



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2024



OVERVIEW

March 2024 was bustling around with series of activities at Cosmo Foundation! From insightful **board meetings by trustees and the CSR committee** to stellar International Women's Day celebrations, we've been unceasingly making strides in every nook and corners.



Annual academic assessments of the rural students across our educational programs are running under steam. We honored talented rural youth with the **Cosmo Computer Award** for their outstanding performance in computer and English literacy.. Additionally, we were thrilled to host our trustees in Kazipura, a model heritage village, and launched our latest initiative - **installing an 8 KW solar energy system**, a significant step towards sustainability.



Our empowerment efforts continued with **life skills workshops for rural girls**, support for tribal women through our **Cosmo Nari Swayampurna program** with essential tools for empowerment at Chhindwada, **Ayurvedic camps in Karjan Block** and **skill development workshops** further enriched rural communities.

Dynamic **interns joined us to drive skill development and training** for Cosmo teachers, **celebrated national days and festivals** to spread joy and awareness under the woven cultural theme.



CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE COSMO FOUNDATION AT IWD AWARDS 2023-24



Thrilled to announce that **Ms. Yamini Jaipuria, Managing Trustee of Cosmo Foundation**, has been honored with the **ICUNR International Women's Day Awards 2023-24** in New Delhi on March 4th, 2024!

The IWD 2024 theme perfectly aligns with CF's mission to **uplift young girls and women, fostering belongingness, relevance, and empowerment**. We remain committed to creating a more inclusive and equitable society for all, empowering women and girls under ascending vertical. Here's to a brighter, more inclusive future!

“**Empowered women are the cornerstone of society, shaping the world with their strength and resilience.**”



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CUNR International Women's Day Awards 2024 – March 2024 Hotel Le Meridien, New Delhi. One of our awardees is Ms. Yamini Jaipuria, being felicitated for her fantastic contribution in the field of Entrepreneurship.

A brief on Ms. Yamini : Managing Trustee of Cosmo Foundation & Zigly Foundation

Mrs. Yamini Kumar Jaipuria is the Managing Trustee of Cosmo Foundation, where she leads the foundation with strategic inputs & guidance, closely monitoring all its programs and activities.

She is responsible for leading and directing all philanthropic endeavors of Cosmo First Ltd. in and around the company's plants in Gujarat and Maharashtra and its head office in New Delhi. This includes identifying areas of concern at the grassroots level and providing strategic solutions to improve upon them, some of which include education, sanitation, and environment; while also spearheading social transformation by prioritizing resources. She has also played an important role in devising strategies for the foundation to help provide relief to Covid-19 affected families across the country.

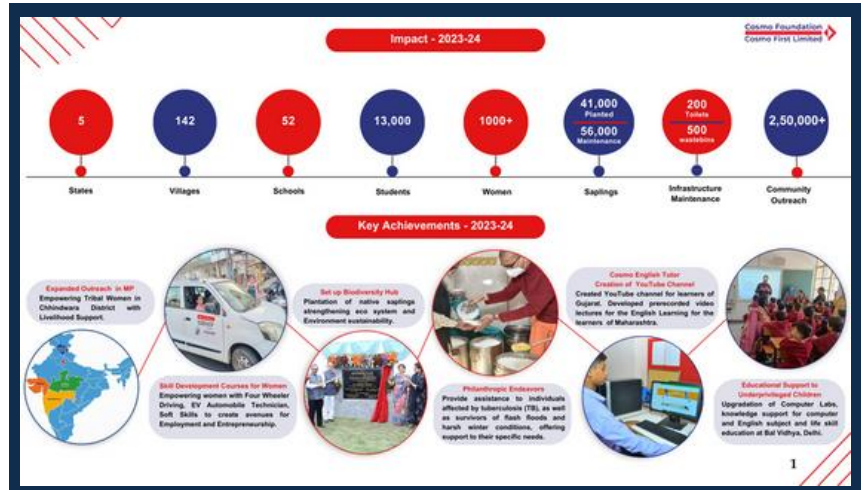
Prior to being associated with Cosmo Foundation, she has been associated for almost 18 years as the VP, Human Resources for GE Capital Europe, Asia and India.

While in the role, she also spearheaded GE volunteers- the philanthropic arm of GE for the Asia Pacific region, and the diversity initiative for GE India called 'The Women's Network'.

In addition, she is the India member of the International Fair Play Committee which works under the auspices of the United Nations and the International Olympic Committee.

Reviewing Impact : Meeting of Board of Trustees

Discover the power of collaboration! At our **annual CSR Board meeting** on March 13, 2024, **Ms. Yamini Jaipuria, Managing Trustee**, shared our vision and initiatives, **fostering deeper** understanding among Trustees and the CSR Committee. Ms. Mamta Baxi, Head of CSR, made presentation followed by lively discussions that ignited passion for our programs. **Chairman Ashok Jaipuria praised genuine efforts put forth for social responsibility, environment, and empowerment projects.** Committed to our mission, CF is ready to make an even greater impact!



Exploring Kagzipura Insights from Cosmo First's Director Visit



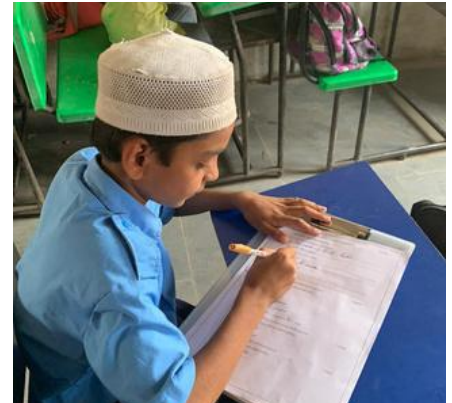
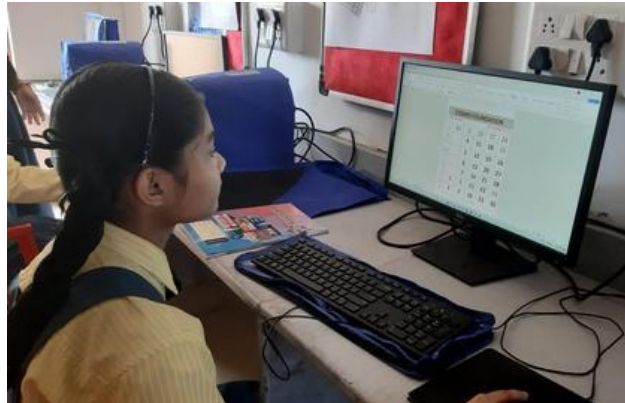
Witness the magic of perseverance and preservation! **Ms. Alpana Parida, Director and CSR Committee Member of Cosmo First**, explored Kagzipura's Hand Paper Mill, Paper Museum, Solar Plant and revitalized Washing Ghat and pond, all part of INTACH's vision for a model heritage village and appreciated consistent support of CF. She also toured the educational initiatives of Cosmo Foundation and was impressed by their impact, noting that girls outnumber boys and there has been a **20% increase in school enrollment at Kagzipura**. Her gracious acknowledgment fueled our team's passion for making a difference.





Charting a path to success Outcome Mapping of Rural Students.

An annual assessment is an important tool for mapping the performance of rural students, identifying areas for improvement, and creating targeted interventions to uplift them. Cosmo Foundation has adopted the multi-faceted methods for Annual assessments of FY 2023-24 by conducting oral, written, and practical tests across the locations. Academic summary compilation, paper setting, preparing model answer papers and teachers training on assessment process followed by actual examination was done for the students enrolled in Computer, English and Foundational Literacy Program. The result analysis is under process.



Cosmo English Tutor

Embracing Impact: A Former Computer Cum English Teacher from UK on Cosmo English Tutor



While browsing YouTube, I discovered Cosmo Foundation's channel and immediately subscribed. The wealth of informative content, presented in a simple yet scientific manner, particularly impressed me. It's clear that Cosmo Foundation is dedicated to providing valuable resources, especially for students in need. I miss PravinSir and all my former colleagues dearly, and I'm eager to share with my son the impactful work we accomplished together at Cosmo Foundation. I'm confident that this platform has the potential to positively impact many lives. Here's to wishing Cosmo Foundation continued success and greater impact in the future!

- Swati Patel, Former English Faculty at CF



For 15 years, Cosmo Foundation has been nurturing exceptional computer skills through the **Cosmo Computer Best Performance Awards, fueling talent development.** With rigorous evaluation spanning practical and theoretical computer knowledge, students excel in digital literacy, language proficiency, and analytical thinking. In the recent assessment, 351 students from 7 rural schools showcased their brilliant performance, with **10 standouts earning prestigious prizes like laptops and trophies.** Additional **30 students received recognition**, inspiring all to aim high. This event, graced by local authorities and parents.



Transformed by Cosmo: My Educational Journey



Myself Jhanvi, currently in 12th grade at Sasrod High School, Sanrod village, Karjan. Thanks to Cosmo Foundation's Computer and English classes during my 9th and 10th grades, I gained essential skills like digital literacy and Basic English communication. Participating in the Cosmo Computer Award exam in 2020-21, I received the Best Performance prize, including a laptop and trophy. I'm grateful for CF's support, which extends beyond education to impactful societal programs. I admire their work and hope it continues to benefit individuals like me in the future.

- Janvi Chauhan, Shreeiji krupa Sarvajanic High Vidhyalay
Village: Koliyad, Karjan

He is a **former student of Cosmo Computer, English, and Foundational Literacy** Program. His journey inspires others to tread on the path of excellence. From winning **accolades of Cosmo Computer** to representing Vadodara district in the **Gujarat state coding competition**, his achievements speak volumes.

Recently felicitated for his remarkable performance in the Coding Competition. Currently he is **pursuing his Master Degree in Organic Chemistry**. His thirst for knowledge knows no bounds!

Not only he is excelling in academics, but he also serves as a **role model for rural students**, showing them that with hard work and perseverance, anything is possible and achievable. Join us in celebrating Daksh Prajapati's journey—A Testament to the Power of Education, determination, and unwavering commitment to fulfil one's dreams!

From Coding Champ to Organic Chemist: Daksh Prajapati's Inspiring Odyssey



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CF Honoring Outstanding Educator of Karjan



In a remarkable achievement – **Mr. Mukesh Bhatt** was bestowed with the **prestigious Best Teacher Award 2023 by the Gujarat State Education Department for his exceptional leadership as the Principal** in Methi High school of Karjan and transforming countless young lives. During the annual function in the school, Cosmo Foundation was graciously invited to join the celebration. As a token of appreciation **CF presented Mr. Bhatt with a heartfelt letter, recognizing his outstanding contributions**. This collaboration exemplifies our commitment to fostering stronger education rooted in the community, nurturing the talents and successes of every child. Let's continue to shine together!

MHRM Interns Lead Social Impact

Interns from the **MHRM Course at M.S University** embarked on a transformative social internship, providing invaluable exposure to rural students. In a series of dynamic sessions titled **"From Fear to Focus,"** held at a primary school in Methi village, Karjan. Students from classes 6th to 8th were **empowered to recognize their passions, set goals, develop essential skills, explore diverse options, and maintain focus on their aspirations**. Heartfelt appreciation goes to Milan, Shubham, Srushti, and Jay for their engaging and impactful sessions, which benefitted **300 active participants**.

To view intern's feedback

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Igniting change! Cosmo Foundation hosted a **dynamic seminar delving into the Annual Status of Education Report (ASER)**. Interns Satyajeeet and Varun delivered an in-depth analysis, unveiling key findings and regional disparities. Armed with actionable insights, Cosmo Teachers discovered personalized learning and community involvement strategies. **Interactive discussions unearthed ASER's impact on classroom teaching and policymaking.** Empowered with knowledge and strategies, Cosmo Teachers are ready to drive positive change in education!

Artistic Expression A Platform for Young Talent

50 potential artists from ZP School, Kagzipura, recently showcased their creativity in an **art competition hosted by MLA Shri Satish Chavan, Chatrapati Sambhaji Nagar**, in collaboration with Cosmo Foundation's CGVK program. The event, a vibrant celebration of talent, **honored each contestant with certificates and trophies**, acknowledging their dedication and enthusiasm. Kudos to Cosmo Foundation for nurturing young artists on such a talent expression platform.





Celebrating World Forestry Day: CF's Green Initiatives



WORLD FORESTRY DAY

World Forestry Day was observed in March 21, highlights a crucial role of forest in our lives. It emphasizes to address global challenges such as climate change and biodiversity loss. We are proud to share that Cosmo Foundation created **Miyawaki Forest at Delhi and Biodiversity Hub at Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar by planting 55000 trees of different species.** This massive tree plantation has been done with technical support of Prayash Youth Foundation and Indian Army.

Let's together pledge to plant and protect Forest the lifeline of our planet.



“ Trees are the foundation of the world, let's honor and protect them, because plants are the essential of life ”



Hand made paper Mill – kagzipura goes Green

Join the Green Revolution! With our partnership with INTACH, **Kagajipura now shines with an 8 KW solar energy system.** Together, we're **embracing a greener future and shrinking our carbon footprint.** Harnessing the sun's power, **CF installed solar panel and made paper mill.** This milestone reflects our commitment to environmental stewardship and renewable energy innovation. Let's celebrate this achievement as we light the path to a cleaner, brighter tomorrow!





EMPOWERMENT



Building Futures, One Skill at a Time!



Three **intensive trainings for 230 rural girls from local schools, CSMSS College and Shalini's of Gangapur** was a roaring success! Renowned trainers from **Core Teamwork** – Delhi, Nandini Khanna, Kritika Sharda, and Manisha Nagarath, conducted the impactful sessions packed with joyful learning. From **goal setting, interview skills and body language sessions**, our girls honed essential life and employability skills through interactive activities like games, collages, and presentations. With a focus on collaboration, **leadership, and communication**, these sessions laid a strong foundation for success. It was highly appreciated by school principals and teachers, this initiative is shaping bright futures!

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Empowering Tribal Women: Cosmo NariSwayampurna program

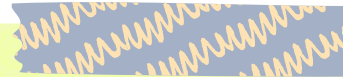


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Cosmo Foundation is proud to partner with a Self-Help Group in Chhindwara district, Madhya Pradesh, to uplift tribal women through skill-building programs. In our latest initiative, we've **donated sewing and embroidery machines, alongside a Masuroom dryer**, to enhance livelihood opportunities. With this expansion, **450 women** embark on a promising path towards empowerment and self-reliant, actively engaged in production. Let's stitch together a brighter future for these villagers!



30 girls were enrolled in the **Auto-electrical and EV Assembly Technician Course**. This was a Women Empowerment Project for these girls whose visit was an eye-opening event in their life. Held at the **Cosmo First Shendra Plant**, **Mr. Rajesh Gupta** and **Mr. Ganesh Girdhari** played pivotal roles in guiding and explaining about the **manufacturing process and functions of different departments at Cosmo First**. Their insights enriched, offering valuable knowledge and deeper understanding about latest advanced set up of plant at Shendra. This unique exposure empowers young women to build their dream in engineering stream.



Madhuri Gudade
STUDENT AT CSMSS, CHH. SHAHU COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
KANCHANWADI, AURANGABAD

Hello Everyone !

I am very excited to share about the Cosmo films Industrial Visit. We had a great time in the campus it was such an alluring with its Eco-friendly environment and the most beautiful thing was 5S implemented by in their industrial area. It was a great learning. We know, theoretical knowledge is not enough for making a good professional career. With an aim to go beyond academics, industrial visits provide us with a practical perspective on the world of work. It provides us an opportunity to learn practically through interaction, working methods and employment practices. It provides an excellent opportunity to interact with industries and know more about industrial environment.

I am writing to thank Cosmo film for all of the insights you shared with us during our industrial visit.

The learning outcomes from this industrial visit were:-

- Understanding of a wide range of manufacturing processes and quality checking.
- Understanding about the production, lamination & labelling film production.
- Understanding of machine, sensors, and other automation part used to manufacturing the films.

This industrial visit helped each one of us to learning many more new things and these earning outcomes will definitely help us in the future.

Now, would like to thank Rupali Agrawal ma'am and the ISIE INDIA, Cosmo Foundation and Jalandhar motors for an industrial visit .

Students' Gratitude and Insights -
Cosmo First Industrial Visit



Alka Harakh and Govind Shrimali, esteemed mentors from Cosmo First met their Shalinis, aiming to understand their socio-economic conditions and ignite motivation for education to these girls and their parents. Their unwavering commitment to educating and empowering rural Shalinis shone brightly as they conducted **mentorship sessions in Waluj** village. Cosmo Foundation expresses gratitude for their dedication in fostering positive change in the lives of these young women.



HEALTH AND HYGIENE



Parul Ayurvedic College organized an **Ayurvedic camp at Simli village** in Karjan, providing **comprehensive healthcare services to the community.** The camp **offered blood pressure check-ups, eye examinations, and consultations for various ailments such as back pain, cold, and sore throat.** Medications were provided as needed, and arrangements were made for follow-up care as required. **65+** students and villagers participated in this initiative, receiving vital healthcare support and guidance.



EVENTS



International Women's Day-

CF honored the Balmitras and women teachers by presenting them with headphones and engaged in various team-building activities. Additionally, shared insights into the significance of celebrating International Women's Day annually.

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World Consumer Rights Day

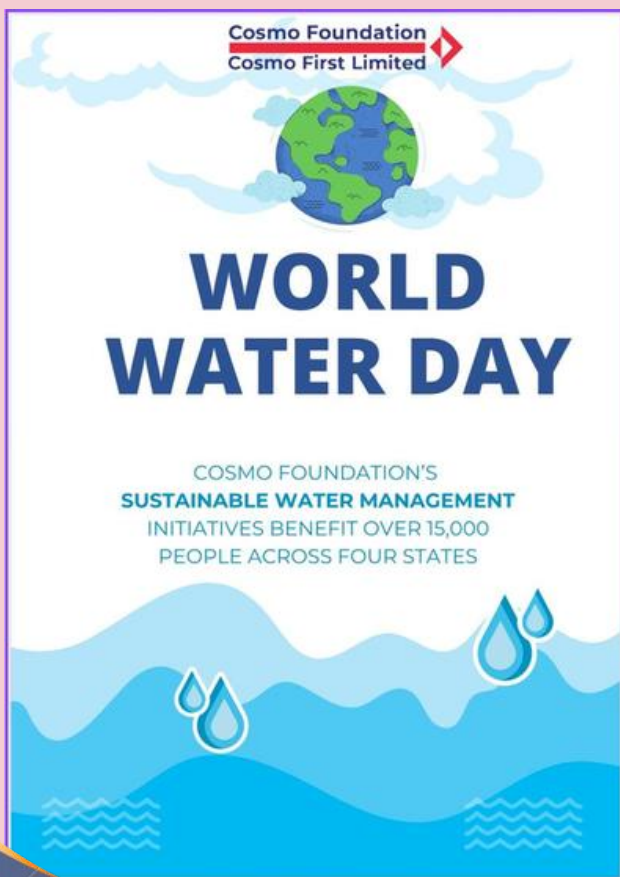
Rural students of Karjan visited local retailers and wholesaler shops. CF teachers made them understand – how to purchase products, things to keep in mind while shopping, the importance of reading descriptions of the product, generating bills, what is MRP, difference between real and fake bills etc. Students loved the interaction and asked several questions to the shopkeepers.



World Sparrow Day

Young children of Cosmo Gyan Vihar Centre across villages celebrated this day by making handmade nests, serving water to sparrows, making paintings and writing essays. Overwhelmed to see such creative and sensitive gestures of rural students. At Cosmo education center, we created importance about the existence of sparrows for our ecosystem and biodiversity.

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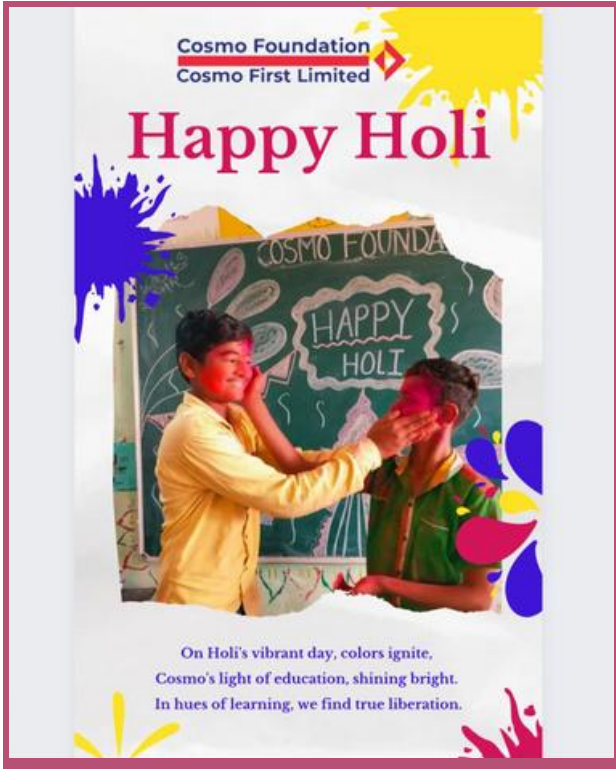
World Water Day

We discussed in length with students the significance of water, highlighting its importance through interactive activities that focused on the value of each drop. We also adorned the boards with impactful decorations and created posters depicting pictures about promoting water conservation efforts.

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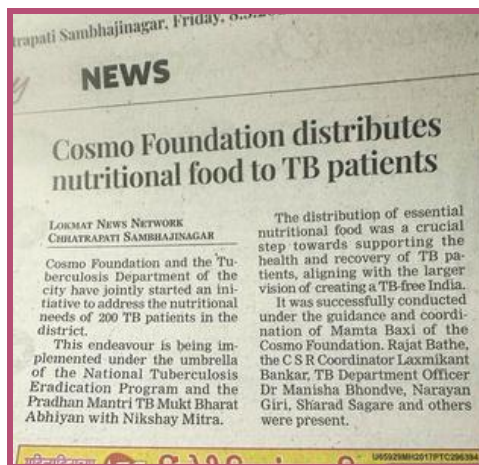
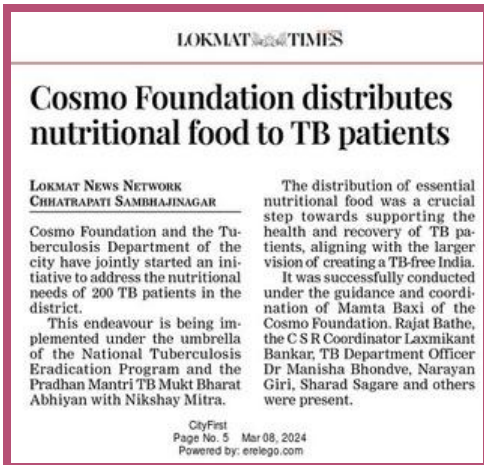
Holi Celebration



Holi is the festival of colors, joy, and happiness. CF distributed 'Dates and Popcorn' to all the students in rural govt. schools - Karjan and Chatrapati Shimbhajnagar and **shared informative contents on the significance of Holi festival** and celebrated with colors and joy.



MEDIA RECOGNITION





ACTION PLAN - APRIL 2024



Employees of Cosmo First are invited to participate and contribute to CSR activities in the following events on virtual or online platform.

Events	Program Plan – Karjan	Program Plan – Chatrapati Shambhaji nagar
Basic Certificate course on Digital Skill Building for youth	5th April to 5th June 8.00 am to 1.00pm	15th April to 15th June 8.00 am to 1.00pm
Fun with computers – for young rural children	As above	As above
Basic English Communication Course	15th April to 5th June Dethan Highschool 10.30 to 12:00	15th April to 15th June Zila Parishad School – Turkabad
World Health Day	7th April Health Awareness and check up at village- Kandari 11:00 am to 2.00 pm	7th April Health Awareness and checkup at village- Jikthan 11:00 am to 2.00 pm
Pet care day	11th April Pets my best friend Video making and sharing on digishala	11th April Pets my best friend Video making and sharing on digishala
World Heritage Day	18th April Video screening of the heritage sites of Gujarat Methi Highschool 12.00– 1.00pm	18th April Hand made paper making of youth and Cosmo employees 2.30 to 4.30 pm Kagzipura
World Earth Day.	22nd April Save Earth- Save Soil- Poster competition- Dethan Highschool - 12.00 to 2.00pm	22nd April Save Earth- Save Soil – Poster competition –12.00 to 2.00 pm Zila Parishad school – Gajgav
English Language Day	Vocabulary Quiz on phonics- Handod Primary school. 12.00 to 2.00 pm	Vocabulary quiz on Phonics Zila Parishad School – Turkabad 12.00 to 2.00 pm
World Book Day	23rd April Book Exhibition 10.00 to 1.00 pm Community center- Kothav	23rd April Book Exhibition 10.0 to 1.00 pm Z.P.School – Puri
National Panchayat Day	25th April Film screening – Role of Panchayat Choranda Highschool	Film Screening – Role of Panchayat- Z.P.School Asegav
World Malaria Day	Talk on Malaria Prevention with PHC at Kurali Highschool 12.00 to 1.00 pm	Talk on Malaria Prevention with PHC at Turkabad Highschool 12.00 to 1.00 pm

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