**Develop 100 women entrepreneurs in Indian villages**

**Summary**

Pipal Tree Foundation plans to provide training to 100 women from poorest part of Ranga Reddy district in Telangana. The training would be provided in Seri Culture (silk production) and Goat Farming. The project provides complete training to 100 women to enable them to start their own business in the field. The project plans to provide financial assistance to these women for tools, plants and goats after successful completion of training. It also plans to support these women for next 18 months for successful outcome of the myself.

**Challenge**

As per SAS 2012-13 count 9 Core household in India are agriculture dependent. In real terms (using CPI-AL as the depilatory with base 2004-05) the agriculture income has increased from Rs 26,901 pa in 2002-03 to Rs 38,096 pa in 2012-13. Cultivation remains the main source for average Indian Agri household and this dependence has increased from 46 % to 48 % in last 10 years.This lower income is causing serious distress in Rural India, causing increasing suicides among farmers.

**Solution**

One solution to address this problems is to assist farmer households to increase their income by way of increasing their participation in Agri-allied activities as well as to help some family members (specially from bigger and very poor families) to earn salary income by providing them jobs in non-farm sector.

Various Government and Non Government Organizations have been trying to address this issues. However the need of the day is to develop Self Sustainable Models which should not rely completely on the donations or grants.

**Long-Term Impact**

This project will educate and build a profitable small scale businesses in goat farming and silk production for 100 women in villages. This will also help reduce dependency of their families on agriculture income, thereby avoiding financial distress at the time of drought. This will also help these 100 women to rise out of poverty, which will provide for their families' health and well-being. This will also improve support from the Govt. The technical assistance will be provided by the Pipal Tree to promote Goat Farming and silk production which will automatically enhance the livelihood of women who can earn a handful allied income and somewhat protection from drought situation.

**Resources**

[Organization Web site](http://www.pipaltreefoundation.org/" \t "https://www.globalgiving.org/dy/v2/pe/project-edit/_blank)

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