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Since 1999 Sehgal Foundation has worked to make a positive difference in the lives of the rural poor who seek and deserve secure, prosperous, and dignified lives. With this commitment and our desire to accelerate the very slow process of development, we moved forward with a dedicated team, learning along the way, shifting gears as needed, and building on our successes. This past year we continued to expand village activities and mobilization drives to empower rural communities in Haryana, Rajasthan, and Bihar. In concert with the extended 15-year celebration, the team took the opportunity to note our achievements, reflect back, and look ahead to evaluate new areas for further development. Foundation teams are studying community development priorities in more districts in Bihar and Rajasthan for opportunities to create meaningful change with partner-donor support.

Empowering rural women is central to our mission for strengthening community-led development and achieving positive social, economic, and environmental change. By focusing attention on the advancement of gender equity, Sehgal Foundation empowers villagers and their institutions to drive change in their communities. To support the growth of women leaders, the Sehgal Foundation team helped organize mahila sangathans (women's collectives) for women from 100 villages. As the collectives register as societies, open bank accounts, and create a small corpus to fund their activities, groups of women are making positive changes in their villages. Because of this citizen participation, several Mewat villages are on a path to becoming demonstration models. In addition, by training other NGOs, collaborating with government, the corporate sector, and academia, and by

participating in shared exchanges within community media networks, we are increasing our impact on other organizations as well as the communities we jointly serve.

With support from government and private donors, the foundation has worked alongside communities to manage water resources, increase agricultural productivity, and strengthen rural governance. Because community ownership is critical to the sustainability of village improvements, the Sehgal Foundation team has helped organize village development committees that operate, manage, and assist with all projects and partnerships to assure that improvements are maintained and that citizens are engaged.

The foundation team was happy to receive a prestigious Millennium Alliance Award in 2014 for the innovation of the pressurized recharge well. This replicable model has significant potential and is being tested in other contexts. The innovation was selected for a "lightning talk" at the United Nations Solutions Summit in September 2015. We were heartened to see that the top six of seventeen UN Sustainable Development Goals—a "universal set of goals, targets, and indicators" for UN members to use in framing their agendas and political policies over the next fifteen years—match the vision, mission, and programs of Sehgal Foundation.

There is plenty of work to be done to meet our goals. Please partner with us to help empower rural communities in India!

SURI SEHGAL
FOUNDER AND CHAIRMAN, SEHGAL FOUNDATION





5,733 sushasan champions were trained in Mewat.

106,803 people were reached in community meetings.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Village leadership schools (VLS) and block leadership schools (BLS) formed under Sehgal Foundation's Sushasan Abhi (Good Governance Now!) initiative mobilize citizens to come together as a collective. VLS brings 20-25 people together in each village to impart knowledge and information regarding pivotal government programs and the details of grievance redressal mechanisms. These active and trained villagers, called sushasan champions, work to improve village governance.

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December 2015 February 20**16**





607 women were active in five mahila sangathans.

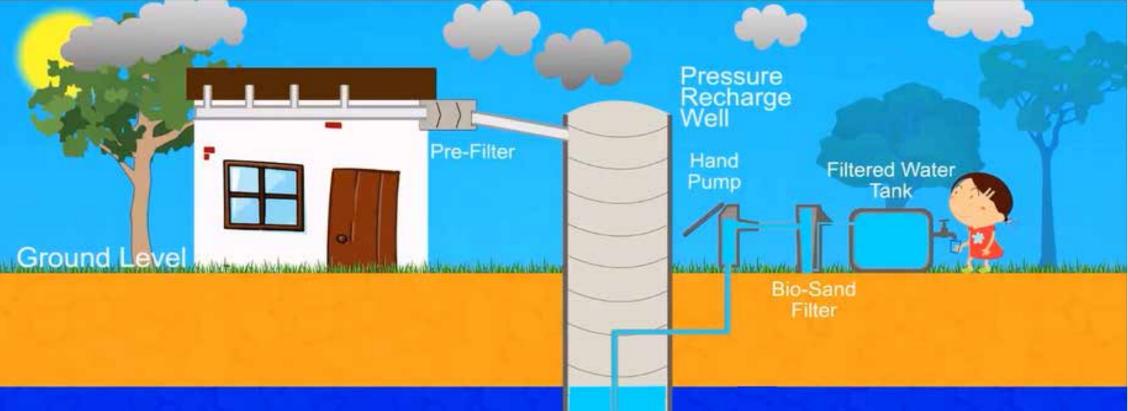
Strengthening Village Level Institutions initiative helped the women in village institutions in Mewat to organize into block-level sangathans (women's collectives). The collectives include members of panchayats (village councils), school management committees, and village health, sanitation, and nutrition committees. The aim of sangathans is to lead the development process in the villages and improve the existing governance situation.

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Saline Groundwater

Fresh Water Pocket

IN 2014-15

22 rainwater harvesting systems were constructed in schools, and 14 in households.

INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS FOR SALINE GROUNDWATER AREAS

Rainwater is an ultimate and renewable source of freshwater in saline groundwater areas. One of our innovative solutions, creating a freshwater pocket within the saline aquifer through rainwater harvesting, won a Millennium Alliance Award in 2014 and was featured at the United Nations Solutions Summit in September 2015.

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Women farmers were trained in better farming practices in **28** villages in Alwar.

We work with women farmers to become empowered as decision makers. The foundation partners with corporations on two women-centered agricultural projects that focus on improving farm livelihoods. The foundation demonstrates the use of sustainable farming practices, including soil testing and balanced nutrient applications, the use of suitable seed varieties, appropriate seed rate, and pest management, in order to help farmers improve soil health, conserve water, and increase crop yields.

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Radio broadcasts reached **225** villages.

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twelve episodes on Public Distribution System informing listeners about the

entitlements guaranteed under the National Food Security Act 2013.





9 research studies were conducted, including baseline surveys, thematic studies, and impact assessments.

STRENGTHENING DEVELOPMENT THROUGH PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH

Sehgal Foundation's Rural Research team engages rural communities in studies on evidence-based impact assessments that are used as practical tools to measure and evaluate outcomes, assess learning, inform future actions, and determine potential for additional development and policy research.

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The CISC responded to the 1,764 calls received and provided further support to 406 villagers seeking guidance.

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access information on key government programs. Villagers call on a toll-

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information of local government offices and administration.

free phone number to ask questions, learn about formalities for accessing





29 recharge wells and 6 check dams for water augmentation were completed.

by augmenting groundwater levels with the help of check dams, contour trenches, nallah bunds, dug well recharging, pressurized recharge wells, and pond development. Trained village water committees and user groups, with women participants, effectively manage water resources and maintain the structures for long-term sustainability.

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222 water literacy sessions were held.

TECHNOLOGIES FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER

Each year many lives are lost due to waterborne diseases like diarrhea and pneumonia. The stainless steel biosand filter developed by Sehgal Foundation removes biological contamination, iron, and suspended impurities from water to make it safe for drinking and other uses. The filter can also be adapted for arsenic removal. It has no operation and maintenance cost and works under the force of gravity without using any form of energy.

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Individual donors' contributions supported water improvements in five villages.

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October 2016

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- Evaluation of hybrids and inbred lines continued to progress at target locations for yield and combining ability respectively. Screening of public lines and breeding material for leafy diseases is continued in the hot spot location.
- Kasetsart University of Thailand and Sehgal Foundation signed a memorandum of understanding on the exchange of germplasm.

CROP IMPROVEMENT RESEARCH FOR HIGHER YIELDS

Sehgal Foundation crop improvement research unit housed at ICRISAT, Hyderabad, is recognized as a Scientific and Industrial Research Organization by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research.

November 2016

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3,277 crop demonstrations and **176** livestock nutrients demonstrations took place.

Sehgal Foundation helps to foster rural prosperity by empowering small landholder farmers to help them identify and utilize sustainable agricultural methods and access available government subsidies. Our projects provide training to improve soil health, conserve water, and increase crop yields to create overall improved productivity and farm income. The training also emphasizes livestock management, including complete nutrition, vaccination, breed improvement, and insurance for farm animals.

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FINANCIALS 2014-15

In FY 2014–15, the Sehgal Foundation, USA, grants to S M Sehgal Foundation amounted to US\$ 1.96 million (Rs 118,830,671). S M Sehgal Foundation also received funding from other organizations amounting to US\$ 539,210 (Rs. 32,773,198).

These grants and other income (interest and office space rental) were used for water management (25%); agricultural development (7%); rural research (7%); good rural governance (20%); communications and resource mobilization (7%); crop improvement research (11%); general administration (8%) and maintenance of office buildings (15%).

ABRIDGED BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31 MARCH 2015

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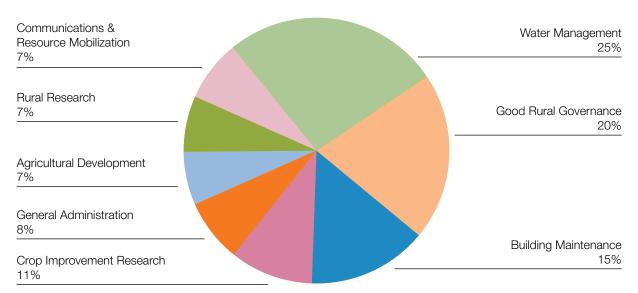
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Assets				
Fixed assets	312,207	5,137	317,975	5,483
Loans and advances	11,387	187	8,482	146
Current assets	71,514	1,177	50,759	875
Income and expenditure account balance				
Total	395,108	6,501	377,216	6,504
Liabilities				
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Current liabilities	49,916	821	46,012	793
Income and expenditure account balance	345,191	5,679	331,204	5,710
Total	395,108	6,501	377,216	6,504

ABRIDGED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

Amount in '000

Particulars	Current Year	Current Year	Prev. Year	Prev. Year
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Income				
Self Generated Income				
Rent, interest and other receipts	38,256	629	39,114	673
Grants				
Indian sources	15,061	248	15,976	275
International sources	142,042	2,337	106,837	1,842
Total	195,359	3,214	161,927	2,790
Expenditure				
Program	119,790	1,971	99,866	1,722
Management	32,995	543	36,914	636
Others	28,587	470	31,027	535
Total	181,372	2,984	167,807	2,893
(Deficit)/Surplus	13,987	230	(5,880)	(103)

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Partnerships at a Glance (April 2014 - March 2015)

Program	Partnering Organization	Project / Title	Duration		
Water	Chungath Family Fund, USA	Rooftop rainwater harvesting system in Akleempur village, Mewat, Haryana	March-August 2014		
Management	Coca-Cola India Foundation	Watersheds and community water conservation in select villages of Mewat	April 2011-September 2015		
	Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India	Rainwater based community managed sustainable solution for selected water scarce villages of Mewat	July 2012-August 2015		
	Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry for Millennium Alliance¹	Pressurized recharge wells: Ensuring water availability in saline water areas	November 2014-November 2017		
	Government and People of Japan (The Embassy of Japan in India)	Construction of check dam at Rawli village, Mewat	March 2013-April 2014		
	Heather and Leo Smith Fund, USA	Construction of water storage tanks in Mundaka and Chahalka villages in Mewat to ensure easy access to water	January-March 2015		
	Iowa, Des Moines Community Fund, USA	Installation of rooftop rainwater harvesting system in government primary and middle school in village Ujina, Mewat	March-August 2014		
	Leena Dhadphale Family Fund, USA	Installation of rooftop rainwater harvesting system in government primary and middle school in village Bajhera, Mewat	January-September 2014		
	The Coca-Cola Foundation, USA	Integrated water management for improved livelihoods and food security in select villages of Alwar, Rajasthan	December 2013-March 2017		
	The Mosaic Company Foundation, USA	10saic Company Foundation, USA Construction of check dam for rainwater harvesting at Devi Mandir Khola, Khohar village, Alwar De			
	Varun Myneni Fund, USA	Installation of rooftop rainwater harvesting system in government primary and middle school in village Lafuri, Mewat	March-August 2014		
Agricultural Development	K+S Kali GmbH Fertilizers (India) Pvt Ltd	Fertilizers (India) Pvt Ltd Unnat Krishi: Empowering rural women by adopting sustainable farming practices for income enhancement in rural areas of Alwar			
	Misr Hytech Seed Int. S.A.E. and NGO partner Ibtada	Krishi Chetnα: Agricultural Development and Water Management in Alwar	May 2012-May 2016		
	Mosaic India Private Limited and The Mosaic Company Foundation, USA	Krishi Jyoti: Agricultural development, water management and support to schools	September 2008-April 2018		
	National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)	Enhancing productivity of lead crops (mustard and wheat) through sustainable agricultural practices	November 2012-November 2015		
Communications	Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA)	Community Learning Programme through community radio, Alfaz-e-Mewat FM 107.8	January-May 2015		
	Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP)	Beti Bαchαo, Beti Padhαo campaign on radio	January-March 2015		
	DAVP	Drinking water supply campaign on radio	January-February 2015		
	Haryana State Rural Livelihood Mission	Making and broadcasting programs to spread awareness about Ααjeevikα mission through radio	July-October 2014		
	Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Gol	20 episodes on Panchayati Raj awareness	February 2014-August 2015		
	Mudra Group	Energy conservation-Pαhαl campaign	January 2015		
Good Rural	Kanti Mohan Rustagi Fund, India	Ram Avtar Rustagi life skill education centers	March 2015-February 2018		
Governance	Swades Foundation	Training of trainers on good governance	Since September 2014		
Rural Research	York University, Canada grant with Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada	Living with climate change: Mapping experience and adaptation in select locations in India	August 2013-July 2015		
	Niti Aayog, Gol	Identifying backwardness of Mewat region in Haryana: A block level analysis	March-November 2014		

¹ Millennium Alliance partners include United States Agency for International Development, United Kingdom Department of International Development, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, ICICI Foundation, Innovative Change Collaborative, and WISH Foundation

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