

Gramayan – the rural immersion programme October 2023



Orientation session with 48 Assistant Section Officers

Gramayan- Our Rural Immersion Program is happening at four different locations simultaneously (Lalitpur (MP), Ladpura Khas (MP), Orrcha (UP) and Haridwar (UK)). 193 Assistant Section Officers (ASO) from Indian Institute of Public Affairs (IIPA) are under this unique capacity building program which includes field visits, demonstration of sustainable models for livelihood and climate resilience, and interactive sessions with field experts to develop a better understanding of rural communities and different stakeholders.

This program is designed especially for ASO to engage with the community to understand rural realities and identify the problems faced by the community. Sessions are designed to especially dive deeper into the policy framework and developing a solution-oriented approach keeping in mind inclusivity of all strata of the society. This is a tactical approach to address problems and develop solutions for grassroots development by future leaders of the country.

Total 193 ASOs, divided in four groups, of which 46 are hosted at TARAgam Orchha, 50 at Ladpura Khas, 49 at Haridwar, 48 at Lalitpur. These Officers will be joining their positions at different departments such as Agriculture, Agriculture & Farmer Welfare, Commerce, Civil Aviation, DDWS, DoWR, Defense, DFPT, DoPT, DPIIT, Education, Expenditure, Health, Home Affairs, I&B, Legal Affairs, Ministry of Cooperation, MoHUA, MoRTH, MoSPI, MoRT&H, MoLE Post Rural Development, Petroleum Power, Shipping, S&T, Social Justice & Empowerment Commerce Water Resource, New Renewable Energy, UPSC, Youth Affairs, WCD.

This exposure visit is focused on observing and understanding watershed model, pond rejuvenation, skill development centres, green enterprises, eco-friendly business units, community radio station, construction of eco-friendly construction material.

A successful immersion can lead to personal transformation through experiential learning, both emotionally and intellectually for institutional change through their service. With decision-making to changes in policy grounded in the realism of the experience Green Schools.



Orientation session for context setting of the programme, Bundelkhand and role of civil society



Visit to a government school and interaction with students