

Multi Art Association

MAA empowers marginalized communities through people-centered initiatives, promoting a caste-less, secular, and democratic society

Annual Report 2024-25

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PRESIDENT'S WORDS:

This Annual Report (2024–25) reflects the Multi Art Association's commitment to building an inclusive and just society. Our efforts this year focused on empowering marginalized and tribal communities through participation, rights awareness, and sustainable livelihood initiatives.

With valuable support from the Azim Premji Foundation (APF), we strengthened Gram Sabhas and promoted self-governance in PESA (Panchayats Extension to Scheduled Areas) regions. These initiatives helped communities assert their traditional rights, access social security schemes, and revive local governance rooted in collective decision-making and deepening local democracy.

Interventions during this financial year addressed key areas such as the Forest Rights Act (FRA) 2006, constitutional rights awareness, and livelihood enhancement through sustainable and scientific farming practices. Capacity building for farmers, GIS-based planning under MGNREGA, and improved access to government schemes further strengthened the resilience of rural households.

Community leaders and village cadres teamed together, advanced grassroots governance, secured forest and work rights, and nurtured community leadership for a more equitable future.

We extend heartfelt gratitude to our board members, volunteers, and partners—Azim Premji Foundation (APF), Global Green Grants Fund (GGF), Childline India Foundation, and UUHIP—for their constant support and belief in our vision. Their solidarity continues to inspire our journey toward inclusive, participatory, and people-centered development where every voice counts.

Jitendra Singh
President

Multi Art Association

We empower village communities by raising awareness about their rights and responsibilities and strengthening access to government schemes and services, ensuring the public welfare programs reach the most vulnerable sections of society.

About Us

MAA organisation was established in the year 2007 to support and equip the grassroots communities and groups on strategic thinking reflecting the grassroots issues. For the last 17 years the organisation has been working among deprived and marginalized sections of society for their rights and entitlement.
The organization is working in seven districts of Jharkhand on various issues for ensuring basic human rights and improving the socioeconomic and health status of vulnerable communities through awareness drives, capacity building, trainings, and handholding support.
The organization has wide experience in grassroots intervention on thematic issues of livelihood, education, women's rights, health, hygiene, environment, and sanitation. It is engaged with commitment to create the environment for ensuring basic human rights specific to Sustainable Development Goals.

Vision

Building an inclusive & equitable society where every individual has access to basic needs, equal opportunities, and a sustainable future, empowered to lead a dignified life.

Mission

Educating, organizing, and empowering the marginalized & excluded communities to access their rights and entitlements, economic growth, self-reliance, and social justice.

Presence

The organization currently works across the Palamu, Latehar, Khunti, Lohardaga, Dhanbad, and Gumla districts of Jharkhand with community leaders at the village level in 21 blocks, 140 Panchayats, and 650 villages.



Annual program highlights 24-25

Strengthening Self Governance and Grassroots Democracy

The Gram Swashasan Abhiyan program, with the objectives of strengthening Gram Sabha and traditional practices in the scheduled PESA area, was implemented in 45 villages of 8 panchayats (Morwai Kala, Kuchila, Chhipadohar, Ukamad, Ked, Chungru, Lat, and Haratu of Barwadih Block, in district Latehar) under Barwadih Block as a model that can be replicated in other areas and is one of the key instruments of community empowerment. The organisation has worked continuously to make the community aware of the provisions of PESA and the continuation of traditional practices in scheduled areas. More than 25-gram pradhans were trained on PESA, and 45 gram sabhas were facilitated to sit on a regular basis.

Preservation of Indigenous Knowledge and Culture

Traditional knowledge on forest plants, herbals, and their uses was passed on to 890 school children in the Korwa, Mundari, and Kuduk languages. 28 village resource persons were engaged for experience sharing traditional knowledge. 36 children have learned traditional tribal language, and 7 children have learned Dokra metal art from a village resource person. PVTG communities (Parahia and Korwa) of 10 villages regarding customs, traditional culture, food habits, traditional system of worship, marriage rituals, herbal uses, and exclusion from social security schemes were documented as a report.

Observing Labour Day

A seminar was organized on the occasion of May Day (1st May) in Kala Khajuri village under Bargarh block. 35 community representatives, including 15 women of Tehri, Paraswar, and Bargarh Panchayat, participated in this seminar. Understanding the importance of labour day, safety and health of the workers at the workplace amid climate change was the focus of the seminar.

Annual program highlights 24-25



Strengthening Social Securities and Welfare Outreach

Efforts focused on empowering Gram Sabhas to facilitate democratic decision-making, forest rights claims, and linking communities to schemes like MNGREGA, pensions, PDS, and housing (Birsa Awas). Village cadres were training to assist with applications, documentation, and grievance redressal. Over 2180 families were linked to social security schemes. Regular Gram Sabha meetings and secretariats were established to ensure participation, transparency, and monitoring, strengthening self-governance and inclusion development at the grassroots level.

Women's Empowerment and Gender Equity

A Young Women Leadership Program (YWLP) formed in collaboration with partners like AALI and FAT, providing marginalized young women computer and IT skills training, alongside workshops on gender equity and patriarchy. It offers legal aid to women facing domestic violence, trafficking, and witch hunting. The association supports Mahila Sabhas—platforms where women discuss issues like sanitation, social security, and violence—and promotes women's active participation in local governance, including Gram Sabha meetings. These initiatives build confidence, leadership abilities, and awareness among women, advancing their rights and fostering gender equity in Jharkhand rural communities.

Protecting Childhood, Empowering Futures

The child rights program has reached over 800 children in distress in 2024-25. The program rescued 39 child laborers, rehabilitated 26 street children, prevented 15 child marriages, and tracked 104 missing children. It facilitated the linkage of 326 children to government schemes and mainstreamed 101 children into education. The association also ran the District Child Helpline 1098 in Latehar, offering timely assistance and protection. Additionally, it promotes educational rights through Gram Sabha subcommittees and advocates for nutritional support.

Annual program highlights 24-25

Forest Rights and Environment Protection

The CFR (Community Forest Rights) and IFR (Individual Forest Rights) claim has made strong progress, as the staff and village committees have been trained and supported to submit 42 community forest claims for over 32,000 hectares of land and many individual claims, with 56 new IFRs submitted to SDLC. This support is helping villages take control of their forest land for their future through a clear step-by-step claim process and ongoing work with government offices. In addition, forest management in 22 villages included making a long, wide (about 8-10 km long & 12-15 ft wide) fire line to keep forests safe, and villagers in 16 villages planted about 4,500 seed balls of trees like sal, mango, harra, tamarind, jackfruit, and ber (Chinese date) to help the forests stay healthy.

Promoting Health Nutrition and Social Justice:

Nutrition kits were distributed to 130 PVTG families, reintroducing traditional millet cultivation with technical support and ensuring daily egg distribution to children in Anganwadi centers—a major step in combating malnutrition. The organization also facilitates community awareness and capacity building on constitutional rights, social securities schemes, and Gram Sabha empowerment, fostering transparency and participation.

NREGA Sahoyag Kendra which operates in 13 centres

NSK has helped in getting job card registration, renewals, work demand applications, wage payment tracking, bank account openings, and grievance redressal related to MGNREGA. Between January and September 2024, NSK processed 4854 applications in these areas. It also facilitates training for staff and village cadres, empowering them to effectively support community engagement.



Annual impact highlights 24-25



Overall Impact:

- 10932 HH and 44766 individuals are reached directly through a baseline survey.
- Experience sharing of traditional knowledge on language, herbal medicine, arts, and rituals involved 32 schools and 28 village resource persons.
- More than 1500 community members are reached out to through festivals like Karam Mahotsav and football tournaments promoting community engagement and youth development.
- On 29th August, around 200 men and women of Kala Khajuri village planted around 2000 trees, which included baken, neem, karanja, guava, jackfruit, and gambar trees. All the villagers had brought saplings from their homes.
- 2183 vulnerable and deprived families linked with welfare schemes and MNREGA.
- 236 SC/ST households received work through MNREGA, with 2525 man-days generated.
- 1261 new MNREGA job cards were applied for, with 24 grievance resolutions on delayed payments.
- 13 NREGA Help Centers processed 4854 applications supporting employment and entitlements.
- 31,083 children in ICDS anganwadi centers started receiving eggs six days a week as nutrition enhancement.
- 56 village councils in Garhwa District obtained community forest ownership of 40,565 acres.
- 32 Forest Rights Committees (FRC) were formed, assisting in CFR and IFR claims.
- 162 CFR claims supported and 42 CFR claims submitted, securing land rights.
- 45 villages of 8 Panchayats covered under Gram Swashasan Abhiyan.
- 7 Gram Pradhans and 6 PRI members were trained, leading to strengthened local governance.
- 45 Gram Sabha secretariats were established, enabling better administration.
- 73% (33 Gram Sabhas) are active with monthly meetings, improving governance and participation.
- 52 petitions/complaints were filed by Gram Sabha on community issues and rights enforcement.

Impact table

52 petitions/complaints filed by Gram Sabhas on CFR, MNREGA, drinking water, school and PDS issues.	**2,183** families linked with schemes like PDS, pension, Birsa Awas.	**42** total CFR claims including 32 new CFR claims this year covering 32,077.58 hectares; 56 IFRs submitted, 106 IFR in process
22 Gram Sabha Secretariats were established across 22 villages this year.	**8,899** individuals assisted in MGNREGA	

Team Members

- Prem Prakash Topno - Cluster Coordinator
- Afsana Khutoon - Cluster Coordinator
- Prem Prakash Minj - Cluster Coordinator
- Sanjay Kumar - Block Coordinator
- Mithilesh Kumar - Project Director
- Anjani Rani Toppo - MIS Officer
- Yogendra Kumar - Accountant
- Nakhshab Moiz - GIS Coordinator
- Vishwnath Kumar - GIS Coordinator
- Pradeep Dodray - NRM Expert
- Suman Kumar Tiwari - NRM Expert
- Jitendra Kumar - NRM Expert
- Rahul Ranjan - NRM Expert
- Premendra Kumar - NRM Expert
- Sapan Kumar Maurya - Livelihood Expert
- Neelmani Prajapati - Livelihood Expert
- Ratnesh Kumar Yadav - Livelihood Expert
- Pratibha Kindo - Livelihood Expert
- Shivani Smita Sadanand - Livelihood Expert
- Vikash Kumar Bhuihar - Compliance Finance Manager
- Neha Praveen - Fundraising Manager



Our Partners

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Beneficiary Story

Nutrition Supplement Support for 130 PVTG Families

On December 4, 2024, a Nutrition Supplement Support initiative was organized to assist 130 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG) families across two panchayats of the region. This program aimed to strengthen the nutritional security of the most vulnerable sections, including helpless, widowed, single, and differently-abled individuals.

The initiative reached 43 PVTG families in Gari village under Ker Panchayat and 88 families across Tongari, Harhe, Lat, Bere, and Tanwai villages under Lat Panchayat, totaling 131 nutrition kits distributed.

The process began with a community meeting to discuss the importance of nutritional support for PVTG households. During the gram sabha, participants identified vulnerable families in need of assistance. The Gram Pradhan verified the list of these beneficiaries to ensure transparency and inclusion.

Once the list was finalized, coordination meetings were held with local leaders, and the Gram Pradhan and community representatives were actively engaged during the distribution to ensure proper delivery and participation.

After discussions with local vendors regarding supply quality and pricing, one vendor was finalized to supply 109 nutrition kits. Door-to-door delivery was arranged to ensure that no family was left out, particularly in remote areas. Distribution took place at two main locations—Ker and Lat—and reached all six identified villages under the two panchayats.

Each nutrition kit contained:

· 5 kg jaggery
· 3 kg arhar dal
· 3 kg masoor dal
· 5 kg horse gram
· 5 kg soya nuggets
· 5 kg wheat flour
· 2 kg mustard oil

While distributing the kits, teams interacted with the families to promote better understanding of food preparation and the nutritional benefits of each item. Villagers were informed that soybean and pulses are rich in protein, while jaggery provides essential iron. Demonstrations were also given on the preparation process of soya nuggets to encourage diverse and healthy cooking practices.

Through this initiative, families not only received much-needed dietary supplements but also gained awareness on how to improve their nutrition and cooking habits sustainably. The presence and support of local governance and community leadership made the process participatory and transparent, ensuring the success of the program.

Financials

MULTI ART ASSOCIATION (MAA)

Reg. Office- MAA Bhawan, Panki Road, Redma, Daltonganj, Jharkhand- 822102
Mailing Address- House No. 153/A, Street- Bhundiha, Near Bazar Samiti, Sudna, Daltonganj, Palamu, Jharkhand- 822102.

PAN: AACTM9265D
TAN: RCHM03420E
FCRA REGD. No: 337790038 dated 31.08.2017
12A REGD. No: AACTM9265DE20214 dated 28.05.2021
80G REGD. No: AACTM9265D22PT01 dated 22.10.2022
CSR REGD. No: CSR00007946 dated 07.06.2021
DATE OF INCORPORATION : 20.04.2007

UDIN:- 25414325BMLBQQ9213
DATE:- 30-09-2025.

	ACCOUNTING YEAR 2024-2025	ASSESSMENT YEAR 2025-2026
COMPUTATION OF INCOME :	**AMOUNT (INR)**	**AMOUNT (INR)**
Sources of Fund :		
Interest Income	117,058.54	
Voluntary Contribution	17,891,888.56	
		18,008,947.00
Less: Application of Income:		
Expenses as per Income and Expenditure Account	17,188,805.89	
Less: Depreciation	36,739.19	
	17,152,066.70	
Less: Disallowance as per Explanation to section 11(7) of the ITA, 1961		
Increase in Current Assets	29,645.42	
	17,122,421.28	
Add: Allowance as per Explanation to section 11(7) of the ITA, 1961		
Decrease in Current Liabilities	523,267.00	
	17,645,688.28	
Add: Capital Expenditure	-	
		17,645,688.00
	SURPLUS	**363,259.00**

Since, Surplus is less than 15% of Gross Receipts, no set-apart fund u/s 11(2) of the ITA, 1961 is created.
{15% of INR 1,80,08,947 = INR 27,01,342}

COMPUTATION OF TAX :	
TAX	NIL
LESS: TDS DEDUCTED	3,000.00
REFUNDABLE:	**3,000.00**

For MULTI ART ASSOCIATION (MAA)

AMIT VIJAY & COMPANY Jamshedpur 831001 Chartered Accountants

(Hony. Secretary) (Hony. Treasurer)

PLACE: Daltonganj, Palamu, Jharkhand.
DATE: 30.09.2025.

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Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st March 2025.

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT (INR)	AMOUNT (INR) 31-03-2025	ASSETS	AMOUNT (INR) 31-03-2025
General Fund			**Fixed Assets**	
Opening Balance:-	2,816,161.39		*(Schedule "A")*	816,500.09
Add:- Profit (Surplus)	820,141.21			
		3,636,302.60	**Current Assets, Loans & Advances:-**	
			Loans & Advances	
Current Laibilitis & Provisions			*(Schedule "B")*	2,799,348.58
(Schedule "C")		3,749,600.06		
			Security Deposits	5,000.00
			SPWD for Lac	7,000.00
			ITDS Latehar	29,250.00
			TDS_FY 2024-2025	3,000.00
			Cash & Bank Balances	3,725,803.99
			(Schedule "D")	
TOTAL :		**7,385,902.66**		**7,385,902.66**

Notes to Accounts (forming part of and attached to the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2025)
(Schedule "E")

In terms of our report of even date annexed herewith

For Multi Art Association [MAA];

(Hony. Secretary) (Hony. Treasurer)

Place : Daltonganj, Palamu, Jharkhand.
Date : 30-09-2025.

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