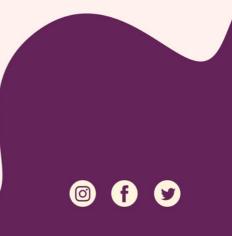


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Azad Foundation Year Book 2022-2023



# Introduction

Welcome to the pages of our yearbook (2022-23), a testament to the incredible journey undertaken by the empowered women at Azad Foundation who have dared to challenge conventions, shatter stereotypes, and forge their paths in non-traditional livelihoods.

Azad is a professional feminist organization that works on the social and religious divide to enable resource-poor women to empower themselves by engaging in non-traditional livelihood (NTL) options like professional driving. Azad, as a part of its flagship program "Women with Wheels", trains and enables women with low economic and social capital to become professional and commercial drivers, enhancing their awareness of rights, and equipping them with empowering skills through transformative capacity building programs focusing on self and the skills needed for nontraditional livelihood, based on adult learning principles. Qualified women drivers are provided employment opportunities in partnership with Sakha, the for-profit strategic partner organization of Azad Foundation.

Azad Foundation, since its inception in 2008, has been committed to breaking the patriarchal boundaries and structures so that women from underprivileged backgrounds can exercise control over their lives, enjoy full citizenship, earn a livelihood with dignity and generate wealth and value for all. It is imperative to train women with adequate skills and means so that they can make informed choices and negotiate financial decisions, thus creating an equal say in each household. In these vibrant and inspiring pages, we capture the stories, triumphs, and achievements of the women who have risen above societal expectations, redefining what it means to excel in fields once considered unconventional for their gender.

Azad Foundation currently operates through its offices in Delhi, Jaipur, Kolkata and Chennai, and with like-minded partners in Indore, Ahmedabad, and Lucknow. To celebrate the unfathomable dedication of the trainees, every year, we record inspiring stories of the trainees who acquired their permanent license (PL) in the current year. This Yearbook provides you with a compendium of trainees across different centres of Azad Foundation who successfully obtained their permanent driving license through the "Women with Wheels" program. These stories are an attempt to provide meaningful insight into the lives of each trainee, highlighting their struggles for success and passion for achievement.



As we flip through these pages, we will encounter stories of resilience, innovation, and courage. We will delve into the experiences of those who found their callings in fields where they were once underrepresented, proving that the path less traveled can indeed be the most rewarding. These women have embraced challenges as opportunities, faced adversity with unwavering strength, and turned their dreams into reality with perseverance as their compass. Each photograph and anecdote serves as a testament to women's empowerment, illustrating the importance of providing equal opportunities and dismantling societal barriers. The stories within remind us that true progress lies in fostering an environment where all individuals are free to pursue their passions, unencumbered by preconceived notions of what they can or cannot achieve.

During the financial year 2022-23, 368 trainees of the Women with Wheels (WWW) program successfully obtained their permanent driving license. This yearbook records the stories of all those trainees who have achieved their Permanent license both for 2-wheelers (171) and 4-wheelers (197) across Azad in 3 centres of Delhi, 2 centres of Kolkata, and in Jaipur and Chennai for the year 2022-23. Consent of each trainee was taken to share their stories along with their names and photographs. 3 trainees from North Delhi did not give consent to share their identities & hence their stories are not captured in the document.

Join us in celebrating these extraordinary women who have shattered ceilings, bridged divides, and enriched their lives and the lives of those around them through their audacity to dream differently. As we showcase their accomplishments, we hope to inspire a new generation to embrace their aspirations with zeal and to transform the landscape of opportunities for women in every corner of the world. This yearbook is a tribute to the fierce determination that resides within every woman and an invitation to chart a course that defies convention.



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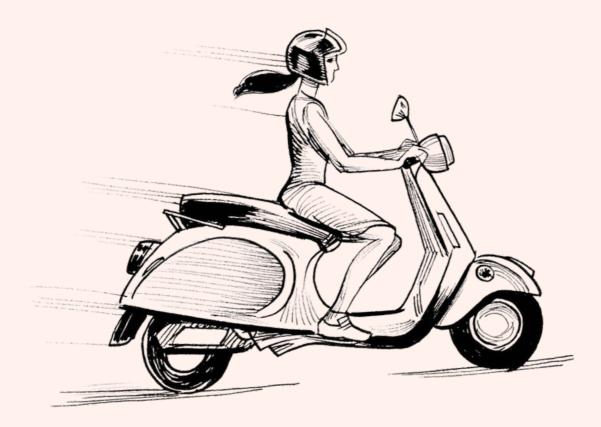
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Enrolment No.: TN/CH/2021-2022/8 Name: Rajakumari. K Date of Birth: 26-11-1991 Education: 12th Pass Locality: TNUHDB tenement, Athipet, Ambathur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 07-01-2022 Date of PL: 11-04-2022 Current Status : Employed

"When you told us that women can also work like men, I thought to myself, yes, why should women do less paying jobs?"

Rajakumari got married at age 17 and has 3 sons to look after. Her husband used to work and take care of the family but after he got addicted to alcohol he left all her responsibilities to Rajkumari. Rajkumari heard about Azad Foundation through announcements in her community. She joined Azad and gained a lot of knowledge through her training with Azad. She liked the legal and the google map classes the most. She can now travel anywhere without anybody's support. When she got her PL she could not believe it and just after that joined Dunzo and started her first work as a delivery partner. She wants her kids to get best education access to all the possibilities and resources and send them for tuitions, sports class etc. In near future she also want to shift to a better place where she can give an atmosphere to her children in which they get maximum exposure and growth.



Enrolment No.: TN/CH/2021-2022/9 Name: Vasanthi Date of Birth: 07-04-1993 Education:10th Pass Locality: Kalaivanar colony, Anna Nagar west extension Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 01-02-2022 Date of PL: 07-04-2022 Current Status : Employed

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Vasanthi lives with her husband, 2 children and father-in-law. She worked at a supermarket before marriage where the salary was low and working hours were high, but it was necessary for her family's financial needs. She had a supportive mother and an abusive, alcoholic father. She wanted to escape and thought after marriage the things will be positive for her but she was wrong, as her husband also eventually turned into what her father was, even worse in terms of the abuse. Her father-in-law is also the same in terms of verbal abuse. With 2 kids to educate, she decided to work as domestic help.

She joined Azad after she came to know about their work from her sister-in-law who is also a trainee at Azad. She was happy that she joined the training as it has made her more confident. Knowing google maps has helped her travel outside her area which she earlier never was capable of. "The legal rights training helped me understand the rights of women and I feel empowered", she says. After getting her PL she joined Dunzo as delivery partner. She dreams of moving to a different house away from her in-laws. She wants to provide her kids a better future and best education.





Name: Shenbagam Date of Birth: 23-06-1999 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Ambathur Marital Status: Unmarried Number of Children: NA Date of Joining: 15-02-2022 Date of PL: 26-04-2022 Current Status: Employable

Enrolment No.: TN/CH/2021-2022/11

Shenbagam was earlier working in a supermarket as a cashier. She did not like the job because of the long work hours and less pay. That is when her mother heard about the WWW 2-wheeler training through the OBR event. Shenbagam was very scared of riding because she'd never learnt how to ride a bi-cycle. But after attending the training she slowly gained confidence. She was very happy when she got her PL in her first attempt. She had never thought that she would be able to ride in traffic laden roads alone. Earlier, she used to be scared of traveling alone and used to depend on her friends or family to travel to any place. But now, after getting trained and learning google maps she became confident in traveling alone. She feels the delivery job will be good for her to earn money. She dreams of having her own house so that she can move her family to a better living condition.



Enrolment No.: TN/CH/2020-21/17 Name: V.Santhiya Date of Birth: 15-03-1993 Education: 8th Pass Locality: TNUHDB Tenement, Athipet, Ambathur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 30-01-2021 Date of PL: 12-09-2022 Current Status: Employable

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Santhiya lives in her in-law's house with her 3 kids, 12 year old son, and two daughters - 10 and 8.5 years old. She got married when she was 15 to the man she loved, even though her parents were against it. However, since the birth of her youngest child, things changed. Santhiya found her husband having relations outside of marriage and being abusive to her. He'd come home drunk and beat her but she couldn't take a bold step due to lack of courage and financial support. She met the Azad team when a family survey was being conducted in her community. Meanwhile, her husband moved out and left her for another woman. Santhiya and her kids continue to stay with her mother-in-law who works as domestic help, earning a pittance. Santhiya says her confidence has increased multifold after joining the training. She was an underconfident woman before, but she's learning about legal rights along with riding and feels confident of maneuvering her situation to be able to take care of her children and ensure a better life for them.





#### Enrolment No.: TN/CH/2022-2023/2 Name: Suganya Date of Birth: 14-03-1991 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Rajeev Gandhi Nagar, Perambur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 11-06-2022 Date of PL: 16-09-2022 Current Status: Employable

31-year-old Suganya is married and stays with her husband and 2 daughters. Earlier, she worked as a domestic worker and her husband use to ride a commercial auto, He is an alcoholic and drug addict. Suganya came to know about WWW when Azad's field mobiliser was conducting a survey in her community. Suganya decided to join, as she felt that this could open up new opportunities for her. She felt that learning so many things would make her much more confident and equipped to grow in life and do something more than housekeeping and domestic work. After joining Azad she said she feels more confident, equipped and happy. She liked legal training the most as it taught her more about laws: especially the domestic violence act and how the legal system supports women. When she got her PL, she was elated and could not believe it. Suganya no more feels herself to be alone and is confident of giving a bright future to her daughters.

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Enrolment No.: TN/CH/2022-2023/3 Name: Pavithra Date of Birth: 17-07-1996 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Rajeev Gandhi Nagar, Perambur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 30-06-2022 Date of PL: 15-09-2022 Current Status: Employable

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Pavithra is 25 years old, is a homemaker and stays with her husband and 3 kids. Her husband works as a painter on daily wages and his earning was not enough. Pavithra worked in a hotel serving food and cleaning vessels for around 6 months where she used to earn INR400 per day but with 3 kids, the timings were not feasible. She heard about Azad WWW training from the mobilisers during a family survey. She says that she enjoyed the period of her training with other women. Even though she didn't believe that women need to be slaves to men, the gender, legal and SRHR training helped her get a deeper understanding and rooted her beliefs further. She feels she can now support other women who face violence. Pavithra was excited when she got her driving license because her husband who has been riding a 2-wheeler for many years does not have a driving license. She wants to earn, save and spend on a new place because her current house is just one small room and she has to use the public toilet. She wants to provide better for her kids and also grow in her life.





Enrolment No. TN/CH/2022-2023/5 Name: Roja Date of Birth: 25-08-1999 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Rajeev Gandhi Nagar,Perambur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 19-07-2022 Date of PL: 21-10-2022 Current Status: Employable

Roja got married at the age of 15, now she is 24 and has 3 sons. She has always been at home taking care of kids. Though her grandmother and father stay nearby, she gets no support from them. Although her husband abuses her physically and emotionally, yet her family supports him. Roja came to know about Azad's training through survey done by Azad. Initially she was skeptical but when other women from her locality joined and started coming to training, it motivated her. After this, she never liked sitting at home. She says, She feels happier and enjoys at the training center, learning new things and spending time with other women, away from all the worries of home. Through training she not only learnt to ride a 2-wheeler but also that she need not suffer all the violence from her husband silently. She wants to have a peaceful life and earn well so her children grow in a peaceful and productive environment.



Enrolment No. TN/CH/2022-2023/9 Name: M Aayisha Date of Birth: 07-05-1989 Education:10th Pass Locality: New Vazhaima Nagar,Perambur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 24-11-2022 Date of PL: 10-03-2023 Current Status: Employable

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Aayisha stays with her husband and 3 children. Her husband works in a printing press on daily wages but earns only 10,000 - 12,000 per month. She could not continue her studies after 10th and had to start working at a young age, she worked as a sales girl and as a beautician. She worked till her second child was born because her in-laws and husband became unsupportive. After the birth of her third child, the income was insufficient for so many mouths to survive. The fund crunch in the family led to fights about money and sometimes also domestic violence. That is when she heard about Azad's training program from a neighbor who herself had heard it from the mobilizing team working in the community. She felt happy that she got to learn about traffic rules and regulations which no other women in her locality and not even her husband knew. She got her PL and is very proud of herself for having taken this decision in her life. She is getting ready to join work. She wants to become a role model for her children so that they too will become strong and independent women in their future.





Enrolment No. TN/CH/2022-2023/10 Name: Ashath Begam.B Date of Birth: 08-07-1984 Education: Diploma in Yoga Locality: Kakkanji Nagar, Vyasarpadi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 05-12-2022 Date of PL: 28-02-2023 Current Status: Employable

Ashath lives with her husband and 2 children, she got married after completing diploma in yoga. Her husband is an ayurvedic practitioner but the income he brings is never sufficient. Also, Ashath's mother lives in their village although she herself works to earn her livelihood, yet she is dependent on Ashath's family. Her husband supports her mother, but he does not do it very happily. Ashath doesn't like to ask for money from her husband to provide for her mother and therefore she decided to find work. Her husband is supportive but controlling. He feels Ashath's primary responsibility is to take care of children. Ashath came to know about WWW training through pamphlet distribution in her community and decided to join. She liked all the classes that she attended (specifically the self defense and first aid). Ashath understood that women should not be confined to the four walls of their house. After getting her PL, she now rides to all places in her husband's 2-wheeler and has started seeing the world differently. now that she is going out and learning the routes using google maps. She is preparing for employment by negotiating with her husband and mother-in-law because she wants to earn money to support her own mother without depending on her husband.



Enrolment No. TN/CH/2022-2023/12 Name: J.Rekha Date of Birth: 17-02-1998 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bashyam Street, Otteri Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 16-12-2022 Date of PL: 24-02-2023 Current Status: Employable

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Rekha was first among her 3 sisters to get married right after completing her high school. She now lives with her husband, son and mother-in-law. She could not continue her studies after delivering her son and stayed back home to take care of him. Her husband was working in the front office of a hotel but lost his job during COVID-19. She and her husband then started working in managing vehicle parking. She would work for more than 9 hours in the sun, without a restroom all day long and got paid only INR 12,000. The financial burdens kept getting bigger, so when she heard about Azad Foundation through pamphlet distribution she decided to join this training. Work readiness training helped her become more confident. Rekha believes that women have to negotiate with their family, go for employment and become independent. She felt very happy that she learnt to ride a 2-wheeler with a PL. Currently, her employment process is ongoing at Dominos and she also has decided to continue her education. Her dream is to earn money and pursue an LLB in future.

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Enrolment No. TN/CH/2022-2023/14 Name: Muniammal J Date of Birth: 19-02-1986 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Mettupalayam, Perambur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 16-12-2022 Date of PL: 13-03-2023 Current Status: Employable

Muniammal lives with her husband and 2 daughters. She got married when she was 25. Just after she completed her Nursing course she started working as nursing assistant at the age of 20 and after marriage also she continued to work. Her husband was a drunkard and never took care of the family expenses. Moreover, When he come home drunk, would fight and ask her for money. On raising any question, he would beat Muniammal. She raised her voice against this abuse but nothing changed. Muniammal stopped working to make her husband realize the pressure of the responsibilities but his income was not sufficient and she had to look for a job again. A family survey was conducted by Azad through which she came to know about the WWW program. She learnt a lot of soft skills during her training. she learnt Spoken English and was made aware about her rights. She never believed that she would be able to ride and also get a license but gaining her PL made her ecstatic. After joining a job, she wants to save money for her own and her childrens' future.



Enrolment No. TN/CH/2022-2023/21 Name: R.Surya Date of Birth: 13-09-1996 Education: 12th Pass Locality: New Vazhaima Nagar,Perambur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 31-01-2023 Date of PL: 31-03-2023 Current Status: Employed

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Surya lives with her husband, 2 children and mother-in-law. Her husband used to install sound system and work as a DJ in events. Post covid, he was not getting much work which increased the financial stress in the family. Surya's parents also stay in nearby village, her father is still working to take care of the family while her brother does not support her parents but she wants to. Having worked in many places before, she was never comfortable with timing and salary which made her leave the jobs often.

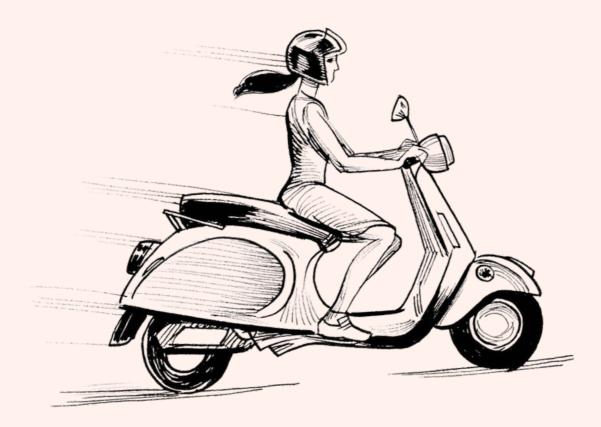
She heard about Azad through a survey, after a lot of discussion in the family she decided to join. She says, "I feel very happy to be a part of Azad where I have found a safe space to share anything without fear". She liked the first aid and self defense training the most because it has improved her confidence. After getting her permanent license, she joined Dominos as a delivery executive. Now, she is able to spend time with her children. She shared an incident where a police man once saluted her and appreciated her work. Surva says, this made her very proud and confident.



# Jaipur













Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2021-22/50 Name: Meena Bairwa Date of Birth: 29/07/2000 Education: Graduate Locality: Jadhavnagar, Jaipur Marital status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 31/12/2021 Date of PL: 19/04/2022 Current status: Employable

Meena Bairwa lives with her parents and siblings in a family of 7. Her father is a construction worker and her mother is a homemaker. Her father due to poor health is not able to secure formal long-term jobs for himself, and the financial situation of the household and family is very poor. Meena says that "I want to do something to help my family, as I feel responsible being the eldest daughter of the family but I haven't been keeping well myself". She has been a part of the Azad Kishori program also for some time but she liked the WWW program at Azad and showed her interest to join 2-wheeler training. This would help her secure a job and stabilise her family expenses, she feels. At Azad, she took several training courses including self-defence, legal rights, gender equality, first aid as well as spoken English. She says she has learnt a lot from these non-technical trainings. She was able to obtain her permanent licence, which made her feel very proud and happy. She believes that becoming a rider with Azad is a very different opportunity and after securing a job she will be able to support her family.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2021-22/55 Name: Pooja Topiya Date of Birth:10/09/1993 Education: 8th pass Locality: Jagatpura, Jaipur Marital status: Widow Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 07/02/2022 Date of PL: 27/04/2022 Current status: Employed

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30-years-old Pooja got married when she was 17 years old. She lives with her children, a daughter and a son. Her husband use to work in the Jaipur municipal corporation. He committed suicide, after which her in-laws disowned her and kept her son with them, they even do not let her meet her son. Now, she and her daughter are living with her parents. Pooja came to know about Azad through her friend who did 2-wheeler training from Azad and is working in e-commerce. She showed her interest and said that "I too want to ride a 2-wheeler and do the job like you". After this she enrolled herself. In Azad, she learned many other things as well as the part of her non-technical course such as gender and legal rights, sexual and reproductive rights, filing FIR when required, first aid and self-defence, and attending these sessions made her feel more confident and happy. She said, "I also have taken part in many rallies which made me realize the importance of all that I am learning at Azad and I am very happy being a part of Azad". Pooja not only was able to achieve her permanent license in 1st attempt but was also able to start her job within 3 months of her training. Now, she owns a 2 wheeler which she bought herself and is working with Big Basket.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2021-22/56 Name: Priya Topiya Date of Birth:02/09/2001 Education: 8th pass Locality: Jagatpura, Jaipur Marital status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 07/02/2022 Date of PL: 5/04/2022 Current status: Employed

23-years-old Priya got to know about Azad Foundation's 2-wheeler training program from a trainee who is on a job in e-commerce. She said that when she came to Azad she felt very good seeing many girls getting trained to become chauffeurs and riders, looking at which she felt inspired and decided to enrol. She says, "At Azad, I am learning many other things also other than riding, I have learned about my legal rights as a woman, I also got to know how a case is filed and what happens in the courtroom. In the gender class, I got knowledge about deep-rooted patriarchy." She got her Permanent driving licence in the very first attempt and she had a dream to work as a e-commerce delivery executive which she could achieve and is now working in Big Basket. She is hopeful that she will be able to save some money and will make her life easy in the coming years. She also wants to support her family financially and give them a comfortable life.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/06 Name: Priya Date of birth: 30/03/1999 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Surajpole, Jaipur Marital Status: Widow Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 05-05-2022 Date of PL: 22/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Priya was just 16 years old when she got married and just within a year she had a boy child. She was blamed for her husband's suicide by her in-laws and she was traumatised. After the suicide incident of her husband in 2020, her in-laws also barred her from meeting with her son. It was a very bad phase of her life and Azad Foundation came as a ray of hope and opportunity in her life. She came to know about Azad from one of her friends, she visited the office and by looking at the inclusive and safe environment she immediately decided to join the training program.

She even received legal knowledge, gender classes, self-defence, primary healthcare, and other types of training. Priya recently obtained her permanent driving licence and is now working as a delivery person for Big Basket. As an independent mother, now her goal is to earn enough money to start a new life for herself and her child. She says that she is very happy after joining the training. She has also found many friends who she can confide in and does not feel lonely anymore.





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Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/07 Name: Khushbu Bano Date of birth: 01/01/2001 Education: 12th pass Locality: Sanganeri Gate, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 13/05/2022 Date of PL: 26/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Khushbu belongs to a family with four members including two brothers, one sister and parents. Unfortunately, her father is paralyzed and unable to see. Her mother takes care of the family's expenses by working as domestic help. The younger brother attends school while she recently passed her 12th class. She learned about Azad through her teacher, who informed her about Azad's program. Getting to know that Azad provides driving training and also at the end of the course job is ensured, she went to the Azad office and filled out the registration form. She was facing a problem with the rent which, upon discussion, got solved by rent assistance from Azad. She then started her training and is working as a two-wheeler rider in Big Basket. Her dream is to support her family financially, and with her job, her dream has become a reality. The training that she received at Azad has increased her self-confidence, understanding of gender etc. Now she aims at becoming a self-reliant and independent woman, hoping to inspire more women in the community.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/11 Name: Preeti Mahawar Date of birth: 26/09/2001 Education: Graduate Locality: Jawahar Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 23/05/2022 Date of PL: 13/07/2022 Current Status: Employable

# 66

Preeti is one of the six members of her family. She got to know about Azad through the mobilization activity. When Preeti decided to join Azad she was also pursuing her bachelor's, but she wanted to do something more to ensure a successful future. In addition to driving she also took classes in English, communication skills, gender training, and law training. Though during her PL test she was a little nervous, but she passed it with flying colours. After getting her PL she is practising driving on the road. Preeti is determined to work hard and achieve her dreams, and the various training programs she took are helping her to build the skills she needs. She knows that her future is bright and she is excited to see where her hard work and dedication will take her.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/15 Name: Twinkal Date of birth: 26/01/1998 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Mansinghpura, Tonk Road, Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 30/06/2022 Date of PL: 18/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

25-year-old Twinkal is married and has 1 child. Her husband is a daily wage labourer who makes furniture and through this, he manages to earn INR10,000 which is not sufficient for a joint family to manage all the expenses. She got to know about the WWW training program at Azad, through a FLP leader. Soon after she got all the information she decided to join the training. Initially, her husband wasn't supportive of her decision but after some time when he saw her progress, he started to support her as he also wanted Twinkal to start a job. Now that Twinkal has completed her training and started working as a delivery person for Big Basket Her husband supports her in the household chores and taking care of the children which makes her very happy. With her income, she is planning to pay off the instalment for her two-wheeler and mobile and then spend the remaining money on buying clothes for herself. For Twinkal, doing a job was like a dream, she also wants to complete her graduation and start preparing for government jobs in the transport sector. She says, "Since I started earning, I also have started getting respect from my family and partner".



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/18 Name: Siya Goswami Date of birth:01/12/1993 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jawahar Circle, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 28/07/2022 Date of PL: 04/10/2022 Current Status: Employable

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At the age of 7, Siya faced a tragic event as both of her parents passed away in a road accident. Her father's elder brother took her to Urai, Uttar Pradesh, where she completed her studies till class 9th. In the joint family, she was given the responsibility of doing all the household chores, leading to frequent arguments. She had no financial independence and was sent back to her maternal uncle's house, who wanted to get her married to an older man for money. Feeling lost and with no options left, she left home in 2011 and went to Bhopal, where she stayed for five years. There, a friend helped her secure a job in a marketing company, where she continued her studies and also managed to complete high school. With a desire to do something new which can also pay her a decent remuneration, she moved to Jaipur in search of a new job. This was when she came to know about the Azad Foundation. As she was determined to improve her life, began training for two-wheelers. Since joining Azad, she has learnt a lot about the legal and gender rights of a woman, she enjoyed the English communication classes very much and has made new friends and feels like she is no longer alone. She attends regular training sessions and is optimistic about her future.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/26 Name: Rekha Maurya Date of birth: 11/10/1996 Education: Graduate Locality: Bajri Mandi Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 31/08/2022 Date of PL: 18/10/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Rekha resides with her parents. Her father, who works as a labourer in construction, has been unable to continue his job due to his deteriorating health. Yearning to contribute through a job but struggling to find suitable opportunities, Rekha decided to join Azad's driving training program. However, due to some family disputes, Rekha faced restrictions that prevented her mobility. Recognizing her potential, the Azad team intervened and engaged with her family, in securing their support for her so that she can continue her training without any restrictions. In recent months, Rekha has been engaged in a permanent job which has become the primary source of income for the entire family. Her newfound role as the family's main breadwinner has brought about a significant shift in dynamics, and even her father has begun to listen to her opinions and decisions. Through determination and the support of Azad, Rekha has emerged as a strong pillar of support for her family. Her commitment to selfsufficiency has not only transformed her own life but has also brought about a positive change within her household.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/28 Name: Manjulata Date of birth: 01/01/1983 Education:10th Pass Locality: Dhanna Basti, Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 0 Date of Joining: 31/08/2022 Date of PL: 06/12/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Manjulatha learned about Azad Foundation while working there as an FLP. However, her family and husband didn't approve of her going and doing a job. She faced violence and abuse, both verbal and physical, which led to mental health issues and forced her to leave the job. Although Azad Foundation provided legal help, her husband blackmailed her and forced her to leave the job. Despite facing numerous challenges, Manjulata gained the courage to file an F.I.R. against her husband and put him behind bars. Afterwards, she had to work to support herself and her children since her husband provided no financial support. When she met one of Azad's mobilizers and shared her condition, the mobilizer suggested she join the WWW training program in which the women get trained to become professional riders which also guarantees jobs. After enrolling in the Two-wheeler program, she found a supportive environment where she could share her problems and perspectives. She learned how to ride a two-wheeler along with a lot of perspective-building classes on the various rights and challenges of women in society. She is excited to complete her training with a Permanent License and start a job. Manjulata feels happy and confident and is following her dreams.





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Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/33 Name: Bhaavna Rajput Date of birth: 15/07/2004 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jhalana Doongri, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 29/09/2022 Date of PL: 26/12/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Bhaavna Rajput started training in Azad's two-wheeler training program. Her father works as a confectioner, his work is seasonal and the salary is not fixed hence becomes difficult to sustain a family of 8. Bhaavna shares that due to limited expenses, many family needs have to be overlooked or held. The pressure of expenses often leads to arguments between her parents. Since Bhaavna belongs to a Rajput community, in society there is a strong tradition of seclusion, which restricts women from working outside the home which is why her father did not want her to receive training or do a job. Along with Azad, her mother played a significant role in supporting her to get enrolled, she believed in Bhaavna and never wanted her daughter to feel confined at home. In Bhaavna's community and family working as a delivery executive was not acceptable or easy to negotiate, but Bhaavna with the help of her mother was able to complete her training, get her PL and now is working as a delivery executive in the e-commerce industry.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/34 Name: Payal Atal Date of birth: 09/05/2004 Education: 12th Pass, pursuing B.A Locality: 385/30 Shiv Colony Jhalana Dungri, Jawahar Nagar Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 29/09/2022 Date of PL: 06/12/2022 Current Status: Employed

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With financial constraints in her family, Payal decided to work and study simultaneously. Hence, she enrolled in Azad Foundation for two-wheeler training. During her employment search, Azad's mobilizer visited her home and introduced Payal to Azad, which offered training for both two-wheelers and four-wheelers. Seeking quick employment, Payal chose to join two-wheeler training. Azad not only provided technical driving training but also comprehensive non-technical training that required a full-time commitment. After obtaining her learner's licence, Payal began learning to ride an Activa scooter. She was very excited and eager to hold her PL in her hands when she went to receive it from RTO. She feels thrilled and accomplished as the first woman in her family to ride a two-wheeler. This experience has brought her joy and fulfilment. She says that she feels deep gratitude for the opportunities that Azad has created for her. She is working as a delivery executive in an e-commerce firm.





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Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/35 Name: Vandana Balai Date of birth: 11/10/2004 Education: 741/30 Shiv Colony, Baiji Ki Kothi Jhalana Dungri, Jaipur Locality: 12th Pass pursuing B.A Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 29/09/2022 Date of PL: 30/11/2022 Current Status: Employed

Vandana, after getting her licence, is excitedly navigating the busy streets of Jaipur. She lives in a family of five, her father works as a construction contractor while her mother is a homemaker and the elder brother is married and has a daughter. She was enrolled in a fashion designing course when she got introduced to Azad Foundation's driving training program. She was impressed to discover the empowering opportunities it provides for women. After enrolling in the program, she was very punctual and hard-working. She also enjoyed studying English names for household products, women's legal rights, and societal gender inequalities. Embracing her unique role as a goods delivery rider on a scooter, Vandana overcame initial fears and finds joy in driving alone. The non-technical training, including first aid and English classes, boosts her confidence. With her Permanent License in hand and her job in e-commerce, Vandana eagerly anticipates contributing significantly to her family's financial stability and playing an active role in supporting them.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/36 Name: Lalita Devi Date of birth: 02/02/1988 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Jhlana Doongri, Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 17/10/2022 Date of PL: 06/12/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Lalita lives with her husband who is an auto driver. He was an alcoholic and would spend all his money on alcohol, neglecting his responsibilities to provide for the household and their children's education. To make ends meet, she used to work as domestic help. Due to her husband's abusive behaviour and drinking habits, she decided to file a police complaint against him, but it did not make much difference in her life. Enrolling in the programme was an inspiring process for her in which she could also find some hope in life. She would look at other women who were also learning to ride scooters and fight for their independence. Lalita completed the training for her permanent license and learned about road safety signs in her map reading class. She feels proud of herself for learning self-defence, understanding her legal rights, and the importance of good behaviour while working. She hopes to become self-reliant and take her family forward on her own. She has a lot of dreams for her children and she wants to fulfil all of those one by one.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/37 Name: Neha Jeenwal Date of birth: 03/04/1994 Education: Graduate Locality: Gurjar ki Shadi, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 17/10/2022 Date of PL: 06/12/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Neha is the eldest among her three sisters and two brothers. She came to know about Azad Foundation through a mobilizer, who visited their house for a survey. She felt great to discover this organisation because she strongly believes that women should progress and be independent. Despite facing pressure from her family to get married, she was determined to pursue her studies and not rely solely on marriage. Before joining Azad, she struggled to make decisions for herself due to societal expectations imposed on her as a girl. However, being a part of Azad has transformed Neha's mindset. Through their extensive training programs, she has gained strength and believes that women can achieve anything. Neha aspires to be independent and work for her living. On the first day of her training, she was quite scared, but as time passed, her confidence grew, and now she rides any 2-wheeler with ease. She has acquired Permanent License, which grants her the freedom to drive on any road. Neha feels like she is in control of her life, and this realisation fills her with immense happiness.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/39 Name: Khushbu Date of birth: 16/03/2002 Education: Graduate Locality: 2/22,23 Azad Nagar, Jawaharnagar Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 31/10/2022 Date of PL: 24/01/2023 Current Status: Employed

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In the bustling city of Jaipur, Khushbu's mother works tirelessly for a wage, earning a decent amount, but it is still a challenge for their family to make ends meet. Understanding the financial struggles they face, Khushbu's mother encourages her to seek employment. Before joining Azad's training, Khushbu used to engage in odd jobs, earning a modest income. However, she yearned for more, to escape the confines of her familiar traditional surroundings. Through Azad's two-wheeler training and her involvement in social movements, Khushbu discovered newfound confidence and a broader horizon. With her training complete, Khushbu embarks on a new chapter in her life. She is working as a two-wheeler delivery person with Big Basket. As Khushbu begins her job, her dreams start taking shape. She plans to use her earnings to pay off the instalment for her two-wheeler and mobile phone. With the remaining money, she desires to indulge herself by purchasing some new clothes and exploring the vibrant streets of Jaipur. The joy of having a job fills her heart with gratitude and a sense of accomplishment. With determination in her eyes and dreams in her heart, Khushbu embraces the opportunity before her.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/40 Name: Shabnam Date of birth: 7/07/1988 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Jhalna Nagari, Jaipur. Marital Status: Widow Number of Children: 3 Date of joining: 31/10/2022 Date of PL: 30/01/2023 Current Status: Employed

Shabnam, a resident of Uttar Pradesh, had to face immense challenges after the demise of her husband. To take care of three young children, she started working in an export company. Her income was barely enough to make ends meet and she had to compromise on her children's education to save money for their daily expenses. Shabnam's struggles at work were compounded by the inappropriate behaviour of male colleagues, who often made her feel uncomfortable. Amidst all these problems she came to know about Azad's training program for women which also provides job opportunities related to driving, without wasting any time Shabnam enrolled in the 2-wheeler training program. She did not have the required citizenship documents which were required for making her licence, but Azad's team helped her in acquiring all relevant citizenship documents. The support of Azad's team gave her the courage and confidence to pursue her dreams and work as a delivery executive at Big Basket. Her goal is to send her daughter back to school once she starts earning. Through Azad, she has found a path to financial independence and a brighter future for her family.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/44 Name: Gauri Sain Date of birth: 02/09/2000 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jawahar Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 10/11/2022 Date of PL: 30/12/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Gauri, a determined young woman from a family of four, faced financial struggles after her father's death. Despite abandoning her education and working in a boutique, she wanted something more meaningful in life, and that's when she discovered Azad's training program. The family's financial challenges persist, and even her sister works to support them. Despite scepticism from her family, Gauri's determination remained unwavering. Envisioning the freedom of becoming a two-wheeler rider, she enrolled in the 2 wheeler training at Azad. The holistic approach of Azad, teaching not just driving but life skills and confidence, appealed to her. With each training session, Gauri's confidence grows, and she eagerly embraces the opportunity to break societal expectations and understands that social norms and boundaries are all the outcomes of an institution called patriarchy. She was also thrilled to learn the self-defence techniques which will be her strength throughout her life. Her dream of independence and a better future fuels her determination to overcome any obstacles.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/47 Name: Sangeeta Kumari Date of birth: 10/03/2000 Education: Graduate Locality: Parvat Colony Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 18/11/2022 Date of PL: 09/01/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Sangeeta Kumari, a determined young woman, has undergone scooter training on the busy roads of Jaipur. Due to her mother's illness, she left her studies and decided to contribute to her family's expenses. She came to know about Azad through a mobilizer who told her about the entire training program and the job opportunity that she will get after completing the training. Despite scepticism from her family due to her height and weight, Sangeeta believed in herself and overcame all the obstacles with her firm dedication. Azad's training program brings her joy and satisfaction as her skills and confidence grew. Her father and elder brother refused to support her journey but she did not give up. Obtaining her permanent licence on the first attempt brought Sangeeta pure joy that reaffirms her determination. Now, she wants to transform her passion for driving into a meaningful endeavour, embracing a future full of possibilities.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/49 Name: Snehlata Date of birth: 26/06/1986 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Lala Kothi, Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of joining: 25/11/2022 Date of PL: 01/02/2023 Current Status: Employable

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Snehlata, a resilient and determined woman, recently obtained her Permanent License in the very first attempt and is undergoing scooter training in Jaipur. The burden of supporting her family fell on her shoulders due to her husband's illness and financial strain. Denied a share in her in-laws' house, she faced challenges providing for her children's education. Hope sparked when she learned about Azad, empowering women through driving education. The idea of becoming an independent female rider was like a dream coming true for Snehlata. With Azad's support, she overcame obstacles during her training and completed it. Now equipped with skills and her licence, Snehlata is ready to embark on a new chapter, eager to prove her capabilities and achieve financial independence. With determination, resilience, and Azad's support, she looks forward to a brighter future for herself and her family.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/50 Name: Anjana Sharma Date of birth: 12/08/1995 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Sanganer Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of joining: 25/11/2022 Date of PL: 14/02/2023 Current Status: Waiting for Employment from Sakha

Anjana, a determined woman, is undergoing transformational training at Azad Foundation. With her husband working as a construction contractor, Anjana seized the opportunity to empower herself economically. She is currently learning two-wheeler driving and has obtained her permanent licence in the first attempt. Initially unfamiliar with driving, she gained confidence and skills through patient practice and hard work. Azad's non-technical training enhanced her knowledge of traffic signs and their importance in road safety. Anjana's growth extended beyond driving as she became a leader in distributing ration and advocating against violence. Gender training empowered her to challenge societal norms and work towards equality. Her dream is to secure a job in two-wheeler delivery and support her family financially. Anjana's journey showcases resilience, courage, and the positive impact of Azad Foundation's opportunities in shaping her life for the better.

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Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/51 Name: Raina Date of birth: 04/01/1994 Education: Graduate Locality: Jhalana Dugri - Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of joining: 25/11/2022 Date of PL: 23/02/2023 Current Status: Employable

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Raina's determination to contribute to her family's well-being shines through her hard work. With her husband working long hours for meagre pay as a supervisor in an export factory, Raina recognizes the need to alleviate their financial struggles. In her pursuit of employment, fate led her to discover an opportunity at Azad for training in 2 wheelers, sparking a newfound sense of hope in her. Raina wasted no time in gathering information and enrolling in the training centre. From that moment on, she became a dedicated attendee, immersing herself in getting technical training on the ground and the non-technical classes. Through the program, Raina not only learned how to navigate the busy streets of the city on a scooter but also gained a comprehensive understanding of government regulations and the importance of following traffic rules. Raina discovered the power of self-awareness, participating in discussions on women's rights and rallies against violence. With newfound knowledge and skills, Raina aims to drive her life towards a brighter future. Through her perseverance and dedication, she seeks to overcome financial hurdles and provide support to her family.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/52 Name: Naima Bano Date of birth: 28/10/1999 Education: Graduate Locality: Ramganj, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 25/11/2022 Date of PL: 16/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

In a world where restrictions confined her, Naima yearned for finding her wings. Though she studied BA and dreamt of pursuing LLB, financial hardships compelled her to seek employment. Her father worked as a gardener and earned less which left their household struggling to make ends meet. Determined to contribute to her family's well-being, Naima took on the additional responsibility of making bangles at home. She came to know about Azad through a mobilizer who visited her house to do surveys. Learning about the opportunities it offered, she wasted no time in registering for two-wheeler driving training at Azad. Within the nurturing environment of Azad, Naima discovered not only the joy of mastering the art of riding a scooter but also the support of a community. At Azad, she experienced a sense of liberation. With her permanent licence in hand and a job with a decent salary at Big Basket, Naima eagerly anticipates embarking on a new chapter of life. Naima's story symbolises the transformative power of empowerment and the ability to break free from societal restrictions. Through Azad Foundation, she found the courage to embrace her dreams, paving the way for a brighter future for herself and her family.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/53 Name: Vimla Raigar Date of birth: 15/07/1996 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Malviya Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of joining: 13/12/2022 Date of PL: 22/12/2022 Current Status: Waiting for Employment from Sakha

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"I was very fortunate that I came to know about Azad from my friend. At Azad, I discovered joy and a multitude of growth opportunities".

Vimla, driven by a desire for change, found empowerment through Azad Foundation. While her husband provided for the family, Vimla sought fulfilment and a means to contribute. She says, learning two-wheeler driving opened doors to employment. Azad's training went beyond driving, encompassing gender studies, health awareness, legal matters, and first aid. Engaging in women's rights meetings ignited her passion for equality. With her permanent licence which she achieved in the first attempt, Vimla anticipates joining the workforce, aspiring to work at Big Basket. Her family shares in her happiness and witnesses her remarkable transformation from despair to purpose. Vimla's aspirations extend beyond herself; she yearns for more women to experience the liberation found at Azad. Radiating hope, she inspires others to seize opportunities for a better life.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/54 Name: Anjali Mahawar Date of birth: 19/05/2001 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Jhalana Dugri, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/12/2022 Date of PL: 13/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

Anjali's Despite facing taunts from her relatives for getting into a profession not traditionally suitable for women, Anjali remained committed to finding a way to support her family. When she heard about Azad Foundation, she saw an opportunity to learn a new skill and become financially independent. Anjali was amazed to see so many girls learning how to ride scooters at Azad Foundation. She immediately enrolled and began practising. Along with scooter training, she took advantage of the many other types of training available, including self-defence, legal knowledge, and reproductive health. She even attended English classes. She was thrilled when she passed the PL test and got her permanent licence. Her training was soon complete, and she started working with Big Basket as a delivery partner. With her new skills and confidence, she was now in control of her life and prepared to stand up to any form of violence. Anjali's journey is an inspiration to other women who wish to become self-reliant and independent. She is a shining example of how hard work, determination, and the right support can help women overcome societal barriers and achieve their dreams.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/59 Name: Meena Kumari Date of birth: 25/09/2003 Education: Graduate Locality: Jawahar Nagar - Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 20/12/2022 Date of PL: 24/02/2023 Current Status: Waiting for Employment from Sakha

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Meena lives in a family of three, with her father working as a labourer, who is the only member of the family. The financial condition of the family was very challenging and insufficient. Meena felt a strong desire to contribute to her family's well-being and began searching for employment opportunities. She came to know about Azad from the mobilizers who came for a survey in her locality. After knowing everything about the training program she decided to enrol. However, a personal tragedy struck when her grandmother passed away, compelling her to return to the village with her father. During this time, her training was put on hold as her family hesitated to support her ambitions. Despite the obstacles, Meena's commitment remained unwavering. After explaining the significance of the training to her family, she resumed her training at Azad Foundation. Through her involvement, Meena not only gained knowledge about government rules, but she also acquired first aid skills and learned to raise her voice against gender-based violence. Meena's ultimate aspiration is to steer her life towards becoming an independent two-wheeler rider.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/60 Name: Jyoti Jaga Date of birth: 01/01/1993 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Jawahar Nagar, Jaipur. Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of joining: 20/12/2022 Date of PL: 21/02/2023 Current Status: Employable

Jyoti's life took an unexpected turn when she married at 14, forsaking her education. Faced with financial challenges, she took on various jobs but longed for stability. Azad Foundation came as a ray of hope in her life, as soon as she got to know about Azad from one of our mobilizers who went to her locality for the survey. Despite initial resistance, Jyoti joined the two-wheeler training program. Jyoti was very confident and hardworking with which she mastered the technical training and became a rider. She also acquired her Permanent licence in the very first attempt. She also acquired knowledge in English and legal matters and enjoyed reading more about gender and patriarchy. Jyoti's unwavering spirit fuels her for getting ready to become financially independent and start a job in her chosen field, defying societal expectations. Her story embodies resilience, the power of opportunities, and the strength to shape a brighter future for herself and her children.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/62 Name: Shampa Sarkar Date of birth: 16/09/1991 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Malviya Nagar Jaipur. Marital Status: Widow Number of Children: 1 Date of joining: 27/12/2022 Date of PL: 21/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Shampa's life took a drastic turn after losing her husband and facing rejection from her family. Determined to build a better life for herself and her daughter, she moved to Jaipur and worked day and night to earn her livelihood. However, she yearned for more and wanted to pursue her dreams. Shampa's path crossed with Twinkle, a trainee from Azad who is working as a delivery executive at Big Basket, who introduced her to Azad Foundation. At Azad, Shampa did two-wheeler riding training and received non-technical training which made her equipped with knowledge in gender equality, reproductive health, and navigation skills. The organisation empowered her with legal information, a supportive community and a safe space. Now, that Shampa has completed her training and has acquired her permanent licence she started her fulfilling career as a two-wheeler rider in e-commerce. Her resilience, determination, and support from Azad have renewed her hope for a brighter future.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/65 Name: Aarti Date of birth: 03/04/2004 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Jhalana Dugri Jaipur Marital Status: Divorced Date of joining: 16/01/2023 Date of PL: 27/01/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Aarti's life has transformed since obtaining her permanent licence and she is confidently driving on the roads. Through Azad's training, she has gained road etiquette knowledge and independence. Previously hesitant and shy, Aarti's confidence and communication skills have grown significantly. Despite initial opposition from her father, who works as an auto-rickshaw driver, Aarti decided to pursue scooter riding training at Azad. Alongside practical driving skills, she participated in gender awareness, legal education, and self-defence sessions which she said were very helpful in building her perspectives. Now, Aarti aims to secure a job as a professional rider and is eagerly seeking jobs. Azad has empowered Aarti to pursue her dreams while providing a supportive network. With her family's support and determination, Aarti is ready to embark on a fulfilling career, embracing the knowledge, skills, and confidence gained through her journey with Azad.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/69 Name: Aliya Khanam Date of birth: 24/06/2004 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Ramchandra Ji Char Diwari, Jaipur Marital Status: unmarried Date of joining: 18/01/2023 Date of PL: 29/03/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Aliya, a 19-year-old determined young woman, fearlessly navigates the streets of Jaipur during her on-road driving training. In her family of five, her father earns a modest income crafting iron doors. Residing in a traditional Muslim neighbourhood, Aliya recognizes the limited freedom for girls in her community. Despite this, she embraced her training journey while wearing a burqa as a sign of cultural respect. Azad's program transformed Aliya, revealing the importance of equality and personal autonomy. With each lesson, Aliya gained confidence, knowing about various perspectives of gender made her more aware of the norms which are very much part of a women's socialisation. Aliya nowadays is working as a delivery executive in an e-commerce firm. Aliya aims to inspire her community, fostering gender inclusivity and aspires to become a role model, driving her destiny and reshaping societal norms for future generations with Azad's support and her unwavering determination.







#### Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/72 Name: Farana Date of birth:24/10/1995 Education: 10th pass Locality: Shiv Shakti Colony Gangapur, Rajasthan Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/01/2023 Date of PL: 29/03/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Farana shares her story about the challenging circumstances she has to face every day in her life. In a family of eight, her father works as a rickshaw puller, and their financial struggles weigh heavily upon them. Farana says that her introduction to Azad through a mobilizer became a turning point in her life. Eager to support her family, she enrolled in Azad's two-wheeler training program. She was very regular and enjoyed the non-technical training. She liked to attend self-defence classes and learned about the deep-rooted patriarchal structure in society which she realised impacts her life as well. As she progresses, Farana anticipates completing her training and embarking on her professional journey, driven by her gratitude and unwavering determination. Her story exemplifies strength and resilience in the face of adversity, inspiring others in similar circumstances.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/73 Name: Faryal Date of birth: 26/01/2005 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Gangapole, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/01/2023 Date of PL: 28/03/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Faryal, an 18-year-old determined young woman, joins Azad Foundation and finds more than just driving skills. In a family of eight, where everyone contributes to the household, Faryal also want to make her meaningful contribution to reduce the financial burden of the family. Azad's two-wheeler training offers her comprehensive development, including gender training, legal knowledge, self-expression, and English skills. This empowering environment dismantles societal expectations and instils newfound confidence in her. Witnessing the organisation's commitment to women's development, Faryal embraces breaking free from limitations. Her journey showcases determination, triumphing over barriers as she discovers her voice and ability to defy societal norms. Faryal aspires to achieve financial independence and inspire others. Her story exemplifies the transformative power of empowerment and unlocking one's potential. She is diligently doing her training and is working as a professional rider.













Enrollment no: RJ/JP/2021-22/40 Name: Chhaya Bairwa Date Of Birth: 27/01/2000 Education: Graduate Address: Jhalana Doongri, Jaipur Marital status: unmarried Joining date: 30/11/2021 Date of PL: 5/5/2022 Current Status:Employed

# " I never imagined myself driving on the roads of Jaipur, it has been a very extraordinary and wonderful experience for me."

Chhaya came to know about Azad through a community meeting and canopy in her area. After knowing everything about the training she not only enrolled herself but also made one of her friends join along. Currently, she is working as a private chauffeur after obtaining her permanent license. Seeing the city from a driver's perspective has been great learning for her. The training has given her the confidence to express her thoughts to her father and raise her voice regarding her decision about her marriage. Chhaya's father, a driver himself, initially disapproved of her choice but she persisted, completing her training and feeling proud, she could make her own citizenship documents and also helped her friends in completing their documents. She considers herself not only a chauffeur but also a change agent for her community.



Enrollment no: RJ/JP/2021-22/57 Name: Anjali Khatik DOB: 3/7/2002 Education: Bachelor of Arts degree Address: Ambedkar Nagar, Tonk Phatak, Jaipur. Marital status: unmarried Date of joining: 14/02/2022 Date of PL: 5/5/202 Current Status: Employable

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Originally from Karauli district, Anjali's family relocated to Jaipur for better employment opportunities. Her father did not have any stable source of income his brother earns and he is the primary breadwinner in the family of 4. She also mentioned she has never seen her mother going out of the house and taking decisions in family matters. Anjali wanted to get rid of all the boundaries of society and do something to support her family. After getting her permanent license she was learning to drive on the busy roads of Jaipur, she has learnt reverse parking and many other technicalities of driving and is prepared for taking a job. The various life skill training at Azad boosted her confidence and equipped her for different job prospects. Anjali aims to challenge societal gender norms by learning to drive and pursue traditionally maledominated jobs. Anjali dreams of securing a job where she can drive her own car.





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Enrollment no: RJ/JP/2021-22/58 Name: Mamta Devi DOB: 17/01/1989 Address: Malviya Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Education: 5th Pass Date of joining: 03/03/2022 Date of PL: 03/06/2022 Current Status: Employable

33 years old, mother of 3, Mamta had to manage a lot of things to earn her livelihood and to take care of her children. Her husband works as a sweeper in a shop and Mamta takes care of all the household responsibilities. Despite her limited literacy, Mamta expressed her desire to receive training from Azad and enrolled after knowing about the training program through a community meeting. In Azad she also got a chance to learn English, she says, " Speaking in English is one of my dreams". She has achieved her permanent license which has also boosted her confidence a lot. Mamta challenges gender biases as a driver and aims to eliminate societal stereotypes. Azad's gender training empowered her to believe that no task is limited to a specific gender. She discovered Azad through a neighbourhood survey, and the training has not only improved her driving skills but also granted her confidence in engaging with others. Mamta is eager to complete her training and find employment, feeling empowered to make life decisions.



Enrollment no: RJ/JP/2021-22/59 Name: Amandeep Kaur Date of birth: 14/05/1989 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Jay Ambe Nagar, Jaipur Marital status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of joining: 03/03/2022 Date of PL: 09/05/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Amandeep Kaur is currently exploring the streets of Jaipur after obtaining her Permanent driving license. Living with her extended family, where women typically don't work outside the home, her training was initially known only to her husband. However, after a few months, her sister-in-law discovered her involvement and spread the news, leading to criticism of damage to the family's reputation. Despite the pressure to quit, her husband remained supportive, and eventually, her in-laws understood that she was not going to stop as she had made the decision. She learned about Azad's training program through the community meeting, impressed and motivated by the work she enrolled in. Through the training program, she not only gained driving skills but also a lot of knowledge about herself. She gained self-defence skills, and awareness about women's rights, and formed a support network. Her independence in travelling has grown, and she aims to pursue a career in the driving profession.







Enrollment no: RJ/JP/2021-22/60 Name: Rajni Khariya Date of birth: 11/12/2002 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Malviya Nagar, Jaipur Marital status: Unmarried Date of joining: 03/03/2022 Date of PL: 13/06/2022 Current Status: Employed

Rajni lives in a family of 7 including 4 sisters, 1 brother and her parents. 2 of her sisters are married, they got married at an early age but Rajni does not want to marry before she turns 25. Her father and mother both are daily wage labourers and their income is not sufficient. Despite their financial instability, the family try to stay together and happy. Looking at the circumstances in the family, Rajni decided to learn to drive and support her parents. She got to know about Azad from a mobilizer, who oriented her about the training program. Rajni got motivated by the empowerment that this training could bring to her. However, she faced transportation challenges due to a lack of bus fare and family support but Azad took care of her conveyance also for some time. Rajni's determination paid off as she obtained her permanent driving License, in the very first attempt. This success sparked her eagerness to become a female driver and fulfil all her dreams. Within five months of training and driving practice, Rajni is thrilled to support her mother financially. Her achievement brought immense



Enrollment no: RJ/JP/2021-22/61 Name: Nikki Kumari DOB: 14/04/1999 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Malviya Nagar, Jaipur Marital status: married No. of children: 2 Date of joining: 03/03/2022 Date of PL: 20/05/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Nikki Kumari is a married woman with two children who lives with her parents. Earlier, to support her expenses, Nikki provided tuition to the children. She discovered Azad through her aunt, who is also a female driver. Inspired by her, Nikki decided to join the training program. The mobilizer at Azad helped her with citizenship documents, after securing all the documents she started attending the training very regularly and punctually. She says, "I did not expect that I would get so much perspective about women and their lives but Azad has not only helped me in acquiring driving skills but has also given me great exposure to women's rights". She got knowledge about gender, reproductive health, first aid and most importantly, self-defense which she feels will not only help her in her professional career but also her personal life. Participating in demonstrations and campaigns, increased her awareness of societal norms and transformed her perspective. When she obtained her driving license, she had a sense of accomplishment as well as it boosted her confidence. Now, she feels liberated and free while driving on the roads. She hopes more women will join Ajad, learn to drive, and become self-reliant.





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#### Enrollment no: RJ/JP/2021-22/62 Name: Khushboo Regar Date of Birth: 15/02/2001 Education: Graduate Locality:Jagatpura, Jaipur Marital Status:Unmarried Date of Joining Azad Foundation: 16/3/2022 Date of Obtaining PL: 8/6/2022. Current Status: Employable

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Khushboo lives with her siblings and parents in the family of 8, her father works as a construction contractor while her brother assists him. Seeking new opportunities, she enrolled in Azad's training program to acquire driving skills and eventually own her car in the city. Her discovery of Azad came through a community meeting, where she felt inspired by witnessing other trainees' journeys. After getting her Permanent license, Khushboo is understanding and exploring the roads of Jaipur and is focusing more on her skill of reverse parking. She says "It was an impossible task for me to drive a crowded road but the faculty at Azad teaches with a lot of patience and focus. They also give us exposure to driving with the help of maps which has increased my confidence". In addition to driving, the training has equipped her with valuable life skills, including safety measures and accident protocols. Khushboo has developed a strong awareness of gender discrimination and actively participates in rallies advocating against violence towards women. This experience has empowered her and broadened her understanding of women's issues. Now, she is determined to enter the workforce with all the extensive knowledge that she has acquired and make her family proud.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/01 Name: Poonam Varma Date of birth: 15/02/1996 Education: Graduate Locality: Kachhi Basti Jamdoli, Jaipur Marital Status: Separate Number of Children: 1 Date of joining: 02/04/2022 Date of PL: 23/06/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Poonam Varma, despite facing numerous challenges in life, is a very optimistic person who believes in hard work and perseverance. Married at a young age and facing domestic abuse, she sought refuge at her parent's home during a lengthy divorce process. Her difficult circumstances led her to discover Azad, an organization that empowers women through driving training. Joining the program, Poonam not only learned to drive but also received non-technical training in English, communication, self-defense, gender, and first aid. She very proactively attended all her classes and was happy that she could learn many things that she was not even aware of. This comprehensive training boosted her confidence and made her self-reliant. Proudly becoming the first woman in her family to obtain a driving license. Poonam secured a job in a pollution-checking vehicle within just five months after her enrollment. She takes pride in her work and happily shares her story to inspire other women to strive for independence. Poonam's journey showcases the transformative power of support and training, empowering women to break free from societal and familial constraints.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/02 Name: Anjali Changra Date of birth: 12/01/2003 Education: 7th Pass Locality: Malviya Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 12/04/2022 Date of PL: 08/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

Anjali lives in a family of 6 members. Her father works as a laborer, her brother helps him and her mother did the household work. However, this work was not regular, so they faced financial difficulties. Anjali had been searching for work when she heard about the driving training in Azad from a community meeting. She started training at Azad with a lot of persevenrance and hard work. She obtained her permanent license in the very first attempt and since then she learnt to drive on roads, to reverse, park and follow traffic rules. However, she faced some difficulties and she had to return back to her village along with her parents when her grandmother passed away. Her uncle did not support her training and forced her to leave the training. Despite this setback, she resumed her training and also completed it. Through Azad's non technical training classes, Anjali learned about how to protest against violence against women and how to protect their rights. She participated in rallies and gained knowledge and confidence. She is now working as a chauffeur and along with the car she also drives her life forward while supporting her family.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/04 Name: Annu Prajapat Date of birth: 03/12/2003 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jhalana Basti Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 10/05/2022 Date of PL: 22/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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"Through communication, English & self defense classes, I feel empowered and more efficient."

Annu Prajapati is a 20 year old young woman. She lives with her mother, grandmother, and brother, and in the absence of father, her mother is the sole earner of the family, running a dairy to make ends meet. Annu has just passed her 12th and as per the wish of her mother she wants to become a "Lady Driver" now. Her mother brought her to Azad and got her enrolled. Having concerns about her family's financial situation, Annu was encouraged to apply for the Ram Mohan Scholarship, which provided ₹ 5000 per month. With this money, she could contribute to family expenses and also pursue further studies at an open school. The technical and non technical training at Azad has not only built her perspective and knowledge but also boosted her confidence. She is excited to have received her Permanent License and looks forward to taking her mother out for a ride. Annu is determined to become a strong, self-sufficient woman and provide her mother with the happiness she deserves. She sees herself as her mother's support and hopes to give her all the things in life that she didn't have the chance to experience.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/09 Name: Dhan Kanwar Date of birth: 09/10/1984 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Ramganj Marital Status: Widow Number of Children: 3 Date of joining: 23/05/2022 Date of PL: 28/10/2022 Current Status: Employed

Dhan Kanwar is a strong and resilient woman. She has faced many challenges in her life. Married at a young age and having three children, she lost her husband three years ago and became the sole breadwinner of her family. Despite her circumstances, she refused to give up on her dreams. Determined to do something different with her life, she left her job as a hospital supervisor and discovered Azad through one of its mobilizers. She saw many girls learning to drive two-wheelers and four-wheelers which inspired her also to become a chauffeur. She showed her interest, got enrolled and was able to obtain the permanent license in the very first attempt . Despite opposition from her family members who believed that she was only wasting time, Dhan continued to pursue her passion for driving. She gained confidence through the various trainings provided by Azad, which taught her about self-defense, women rights, and awareness about self. As she is now working as a chauffeur, she is excited to showcase her driving skills and prove to everyone that age is just a number. She believes that dreams have no age limit, and she intends to continue pursuing her dreams with unwavering determination.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/10 Name: Mamta Kasana Date of birth: 09/07/1992 Education: Graduate Locality: Malviya Nagar Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of joining: 25/05/2022 Date of PL: 20/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Mamta Kasana, a dedicated wife and mother, always desired a different path in life. Despite marrying early and running a shop from home, she felt unfulfilled. One day, she discovered Azad, an organization empowering women through driving and providing a gender just ecosystem. Convincing her initially disinterested husband, Mamta enrolled in the training. Excitedly, she observed many women learning to drive alongside her. Attending the program, Mamta acquired her license in the first attempt and engaged in non-technical training, including self-defense, gender awareness, reproductive health, and English proficiency. The monthly assembly meetings were particularly enlightening for her, where she got a chance to present her views and listen to others. She also was very fond of Badlav ka safarnama sessions. Mamta now confidently navigates the busy roads of Jaipur. Impressed, her husband began supporting her job aspirations. With newfound skills and determination, Mamta is living her dreams and is working as a chauffeur.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/24 Name: Yogita Chawla Date of birth: 23/03/2002 Education: 12th pass Locality: Basti A 84 Char Darwaza Bahar Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 03/08/2022 Date of PL: 23/12/2022 Current Status: Employable

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21 year young Yogita, part of a humble family of five, faced challenging financial circumstances. Hearing about Azad's training program, she saw an opportunity to become a skilled driver and support her loved ones. Determined, Yogita joined Azad with a lot of aspirations and hope. In Azad she met other women striving to learn and make their place in the non-traditional livelihood domain which is primarily dominated by male gender. Many obstacles arose—she lacked transportation fare and financial support and was also questioned for her decision. After five months of training, Yogita embarked on a new chapter as a professional driver with Sakha, equipped with technical as well as non technical skills. She could see this world through a new lens after getting a class of gender and patriarchy, she could equip with knowledge about women's rights. Her story inspired many other women like her, showcasing her unwavering determination and the support she received from Azad. Yogita's journey illuminated a path to a brighter future.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/29 Name: Sangita Devi Date of birth: 11/10/1993 Education: 8th pass Locality: Malviya Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of joining: 02/09/2022 Date of PL: 19/01/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Sangita Devi, a determined woman, embarked on a transformative journey of self-discovery and believed that this journey would forever change her life. Sangita comes from a family of seven, where her husband works in the construction industry, while her brother also contributes to their household income as he also lives with her. Inspired by a desire for personal growth and financial independence, Sangita decided to join Azad's training program. She got to know about Azad through a community meeting. Her dedication to stand on her feet and contribute to the well-being of her family motivated her to complete her training. When she held the steering in her hands, Sangita faced numerous challenges like practicing reverse parking and navigating the congested city streets. Yet, with patient guidance, and hard work help her to overcome every hurdle that comes her way. As her driving skills improved, so did her confidence. Supported by her husband, Sangita overcame societal barriers to complete the training and acquire her permanent license in the first attempt. With knowledge of women's issues & rights and a desire for independence, she aspired to secure a job and today is working as a confident chauffeur. Sangita's story serves as an inspiration for others to pursue their dreams and break through societal constraints.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/30 Name: Pinki Bairwa Date of birth: 20/01/2003 Education: Graduate Locality: Tirupati Balaji Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 21/09/2022 Date of PL: 21/02/2023 Current Status: Employable

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Pinky's family consists of 4 members; her father is a vegetable cart vendor. His income barely meets the needs of her family. About Azad, she got to know from a community meeting and, inspired by its work she decided to enroll. Intrigued by the stories she heard and longing for a better future, she took the leap and started her training at Azad. Through her training, Pinky's horizons expanded far beyond her driving skills. Alongside practical lessons on driving, she delved into gender and legal rights training, map reading, self and leadership skills. Her knowledge empowered her to advocate for women's rights and raise her voice against violence. The training had a profound impact on Pinky, helping her organize her life and instilling a sense of purpose. Determined to create a brighter future, she pursued additional education, including a computer course. Her ultimate dream is to start her own driving business, utilizing the skills she acquired during her training. By doing so, she aimed to not only support her family but also uplift them from the constraints of their current circumstances. Pinky's journey is a testament to the power of perseverance, support, and self-belief.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/31 Name: Laad Kanwar Bairwa Date of birth: 16/07/1999 Education: B.Ed Graduate Locality: Sanganer, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 21/09/2022 Date of PL: 25/01/2023 Current Status: Employable

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Laad Kanwar, whose aspirations were often curtailed due to the financial circumstances of the family, was determined to achieve something which could make her parents proud. Her parents, laborers by profession, had to face a lot of irregularity in work which often left them in dire straits, with even basic necessities like food becoming a challenge to afford. Her younger sister's college education hung in the balance. It pained Laad to see her sister miss days of education due to financial constraints. However, Laad believed that securing a job after her training would not only bring stability to her family but allow her to support her sister's education. The training at Azad Foundation opened her eyes to the stark differences in societal expectations and the unequal division of opportunities between men and women. She also gained awareness of the pervasive issue of violence against women and the importance of using her voice to address such injustices. Empowered by this knowledge, she found the courage to speak up and assert herself. With a newfound sense of equality and justice, Laad has now set her sights on securing a job.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/32 Name: Razia Begum Date of birth: 06/07/1982 Education: 7th Pass Locality: Mansarovar, Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of joining: 21/09/2022 Date of PL: 27/01/2023 Current Status: Employed

Living with her mother and children in a rented room, Razia faced financial struggles. Selling thread and washing powder barely sustained them. Learning about the Azad Foundation, she embraced the opportunity, despite lacking support and leaving her home. In Azad, Razia transformed by getting a lot of perspective on gender issues. In Jaipur, Razia embarked on a life-changing journey. She took charge of her life, learned about women's rights, and gained confidence in dealing with government offices. she proudly holds her permanent driving license, as a symbol of her resilience. With all the confidence and acquired knowledge and skills at Azad Razia was also able to secure a job in the driving profession on her own. Initially, she faced a lot of difficulty in learning the skill and securing the licence and was also doubtful, but the constant support and her hard work reignited her determination. Razia's story inspires us to face adversity head-on. With unyielding determination, she defied the odds. Her journey represents the power within each of us to overcome challenges. Razia became a beacon of hope, determined to shape her destiny and uplift others.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/38 Name: Varsha Beniwel Date of birth: 26/07/2003 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jawahar Nagar Kachchi Basti Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 31/10/2022 Date of PL: 03/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

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In Jaipur, Varsha's life took a surprising turn when she joined the Azad training program. Initially unaware of the value of her driver's license, she discovered its significance and gained a newfound purpose. Guided by Azad, Varsha embraced the opportunity to become a driver. Encouraged by a friend, she embarked on her training journey, attending Maruti driving school and English classes. The training went beyond practical skills, empowering Varsha to address the issue of violence against women and find strength in the stories of her fellow trainees. Varsha's dream of becoming a driver transformed into a tangible goal. With each passing day, she grew more determined to secure a job and leave her past behind. The training not only equipped her with driving expertise but also provided a sense of direction and the courage to forge ahead. Varsha's journey is a testament to the transformative power of opportunity and empowerment. From a place of uncertainty, she discovered her potential and found solace in a community of like-minded individuals. With unwavering determination, Varsha aspires to become a successful driver, symbolizing the resilience and triumph of a woman ready to embrace her dreams.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/41 Name: Aarti Bairwa Date of birth: 13/08/2002 Education: Graduate Locality: Jawahar Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 31/10/2022 Date of PL: 27/01/2023 Current Status: Employed

Aarti Bairwa's life started a remarkable journey when she joined Azad. Witnessing her parents' struggle to make ends meet, Aarti's heart ached for her hardworking mother. Determined to alleviate their financial burden, she set her sights on securing a job. The women's meeting in her colony introduced her to Azad, and with that Aarti joined the training program, eager to transform her dreams into reality. Her vision was clear: owning a car, finding meaningful employment, and becoming a pillar of support for her family. Through Azad's guidance, Aarti's confidence soared. From timidly navigating her own neighborhood to fearlessly driving through the city and exploring new routes, Aarti's journey with Azad has opened doors to employment opportunities in banks and hospitals. She discovered the strength within herself to navigate government offices and accomplish tasks that once seemed daunting. The training provided her with the necessary skills and knowledge to thrive in various professional settings. Aarti's story epitomizes the power of empowerment and the pursuit of dreams. With each step she takes, she moves closer to achieving her goals and making a difference in her family's life.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/42 Name: Sunita Date of birth: 01/01/1990 Education: 7th Pass Locality: Jawahar Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of joining: 05/11/2022 Date of PL: 20/03/2023 Current Status: Under Training

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Sunita's dream of becoming a driver initially faced opposition from her husband, but Azad's influence and her determination changed his mind. Through Azad's training program, Sunita gained not only driving skills but also knowledge in gender, legal training, and self-defense. Her confidence increased when she could independently obtain her driving license in the first attempt. Her family is very much surprised and proud at the same time seeing her confidence and independence. Sunita's transformation has been remarkable, as she fearlessly navigates the roads and envisions a future as a driver. With unwavering determination and support from the Azad community, Sunita's journey showcases the power of empowerment and self-belief. Her story is a testament to the transformative possibilities that await those who dare to pursue their dreams. Her husband who was very reluctant and doubtful about her pursuing the training is also now standing beside her and supports her in all the decisions. Her aim is to complete her training soon and start earning and support her family.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/48 Name: Palak Sarsar Date of birth: 05/04/2004 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Malviya Nagar Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 18/11/2022 Date of PL: 20/03/2023 Current StatusL Employed

19 year old Palak lives with her parents and siblings, she comes from a lower middle class family in which they have to face a lot of economic hardships. Palak's unwavering determination to break free from her household's confines led her to Azad Foundation for support through pursuing driving training. Despite economic hardships and her family's initial reluctance, Palak was determined to become a professional driver. She approached Azad through a survey and convinced her father to support her journey. Embracing her freedom, Palak has discovered courage within herself, for confronting challenges. Her dream of becoming a driver reignited, fueling her hopes for a future where she can provide for her family and earn the respect she deserves. Palak's story showcases resilience and determination in the face of adversity. With Azad's support and her unwavering spirit, she is poised to overcome obstacles and create a life filled with empowerment and dignity. She is now a days working as a chauffeur and is living her dreams.

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Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/56 Name: Kalpana Parmar Date of birth: 26/07/2009 Education: Graduate Locality: Jhalana Mahal Kunda Basti, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/12/2022 Date of PL: 14/03/2023 Current Status: Employed

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" I feel as if I am flying, when steering is in my hands. It makes me feel proud of myself". In a financially struggling family of four, Kalpana sought to contribute by joining Azad's training program. Despite facing setbacks due to illness, she never gave up on her training practice. She was very punctual and underwent comprehensive training in gender awareness, legal knowledge, and self-defense. These experiences boosted her self-confidence and independence and built her perspective to look at the problems in a solution oriented way. Introduced to Azad during a survey, Kalpana eagerly started her training, she was able to complete her training and also obtain the permanent driving license in the very first attempt. With her permanent license, she explores the roads of Jaipur, expanding her once limited world and taking a free breath holding the steering in her hands. Kalpana's journey has been transformative, and she embraces the future with enthusiasm and determination. She is working as a private chauffeur and is determined to drive heavy motor vehicle very soon.







Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/61 Name: Radha Bairwa Date of birth: 02/10/2004 Education: Graduate Locality: Jagatpura Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 20/12 /2022 Date of PL: 28/03/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

Her family stands by her side in all her decisions as she said. Her father works as a construction worker while Radha and her sibling manage household chores and attend school. Financial instability plagues their family due to the irregularity of her father's work. Eager to contribute to their financial well-being, Radha aspires to secure a job after completing her training. Azad Foundation came into her life through a survey conducted in her locality, where she learned that driving skills could lead to employment. Intrigued by this prospect, she eagerly embraced the opportunity. Initially, stepping out alone posed challenges for Radha, but with each passing day, she grew more independent and self-assured. She now navigates her way through the city with ease, even venturing into government offices, a feat she never imagined before joining Azad. Obtaining her license was a proud moment for Radha. She's developed the ability to articulate her thoughts confidently, advocating for herself and expressing her opinions in various settings. Her ultimate dream is to become a successful driver, secure a job, and uplift her family's financial situation. With determination and the unwavering support of Azad, Radha aspires to carve out a brighter future for herself and her loved ones.



Enrollment No: RJ/JP/2022-23/68 Name: Guddi Devi Meena Date of birth: 01/01/1992 Education: 7th Pass Locality: Kamla Nehru Nagar, Jaipur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 16/01/2023 Date of PL: 20/03/2023 Current Status: Under Training

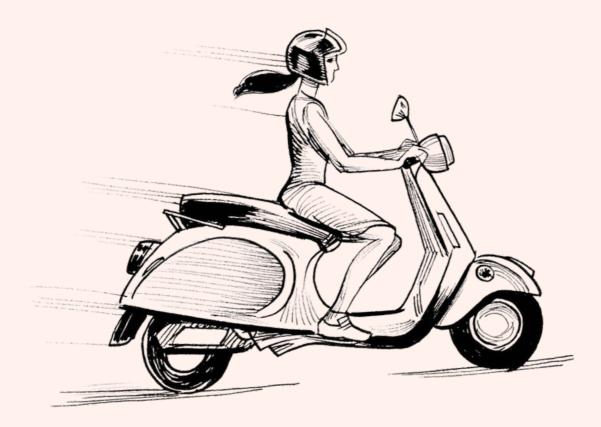
Guddi lives in a family of three, her husband works as a daily wage laborer, while Guddi manages her own household responsibilities and she also does a job of cooking in the local households. Balancing her training with her duties proved challenging initially, but through open communication with the families she cooked for, she could successfully manage both. Guddi discovered Azad Foundation through a female driver in her locality. Intrigued by the opportunity, she visited the Azad office with her husband and enrolled in the training program. Since joining, Guddi's confidence has grown exponentially. Guddi Devi is currently immersed in on-road driving training, mastering essential skills like reversing, parking, and lane changing. The experience of driving through the bustling streets of Jaipur brings her immense joy. She has become adept at navigating the city independently, even visiting government offices and familiarizing herself with laws concerning women and violence. The training has also brought Guddi a supportive network of friends who provide valuable assistance along the way. With a burning ambition to work as a driver, Guddi nurtures a dream that propels her forward. Through her determination and the skills she acquires during her training, Guddi aspires to embark on a fulfilling career as a driver.



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Enrollment Number: WB/NK/20-21/10 Name: Neha Ram D.O.B: 1/01/2001 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Tangra Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 26/02/2021 Date of PL: 18/05/2022 Current Status: Employed

It is often said that true grit works wonders and Neha's story stands to vindicate the same. Neha lives with her parents in the suburbs of Kolkata. As with most other families in their community, her household too was faced with gross income uncertainty in the post-pandemic times. In order to support her family, Neha decided to equip herself with some useful skill, a decision that was met with stiff resistance on the part of her unsupportive and abusive father. Boldly pursuing her desire, she enrolled with Azad Foundation as a two-wheeler driving trainee and the move was to prove to be a milestone in her life later on. At Azad, Neha learned to tide over difficult situations as well as effective conflict management. She found those sessions on self-defense and communication to be immensely valuable, as they helped her in gaining confidence and determination to face various challenging situations that lay ahead. Even before obtaining her permanent license, Neha found herself on the rolls of a prominent e-commerce company, which paved the way for her financial empowerment. It enabled her to purchase a two-wheeler for herself through the EMI facility as well as fund her own education. Today, Neha aspires to progress further in this sector, besides completing her higher secondary education in the short run.



Enrollment Number: WB/NK/21-22/17 Name: Amrin Parveen D.O.B:26/05/2002 Education: 10th Pass Locality: North Road Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 28/10/2021 Date of PL: 30/06/2022 Current Status:Employed

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Unlike many of the trainees of Azad, Amrin has been blessed with a supportive family, which has always stood by her on her decisions. She became aware of Azad through a survey conducted by them as part of their mobilization activities. Amrin, who was used to being a shy and quiet girl, was to undergo a profound transformation after joining the organization, much so that she found her voice and became more confident about her future. She started to express her thoughts more freely and began dreaming of a better life. Of all the sessions imparted at Azad, she enjoyed the English classes the most, as it inspired her to work on improving her understanding and speaking abilities. Besides, the self-defense sessions helped her immensely to break out of her shell of shyness. Amrin aspires to be a pillar of support to her family as well as continue with her education after gaining employment. She is pressing forward with the ultimate dream of self-financing her education.





Enrollment Number: WB/NK/21-22/24 Name: Chandni Begum D.O.B: 07/01/2000 Education: Graduate Locality: Narkeldanga Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 12/11/2021 Date of PL: 9/6/2022 Current Status: Employed

Chandni hails from a family that is extremely supportive of her decisions. She came to know about Azad through a canopy campaign. Her father handed out to her the leaflet of Azad and motivated her to join the organization to pursue something different. After enrolling with Azad, Chandni experienced tremendous positive changes within her. From being wary of venturing out alone anywhere and requesting her father to always accompany her, she started to embark on traveling to almost everywhere in the city, alone and unafraid. Thanks to the non technical sessions which were extremely informative and enriching in nature, her confidence touched new heights. She loved the sessions on self defense and communication, as she perceived them to be highly empowering. She also acknowledges how implementing the processes taught in the course of the communication sessions helped her in gradually overcoming problems with respect to articulation of ideas. She looks forward to supporting her family, which has always in turn supported her in every possible way.

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Enrollment Number: WB/NK/21-22/36 Name: Munmun Roy D.O.B: 27.07.1999 Education: Graduate Locality: Entally Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 23/12/2021 Date of PL: 7/08/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment from Sakha

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Munmun lives with her mother and grandfather in a poverty-stricken household that primarily runs on her mother's meager income as a domestic help. She came to know about Azad from a survey undertaken by the latter in her locality and approached the foundation hoping for a better and dignified future. After joining Azad, her mobility increased significantly, so much so that she can travel anywhere and at any time of the day without fear or hesitation. At Azad, she particularly liked the sessions on sexuality and gender, as she felt enriched by whatever she had imbibed from them and yearns to spread the same. She aspires to earn and support her mother, besides wanting to go for higher studies.





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Enrollment Number: WB/NK/21-22/38 Name: Rumki Manna D.O.B: Not Known Education: 10th pass Locality: Not Known Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 29/01/2022 Date of PL: 14/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

Rumki lives with her husband, mother-in-law and two children. She came to know about Azad through a survey when one of its mobilizers visited her place and spoke to her family. Rumki decided to join Azad as she had always longed to become financially independent. The bare reality of having to depend on her family for basic necessities like sanitary napkins had always bothered her. Though she was faced with only subtle resistance from her husband's end initially, the situation soon aggravated as her mother-in-law stepped forward to accuse her of neglecting her toddler son while she ventured out for training purposes. After joining Azad, Rumki began to speak out boldly at her home whenever verbal abuses were hurled at her. She found the gender and sexuality sessions to be the most interesting as they helped in reframing the parochial view of herself that was instilled by the patriarchal society in her mind. Gradually, she gained in confidence and today, she dreams of supporting her children and her family, but above everything she aspires to take charge of her life and fulfill her desires.



Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/2 Name: Mousumi Khatua D.O.B: 14/10/1997 Education:10th Pass Locality: KMC Pragata Maidan Marital Status: unmarried Date of Joining: 15/04/2022 Date of PL: 14/07/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Mousumi stays with her mother and two sisters. She came across Azad Foundation through one of her friends who had undergone training at the organization. Subsequently, she joined Azad, where she learnt a lot of things in the course of her training such as sexual and reproductive rights of women, self defense techniques, map reading skills and legal awareness. On the successful completion of her training, she felt empowered and insightful. Mousumi also admitted to feeling a sense of independence that she can now drive a car, which has largely been considered to be a masculine task by the patriarchal society. Her ultimate dream is to build a house for herself without depending on anyone. Also, she desires to provide for her family and secure for them a better life with improved living conditions.







#### Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/8 Name: Farzana Begum D.O.B: 8/2/1995 Education: 10th Pass Marital Status: Divorced Number of children: 0 Date of Joining: 27/05/2022 Date of PL: 14/11/2022 Current Status: Under Training

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Farzana is separated and lives with her family. She was looking for a job; a job with dignity as she did not want to be a burden on her family. She came to know about Azad from a friend. Having joined Azad, her life and her perception of life changed completely. When she joined Azad, she was in the middle of a broken marriage but had high hopes of reconciliation despite being a violence survivor. After the Gender & legal session, she decided to file for a divorce and she realized how she has been subjected to violence. She also liked the self defense session. She mentioned that speaking with the Azad team helped her clarify many doubts and gain confidence. She became confident gradually and started to come out of an unknown fear of being judged by people/ society. Farzana is waiting to complete her training soon and join a job as early as possible so that she can do something in life.

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Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/9 Name: Bidisha Ghosh D.O.B: 15/02/2001 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Beadon Street Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 27/05/2022 Date of PL: 01/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Bidisha lives with her parents and has always been supported by her father despite their meager income. She came to know about Azad and its 2-wheeler training program through a canopy campaign that was held in their locality and was determined to join in. Bidisha had always aspired to start her own baking business, but was equally aware that efficient delivery of her products was essential for the success of her dream venture. Left with limited capital to hire for help, she decided to acquire the skill herself so she could handle as many orders as possible and earn a decent income. On joining Azad, Bidisha was impressed by the open-mindedness she encountered there, which was uncommon in her area. Her confidence and mobility improved significantly. She found the SRH (Sexual and Reproductive Health) sessions to be particularly enlightening, as it provided clarity on several of the misconceptions and false taboos that were prevalent in the society. She also appreciated the gender and legal sessions for the valuable information it provided. Bidisha aims to start earning as soon as possible and gradually build her bakery business from the ground up.







Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/11 Name: Rashida Bano D.O.B: 31/12/1987 Education: 8th Pass Locality: KMC Jorasanko Marital Status: Married Date of Joining: 27/05/2022 Date of PL: 01/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Rashida hails from a small family that comprises her husband and ailing mother. She came across Azad at a time when she was desperately searching for employment opportunities and often returned unsuccessful. She learned about Azad's 2-wheeler training program through a door-to-door survey. Ever since joining Azad, Rashida has undergone tremendous changes. Previously, she was always hesitant to travel alone and relied on others for support, resulting in her being mostly confined to her house. At Azad, she found the gender and legal sessions to be particularly valuable, as it expanded her knowledge on rights and laws. She also greatly enjoyed the self-defense sessions, as it empowered her to say "no" and stand up for herself. Rashida dreams of earning a livelihood and fulfilling her aspirations.





Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/21 Name: Warisa Yusuf Date of Birth: 30/11/1997 Education: 10th pass Locality: Park circus Marital: Status Unmarried Date of Joining: 01/11/2022 Date of PL: 16/02/2023 Current status: Employed

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Warisa Yusuf came across Azad Foundation from a youth campaign, during which she secured the contact details of Azad's Mobilizer and connected with her. However, post joining Azad her expectations suffered a setback as she was not sure of her capability to become a driver and she felt it was not an easy task. Nevertheless, the classes that she attended at Azad enhanced her confidence and she could also develop her perspective about many things such as women's rights, how to get her documents done through the government offices, how to communicate and get a solution to every problem. Presently, she has successfully completed her training and is working as a delivery executive in e-commerce.Warisa longs to earn and save for her marriage and have her own house before getting married as she believes that she would not be valued and respected without a job and independence.







Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/24 Name: Soma Mondal Date of Birth: 25/04/1989 Education: 9th pass Locality: Chingrighata Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 01/12/2022 Date of PL: 31/01/2023 Current status: Under training

Soma Mondal is a woman with a lot of dreams. She lives with her husband and two sons. As she did not earn anything for the family, nobody valued her in her household and even she lacked a voice in front of her in-laws. She came to know about Azad Foundation from a survey that was conducted in her community and was quick to identify it as a ray of hope to fulfill her dreams. Subsequently, she joined the training program at Azad where she could not only learn the skills of driving but also got to learn a lot about gender and patriarchal norms that governs the life of a woman in society, She could also learn self defense and communication skill which could not only help her professionally but also personally. She is now taking her classes and is eager to complete the training soon and start working. She says, "the day i would start working will be the happiest day of my life"

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Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/25 Name: Sima Biswas D.O.B: 10/02/1995 Education: 8th Pass Locality: North 24 Parganas Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 22/11/2022 Date of PL: 21/02/2023 Current Status: Under Training

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Sima Biswas comes from an unsupportive family. She learned about Azad through its mobilization activity and decided to join in its two wheeler training. She recognized the importance of having an additional source of income for the family, a view which however her husband did not share. Despite stiff resistance, Sima was determined to learn and work. Since joining Azad, Sima has gained in her confidence and has begun to vocalize her thoughts and opinions more freely. She particularly enjoyed the communication sessions which taught her to effectively manage and channelise her emotions, thereby maintaining emotional balance. She also enjoyed the scooty riding sessions, as it made her feel empowered each time she rode on it. Sima aims to earn money in order to support her child's education as well as to fulfill her own aspirations.







Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/26 Name: Shagufta Begum Date of Birth: 12/09/1994 Education: 8th pass Locality: Park circus Marital Status: Married Number of children: 3 Date of Joining: 05/02/2022 Date of Permanent License: 16/02/2023 Current status: Employed

Shagufta Begum was married at a very early age and had never thought that she could also break her boundaries and do something which is very non-traditional for women to do. She came across Azad through a survey conducted by the mobilizers in her area. On learning about the organization, she could no longer hide her dreams of getting a job and learn to ride a scooty. However, despite being highly dedicated and consistent in her training, she failed in securing her PL in her first attempt. But this would not deter her from trying again until she succeeded. All the training classes that she attended at Azad helped in widening her views on the world around her. Today, Shagufta is a working mother of three kids, who successfully manages her professional and family life. She is also able to help her husband and dreams of moving into a good house in a better locality, away from all noise and crowd.

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Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/28 Name: Megha Dey Date of Birth: 06/10/2001 Education: 9th pass Locality: Chingrighata Marital Status: Separated Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 28/11/2022 Date of PL: 31/01/2023 Current status: Employed

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" I was a person who could not talk to any stranger or go out of the house alone, but now I can do anything on my own and keep myself safe".

Megha lives with her parents and her four-year-old son. She is separated from her husband and the divorce proceedings are ongoing. At the time of joining Azad, Megha was a highly timid person, who harbored the feeling that she was trapped under the stereotypical norms of the society. However, after joining Azad, she learned self-defense that helped her in gaining self-confidence. She also learnt how to communicate with others which made her feel very empowered. Today, she is working with Dominos as a delivery executive. Her life revolves around her only son and her biggest dream is to give him a better life in all respects.







Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/30 Name: Suparna Majumdar Date of Birth: 03/12/1989 Education: 8th pass Locality: Sector I, Salt Lake Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 25/11/2022 Date of PL: 01/02/2023 Current status: Employed

Suparna, a mother of two kids, lives with her husband. Due to the unstable nature of the job pursued by her husband, her family often found it difficult to make both ends meet. Suparna got to know about Azad through a survey conducted in her locality. She admits to having learnt a lot of things at Azad which she would never have otherwise. Presently, she has secured a job and is extremely happy that finally she is able to stand on her own feet. Her biggest dream is to save enough money from her job so as to build her own house. She has also wanted to give her kids a safe and healthy environment to grow up in. Thanks to her new job, Suparna has gained a new identity for which she is proud of herself.



Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/36 Name: Anju Shukari Date of Birth: 10/05/2004 Education: 8th pass Locality: Chingrighata Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 01/01/2023 Date of PL: 22/02/2023 Current status: Employed

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Anju Shukari and her only child live with her parents. As a single parent, Anju had to often face the harsh realities of the world around her. Her father was the only source of income in her household. Therefore, desirous of financially supporting her family, Anju was searching for a suitable job when she got to know about Azad through a survey conducted in her locality. On becoming aware of the job opportunities available after learning driving, she was intrigued to pursue it as a career so that she could lend a helping hand to her father in his struggle. Moreover, she also wished to give a good education to her son who had just started his schooling. She acknowledges having had her confidence enhanced after joining Azad and that the self defense classes transformed her into a strong woman. Today, she has secured a job which has changed her life significantly and is very happy now that she is able to fulfill the needs of her kid.







Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/37 Name: Tiya Sardar Date of Birth: 03/12/1989 Education: 9th pass Locality: Chingrighata Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: December 2023 Date of PL: 17/03/2023 Current status: Employed

Tiya's household comprises her husband and kids. She learned about Azad through a survey that was undertaken in her locality. Thereafter, her long persisting aspiration of standing on her own feet drove her to join Azad. Tiya admits that her life changed a lot for the better after undergoing training at the Foundation. According to her, the sessions on Gender and Sexuality went a long way in providing valuable insights. Her husband who previously tended to neglect the family, thereby forcing her to work as a domestic help to provide for the household, started to respect and value her. Now, she is extremely happy that she could get a decent job through Azad and is able to provide for her kids as well as finance their education. She considers herself to be fortunate enough in having come into contact with Azad and could be a part of its training process.



Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/40 Name: Anita Mondal Date of Birth: 19/08/2000 Education: 12th pass Locality: Chingrighata Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 01/01/2023 Date of PL: 16/02/2023 Current status: Employed

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Anita lives with her husband and seven month old baby at Chingrighata in Kolkata. She did her graduation in Bengali Honors, which she could not complete due to the Covid-19 pandemic induced lockdown, during which she got married as well. Anita had always wanted to complete her education and save enough money for her child's education as well so that she could send him to an English medium school. Anita came across Azad through a survey and joined in the two – wheeler training program. Today, she is proud of herself that she could earn and carve out a space for herself both within her family and community as well as send her child to an English medium school.







Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/41 Name: Prity Basak Date of Birth: 1/12/1992 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Narkeldanga Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 01/01/2023 Date of Permanent License: 28/03/2023 Current status: Under training

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Prity lives with her husband and in-laws, who have always been supportive of her. However, she longed to do something by herself. Though she could not complete her education, Prity wanted to work and be financially independent. Besides, she also wanted to support her family. It is at this juncture that she happened to come across Azad from the leaflets distributed in her locality. On joining the organization, she saw a whole new world of opportunities opening up before her. She liked the self defense and communication sessions imparted at Azad, as she perceived these to be highly empowering in nature. She dreams of owning her own scooty and raising her daughter well. Prity desires to support her daughter's education in every possible way, so that her daughter would not have to struggle to be independent like her.



Enrollment No: WB/NK/22-23/48 Name: Roshni Mollick Date of Birth: 3/4/1997 Education: 10th pass Locality: Sealdah Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: January 2023 Date of Permanent License: 28/03/2023 Current status: Employed

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Roshni has always strived to challenge those societal norms concerning gender roles in the field of work. She had served as an FLP at Azad, during which she had gained much knowledge besides making sure to enroll as many women as possible in the non-traditional livelihood sector. Over time, she started dreaming of doing the same herself. Soon after completing her FLP, Roshni joined Azad as a two wheeler trainee. During her training, she was particularly inspired by the gender, communication and SRH sessions, which she admits to having empowered her to a great extent. She longs to earn so as to support her family and also to fulfill her dreams. Further, she also aspires to be a role model to her fellow women in the community by proving that women can do any job.













Enrollment Number:WB/NK/21-22/1 Name: Rumpa Singh D.O.B:06/02/1991 Education: 10th Pass Locality: 24 Parganas Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 12/04/2021 Date of PL: 02/06/2022 Current Status: Under Training

Rumpa lives with her husband and two children, although her husband is rarely present at home. A truck driver, he mostly stays out of the state and visits home once a year. Rumpa learned about Azad through a survey undertaken by the mobilizers in her locality. Driven by her long-standing desire to do something meaningful in life, she decided to join the four wheeler training program conducted by the organization. Despite a total lack of support on the part of her husband, who is very controlling in nature and constantly advises her to stay at home and take care of the children, Rumpa stood determined to pursue her goals. Throughout the course of her training at Azad, she gained confidence and learned to assert her needs with others. Her favorite sessions were those on gender and law, which helped her realize the extent of oppression that she has faced from the people around her, especially her husband. Rumpa is highly passionate about driving and is always punctual and committed to her sessions. She is hopeful of completing her training and securing a job in the near future. Her dream is to drive around the city and earn a dignified livelihood.



Enrollment Number : WB/NK/21-22/39 Name: Arijita Sarkar D.O.B: 31/07/1989 Education: Graduate Locality: Dakshineswar Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 22/02/2022 Date of PL: 20/07/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Arijita's household comprises her retired father, her mother who is a homemaker and sister who is currently working with a private company. Arijita had always harbored a huge passion for driving and on learning about Azad, she was intrigued by the objectives of the latter for the same reason. She came across Azad's Women with wheels program, and became one of the first candidates to fill in the application for the four-wheeler training program. Throughout her training, Arijita has been observed to showcase a keen interest in the non-technical sessions, which she considers to be insightful and essential. She aims to become a professional driver and thereby provide support to her family as well as carve out an identity for herself.







Enrollment Number: WB/NK/21-22/40 Name: Nikhat Parveen D.O.B: 22/01/1999 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Tangra Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 06/04/2022 Date of PL: 20/07/ 2022 Current Status: Employed

Nikhat is a college going student who has enrolled herself at Victoria Institute. She resides with her parents and siblings in the urban neighborhood of Kolkata. Forming part of the patriarchal society, her household is run by the incomes of her father and brother, a scenario that she has always wanted to reframe and earn by herself to provide for the family. It is around this time that Nikhat got to learn about Azad Foundation through a survey held in her locality and took the bold decision to join in its four-wheeler training program. At Azad, she has proved to be a determined student who gives full focus to the driving sessions as well as the non technical classes. She cherishes the classes as she believes that they are helping her to enhance her self-confidence and overcome those hurdles that lay in her way. According to her, the sessions are illuminating and have helped her defend herself as well as effectively put forward her opinions more freely. She aspires to become a banker in the long run and reflects a keen interest in the financial sphere.



Enrollment Number : WB/NK/21-22/47 Name: Dipa Bhowmick D.O.B: 20/07/1989 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Narkeldanga Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 31/03/2022 Date of PL: 20/06/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Dipa lives with her husband and two children in Kolkata . She has always wanted to learn driving, and Azad simply helped her wish come true. She got to know about Azad from one of her friends who had enrolled herself in its two wheeler training programme. On joining Azad, Dipa felt confident and empowered as it helped her find her inner self as well as acted as a catalyst to inspire a better life. The non technical sessions, especially those on sexuality, self defense, and spoken English, tremendously boosted her self-esteem and provided deep insights, which in turn helped to shape the environment around her. Presently, Dipa has successfully completed her training and secured a job with Uber through Sakha. She aims to become self-sufficient and independent in the long run.





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Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/3 Name: Rajani Mistri D.O.B: 23/10/2000 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Pulin Khatick Road Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 07/04/2022 Date of PL: 20/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

Rajani lives with her mother and father. Her brother has started living separately with his own family since his marriage. Rajani got to know about Azad from one of her sisters who lives in the locality. As she had always aspired to learn driving, it took her no time to decide on joining Azad's training program. At Azad, she was found to exude a keen interest in the classes on sexuality and first aid, as she found them to be extremely useful and empowering. She admits to have garnered great insights through the sessions. At present, Rajani has completed her training and also secured a job with Uber through Sakha. She aims to be independent and support her family, while making them proud of her accomplishments.



Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/13 Name: Ismat Alia DOB : 08/12/1987 Education : 8th Pass Locality : Chingrighata Marital Status : Divorcee Number of children : 0 Date of Joining: 24/06/2022 Date of PL: 27/09/2022 Current status : Employed

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Ismat Alia is the victim of a very toxic married life and she undoubtedly had a tough time leaving it behind and moving forward. After divorce, she started to live with her parents and her only brother who is married. Both her parents are unable to go to work and her father is handicapped, rendering her brother, who works in a hotel, as the only source of income to the household. Given the above grim circumstances, Ismat was actively seeking a job for herself so that she could financially support her family, when she came to know about Azad. From being a person who was really scared to go out alone, the training that she underwent at Azad transformed her into a more confident, capable and empowered individual whose mobility has significantly increased. Presently, Ismat has successfully completed her training at Azad and even realized her aspiration of securing a job with the help of Sakha. Her ultimate dream is to earn for herself so that she would not become a burden to anyone.





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Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/14 Name: Tahamina Khatoon D.O.B:25/08/1993 Education: 8th Pass Locality: North 24 Parganas Marital Status: Separated Number of children: 1 Date of Joining:13/07/2022 Date of PL: 01/9/2022 Current status: Under training

Tahamina is separated from her husband and lives with her parents and her daughter. She had always wanted to earn for herself and raise her daughter well. She learned about Azad through a survey that was undertaken in her neighborhood and was also inspired by one of the Sakha Cab drivers whom she was acquainted with. This motivated her to enroll with Azad. Despite working the night shift as a security guard, she attends her training sessions regularly. Tahamina yearns to prove that gone are the days of gendered segregation of jobs under the pretext of women constituting a weaker section. She loves challenging tasks and feels empowered after coming to Azad. Of all the sessions attended at Azad, she liked the first aid and self defense classes more, as she felt more confident after these sessions. She also desires to pass on these skills and information to many more vulnerable fellow beings in her community. Tahamina aspires to earn for herself through driving while also serving to increase the visibility of women drivers in the city.



Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/16 Name: Nasima Khatoon D.O.B:14/08/1989 Education:12th Pass Locality: JK Ghosh Road Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining:25/08/2022 Date of PL: 17/11/2022 Current status: Under training

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Nasima resides with her maternal family since there is a lack of space in her in-laws house, who also used to routinely ill-treat her and her child. She came to know about Azad from one of the mobilizers who conducted a survey in her locality. After coming to Azad, an entirely different world rich with opportunities opened up for her. Of all the sessions that she attended, Nasima liked SRH the most as it removed all her misconceptions, reservations and hesitations on the topic. She acknowledges that she learnt many new things through the session, which in turn she desires to disseminate in her circle. She also liked those sessions on gender and legal training, as be compact ones where women got to know about her rights as well as other legal procedures. Today, driving a car makes her feel empowered. Nasima aspires to earn money by engaging in something that she loves with all her heart and fulfills all her needs, besides enabling her to take better care of her son.







Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/23 Name: Shabana Begum DOB: 10/05/1984 Education : 10th Pass Locality: Park circus Marital Status :Married Number of children : 2 Date of Joining: 20/10/2022 Date of PL : 30/12/2022 Current status: Under training

Shabana Begum resides at Park Circus with her extended family. Her husband and brotherin-law are auto drivers, which serves as the main source of income for their household. Unfortunately, Shabana lacks a voice in her family matters as her mother-in-law is in total control of its affairs, but is glad that she got a very supportive husband who consistently encourages her to become a driver. She had always yearned to become independent and this motivated her to join Azad. Presently, she thinks that had she not joined Azad Foundation, she would never have learnt about gender justice and self-respect of women. Her dream is to become a driver and lead a life with dignity.



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Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/29 Name: Riya Biswas DOB :30/12/1994 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Salt Lake Marital Status : Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 22/11/2022 Date of PL : 31/01/2023 Current status: Under training

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As a child, Riya grew up in a very harsh environment and currently she lives with her husband and in-laws. Making things worse, she also had to endure a very miserable marital life as her husband was abusive. She desperately yearned to change her situation and came to the conclusion that she should earn for herself. It is then that she came across Azad Foundation through her friend and joined the WWW program, despite her husband's strict objection. All the training sessions attended at Azad transformed her into a more aware and courageous individual, who is no longer afraid of expressing her opinions. Today, she looks forward to establishing herself firmly, besides wanting to give a good education and a better life to her son.







Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/32 Name: Jyoti Singh DOB: 09/02/1988 Education :12th Pass Locality: Tangara Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 28/11/2022 Date of PL :31/01/2023 Current status: Employable

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Jyoti Singh is unmarried and stays with her family that comprises her mother, father, brother and sister. The main source of income for their family is the small business run by her father with the support of her brother. She got to know about Azad Foundation through a survey conducted by the organization in her locality and on securing the contact number, she registered herself with the WWW program. This was to bring about a positive change in her life. Today, she is grateful to the organization for having helped her find her voice as well as enhance her self-esteem and confidence. She has successfully acquired her driving license and is eagerly looking forward to securing a job, so that she may stand on her own feet and help her family.





Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/38 Name : Sima Yadav DOB :06/07/1989 Education : 8th Pass Locality : Khakoon Marital Status : Married Number of children :1 Date of Joining: 27/12/2022 Date of PL: 03/03/2023 Current status : Under training

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Sima Yadav lives with her husband and only girl child at Khakoon in Kolkata. Her husband is a driver and so he encouraged her to take up the same profession. As she was convinced that a single source of income was not enough to meet all the needs of their family, she decided to take up training to become a professional driver. Besides, she also harbored a lot of dreams to fulfill once she started earning for herself. She got to know about Azad through a survey and joined the organization with the hope that she could save enough money for the education of her daughter, who is doing her graduation. At Azad, she liked the self defense classes the most. Sima admits that initially she was scared to go out alone and would always ask her husband to accompany her, but now she is able to walk alone and is confident that she could manage any kind of situation. "I am not scared anymore", she says confidently. Though she has a car for her use, she nurses the dream of owning a new car once she becomes a professional driver.







Enrollment Number: WB/NK/22-23/42 Name: Shampa Sikdar DOB: 08/04/1985 Education :8th Pass Locality: Lake town Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 06/01/2023 Date of PL: 02/03/2023 Current status: Under training

Shampa Sikdar, a mother of two, lives with her mother and brother. Her husband died in an accident a few years back, a couple of months after which she lost her father as well and her mother fell sick. Amidst these testing times, Shampa was eagerly looking for a job, when she learnt about Azad from a friend, who had completed her training and had secured a job through the organization. Later, Shampa contacted Azad and enrolled herself for the training. Her ultimate dream is to provide a happy and fulfilling life to her kids. She never wants them to feel that they would have had a better life if their father had been alive. She looks forward to earning through driving and giving a good education to her kids.





Enrollment Number:WB/NK/22-23/45 Name: Fatma Khatoon D.O.B: 29/01/1996 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Tangra Marital Status: Separated Number of children: 0 Date of Joining: 24/01/2023 Date of PL: 28/03/2023 Current Status: Under training

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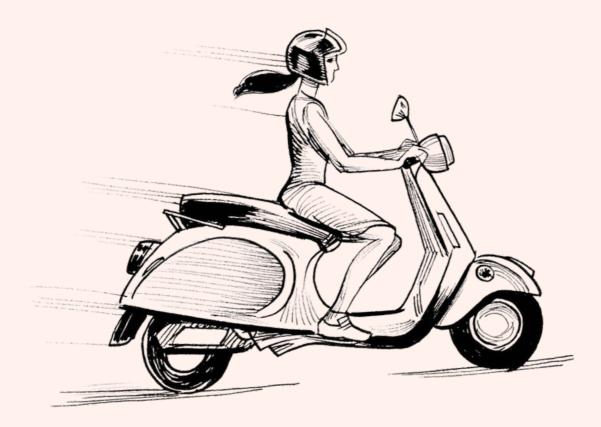
Fatma is separated from her husband and lives with her sister and mother. Her family supports her immensely and has always believed in her capabilities. She worked with a small food venture that provided a meager income, which often made it challenging for her to meet her daily needs. It is then that she came across Azad on a leaflet. As she had always desired to learn to drive, she enrolled with Azad. Since joining, Fatma has gained confidence and started living her life to its fullest. Prior to that, she had experienced anxiety and depression while managing the burden of her family. Now, she finds herself laughing more and more and engaging in meaningful conversations. Among the sessions that she has attended, Fatma particularly enjoyed the one on self defense as she believes that it has empowered her to voice her protests both in public and in private matters. She feels that asserting herself and speaking her mind out brings a sense of relief. Fatma is eager to complete her training so that she can start earning and paint her life as she envisions it.



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Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/31 Name: Rinki Roy DOB:15/06/1989 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Garia station Marital Status: Married Number of children: 0 Date of joining: 30/12/2021 Date of PL: 30/05/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Rinki lives with her mother at Garia in Kolkata. She got to know about Azad through one of her friends and wasted no time in joining its two wheeler training program. Recalling her training days, Rinki states that she felt empowered and full of joy as new and meaningful insights started illuminating her mind after each session that she attended at the organization. It brought about a marked change in her mindset so much that she gained confidence and self-respect. Today, she has successfully acquired her permanent driving license and stands on her own feet. She also hopes to buy a scooty for herself in the near future.



Enrollment Number :WB/KOL/2021-22/36 Name: Toton Das DOB: 11/09/2001 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Charu Chandra Place Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 21/01/2021 Date of PL: 08/08/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Toton's family comprises her parents and an elder sister. After her father's business suffered a huge loss during the pandemic-induced lockdown, Toton decided to start earning and lend a helping hand to her family. It was during this time that she came across Azad through a survey conducted by Talash. Since enrolling in its training program, Toton learned to advocate for herself as well as others. She enjoyed being a part of Azad as she could gain many friends to whom she could express herself freely. Also, she particularly liked the self-defense sessions as they made her feel more empowered. Presently, she has successfully completed her training and aspires to find a job that would provide her with adequate income to support her family.







Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/42 Name : Sarathi Aich D. O. B: 01/01/1992 Education : 10th Pass Locality : Ballygunge Marital status: Single Date of Joining:10/02/2022 Date of PL:08/08/2022 Current status :Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Sarathi currently lives with her mother, grandmother and sister. Two of her sisters are married while her younger sister is a college student. Her mother, who works as a domestic help in several households, is the primary source of income to the family. Sarathi had always wanted to ease her mother's plight by supporting her in running the household. On hearing about her difficult situation, it was a friend of hers who recommended Azad to her. On joining the organization, Sarathi found the training provided by Azad to be immensely valuable and empowering in nature. She gained confidence significantly and has also learned to stand up against social injustices fearlessly. Presently, she has acquired her permanent license on successful completion of training with Azad. She aspires to pursue a career in the transport industry, so that she can support both herself and her family.

Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/40 Name: Archana Sapui DOB: 31/05/1990 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Sonarpur Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 21/01/2022 Date of PL: 30/05/2022 Current Status: Waiting for Employment through Sakha

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Archana lives at her in-law's house and her husband, who currently works outside the state, does not stay with her. She is raising her child on her own although her husband provides for them financially. She got to know about Azad from her sister who had previously served in the organization. After undergoing training at Azad, Archana felt enlightened as she gained insights into several hitherto unexplored concepts and ideas. She admits that driving has helped her build confidence and that learning a new skill has improved her self esteem more than ever. At present, she works as a swimming instructor and hopes to become a professional driver in the near future. She is determined to raise her child with all the comforts of life, which she herself as a child could not avail.

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Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/43 Name: Rumki Mistri DOB: 12/07/1998 Education: 10th Pass Locality: KMC Parulia Coastal Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 10/02/2022 Date of PL: 31/05/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Rumki resides at Garia with her husband and only son. Although she knew how to ride a scooty, she could not secure a driving license for financial reasons. She came to know about Azad through a campaign carried out by Talash and thought that she could become independent by perfecting her riding skills and obtaining a license. She agrees that she enjoyed coming to Azad and attending the sessions here. Currently, she has fulfilled her ambition of securing a permanent license and is looking forward to earning for herself.



Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2021-22/61 Name: Rakhee Banik DOB: 25/02/1987 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Garia Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of joining: 25/03/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Rakhee lives with her husband and two daughters at Garia in Kolkata. She happened to come across Azad in the television show "Satyamev Jayate". Enrolling with Azad proved to be a turning point in her life. She felt empowered and insightful after each training session, as they exposed her to concepts and ideas that were new to her. She also started to feel independent now that she could now drive a car, which is often branded as a masculine task in a patriarchal society. At present, Rakhee has successfully completed her training at Azad and has secured a job as a delivery partner with an e-commerce enterprise. Her ultimate dream is to become independent and thereby carve out an identity for herself in the society.







Name: Rinki Purkait DOB: 30/06/1996 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Lowdown Market Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining : 20/05/2019 Date of PL: 20/03/ 2023 Current status: Employed

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Rinki, a mother of two, is currently living with her mother and brother following the death of her husband. As a single mother, she often felt responsible for providing her children with good education and a better life. Her brother is the sole breadwinner of the family, and Rinki had always wanted to support him while also earning for herself and her children. She came across Azad through a survey conducted in her neighborhood. Rinki expresses that attending the sessions at Azad has made her feel stronger and more courageous, particularly the self-defense sessions. Rinki is immensely grateful to Azad as it is through their program that she gained knowledge about gender and law. She admits that had she not become involved with Azad, she would have ended up working as a housemaid and today, earning by herself as a driver , she feels empowered and self-reliant.



Enrollment Number - WB/KOL/2021-22/38 Name: Sangeeta Paul DOB: 05/09/1986 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Kasba Marital Status: Married No. Of Children:1 Date of Joining: 21/01/2021 Date of PL: 08/08/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Sangeeta is separated from her husband and lives with her parents and 5-year-old daughter. She learned about Azad through a friend who is a feminist leader in the organization. She decided to join Azad as she believed that it would help her gain self-confidence and learn valuable skills that would mold her into a stronger woman, capable of facing life's challenges. Sangeeta particularly enjoyed the English and communication classes offered at Azad. Currently, she has acquired a permanent license after successfully completing her training at Azad. Her goal is to pursue a delivery job and become independent in life.

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Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/3 Name: Sunita Ram DOB: 22/03/1993 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Beleghata Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining:29/04/2022 Date of PL: 15/09/2022 Current status: Employed

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Sunita Ram lives with her in-laws at Beleghata. She came to know about Azad through a pamphlet. She had always wanted to learn to ride a scooty and on coming across the earning opportunities thrown open by Azad's training program, she did not wait for long. After joining Azad, she could not only meet like-minded women but also gained confidence which she feels she never had. Also, the non technical sessions proved to be eye-opening to her as she learned many new concepts. Of all the sessions attended at Azad, she liked the gender and self defense sessions the most. She shares the view that all women must learn to defend themselves. Today, she has completed her training and even realized her dream of securing a job by getting into the payrolls of an e-commerce firm as a delivery partner. She aspires to stand on her own feet and provide for her family.



Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/4 Name: Priti Shaw DOB: 08/05/1991 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Beleghata Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining:29/04/2022 Date of PL: 01/09/2022 Current status: Employed

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Priti lives with her husband and two children at Beleghata. She came across Azad through leaflets distributed in her community. Having faced numerous challenges in her life, she was determined to join Azad's NTL program regardless of the obstacles that lay ahead. Since joining, she describes her life as having transformed completely. The non-technical sessions were eye-opening for her and shed light on several alarming patriarchal norms that needed to be challenged in her community. The stories of successful women as well as those facing distress that she came across at Azad motivated her to aim high and help those in dire situations. She particularly enjoyed the gender and self-defense sessions, so much that she actively applies what she has learned in them in her life. She has started to step back from traditional responsibilities, thereby encouraging others to take part in household chores. Her ultimate dream is to provide a better future to her daughter as well as ensure that no other woman experiences the plight that she has been through.







Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/5 Name: Anju Kumari Paswan DOB: 15/11/1994 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Tangra Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 22/04/2022 Date of PL: 28/09/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

# 66

Anju resides at Tangra with her husband, child and in-laws. Her husband is the sole earning member of the family and their financial conditions deteriorated after the lockdown, turning it out to be difficult for him to run the family all by himself. Anju came to know about Azad through a survey carried out in her locality and decided to join its two wheeler training program, as she desired to support her husband in his efforts. Besides, she had always dreamt of riding a scooty, but could not imagine that it would come true one day. After joining Azad, she gained immense confidence and motivation, something that she felt her life has always lacked. She realized that she is capable of accomplishing so many things that she had always wanted to but was often told that she could not. Of all the non-technical sessions attended at Azad, Anju liked the self defense and gender courses the most, as while the former made her feel empowered, the latter proved to be highly informative for her. She aspires to be independent and provide a better future to her child.

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Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/10 Name: Somasri Saho DOB: 28/02/1993 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Garia station Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 25/05/2022 Date of PL: 08/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Somasri resides at Garia with her parents. She works as an event manager, but since the off season is going on she decided to focus on her well being and pick up a new and useful skill. She got to know about Azad from one of her friends who was a part of the organization previously. Somasri appreciates the knowledge and information that she could gather through the non technical classes like those on sexuality and correspondence at Azad. According to her, the training helped her build confidence and certainty. Today, she recognises driving as an area of expertise that she pursues to build a better life.







Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/8 Name: Chandrani Halder DOB: 3/05/2002 Education: 9th Pass Locality: Chingrighata Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 25/05/2022 Date of PL:08/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Chandrani lives with her husband at Chingrighata. She learned about Azad through a doorto-door survey and wasted no time in deciding to join, as the financial condition of her household had suffered greatly since the pandemic induced lockdown. She also chose to learn driving as she identified it as an effective means to challenge the male-centric norms of the society. Chandrani found the orientation classes to be helpful as they provided clear insights and even enabled her to guide others in the right direction. She particularly enjoyed the Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) session as it enlightened her on several of those not so widely discussed concepts. It paved the way for several questions to arise in her mind, ultimately making her realize how society has unnecessarily complicated issues relating to one's body. Presently, Chandrani has acquired her permanent license as well as secured a job as a delivery partner with an e-commerce enterprise. She aspires to support her family besides creating an identity for herself.



Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/16 Name: Mayuri Singh DOB: 05/03/1990 Education: Graduate Locality: Lake Garden Marital Status :Unmarried Date of Joining: 27/06/2022 Date of PL :07/11/2022 Current status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Mayuri Singh used to live in Lake Garden, but has now returned to her village in Bihar. She has a brother and two sisters. Mayuri learned about Azad Foundation through a leaflet and reached out to the organization for further information. Although she has successfully completed her training since joining Azad and even obtained a permanent license, she found it difficult to stay back without a job in Kolkata due to some pressing family issues. However, Mayuri claims to have developed better communication skills since attending the training sessions as well as gained enough courage to confront various challenges thrown up by life. She also expresses her gratitude for the new knowledge she has acquired through the program. She hopes to secure a job in the near future and support her siblings.







Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/25 Name :Jayanti Das D. O. B: 23/10/1984 Education: 10th Pass Locality :Tollygunge Marital status:Widow Number of children : 1 Date of Joining: 21/07/2022 Date of PL: 07/11/2022 Current status : Waiting for employment through Sakha

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After the death of her spouse, Jayanti started to live with her maternal family that includes her parents, siblings and daughter. Both Jayanthi and her mother work as care-givers. She learned about Azad through a friend and found its environment to be quite inspiring. She admits to having gained valuable self-defense and such other empowering skills through the two wheeler training program. She also expresses her gratitude to the organization for having helped her realize her self-worth, thereby enhancing her confidence and self-esteem. Currently, Jayanti has obtained her permanent license after successful completion of her training with Azad, and is eagerly waiting to secure a dignified job. Apart from becoming self-reliant, Jayanti also harbors a deep desire to help orphaned children in making their lives better.



Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/26 Name: Punam Yadav DOB: 04/12/1990 Education: 9th Pass Locality : Picnic Garden Marital Status : Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 21/07/2022 Date of PL: 07/11/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Punam's husband is unemployed and so it falls on her to fulfill the financial needs of her household. She learned about Azad Foundation through a survey conducted in her locality and joined with the hope of building a better life. Punam expresses her satisfaction with the organization, stating that she has gained valuable knowledge through her involvement. Previously, she had found it challenging to venture out alone, however getting trained in self-defense made a significant difference in her life, empowering her to walk alone confidently anywhere, anytime without fear. Punam particularly enjoyed the gender classes as it clarified her thoughts on several societal notions. Her goal is to acquire a scooter for herself and secure a job as a delivery partner with an e-commerce platform.







Enrollment Number:WB/KOL/2022-23/27 Name : Rupa Das DOB: 05/06/1986 Education: 10th Pass Locality : Deshopriyo Park Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining : 21/07/ 2022 Date of PL: 07/11/2022 Current status: Employable

# 66

Rupa lives with her husband, daughter and in-laws at Deshopriyo Park. She got to know about Azad from her sister-in-law, who was also interested in joining the organization. On enrolling with Azad, Rupa experienced a supportive environment and learned useful skills, such as professional communication and handling emergency situations. She could also gain access to various helpline numbers, which she found to be extremely helpful, and shared with her friends in need. Rupa is also bent on encouraging her friends to join Azad as a means to put an end to the violence and lack of identity they endure in their lives. Her primary goal now is to become independent and provide her daughter with high-quality education.



Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/31 Name: Pinky Devi DOB: 07/01/1990 Education: 9 th Pass Locality: Topsia Marital Status :Married Number of children: 3 Date of Joining: 24/08/2022 Date of PL : 13/02/2023 Current Status :Employed

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Pinky lives in Topsia with her husband and three children. Her husband works as a tailor, while she earned a living by working as a cook in nearby households. She had lost her father as a child, as a result of which the financial condition of her household was challenging. Pinky learned about Azad Foundation through a survey conducted in her locality and joined the organization, which has since then changed her perspective of life. She now recognizes the importance of women empowering each other and understanding their self-worth. Among all the classes she attended at Azad, Pinky particularly enjoyed the self-defense sessions the most. Presently, she has successfully completed her training and even obtained a job as a delivery partner with Dominos. She aspires to become a member in her family whom others can depend on emotionally as well as financially.







Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/32 Name: Sonia Nayek DOB: 06/12/1996 Education :12th Pass Locality: Topsia Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 28/08/ 2022 Date of PL: 28/11/2022 Current Status: Employed

Sonia Nayek resides at Topsia in Kolkata and her household comprises her mother, grandmother and sister. She learned about Azad Foundation through a survey conducted in her community. Despite facing strong objections from her family, particularly on account of one of their neighbors meeting with an accident while heading for a delivery, Sonia remained determined to pursue her goal of obtaining a well-paying job and enrolled with Azad. The training imparted at Azad transformed her into a courageous and confident individual, who is well aware of her rights and capabilities. She successfully completed her training and attended a few job interviews as well, when she received a job offer from Dominos. However, due to some personal reasons, she was unable to accept the same. Nevertheless, Sonia is pressing forth with an undying spirit to realize her dreams.

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Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/33 Name : Sonali Ghosh DOB: 15/11/1992 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Picnic garden Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 24/08/2022 Date of PL: 28/11/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Sonali Ghosh resides at Picnic Garden with her parents and brother . She came across Azad Foundation through a survey undertaken in her locality, and decided to join as she had always aspired to become self-reliant. According to Sonali, above everything, Azad provided her with an atmosphere to express herself freely. She also shared her reservations about how her parents always prioritize her brother's decisions over her own only because of her being a woman. After completing her training, Sonali has become a confident person who is well aware of handling conflicting situations without chaos. She has even managed to secure a job as a delivery partner with an e-commerce firm. Her dream is to complete her education and support her family.







Enrollment Number:WB/KOL/2022-23/40 Name: Riya Pramanick DOB: 23/08/1997 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Behala Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 20/09/ 2022 Date of PL: 30/12/2022 Current Status : Employed

Riya Pramanick is a professional driver who has completed her training at Azad Foundation. She resides at Behala with her mother, father and brother. Both her parents used to work for the municipal corporation, when they faced challenges owing to her father being diagnosed with heart-related issues, affecting his ability to perform his full-time job effectively. However, with the support of Azad Foundation, Riya has become an independent individual who would no longer be let down by the difficulties of her life. Her dream is to eventually own a house with her own savings.





Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/42 Name :Swarnali Mondal DOB: 13/10/2000 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Chingrighata Marital Status :Unmarried Date of Joining: 20/09/2022 Date of PL :01/02/2023 Current status :Employable

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Swarnali Mondal resides with her extended family at Chingrighata in Kolkata. The primary sources of income for her family are her father and maternal aunt, both of whom work in a nearby hand gloves manufacturing factory. She became aware of Azad Foundation through pamphlets distributed in her community and decided to join in order to fulfill her goal of supporting her family and alleviating the burden on her father's shoulders. Enrolling with Azad was to become a turning point in her life as a whole new world of opportunities was introduced to her. Swarnali emphasizes the importance of learning about self-respect, dignity, and self-defense, the sessions on which made her feel all the more empowered. Her aspiration is to become a skilled driver and convey the message to the world that women can excel in this profession, just like men.







Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/43 Name: Neha Shaw DOB: 14/10/2001 Education: 12th Pass Locality: South 24 Parganas Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 20/09/2022 Date of PL: 28/11/2022 Current Status: Employable

# 66

Neha lives with her parents and two sisters at Tiljala. Her father worked as a driver and was the primary breadwinner of the household. However, during the nationwide lockdown, he lost his job resulting in Neha's education being interrupted. Determined to earn and thereby support the family, she decided to work as a delivery executive. It was at this time that Neha learned about Azad from a neighbor who worked as a mobilizer with the organization. She was particularly inspired by the idea that women could achieve anything, which motivated her greatly. Presently, her goal is to complete her studies and secure a dignified job.





Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/52 Name: Purnima Sarkar DOB: 19/09/1983 Education: Graduation Locality :Baghajatin Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 20/09/2022 Date of PL : 27/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Purnima resides at Baghajatin with her husband, sons and mother-in-law. Due to the poor financial condition of her household, she began searching for jobs and eventually started working part-time in a company. However, the income that she earned there was so meager that it forced her to leave the job. Further, during the lockdown period, she also attempted to start a garment business which also ended up being unsuccessful. It was around this time that Purnima came across Azad Foundation through a door-to-door survey that was being conducted in her locality. Learning to drive had always been a personal desire of hers, and she eagerly embraced the training provided by Azad. In her view, one of the most valuable lessons that she gained from Azad was understanding how to assist others as well as protect herself from sexual harassment. The training also helped in augmenting her confidence and mobility significantly. On successful completion of her training, Purnima secured a job as a medicine delivery agent, which she hopes shall fulfill her aspiration of becoming self-reliant, besides meeting the needs of her family.





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Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/48 Name :Sukla Samaddar Mondal DOB: 19/12/1991 Locality :Mukundpur Education :8th Pass Marital status :Married Number of Children: 0 Date of joining :23/10/2022 Date of PL : 30/12/2022 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Sukla Samaddar Mondal lives with her husband in Mukundpur. She learned about Azad through a friend, who had already completed her training with the organization. Attracted by the range of opportunities for personal growth offered by Azad's training programs, Sukla enrolled with the organization. During her training, she actively participated in all the sessions and fulfilled the requirements for obtaining a Permanent License. She also successfully completed her training and secured a job with Hub. Unfortunately, due to some health issues, Sukla had to leave the job that she secured through Azad. Although she had worked for only twenty days, she was grateful to receive the payment for her work. Sukla expresses that her life underwent significant changes after the training. She attributes her increased confidence to the gender and law classes that she attended at Azad, stating that she is no longer afraid of facing any challenges in life.



Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/50 Name :Tritiya Biswas DOB: 16/05/1991 Education: 9 th Pass Locality: Bansdroni Marital Status :Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining :23/10/2022 Date of PL : 30/01/2023 Current Status: Employed

## 66

Tritiya Biswas resides in Bansdroni with her two sons. As a child, she was raised by her maternal grandfather in her uncle's house and was unable to complete her education due to financial difficulties. Being the sole provider for herself and her two children, Tritiya faced significant challenges. Her life took a positive turn when she learned about Azad Foundation through a survey conducted in her neighborhood. Joining Azad has undoubtedly transformed her life. Previously, she had observed how society restricted the choices of women, but Azad taught her that equality exists between men and women. Today, Tritiya works as a delivery partner with an e-commerce firm and is confident of being financially independent as well as capable of supporting her sons in fulfilling their dreams and aspirations.





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Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/54 Name: Nisha Battacharjee DOB: 23/04/2001 Education : 10th Pass Locality : Kasba Marital Status : Unmarried Date of Joining : 23/11/2022 Date of PL: 01/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Nisha Battacharjee stays with her mother and sister at Kasba. Her sister works as a babysitter, which serves as their family's sole source of income. Their father abandoned the family a few years ago, leaving the responsibility of supporting the family on the shoulders of her sister. Unfortunately, their mother is unwell and unable to work. Against this backdrop, to contribute to the household, Nisha had taken up several part-time jobs. However, when she learned about Azad Foundation through an FLP member, she saw a ray of hope in it. Today, Nisha has successfully secured a job in an e-commerce firm and is determined to provide a better life to her mother. She also dreams of building a house for their family, besides completing her education. Nisha firmly believes that achieving financial independence amplifies the voice of women and enables them to contribute towards achieving gender equality.



Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/55 Name: Sampa Sarkar D0B : 03/01/1988 Education : 10th Pass Locality: Jadavpur Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 23/11/2022 Date of PL: 20/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Sampa, who stays with her husband, kid and in-laws at Jadavpur, had a part time job in a dental clinic. However, owing to family and child care responsibilities, she had to leave the job. Thereafter, her husband became the only source of income for the family, which turned out to be insufficient to meet the daily needs of the household. On realizing her responsibility in making her family stable, Sampa began to search for a job when she came across Azad Foundation. Today, she is extremely grateful to Azad, for having helped her in building confidence as well as teaching her to lead an independent and financially stable life.





Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/56 Name: Sushmita Biswas DOB: 11/04/1997 Education :9th Pass Locality: Subhas Gram Marital Status: Married Number of children :2 Date of Joining :23/11/ 2022 Date of PL: 13/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Sushmita Biswas is a housewife who lives with her husband, in-laws and two children. Her husband works as a cook and occasionally takes up cable work as well. She got to know about Azad through her friend who is currently undergoing WWW program training in the organization. Seeing her friend striving to make a foothold in the society inspired her and she decided to join the two wheeler training program offered by Azad. The training had a huge positive impact on her life, so much that now she is able to speak for herself and is very confident. She has successfully completed her training, thereby securing a job as a delivery partner. She desires to buy a scooter for herself. Her biggest dream is to give better education to both her children, irrespective of whether son or daughter.

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Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/57 Name: Rani Khatoon DOB: 15/10/2001 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Tiljala Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 23/12/2022 Date of PL: 20/03/2023 Current Status: Employable

## 66

Rani lives with her parents and she learned about Azad Foundation from her sister, who has also joined the two-wheeler training program offered by the organization. Rani appreciated being a part of Azad, as it had given her the opportunity to step out of her home and explore the wider world around her, which she could not do before. She particularly enjoyed the gender and self-defense classes as she felt that they helped in empowering her to a great extent. Although her family has arranged for her marriage, Rani yearns to become financially independent and stand on her own feet within the next two years.





Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/61 Name: Salma Khatoon DOB: 10/04/1993 Education : 12th Pass Locality: Topsia Marital Status :Married Number of children :1 Date of Joining: 23/12/2022 Date of PL: 20/03/2023 Current Status: Under training

Salma Khatoon lives with her husband and four year old daughter in Topsia. Her husband works in a garment shop and is the breadwinner of the family. Salma joined Azad Foundation after coming to know about it from a survey conducted in her locality. Fortunately, her family is very supportive of her training and keeps motivating her to work hard. The training at Azad taught Salma that married women need not spend the rest of their lives trapped within the four walls of their houses. It instilled in her the confidence to go out and work. Salma is grateful to Azad for having taught her that every person is independent on their own and can make a life for themselves.

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Enrollment Number: WB/KOL/2022-23/62 Name: Mithu Das DOB :20/12/1988 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Goriyahat Marital Status: Married Number of children :1 Date of Joining: 03/12/ 2022 Date of PL:27/03/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Mithu, a single mother, lived with her daughter at Goriyahat. Ever since her daughter got married, Mithu started living alone. She worked as a caretaker and stayed at that house during the night, as she resided in an unsafe locality where she has been constantly facing serious threats. Joining Azad brought about a huge change in her life. Her days became more active and it proved to be a great opportunity for a woman living alone like her to meet new people and make friends. By the encouragement and support of her fellow trainees and trainers at Azad, Mithu succeeded in obtaining her permanent license and also secured a job as a delivery partner with an e-commerce firm. She looks forward to working as a driver and earning enough money so that she could buy a new house in a better area and lead a peaceful life with dignity.











Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/29 Name: Piu Das DOB: 03/12/1989 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Subhash Gram Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 24/11/2021 Date of PL: 30/05/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Piu currently lives with her husband and daughter. She had a love marriage, and her in-laws, especially her mother-in-law, did not accept her due to this reason. Neither was her childhood smooth as she had to face numerous struggles, particularly financial distress. Fortunately, her husband is extremely supportive and has played a pivotal role in her personal growth. Piu got to know about Azad through a friend. Subsequently, being a part of the organization and receiving training exposed her to the real competitive world, which in turn is helping her develop and improve as a person. Her childhood dream of driving a car, a feat often seen as next to impossible for women in a patriarchal society, is now becoming a reality. She greatly values the non-technical sessions offered by Azad, especially those on communication and gender. The training has boosted her confidence, enabling her to communicate with others effectively and express her views freely. Piu has secured a job as a commercial driver in Sakha.



Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/46 Name: Indrani Halder DOB: 31/10/1999 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Charu market area Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 10/02/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Indrani stays with her parents and she came across Azad through a survey conducted in her locality. At the time, she was working as a nursery school teacher to contribute to her household income. Along with her sister, she is the primary breadwinner of the family as her father is unemployed and mother is a housewife. On hearing about Azad, Indrani wasted no time in enrolling with the organization, as learning to drive was a new skill to her. The training she received at Azad helped her build confidence and discipline, something which she felt was lacking in her life all this while. When limited access to job opportunities and public spaces continue to be significant challenges to women and tasks like delivering packages to the doorsteps of strangers are stigmatized, Indrani is determined to break free from such stereotypes and establish herself in her own right. The training has also equipped her with the ability to confidently participate in interviews for jobs and has transformed her as a person. She looks forward to achieving self-reliance and providing for her family.







Enrollment Number :WB/KOL/2021-22/49 Name: Seema Paswan DOB: 28/01/1987 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Ruby Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of joining: 9/02/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status:Employable

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Seema lives with her in-laws and has always had an interest in driving. Azad Foundation simply helped her turn this wish into a reality. She got to know about Azad through a survey conducted in her neighborhood and since joining the organization, she admits to feeling more confident and empowered, as it helped her discover her true self and motivated her to strive for a better life. The training she received not only boosted her confidence and self-esteem but also significantly improved her communication skills and overall personality. The non-technical classes on sexuality, self-defense, and spoken English played a crucial role in building her self-confidence and providing her with valuable insights, ultimately shaping her environment for the better. It is a widely known fact that in the largely male-dominated Indian society, women driving cars is still viewed as an impossible task. With a highly transformed perception of the world around her, Seema aspires to take up driving as a profession, defy societal norms and debunk this myth.

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Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/52 Name: Amreen Rahman DOB: 21/09/2002 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Dhaka Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 10/02/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Amreen currently lives with her mother and sister. As a student, she was eager to complete her education and even aspired to go for higher studies. However, owing to financial instability in the family, she was compelled to withdraw from her studies and contribute to the family income by taking up a job. She learned about Azad through a survey conducted by feminist leaders in her locality. Amreen had always nursed a passion for driving and the goals of Azad seemed to perfectly align with her interests, which piqued her curiosity. The classes she attended at Azad helped her build confidence and greatly transformed her personality. She gained valuable insights on various topics she was previously unaware of, which undoubtedly contributed to her personal growth. Today, Amreen is bent on pursuing her driving job that she secured through Azad and challenging the patriarchal norms prevalent in the society. She also aspires to complete her education, besides achieving financial stability.







Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/53 Name: Mohini Singh DOB: 15/02/1991 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Behala Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining:10/02/ 2022 Date of PL: 2/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Mohini resides in Behala with her parents. Despite her keen interest in studying, Mohini had to take on the responsibility of earning and providing for her family due to the financial crisis at her home. She got to know about Azad through a survey conducted in her neighborhood. Ever since joining the organization, she has noticed significant changes in her behavior, actions, and overall personality as is evident in her improved communication skills and newfound confidence. The non-technical sessions on sexuality, communication and gender, that she attended at Azad, provided her with valuable insights into the society and facilitated her learning process. Presently, Mohini has successfully completed her training with Azad and secured a dignified job. She aspires to be self-reliant and take care of her family.

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Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/54 Name: Sunita Bauri DOB: 03/03/1994 Education:10th Pass Locality: Dhapa Marital status: Unmarried Date of joining: 17/03/2022 Date of PL: 4/8/2022 Current status: Under training

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Sunita and her family have been living on a meager income. She learned about Azad through surveys conducted in her locality and was thrilled to discover that she could learn to drive, something that had always seemed to be beyond her reach. Despite facing stiff resistance from her family members, she remained determined to pursue the four wheeler training. Joining Azad empowered her and fostered a sense of solidarity with other women who were also striving for independence and recognition. Sunita particularly appreciated the gender sessions, which shed light on the all pervading influence of patriarchy in our society, besides giving her the confidence to challenge the deep entrenched gender norms. She also enjoyed the map reading sessions. Sunita aims to earn a living through driving and wants to highlight the importance of skill over gender at the workplace. Her main goal is to support her family and live a peaceful life.







Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2021-22/55 Name: Samima Parveen DOB:31/08/2022 Education:12th Pass Locality: Mallickpur Marital status: Unmarried Date of Joining:17/03/2022 Date of PL: 08/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Samima lives with her family, consisting of 8 members, at Mallickpur. She receives immense support from her father in all her endeavors. She learned about Azad from a person in her locality and after reviewing the information, she became interested and eventually joined the organization. Since joining Azad, Samima has seen a significant improvement in her communication skills and her confidence has greatly increased. The rights-based sessions instilled in her a sense of self-respect and the courage to speak out against anything unjust. Among all the sessions, she particularly enjoyed the communication session, as it taught her assertiveness and effective articulation. She also appreciated the counseling session that provided valuable insights into anger management. Further, Samima believes that the self-defense session has empowered her to a great extent. On successfully completing her training with Azad, she secured a job as a commercial cab driver, which she hopes will aid her in becoming independent in every aspect possible. By opting for a profession in driving, she wishes to prove to her family and neighbors that women are capable of taking up any job.



Enrollment Number :WB/KOL/2021-22/47 Name: Chandrani Halder DOB:1/10/1998 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Charu market area Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 10/02/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Chandrani lives with her parents and sister, and from a young age, has witnessed intense struggles that taught her the importance of being independent. She was working as a nursery school teacher, striving to support her family financially, when she learned about Azad through a survey conducted in her locality. Learning to drive had always been a personal goal for Chandrani, and now being presented with the opportunity, she was determined to acquire the skill and attain a new level of excellence and independence. The training she received at Azad boosted her confidence and self-esteem. It exposed her to ideas and concepts that were previously unfamiliar to her. She highly values the non-technical sessions that she attended at Azad, especially those on sexuality and communication, as they furnished her with new insights. While she may not harbor a specific dream, Chandrani aspires to generate income and support her family to the best of her abilities.







Enrollment Number :WB/KOL/2022-23/6 Name: Mitali Barik DOB: 05/09/1987 Education: 9th Pass Locality: 52 linton street Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 29/04/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

Mitali got married at an early age and currently resides with her in-laws. Since 2009, she has been a single mother, raising her daughter on her own. After eight long years of marriage, she separated from her husband, leading to grave financial and mental challenges for her. She had worked as a security guard, but unfortunately lost her job and thereafter started selling incense sticks to make ends meet. It was one of her friends, undergoing training at Azad, who introduced her to the WWW program, prompting Mitali to apply as well. Joining Azad and attending the classes regularly helped her regain a sense of freedom and self-worth. She now feels empowered, confident and has gained valuable insights from the program. Further, on completion of the training, she obtained her permanent license and even emerged successful in getting a stable job. Her primary goal is to raise her child well, shape her into a compassionate individual and provide her with all the comforts of life that she herself never had.

Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/7 Name: Rupa Malik DOB: 3/05/1986 Education: 9th Pass Locality: Salt Lake Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 21/05/2022 Date of PL: 03/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Rupa lives with her parents and her daughter. She lost her husband at an early age in her life. Following her husband's demise, the responsibility of running the household fell on her shoulders. She single-handedly raised her daughter, who is currently studying in her first year of college, besides working at a cybercafe to contribute to the household expenses. Rupa faced numerous challenges throughout her life, but has persevered and continued to work on herself. She came to know about Azad through a survey conducted by feminist leaders in her neighborhood. After completing the training at Azad, Rupa noticed significant changes in her behavior and personality. Previously, she had felt vulnerable and feared facing the world. However, the training helped her develop enough confidence to confront problems, besides learning new skills. Learning to drive, which is traditionally considered a male-dominated profession, was something that she never thought would be possible for her. The training also taught her to view the world through her own eyes rather than through that of others.





Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/9 Name: Sushmita Bose DOB: 6/09/1987 Education: 10th Pass Locality: South city area Marital Status: Widow Number of children: 2 Date of joining: 25/05/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status: Under Training

Sushmita lives with her elderly mother and two children. She is the sole breadwinner of her family, and their financial condition has taken a turn for the worse since the lockdown period. She learned about Azad through a friend who resides in the same locality. Sushmita describes the environment at Azad as extremely welcoming and the training to have served as a catalyst to her learning. According to her, the non-technical sessions on sexuality, gender and self-defense have been instrumental in her personal development. She could gain valuable knowledge and become an informed individual. Above everything, Sushmita realized the power of protest and standing up against societal wrongs through her engagement with Azad. It has helped her find her own voice and advocate for her rights. Her aspiration is to learn driving and challenge patriarchy. She also nurses the ambition to own a car someday, build her own house and provide her children with a comfortable life, thereby ensuring that they do not face the same obstacles as she has encountered.

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Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/11 Name: Chandrika Paik DOB: 13/05/2002 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Sonarpur Marital Status: Married Number of children: 0 Date of joining: 25/05/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Chandrika lives with her husband, who is involved in the fishery business. She learned about Azad from her neighbor and joined with the aim of generating income for the family. Chandrika believes that women in Indian society are often looked down upon and considered vulnerable. The training at Azad provided her with valuable insights and courage that she has learned to speak out against societal injustices. She was particularly interested in the classes on sexuality and first aid. Presently, after having obtained a permanent license, Chandrika is eager to secure a job and create a better future for herself. Her goal is to become a skilled driver and be independent.





Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/14 Name: Soma Singh DOB: 04/01/1987 Education: 9th Pass Locality: Chingrighata Bidhannagar Marital Status: Married Number of children:3 Date of joining: 25/05/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

Soma is married and lives with her husband at Chingrighata. She lost her previous job in the aftermath of the lockdown and consequently the financial condition of her household deteriorated. Her husband is a seasonal worker and hence the family lacks a stable source of income. All this makes her earning necessary. She got to know about Azad from one of her friends who was also undergoing training at the organization. The objectives and goals of Azad, which revolves around women taking on the wheels, intrigued her, as she perceives that the capabilities of women are gravely undermined in the male dominated Indian society. As is well known, focus and patience are the two important principles to be followed while driving a car. Soma implemented them in her life as well, not only to improve her conditions back at home but also to develop her personality. Further, she also learned the art of effective communication and conflict management through the training imparted at Azad, as a result of which she has seen positive changes in her behavior. Soma was also successful in completing her training and securing a dignified job as a cab driver, through which she hopes to bring the much needed stability in her family.



Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/15 Name : Rimita Mitra DOB : 09/01/1987 Education: 12th Pass Locality :Garia Marital Status :Married Number of children: 0 Date of Joining :27/06/2022 Date of PL :19/10/2022 Current status :Under training

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Rimita lives with her husband, who works as a tuition teacher. She learned about Azad through leaflets distributed in her locality. Due to the poor financial conditions prevailing in her household, Rimita decided to seek employment. At Azad, she learned to drive a four-wheeler and gained confidence. She successfully passed her permanent license test and is currently undergoing further training. She states that her confidence level has increased since undergoing the training and is now able to support her husband during financial emergencies. Rimita aspires to become a professional driver in the future.

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Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/17 Name :Kiran Prajapati DOB: 06/06/1997 Education :12th Pass Locality: Beleghata Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining :21/07/ 2022 Date of PL :26/09/2022 Current status :Under training

Kiran stays with her mother and two sisters at Beleghata, Kolkata. She came across Azad in a leaflet shared by her neighbor. Previously, she had lived in constant fear and self-doubt that she would not be able to achieve anything in life and end up getting married against her wishes. However, after joining Azad, she has regained hope. She now realizes that women are capable of doing any job and are not inferior to men in any respect. Kiran found the gender classes particularly interesting as they debunked several myths surrounding gender and sexuality that pervaded the society. Her dream is to become financially independent, take good care of her sisters and take them on a picnic at least once.



Enrollment Number :WB/KOL/2022-23/18 Name :Jharna Halder DOB :15/04/1990 Education :10th Pass Locality :Kasba Marital Status :Married Number of children :2 Date of Joining: 21/07/ 2022 Date of PL: 28/09/2022 Current Status :Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Jharna Halder lives with her husband, in-laws and two children. She learned about Azad Foundation through people in her community. As she had always nursed the dream of becoming independent, she wasted no time in joining the WWW program offered by Azad. Jharna found the training provided by Azad to be highly empowering. Her goal is to achieve financial independence and stand up for herself and her children in front of her husband and in-laws. Jharna also understands the importance of education and desires to provide better education to her children with the aim of giving them the opportunity to lead a bright and successful life.





Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/20 Name : Rit uparna Mondal DOB : 23/11/1995 Education: 10th pass Locality: Rashbehari Marital Status: Divorcee Number of children: 1 Date of Joining : 21/07/2022 Date of PL: 26/09/2022 Current status: Employable

Rituparna is a divorced mother of a four-year-old child, living with her parents in Rashbehari. Her mother works as a house helper while her father owns a small business in the market. Life has been challenging for Rituparna ever since she had to take care of her child all by herself. She had lost all hope and faith in her future, when she got to know about Azad Foundation from a friend and immediately joined their four-wheeler training program. Azad helped her regain the confidence she had lost and opened up new avenues of opportunities before her. Of all the sessions attended at Azad, her favorite classes were the ones on sexuality, which taught her that all human beings are equal regardless of their gender. Rituparna dreams of owning a house some day and fulfilling all of her son's wishes as well.



Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/22 Name :Sonali Halder DOB: 01/01/1989 Education :12th pass Locality :Baruipur Marital Status: Divorcee Number of children: 1 Date of Joining :21/07/2022 Date of PL :26/09/2022 Current status :Employed

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Sonali Halder is a single parent living in Baruipur. She went through her divorce a couple of years ago and has since been taking care of her son with the support of her parents and sisters. At the time of coming across Azad Foundation, Sonali was a hopeless woman, afraid of being dependent and a burden to her family. However, Azad transformed her into a fearless and confident person. Through the training attended at Azad, she gained the ability to advocate for herself as well as express her thoughts and needs effectively. To this effect, the communication sessions offered by the organization have been incredibly beneficial for her. Currently, Sonali has successfully obtained her permanent driving license and is employed as a cab driver. Her ultimate dream is to provide a comfortable life to her child.

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Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/28 Name :Priyanka Mondal Patra DOB: 31/07/1996 Education :12th Pass Locality: Salt Lake Marital Status: Married Number of children :1 Date of Joining: 21/07/2022 Date of PL: 21/10/2022 Current status: Employable

Priyanka Patra lives with her husband, son and in-laws, all under the same roof. She came to know about the driving classes offered by Azad Foundation through one of their surveys. Her husband works as a daily wage laborer and is the sole earning member in their family. Priyanka was quick to identify Azad as the means to achieve her goal of supporting her husband and providing a better education to her son. After undergoing the training offered by Azad, she states that through Azad Foundation, she has found her "Azadi" (freedom). Priyanka aspires to continue her education and hopes to finance the same through her earnings from driving. Her dream is to pursue hotel management in the future.



Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/29 Name: Jyoti Adhikari DOB: 31/01/1996 Education: 9th Pass Locality :Chingrighata Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 21/07/2022 Date of PL: 27/10/2022 Current status: Employable

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Jyoti was a football player who had played at the district level. Unfortunately, her football career came to an abrupt end when she met with a terrible accident and despite her best efforts, she was unable to find a job to support herself. She came across Azad Foundation through a survey conducted in her locality and enrolled in the WWW program with the hope of building her life back better. In turn, Azad provided her with a sense of belonging and the freedom to strive for and achieve anything in her life. The training offered by Azad restored her long lost confidence and sense of self-worth. She successfully acquired her permanent license and is hopeful of securing a dignified job in the near future. She aspires to pursue hotel management, as cooking is her favorite activity. She aims to continue working throughout her life and eventually own an apartment someday.





Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/30 Name: Shyamoli Koyal DOB: 11/08/1991 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Picnic Garden Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining:24/08/2022 Date of PL: 10/11/2022 Current status: Employed

Shyamoli Koyal is a single mother, residing in Picnic Garden with her son and mother, who is the sole breadwinner of the family. Inspired by her late father who worked as a taxi driver, Shyamoli had always harbored a passion for driving. However, after his passing, her brother took up the job of driving, but eventually separated from the family after getting married. Becoming a driver has been Shyamoli's greatest dream and by enrolling with Azad Foundation, her dream came true. The training imparted at Azad boosted her confidence in her ability to become a competent driver. Besides, she also felt that the non-technical sessions on gender, legal rights and self-defense went a long way in transforming her into a more courageous and self-assured individual. Presently, Shyamoli has completed her training with Azad and is working as a private cab driver. Her primary goal is to become self-reliant so as to provide her son with a good education.

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Enrollment Number :WB/KOL/2022-23/44 Name: Suparna Mondal DOB: 12/11/1996 Education : 9th Pass Locality: Lake Garden Marital Status: Married Number of children :0 Date of Joining:20/09/2022 Date of PL: 30/12/2022 Current status: Employable

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Suparna Mondal lives in Lake Garden with her husband. Previously, she lived with her parents and her sister. Her father was rendered bedridden by an accident while her mother worked as a cook in neighboring households. Prior to joining Azad Foundation, Suparna worked as a housekeeper and she happened to learn about the organization through a survey undertaken in her locality. According to her, since joining Azad, her perspective on life has undergone a marked transformation. She used to believe that individuals hailing from poor financial backgrounds had limited opportunities in life. However, today she exudes confidence and possesses a newfound sense of hope in establishing her own identity. Suparna feels that she has become more understanding as a person since joining Azad. She believes that the selfdefense classes have made her stronger and more resilient. She aspires to secure a dignified job and support her family in the future.







Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/45 Name :Swapna Prasad D. O. B: 11/11/1981 Education :Not Educated Locality : Bosepukur Marital status: Married Number of children : 2 Date of joining:20/09/2022 Date of PL: 28/11/2022 Current Status : Employable

Swapna, along with her husband and two children, form the Prasad family. She runs a food stall, while her husband works as a driver. She came across Azad through mobilization efforts and pursuing her passion to learn driving so as to join her husband in his efforts, enrolled in the WWW program. She found the training provided by Azad to be valuable as it has immensely helped her build confidence in herself, her goals and her abilities. The training also enhanced her mobility significantly, besides opening up avenues for personal growth. Presently, Swapna has successfully obtained her permanent license and is eagerly looking forward to securing a stable livelihood. Her future plans include starting her own business while also providing good education to her children.



Enrollment Number -:WB/KOL/2022-23/46 Name: Puja Roy DOB: 13/04/2000 Education: 8th Pass Locality : Garia Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 23/10/2022 Date of PL: 03/01/2023 Current status : Under training

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Puja stays with her mother, father, elder sister, brother and sister-in-law. Unfortunately, her mother is ill and her father is battling cancer. The sole source of income for their family is her sister, who works as a caretaker. Despite her brother working as a driver, he is unable to support them financially as he is struggling himself to meet the expenses of his household. Puja was actively searching for a job when she came across Azad Foundation as part of its mobilization activities. Through the training imparted at Azad, she has gained confidence and is making efforts to open up and express herself freely. She admits to now possessing the courage to walk alone, overcoming the fears she previously housed. She is grateful to Azad for having provided her with the knowledge and understanding that she sought. Puja aspires to become a driver and shoulder her sister's burden in supporting the family.





Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/51 Name: Mitali Karmakar DOB: 08/09/1988 Education: 10th Pass Locality : Jangra Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 08/11/2022 Date of PL: 03/01/2023 Current status: Employed

Mitali Karmakar lives with her husband and son at Jangra. Her husband works in an iron factory while her son is a college student. Mitali has consistently faced obstacles, particularly due to her unsupportive in-laws, who refuse to contribute to their grandson's education. Despite these challenges, she has always maintained hope and taken on menial part-time jobs while also caring for her in-laws. As with any other person, she has also harbored many dreams but was unsure of how to achieve them. Her discovery of Azad through a leaflet opened up before her a path towards realizing her aspirations. On joining Azad, Mitali found the environment to be highly supportive and encouraging. Further, the training attended by her, went a long way in molding her into a self-assured and confident individual. Mitali was successful in obtaining a permanent license as well as securing a dignified job as a professional driver. Through her job, she aims to support her son's education, besides building a house for herself in the long run.



Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/53 Name: Sabina Khatoon DOB: 09/11/2002 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Park circus Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 07/11/2022 Date of PL: 01/02/2023 Current status: Under training

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Sabina resides with her mother, sister and three children. Her sister works as a housemaid and is the breadwinner of the family. Sabina became aware of Azad through a community survey and joined its four wheeler training program with the hope of supporting her family. She attests to experiencing significant personal growth after joining Azad. Her confidence has soared, allowing her to assert herself and express her thoughts. Prior to joining Azad, she was hesitant and unsure about effective communication. However, her participation in the program has brought about transformative changes and she expresses gratitude to Azad, acknowledging its impact on her life.

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Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/59 Name: Rupa Mondal DOB: 18/05/2002 Education: Graduation Locality: Kalikapur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining :22/12/ 2022 Date of PL: 27/02/2023 Current status: Under training

#### Rupa Mondal is a young girl with big aspirations. She is currently pursuing her BA in History Honors and stays in a hostel provided by the Hope Foundation for her studies. Her mother works as a housemaid and her younger brother's education is sponsored. Rupa's introduction to Azad came through a former employee of the organization, who now works as a counselor at her hostel. Subsequent to joining Azad, Rupa found her world changing as she was able to push her boundaries and explore new spheres of activity. She expresses a keen interest in the self-defense classes, noting that it has made her stronger and more courageous. Her primary goals are to complete her own studies as well as support her brother's education. Rupa's ultimate dream is to provide her mother and brother with a home and lead a life of dignity.



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Enrollment Number :WB/KOL/2022-23/60 Name :Tumpa Das DOB: 10/05/1998 Education: Graduation Locality :Kasba Marital Status: Separated Number of children :0 Date of Joining :26/12/2022 Date of PL:18/01/2023 Current status: Employed

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Tumpa lives in her in-laws' house but is currently separated from her husband. She had endured grave abuse from her husband and in-laws, following which she filed a case under the Domestic Violence Act and the court granted her the right to stay at her in-laws' house. She learned about Azad through Swayam, where she had sought legal support. Joining Azad provided her with a sense of relief, as she came across stories resonating with that of hers from her co-trainees as well as experienced collective solidarity against domestic violence in this supportive space. She also learned about concepts such as gender, self-defense and first aid through the training, all of which augmented her confidence and courage. At present, Tumpa is working as a private chauffeur employed through Sakha.





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Enrollment Number :WB/KOL/2022-23/64 Name :Sudha Singh DOB: 05/09/2001 Education: Graduation Locality: Kalikapur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 26/12/2022 Date of PL: 13/02/2023 Current status: Under training

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Sudha Singh lives with her sister in a hostel. As children, they were abandoned by their parents and both sisters are pursuing their studies through sponsorship. Sudha learned about Azad from a former employee of the organization, who now works as a counselor in her hostel. She was grateful for the opportunity to join Azad, as finally she could find a glimmer of hope at the end of the tunnel. During the training, she found the sexuality classes to be the most interesting as it helped her realize her self-worth. The gender and law classes have also made her more confident as she now has sufficient knowledge regarding what is to be done and whom to contact in case of emergencies. Her biggest dream is to buy a house once she secures a job as a driver and live with her sister, while also providing her with a good education.



Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/66 Name: Geeta Ganguly DOB: 01/01/1988 Education :8th Pass Locality: Poorbachat Marital Status: Married Number of children :1 Date of Joining :15/01/ 2023 Date of PL: 27/03/2023 Current status: Under training

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Geeta is a strong woman with many aspirations. A single mother, she lives with her daughter in Kolkata and runs a food stall in her locality to earn a living. She got to know about Azad through an Auto rally and taking note of the contact number reached out to the organization. She dedicates her mornings to training at Azad while her afternoons are reserved for her business. Geeta is thrilled to have the opportunity to learn about gender, legal rights and self-defense. Having obtained her permanent license, Geeta plans to work as a driver while hiring someone to assist her in her food stall business. Her main goal is to secure a bright future for her daughter.







Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/67 Name : Bandana Bag DOB: 25/06/1984 Education 10th Pass Locality : Kabardanga Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 17/01/2023 Date of PL: 13/02/2023 Current status: Under training

Bandana Bag resides in Kabardanga with her husband, children and grandparents. Her husband works as a delivery agent, which is their only source of income. Bandana had always wished to shoulder her husband's financial burdens and on learning about Azad through an FLP member in her locality, she decided to join its four wheeler training program. She emphasizes that if she had not joined Azad, she would never have had the opportunity to learn self-defense. Also, before joining Azad, she struggled desperately with communication, but the spoken English classes have transformed her into a confident personality. Her primary motivation for pursuing the dream of becoming a skilled driver is to provide her children with good education and a healthy environment to grow in.



Enrollment Number :WB/KOL/2022-23/72 Name: Puja Nath DOB: 25/12/1998 Education : 9th Pass Locality: Tollygunge Marital Status :Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 10/01/2023 Date of PL : 27/03/2023 Current status: Under training

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Puja, mother to a daughter, lives with her husband and mother-in-law in Tollygunge, Kolkata. She learned about Azad through a survey conducted in her locality, and was particularly inspired by an Azad alumni who works as a valet parking driver at Hotel Park. Puja also wanted to earn her own livelihood. Azad served as a transformative experience to Puja, and she expresses her immense happiness for the same. She emphasizes that she has gathered a lot of wisdom from the various classes that she had attended at Azad, which she believes would not have been possible elsewhere. Her goal is to become a professional driver, besides honing her spoken English skills.





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Enrollment Number : WB/KOL/2022-23/13 Name: Neelam Hela DOB: 6/6/1988 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Gariahat Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 25/05/2022 Date of PL: 01/08/2022 Current Status: Employable

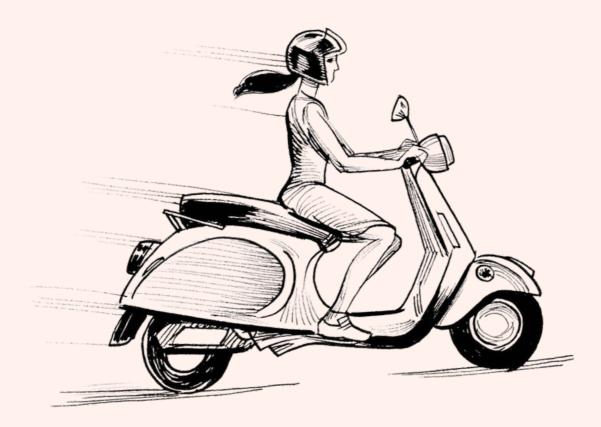
Neelam lives with her parents and younger brother at Gariahat. Her father has retired and therefore her primary motivation for learning to drive is to earn and support her family. She learned about Azad through a survey conducted in her locality and decided to join its WWW program. Driving, in particular, has been a novel and unexplored experience for her. The training imparted at Azad has boosted her confidence and improved her self-esteem. She is extremely grateful for the opportunities to explore new ideas and acquire new skills thrown open to her by the organization. Her goal is to own a car and secure a stable job that would allow her to provide for her family.



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Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/10 Name: Gulabshah DOB: 04/04/2000 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Kamhar Colony Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 01/06/2021 Date of PL: 13/05/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Gulabshah is living with her parents and siblings. She got to know about Azad through a survey being conducted in her area by the mobilisation team. Her mother was supportive that she wanted to do something in her life to become independent. Through the transformative training program that she received at Azad, she has learnt how to communicate, how to behave in a professional manner, what are the rights of a woman and most importantly she has learnt leadership skills. She loved the riding practice and exploring the roads of Delhi on her scooty. When she achieved her driver's license her father was also proud of her and now she is working as a delivery executive in one of the leading e-commerce firms. She dreams of having her own house which she can give as a present to her parents and make them proud.

Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/35 Name: Shaheen DOB: 5/03/1991 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Janta Majdoor colony Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 15/08/2021 Date of PL: 10/06/2022 Current Status: Employable

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30-year-old Shaheen got to know about Azad through a survey conducted by one of the Azad feminist leaders. She is living with her parents and siblings, but they never supported her with the training, thus she had to join Azad without informing them. She passed her driving license test on the very first attempt. Since she is 30+ and yet not married, her extended families are suggesting inappropriate and physically challenged groom for her to marry. These kinds of circumstances are very disheartening for Shaheen. Her brother is an e-rickshaw puller and earns only 5,000 per month which is not sufficient to cover the family expenses. Also, Shaheen did not get any pocket money for her own expenses. In Azad Shaheen not only got a hope of employment and financial independence but also the courage to make decisions for her life. Shaheen likes the Azad Foundation environment as she feels it to be her safe space. She is looking forward to getting a suitable employment opportunity very soon.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/38 Name: Neha Vedi DOB: 13/02/1989 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Harsh Vihar Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 0 Date of Joining: 15/08/2021 Date of PL: 23/04/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Neha lives with her husband and mother-in-law in their own house. Her husband works in a medicine company and earns INR 10,000 per month. Neha herself used to work as a beautician before joining Azad. She came to know about the Azad Foundation through a survey conducted by feminist leaders of Azad in her community. She enquired about everything about Azad and got to know about the opportunities and transformative training it provides, Impressed by the idea she did not give a second thought and joined the training. Her aim was to join Azad, learn the skills of riding and support her family. Her biggest strength is her quick learning and listening skills. She liked gender training the most as it taught her about patriarchy and social structures which she was not much aware of. She wants to be successful in life. At present, she has got her PL and is eligible to stand on her feet and fulfil her dreams.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/52 Name: Sheela DOB: 01/09/1989 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Welcome, Seelampur, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 03/11/2021 Date of PL: 09/09/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Sheela lives with her mother, 3 sisters and a brother in their own house. Her brother works in an NGO and her mother works as a peon in a company. Before coming to Azad, she used to do stitching work at home and earn to cover her own expenses. She got to know about the Azad Foundation and its training program through a canopy organised in her community, she decided to join as she wanted to learn driving skills and improve her family's economic condition by getting employment. In all her transformative capacity-building training, She liked self-defence training the most and paid attention to self-defensive techniques. She also enjoyed her gender and patriarchy lessons in which she became aware of the patriarchal and gender norms in society. Currently, she wants to be self-reliant in life and is looking for a suitable job opportunity.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/54 Name: Uma DOB: 15/9/1998 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Welcome, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 01/12/2021 Date of PL: 14/06/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Uma got to know about Azad through a survey that was conducted in her area through one of our feminist leaders. She has two brothers who are both married, they work as cleaners at a construction site through which they both are able to earn INR 10,000/month and look after the expenses of the household. Uma also aims to support them and hence she decided to join the training program at Azad. Before joining Azad, Uma had never worked professionally anywhere. She had dreams and hopes of becoming independent and doing a job so that she would be able to make her own decisions. In Azad, she came to learn to ride but has gained a lot of knowledge and awareness about herself and life. She says, "I came to Azad thinking it is just a training centre but eventually it has become my safe space where I can share all my feelings without hesitation". She feels a sense of transformation within which will always help her personally and professionally. She is currently working in an e-commerce firm as a delivery executive and aims for a better life and future.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/69 Name: Neha DOB: 1/06/1999 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Welcome, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 30/12/2021 Date of PL: 12/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

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22-year-old Neha is a young and energetic woman who is currently working as a delivery executive in e-commerce. She is very happy and passionate about her job. She developed her skills in a surprisingly short period of time at the Azad WWW program. Neha is unmarried living with her parents and siblings. Her father is a cobbler who earns INR 7000 per month. Her mother works as a construction labourer and earns about INR 10000 a month, and hence is the primary breadwinner of the family. Neha has always seen hardships in her family since she was a child Naturally, her family was very supportive when she wanted to join Azad as they also wanted her to stand on her feet and earn. During the WWW training, Neha found English and work readiness training very useful as it helped her to be competent enough to get a job at Even cargo delivery company where she is currently earning 12000 per month. She also owns a Scooty which is got from Azad. Neha's dream is to buy a house and car for herself and her family and live a life with dignity.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/72 Name: Aashna DOB: 17/04/2001 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Nand Nagri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 31/01/2022 Date of PL: 12/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Aashna got to know about Azad through a mobilization survey which was conducted by one of the Azad Feminist Leaders. Her Father is a daily wage labourer, and her mother is a housewife. Her brother also supports the household through some work he gets here and there but he does not have a permanent job and fixed earnings thus the family has to struggle with daily expenses. She got her driving licence on the very first attempt and is currently working with Evencargo as a delivery executive. She liked the map reading and selfdefence classes because through both she could feel empowered and mobile. She also liked the gender and patriarchy session which taught her about various norms prevailing in the society. Her dream is to buy a car for her family and not succumb to the pressures of getting married.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/73 Name: Tannu DOB: 11/12/2003 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Nand Nagri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 31/01/2022 Date of PL: 14/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Tanu is a 19-year-old young and hardworking girl. She was a very shy introvert in the beginning and used to hardly interact with people. Her family consists of 7 members and her parents are old and retired. Two of her brothers are earning, one works at a factory and one runs a street food stall. Both her brothers collectively earn an approximate amount of INR 15000 per month which they contribute towards the family expenses. Tanu's family is overprotective of Tanu's safety and security but she always wants to push her boundaries and use her full potential, She wants to be independent and earn money. Tanu learned about Azad through a survey which was done by feminist leaders in her community. Tanu says, "I love coming to Azad and meeting so diverse people from whom I always learnt new things, I am free-spirited now and this engagement brings more positive meaning in my life". She liked the gender and legal rights training because as a woman she never got an opportunity to know her legal rights or voting rights. Currently, she is on the job and earning INR 18000 per month and also bought a scooty for herself.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/64 Name: Barkha DOB: 23/07/1992 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Seelampur, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 01/12/2021 Date of PL: 20/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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#### "Gharwalo ko dikhana hai ki mai bhi kuch kar sakti hu."

Barkha, who wanted to attain higher education studied only till class 12th because she could not continue due to financial instability in the family. Her mother is the only earning member in the family who works as domestic help, her brother is unemployed and her father is also at home without income because of his old age. Barkha is a punctual and organized individual, she enjoys singing, cooking, and driving. She came to know about Azad through her sister and decided to join. After joining Azad she says she has noticed a tremendous change in her personality and perception. She has gained a lot of knowledge through the transformative classes she attended which will help her life-long. Currently, she has joined as a delivery executive in an e-commerce firm and aims to help her mother with household expenses. She also wants to fulfil her dream of buying a car with her own money.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/07 Name: Shashi DOB: 14/11/1999 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Sundar Nagri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 31/05/2022 Date of PL: 06/09/2022 Current Status: Employable

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#### "Ladkiya kissi se kam nhi hoti agar unhe mauka diya jaye wo kuch bhi kar sakti hain."

24-year-old Shashi is very courageous and optimistic. She studied till 8th class but could not continue to study further because her mother was ill and she had to take over household responsibilities. Shashi is a simple girl who enjoys dancing, listening to music and driving. She is fond of travelling and wishes to visit many places at her own expense. Travelling in public transport never seemed to be a good idea hence she always wanted to learn to drive and buy her own Car. She got to know about the Azad Foundation through her friend and after hearing about the various opportunities that come with the training, she decided to join. She feels good when she comes for training and gets inspired by the trainers and teachers here. Her favourite session at Azad was first aid and self-defence. Her dream is to start working as soon as possible and help her father with household expenses.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/08 Name: Chhaya DOB: 15/05/1999 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Sundar Nagri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 31/05/2022 Date of PL: 13/09/2022 Current Status: Employable

# 66

24-year-old Chhaya was studying in the 9th when she had to drop out due to the sad demise of her father. There are 9 members in her family. Her brothers are living separately because of family disputes. One brother who is living with them has a shop (Chakki) which is the earning source for the family. Her mother is a homemaker and her sister always supports her. Chhaya is a humble person who enjoys dancing, drawing, and driving. She is fond of travelling as well. She doesn't like to stay with family because of family disputes and wants a peaceful life. When she came to know about the Azad Foundation through one of her friends a ray of hope ran inside her, She could see an opportunity to fulfil all her dreams, and without giving it a second thought she joined. At Azad, she enjoyed all the classroom training in which she could learn a lot of practical knowledge. Further, She wishes to do a job and earn money, which will solve her financial problems.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/15 Name: Kamini DOB: 15/11/1998 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Dilshad Garden, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 10/06/2022 Date of PL: 27/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Kamini lives in a family of 4 members including her. She has a mother and two elder brothers. One of her brothers works at an electronics shop and the other works at a footwear shop. Before joining the Azad Foundation, she was engaged in stitching work. She heard about the Foundation and its programs through a friend and decided to learn driving. She always had a desire to have a decent salaried job and be financially independent. She is very helpful by nature and used to help her co-trainees understand the concept and the process of acquiring a license. Kamini tends to make relationships with the people around her and hence she had many friends at the training centre. She also had a dream to drive a car and so when she got to hold the steering in her hands that was the happiest moment of her life. Currently, she is employed in an e-commerce firm as a delivery executive with which she aims to lead an independent and peaceful life.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/17 Name: Gulistana DOB: 10/07/2002 Education Qualification: 9th Pass Locality: Sunder Nagri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 10/06/2022 Date of PL: 28/10/2022 Current Status: Employed

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23-year-old Gulistana with her firm determination and perseverance was not only able to acquire her Driving Licence in the first attempt but was also able to secure a job in the Big Basket as a delivery executive. She came to know about the Azad Foundation through a mobilization activity in her community. Gulistana always had a dream of having higher education and doing a job so that she could see the world at her own expense but she had to leave her studies because of her mother's death, and when she heard about the opportunity that Azad provided through their Women With Wheels training program she thought this is a chance to make her dreams come true. hence she decided to join. She motivated her younger sister to join. Gulistana liked the communication and work readiness training the most because through this training she understood how to be presentable and self-aware. In future, she aims to support her parents in every way possible and go on a world trip.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/32 Name: Kashish DOB: 06/05/2004 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Jafrabad, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 27/08/2022 Date of PL: 31/01/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Kashish belongs to a family consisting of her mother, three brothers, and two sisters. Her father died when she was very young. Her elder sister and brother are married. Her two brothers are working but they do not contribute financially to the family It is her mother and sister who work as house help and are the breadwinners of the family. Being the youngest, Kashish was not engaged in any employment and had to discontinue her studies due to health issues. However, she always wanted to contribute to the family expenses, and when she learnt about the Azad Foundation through an FLP leader, she immediately decided to join. Through Azad, Kashish has gained confidence and acquired knowledge on various subjects. Particularly appreciate the Sexual and Reproductive Health class she shared, the knowledge emphasizes the importance of menstrual hygiene and discussion on taboos related to it has increased her courage to talk about the issues in her community. Kashish also learned self-defence techniques to protect herself from street harassment. Despite family pressure to get married, Kashish aims to earn money, purchase her own house, continue her education, and manage her own expenses.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/36 Name: Shabnam Khatoon DOB: 05/01/1991 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Jafrabad, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 14/09/2022 Date of PL: 15/01/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

"Udna to hamara adhikar hai or hum udd kar rhenge" (it's our right to fly and we shall fly surely).

Shabnam is married but facing disputes with her husband, left her in-laws' place in Bihar and moved to Delhi with her two children, sister, and mother. Her mother supports the family financially, but they disagree with Shabnam's desire for a divorce, preferring that she continue the marriage while living separately. She discovered the Azad Foundation through a feminist leader in her community and joined its Women with Wheels program to become independent and stand on her own feet. she says confidently. Shabnam particularly enjoyed the self-defence and gender classes, learning about rights and the societal constraints placed on women. She now confidently asserts her right to fly and has gained the confidence to travel in her own vehicle instead of public transportation. With the support of trainers, Shabnam also aims to pursue a non-traditional livelihood by learning four-wheeler driving and eventually driving DTC buses. She is focused on her personal development and building a better life for herself.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/41 Name: Aarti DOB: 30/03/1995 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Jyoti Nagar, Loni Road, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 23/09/2022 Date of PL: 30/12/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Aarti lives with her parents, brother, and sister-in-law. Her brother is employed with a construction company, while her father is a retired railway TC officer, and her mother is a homemaker. The main source of income for the family comes from her brother's job. Aarti learnt about the Azad Foundation through her friend. Before joining Azad, she was primarily at home and was depressed as she wanted to do something in life. When she heard about the opportunity at Azad, She gained a strong desire to become a rider and work. She liked the communication session the most in which she understood the importance of communication skills and how these help in personality regulation. Azad inspired her to become independent and make new friends. She says "I have learnt that we should move on, no matter where we are standing, we should start our process and achieve our goals in life". She is a quick learner who is confident she can achieve anything if she works hard. She wants to earn and pursue higher education. It is her long-term vision to crack a government exam and get into a government job.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/42 Name: Nisha DOB: 25/07/2002 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Seelampur, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 23/09/2022 Date of PL: 30/12/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

# 66

Nisha lives with her mother, three brothers, and two sisters. One brother is married and doesn't contribute financially, while the other is the family's sole breadwinner. They currently reside in her maternal grandmother's house. Nisha discovered the Azad Foundation through a feminist leader. Before joining, she was learning Urdu at a Madarsa and lacked work experience. After joining the Azad Foundation, Nisha aimed to support her family financially. Her journey with the Azad Foundation has been transformative. She gained confidence and learned to confront street harassment fearlessly. Communication classes taught her the value of active listening. Initially hesitant, she actively participated in the gender class, sharing her insights. Nisha has grown more confident and vocal since joining. Her interests include Urdu reading, cooking, badminton, and spending time with friends. Ambitions include earning to support her family, going on a long drive with friends, achieving financial independence, and returning to Azad Foundation for four-wheeler training.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/44 Name: Khushboo DOB: 10/04/2002 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Nand Nagri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 06/10/2022 Date of PL: 01/12/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Khushboo's father works as a construction worker while her mother is a housewife. She aims to become independent and financially support her family. Through a feminist leader, she discovered the 2-wheeler training at Azad which also provided the opportunity to work in the transport sector. In pursuit of being successful, she joined and her experience with the Azad Foundation since then has been rewarding for her. She found the first aid session and English class particularly very useful. First aid training taught her to handle emergencies, while the English class improved her reading and speaking skills. The communication class emphasized the importance of listening before speaking. Her strengths lie in dedication and determination, which led to her to master the "eight movements" of riding a scooter in just three days. Acquiring her driving licence in the very first attempt she is currently working with Big Basket as a delivery partner. She aims also to learn a 4-wheeler in future and drive a DTC bus one day.









Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/45 Name: Vishakha DOB: 01/07/2003 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Jafrabad, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 06/10/2022 Date of PL: 10/02/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Vishakha lives with her parents and siblings. Her father is the sole earner family and works as a manager in a company. Her mother is a homemaker, and her two siblings are currently studying. Prior to joining the foundation, she was focused on her studies. While continuing her studies Vishaka also wanted to learn a skill that could help her to stand on her feet as soon as possible. She learnt about the Azad Foundation through a feminist leader and grabbed this opportunity. Vishakha joined training with the goal of gaining independence. She had a transformative journey at Azad, where she got plenty of exposure in terms of training sessions, which included English classes and communication skills which in turn boosted her selfesteem with gained mobility. Vishakha's key learning includes her increased mobility and a greater awareness of public transportation. Vishakha's ambitions in life revolve around becoming financially independent to support her family and be self-reliant.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/48 Name: Neetu DOB: 01/04/1999 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Welcome, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 06/10/2022 Date of PL: 21/03/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

# 66

Neetu lives with her parents, brother, sister-in-law, and their three children. Her father works as a sewer supervisor, and her brother is employed in a factory, providing the main source of income for the family. Neetu discovered about Azad Foundation through the Feminist leader of Azad. Before joining, she was pursuing her studies through distance mode. Neetu's motivation for joining the Azad Foundation came from his zeal to learn how to ride a scooter and be selfreliant. The communication class stood out to her, teaching valuable interview skills and emphasizing the importance of confidence. The First-aid class also proved beneficial, equipping her with CPR and initial medical assistance knowledge. Neetu asserts that with willingness and determination, no task remains too difficult. She excels in her pursuit of perfection and dedication to her work. Dancing and reading novels are her interests, providing joy and relaxation. Neetu's ambition is to achieve independence by earning her own money and eliminating the need for financial support from others.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/49 Name: Sonam DOB: 25/08/2003 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Sundar Nagri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 06/10/2022 Date of PL: 30/12/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

# 66

Sonam is the second eldest among her siblings, with three younger siblings currently studying and her eldest brother pursuing a nursing course. Her father works as an auto driver, while her mother is a homemaker. Sonam discovered the Azad Foundation through a survey and decided to join to pursue her dream of riding a scooter. Her journey with the Azad Foundation has been transformative, providing her with opportunities to venture outside her home and attend valuable sessions. Through Azad, Sonam expanded her social circle and made new friends. Her key learnings from the Azad Foundation can be summed up as "Bahr aana jana mujhe Azad ne sikhaya hai" (Azad has taught me how to move around freely)." She gained the confidence to express herself freely like dancing in front of her relatives, something she hesitated to do before. Cooking and dancing are her interests and bring joy to her. Sonam aspires to an independent life, where she can earn and fulfil all her dreams and desires and support her family as well.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/50 Name: Shameer Jahan DOB: 15/07/2001 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 06/10/2022 Date of PL: 08/12/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

#### 66

Shameer lives with her parents and siblings in their own house, while her married siblings live separately. Her father transitioned from the military to running a small-scale toy business, and her mother is a homemaker. She witnessed domestic violence as a child which affected Shameer's mental health and education. She discovered the Azad Foundation through a feminist leader. Looking at the opportunities she decided to join, her mother's encouragement played a role in her decision. She attended various sessions and received technical training, finding English and gender sessions particularly beneficial. She gained confidence in reading English texts and learned the importance of decision-making. Shameer's strengths include confidence and ease in conversing with strangers. She enjoys travelling, exploring new places, and trying different foods. Her ambition is to support her mother and provide her with a peaceful future. Becoming financially independent, she aspires to fund her mother's holy journey of Haj







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/55 Name: Rubeena DOB: 10/08/1994 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Jafrabad, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 11/11/2022 Date of PL: 24/02/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

# 66

Rubeena, is married but lives with her parents due to issues of domestic violence in her marriage. Her two brothers work in a salon, while the other two are involved in stitching but contribute only half of their income to the family. Rubeena's expenses also add up to the family expenses. She has a son who studies in a government school. She has put up a case against her husband for maintenance but she didn't receive it. The case has been sub judice for the last six years. Rubeena discovered the Azad Foundation through a feminist leader and joined with the aim of achieving financial independence. Her journey in Azad, helped her become more vocal and assertive. She now questions her lawyer confidently and has improved her communication skills. Learning about women's rights has been a key takeaway for Rubeena, empowering her for the future. She believes that by being financially independent, she can resist oppression and speak up against discrimination, envisioning a dignified life for herself and her son.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/56 Name: Iram DOB: 23/07/1997 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Seelampur, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 11/11/2022 Date of PL: 19/02/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

# 66

Iram is part of a family of eight members, including her parents and six siblings. Her father works as a tailor, while her mother does stitching at home. One of her elder brother is also involved in stitching, and the rest of her siblings are studying. Iram discovered the Azad Foundation through a feminist leader from Azad and joined the Women with Wheels training program with the goal of supporting her family financially. Her journey with Azad has been rewarding, with the Gender class providing valuable knowledge about women's issues after marriage. The communication class significantly improved her way of talking and listening, making her more confident and patient. Iram's dream of riding a scooter has come true through Azad. Her strengths lie in her ability to connect with people and her strong work ethic. Cooking and travelling with her sisters are her interests. Iram's ambition is to secure a job soon and use her earnings to improve her family's financial situation, bringing stability to their lives.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/57 Name: Hina Parveen DOB: 20/06/2003 Education Qualification: 7th Pass Locality: Welcome, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 11/11/2022 Date of PL: 10/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Hina belongs to a large family which includes her parents and eleven siblings. Her father works as a construction worker, and her mother is a homemaker. Currently, they live in a rented house and have to face a lot of financial stability. Hina's family moved to Delhi for better opportunities, but her siblings lacked identification proof, which hindered their education. Hina discovered the training opportunity at Azad Foundation through a feminist leader of Azad and joined to learn a 2-wheeler and ultimately support her family financially. Her experience with the Azad Foundation has been fulfilling, She enjoyed classes in self-defence, communication, and gender awareness. She learned that past limitations don't define future potential. Hina's strengths lie in dedication and honesty. She is interested in scooter riding and travelling to distant lands. Her ambition is to improve her family's financial situation, continue her education, and enrol her siblings in school.

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Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/60 Name: Seema DOB: 08/07/1993 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Sunder Nagri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 30/11/2022 Date of PL: 12/01/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

#### 66

Seema's father works as an auto-rickshaw driver, and her mother is a homemaker. Seema learned about the Azad Foundation through an OBR event organised in her community by the Azad Foundation. Knowing the opportunity of 2-wheeler training and getting a job she joined. Her aim attached to taking up this training was to support her family financially and make them proud. she enjoyed the First Aid and Self Defense classes the most because she felt these skills would help her in her personal life also. Learning how to ride a scooter within a month has been a significant achievement for her. Seema's strengths include being a quick learner and her determination. Seema wants to be supportive of her father financially and live an independent life. Currently she is practicing on her own and is eagerly waiting for suitable opportunity.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/62 Name: Samreen Khan DOB: 12/11/2003 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Seelampur, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 30/11/2022 Date of PL: 10/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

## 66

Samreen belongs to a family of six, with her father working as an e-rickshaw driver and her mother being a homemaker. Her elder sister is also enrolled in the Women on Wheels program at Azad Foundation, while her other siblings are studying. Samreen joined the Azad Foundation to support her family financially, Having previously done embroidery work at home she used to earn very less. Her journey with the Azad Foundation has been very transformative and inspiring. The gender, communication, and English classes are particularly beneficial to her. The transformative training program that she attended at Azad has boosted her confidence and helped her become a fighter rider, which she takes pride in. Samreen's strengths include optimism, fearlessness, and a willingness to learn. She was successful in getting her driving licence in the first attempt and was able to secure a job in Big Basket as a delivery partner.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/69 Name: Payal DOB: 27/08/2000 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Pratap Nagar, Samoli Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 12/12/2022 Date of PL: 01/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

#### 66

Payal belongs to a family of seven members, with her father working as an auto Rickshaw driver and her mother employed in a factory. She joined the Azad Foundation to learn how to ride a scooter and find employment with that skill. But she says that she has gained a lot more than that. Payal's experience with Azad Foundation has been transformative, deepening her understanding of gender issues and women's rights. As a transwoman, Payal initially had concerns about acceptance but found a supportive and respectful environment at the Azad. Expressing her sexuality freely has been a significant learning for her. Payal excels in building relationships and easily connects with others. Her interests include trekking, adventure, and playing Kabaddi. She is currently working as a delivery partner in Big Basket and her ambition is to earn money and eventually join the DTC as a bus driver.













Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/55 Name: Rashmi DOB: 25/05/1984 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Sarai Kale Khan, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 06/04/2022 Date of PL: 08/04/2022 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Rashmi lives alone and has to struggle a lot for her survival. She used to work overtime at a delivery agency, alongside her training at Azad. She worked for her sustenance because her parents abandoned her as she wanted to get recognised as a man. Her parents were ashamed due to the social stigma surrounding gender and they disowned her. She came to know about Azad through one of her friends. She liked the WWW program and she wanted to enroll. She liked the supportive environment at Azad. She loved the trainers at Azad as they provided not only technical assistance but also emotional support. First aid class used to be her favourite as she liked to save lives. Her dream is to get a place in life where she can help anyone financially and emotionally at any time. Currently, she is working as a Sakha commercial driver and is navigating on the roads of Delhi.



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Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/58 Name: Kritika DOB: 24/02/2001 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: New Seelampur, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 03/11/2021 Date of PL: 23/06/2022 Current Status: Employable

#### 66

23-year-old Kritika has been living with her family but does not have a father. Her father passed away when she was very young. Her mother works in a hospital to earn bread and butter for the family. She learnt about the Azad Foundation through a survey conducted in her locality by Azad. Kritika has two brothers, and one of them is earning. Her brother is very supportive and enjoys it when she drives. Kritika particularly enjoyed the work readiness training as it taught her how to behave professionally in a work environment. She got her Permanent licence on the very first attempt and her goal is to earn for herself to fulfil all her dreams and support her family financially.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/59 Name: Neelam Sharma DOB: 26/10/1985 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Khichdipur, Delhi Marital Status: Divorced Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 01/12/2021 Date of PL: 06/05/2022 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Neelam lives alone. She was divorced due to dowry and violence. She has two sons who currently reside with their father in Haridwar. She learnt about the Azad Foundation through a friend. Prior to joining, she worked as a caretaker in a household. She joined the Azad Foundation because she aspires to become a skilled driver and earn to educate her children and fulfil their needs and demands. Neelam is very helpful and likes to meet new people in life. She avoids conflicts and aims to live a peaceful life. Neelam finds cooking to be a stress reliever. During the transformative training, she actively participated in herself and also created a positive environment for others. Neelam is working as a chauffeur and is an independent woman who is setting a positive example within her family and community.





Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/65 Name: Lalita DOB: 15/09/1994 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Janta Colony Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 30/12/2021 Date of PL: 08/05/2022 Current Status: Employed

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#### "Ladkiya jo thaan le, voh zaroor kar sakti hai."

29-year-old Lalita could not complete her education beyond 5th grade because of the financial condition of the family. Her mother needs to work as her father is a drunkard. Lalita also shouldered the responsibility of taking care of her siblings. Lalita is married and has two children. Her husband works as an auto driver. Despite facing some health issues, Lalita has shown great strength and courage by consistently attending training sessions. She has a strong desire to learn new things in life. Lalita enjoys listening to music and has a passion for travelling. Lalita is supported by her husband in pursuing driving as a career. Unfortunately, her in-laws do not provide her with the same level of support. Lalita learned about the Azad Foundation through surveys in her locality. She is currently working as a chauffeur. Since joining Azad, Lalita had a strong determination and trust in her own abilities. Life can be tough, and things don't always work out well, but Lalita remains resilient and determined to overcome challenges.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/76 Name: Nisha Rani DOB: 15/08/1987 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 28/02/2022 Date of PL: 09/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Nisha has a family of five members, that includes her husband and three children. Her husband works as a labourer and provides limited support to her. In addition to her immediate family, Nisha supports her sister Neha, who is separated from her husband. Nisha is an active and outspoken woman who confidently presents her ideas to anyone. She became aware of the Azad Foundation through a local canopy event in her area. Before joining the Azad Foundation, Nisha was a housewife, dedicating her time to taking care of her children. She decided to join the foundation because she aspires to work and become self-reliant. Her goal is to prove to her relatives that women are capable of achieving anything without relying on male support. Nisha possesses strengths such as her interactive nature and a passion for home decoration. Unfortunately, due to financial constraints, her dream of decorating her own house with the things she loves remains unfulfilled. Currently, she is working as a chauffeur and is aspiring to go far in this profession.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/77 Name: Neha Rani DOB: 3/07/1985 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Divorced Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 17/03/2022 Date of PL: 09/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

#### 66

Neha is a member of a 4-person family, including her mother, brother, and daughter. She went through a divorce because her husband did not want to have a child. Neha is known for her punctuality and always arrives early for training sessions at the centre. She never takes leave and is committed to her learning journey. She finds the environment at Azad to be very conducive. Her personal favourite training session was on Gender sensitization where she learned her legal rights as a woman. She came to know Azad through her friend. Before joining the foundation, Neha was a tailor and used to stitch clothes for a very meagre price which was insufficient for her survival. Neha enjoys meeting new people and easily making friends. Stitching serves as her favourite pastime while reading religious stories brings peace to her mind. Currently, she is working as a chauffeur and aims to purchase a house using her own earnings and provide a good education and quality life for her daughter.







#### Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/78

Name: Tannu DOB: 26/09/2003 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Kalyanpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 28/02/2022 Date of PL: 22/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

## 66

18-year-old Tannu resides with her parents and siblings. She joined the Training at Azad after learning about it through a mobilization activity held in her area. At the time of joining the Azad Foundation WWW program, she was pursuing her first year of graduation. Her family consists of six members, with her father working as a guard who earns a very low monthly income. Her mother is a homemaker. Tannu's father strives to provide a conducive environment for the education of all his children. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Tannu worked at a COVID Vaccine Centre and earned 8000/- per month but for a short period of time. Her family currently has a loan of INR 4 lakhs to pay back. In Azad, Tannu particularly enjoys the English training, she appreciates learning proper word pronunciation. Currently, employed and is working as a professional chauffeur in Bluesmart. Her dream is to buy a car for her family.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/79 Name: Neelam Kumari DOB: 13/06/1996 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Married No. Of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 30/03/2022 Date of PL: 06/05/2022 Current Status: Employed

#### 66

Neelam resides with her family in a rented house. She learnt about the Azad Foundation through one of her friends. Neelam lives with her husband, who works as a labourer and earns approximately INR 7000/month. They have a year-old son. Neelam enrolled for training in Azad and is performing exceptionally well. She is highly punctual and successfully completed her PL test on the first attempt. Among the various training modules, Neelam particularly appreciates the legal training. It has empowered her as a woman by providing knowledge about her legal rights and how to exercise them cautiously. Currently, she has joined as a professional chauffeur in a very reputed company in the city.

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Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/80 Name: Dimpal DOB: 19/11/1990 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: East Vinod Nagar, Delhi Marital Status: Window No. Of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 30/03/2022 Date of PL: 29/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Dimpal is a part of a family consisting of 8 members, including herself. Her family includes her father, two younger brothers, a sister-in-law, and three children. Unfortunately, Dimpal's husband passed away in an accident. The family manages their expenses through their parents' pension, and in the evenings, Dimpal runs a shop selling readymade garments. She came to know about the Azad Foundation through the survey. Prior to joining, Dimpal used to teach stitching work to women in her locality. Her primary motivation for joining the Azad Foundation is to earn money for her family and fulfil her dream of learning how to drive. Dimpal strengths lie in her communication skills, but she acknowledges that anger can be a weakness for her. Her interests include listening to music and travelling. She particularly enjoyed the English and work readiness training modules as they provided her with insights on how to communicate professionally with clients. In terms of her ambitions in life, she is now successfully working as a professional chauffeur and aspires to provide her children with the best of their education and career.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/81 Name: Neha DOB: 07/06/1992 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Shastri Park, Delhi Marital Status: Married No. Of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 30/03/2022 Date of PL: 29/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

#### 66

Neha is a member of a family consisting of six people, including herself. Her family includes her mother-in-law, husband, and three children. Her husband works as a driver. Neha learned about the Azad Foundation through a friend. Before joining the foundation, she was a housewife. She decided to join the Azad Foundation as she aspired to be an independent. Neha's strengths include the support she receives from her husband. Her interests involve watching television and spending time with her children. In Azad, through Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) training, she gained knowledge about sexual and reproductive health and an understanding that her body belongs to her, and nobody can touch it without her permission. In terms of her ambitions in life, Neha wants to do something meaningful for her children and support them in becoming successful individuals, for which she has started her journey as a chauffeur with Lithium a transport service company.







Enrollment Number - DL/ED/2021-22/82 Name: Samreen D.O.B: 20.01.1999 Educational qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Martial status: unmarried Date of Joining: 30/03/2022 Date of PL: 23/07/2022 Current status - Employable

# 66

Samreen's family consist of ten people, including her. She has two elder brothers who work as shopkeepers. Samreen's family is very supportive. She learned about the Azad Foundation through her cousin sister. Before joining, she worked as a tele-caller but she decided to join Azad because she aspired to become independent and self-driven. Her strength lies in her father, who supports her immensely in whatever she does. She particularly enjoys the English classes at Azad along with the work readiness session because both classes gave her the confidence to present herself in society. She got her Permanent licence made in the very first attempt which further gave her a lot of confidence. In life, she aims to become independent and stand on her own feet with the support of her father and ultimately support him financially.

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Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/83 Name: Amrita DOB: 10/02/1993 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Married No. Of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 30/03/2022 Date of PL: 13/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

#### 66

Amrita is a member of a family of six, including herself. Her family consists of her mother-inlaw, father-in-law, husband, and two kids. Her husband works as a driver. She learnt about the Azad Foundation through her neighbor. Prior to joining, she was a housewife. Amrita joined the Azad Foundation with the goal of supporting her husband financially. One of her strengths is her communication skills, and after receiving communication training, she has even improved her confidence and presentation skills. She says, "aaj se hi koshish karenge tabhi to aage badhiya se bol paayenge or chal paayenge or apni jagah hasil kar paayenge" (from today onwards, I will make an effort so that I can speak and walk better and achieve my goals). Amrita's interests include making donations and teaching her children. She is currently working with a transport company as a chauffeur. Her ambition in life is to earn money and buy her own house.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2021-22/84

Name: Farheen DOB: 7/04/2002 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Seelampur, Delhi Marital Status: unmarried Date of Joining: 30/03/2022 Date of PL: 13/10/2022 Current status: Employable

# 66

Farheen lives with her mother, three sisters, brother-in-law, and niece. They do not live with their father as he never supported them in any terms. The source of income for her family comes from the auto that they give to auto drivers on rent. Farheen learnt about the Azad Foundation through her sister. Before joining Azad she worked as a nurse. She joined the Azad Foundation with the goal of finding employment and earning good remuneration. One of her strengths is her enthusiasm for learning new things. She particularly enjoys the Work Readiness Training, as she believes it will help her become a professional and work-ready. Farheen's interests include creating reels and posting them on social media. She is very technology savvy and enjoyed her technical classes as she understood the maps very well. She could achieve her permanent licence in the very first attempt and is ready to go for her dreams.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/02 Name: Madhu DOB: 16/02/2003 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Mojpur, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 31/05/2022 Date of PL: 23/9/2022 Current status: Under Training

#### 66

Madhu lives with her mother and two siblings in a rented house. Her father, who was addicted to drugs, passed away due to an overdose and her mother is also having health issues. Madhu has two younger brothers who are currently studying hence, she is the sole earner of the family and supports them by providing home tuition. At times, her paternal uncle assists with the family's expenses but it's not regular. She joined the Azad Foundation with the aim of a decent earning and to support her siblings in their education. She got the training for 2 wheelers last year and is currently undergoing four-wheeler training to become a chauffeur. Madhu has enjoyed every session at Azad, which helped her become more responsible, knowledgeable, and confident. After joining the Azad Foundation, Madhu's mobility and confidence have significantly improved. Her strengths lie in being a hardworking and dedicated individual. Her ambition in life is to secure a sustainable job that will enable her to provide a better life for her family. As the sole provider, Madhu is determined to become independent and take care of her family's expenses very soon.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/04 Name: Pooja DOB: 25/01/1990 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Mojpur, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 31/05/2022 Date of PL: 01/10/2022 Current status: Under Training

# 66

Pooja lives with her husband and two children, but her husband's limited financial support and alcohol addiction have strained their relationship. Despite this, her mother-in-law encouraged her to join the Azad Foundation for training. Pooja, a former school teacher, joined Azad with the goal of gaining independence and securing a bright future for her children. Through Azad, she learned to drive, improved her communication skills, and gained knowledge about women's rights. Pooja feels empowered and confident, no longer held back by her husband's discouragement. Pooja enjoys driving, travelling, music, and South Indian cuisine. She is determined to achieve success through Azad and wants to provide for her children by earning money and building a home for them.

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Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/09 Name: Shahima DOB: 12/02/1987 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Jafrabad, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 10/06/2022 Date of PL: 13/10/2022 Current status: Under Training

#### 66

"My journey with Azad has been beneficial, learning various skills, interview techniques, and an understanding of gender roles has made me efficient".

Shahima is married, but due to issues in marriage, she currently lives with her parents. Her brother, who works as an E-Rickshaw driver, is the sole earner in the family. Shahima's mother is also going through a lot of health issues. She has a daughter, who is studying in the 7th standard at a government school in Delhi. Shahima has been in a legal battle with her husband since 2009 with no positive response. Her husband does not provide any financial maintenance. She learned about the Azad Foundation through mobilization activity and joined seeking sustainable and dignified employment. Shahima participated in events supporting women's rights and had counselling sessions that helped her understand her mental health. Her key learning is the importance of patience, and that learning is an ongoing journey. Shahima's strengths include confidence, good listening skills, and effective communication. Her ambitions include owning a car and a home, she aims for independence and recognition.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/10 Name: Heena DOB: 12/05/1989 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Sanjay Amar Colony, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 10/06/2022 Date of PL: 13/10/2022 Current status: Under Training

# 66

Heena a survivor of domestic violence lives with her mother while her husband and daughters reside with her mother-in-law. She works part-time as a helper in a hospital to meet her basic needs, as her husband does not contribute financially. Heena learned about the Azad Foundation through mobilization activity and joined with the aim of becoming financially independent and supporting her children. Her journey with Azad has been transformative, attending sessions on communication, gender, and legal rights changed her personality. It also increased her mobility. Her daughter is enrolled in the Kishori program to learn her rights and improve her understanding of various social issues. Heena's key learning from the Azad Foundation is to never lose hope. Her strengths lie in her honesty and dedication. Her ambition is to find a job and become financially independent, providing her daughters with a productive life.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/12 Name: Simran DOB: 11/07/2004 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Kondli, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 10/06/2022 Date of PL: 01/10/2022 Current status: Employed

#### 66

Simran resides in a rental house with her parents and three siblings. Her father works as a labourer, and her mother runs a small tea stall. Simran, being the eldest child, previously worked in a factory earning INR 1,500. Her family encouraged her to learn to drive so that she could be financially supportive of the family. Simran learned about the Azad Foundation through participation in a mobilization activity by Azad in her community. Her journey with Azad has increased her mobility and boosted her self-esteem. She now moves confidently throughout the city and has made new friends at the foundation. She has also gained the ability to stand up for herself against racial discrimination, which she has faced since childhood. Simran's key learning from Azad is the importance of independence for every woman. Her strengths lie in dedication and honesty. Simran is currently working as a chauffeur in Blusmart and is able to support her family through her earnings.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/16 Name: Santosh DOB: 27/08/1985 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Bhajanpura, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 10/06/2022 Date of PL: 01/10/2022 Current status: Under Training

# 66

Santosh lives with her husband, father-in-law, and two children. Her husband is employed in a private job, and her children are currently studying. Santosh had to discontinue her studies after her father's death but she aims to well educate her children. She learned about the Azad Foundation through an acquaintance who was already working there and encouraged her to join. Before joining, she used to work in a boutique. However, she decided to join Azad with the goal of a better salary in order to secure a bright future for her children. Her strengths lie in her ability to build good relationships and bonds with others. Santosh's interests include cooking and stitching. She also loves driving 4-wheelers, she feels a sense of vitality when she gets behind the wheel of a car. Her ambition is to earn enough money to buy a new house and provide a better life for her family.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/18 Name: Soniya DOB: 01/04/1987 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Shahdara, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 30/06/2022 Date of PL: 16/09/2022 Current status: Employable

#### 66

Soniya resides with her husband and two children. Her husband works as an electrician, earning INR 10,000 per month which does not suffice for leading a decent lifestyle. Prior to joining Azad Foundation, Soniya was a homemaker but she always wanted to earn money and provide financial support to her family. Soniya learned about the Azad Foundation from a previous trainee and joined to find a dignified and sustainable job. Her journey with Azad has been transformative, boosting her confidence and increasing her mobility. She can now navigate the city independently, overcoming her previous fears. Her communication skills have improved, enabling her to assert herself in front of her in-laws. Soniya's key learning from Azad is the importance of women's independence. She considers herself dedicated and honest. Her ambition is to contribute to the family's expenses, support her husband, and repay their loan with her earnings. Soniya is currently working as a chauffeur in a transport company called Lithium.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/19 Name: Usha DOB: 30/08/1987 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Bhajanpura, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 3 Date of Joining: 30/06/2022 Date of PL: 23/09/2022 Current status: Under Training

# 66

Usha resides in a rented house with her husband and three children. Her husband, a driver, earns INR 18,000 monthly but contributes only INR 10,000 towards family expenses. He struggles with alcohol addiction, which makes him a liability to the household. During the COVID-19 pandemic, her husband lost his job, and they had to take a loan of INR 2 lakhs to meet their basic needs. Usha had never worked before but decided to seek employment due to the financial crisis. After searching for opportunities for several years, she learned about Azad Foundation's WWW program from her friend who herself was a trainee there. Her journey with Azad has boosted her confidence, improved her skills, and enhanced her personality. She even had the opportunity to speak in front of the community during the One Billion Rising (OBR) event. She resumed her education after twenty years and cleared her class 10th exam. Usha aspires to continue her studies, purchase a house, provide quality education to her children, and give them a better life through her independence.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/20 Name: Nisha DOB: 01/01/1985 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 30/06/2022 Date of PL: 18/04/2023 Current status: Under Training

#### 66

Nisha has two daughters, Her husband is a confectioner. She had to face violence in her marriage due to the desire for a son. Nisha decided on a separation and now she is living independently, working in a salon for her sustenance. Previously, she worked as a cook in households. Nisha learned about the Azad Foundation through a canopy activity in her area. Her journey with Azad has been challenging, as she struggled to obtain her Professional License (PL), but she tactfully was able to achieve it on the fifth attempt. She learned how to handle difficult situations and overcome all the difficulties in life. Nisha's key learning from her training is the importance of women becoming independent. Her strengths include perseverance and punctuality. Her ambition is to provide a good life for her children. Currently, Nisha is engaged in 'On Road Practice' as part of her training and soon will be able to live her dreams as a chauffeur.







#### Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/21

Name: Alka DOB: 03/02/1997 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Seemapuri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 29/07/2022 Date of PL: 30/09/2022 Current status: Employed

# 66

Alka has been living with her maternal grandparents since childhood, while her parents and siblings reside in Baraut, Uttar Pradesh. Her maternal aunt and grandmother provide financial support for her expenses. It was her maternal aunt who encouraged her to join the Azad Foundation and learn to drive. Before joining Azad, Alka was primarily at home. Her decision to join Azad Foundation was driven by her desire to become independent and financially independent. Her journey with Azad has been transformative, allowing her to make new friends and acquire valuable skills such as driving, gender awareness, communication, self-defence, and first aid. She has gained confidence immensely and has improved her mobility. Her key learning from the Azad Foundation is her newfound driving skills, which she never thought she would acquire. Alka's strengths lie in her honesty and dedication. Alka is currently working as a chauffeur with a transport company called Lithium.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/22 Name: Kajal DOB: 04/09/1999 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Mandoli, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 29/07/2022 Date of PL: 22/10/2022 Current status: Under Training

#### 66

Kajal resides with her parents and sibling in a rented house. Her father passed away, and her mother works in a factory. She has three brothers who work as helpers in the unorganized sector. Kajal learned about the Azad Foundation through the mobilization activities of Azad in her community. Prior to joining, she was primarily at home. Her motivation for joining the Azad Foundation was to secure employment. Her journey with Azad has been transformative. She has undergone various training in communication, gender awareness, and first aid. These training sessions have enhanced her knowledge and understanding of women's issues. Kajal's personality has developed, and she has become more confident and vocal. She has actively participated in events such as OBR and KB Awards, creating memorable experiences. Her biggest achievement through this training as she says is her increased confidence and mobility. Kajal's strengths lie in her hard work and dedication. Her ambition is to find employment and purchase her own home.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/23 Name: Aklima DOB: 01/04/1984 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Brhampuri, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 29/07/2022 Date of PL: 29/09/2022 Current status: Employed

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Aklima lives with her in-laws. Her husband is a tailor. They have two children studying in a government school. Earlier she used to manage medicine stocks in a hospital, but she lost her job during the Pandemic. As of now, her husband supports the family alone. Joining Azad Foundation was driven by her job loss and the desire for new employment opportunities. At Azad, she received many transformative trainings which has made a great impact on her life and decisions. Through counselling and communication sessions, her mental health improved, reducing overthinking and enhancing her listening and expression skills. Participating in the OBR event and sharing her training experience boosted her confidence. She says that her key learnings from Azad are finding self-worth, recognition of self and improved communication. Aklima's strengths lie in her straightforwardness and honesty. Her ambition is to continue her studies while earning and supporting her husband in establishing a boutique. She is currently working with a transport company called Lithium as a chauffeur.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/24 Name: Ajmera DOB: 16/08/2022 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Seemapuri, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 16/08/2022 Date of PL: 03/02/2023 Current status: Under Training

Ajmera, though married, is currently living with her parents and siblings. She has a son who goes to school. Ajmera has filed a case against her husband but do not receive any maintenance from him. Her family is supporting her financially, with her brother being the sole earner working in a factory. Ajmera learned about the Azad Foundation through mobilisation activities in her community. Her main reason for joining Azad was to secure employment and not bother her family with her and her son's expenses. She never used to go out but after joining Azad she confidently can go anywhere in the city. Participating in various sessions at Azad has boosted her self-esteem. Ajmera had the opportunity to attend the Kamala Bhasin Awards organised by Azad, which was a motivating event for her. She even danced on stage for the first time in her life. Ajmera's strength lies in her hardworking nature. Her ambition is to find employment to support herself and her son, relieving the burden on her family. She aims to earn money and provide her son with a productive life and better education.









#### Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/25 Name: Yash DOB: 30/04/2002 Education: 12th Pass

Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Nandnagri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 16/08/2022 Date of PL: 25/02/2023 Current status: Employable

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21-year-old Yash lives with her grandparents, parents and siblings. Her father is unemployed and struggles with drug addiction. Her mother works as a house help and is the sole breadwinner of the family. Yash is the eldest child, and her brothers attend a government school. She learned about the Azad Foundation through mobilization activities in her community. Yash's journey with Azad has been enriching and joyful. She appreciates the platform that Azad provides for sustainable job opportunities to support her family. Learning driving skills and participating in gender sessions have increased her confidence. Her key learning at Azad Foundation lies in developing her driving abilities and increased mobility. Perseverance is one of her strengths. Her ambition is to work and support her hardworking mother. Yash aims to become independent, making her mother proud by contributing to the family's well-being with her earnings.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/26 Name: Manisha DOB: 10/07/1987 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 16/08/2022 Date of PL: 10/01/2023 Current status: Employed

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Manisha lives with her husband, who is addicted to drugs and subjects her and their children to regular abuse. He is also partially paralyzed. Manisha has endured domestic violence for 12 years but was financially dependent and adopted it as a way of life. They run a small grocery stall, which is their primary source of income. Their two children attend a government school. Manisha's mother-in-law lives separately and supports her son, increasing more challenges in her life. Manisha learned about the Azad Foundation through mobilization activity. She joined the Azad Foundation to become independent and to take care of her children independently. Her journey with Azad has built her hope, and she plans to live separately from her husband once she becomes independent. Azad has empowered her with knowledge of her rights, she realizes that women can enjoy freedom and rights by becoming independent. Her children are her strength. Manisha fears for her and her children's safety, but she believes that independence will bring her peace she is currently working as a chauffeur with Lithium.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/29 Name: Subaleha DOB: 16/06/2002 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Welcome, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 27/08/2022 Date of PL: 11/12/2022 Current status: Employable

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Subaleha lives with her parents and 3 brothers. Her father is the sole earner, working in a factory, while her mother is a homemaker. Seeking employment, Subaleha discovered the Azad Foundation through mobilization activity in her area. Through the training that she has received from Azad, she gained mobility, and the ability to navigate the city confidently using GPS. Azad has provided a supportive environment for her growth through communication and work readiness sessions, she can learn how to conduct herself in a professional environment. Subaleha has participated in self-defence, first aid, and gender sessions, and found the English class particularly interesting. Her key learning from the Azad Foundation is the importance of girls becoming independent to support themselves and their families. Subaleha's strengths lie in her humility and dedication to work. Her ambition is to find a job and support her family, fulfilling her dream of easing their financial struggles and providing a productive and relaxing life through her earnings.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/33 Name: Poonam DOB: 14/09/2022 Education Qualification: less than 8th Pass Locality: Kalyanpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Single Date of Joining: 27/08/2022 Date of PL: 24/12/2022 Current status: Employed

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Poonam resides in a joint extended family including her maternal uncle's family and grandmother. Her father's diabetes prevents him from working, while her mother runs a utensil cart. Poonam previously worked at a parlour. She came to know about the Azad Foundation through a survey. Poonam joined with the aim of supporting her sister and fulfilling her dream of driving. At Azad, she enjoyed the English class, Learning interview skills, women's laws, and communication techniques were her training highlights. Poonam's key learnings include how to foster a discrimination and hatred-free environment and being part of each other's growth. The Kamla Bhasin Awards inspired her to do something meaningful for society. Poonam aims for similar accomplishments and desires to contribute to women's empowerment. Poonam's interests include travel, dance, and exploring the city. Currently, she is working with Lithium as a chauffeur but Supporting her family and becoming a DTC driver is paramount and the next level that she wants to achieve.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/34 Name: Soniya DOB: 08/02/2002 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Seelampur, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 14/09/2022 Date of PL: 16/03/2023 Current status: Employed

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21-year-old Soniya is a young and energetic girl whose dream is to conquer the world. Her father works as a cobbler, and her mother supports him. One brother works as a salesboy, and Soniya's younger sister attends a government school. Initially, Soniya's father was unsupportive of her desire to train as a driver, but her mother encouraged her independence. Soniya learned about the Azad Foundation through the Feminist Leadership Program (FLP) leader. Before joining, she used to stay at home. Through training, she overcame her shyness and gained knowledge such as communication class taught her interview and communication skills. Soniya also participated in the OBR event and Alumni Meet where she got a chance to meet a lot of chauffeurs and listen to their inspiring stories. Taking self-defence training boosted her confidence and mobility. Soniya's strengths lie in her hard work and dedication. Her ambition is to earn money, become independent, and make her parents proud. Supporting her family financially is her priority. She is working as a chauffeur and aims to drive a bus one day.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/35 Name: Sartaj DOB: 07/07/2000 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 14/09/2022 Date of PL: 20/01/2023 Current status: Employable

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Sartaj lives with her parents and seven siblings in their own house. Her father drives an autorickshaw, and her mother does stitching at home. Sartaj has two unemployed elder brothers, and her younger siblings are studying. The family is burdened with a loan of seven lakh rupees from relatives. Fortunately, Sartaj's parents support her enrollment at the Azad Foundation and her pursuit of training. Sartaj came to Azad through an FLP leader. Prior to joining, she focused was studying. Her motivation for joining is to be empowered, and independent and break the traditional patriarchal norms of the society. As a vocal person, Sartaj always challenged those who oppressed women and held conservative beliefs. The Gender class at Azad provided clarity on women's rights and laws, addressing her doubts. She also enjoyed the self-defence training, which boosted her confidence in protecting herself. Sartaj's key learning at Azad Foundation was knowledge of women's rights. By becoming financially independent, she aims to support her family and siblings in pursuing their aspirations while ensuring she is not oppressed.







Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/64 Name: Arti Singh DOB: 08/08/1990 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Trilokpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 30/11/2022 Date of PL: 19/02/2023 Current status: Under Training

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Aarti's family consists of six members, including her husband, two children, and two brothers. They currently live in rented accommodation after migrating from Mumbai to Delhi in search of better livelihood opportunities. Aarti's husband works as a housekeeping supervisor, earning Rs. 16,000 per and he is the sole earner for the family. Her husband supported Arti's decision to join Azad and with his support, her goal is to gain new skills improve her family earnings and help her husband. Through the training that she received at Azad, Aarti has gained knowledge about legal and sexual rights through her Gender classes. She feels empowered and believes that Azad has provided her with the skill set to stand on her own feet. Aarti's key learning from the Azad Foundation is the ability to be self-reliant. Her strengths lie in being talkative, straightforward, self-focused, and confident. Aarti's ambitions in life include supporting her parents once she becomes independent and becoming a support system for other women facing domestic violence. She also dreams of owning her own house and car, through her own earnings.



Enrollment Number: DL/ED/2022-23/77 Name: Ritika DOB: 23/03/2003 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Vinod Nagar, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 11/01/2023 Date of PL: 15/03/2023 Current status: Under Training

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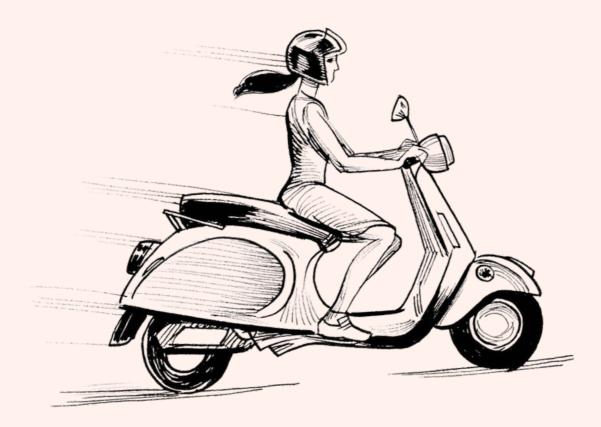
Ritika resides with her parents and two siblings in their own house. Her father works as a DTC driver, while her mother is a homemaker. Being the sole earner, her father has been supportive of Ritika's pursuing a career in driving. She learned about the Azad Foundation through mobilization activity in her community. Ritika's journey with Azad has been enriching. She received various training and enhanced her knowledge, particularly in professional driving. Her mobility has increased, and she has made new friends at Azad. The supportive environment of the foundation has been appreciated. Having cleared her driving test, Ritika is eager to complete her training quickly and become a driver. Key learnings from the Azad Foundation skills through communication classes. Her ambition is to become a driver and prove that women can excel in this field. She aims to make her parents proud, achieve independence, and earn in the field she is passionate about.



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Enrolment No.: DL/ND/2021-22/43 Name: Shazma Khan Date of Birth: 01/01/1984 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Wazirpur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 23/09/2021 Date of PL: 9/12/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Shazma Khan lives in Wazirpur with her husband and one son. Her husband is handicapped and their son is studying in class second. Shazma came to know about Azad through the mobilization team. She has been a part of the organization for six months and is learning how to drive a car and recently got her permanent license for the same. She decided to work in the driving field as she always had an interest in it and feels like she will get a lot more autonomy in this field in terms of the working hours. She had her family's full support in joining Azad. She never faced any problems in communication and traveling. Apart from driving, she gets a chance to learn about sexually transmitted diseases and hereditary diseases in her sexual and reproductive health training sessions. She loves the work and commitment of Azad Foundation in women empowerment. Shazma Khan aspires to buy her own car in the future and use it to work as a driver. She wishes to be independent, self-sufficient and be able to support her family financially.



Enrolment No: DL/ND/2021-22/45 Name: Suman Date of Birth: 10/08/2001 Education: 12th pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:23/09/2021 Date of PL: 14/6/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Suman is a nineteen years old fierce woman who is currently in her second year of graduation. She lives with her mother, father and five sisters. Her father is the sole earning member in her family. She used to work in a call center and then in MCD Delhi's waste management program. She came to know about the "Women with Wheels" program of the Azad foundation through other women of her locality who had joined this program and got successful placements. Suman's family has financial difficulties. She knew about Azad foundation for a long time and decided to join its "Women with Wheels" program. She supported her decision by her family to join Azad. She found the trainers were highly cooperative and since she knew to ride a two wheeler beforehand, it was easier for her to achieve a permanent license within one and a half month. After one and a half month of determined training and firm belief in herself she got placed in the Dominos recently. Suman is delighted to receive this opportunity and hopeful to assist her family financially.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/50 Name: Ruby DOB: 15/07/2001 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Inder Vikas Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:17/11/2021 Date of PL: 19/7/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Ruby lives with her parents and siblings. Her father works as a water supply helper and is the sole earning member of the family. She came to know about Azad Foundation through her neighbor, who was previously employed in the organization. Enrolling in the Women with Wheels (WWW) program proved to be a game changer for her, as she was introduced to new concepts and ideas that transformed her views on the world around her. The classes on gender, sexuality, legal rights and self-defense boosted her confidence and self-esteem thereby empowering her. At present, Ruby works as a delivery partner and wishes to continue with the same to support her family financially. She also aspires to set up her own dance academy by saving enough money from her job. Her ultimate dream is to be independent and take control of her life.

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Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/66 Name: Sweety DOB:21/08/2003 Education: 12th Pass Locality: JJ Colony Dairy Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:15/03/2022 Date of PL: 26/06/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Sweety stays with her family at JJ Colony. Her household comprises six members, including her parents, three sisters and a brother. Her father is the sole earner in the family and he works in a factory. Sweety learned about Azad from a friend, who had previously been a part of the organization. As she had always wanted to help her father in his efforts towards supporting the family, she joined Azad with the hope of learning a new skill and getting a decent job. The training at Azad molded her into a more confident and capable individual, who is well aware of her worth and potential. She successfully acquired her permanent license and also secured a job as a delivery partner, which she wishes to continue. She aspires to be independent, self-sufficient and be able to support her family. Sweety also wishes to make her family proud of her accomplishments, besides creating an identity for herself in society.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/67 Name: Divya DOB: 29/11/2003 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Wazirpur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:15/03/2022 Date of PL:29/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Divya resides in Wazirpur with her parents and two brothers. Her father passed away a few years ago due to medical conditions and her mother has remarried. Currently, her stepfather, who works as an electrician, is the only earning member in the family. Divya came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilization team. On joining Azad, she found its environment to be welcoming and highly supportive. She found the non-technical sessions, especially those on self-defense and communication, to be immensely valuable, as they helped her in gaining confidence and boost her determination to withstand the challenges of everyday life. Divya aspires to carry on her present job as a delivery person while also completing her graduation. She wishes to support her family financially while being independent and self-sufficient.

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Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/68 Name: Roshani DOB: 28/08/2003 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:15/03/2022 Date of PL: 13/7/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Roshani lives with her parents and siblings. She has four sisters and one brother. Her father works in a toffee factory, while her brother works as a driver. Roshani had always wanted to become an independent girl. While coming across Azad Foundation through its mobilization team, she decided to enroll in the training program without any second thoughts. All the training classes that she attended at Azad helped her in carving new horizons of thinking. By providing valuable insights, it instilled in her the perspective that women are in no way inferior to men and are capable of achieving whatever they wished to. At present, Roshani has completed her training and has secured a job as a delivery partner in an e-commerce firm. She aspires to finance her studies, as her family cannot afford to pay her college fees and complete her graduation. Roshani aspires to be self-reliant and supports her family.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/69 Name: Mansi DOB: 06/12/2001 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Dairy Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 15/03/2022 Date of PL: 13/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Mansi resides in Jahangirpuri with her parents and siblings. She has two sisters and two brothers. Her father is currently the sole earner in the family and he works as a laborer. Mansi came to know about Azad through its mobilization team and got herself enrolled in the two-wheeler training program. She met her peers at Azad Foundation, who were mostly from the same background as hers so she assimilated freely and gained self-confidence with enhanced mobility. She finds gender and sexuality classes to be enriching, as they provided clarity on several misconceptions and false taboos that were prevalent in society. Mansi has successfully completed her training and is currently employed as a delivery agent with an e-commerce firm. Her ultimate desire is to be self-sufficient and be able to provide a better life for her family.

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Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/9 Name: Roshani DOB:11/08/2001 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:17/05/2022 Date of PL: 30/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Roshni lives with her parents and siblings. Her father and one of her elder sisters are the earners in the family. Her father works as a laborer and has no fixed monthly income, while her sister works as a waitress in a restaurant. Roshni learned about Azad Foundation through its mobilization team and joined its two-wheeler training program. Before becoming a part of Azad, Roshni wanted to work as a beautician in a salon. She had a deep desire to learn driving skills, which seemed impossible to her, as driving skill is attributed mainly to men in a patriarchal society, however training at Azad Foundation has helped her in reframing her perspective about herself and the society, with a raised confidence and self-esteem. Currently she is employed as a delivery partner, though she aspires to become a cab driver in future. She wants to be independent, self reliant and stand as a support system to her family







Enrolment No.: DL/ND/2022-23/17 Name: Tanu Vani Date of Birth:09/03/2001 Education: 12th std. Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:17/05/2022 Date of PL:01/03/2023 Current Status: Under training.

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Tanu lives with her father and siblings. She has two sisters and three brothers. Her father and all three of her brothers are the earners in the family. Her father works as a carpenter, one of her brothers is in civil defense, one works in a computer hardware factory and the third one works in a charger hardware factory. Her mother died due to pneumonia when she was only II-12 years old. Tanu came to know about the Azad Foundation through mobilization and the pamphlets distributed by the mobilization team. She is learning many things from her varied training sessions that not only increases her understanding but also shapes her thoughts and builds her confidence. She wants herself to be in a job so that she can support herself and her family. She wishes to create an identity for herself and lead an independent life.





Enrolment No.: DL/ND/2022-23/39 Name: Meenakshi Date of Birth: 10/08/2001 Education: 12th class Locality: Tis Hazari Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:17/08/2022 Date of PL: 10/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Meenakshi, a twenty-year-old, lives in Tis Hazari with her mother, father and four brothers. Her father is a rickshaw driver and mother works as a cook in nearby households. Due to her father's accident, she was not able to complete her schooling and had to drop out of school. Recently, she gave her 10th grade exams. Her brothers are addicted to gambling that increases financial constraints in the family. Meenakshi loved driving and coming across Azad Foundation and its 'Women with Wheels' programme through an NGO, she was immediately interested to join the foundation. Her family was reluctant to send her daughter to a profession which is male dominated but through her patience and determination she surpassed it all. Meenakshi got a job within one and a half months of joining Azad. She is very delighted to secure the job and dreams of taking her entire family on a vacation at her own expense. Her determination and dedication are really an inspiration for many.







Enrolment No.: DL/ND/2022-23/46 Name: Jyoti Date of Birth: 30/11/1997 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Shalimar garden Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 15/09/22 Date of PL: 30/12/22 Current Status:Employed

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22 year old Jyoti lives with her parents and siblings. Her father is the sole earner of the family. Jyoti's family is currently struggling financially to an extent where feeding all family members is challenging. Jyoti was very concerned about the situation in her family, but was very hesitant to share the same. She decided to join Azad in order to become more confident, learn communication skills in groups and most importantly, become independent and self-sufficient. Jyoti asserts that after joining Azad she has been less hesitant to speak up in groups, gained more confidence and understands the importance of being independent. Jyoti gained a better understanding of women empowerment and why it is really important for a woman to have their own identity and earn for herself. She wants to be a self-sufficient woman who takes care of her family. Jyoti is currently working as a delivery partner in a e-commerce firm but in future she aspires to become a cab driver.



Enrolment No: DL/ND/2022-23/60 Name: Shivani Date of Birth: 10/08/1998 Education: 12th pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:11/10/2022 Date of PL: 30/12/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Shivani, nineteen years old, is a two wheeler trainee at the Azad Foundation's "Women with Wheels" program. She lives with her father and mother who jointly runs a florist business, which is a meagre income to support the entire household. Shivani learned about the Azad Foundation through her sister and immediately agreed to join the "Women with Wheels" programme of the Azad Foundation, owing to her love for traveling and to be a self-reliant woman. Her family was reluctant but gained confidence, when some of the members of the foundation visited her place. Her training process was also filled with hurdles and she often used to get injuries. However, her sheer perseverance and hard work helped her to shatter all these barriers. She recently got a placement in the Domino's. She has gained a lot of communication skills by being a part of this foundation. She also asserts that the Azad has helped her to educate and sensitize about gender and sex issues. Her family, along with her, are very excited about this placement. Her mother feels proud that her daughter can assist her family financially. Shivani aspires complete her education, support her family fulfill her dream of joining the Indian bureaucracy

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Enrollment No: DL/ND/2022-23/61 Name: Shikha Date of Birth: 10/11/2001 Education: 12th pass Locality: Gopalpur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 11/10/2022 Date of PL: 24/01/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Shikha lives with her parents. Her father works as a mechanic and the sole earner of the family. Shikha came to know about Azad from her friend whose sister is an alumnus of the FLP programme. When she discussed it with her family members to join Azad Foundation, her parents were hesitant as they were worried for her in the beginning. But Shikha kept on insisting and expressing her eagerness on learning to drive a scooter and at last they gave her the permission to join Azad. Shikha likes all the classes in Azad like communication, English, self-defense etc. From the classes she attended she feels that she is self-reliant and independent. She is confident to interact in English. As she always wanted to be financially independent, soon as she got her license she also secured a job as a delivery executive within 3 months of her joining.

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Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/52 Name: Rozy DOB: 13/05/1994 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Burari Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:04/11/2022 Date of PL: 05/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Rozy, a 29-year-old residing in Burari with her parents and siblings, comes from a family where her father is the primary breadwinner. Previously working in exports, he lost his job during the pandemic. He currently earns his living as a security guard. Despite supporting her education, her family is restricted with time limits on her work but they want her to be an independent and self-reliant person. She learned about Azad from a former two-wheeler trainee at the organization. Though she was interested in learning to ride a two-wheeler, she was unaware of the job opportunities offered by the same. Upon further exploration, she discovered the employment prospects offered by Azad and decided to enroll herself. Through her training at Azad, she gained awareness of gender discrimination and the importance of women taking control of their own lives. Today, Poonam believes that driving provides a unique sense of freedom and challenges the traditional gender roles in society. She has successfully completed her training and is currently employed as a professional rider.







Enrollment No: DL/ND/2022-23/77 Name: Khushi Date of Birth: 01/12/2004 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Tis Hazari Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:06/02/2023 Date of PL: 10/02/2023 Current Status: Employed

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Khushi lives with her Parents. Her Father works as a painter and is the sole earner in the family. Khushi completed her four wheeler driving in 2015 and used to work as a driver through Sakha. But due to the pandemic induced lockdown she lost her job. When she came to know about two wheeler training in Azad she felt hopeful and took it as second opportunity to start earning. She learned two wheelers along with other training sessions that increased her horizons of understanding on various domains under training. She grasped all the training very smoothly and secured her Job as a delivery executive with Big Basket after learning scooty in Azad. Owing to some urgent engagement, she went back to her village, where it was needed to construct her house, now she is back to work with a strong determination and courage.



Enrolment No.: DL/ND/2022-23/47 Name: Suman Date of Birth: 10/08/2001 Education: Graduate Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 15/09/2022 Date of PL: 21/10/2022 Current Status: Employed

19-year-old Suman lives with her parents and five sisters. Her father is the sole earning member of the family. Before joining Azad, she used to work as a telecaller in a call centre and also worked at MCD in Delhi's waste management program. She came to know about the "Women on Wheels" program of the Azad Foundation through a woman of her locality who herself is a chauffeur. Suman shared that her family is facing an acute financial crisis which made her join Azad. She wanted to earn to contribute to the family's expenses. She asserted that it was crucial for her to immediately attain financial independence and hence she chose a two-wheeler program over the 4-wheeler program which required a longer period of training. Her family was also supportive of her decision. As she mentioned the trainers used to be very kind and supportive and since she knew how to ride a two-wheeler vehicle beforehand it was easier for her to achieve a permanent license within one month of completing the training after which she got placed in the Dominos as delivery executive. Suman is very elated to have achieved this placement which will help her to provide financial support to her family. Nonetheless, she is very optimistic and believes that with her determination she will be able to surpass all these hurdles and difficulties of life and become a strong support for her family.









Enrollment No: DL/ND/2022-23/18 Name: Shivani Date of Birth: 05/06/2001 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 17/05/2022 Date of PL: 04/01/2023 Current Status: Under Training

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Shivani lives with her parents and 4 sisters. Both her parents work hard to meet the expenses of the family and also save to protect their daughter's future. While her father is a rickshaw puller and earns INR 4000/month, her mother works at a warehouse as a daily wage earner and is able to get INR 6000/month. One of her sisters is working in a BPO and also contributes to the expenses of the family. Shivani came across the Azad Foundation through one of her friends, who is also a rider. In Azad, she got an opportunity to learn about women's life and their hardships. She also learnt about gender norms and patriarchal structures that prevail in the society. she learned how to be patient through counselling class and also got to know the difference between sex and gender. After completing her training she wishes to help her parents and to be independent, and self-sufficient. She also wants to learn to drive a 4-wheeler and become a successful rider as well as a chauffeur in future.



Enrollment No: DL/ND/2022-23/54 Name: Simran Date of Birth: 07/02/2002 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalaswa Dairy Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 11/10/2022 Date of PL: 15/03/2023 Current Status: Employed

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19- Year old Simran lives with her parents and siblings. Her family consists of 6 members. Her father works as a daily wage laborer and her brother helps her father in the work. Last year due to the Pandemic, her family's financial condition suffered a great scarcity as both her father and brother had no work. During that period, she and her mother met with a mobilization team of Azad in her community, they were providing ration support and also were linking the families to other NGOs for other support. Through that, she and her family formed a relationship and trust with the Azad Foundation. After the lockdown was called off, her family decided to send Simran to Azad for the training and they also supported her immensely during the training. Simran could complete her training and get into a job within 5 months of her joining and was also able to secure her permanent driving license in the very first attempt. Not only this Azad has also taught her to stand on her decisions and break all the stereotypes of society. She is very happy with her achievements and aims to become a DTC bus driver in future.













Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/01 Name: Rihana DOB: 20/03/1998 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Sarai Kale Khan Marital Status: Widow Number of children: 1 Date of Joining: 19/04/2021 Date of PL: 07/05/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Rihana who got married at the tender age of 15, is now a mother to a seven-year-old Son. Her husband passed away. Being cursed and threatened by her mother-in-law for the untimely death of her husband she decided to shift with her mother and start working as domestic help for her sustenance. During the lockdown imposed by the pandemic, Rihana came to know about the Azad Foundation through her sister, who had completed her training with the organization. On being encouraged by her family members to take up training in driving, Rihana enrolled herself in the WWW program. "I have learnt a lot of new things here, in Azad and have clarity about myself and societal norms after attending gender & legal rights sessions", states Rihana enthusiastically. On successful completion of her training, she secured a stable job and a hope to be financially independent. Her ultimate aim is to provide a good education to her son.



Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/02 Name: Komal DOB:21/01/1995 Education: Graduate Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Separated Number of children: 1 Date of Joining:19/04/2021 Date of PL:20/04/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Komal lives with her mother, sister and daughter. She got separated from her husband. Her father expired a few months earlier, which had a detrimental effect on the financial source of the family. It was around this time that she learned about Azad Foundation through her mother, who had also been a part of the organization previously. After undergoing training at Azad, Komal felt enlightened as she gained insights into several unexplored concepts and ideas. She admits that driving has helped her build confidence and that learning a new skill has improved her self-esteem more than ever. Komal has completed her training and secured a job as a private cab driver, thereby living her dream of becoming independent and self-sufficient. She also wishes to help her mother and support her family, along with completing her graduation.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/39 Name: Twinkle Kumari DOB:03/08/2003 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 07/12/2021 Date of PL: 10/08/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Twinkle lives in a nuclear family that comprises her parents and two brothers. Her father works at an electrical shop along with her elder brother, while her mother is a domestic help. Twinkle came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilization activities as well as through a friend of hers. Twinkle, after undergoing training at Azad, begins to express her thoughts eloquently with a vision of better life. She expresses her affinity towards the communication and self-defense classes the most, as it empowered her, besides enhancing her self-confidence. At present, Twinkle has completed her training and secured a permanent license. She aspires to work as a cab driver along with completing her graduation through the distance mode. She aspires to be self-reliant- independent and supports her family.



Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/48 Name: Reema DOB:02/02/1986 Education: Graduate Locality: Lal Bagh Marital Status: Separated Number of children:04 Date of Joining: 20/10/2021 Date of PL: 19/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Reema, started living with her parents, along with her four children, separated from her husband. Her parents had a shop to support the household. Reema's Husband used to abuse her verbally and physically and had become a habitual drinker. Though she managed to put up with this behavior for a long time, she could not tolerate the same any longer and finally decided to live separately. She learned about Azad through her sister, who was a trainee at the organization previously. After enrolling with Azad, Reema experienced tremendous positive changes within her. She loved the sessions on self-defense and communication, as she perceived them to be highly empowering. Currently, Reema has completed her training and even secured a decent job for herself. She has no intention of moving back in with her husband unless he agrees to cooperate and be a better version of himself. She aspires to complete her post-graduation and earn a respectable job in the same field. However, until then she wishes to work as a cab driver in order to be able to support herself and her children. Her ultimate dream is to provide her children with the best education possible.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/53 Name: Tannu DOB: 09/03/2001 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 07/12/2021 Date of PL: 19/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Tannu lives with her father and siblings. She has two sisters and three brothers. While her father works as a carpenter, one of her brothers is engaged in civil defense, one works in a computer hardware factory and the third one in a charger hardware factory. Her mother passed away due to pneumonia when she was barely 11 years old. Tanu had always wanted to support herself and her family. She came to know about Azad Foundation through a survey undertaken in their locality. On joining the organization, she found the training provided by Azad to be immensely valuable and empowering in nature. It brought about a marked change in her mindset so much that she gained her confidence and self-respect. Presently, Tannu has secured her permanent license and also got a job. She wishes to carve out an identity for herself in society and lead an independent life.

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Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/54 Name: Laxmi DOB: 26/04/2001 Education: 9th Pass Locality: Bhalswa Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 07/12/2021 Date of PL: 02/06/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Laxmi lives with her mother and siblings. Her father passed away five years back and her mother is a homemaker. Her mother is supported with a widow pension and some amount from the labor welfare scheme, both of which are too meager to support the family. Besides, all her siblings are under 18 years of age and hence not working. Her family is therefore supported by her maternal grandmother and uncles. Laxmi came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilizing team. While associating with Azad Foundation, she found classes to be interesting and appreciated the support provided in making women self-dependent and financially stable. Laxmi enjoyed the gender, legal rights and work readiness classes the most, as she found them to be highly informative and empowering. On successful completion of her training, Laxmi obtained a permanent license and is looking forward to becoming a professional driver. She also wishes to own a car after achieving some financial stability.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/55 Name: Yasmeen DOB: 16/02/1999 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 01/12/2021 Date of PL: 13/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Yasmeen lives in a joint family with her mother, father, brother, sister, sister-in-law and nephew. She came across Azad through a neighbor, who was previously a trainee with the organization. As Yasmeen had always nursed the dream of becoming independent, she joined the WWW program offered by Azad without a second thought. According to her, the training that she underwent at the organization transformed her into a more refined individual in terms of her tastes and preferences. For instance, her perspective on outfits changed so much that she started wearing suits and shoes, all of which were not used by her previously. Further, the sessions on sexuality, gender, self-defense and communication molded her into a more confident and self-assured individual. Presently, Yasmeen has successfully obtained her permanent driving license and even secured a dignified job for herself. She aspires to support her family besides enrolling for graduation.



Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/57 Name: Sheela Kumari DOB:10/09/2003 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:07/12/2021 Date of PL: 30/09/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Sheela lives with her parents and siblings. She came to know about Azad Foundation through a friend, who was also undergoing training with the organization. Enrolling in the WWW program proved to be a turning point for her, as she was introduced to new concepts and ideas which transformed her perspectives about society at large. Moreover, the non-technical sessions on gender, communication, legal rights and self-defense offered at Azad enhanced her confidence and self-esteem thereby empowering her. Sheela has also successfully obtained a permanent driving license and is longing to take up the job of a professional cab driver. She aspires to earn for herself so that she can be independent and self-reliant while pursuing something that she loves.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/58 Name: Neha DOB: 10/10/1999 Education: Graduate Locality: Mukundpur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 07/12/2021 Date of PL: 16/04/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Neha lives with her mother and siblings. Her father passed away when she was barely five years old. Her elder sister who works in a printing shop and her brother who has a rented mobile repairing shop are the earning members of the family. Neha had always wanted to shoulder the burden of their family with her siblings, aspiring to be self-reliant. She came to know about the Azad Foundation from an alumnus of the organization. On discussing the employment prospects of the WWW program offered by Azad with her family members, her sisters supported her in joining the training. Neha expressed that she felt empowered after joining Azad. She found the atmosphere of the organization to be welcoming, as everyone was given equal opportunities as well as treated equally with respect. Of all the sessions attended as part of the training, she liked those on gender, legal rights and sexual & reproductive health the most. Currently, Neha has obtained her permanent driving license as well as secured a job as a commercial driver with the help of Sakha. She aims to be financially independent and contribute to her family besides helping those in need. She also nurses the ambition to become a bus driver in the future.



Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/60 Name: Saraswati DOB:01/01/1991 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Married Number of children:2 Date of Joining: 28/01/2022 Date of PL: 02/06/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Saraswati lives with her mother, husband, two children and an adopted cousin brother. Her husband and brother are the breadwinners of the family. Her husband works as a cleaner in a gym, while her brother works as a cleaner at MCD. Saraswati came to know about Azad Foundation through her husband's friend, whose wife was previously a trainee with the organization. She decided to join the four-wheeler training program offered by Azad and get a job as she wanted to have an identity of her own in society. The training at Azad molded her into a more confident and capable individual, who is well aware of her worth and potential. She successfully acquired her permanent license and also secured a job as a cab driver with BluSmart. She wishes to be independent and contribute to her household. She also aspires to be a bus driver in the future.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/61 Name: Parveen Bobby DOB:04/03/1983 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Married Number of children:2 Date of Joining: 22/02/2022 Date of PL: 29/07/2022 Current Status: Under: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Parveen lives with her mother, sister, brother and two daughters. Her husband was an alcoholic and abused her physically and verbally. As Parveen did not want to raise her daughters in such an unhealthy environment, she got separated from him five years back and moved in with her mother. Her mother, who works as a cook in a PG, is the sole breadwinner of the family. Parveen had always wanted to work and become financially independent, but as she was nearly in her 40s, it proved to be difficult for her to find a job. She learned about Azad through its mobilizers. Upon joining Azad, she found its environment to be welcoming and highly supportive. Also, she found the non-technical sessions, especially those on self-defense and communication, to be immensely valuable, as they helped her in gaining confidence and determination to face various challenging situations of everyday life. Presently, she has acquired a permanent driving license and aspires to become a professional driver so that she can support her family and her daughters for the best of their education. She also wants her daughters to be independent and successful.



Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/62 Name: Kalpana DOB: 20/07/1986 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Shalimar Bagh Marital Status: Married Number of children:2 Date of Joining: 22/02/2022 Date of PL: 07/05/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Kalpana lives with her husband and three sons. Her husband, who used to work as a driver, left his job a few months back, thereby leaving the household without a source of income. Despite being very stressed about the situation, Kalpana managed to feed her family by taking up odd jobs. It was at this point in time that she came across the Azad Foundation through a friend and decided to join the WWW program with the hope of alleviating the financial struggles of her family and making both ends meet. At Azad, Kalpana came across fellow trainees from similar backgrounds as hers. She could express herself freely, besides gaining confidence and enhancing mobility. Her husband met an unfortunate demise owing to chronic illness by alcoholism owing to which Kalpana was unable to attend her training for almost a month. However, she overcame the situation with her staunch resolve and successfully completed her training, besides securing a job as a cab driver with BluSmart. Kalpana aspires to support her family and be able to provide her children with better education as well as fulfill all their wants and needs.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND2021-22/63 Name: Pooja Mishra DOB: 01/01/1992 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Mukund Pur Marital Status: Married Number of children:1 Date of Joining:22/02/2022 Date of PL:07/05/2022 Current Status: Under training

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Pooja lives with her husband and daughter. Her husband is the sole earner in the family and works as a kitchen designer. Her husband is an alcoholic and abuses her, due to which she wants to stay separate and follow an independent lifestyle. She learned about Azad through a neighbor who was previously a trainee with the organization and decided to enroll with the WWW program. Throughout the course of her training at Azad, Pooja gained confidence and learnt to assert her needs with others. Now even if her husband tries to hit her, she stops him and takes a stand for herself. She aspires to become a driver and earn for herself so that she can support her family and provide better education to her daughter.



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Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/64 Name: Neha DOB: 14/09/1999 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 22/02/2022 Date of PL: 22/06/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Neha lives with her parents, brothers, sister-in-law and nephews. Her brothers are the earning members of the family. Neha came to know about Azad through an alumnus of the organization. As Neha never wanted to engage in a stereotypical job that confines to gender notions, she was attracted to the objectives and goals of Azad, which envisioned women taking on the wheels, a profession that is often attributed to men in male-centric Indian society. After joining Azad, Neha found her world changing as she was able to push her boundaries and explore new spheres of activity. She expressed a keen interest in the self-defense classes, as it made her stronger and more courageous. Presently, Neha has acquired her permanent driving license as well as secured a dignified job for herself. She aspires to support her family financially and has a desire to own a car for herself in the long run.





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Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2021-22/65 Name: Naina DOB: 02/10/2002 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:22/02/2022 Date of PL: 24/06/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Naina lives with her parents and five siblings. She has completed her higher secondary education and has also done a course in cosmetology to work as a beautician. Her father, who works as a confectioner and her mother, who works as a home-based health care provider are the breadwinners of the family. Naina came to know about Azad through her friend, who was previously a trainee with the organization and joined the WWW program. With the training attended at Azad, she gained much confidence and learned to express herself freely. This was a marked transformation in the personality of Naina, who earlier used to be hesitant in communicating with people. She also appreciated the classes on self-defense and gender, as it gives more power and courage. At present, Naina has completed her training with Azad and has started to work as a commercial cab driver with the aid of Sakha. She wishes to have an identity for herself in society and lead an independent life.



Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/1 Name: Barkha DOB:29/09/1999 Education: Graduate Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 22/04/2022 Date of PL: 29/07/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Barkha lives with her father, grandparents and younger sister. She lost her mother at a very early stage and she lived with her Aunt until she passed her 6th grade. Her father is currently the sole earner in the family. He used to work in the export sector until he got laid off during the COVID-19 pandemic period and is now engaged as a security guard. Barkha learned about Azad from a previous trainee and wanted to join the WWW program, but was not aware of the job opportunities provided by the organization. On joining, she found the training to be immensely valuable and empowering. She felt that driving skills gave her a sense of freedom different from other jobs. Though she enjoyed the complete support of her family in her decision to join Azad, she had household responsibilities which she managed along with her training and later resolved. Barkha overcame the challenges and succeeded in obtaining a permanent driving license. She is looking forward to working as a professional cab driver so that she can take care of her family and also be independent.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/2 Name: Deepti DOB:01/01/1996 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 22/04/2022 Date of PL: 10/08/2022 Current Status: Employable

# 66

Deepti hails from a joint family, in which her uncle who has a government job and her brother who works as a salesman are the earning members in the family. She came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilization team and also from a friend. On being encouraged by her family, she joined the four-wheeler training program offered by Azad. Ever since joining the organization, Deepti has noticed significant changes in her behavior, actions and overall personality, as is evident in her improved communication skills and confidence. Also, the rights-based sessions instilled in her a sense of self-respect and the courage to speak out against any injustice that she observed around her. On successful completion of her training, Deepti obtained a permanent driving license and is eagerly waiting to take up the job of a professional cab driver. She aspires to be self-sufficient and create an identity of her own in society. She also wants to support her family and make them proud of her accomplishments.



Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/3 Name: Kiran Bala DOB:10/06/1986 Education: Graduate Locality: Sant Nagar Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of Joining: 22/04/2022 Date of PL: 13/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Kiran Bala lives with her husband and two children. Her husband works as a security guard and is the sole earner in the family. Kiran is blessed with a happy family and her husband is caring and supportive of all her decisions, while also encouraging her to be independent. She learned about Azad Foundation through her sister who was previously a trainee here. Joining Azad was a transformative experience in Kiran's life as she became more confident. She states after joining Azad, she has been less hesitant when communicating with people. Besides improving her communication skills, Kiran also admits that at Azad, her perspective on dressing has also changed. Currently, she has secured a decent job for herself after completing her training. She desires to have a house of her own in the future.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/4 Name: Kamini DOB:22/07/2002 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Swaroop Nagar Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 22/04/2022 Date of PL: 29/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

#### 66

Kamini lives with her mother, two sisters and a handicapped brother. Her father had expired at an early stage and at present there is no earning member in the family. The family was sustained by the mere amount of the widow pension of the mother and the disability pension of the brother. Kamini always had an interest in driving and when she came to know about Azad through her sister, she joined its four-wheeler training program without second thought. At Azad, Kamini learnt more about how women are oppressed daily and patriarchy affects their life choices. She also learned to be assertive as well as to raise her voice against the injustices that happened around her. Today, Kamini is a successful, independent commercial cab driver. She supports her family and also made them proud of her accomplishments.



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Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/5 Name: Sapna DOB:25/10/2002 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 22/04/2022 Date of PL: 29/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Sapna lives with her mother and brother. Her father separated from her mother when she was a kid. Her mother had raised both children in very difficult circumstances. Sapna came to know about Azad Foundation through her neighbor and joined the WWW program. After joining Azad, she became a more confident girl and learned to express herself freely. She had developed more confidence to stand alone and overcome all her fears. She is grateful to Azad for providing her with the knowledge and understanding that has been transforming her life. At present, Sapna has successfully acquired her permanent driving license and also secured a decent job for herself. She aspires to be a support for her family and also completes her graduation.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/6 Name: Sarita DOB:19/01/1990 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 22/04/2022 Date of PL:10/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

#### 66

Sarita lives with her mother, sister-in-law and brother. She came to know about Azad Foundation through her neighbor and joined its four-wheeler training program. After joining training, Sarita has become a more confident individual and has started to open up with people. She now likes interacting with new people and conversing with them. Azad has also taught her to articulate her ideas and communicate the same effectively, thereby transforming her into a self-assured personality. She also learned the importance of women's empowerment and why every woman should strive to be independent. At present, Sarita has acquired her permanent driving license and aspires to work as a professional driver. She wants to stand as a support system to her family and lead an independent life.

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Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/10 Name: Monika DOB:01/05/2004 Education: 11th Pass Locality: Adarsh Nagar Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:17/05/2022 Date of PL:30/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Monika lives with her mother, grandmother and younger brother. Her grandmother is the sole earning member of the family. Her mother had faced lots of violence in her marital relationship with her father and eventually separated to lead a separate life. Monika came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilization team and also through other women in her locality, who underwent training with the organization previously and are currently working with Sakha as cab drivers. Monica wanted to pursue nursing, but due to the financial constraints in her family, was unable to do so. After joining Azad, her aspirations underwent a remarkable change and she wanted to become a cab driver. Further, the training attended by her, went a long way in molding her into a self-reliant and confident individual. Monica emerged successful in obtaining a permanent license as well as securing a dignified job as a professional cab driver with BluSmart. Through her job, she supports her family and has a dream to build a house as a longer plan.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/11 Name: Anjum Khatoon Chaudhary DOB:01/03/1989 Education: Graduate Locality: Model town 2nd Marital Status: Separated Number of children:1 Date of Joining:17/05/2022 Date of PL: 10/08/2022 Current Status: Employable

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Anjum Khatoon Chaudhary comes from a joint family. She is separated from her husband and lives with her parents and siblings. She learned about Azad from a neighbor who was previously a trainee here. Anjum joined the WWW program with the hope of becoming selfreliant. She experienced significant growth in her confidence after joining training sessions. She learned to assert herself and express her thoughts. Currently, Anjum has succeeded in obtaining a permanent driving license and aspires to become a chauffeur, so that she can support her family and provide her daughter with a better life.





Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/12 Name: Sonam DOB:10/01/2004 Education:12th Pass Locality: Mukundpur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 17/05/2022 Date of PL: 29/07/2022 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Sonam lives with her parents and siblings. Her father is the sole earner in the family. He drives an auto and also works with Delhi Jal Board on a part-time basis. Sonam came to know about Azad Foundation through an alumnus of the organization and decided to join its four-wheeler training program. Sonam was a fearful child as she feared rejection and harassment, and was introverted in interaction. She was even scared of moving out of the house alone owing to the fear of getting lost. Training that she attended at Azad has helped her in becoming a selfassured individual, with enhanced mobility. She learned to express herself freely and confident enough to travel solo anywhere, at any time. Presently, Sonam has acquired her permanent driving license and is employed as a cab driver with Lithium. She has an ambition of becoming a police officer in the future but until then plans to work as a cab driver to support her family financially. She wants herself to be a self-reliant individual making her family proud of her achievements.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/13 Name: Pinki DOB:03/09/2002 Education:12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 08/06/2022 Date of PL: 10/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Pinki stays with her parents and brother. Her father, who is an auto driver, is the sole earner of the family. Pinki came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilization team and enrolled in the WWW program with the hope to support her family financially. Her decision to join Azad was supported by her family. After joining the training program, Pinki learned to advocate for herself as well as for others. She enjoyed being a part of Azad as she gained many friends with whom she could assimilate and express herself freely. Also, she particularly liked the self-defense sessions as it adds more power to her personality. Currently, Pinki got a permanent driving license and is working as a cab driver. She aims to become self-sufficient and create an identity of her own in society.





Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/14 Name: Sandhya DOB:28/03/2003 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:08/06/2022 Date of PL: 01/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Sandhya lives with her parents and four sisters. Her father owns a vegetable shop and is the sole earner in the family. Sandhya came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilization team and joined its four-wheeler training program. She always wanted to learn driving as a challenging skill, posed to the patriarchal norms upheld by society. Sandhya found the training provided by Azad to be enriching and empowering. It transformed her into a resourceful person by enhancing her mobility and imparting useful skills such as administering first aid and self-defense, which augmented her confidence and self-esteem. Presently, Sandhya has acquired her permanent driving license and has also secured a job as a commercial cab driver with Sakha. She supports her family financially and has a desire to pursue her graduation.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/15 Name: Rupa DOB:22/02/2004 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 08/06/2022 Date of PL:30/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

# 66

Rupa lives with her mother, brother and two sisters. Her mother is the breadwinner of the family. Rupa came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilization team, also she interacted with the commercial cab drivers with Sakha and was motivated. After joining Azad, she felt that this is the right place where she can transform her dreams into reality. All the sessions that she underwent at the organization molded her into a resourceful, confident and courageous individual, besides increasing her mobility and sense of self-worth. Rupa has completed her training and is currently employed as a cab driver. She is extremely grateful to Azad for making her self-reliant and creating an identity for herself.



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Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/16 Name: Nisha DOB:18/06/1997 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Swaroop Nagar Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:08/06/2022 Date of PL: 13/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Nisha had a tough childhood. As a 6-year-old child, she lost her mother to Cancer, after which her father took her to alcoholism. He eventually left his job and was inebriated, and used to physically abuse Nisha and her sister. Currently, Nisha lives with her sister and both of them worked as tailors, though Nisha worked only part-time. She came to know about Azad Foundation through a friend, who was also undergoing training with the organization. At Azad, she came across like-minded peers who hailed from similar family backgrounds and in whose company she found relief. The training made her bold enough to open up and seek solutions to the problems challenging in her life. Today, Nisha has successfully obtained her permanent driving license and is leading a stable, independent life as a cab driver with BluSmart. Her ultimate dream is to provide a better life for her sister.







Enrollment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/19 Name: Teena DOB:03/04/2002 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 08/06/2022 Date of PL: 13/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Teena lives with her parents and brother. Her mother and brother work in a factory, and are the earners in the family. Her father is an alcoholic and is unemployed. As a child, Teena grew up seeing her father violently abusing her mother. Her insecurities had always prompted her to become an independent woman. Coming across Azad Foundation, she joined its training program without any hesitation. The training she underwent at Azad boosted her confidence and self-esteem. She learned new ideas and concepts that were previously unfamiliar to her. Teena never used to travel alone as she feared getting harassed but after joining Azad, she became fearless and started to commute alone. The self-defense sessions have made her stronger. On completing her training, Teena acquired a job as a cab driver with Lithium. She is grateful to Azad in making her dream of becoming independent, self-reliant a reality.

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Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/20 Name: Pooja DOB:22/08/1993 Education: 9th Pass Locality: Azadpur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 23/06/2022 Date of PL: 30/09/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Pooja lives in Bhalswa Dairy with her husband and two sons. She is 29 years old and has studied till 9th grade. Her husband is handicapped as one of his legs was amputated and he gets a disability pension, which is too meager to support the family. Hence, Pooja also works as a caregiver to sustain her family. She came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilizers. Being motivated by her husband, she decided to enroll in the WWW program. She shared an incident, where she faced eve-teasing for her long hair from the community men. It disturbed her to the extent that she decided to shave her hair. After joining Azad, Pooja gained a better understanding of the right steps to deal with cases of harassment that she underwent. She believes that attending the sessions at Azad has made her stronger and more courageous, particularly the self-defense sessions. Today, Pooja has successfully completed her training and even secured a well-paying job with the help of Azad. She is an independent woman today and strives to help friends and community people who are in distress.







Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/21 Name: Seema Kumari DOB: 15/07/1997 Education: Graduate Locality: Bhalaswa Marital Status: Divorced Number of Children: 0 Date of Joining: 23/06/2022 Date of PL: 05/11/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Seema resides in Bhalaswa with her mother, grandmother, brother, sister-in-law and their children. She is 24 years old and is a graduate. Her brother, who works with Haldiram, is the sole earner in the family. Seema came to know about Azad Foundation through its mobilization team. She heard about the women who are independently working as cab drivers with the help of Azad. With the support of her family, Seema enrolled in the WWW program. She admits that before joining Azad, she was not much confident in communicating with a larger group of people. She felt hesitant to speak up even for the right cause. After joining training at Azad, she learned communication skills at a marginal extent. She found herself transformed into a more confident and self-assured individual. Currently, Seema has obtained her permanent driving license and is working as a private chauffeur placed through Sakha. She wishes to support her family financially, besides pursuing higher education.



Enrolment No: DL/ND/2022-23/22 Name: Deepali Date of Birth: 10/06/2003 Education: Graduation Locality: Tis Hazari Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:23/6/2022 Date of PL: 25/10/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Deepali lives with her mother, father, a sister and a brother. Her father, who works as a sanitation and hygiene personnel in the Municipal Corporation Delhi (MCD), is the sole earning member of her family. Deepali stated that her family has been going through financial strain for quite a long time now. She got to know about the Azad Foundation through a non-governmental organization. She decided to join the organization because she wanted to shatter the predominant belief that women cannot be good drivers and driving is majorly a realm of men. She also said that it was not easy for her to join the Azad Foundation and a lot of efforts went in from her side and the staff of the NGO to convince her parents to allow her to join the program and learn driving. Deepali believes that because of her decision to join Azad, she has gained a lot of confidence in herself. She aspires to become financially independent and further complete her education.









Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/26 Name: Mamta DOB: 20/12/1987 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Bhalswa Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 22/07/2022 Date of PL: 28/10/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Mamta came to know about Azad through a survey conducted in her locality and was fascinated by the opportunity offered to learn driving as well as secure a job in the same field. She joined Azad Foundation to pursue her dream of becoming financially independent. She lives in a joint family with her husband and daughter, relying solely on her husband's unstable job for livelihood. With her family's support, she enrolled in the WWW program. She faced some difficulties initially, but with determination and the staunch support offered by her trainers, she resolved those and obtained a permanent driving license. Mamta claims that her confidence has soared since joining Azad. She no longer feels dependent on others and has also become increasingly aware of her rights and gender-related issues. Mamta has also successfully secured a job as a commercial cab driver through the efforts of Sakha and is highly grateful to Azad for fulfilling her aspirations.



Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/27 Name: Pramila DOB: 01/04/1988 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Bhalswa Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 22/07/2022 Date of PL: 28/10/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

# 66

Pramila joined Azad Foundation with a strong desire to achieve financial independence. Living in a joint family with her husband and son, they rely solely on her husband's unstable job for income, causing financial difficulties. Before marriage, Pramila had been working in a tele calling center, however, post-marriage she had to leave the same owing to childcare responsibilities. She learned about Azad through a survey conducted in her colony and was fascinated with the opportunity. She joined Azad, and during her training session, she faced numerous hurdles. However, through unflinching determination, she overcame those obstacles and succeeded in obtaining a permanent driving license. She believes that joining Azad has significantly boosted her confidence, empowering her to believe in her ability to become self-reliant. The training has also increased her awareness of her rights and entitlements. Pramila is eagerly waiting to take up a job as a professional cab driver and support her family.







Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/29 Name: Rahima Khatun DOB: 01/10/1997 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 22/07/2022 Date of PL: 25/01/2023 Current Status: Under Training

Rahima Khatun, a 26-year-old resident of Jahangirpuri, lives with her parents and two siblings. Her father is a shopkeeper while one of her brothers works as a salesman. Rahima came to know about Azad Foundation through the YouTube channel "Josh Talks", and chose to learn car driving as she considered it to be a safer option than a scooter. Her family wholeheartedly supported her decision to join Azad. Since joining, she admits to experiencing personal growth, overcoming shyness and improving her communication skills. The gender classes imparted at Azad expanded her knowledge about the human body and female health as well as helped in addressing the uncertainties that she previously had. At present, Rahima has secured her permanent driving license and aspires to become a cab driver. Her goal is to support her family and make them proud.

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Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/30 Name: Rano Devi DOB: 10/02/2001 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Bhalswa dairy Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 22/07/2022 Date of PL: 12/01/2023 Current Status: Under Training

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Rano Devi, a 21-year-old resident of Bhalswa Dairy, lives with her husband and daughter. Her husband is the sole earner in the family and works as a kitchen designer. Rano learned about Azad Foundation through a neighbor who had undergone training with the organization in the past. With the support of her family, she decided to join Azad's WWW program. She also improved her communication skills and overcame her hesitations. Her perspectives regarding outfits have also changed, as she adapted to wearing suits, kurtas and shoes during training. Rano's husband used to be an alcoholic and abuses her, but now she takes a stand for herself and does not tolerate any violence. She has successfully obtained a permanent driving license and aspires to take up a full-time job as a driver. She wishes to provide support to her family and ensure that her daughter receives the best education possible.







Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/32 Name: Haseena DOB: 26/01/2003 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalswa Dairy Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 17/08/2022 Date of PL: 20/01/2023 Current Status: Under training

Haseena resides in Bhalswa Dairy with her parents and siblings. Her father is a barber, and is the sole earner in the family, though Haseena also occasionally takes tuition classes to support her family. She got to know about Azad Foundation through her friend, who is also a trainee here. Her family was extremely supportive of her decision to join Azad, although her brother exhibited hesitation in the beginning. Haseena decided to choose driving as a profession as she felt it would help her explore her surroundings. After undergoing training at Azad, Haseena, who previously resisted going out alone fearing harassment, has become highly confident that she now knows how to handle such situations perfectly. Currently, she has acquired her permanent license and aspires to be a bus driver. She wants to support her family and lead an independent life.

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Enrollment No: DL/ND/2022-23/33 Name: Jyoti Age: 28 years Education: 12th pass Locality: Tis Hazari Marital Status: Married No. of children: 1 Date of Joining: 17-08-2022 Date of PI: 06/12/2022 Current status: Employed

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Jyoti is a Twenty-eight years old woman who lives in the Tis Hazari area of Delhi. She joined the Azad Foundation's "Women on Wheels" program in June. Her family comprises her mother, father, a sister and a brother. Her father, who works as a sanitation and hygiene personnel in the Municipal Corporation Delhi (MCD), is the sole earning member of her family. Jyoti stated that her family has been going through financial strain for quite a long time now. She got to know about the Azad Foundation through a non-governmental organization. There was a lot of effort made by the NGO to convince her parents to allow her to join driving classes. After joining she witnesses a very supporting training personnel. Jyoti asserts that she gained a lot of confidence and sensitization towards gender and other issues. With a lot of hard work and determination she passed her driving license test and acquired a permanent driving license. She aspires to become financially independent and complete her education.







Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/35 Name: Shaqina DOB:11/02/2000 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 17/08/2022 Date of PL: 15/11/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Shaqina, a 22-year-old resident of Delhi's Jahangirpuri had a very challenging life After giving birth to her second daughter, her husband and in-laws forced her to leave their home, and she has been staying with her parents since then. Financially and emotionally unsupported by her husband's family, Shaqina relied on her parents for survival. Joining Azad gave her newfound freedom and self-confidence. It also improved her communication skills, self-awareness and mobility. She now believes that she can travel independently and even defend herself as well as assist other women in need. Despite facing criticism for having chosen driving as her career, Sakina is determined to prove that women can excel in the same. She has successfully obtained her permanent driving license and is employed as a commercial cab driver with Sakha. Her inspiring resilience in the face of adversity serves as a source of inspiration to countless women.



Enrolment No: DL/ND/2022-23/40 Name: Rajkumari Date of Birth: 05/06/1988 Education:12th pass Locality: Swaroop Nagar Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:15/09/2022 Date of PL: 23/11/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Rajkumari lives in Swaroop Nagar with her parents and two younger brothers. Her father is a shopkeeper and is the sole earner in the family and her brothers are studying in school. Raj kumari came to know about Azad through a trainee. Her family was earlier apprehensive about her decision to work as a driver because they were concerned about her safety, but later got convinced and supported her. Rajkumari never faced any problem in public speaking and communication skills. She has always been a confident and bold girl. However, In Azad, she become more aware of the kinds of oppression faced by women. Rajkumari wants to work as a driver because she didn't want to do a traditional conventional job and driving isn't a profession which women usually work in. She aspires to work as a cab driver and buy her own car in the future. She wishes to help support her family financially, be independent and make a name for herself in the society.







Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/41 Name: Shagufa DOB: 25/03/2004 Education:10th Pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:15/09/2022 Date of PL: 15/11/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Shagufa, an 18-year-old resident of Jahangirpuri, lives with her parents and two younger brothers. She came to know about Azad Foundation from a previous trainee and was impressed by Azad's mission to empower women and challenge patriarchy, which motivated her to join its four-wheeler training program. In her initial days, her family had concerns about her safety as a driver, they eventually came to support her decision. While she was always confident and independent, being part of Azad increased her awareness of women's oppression and lack of choices. Besides making her self-assured, it also transformed her into a resourceful individual who is capable of standing up for others in need. Shagufa has acquired her permanent driving license and is currently employed as a cab driver. She aspires to break stereotypes associated with women's employment. Her goal is to buy her own car, support her family financially and make a name for herself in society.

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Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/42 Name: Bindu DOB: 17/09/2003 Education: Graduate Locality: Bhalswa dairy Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 15/09/2022 Date of PL: 14/12/2022 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Bindu resides in Bhalswa dairy with her parents, two elder brothers and a younger sister. Her father is a tailor and one of her elder brothers is a technician. Her other siblings are pursuing their graduation while her mother is a housewife. Bindu had always exuded a keen interest in cars and driving. Hence, it was nothing but natural that when she came to know about Azad through her sister, it piqued her interest. Azad provided her with the opportunity to drive and earn for her family at the same time. On enrolling for the training, Bindu learnt more about how women are oppressed daily and how patriarchy affects their life choices. "Azad has expanded the horizons of my knowledge about the dismal condition of women around me and has motivated me to raise my voice against the same", she claims. Bindu has successfully completed her training and is currently waiting to secure a dignified job with the help of Sakha. She aspires to become completely self-sufficient and provide a better life for her family. She also wishes to engage with Azad as a trainer in the future.







Enrollment No: DL/ND/2022-23/44 Name: Afreen Bano Education: Graduate Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 15/09/2022 Date of PL: 30/11/2022 Current status: Employed

# 66

Afreen lives in Jahangirpuri with her mother, two sisters and two brothers. Her brother is the sole earner in the family. He owns a mobile shop. Afreen also takes tuition classes to support her family. Afreen got to know about Azad Foundation through her friend, who was a trainee at Azad. Her family is extremely supportive of her decision to join Azad. Although her brother was a bit hesitant before, he later supported her. She has been a part of the foundation for 6 months. She is learning how to drive a car and got her permanent license recently. She decided to learn driving and take it up as a profession as she feels it would help her become more aware of her surroundings. Earlier, Afreen didn't use to go out a lot and was scared of traveling alone. There was a constant fear of harassment. After joining Azad, she overcame her fears. She also learned about first-aid. Now she understands the norms that are prevailing out of patriarchal society and is determined to be independent, self- sufficient along with being supportive to her family and Afreen aspires to be a bus driver in the future.



Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/57 Name: Chansi DOB: 07/03/2004 Education: Graduate Locality: Bhalswa Dairy Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 11/10/2022 Date of PL: 24/02/2023 Current Status: Under training

# 66

Chansi lives in Bhalswa Dairy with her parents and siblings. Her father is a contractor while her mother is a housewife. She has a younger brother and a sister, who are pursuing their graduation. Chansi learned about Azad through its mobilization activities and decided to pursue driving as a profession as she had an interest in the same. Besides, she chose to learn to drive as she identified it as an effective means to challenge the patriarchal norms of the society. On joining Azad, Chansi found the orientation classes to be immensely helpful as they provided clear insights and enabled her to guide several others in the right direction. She particularly enjoyed the Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) session, as it enlightened her on several of those not-so-widely discussed concepts. Chansi has been successful in securing a permanent driving license and is eagerly waiting to take up the role of a professional cab driver. She also aspires to pursue higher studies and make her family proud of her achievements.







Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/63 Name: Priyanka Kumari DOB: 23/12/2003 Education: 8th Pass Locality: Bhalswa Dairy Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 04/11/2022 Date of PL: 31/01/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

Priyanka lives with her mother and siblings. She lost her father to COVID. Her mother, who is a laborer, is the sole earning member in the family. Her two elder brothers are unemployed. Priyanka came to know about Azad through its mobilization team and joined the WWW program with the hope of securing a stable job. Moreover, she decided to choose driving as a career as she had always shared an interest in the same, besides harboring the notion that she would enjoy a great degree of flexibility in this field in terms of working hours. She was also backed by her family's full support in taking up the training offered by Azad. According to her, the training sessions were enlightening as she could gain valuable insights into sexual and reproductive health, legal rights, self-defense and gender concepts. Priyanka has successfully completed her training with Azad and is currently waiting to secure employment with the help of the organization. She harbors the desire to become self-employed by owning a car in the future. She aims to be independent, self-sufficient and be able to provide a better life to her family.



Enrolment No.: DL/ND/2022-23/71 Name: Nisha Date of Birth: 23/08/1999 Education: 10th Pass Locality: Bhalswa Dairy Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 02/12/2022 Date of PL: 25/03/2023 Current Status: Under training

#### 66

Nisha lives with her parents and siblings. Her father is a driver, mother is a house wife and she has four elder brothers who are self-employed and married and two elder sisters. Nisha came to know about Azad through the mobilization team. She joined Azad foundation seven months before. She has seen a lot of family pressures, financial constraints that have a huge impact on her and currently she is in dire need of a job. She gained her momentum and confidence at Azad, and a lot of skills that includes communication and public speaking skills. She learnt road signs, GPS understanding, mechanics of car handling, checking tyres, fuel etc. Currently she is preparing for the internal sakha test and working so hard to be a professional driver.







Enrolment No::DL/ND/2022-23/72 Name: Jyoti Date of Birth: 05/10/1998 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Bhalswa Dairy Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining:02/12/2022 Date of PL:24/03/2023 Current Status: Under training

# 66

Jyoti lives with her parents, one brother and two younger sisters. She is a pampered child from her family whose behavior is childish. Her father is a sole earner in the family who is working as a laborer in a factory and earns 8000 per month. Her sibling is pursuing her higher education from the government school. She got to know Azad from a survey through Rahana. Earlier She was a very introvert person, but after training she learned to express and interact herself freely and become bold and confident. Jyoti learned so many things in Azad through non-technical classes like she got clarity on gender and sex. In future she wants to become professional driver and support her family financially in future





Enrollment No: DL/ND/2022-23/73 Name: Darshan Education: Graduate Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Married No. of children: 1 Date of PL: 18/03/2023 Date of Joining: 02/12/2022 Current status: Under training

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Darshan lives in Jahangirpuri with her husband, one daughter and in-laws. She has completed her graduation. Her husband is working as an auto driver who earns 7000 per month.Darshan stated that her family has been going through financial strain for quite a long time now. She got to know about Azad through an NGO and decided to join the organization to shatter predominant belief that women cannot be good drivers and driving is majorly a realm of men. She also said that it was not easy for her to join the Azad Foundation and a lot of efforts went in from her side and the staff of the NGO to convince her parents.She found that trainers at Azad were very supportive and all her sessions went very smoothly. After a lot of determination and hard work, she passed her driving license test and acquired a permanent driving license. While learning driving at Azad she also stated that she became more aware about her rights and got the courage to stand up for them. She aspires to become financially independent and further complete her education.







Enrolment No: DL/ND/2022-23/74 Name: Vaishali Date of Birth: 11/12/2000 Education: 12th pass Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 02/12/2022 Date of PL: 28/March/2023 Current Status: Under training

#### 66

Vaishali is a passionate 22-year-old girl. She lives with her parents and siblings. She is the eldest among her siblings. Her mother is the sole earner of the family. Who works as a guard in a school. Her father is currently unemployed. Both her siblings are studying, sister is pursing graduation and brother is in class 4th. She got to know about Azad through her mother's friend, who has worked in Azad. Vaishali found Azad a very genuine and reliable place of learning. Here she got the chance to learn several other things with driving. Vaishali lives in a joint family. Her Aunt discouraged her but parents supported. At Azad, she got the opportunity to learn plenty of things such as english, self-defense, first aid, raising voice against any form of injustice that boosted her confidence to a marginal extent. She achieved her permanent license and decided to complete her training soon and become a professional chauffeur.

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Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/78 Name: Payal DOB:09/03/2001 Education: Graduate Locality: Swaroop Nagar Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 03/01/2023 Date of PL: 25/03/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

#### 66

Payal lives in Swaroop nagar with her parents and brother. She has also done a course in cosmetology to work as a beautician. Her father works as an auto driver and is the breadwinner of the family. Payal had always wanted to help her family in their financial struggles and on learning about Azad Foundation through its mobilization team, she joined its four-wheeler training program with much enthusiasm. Her family has always been supportive of her decisions and encouraged her to be independent as well as complete her education. After joining Azad, she gained immense confidence and motivation. Presently, Payal has acquired her permanent license and looks forward to becoming a cab driver. She wishes to be self-reliant and lead an independent life.







Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/79 Name: Kashish DOB:03/07/2003 Education: Graduate Locality: Jahangirpuri Marital Status: Unmarried Date of Joining: 03/01/2023 Date of PL: 18/03/2023 Current Status: Under Training

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Kashish is a graduate and she lives in Jahangirpuri with her parents and brother. Her father is a laborer and her mother is a housewife. She learned about Azad Foundation through a neighbor, who had previously undergone training with the organization and is currently engaged as a driver with Sakha. Kashish joined the four-wheeler training program at Azad as she held the fear that riding a two-wheeler was comparatively a more dangerous option. Besides, she also saw that Azad was providing her with a great opportunity to learn a new skill along with ensuring a decent job. Her family also stood by her decision to join the training. After joining Azad, Kashish could not only meet like-minded peers but also gained confidence and improved her self-esteem as well as mobility. Also, the non-technical sessions proved to be eye-openers to her, as she was introduced to several new concepts and ideas. At present, Kashish has successfully obtained her permanent driving license and aspires to become a professional cab driver. She wishes to be self-sufficient and create an identity of her own in the society. She also nurses the ambition to acquire a heavy license and make her family proud of her achievements.



Enrolment Number: DL/ND/2022-23/80 Name: Mumtaj DOB:3/07/2003 Education:8th Pass Locality: Bhalswa Dairy Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 1 Date of Joining: 03/01/2023 Date of PL:18/03/2023 Current Status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

# 66

Mumtaj lives in Bhalswa Dairy with her husband and daughter. She is 20 years old and has completed her education till the 8th grade. Her husband is the sole earner in the family and works as a driver in a school. She learned about Azad through a neighbor, who was previously a trainee in the organization, and decided to join its WWW program, a decision that met with full support on the part of her family. Mumtaj admits to having learnt a lot of things in the course of her training at Azad, such as sexual and reproductive rights of women, self-defense techniques and map reading skills, besides legal awareness. She also felt a sense of independence that she can now drive a car, which has largely been considered to be a masculine task by the patriarchal society. Mumtaj has successfully obtained her permanent license and aspires to become a professional driver to earn for herself, besides supporting her family.







Enrolment No: DL/ND/2022-23/84 Name: Kiran Date of Birth: 26/01/1995 Education: 11th pass Locality: Azadpur Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 2 Date of Joining: 27/01/2023 Date of PL: 28/03/2023 Current Status: Under training

# 66

Kiran lives in Azadpur with her husband and two children. She completed her high school education last year and decided to take a gap year to learn driving. She has also done a course in skin care to work as a beautician. Her husband is the earner in the family. Her husband works in a shop as an electrician. Kiran has been a part of the Azad Foundation for 4 months. She came to know about the foundation through a survey. She is currently learning how to drive a four-wheeler. She recently got her permanent license. She decided to enroll in Azad as she always had an interest in driving and always wanted to learn how to drive. She also felt that through driving, she will become more aware of her surroundings. Kiran had the complete support of her family when she decided to join Azad to learn driving. She wishes to make a name for herself in the society. She wants to live an independent and self-sufficient life.

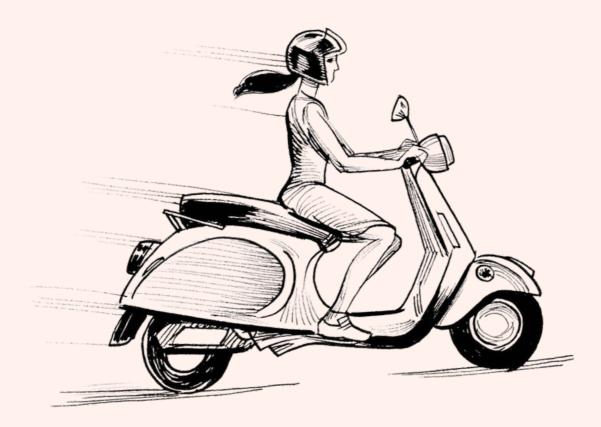
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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/ 65 Name: Rani DOB: 10/09/1992 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Badarpur, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children:2 Date of joining: 30/11/2021 Date of PL: 24/08/2022 Current status: Employed

Rani is an Azad trainee, pursuing her two-wheeler journey. Rani could not study beyond class 10th and had aslo to get married in a very young age. Her husband works in Max hospital and Rani spends most of her time looking after her children. Though she plays a vital role in her family, she is not valued and her opinions are disregarded most of the time. This situation aches her heart but due to lack of opportunities, Rani adjusted herself and continued to balance the situation in her family. Rani came to know about Azad through a mike announcement in her area by Azad foundation. She went to see and enquire about it with the mobilizers. When she came to Azad her repressed desire of driving and venturing got revived. Initially, she wanted to learn four wheelers but after the interaction with Azad's mentors, she decided to go with 2 wheeler. In the course of the training Rani learned the art of communication and to defend herself in any given situation. Currently she is working with a e-commerce firm.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/67 Name: Reeta Jha DOB: 20/09/1987 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Sangam Vihar Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of joining: 30/11/2021 Date of PL: 30/12/2022 Current status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Reeta is a spirited individual, who aspires to be financially independent and contribute to the family income. She also wants to grow in life and put in efforts for her personal development. She could only study till class 10th and got married at an early age. Her husband works in the HDFC bank. Reeta got associated with Azad through Mike announcement. Reeta was motivated by the fact that she would be equipped to get employed and hence got herself enrolled in the training. In Azad, she has acquired many other soft skills along with the technical driving skills, she could develop an understanding of various perspectives related to a woman's life and her rights and also learnt to stand up for herself and the people in need. After getting her permanent driving license she is waiting for a suitable opportunity.

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#### Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/68 Name: Ruksar DOB: 10 /02 /2001 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Madanpur Khadar, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/12/2021 Date of PL: 29/07/2022 <u>Current status</u>: Employed

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Ruksar is an enthusiastic girl who lives with her parents and six sisters. She has cleared her class 12th. Her brothers live on their own as they are married. In order to support her family, she was in search of a job when she encountered Azad's mobilizers who visited her as per their schedule. Ruksar wanted to stand up on her own feet for which Azad acted as a support system. She learned enormous things in her training session that boosted her confidence. She learned to communicate, negotiate and fight for her rights. Rukhsar appeared for her permanent license and successfully qualified for the same on the very first attempt. Ruksar found herself growing, becoming assertive and aware of her surroundings, and She is now employed and earns for herself as well as for her family.

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/69 Name: Jyoti DOB: 21/11/2001 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Madanpur Khadar Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/12/2021 Date of PL: 28/07/2022 Current status: Employed

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Jyoti has four siblings her mother works as a labourer and her father is a tailor by profession. She feels blessed to come from a supportive family. Her father wants all of them to be welleducated and become an asset to the family. Jyoti came to know about Azad through a survey conducted by Azad in her locality. She was initially amazed by the non-traditional training being provided because she never knew something like this also existed. She feels that throughout her journey in Azad, she became more outspoken and social. She now enjoys being around people unlike before. Azad has contributed to her personal development. Jyoti joined the organization with the sole purpose of learning to drive but is now is a successful rider who works as a delivery partner with an e-commerce firm. Her story, despite being lucid, appeals to the masses because it conveys the message that just by following our interest, and passion we can find a way to lead a happy life and eliminate all the complications around us.







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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/76 Name: Rajni DOB: 16/05/1994 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Govindpuri, Delhi Marital Status: Separated Number of children: 02 Date of joining: 05/03/2022 Date of PL: 23/12/2022 Current status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

29-year-old Rajni could study only till class 12th and started working as a salesgirl at a garments shop. She lives separate from her husband along with her parents and sibling and hence always felt a need for contributing to the family expenses. She came to know about the Azad foundation's WWW training program through one of her friends. Joining Azad was a turning point in her life she says, "I could not even understand that a woman can do everything that a man can, everyone says that a woman can not be a good driver but me and many more women like me are not only driving on road but are also working in the transport sector." The opportunity that she got at Azad, she made best use of it and could achieve her permanent license and is now waiting for a suitable job opportunity.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/81 Name: Komal Verma DOB: 01/04/2000 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Shrinivaspuri, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 29/03/2022 Date of PL: 21/10/2022 Current status: Employed

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Komal is a young and active girl who is very punctual and enjoys every bit of her training in Azad. She is impressed with the self-defense and communication class. Through this training, she became confident and fought her fear of driving on the streets alone. She has been travelling on her own and felt a sense of pride. Komal comes from Okhla and lives with a family including 2 brothers, and parents. Komal came to know about the Azad Foundation training module after she met mobilizers who went for a survey in their locality and the rest information was imparted by her neighbor. The thought of driving and attaining freedom motivated Komal to join as early as possible. She has gained a lot of knowledge from various training sessions at Azad, and now she is able to secure employment and looks forward to a relaxing life ahead.





Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/10 Name: Sita DOB: 27/04/2001 Education Qualification: 12th Locality: Madanpur Khadar, New Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of Children: 0 Date of joining: 28/05/2022 Date of PL: 27/07/2022 Current status: Employed

Sita is a small-town girl from a simple family based in Bihar. She could not complete her education due to marriage at a very young age. Sita is curious in nature and has an innate urge to study, enjoy her life and live on her own terms. She got to know about Azad through mobilizers in her community. Azad's work touched her soul. Currently, she is working towards reconnecting with herself. Sita commenced her journey in Azad; she observed remarkable changes in herself as she became aware and confident. She interacted with several other fighters like her which acted as a motivation for her as, when she got separated from her husband, she was aimless and restricted herself within the 4 walls of her house. The first time she drove a 2-wheeler she felt like she had gained wings. She is now able to secure employment for herself as a delivery partner in e-commerce and is looking forward to living a self-reliant life.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/29 Name: Saniya DOB: 08/03/2004 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Chandan hola Nurani masjid, South Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/08/2022 Date of PL: 10/11/2022 Current status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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Sania's family consists of her mother, father, and five sisters. Her father works as a labourer and earns 8,000 rupees with which the household expenses are managed. Her mother brought Sania to have a conversation with Azad after a woman told them about it in her area. Both of them were very impressed and Sania enrolled herself in Azad for two-wheeler training. "I want to complete the training in the shortest time possible so that I can challenge the notion that girls are a burden for me and my 5 sisters." When she joined Azad, she learned to travel alone, which helped her build her self-confidence. She's started to believe in herself. Though her dream is to become a lawyer, she needs to earn money to eventually fulfil her dream. She expresses herself as "I learned something new every moment", she loves to explain how much the knowledge of roads, the practice of road signs and GPS has helped her.







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/35 Name: Komal DOB: 11/11/1999 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Madanpur khadar, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 22/09/2022 Date of PL: 17 /02/2023 Current status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

# Komal's family consists of her mother and two brothers. One of her brothers works as a delivery executive, and his monthly income is 8,000 rupees. She learned about Azad through a mobilizer working in her area and liked it because a job would be available after the training. She spoke to her family but initially, her brother didn't support her. But her mother supported her and hence she started her journey with Azad Foundation. She started regular training. She says that she underwent various types of training, which improved her thinking and understanding abilities as well as allowed her to step out alone, something she'd never done before. The right to go out on her own terms and take up any job, even if her family doesn't agree, was something she learned after her gender class. She thinks she can fulfil her dreams and support her family now that she's obtained her permanent license, and is ready to work.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/36 Name: Nirmala DOB: 05/07/1989 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Okhla Phase-2, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of joining: 22/09/2022 Date of PL: 07/02/2023 Current status: Employed

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Nirmala lives with her husband and two children. Their monthly family income is 10,000 rupees, which is not sufficient for leading a decent life . She talks about family struggles when her husband was unemployed for three years while living in a rented house, with no support from the extended family. Nirmala had to find a job. Now that her husband is doing well, he realizes the importance of having a skill set therefore he supports Nirmala. So when she learned about Azad through a mobilization team working in their area he supported her in joining and gaining a completely different experience. After joining Azad Nirmala's self-confidence has increased along with her knowledge. She is particularly influenced by training on gender and self-defence. Through self-defence training, she learnt that she can assist a woman facing harassment or violence. She also learned about her rights. She has obtained her permanent license, and now she is going to stand on her own feet. She expresses herself as, "I took training in different areas, which made me realize that if women are given opportunities and support, they can do any work".







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/37 Name: Mamta DOB: 01/05/2002 Education Qualification: 11th Pass Locality: Okhla, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 22/09/2022 Date of PL: 04/03 /2023 Current Status: Employed

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Mamta lives with her parents, one sister, and one brother. Her father earns a living as a labourer, while her mother engages in sewing work. The family's total income amounts to 12,000 rupees. Mamta discovered Azad's two-wheeler program through a survey conducted by the mobilization team in her locality. After discussing it with her family, she received her mother's support and decided to enrol. Despite her father's desire for her to get married, Mamta's mother advocated for her aspirations. Participating in self-defence classes at Azad helped Mamta overcome her fears and develop the ability to protect herself, fostering her courage. Additionally, through communication classes, she learned valuable skills in self-expression and self-understanding. Mamta faces discrimination within her family, as her father opposes her education and independence. However, after joining Azad, she gained the confidence to venture out on her own and became fearless. She now asserts her opinions within her family, makes her own decisions, and has successfully completed her training. Equipped with her driver's license, Mamta is now employed and able to support her family. She is determined to face challenges and live her life on her own terms.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/39 Name: Annu Khan DOB: 09/10/2003 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Madanpur Khadar New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 22/09/2022 Date of PL: 01/12/2022 Current status: Employed

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In Annu's family, there are her parents, two sisters, three nephews and nieces. Her father is not employed, and one of the sisters takes care of household responsibilities. The family's income amounts to 6,000 rupees. Annu learned about Azad through a survey conducted by the mobilization team in the area. Given the low family income, the opportunity to find a job quickly through Azad's two-wheeler program piqued her interest, leading her to join. Azad provides a range of training opportunities, and knowledge building in primary healthcare, enabling Annu to assist others in case of injuries. Participating in gender classes has brought her awareness of the discrimination faced by women within families, a realization that was previously unknown to her. Self-defence training has empowered her to prioritize her safety and navigate the world independently. Annu's self-confidence has grown as a result. She has successfully completed her training and is able to secure employment to be self-sufficient to support her family. Successfully obtaining her permanent license in the first attempt has brought great joy to both her and her family.







#### Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/41 Name: Sneha DOB: 23/10/2004 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Madanpur Khadar Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/09/2022 Date of PL: 15/12/2022 Current status: Employed

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Sneha, from a family of five, discovered Azad through a friend and decided to enrol in their training program. Azad has transformed Sneha's mindset, empowering her with courage and diminishing her fears. Riding a scooter for the first time has been thrilling, and communication training has boosted her self-confidence and ability to express herself. Through her English classes, she learned to communicate in English and understand others better. Though her initial dream was acting, she recognizes the need for independent pursuit as she lacks support. With a newfound interest in driving, She is now able to secure employment in this profession, believing it will help her fulfil her desires and achieve her dreams. Obtaining her permanent license within two months has fueled her determination, for an enriching career ahead. She is currently working as a delivery partner in e-commerce firm.

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/42 Name: Tulsi DOB: 10/11/2002 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Madanpur Khadar Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/09/2022 Date of PL: 22/12/2022 Current Status: Employed

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Tulsi, living with her mother and four brothers, discovered Azad through a neighbour. Out of curiosity, she enrolled herself in a two-wheeler course for its swift training and job prospects. Through Azad, Tulsi participated in various training programs, including English, communication, and work readiness, enhancing her skills and boosting her self-confidence. Azad has empowered Tulsi to see herself as independent and courageous, believing she can achieve great things for herself and her family. Her aspiration is to work and bring happiness to her mother's life while continuing her education. Obtaining her permanent license in the initial phase has equally boosted her enthusiasm. Tulsi, and she is now able to secure employment for herself and looking for a peaceful and self-reliant life.







#### Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/43 Name: Shaziya DOB: 05/10/1999 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Badarpur New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/09/2022 Date of PL: 18/01/2022 Current status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

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In Shaziya's family, she has her parents, two brothers, and three sisters. Her father works as a driver, and the family's monthly income amounts to 8000 INR. Shaziya got to know about Azad through the internet and sought information about the organization before she visited Azad and joined. After joining Azad, Shaziya was engaged in practice sessions to obtain a learning license, an experience that she found highly enjoyable. The association with Azad has brought about a transformative change in Shaziya's sense of uniqueness and independence Through the English and communication training, she has undergone significant personal growth. Previously, she would hesitate to engage in conversations, but now she can effortlessly express herself. The gender and law training has equipped Shaziya with confidence and patience. Additionally, the self-defence training has empowered her to prioritize her safety and the safety of others. Shaziya successfully obtained her permanent license without delay, bringing immense joy and a sense of accomplishment. Now, she is eager and well-prepared to secure employment. Her dream is to become a skilled driver.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/46 Name: Jyoti Raikwar DOB: 05/06/2001 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Madanpur Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 29/10/2022 Date of PL: 12/1/2023 Current status: Employed

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In Jyoti's family, there are her grandparents, mother, and a brother. Jyoti's father does not reside with them. The household expenses are managed by the grandparents, while the mother earns 8000 INR through domestic work. Jyoti discovered Azad through her uncle, who is associated with Azad's MGJ program. Encouraged by her uncle, Jyoti and her aunt both decided to join Azad. Through the comprehensive training provided by Azad, Jyoti experienced a remarkable boost in self-confidence, overcoming her fears and shedding the discriminatory treatment she had faced from her father. Supported wholeheartedly by her uncle, Jyoti found solace and empowerment within the Azad community. The communication classes offered by Azad played a pivotal role in Jyoti's development, equipping her with the skills to engage with people confidently. Her aspiration is to attain financial independence swiftly, enabling her to assist her family and alleviate their struggles. Having obtained her permanent license for the first time, Jyoti is now employed and has started her professional journey.







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/50 Name: Sajida DOB: 20/10/2000 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Madanpur Khadar South Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 29/12/2022 Current status: Waiting for employment through Sakha

Sajida's family comprises nine members, including her parents, two brothers, one sister-inlaw, two nieces, and two sisters. Her father works as an auto driver, while one of her brothers is engaged in delivery jobs. Sajida became acquainted with Azad through the mobilization team and her friend. Intrigued by the prospect of acquiring a job within three months through the 2wheeler training, she promptly enrolled in the program. After joining Azad, Sajida has experienced a remarkable transformation, with an increase in her self-confidence and her knowledge through a diverse range of training sessions. She considers herself fortunate to be part of the Azad community, where she received instruction on gender dynamics, legal rights, and effective communication, enlightening her about the existence of discrimination within families. Moreover, she learned how to advocate for her rights and assert herself within the familial context. Now, her aspirations revolve around achieving self-sufficiency, securing employment, and becoming a pillar of support for her family. Having obtained her permanent license in record time, Sajida is eager to swiftly find a job, backed by the unwavering support of her family.



Name: Vandana Date of Birth: 22/11/1986 Education: 12th pass Locality: Dakshinpuri South Delhi Marital Status: Divorced Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 28/01/2023 Current status: Employed

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Vandana lives with her Son and to earn her livelihood she works part-time, through which she earns INR 5000/- per month. She divorced her husband because of his abusive nature and decided to lead a peaceful life alone. She got to know about the Azad Foundation from a Mike announcement in her area. She visited Azad's office to learn more about the WWW program and as she liked the opportunity very much she immediately decided to join. She said, "I like that I will be able to learn driving skills so soon and will also get employed." After joining Azad, She got an opportunity to learn various things in terms of self, communication skills, work readiness, gender and patriarchy, social norms, masculinity etc. and eventually she felt more confident. She shared that since joining her mobility has also increased as she can now travel anywhere she wants through GPS and maps. She says, "I have learnt that women have more patience and strength than men." Vandana was able to achieve her driving licence within 3 months and is currently working as a delivery partner.







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/53 Name: Laxmi DOB: 07/09/2004 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Sangam Vihar New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 12/1/2023 Current status: Employed

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In Laxmi's family, she has her parents and one brother. Her father and brother are employed as painters, earning a monthly income of approximately 15,000 rupees. The promotion of Azad's activities by volunteers in her neighbourhood caught her attention, and Laxmi decided to join. Prior to this, she had not come across such a course, and the idea of women pursuing such work had never crossed her mind. Laxmi reached out to the leaders associated with FLP who were working in her area and subsequently visited Azad to gather information. The experience left her feeling elated, as Azad's focus on empowering women through diverse training programs and employment opportunities resonated with her. After joining, Laxmi underwent comprehensive training that broadened her knowledge, boosted her confidence, and equipped her with the skills to venture out independently. The communication training enabled her to effectively interact with others, while the education on women's rights heightened her awareness. She also acquired the essential qualities of a professional driver and gained proficiency in understanding road signs and utilizing GPS for navigation. Laxmi successfully obtained her scooter two-wheeler license and is currently employed, marking a significant milestone in her journey.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/54 Name: Mithlesh DOB: 05/04/1993 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Madanpur Khadar, New Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 4 Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 28/01/2023 Current status: Employed

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Mithilesh resides in a rented house in Madanpur Khadar along with her four daughters. Her husband does not reside with them, leaving Mithilesh as the sole caretaker and provider for her children. The awareness of Azad came to Mithilesh during a microphone promotion event in her neighbourhood. After obtaining the contact number, she visited the Azad office, which left her with a sense of satisfaction. Azad's focus on training women and providing employment opportunities empowered her to strive for self-sufficiency. Within Azad, Mithilesh received diverse training sessions that expanded her knowledge base. Participating in gender and law training sessions shed light on issues like violence and discrimination against women. The communication training equipped her with the ability to express herself, a skill she had struggled with previously. This comprehensive training imparted strength and competence, ultimately preparing her for a professional driving career. Mithilesh aspires to secure employment, aiming to provide her daughters with the opportunities they were previously deprived of. Having obtained her permanent license and completed all the requisite training, she is now employed on a path of personal growth and accomplishment.

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/55 Name: Shivani DOB: 16/05/2001 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Goutampuri, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 22/02 /2023 Current Status: Employed

Shivani's family comprises her mother, father, one brother, and one sister. Her father, an electrician, brings in a monthly income of 15,000/-. The family actively supports each member's aspirations, particularly encouraging Shivani to acquire skills and pursue a career in her chosen field. She came to know about Azad through the efforts of a mobilization team in her area. Within Azad, she participated in diverse training programs encompassing essential subjects such as road signs, gender, law, communication, English language proficiency, sexual and reproductive health (SRH), first aid, and self-defence. This training not only imparted valuable knowledge but also catalyzed a significant boost in her self-assurance. Notably, the self-defence training resonated deeply within her, empowering them to overcome the fear of venturing out alone and equipping her with the necessary skills to safeguard herself. The transformation she underwent propelled her towards discovering her own identity and embracing a life lived on her own terms. Shivani harbours dreams of securing employment, earning money to support herself, and realizing her aspirations. Additionally, she aspires to complete her education, further enriching her personal and professional growth.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/56 Name: Neelam DOB: 01/07/1998 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Madanpur, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 12 /01/2022 Current status:Employed

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In Neelam's family, there is her mother, father, and 2 brothers. Her father works as a painter, her mother is an Asha worker, and one of her brothers works in photography. The family's total income is 13,000/-. Neelam's mother learned about Azad through her friend who worked in Jagori and received the contact details of Azad mobilizer. Neelam then visited the Azad office and registered herself. After joining Azad and undergoing various types of training, Neelam developed self-confidence to engage with fellow women, and learned self-reliant behaviors. She acquired skills to communicate professionally and make a lasting impact with her words. The English classes played a crucial role in enhancing her speaking abilities, which she can now effectively apply in her professional endeavors. Neelam's strong desire is to achieve self-reliance, a goal she pursues passionately. Having obtained her permanent license, she has also focussed on the necessary driving skills on the road. With all the requisite skills she is now employed. Neelam's dreams have been shaped by the empowering teachings of Azad, and she aspires to turn those dreams into reality.







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/57 Name: Pinki DOB: 25/12/2003 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: B-256 Subhash Camp Dakshinpuri -South Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 01/02/2023 Current status: Employed

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Pinky lives with her mother, uncle, one sister, and one brother. Pinky's mother works as a domestic worker, while her uncle is employed as a presser. Their combined monthly income amounts to 10,000 rupees. The knowledge of Azad reached Pinky through a microphone promotion in her locality. She wanted to know more and she visited the Azad office, gathered comprehensive information, and promptly enrolled herself in the program. Pinky's association with Azad bestowed upon her a newfound sense of freedom and bolstered her self-confidence, particularly through her independent ventures. She learned not to follow the stereotypical ideologies set particularly against women in our society, Pinky realized the importance of withholding judgment until one comprehends an individual's complete story and recognized the need to disregard societal expectations. Having successfully acquired her permanent license on her first attempt and completed her non-technical training, Pinky is now able to secure employment. She aspires to achieve self-reliance and provide support to her family, aligning with her dream for the future.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/58 Name: Tannu DOB: 1/05/2002 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Madanpur, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 18/01/2023 Current status: Employable

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In Tannu's family, there is her and a brother. Her father works as an office peon, and their monthly income is 15,000/-. She learned about Azad from an FLP leader and she immediately registered herself when she heard about two wheeler training. She felt very good, and received different types of training that increased her knowledge and confidence. She learned to communicate through communication training, gave interviews through work readiness training, and created a CV too. She learned to travel alone on a bus through self-defense training and how to help others in any case of an accident. She feels proud of herself for joining Azad. She expresses herself as "I made new friends and discovered more about myself," she says. Her dream was to do something different and bring happiness to her family through her earnings, which she's steadily accomplished by joining Azad. She has obtained her permanent license, and now is ready for employment.









#### Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/59 Name: Rukhsana DOB: 8/01/2002 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Madanpur khadar New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 06/01/2023 Current status: Employed

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Rukhsana resides with her parents, four brothers, and two sisters. Her family operates a small shop, earning a monthly income of 5,000 rupees. She got to know about Azad by a dedicated team in her area. Rukhsana was intrigued by their unique focus on teaching driving skills to women and providing job opportunities. Eagerly, she enrolled in the program. Azad has brought about a remarkable transformation in Rukhsana, instilling confidence and empowerment. Through diverse training modules, she has developed her communication skills, learned self-defense techniques, and embraced gender equality. With her permanent license obtained effortlessly, Rukhsana is now ready for employment. Her dream is to secure financial stability, obtain a home, and contribute to her family's well-being. With newfound courage and determination, Rukhsana is composed to make a positive impact on her life and that of her loved ones.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/61 Name: Avantika DOB: 24/10/2000 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Madanpur, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 16/12/2022 Date of PL: 09/03 /2023 Current Status: Employed

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Avantika lives with her mother and sister. Her mother provides baby care services, earning 15,000 rupees monthly, while her sister works at a company. Avantika learned about Azad during a survey and decided to explore further. After registering with Azad, she underwent diverse training sessions that not only increased her knowledge but also boosted her self-confidence and mental resilience. Azad empowered Avantika, reshaping her perspectives and giving her the courage to navigate societal dynamics. Communication training improved her ability to express herself effectively, while the supportive environment fostered meaningful friendships and mutual assistance. Despite facing opposition from her father, Avantika is determined to contribute to her mother's well-being by finding employment. With her permanent license and completed training, she is able to secure employment and now she is financially independent and aspires to open a cake baking store, turning her aspirations into reality.







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/62 Name: Unsa DOB: 24/11/2001 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Sarai kale khan,New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 16/12/2022 Date of PL: 18/02 /2023 Current Status: Employed

Unsa lives with her parents, two sisters, and one brother. Her father works as a laborer, and her brother is a salesperson. The family's monthly income is 24,000 rupees. Unsa learned about Azad's two wheeler program from her sister who is engaged in the FLP program. Joining Azad fulfilled Unsa's aspirations of acquiring driving skills and finding employment. The three-month training provided by Azad, engaging in diverse training modules boosted Unsa's confidence, intellectual growth, and shifted her perspective. Communication classes equipped her with self-awareness and effective communication skills. As a Muslim woman, Unsa faced discrimination and restrictions on her mobility. However, her association with Azad dispelled her fears and empowered her to navigate the world independently. She secured employment and now she is more confident with new skills and learnings.

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/73 Name: Muskan DOB: 20/12/2003 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Goutampuri, New Delhi Marital Status: Separated Number of children: 0 Date of joining: 31/12/2022 Date of PL: 09/03 /2023 Current Status: Employed

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Muskan lives with her parents, brother, and sister. Their family's monthly income is 14,000 rupees, earned by her father and brother, who work as laborer in unorganised sector. Previously, Muskan worked at a call center but left her marital home due to issues with her husband. She learned about Azad through a local leader and registered herself at their office with the encouragement and support of her mother. Joining Azad allowed Muskan to participate in various technical and non-technical training sessions, which brought her joy, independence, and newfound driving skills. Gender and communication training modules had a profound impact on her, highlighting the discrimination women face in her everyday life. All these training sessions have enhanced her ability in expressing herself more effectively. With her driver's license in hand, Muskan is now employed and contribute to her family's welfare, grateful for their unwavering support.













Enrollment Number: DL/SD/2021-22/2 Name: Chanda DOB: 26/08/1984 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Govind Puri New Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children:2 Date of Joining: 28/06/2021 Date of PL: 28/08/2022 Current Status: Employed

Chanda is 35 years old. She feels blessed to have a big family, however, their source of income is irregular because her husband is a laborer who depends on cyclic employment. In 2009, Chanda got to know about Azad at an event, through a survey. At that time her family and personal life circumstances were not favorable for her to join Azad Foundation. After a few years, she realized the importance of having her own identity and freedom, so she took a leap of faith and decided to join Azad in 2021. Throughout her journey, she has learned a lot and gained experience which she could have never imagined. She feels more confident and aware of her rights and the fact that she can now stand up for herself and make decisions. Chanda is grateful for getting support from Azad and believes that it is an appreciable initiative to empower struggling women like her. She is currently working as chauffeur and wants to convey a message to all the young women – "it is extremely crucial to have your own identity in order to lead a respectable life".



Enrollment Number: DL/SD/2021-22/11 Name: Seema Parveen DOB: 12/12/1993 Education Qualification: Graduation Locality: Okhla, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 28/06/2021 Date of PL: 21/09/2022 Current status: Employable

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Seema started living with her sister's family, consisting of four members, after her parents passed away. Her brother-in-law works as a tailor and she is dependent on him. When asked about how she found out about the organization, she said, "One day I was sitting outside on the street when the Azad team was conducting a survey in that area. They told me about the driving course, and I found this work interesting. It was also my dream to become a driver." After joining Azad, the various training sessions there transformed her life and provided her with the means to survive. Previously, she didn't talk to anyone, but after joining Azad, she made friends who taught her how to stay happy. She has felt a change within herself. She says, "I learned how to live my life, and now I perceive life from my own perspective".

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/32 Name: Aarti DOB: 16/06/1997 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Madan pur , New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 04/08/2021 Date of PL: 26/05/2022 Current status: Employable

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Aarti lives with five members of her family. Her father works as a driver, and her brother has a private job. Her family has always supported her in taking the driving course. Aarti learned about Azad from her neighbor who gave her the contact number of an Azad Mobilizer. Previously, she never ventured outside and was afraid to go out. After joining Azad and receiving different kinds of training, she overcame her fears. She also didn't know about her rights and how society discriminates against women. Hence, the training on gender and the law helped her learn that women have the same rights as men. Similarly, through communication training, she learned how to talk professionally. "The best part is that I can do my work independently. I don't need the support of my family, father, or brother." She wants to become a skilled and capable professional driver, earn respect, help her family, and create her own identity.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/43 Name: Hazhal Parveen DOB: 01/01/1992 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Madan pur, New Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children:2 Date of joining: 24/09/2021 Date of PL: 12/05/2022 Current status: Employed

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Hazhal's husband works as a delivery executive. He doesn't provide financial assistance for his family. Therefore, she has to work for herself and take care of her two children. Joining Azad has provided her with a new vision and increased her knowledge through various training sessions. Communication and Women's Rights training taught her how to behave and communicate as a professional driver, and she got to know about the demeanour and attire required for a driver. Self-defence training has helped her overcome the fear of going out alone. She also says that her husband used to physically abuse her, but now she can stand up for herself. Obtaining her permanent license is like a ray of hope in her life that has filled her life with aspirations of her own identity and a relaxing life. Currently, she is working as a chauffeur in Sakha Commercial and aims to get employed as a DTC bus driver.







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/44 Name: Shahnaz DOB: 20/10/1990 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Sangam, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children:2 Date of joining: 24/09/2021 Date of PL: 12/05/2022 Current status: Employed

Shahnaz is married but does not live with her husband. She lives at her paternal home along with her two children and their expenses are also taken care of by her parents. There were a lot of issues while she was training at Azad, like her personal life and setting up a professional identity from scratch. After joining Azad, she has learned to go out on her own. She has learned to speak up and has felt empowered. Gender Training helped in creating an understanding of her rights and the discrimination that women face in her family. She learned about Azad through pamphlets which were distributed by Azad workers in her locality. Through the training in Azad, she also learned about women's rights and laws. She says, "Taking self-defence classes has eliminated my fear, and I learned to raise my voice. Now, I speak up if something wrong happens to me outside. "I started fighting for my rights, and I also learned to say 'no' to people, and I want to fulfil all the dreams that I used to see." Shahnaz is currently working as a professional driver and her aim is to provide a good education and a good life for her children.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/45 Name: Bharti DOB: 21/10/2000 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Madanpur, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 24/09/2021 Date of PL: 16/09/2022 Current status: Employed

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At the age of 21, Bharti is seeking to be the biggest support to her family. She has completed her class 12th and resides with her siblings and father. Bharti lost her mother, due to some medical ailments which disturbed her emotionally. Bharti's father is an auto-rickshaw driver and he is the sole earner in the family. She observed her father sacrificing his needs to meet the demands of the family which Bharti did not like. She joined Azad, with a vision to be a professional chauffeur and assist her family financially. She has attended a training where she learnt communication skills, self-defence and various other things. She is working as a professional driver and aims to establish her business. She extends her gratitude towards her acquaintances for introducing her to Azad because she found a direction when she was clueless and struggling. Bharti just wants to grow in life and work hard to achieve her dreams.







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/48 Name: Jamuna Barman DOB:04/04/1983 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Sarita Vihar, New Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children:1 Date of joining: 30/10/2021 Date of PL: 27/10/2022 Current Status: Employed

Jamuna lives with her daughter and her husband. Her husband used to work as a civil defence service provider but has been unemployed since last year. Although Jamuna has the full support of her family, she wants to become self-reliant and earn for herself. She learned about Azad through an acquaintance and visited the office to gather information. She was amazed to see that the dream she once had can now be fulfilled through Azad. During the training at Azad, she made many friends and it provided her with opportunities to learn. She received training in various areas such as gender, self-defence, and English, which are enhancing her life skills. Her self-confidence has grown, and her hesitation has disappeared. Jamuna has obtained her permanent license, and now she is working as a professional driver to fulfil her dream. She wants to support her husband and live life to the fullest.

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/49 Name: Soniya DOB: 18/08/2002 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Madanpur khadar, Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/10/2021 Date of PL: 21/09/2022 Current status: Employed

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Soniya lives with her parents and her two brothers. Her father receives an old-age pension, and one of her brothers works as a helper. She became associated with Azad through her sister Seema, who was a driver in the same organization. She wanted to become a skilled and empowered female driver like her sister and hence decided to join. After joining Azad, she experienced a lot of changes within herself. Her self-confidence grew through various training sessions. As she learned self-defence, road sign training for safety, and gained knowledge about roads and how to communicate with people, she started to travel alone. She learned a very important lesson that if a woman desires, she can do anything. She can fight for her rights. She used to say, "I want to become a professional driver and establish my own identity."Currently, she is working as a Private chauffeur through Sakha and is determined to grow and have a ravishing life ahead.







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/ 53 Name: Usha Narayan DOB: 12/08/1988 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Badarpur, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/11/2021 Date of PL: 27/05/2022 Current status: Employable

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Usha lives with her parents, seven brothers and one sister. She shared that her family's financial condition is poor because of her father's health. She came to know about Azad through a mobilizer in her community. Previously, she didn't know how to communicate with others but after the training, she learned how to express herself more freely. Usha particularly enjoyed the English class, which boosted her self-confidence and gave her the confidence to speak English. She always wanted to do something different and set an example that women are also able to do things that are traditionally not considered their domain. She expresses "When I learned that the training is not only about driving but also about understanding a woman's life, I was very happy, and I was also delighted to know that I would get a job after the training, which is my primary need. The knowledge I gained from gender, legal rights, work readiness, and English classes, changed my personality."



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/55 Name: Rajwati Suryavanshi DOB- 01/01/1986 Education Qualification- 10th Pass Locality: Jaitpur, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children:1 Date of joining: 30/11/2021 Date of PL: 16/09/2022 Current status: Employed

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Rajwati lives with her sister's family. Her sister's family consists of four members, and Rajwati has one daughter. It is her sister who bears their expenses. Rajwati stitches clothes at home to meet her daily needs. She came across Azad through a survey. Her sister connected her to the Azad Foundation, though she also wanted to join for herself but couldn't, owing to household responsibility but she enrolled Rajwati in Azad's driving course. After joining Azad, she felt better, through various training like self-defence, first aid, gender and legal rights, and road safety, she experienced changes in her life and gained knowledge. She developed a friendship with fellow trainees who were taking the training with her and learned from their experiences. With gender and legal training, she learned to fight for her rights and not stay silent in case of any violence whether it's happening at her home or outside. She is working as a chauffeur currently and is determined to have a bright future for her daughter.





Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/56 Name: Poornima DOB: 28/02/1995 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Nehru Nagar, New Delhi Marital Status: Widow Number of children:2 Date of joining: 30/11/2021 Date of PL: 26/08/2022 Current status: Employed

*"I was inspired by my sister about Azad. I have seen my sister driving and being successful, so I also thought of adopting this line of work."* 

In her family, there is her mother and two children who live along with her sister's family. Her sister has learned to drive from Azad and currently drives her own car. It is with her support that Poornima manages her family expenses. After the death of her husband, Poornima's mother and sister supported her immensely. After joining Azad, she feels liberated and has found a safe space. She received various types of training which boosted her self-confidence. Azad has provided her the opportunity to fulfil her dreams and take good care of her family and her mother. She doesn't want to depend on anyone else. She expresses "Self-defense class had the most impact on me. I learned how to ensure my safety when going out alone or during job-related incidents. I also learned about my rights as a woman." Currently, she has joined as a professional chauffeur in Sakha Commercial.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/57 Name: Sudha DOB: 22/10/2000 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Madanpur Khadar, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/11/2021 Date of PL: 24/06/2022 Current status: Employed

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Sudha's father passed away in 2021, her household expenses are managed by her mother's widow pension. She learned about Azad from her cousin who is also a driver. In order to know more about the training program she visited Azad, She felt good about the visit and decided to join. On the first day of training, her sister explained to her how to commute. After joining, she gained self-confidence and courage in travelling alone and also expressed her opinion freely at home. Her brother physically abuses her whenever he gets a chance. He thinks that she is doing something wrong by going out and talking to people but her mother supports her so that she is able to stand on her feet. Since joining Azad, Sudha can see a great change in her personality. Currently, Sudha is working as a commercial driver in Sakha and wants to do things that can make her family members proud.





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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/61 Name: Rekha DOB: 16/05/2003 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Madanpur Khadar, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/12/2021 Date of PL: 23/08/2022 Current Status: Under Training

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Rekha, 19 years old, has three brothers, and two sisters. Her brothers are employed and are the breadwinner in the family. Rekha cleared her class 10th and was sitting at home when she learnt about Azad through a mobilizer working at Azad. When Rekha became aware of the Azad WWW program and its mission, she was impressed but unsure to get enrolling. But after follow up and regular convincing of her parents she joined Azad. When she joined she became very impressed by the supportive environment. She admires the self-defence classes and gender classes and feels that she has learnt a lot about herself and now can protect herself. She was able to receive her permanent licence on the first attempt and is practising on the road. She is determined to secure a job as soon as she completes her training.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/62 Name: Ranjeeta DOB: 21/01/1986 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Madangir, New Delhi Marital Status: Separated Number of children:3 Date of joining: 30/12/2021 Date of PL: 26/08/2022 Current status: Employable

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Ranjeeta is a 37-year-old woman who could only study till class 8th. She is quite lively by nature and has a keen interest towards dance, music and driving. At a very young age, she got married but that marriage turned out to be toxic for her. She survived with her husband for 14 years and thereafter decided to leave. She lives with her three children and relatives. She found out about Azad through her acquaintances. She visited Azad and attended a few sessions which appealed to her. She rejuvenated her lost desire to drive. The self-defence training appealed to her the most. She regained her mental health and she realized her self-worth. She is grateful for not facing any hurdles during the pandemic with respect to her classes and livelihood. She believes in helping others and aims to assist the needy but prior to that, she wants to become self-sufficient by starting her profession as a driver.







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/64 Name- Mohini Chauhan DOB: 05/01/1996 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Badarpur, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/12/2021 Date of PL: 04/07/2022 Current status: Employed

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Mohini belongs to an army family. Her father, a retired army cadet, always motivated her to complete her education. She completed her graduation from Delhi University. She resides with her family consisting of four siblings and her parents. Her father is the sole breadwinner of the family and Mohini aims to help him financially. When she came to know about the Azad Foundation through one of her acquaintances, she thought she should not miss this opportunity. Driving is something that appealed to her since her childhood, she states that driving is the only field where she views herself as being successful. She was also inspired by a lady living in her locality who was a chauffeur. In Azad, along with the skill to drive she has learnt how to conduct herself, what are the norms prevailing in the society that act as a hindrance to a woman's life. Throughout her training, Mohini learned the importance of knowing one's self-worth and importance. She believes that if we are self-aware we can choose the best for ourselves. She is currently working as a chauffeur and is on the path to fulfilling her dreams.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/75 Name: Ritika DOB: 24/4/2000 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Sarita Vihar, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 05/03/2022 Date of PL: 29/09/2022 Current status: Employed

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Ritika lives with her two sisters, one brother and parents. She is 23 years old and is doing her graduation. She said that at Azad she got to know many things, she was unaware of being a girl in a discriminative society, but she is also now able to understand the patriarchal norms that govern the life of a woman. The training that she attended has given her a great sense of confidence and security. She got affiliated with Azad through her mother, who also motivated Ritika to join the Azad Foundation for a better future. She is very passionate about driving and that was her main reason for joining, but after joining Azad her journey was transformational. She got to learn such things which she never knew and which can help her throughout her life. She is a very enthusiastic, hardworking person and was able to achieve her driving licence in the first attempt and is currently working as a professional driver.







#### Enrollment number: DL/SD/2021-22/77 Name: Jasmine DOB: 2/07/2002 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Badarpur, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 29/03/2022 Date of PL: 31/08/2022 Current status: Employed

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23-year-old Jasmine has a warm, supportive family, where her mother and father work as security guards. They live in a rented accommodation. Jasmine's brother is studying in school. Jasmine studied till the 12th and decided to enrol herself in the WWW training program of the Azad Foundation. Initially, she was confused about joining Azad but her mother motivated and supported her. Jasmine's mother has been a trainee herself at Azad and hence she wanted her daughter to pursue the training. In Azad, Jasmine came with her mother but now have made her own space, She has learned new skill and gained a lot of knowledge about women's rights and legal actions. She acquired her permanent licence within 5 months of her training and started working as a commercial driver with Sakha.

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/2 Name: Kaushalya DOB: 18/12/1985 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Molarband Extn Badarpur, New Delhi Marital Status: Separated Number of children: 2 Date of joining: 30/04/2022 Date of PL: 21/09/2022 Current status: Employed

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Kaushalya is a separated single mother who has to take care of her household and children along with training herself. She left her husband because of his abusive nature and violent behaviour. Along with the WWW training, Kaushalya also sets up a vegetable stall to earn and support herself and her family financially. She had previously worked in a boutique and a factory. Kaushalya came to know about Azad through a trainee. Kaushalya found the training at Azad very useful as she learnt the importance of education, awareness for women and how they should be well-equipped to be able to sustain themselves. She acquired her Driving licence within 6 months and is currently working as a chauffeur with Blue Smart. She aspires to be a driver of heavy vehicles in the future. She says, " I have struggled a lot in life but do want my children to go through any hardship, I will work hard to give them a better education and a comfortable life".







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/4 Name: Archana DOB: 19/01/1998 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Badarpur, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/04/2022 Date of PL: 27/12/2022 Current status: Employable

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Archana's father is well-educated but due to a lack of opportunities after Covid in the formal sector runs a food stall for the survival of his family. Her mother is a homemaker. Archana has a younger sister who is currently pursuing her bachelor's degree. Archana and her mother run a small-scale snack shop to meet her expenses and also to aid her sister's education. While Archana wants to take the benefit of all the opportunities the only thing she regrets is the lack of family support. Her family is very traditional and holds a rigid mindset following the norms of patriarchy. She learnt about Azad via an acquaintance. Joining the training, she developed a new aim to become a DTC driver to initiate social change. She enjoys the training that's been provided at Azad. She believes that whatever she is learning here will enhance her skills and contribute to becoming a better version of herself. Being a supporter of women's empowerment, she believes which will in turn strengthen the entire women's community. She is seeking a better job opportunity and is constantly in a fight against patriarchal norms.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/6 Name: Geetanjali DOB: 05/01/2001 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Harkesh Nagar New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 31/05/2022 Date of PL: 19/10/2022 Current status: Employed

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Geetanjali's family consists of her parents, 2 brothers, and 2 sisters. Her parents work in the Municipal Corporation of Delhi doing sanitation work. She learned about Azad through her friend who was also taking training there, she told her that Azad provides various types of training, apart from driving. Geetanjali inspired by the process joined Azad. Initially, she didn't go out alone but after her training, she gained knowledge of the streets and map reading which helped her to increase her mobility. Self-defence training helped her overcome her fears and gave her the courage to protect herself. From the gender class, she learned how to raise her voice against the discrimination that exists. She assured me, "After obtaining her permanent license for the first time, my self-confidence has increased. Now, I want to get a job as soon as possible." With a family that supports her, and Azad that has taught her the importance of being self-reliant, she is currently designated as a private chauffeur through Sakha.





Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/7 Name: Jyoti DOB: 19/03/1999 Education Qualification: 8th pass Locality: Badarpur, New Delhi Marital Status: widow Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 31/05/2022 Date of PL: 19/10/2022 Current status: Employed

After the death of Jyoti's husband, she lives with her parents. She learned about Azad through a woman riding an e-rickshaw. The woman gave her Azad's contact and said that she could find employment also. In order to enquire and get information about the training program she visited Azad's office but looking at the environment she decided to join immediately. Before joining Azad, Jyoti never went out alone and was afraid to interact with anyone. Through consecutive training sessions, she gained an understanding of learning bus numbers and connecting GPS which made her fearless. Though she was under pressure to remarry, she believes that it's her decision ultimately. Having obtained her permanent license she started working as a professional driver and aims to secure her daughter's future. She wants to become self-reliant and establish her own identity. She herself said "The gender class helped me to understand that I can wear anything, it's my right. I can go anywhere and do any job that I like. I have learned to live for myself."



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/11 Name: Shalu DOB: 8/07/1993 Education Qualification: 12th Pass Locality: Goutampuri, New Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of joining: 30/06/2022 Date of PL: 06/01/2023 Current status: Employed

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Shalu lives with her husband and two children. Initially, her husband opposed her decision to take a driving course, but with her mother's support, she joined Azad. In Azad, Shalu was trained in a lot of areas such as map reading, communication, work readiness, women at work, gender and patriarchy, sexual and reproductive health etc. which made her feel empowered and transformed. The comprehensive training has boosted her self-confidence and has expanded her knowledge. Previously confined to her house, she now has the opportunity to earn money and pursue a career. Gender training at Azad has taught her to stand against discrimination and raise her voice. After achieving her permanent license, Shalu is working as a professional driver. She aims for a better future for herself and her family.



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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/13 Name: Sonali Yadav DOB: 18/10/2002 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Badarpur, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/06/2022 Date of PL: 01/12/2022 Current status: Under Training

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In Sonali's family, there is her mother, one brother, and two sisters. Her mother works as a masseuse in the community, and her brother works in a company. The family income is Rs. 14,000. She learned about Azad during a survey conducted by the mobilization team in her area. Before this, Sonali's mother had also joined Azad and received training. Still, before joining Azad, she was scared as she had never ventured out. Since she joined Azad she has overcome her fears and learned to communicate with people better. Through self-defence training, she learned to keep herself safe. The gender class taught her about women's rights and how women can fight for these rights within the family and outside. She wants to learn to drive and work in the field to establish her identity. She expresses herself, "My mother left this course midway, and now she wants me to complete what she couldn't do. I like the training program because it has built my perspective on many things. I also have acquired my driving licence and driving by myself on road, as soon as i will complete the training will also work as a chauffeur



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/20 Name: Priyanka DOB: 01/01/2001 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Okhla, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/07/2022 Date of PL: 30/12/2022 Current status: Under Training

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Priyanka's family consists of her parents and a brother. Her father works as a confectioner. She learned about Azad through one of her friends in the neighborhood, and through a mobilization team that was conducting a promotional campaign in her locality. She got information about non-technical training and a driving course in Azad, and she visited their office and enrolled. From the gender class, she learned about the discrimination faced by women and gained the courage to raise her voice against it. She has obtained her permanent license on the first attempt. Now, she wants to quickly complete her further training and work as a professional driver. It is her dream to stand on her own feet and support her family. She expresses herself as "I felt really good after joining Azad. I made many friends and had the opportunity to learn from their experiences. I didn't have confidence before that I could also drive. Now, as a driver, I feel free and independent, which I never felt before."







#### Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/16 Name: Sharmila DOB: 26/01/2001 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Harkesh Nagar Okhla Phase-2 New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/07/2022 Date of PL: 13/01/2023 Current status: Employable

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Sharmila's family income is 18,000 and the total member in the family is 5. She learned about Azad through a pamphlet that the mobilization team was distributing in her area. She immediately took a pamphlet and discussed it with her family. After they agreed, she visited the office to enrol. Her family is fully supportive. After joining Azad, she received different types of training on gender, reproductive health, communication, workplace readiness, first aid, driving on the road, and vehicle maintenance. At first, she learnt about traffic rules and signs then she obtained her license. This increased her self-confidence and knowledge. She learned how society and families confine women to their homes, and they are unable to come out alone or make decisions. She says "After joining Azad, I saw a significant change in myself. Now, I can go anywhere alone and confidently express my opinions in front of my family."

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Name: Sheetal Sharma Date of Birth: 22/02/2004 Education: 12th Pass Locality: Sanjay Colony, Okhla Phase 2 New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/07/2022 Date of PL: 20 /12 /2022 Current status: Employable

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Sheetal lives with her parents and siblings. Her father works in a private firm while her mother stitches clothes at home, this is how they are able to earn INR 15000/- per month with which the family survives for their expenses. Sheetal's parents have always supported her in all her decisions, thus when she told her parents about the WWW training program at Azad Foundation her parents allowed her to join. About Azad, she got to know them through a mic announcement in her area, listening to which she felt very happy about the concept of women getting into the driving sector. She visited Azad to learn about the training program and after knowing everything she got herself enrolled. After joining Azad her mobility has increased as she has read about how to see a map and use GPS. She says, "I have received many different types of training that have increased my knowledge and confidence. I have taken this lesson that independent women can lead their lives on their own conditions. second lesson that I have gained is about keep studying as much as I can, which will help me to grow." She also said, "After joining Azad I have literally become Azad (free)."







Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/21 Name: Priyanka DOB: 01/01/2003 Education Qualification: 8th Pass Locality: Hazrat Nizamuddin, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/07/2022 Date of PL: 15/02/2023 Current status: Under Training

Priyanka's family consists of her mother, father, and two sisters. Her father lives in the village, and her mother works as a cook, earning 17,000/month. Priyanka learned about Azad through a leader working in a women's empowerment program while conducting surveys in the area. She was glad to hear about the ongoing training in Azad and the job opportunities. She wanted to do something different, help her mother and so she enrolled herself. After joining Azad, Priyanka received various types of training, which boosted her self-confidence and allowed her to start travelling alone. Through gender and legal rights training, she learned that women can do anything for themselves if they want to. She learned how to stand up for herself and communicate effectively with her family. Communication training taught her how to express herself thoughtfully and choose the right way to communicate. When she obtained her license for the first time, she was very happy. Now she can help herself and her family. It was her dream to do something different and establish her identity. Now, after completing the training, she will fulfil her dream of becoming a professional driver.

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/22 Name: Barkha DOB: 08/03/1996 Education Qualification: Graduate Locality: Uttam Nagar, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 30/07/2022 Date of PL: 12 /01/2022 Current status: Employed

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Barkha's family consists of her parents and two brothers. Her father works as a painter, her mother works as a domestic helper. One of her brothers works as a photographer and the other is studying. Barkha learned about Azad through her mother's friend, who works for an organization called Jagori. After joining Azad, Barkha learned to commute alone by taking various types of training and gained valuable experiences by interacting with people. Through gender training, she learned about women's rights and the discrimination faced by women in their homes. This training taught her to raise her voice when something is wrong and not to remain silent when any form of injustice occurs. She has obtained her permanent license and is working as a professional driver. Her dream was always to do something new, and now she feels that her dream has come true. She wants to establish her own identity by becoming a female driver and in future wants to drive a DTC bus.





Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/24 Name: Poonam DOB: 02/04/1988 Education Qualification: 10th Pass Locality: Badarpur New Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 30/08/2022 Date of PL: 13/01/2022 Current status: Employable

Poonam's family consists of her husband, mother-in-law, and one daughter. Her husband works as a painter. Her mother-in-law receives a pension. The monthly family income is 14,000. She learned about Azad from her sister-in-law, who is an FLP leader and told her that Azad teaches women how to drive cars and scooters to give them job opportunities. After joining Azad, she feels different and liberated. Attending all forms of training has brought significant changes within her. She's learned to communicate with people and her self-confidence has increased through English classes. Now she's also teaching English to her daughter. Her dream is to become a skilled driver, complete her training, and quickly find employment. She wants to build her own house in a good colony and create a future for herself and her daughter. She expresses herself "Azad taught me to walk with everyone and bring everyone together. It emphasized the importance of managing time, which will help me in my job. These classes have made me emotionally and mentally stronger."

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/27 Name: Rajni DOB: 19/09/1998 Education Qualification: 10th pass Locality: Badarpur South Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 02 Date of joining: 30/08/2022 Date of PL: 01/02/2023 Current status: Under Training

Rajni's family consists of her in-laws, her husband, and Rajni's two daughters. Her husband works in a private job, but he has been unemployed for some time. She learned about Azad from her sister-in-law who is currently working after completing a driving course at Azad. With her support, she joined Azad. Rajni was a homemaker and many times she felt helpless as, previously, she had to seek permission from her family before leaving the house but now she doesn't hesitate. The gender class at Azad had the most significance for her as she realized that societal and familial discrimination between women and men was quite high. Azad taught her about identity and informed her about her rights. Her dream now is to not be dependent on anyone and to provide a good education to her daughters with her earnings.

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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/28 Name: Sitara DOB: 11/02/1994 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Badarpur South Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 30/08/2022 Date of PL: 23/12/2022 Current status: Employable

Sitarah's family consists of her parents, three brothers, one sister, and Sitarah's two sons. Her father runs a shop, and her brother and sister are lawyers. Sitarah's husband used to physically abuse her, therefore, she lives in her paternal home. She learned about Azad from the FLP organization in her area. She enrolled herself because she wanted to do something for herself and her sons. While she is financially supported, her mother doesn't want her to step out of the house. Since she joined Azad, she's gained the courage to ignore her mother's opinions. Through the training, especially gender and legal training, she learnt how to put up a case against her husband, and where to file a report. She also learned how to give interviews in English. Now, she aspires to secure a job and provide a good upbringing for her child.



Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/31 Name: Champa Gayen DOB: 5/1/1987 Education Qualification: 12th pass Locality: Madanpur, Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 1 Date of joining: 22/09/2022 Date of PL: 28/01/2023 Current status: Under Training

In Champa's family, there are her in-laws, her husband and one son. Her husband works as a labourer. She learned about Azad during a survey conducted by Azad workers. After joining Azad, she gained self-confidence and started stepping out of her house. She received good knowledge about traffic rules and road signs. She learned various skills such as effective communication, giving interviews, and creating a CV. In the gender class, she learned about the prevailing discrimination between boys and girls in families and society, something she never understood before. Now she knows and has learned that she will never discriminate against women. From English classes, she learned how to communicate and understand clients coming from abroad. She obtained her license for the first time. Now she wants to complete her training quickly and get a job as soon as possible. Her family initially didn't support her, but now they all do so. Her dream is to become capable and not depend on anyone else.









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Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/48 Name: Babita DOB: 16/03/1988 Education Qualification: B. Com Locality: B-12 Chungi no-2 Lal kuan South Delhi Marital Status: Married Number of children: 2 Date of joining: 29/10/2022 Date of PL: 18/02/2023 Current status: Under Training

Babita's family consists of her husband and two children. Her husband works as a machine operator and earns 10,000 rupees per month. Babita says that her husband is very supportive and never imposes any restrictions on her. Regarding Azad and joining it, she was informed by an FLP leader who works in her area. So, she visited the office and enrolled herself, and felt good about joining. She believes the work which can be done by men can also be done by women. In Azad, this belief of her was again fortified. Her training was done in gender, first aid, and road signs. From the first aid training, she learned how to provide initial treatment to a patient even without medicine. In English class, she learned how to communicate better with others. All this training has boosted her self-confidence. She's obtained her permanent license. Now, Babita wants to complete her training quickly and get a job as soon as possible. She's learned to drive, which was her dream and now she wants to work in the transportation industry and establish her own identity.

Enrollment number: DL/SD/2022-23/49 Name: Uma DOB: 23/02/2002 Education Qualification: 12th Locality: Sarita Vihar, New Delhi Marital Status: Unmarried Date of joining: 13/11/2022 Date of PL: 22/03 /2023 Current Status: Employable

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Uma lives with her mother and two sisters. Her mother works as a domestic worker, earning 8,000 rupees per month, while Uma used to work in private employment with the same income. Uma discovered Azad during an area survey conducted by the mobilization team and decided to join the organization. Through Azad, Uma underwent diverse training programs that boosted her confidence and knowledge. Communication training enhanced her interpersonal skills and understanding of others. Gender training challenged her beliefs about women's roles and prompted open communication within her family. Uma now holds a permanent driver's license and is progressing in her training. Her goal is to find employment related to driving and support her family. Azad has provided Uma with the guidance and opportunities to pursue her aspirations.

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