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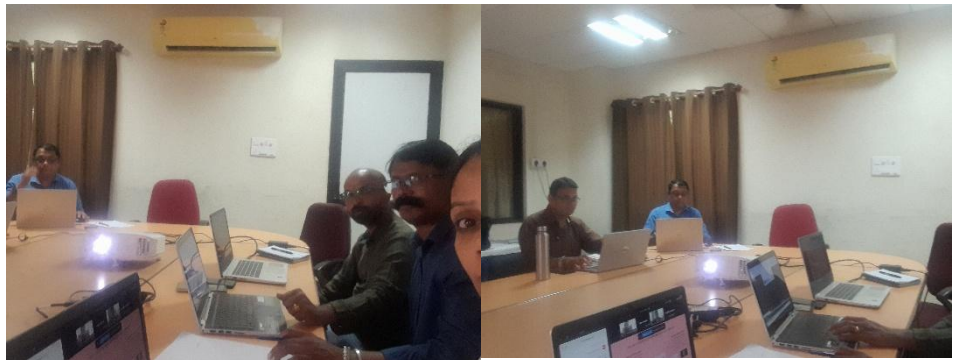
I. System strengthening and organizational development support to all partners to meet all compliance criteria.

Staff Meeting at MPSSS, Bhopal

Staff meetings for the quarter were convened at MPSSS, Bhopal, under the leadership of Fr. Shinto Abraham, Executive Director on 8th October 2025 and on 8th December 2025, Staff members from various projects came together to share the successful activities carried out in the previous month and to discuss the plans and strategies for the month ahead. The meeting provided a platform for collective learning, collaboration, and strengthening future action plans.

Training Session on Canva – MPSSS

On October 8, 2025 at 2:00 PM a virtual training session on Canva was organized for the staff of Madhya Pradesh Samaj Seva Sanstha (MPSSS) to enhance their skills in digital design and visual communication. The session provided hands-on learning on creating attractive posters, reports, and newsletters for project documentation and outreach.



II. Initiate and assist partners at all levels of Project Cycle Management (PCM) for thematic development.

Mushroom Cultivation Success under SAFBIN Project – Mandla

Under the SAFBIN Project, a mushroom cultivation unit was established in Mandla district. Within just 21 days of setup, the unit showed promising results as the mushroom growth progressed successfully, bringing immense satisfaction and enthusiasm among the participating farmers.



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On the 22nd day, the women farmers harvested their first yield—5 kilograms of fresh mushrooms. This marks a significant milestone, demonstrating that mushroom cultivation can become a sustainable livelihood option for small and marginal women farmers. The initiative is gaining momentum as the demand for mushrooms continues to rise in the Mandla region, proving the project's positive impact on enhancing income opportunities and promoting local entrepreneurship.



Krishi Sakhis Exposure Visit under ATMA Project – Mandla

On 6th October 2025, 50 *Krishi Sakhis* from Mandla district, under the ATMA Project of Krishi Vigyan Kendra and the Agriculture Department, visited the SAFBIN project area for a field



exposure program. They observed sustainable farming practices such as natural farming, organic manure preparation, pest management, and use of *Jeevamrit*, *Beej Amrit*, *Dasparni*, and *Fish Tonic*. The group also visited the Knowledge Resource Centre and interacted with women farmers about *Haat-Bazaar*, *Gaushala*, community nurseries, and nutrition gardens. The visit enriched their understanding of eco-friendly and sustainable agriculture models.

Samarth

Special Village Awareness Programme – Budhni Block

Under the Samarth – Empowering ASHA Phase III initiative, MPSSS conducted special village-level awareness programs in Budhni block



from October 13–14, 2025. The events focused on promoting community



health awareness and encouraging active participation of ASHA workers and villagers in health and nutrition-related activities.

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Special Village Awareness Programme – Kesla

On October 16, 2025 a special village awareness programme was organized at Kesla under the *Samarth – Empowering ASHA Phase III* initiative. The session focused on promoting community health, hygiene, and nutrition awareness among villagers.



Special Village Awareness Programme – Budhni

On October 24, 2025 MPSSS conducted a village-level awareness programme at Budhni, engaging community members in discussions on health, nutrition, and preventive care practices to strengthen local health awareness.



ASHA Monthly Meeting – Kesla

On October 25, 2025 ASHA monthly meeting was held at Kesla, where health workers reviewed their field activities, shared experiences, and planned upcoming awareness



initiatives under the *Samarth Project*.

ASHA Monthly Meeting – Budhni

On October 27, 2025 an ASHA meeting was organized at Budhni, focusing on performance review, reporting, and enhancing coordination among ASHA workers to improve community outreach and health service delivery.



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Special Village awareness

A special village awareness drive was conducted across 25 villages in Kesla and Budhni Blocks during November 2025. The initiative focused on engaging communities through informative sessions, outreach activities, and interactive discussions on key social and health issues. The campaign successfully reached a large number of villagers, enhancing awareness and encouraging positive behavioral changes at the grassroots level.



Training of ASHA Workers on IEC

A Training of ASHA Workers on IEC was conducted on 3-4 November at Kesla and 10-11 November, 2025 at Budhni, focusing on strengthening their knowledge and skills on key health topics. The sessions covered Non-Communicable Diseases, Communicable Diseases, WASH & Hygiene, and Maternal and Child Health. Through interactive discussions and practical guidance, ASHA workers enhanced their capacity to deliver effective community outreach and support better health practices at the grassroots level.



Quarterly Review Meeting of Asha Worker's

The Quarterly Review Meeting of ASHA Workers was held on 10th December 2025, at MPSSS office Bhopal providing a platform to review field-level activities, share progress, and discuss challenges faced during implementation. ASHA workers actively participated in the meeting, sharing experiences, success stories, and key issues from their respective



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areas. The meeting helped strengthen coordination, reinforce responsibilities, and identify action points to improve service delivery in the coming quarter.

Baseline survey new proposal development

A field assessment using the Problem Tree analysis was conducted by a seven-member team from Madhya Pradesh Samaj Seva Sanstha (MPSSS) on 29 November 2025 in the villages of Harjipura and Samari Bonda in Ashta Block, Sehore District. Through interactions with farmers, women's groups, youth, and other stakeholders, the team identified key issues affecting the communities—most notably a sharp decline in agricultural productivity. Harjipura reported very low crop yields, while Samari Bonda faced low agricultural production, both of which are closely linked with challenges such as malnutrition, poverty, poor seed quality, water scarcity, electricity shortages, migration, limited education, and climate pressures. The findings informed a comprehensive Problem



Tree, offering deeper insight into the root causes and effects shaping the villages' socio-economic conditions.

SAFBIN Partners Review Meeting

“The Fifth SAFBIN Partner Review and Planning Meeting was successfully held on 10th and 11th December 2025 at MVSS, Sagar. Fr. Shinto Abraham-Executive Director-MPSSS & Mr. Pradhuman-SAFBIN Coordinator from Mandla were part of the meeting. The meeting provided a valuable platform for partners to reflect on the overall results, outcomes, and strategic impact of the program. Presentations highlighted key achievements and learning, supported by a well-curated exhibition of ongoing initiatives. The presence of Father Benny, AED, Caritas India, further enriched the discussions and reinforced the collective commitment towards strengthening the impact and future direction of the SAFBIN programme.”



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Partners Engagement Enhancement Program – RFAP Launch

The Partners Engagement Enhancement Program – RFAP Launch & Mission Strengthening 2025–26 was successfully held on 13 December 2025 at MPSSS, Bhopal, bringing together Caritas India leadership and DSSS Directors from across Madhya Pradesh. The event marked the formal launch of the Regional Forum Accompaniment Project to strengthen coordination, governance, and program quality among diocesan partners. Key sessions included online inductions on safeguarding and financial management, updates on the Caritas India micro-project, and progress of the Chetna Disability and Lenten Campaigns. Leaders emphasized accountability, collaboration, and community-driven action, reaffirming a shared commitment to strengthen partnerships and enhance impact for vulnerable communities.



Farmers' Field School

Under the SAFBIN project, a Farmers' Field School (FFS) was held on 19 December 2025, where farmers visited a mushroom production unit and committed to continuing mushroom cultivation. In Silpura and Thoda villages, farmers also received hands-on orientation on preparing and using Jeevamrut bio-fertilizer, along with guidance on conducting crop trials for local gram and white pea. The session saw active participation from 55 farmers, including 34 women and 21 men, across three villages.



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Monthly Review Meeting of Asha's

The Monthly Review Meetings of ASHA Workers were successfully conducted on 29 and 30 December 2025 at Kesla and Budhni blocks. During these meetings, ASHA workers actively shared their key achievements for the month along



with the challenges they faced in the field, creating a platform for mutual learning, reflection, and strengthening of community health services.

III. Collate and interpret lessons learned, share among partners and network with members to widen the visibility of church in action.

Annual Partner Meet 2025 of India Donates Partners

The Annual Partner Meet 2025 of India Donates was successfully conducted on 3rd and 4th November 2025 in Delhi, bringing together partner organizations for two days of learning, collaboration, and reflection. Day 1 focused on introductions and collective reflections on the partner journey, followed by an engaging expert-led session on AI for Fundraising and Communication. Day 2 continued with advanced insights on AI applications, along with a dedicated session on Building Effective Fundraising Teams. Participants actively engaged in hands-on activities using their laptops, contributing to a highly interactive and productive learning environment. The meet concluded with reflections and a wrap-up session, marking a meaningful and insightful gathering for all partners.



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Seminar on Health Ministry Sisters of St. Francis of ASSISI

Madhya Pradesh Samaj Seva Sanstha (MPSSS) & The Catholic Health Association of Madhya Pradesh (CHAMP) organized a two-day *Seminar on Health Ministry* for the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi on **8th and 9th November**

2025 at the CHAMP Office, Bhopal. The seminar aimed to strengthen the understanding of community health, institutional responsibilities, and emerging health interventions among the participating Sisters. The program included sessions on Organizations Vision, Mission and work, Care Cell formation, community health, telehealth



services, nutrition and malnutrition, government health schemes, VHSNC & VHND, and mandatory policies including safeguarding. Experienced facilitators and CHAMP resource persons led the sessions through presentations, discussions, and interactive engagements. The seminar concluded with reflections, a vote of thanks, and a shared commitment to strengthening health ministry services at the community and institutional levels.

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