

NEWS and EVENTS:

- **We had Annual Gathering of Adolescent Girls of 253 *Saloni Sangams* on different dates in October 2023, celebrated as *Balika Diwas* at six Community Centres of Basti Sadar, Harraiya, Kalwari, Ikauna, Asnar and Sahajanwa.**
- **Awareness Programmes and Rallies were organized in selected Villages on 01 December on the World Aids Day.**
- **60 Children with Disability from the Community Centres of Basti Sadar, Kalwari, Harraiya and Mithaval participated in the Sports Day and International Day of persons with Disabilities on 03 December 2023 at Little Flower School Campus, Maharajganj.**
- **In the last week of December and the first week of January, 450 Blankets were distributed to Persons with Disability in collaboration with Little Flower Mission, Gorakhpur and 140 Blankets were distributed by DISA at Harraiya to the Widows of the Programme Villages.**
- **A new Programme Intervention viz Family Centered Child Care for the non-formal education of the School dropout Children has been initiated by DISA in the District of Chatra in Jharkhand w.e.f. 01 December 2023 for one year.**
- **The Governing Body of DISA held its 46th Meeting on 18 February 2024 and the 5th Extra Ordinary Meeting of the General Body on 03 March 2024. Binu Tomy was elected as the new Secretary and Chief Functionary of DISA w.e.f. 03 March 2024 in the place of Cherian Puthussery.**
- **International Women's Day was celebrated on 10 March at Basti Sadar and Harraiya Blocks, on 11 March at Bahadurpur Block, on 13 March at Sahajanwa Block, on 16 March at Ikauna Block and on 17 March at Mithaval Block. Altogether about 4500 women participated in these celebrations, besides many Adolescent Girls of *Saloni Sangams* and Members of the Farmers Clubs of the six Community Centres.**