligent follow-up actions by TLF leaders from Patna and the NASVI (National Association of Street Vendors of India) team, street vendors were organized through lining in Rajbansi Nagar, Boring Road, Dinkar Golambar, and the Station area. Furthermore, as part of the Smart City initiative, 400 shops were established on Marine Drive, where street vendors were regulated effectively. Approximately 6000 street vendors were successfully regulated within designated vending zones during this period.

Moreover, in Dhanbad, numerous vendors found settlements in the vending zone established at Kohinoor Maidan. A total of 232 street vendors were accommodated here, providing them with employment security.

Lajpat Park Vending Zone Bhagalpur



TLF Meeting Bhagalpur



Market Committee Meeting Dhanbad

City-level meeting at Dhanbad



TLF leaders meet with Additional Municipal Commissioner



Patna Leaders Training Patna



Food Safety Registration Camp with FSD



Serve Safe Food

Last year, NASVI trained more than 27 thousand street food vendors in 20 states. The training session with street food vendor aims to enhance their livelihood by improving personal and food safety hygiene. The collaborative approach creates awareness about hygiene various modules of hygiene practices that are required to serve food to customers. In this process, future street vendor leaders and street vendors are also identified. The process involves an intense on-ground mobilization process where vendors are informed about the training sessions. An important factor is vendors get a FoSTaC Certificate which is essential to have for every food vendor.



Fellowship Project

The fellowship program of the has been initiated in five major cities of India with the idea of promoting street vendors as the frontline workforce for monitoring and promoting the effective implementation of the Street Vendors Act 2014. The Fellowship Programme has been planned with a sustainable approach where vendors get equipped to take charge of intervention for the protection of the rights and entitlements of street vendors in their area.

The Fellowship project has completed its 2.5 years and slowly becoming a model program that will be further scaled up to more areas of NASVI's intervention.

Cities of Intervention:

Vijayawada (Andhra Pradesh), Bhubaneswar (Odisha), Jamshedpur (Jharkhand), Guwahati (Assam), Bangalore (Karnataka)

Major Activity

- 1- Street vendor leadership and formation of Sustainable Street Vendor organization
- Monthly Meetings in 225 Markets to raise issue and

- Formation of Market Committees in approx 150 markets.
- Bringing a consensus to form Town Level Federation in Vijayawada and steps has been initiated at Jamshedpur. In Bangalore, Bhubaneswar and Guwahati TLF are formed.



TLF Meeting in Guwahati





2- Advocacy for Vending Zones.

During the intervention period there have been various efforts to make the existing Vending Zones Functional and Also Declaration of Vending Zones for Surveyed and Certified Street Vendors.

As consistent follow up 81 Vending Zones have been declared in Guwahati and Bhubneshwar Municipal Corporation has started listing existing street vendors for giving them space in proposed Vending zones.



Meeting with Jamshedpur Commissioner & Bhubneshwar Municipal Commissioner

Guwahati Municipal Corporation has also officially Requested NASVI for giving a model for creating Vending Zones.



Town Vending Committee Meeting in Guhawati

In Bangalore and Vijayawada the team is in constant touch with Municipal corporations for issue of Vending Zone.

5. Advocacy and Follow-up for Survey and IDs:

In Bangalore, Bhubaneswar and Jamshedpur continuous advocacy resulted in positive and the Survey and Issue of pending COVs would be done soon.

NASVI team met the Municipal Commissioner and Officers of Guwahati and Vijayawada and continuous follow up is going on

In Vijayawada team has done a Signature campaign to demand survey of all the Street Vendors



Meeting with Vijaywada Commissioner

6. Facilitating Access of PM Svanidhi Loan to Street Vendors.

As given above 15500 street vendors have been supported for applying PMSVANIDHI loan. The team has organized more than 100 Market camps in the reporting period to facilitate access of the scheme. Other than the application team has also helped street vendors in post application for disbursement of loan amount.

8. Organizing Public Actions

- 20th January Street Vendors Day
- Celebration of 10 years of Street Vendors Act
- Women's Day Celebration





mDiabetes

In Mumbai, NASVI is collaborating with Arogya World to conduct a mDiabetes program. Arogya's mDiabetes program involves using text messages to instruct street vendors in India on how to prevent diabetes through healthy living.

During the period of February 2024 to May 2024, we registered 7000 street vendors in this program in Mumbai. Our pioneering effort involved sending WhatsApp messages to street vendors about diabetes and its prevention.

On February 18th, 2024, a community event was organized in Mumbai to raise awareness about diabetes and its prevention. There were 52 street vendors and their leaders present, and one of the doctors guided them.



Enrolment in Community Event

Rehabilitation of Livelihood of 52,500 street vendors in

Mumbai, Surat, and Morbi.

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Introduction to the project

Street vendors represent a very important factor in the urban informal economy and play a vital role in ensuring the availability of goods and services at affordable rates at the doorstep of the city dwellers.

The COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdowns have had a detrimental impact on the livelihoods of street vendors. These changes prompted the government to launch initiatives to assist street vendors such as PMSVANidhi. Initiated to support a particularly vulnerable population at risk due to widespread restrictions on movement, the project had a significant impact.

NASVI, with the help of the American India Foundation (AIF), is working to improve the livelihood the 52,500 street vendors of Mumbai, Surat and Morbi city.

Intervention Area is Mumbai, Surat and Morbi.

The following are the targets for the enrolment of street vendors:

Cities	Target
Mumbai	40,000
Surat	9500
Morbi	3,000
Total	52,500

Successful Achievements of the set target.

National Association of Street Vendors of India (NASVI) successfully completed this street vendors livelihood project with the support of American India Foundation. In this project period NASVI team successfully enrolled **52,992 street vendors from Mumbai, Surat and Morbi city (Maharashtra & Gujarat State)**. Among those enrolled vendors **20,679 no of vendors are female**. Out of 52,992 enrolled street vendors **43,601 street vendors connected with PMSVANidhi scheme because of our team efforts**. and **32,318 street vendors received loan**. **52,747 street vendors trained on digital payment methods for their income enhancement and now 52,711 street vendors using digital platform while vending**. NASVI team faced some kind of challenges during this project time like eviction drive by Municipal Corporation, unawareness about PMSVANIDHI Scheme, non-willingness of bank officials & bank pendency, police actions/harassments against street vendors, insecurity about digital platform etc. hence we achieved our set goal on timeframe.



Multistakeholder Meeting in Mumbai



Addressing Hon'ble Mr. Hardeepsingh Puri, Cabinet Minister, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

Multistakeholder Meeting at Surat.





Addressing by stakeholders Ms. Gayatri Jariwala, Assistant Municipal Commissioner of Surat

Noida Utsav

Noida Utsav was organized by NASVI & NIDAN and was a one-stop destination for Handicraft Artisans and Street Food Vendor of Uttar Pradesh. The event was held from 2-4th February 2024 at Noida Haat, Sector 32. From intricate handicrafts to delicious street food everything was there for the visitors, apart from this Panel Discussion sessions on important topics like cleaning Noida, financial literacy, and many such sessions took place at the event. Cultural performances were also a part of this three-day magnificent event where traditional Kathak to Modern K-Pop performances took place.



National Street Food Festival Bengaluru

Taking the taste of north to south was a big step for NASVI and our street food vendors and this momentous event took place at Jaya Mahal Palace on 30th & 31st March 2024 where street food vendors from many states participated. The two-day event attracted a lot of Food lovers and support for our street food vendors across India. Not only it was an opportunity for Street Food Vendors from across India but a huge opportunity for street food vendors of Bangalore as well. From Avadhi Biryani from Lucknow to Dahi Jalebi every street food has been the eye-catcher and taste-catcher for the visitors.



First UN Tourism Regional Forum on Gastronomy Tourism for Asia and the Pacific

Ms. Sangeeta Singh, Head-Street Food program NASVI attended the First UN Tourism Regional Forum on Gastronomy Tourism for Asia and the Pacific In Cebu, Philippines. UN Tourism, the Basque Culinary Center, and the Government of the Philippines organized the First UN Tourism Regional Forum on Gastronomy Tourism for Asia and the Pacific, on 26-27 June 2024 in Cebu, The Philippines. Driven by the growing interest in food among travelers seeking authentic experiences, as well as the substantial opportunities it presents for sustainable socio-economic development, cultural exchange, and community well-being.



EC Member, Ms. Kanchan Devi at the Ministry of Health & Family Affairs Meeting

On 28th June, The Union Health Ministry on Friday launched three initiatives among which was the launch of the spot food license initiative a ground-breaking new functionality for the instant issuance of licenses and registrations through the Food Safety and Compliance System (FoSCoS). Executive Member Kanchan Devi got the opportunity to represent the street vendors and said that she is thankful to the Hon'ble Union Minister for giving her this chance and the new registration process will work for the betterment of street vendors.



Flood Relief Yamuna floods 2023 Delhi

Delhi witnessed one of the biggest disasters of recent times. After a huge span of 40 years, it has realized that no matter how big a metropolitan city it is, natural disasters are not far away if the environment is not given its due importance. Delhi received almost 112% more rainfall than the average so far in the last monsoon season. People residing near Yamuna were evacuated to a safer place or advised not to get out of their homes in the situation. What has become evident is that haphazard urbanization and encroachment in natural drainage ecosystems have taken a big toll on people's lives, most importantly the poor or common man's lives.

Due to a lack of access to resources and their socio-economic background, people adjust to dingy and congested neighborhoods, but when disasters like the Delhi floods of 2023 come, they are the worst hit due to these conditions. Irregularly maintained sewage and drainage systems, overcrowded habitation, illegal encroachment of colonies, and no proper garbage disposal mechanism, all add to degrading the situation. NASVI, after analyzing the situation of those affected, mobilized funds to support the victims in rehabilitation. NASVI distributed dry ration kits to the most affected communities in Delhi which helped them immensely.

Victims were mapped and mobilized, and distribution camps were organized on different dates for the distribution in the following regions. A total of 8,000 kits were distributed across these regions.

- Preet Vihar
- Madanpur Khadar
- Patparganj
- Tronica City
- Badarpur Khadar
- Soniya Vihar
- Usmanpur
- Garhi Mandu

- Chauhan Patti



FSSAI Event Organised by NASVI





Flood Relief in different regions of Bihar

Bihar is no stranger to flooding, with the monsoon season often leading to severe inundation in low-lying areas. The recent floods, exacerbated by heavy rainfall, led to widespread destruction of homes and infrastructure, leaving thousands without access to food, clean water, and shelter. The communities of Muzaffarpur and Saharsa were particularly hard-hit, with many residents forced to evacuate their homes and seek refuge in temporary relief camps.

The distribution of 1,000 flood relief ration kits in Muzaffarpur and Saharsa exemplifies the power of collective action in times of crisis. While the immediate needs of food and hygiene were addressed, the effort also served to strengthen community bonds and lay the groundwork for recovery. As Bihar continues to navigate the aftermath of the floods, ongoing support and rehabilitation efforts will be vital in helping these communities rebuild and thrive once again.



Flood Relief in Assam

The flood relief efforts in Assam, spearheaded by NASVI (National Association of Street Vendors of India) and Nidan, with Nestlé India's support, have significantly impacted the affected regions. We have worked tirelessly to provide essential aid to those impacted by the devastating floods. Nestlé India, contributed vital resources, including food supplies and hygiene kits.

