

SECURING THE FUTURE WITH SKILL DEVELOPMENT

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- Pinki
Janikhurd, Meerut



Ms Pinki Rani D/o Shri Rajendra is a resident of Jani Khurd village, Meerut District. Pinki is the eldest girl in her family and has three sisters and a brother who are studying. Her father is a daily wage laborer and the sole earner of her family, her mother is a homemaker. The financial condition of the family is humble with difficult to bear the expense of daily bread. Pinki has passed the matriculation and then dropped out of studies due to the family circumstances.

When the SAKHI project was launched, Pinki got associated with it and enrolled as a member of the Kalpana Chawala group of 20 members. Since Pinki could not continue her studies she ensured that she participated in all the group meetings and training sessions organized. Through group meetings Pinki managed in brushing up her knowledge and skills and enrolled herself in the Tailoring course. She actively participated in it and learned the necessary skills of tailoring.

Things were sailing smoothly when suddenly her father had a heart attack. Since then things have worsened for the family. The meager savings the family had, were exhausted in her father's treatment and other household needs. Pinki's father now stays at home and the family's responsibility is taken over by Pinki. The villagers too offer their support to the family by giving Pinki orders for stitching. Her hard work is making her earn Rs. **2,500/-** a month.

Beside stitching, she is also conducting Tailoring classes for the village girls. Pinki is thankful to the SAKHI team for providing her a platform which has brought a visible change in her life. Her father's poor health has not depressed her. She has development skills which have brought a turning point in her life and which she uses successfully and with which she has secured her future.