

# Regulatory Association for Social & Territorial Assist (RASTA)

Annual Report 2024-25

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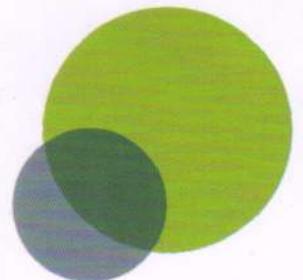


From the desk of the President

Dear Friends,

The Annual Report 2024–25 showcases RASTA's continued dedication to uplifting marginalized communities, particularly women, children, and tribal populations in the Santhal Pargana region of Jharkhand. Operating primarily in tribal-dominated blocks of the Godda district, RASTA has built strong grassroots connections since its inception in 2007, adapting its interventions to evolving local needs. This year, RASTA expanded its impact through community-driven initiatives focused on gender equality, adolescent leadership, child protection, health and hygiene, and safe migration. Emphasis was placed on empowering women and girls, promoting local leadership, and strengthening community participation to ensure sustainability. Innovative, participatory development models enabled the organization to foster ownership and resilience within communities. The success of our programs reflects the synergy between committed field teams and active community stakeholders. Through inclusive strategies and capacity-building efforts, we brought positive and measurable changes in people's lives, especially among the most vulnerable. As we reflect on the year's progress, we acknowledge the persistent challenges ahead and reaffirm our commitment to justice, dignity, and equity. With continued support from partners and stakeholders, RASTA remains steadfast in its mission to build a gender-just, self-reliant society through inclusive and transformative development practices.

Mamta Devi President  
RASTA, Godda



# Regulatory Association for Social & Territorial Assist (RASTA)

RASTA focus on empowering women and adolescents through the formation and strengthening of community-based organizations (CBOs), enabling them to lead and monitor local development initiatives.

## About Us

Regulatory Association for Social & Territorial Assist (RASTA) is an independent, non-profit grassroots organization committed to participatory development. Founded by socially driven youth to uplift disadvantaged communities, it was registered in August 2007 under the Indian Trust Act, 1882 in Godda, Jharkhand.

RASTA began work in Amarapara block of Pakur, and expanded to Godda, Giridih (Jharkhand), and Bhagalpur (Bihar). Now it works intensively in Boarijore, Poreyahat, and Sunderpahari blocks of Godda district, focusing on marginalized tribal groups, especially PVTGs, women, and children. Its work addresses child protection, gender-based violence, human trafficking, and community health including HIV/AIDS. The organization strengthens women and adolescent leadership through community-based groups —forming 31 young women's groups, 35 adolescent girls' groups, and 10 Migrant Forums. RASTA collaborates with local stakeholders and government systems and participates in state and national NGO networks to promote sustainable development and social protection in underserved rural areas.

## Vision

To establish gender-just egalitarian, diseases free, empowered & self-reliant civil society.

## Mission

RASTA is committed to uplifting marginalized communities and grassroots groups through people-centered, participatory, and sustainable development. It strives for gender justice, ecological balance, and an equitable society by empowering women and deprived groups to achieve dignity, self-reliance, and their fundamental rights.

## Presence

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## Annual program highlights 24-25

### Women Empowerment & Gender Justice



RASTA empowers adolescent girls and young women in tribal communities of the Boarijore block, Godda district, by strengthening their knowledge, leadership, and agency in sexual and reproductive health rights (SRHR), and preventing child marriage, abuse, and domestic violence. Through village-level girls' groups, life-skills and SRHR education, peer leadership development, football-based confidence building, and legal and psychosocial support, the program challenges patriarchal norms and fosters safer, gender-just communities. Fellowship support enabled marginalized girls to continue higher education,

while awareness campaigns and linkages to government schemes strengthened protection and opportunity. This "empower-from-within" approach has resulted in increased school retention, resistance to child marriage, and a positive shift in community attitudes toward girls' rights and dignity.

### Safe Migration & Anti-Trafficking Support

RASTA works to ensure safe, informed, and rights-based migration for tribal women and girls in Boarijore and Sunderpahari blocks of Godda district. In migration-prone villages, the programme builds awareness, strengthens community vigilance, and supports vulnerable families through migrant forums, adolescent engagement, and Panchayat-level resource centres. Legal assistance is provided to survivors of trafficking and unsafe migration, while 149 individuals have been linked to social protection schemes such as e-Shram, ration cards, and pensions. Through this layered prevention and support system, RASTA helps women migrate by choice, not compulsion—safeguarding dignity, security, and informed decision-making.

### Preventing Child Marriage & Supporting Girls' Rights

RASTA works to prevent child marriage and early unions in tribal communities of Godda district by building girls' leadership, shifting harmful social norms, and strengthening community accountability. The initiative engages adolescent girls—both in and out of school—along with parents, PRI members, teachers, and frontline workers across priority villages. Through 17 girls' groups involving 371 members, girls receive training on gender equality, rights, reproductive health, laws on child marriage and protection, and life skills. Fellowships were awarded to marginalized girls to continue higher education, while rallies, oath campaigns, and community conversations mobilized villages toward zero child marriage. Football clubs further foster confidence and solidarity among girls. As a result, intervention villages now report child marriages only above 18 years, girls are confidently resisting early marriage, and secondary and higher education enrolment is rising—with growing family and community support for girls' aspirations and agency.



## Annual program highlights 24-25

### Strengthening Protection & Safety for Adolescent Girls and Young Women



This program builds a safe and supportive environment for adolescent girls (10–18) and young women (18–25) across 21 tribal villages in Boarijore block, Godda, focusing on preventing child marriage, gender-based violence, and trafficking. RASTA develops girls' leadership and agency, challenges harmful gender norms, and mobilizes families and communities to take responsibility for protection and rights. Peer-led safety networks were formed with 105 trained peer leaders selected democratically across villages.

### Health Initiatives: HIV/AIDS Targeted Intervention

RASTA, in partnership with JSACS, implements a Targeted Intervention project for over 800 Female Sex Workers (FSWs) in Godda district to reduce HIV/AIDS risk. The program focuses on delivering effective behaviour change communication, increasing STI/HIV/AIDS awareness from 70% to 90% within three years, and promoting correct and consistent condom use through demonstrations, distribution, and social marketing. It also empowers the community to articulate issues and develop solutions, builds an enabling environment with



stakeholders including FSWs, brokers, community influencers and police, and ensures sustainability through strong referral and linkage systems. As a result, over 2,000 high-risk individuals accessed clinical services, 1,300 were screened for HIV, 2,000 for TB, and 800+ FSWs are being actively supported under the program, strengthening access to essential health services for vulnerable groups.

### Government Scheme Linkages

RASTA actively supports rural and tribal households in securing government welfare entitlements to strengthen their social and economic security. Through field outreach and facilitation efforts, community members were connected to multiple schemes including Savitribai Phule Kishori Samridhi Yojana (37 beneficiaries), Ayushman Bharat health insurance (32), CM Sukhad Rahat Yojana (16), Old Age Pension (15), E-Shram registration (15), PM-Kisan (10), Aabua Awas housing scheme (9), Didi Badi Yojana (13), KGBV school admissions (17), ration card additions (5), MGNREGA job cards (2), sponsorship scheme (2), toilet construction under Swachh Bharat (4), and bank account openings (1). In total, 178 entitlements were successfully facilitated, ensuring increased access to social protection, education, livelihoods, and healthcare services.

# Annual program highlights 24-25

## Capacity Building & Community Engagement

RASTA strengthened community leadership and local governance through training, dialogue, and collaboration platforms. A group of 20 adolescent girls were trained as community reporters to amplify grassroots voices, while 19 convergence meetings were conducted with PRI members, SHGs, teachers, AWWs, and the DCPO to enhance coordinated action. Community conversations were held to shift harmful social norms and address conflicts, and training modules and educational materials were distributed across 17 adolescent girls' groups. These efforts collectively fostered inclusive participation, strengthened accountability, and empowered young women as change agents within their communities.

## Seminars, Workshops & Events on Social Issues

RASTA organized a series of awareness and empowerment events addressing social protection, gender equality, and youth leadership. On 28 August 2024, with support from JATN, a district-level seminar was held at Bansjori Panchayat Bhawan, Sunderpahari, to highlight the rights and vulnerabilities of domestic workers, particularly women and girls. The event engaged SHGs, PRI members, youth collectives, Anganwadi workers, media, and civil society to advocate for stronger protections and scheme access for domestic workers. On National Girl Child Day (24 January 2025), RASTA hosted a football tournament in Boarijore block where girls from 10 villages participated, using sports as a tool to break gender stereotypes and build confidence, leadership, and community support for girls' rights. Additionally, on International Day of the Girl Child 2024, over 180 adolescent girls participated in an exposure visit to Godda Biodiversity Park, promoting experiential learning, environmental awareness, and ecological stewardship. Through these initiatives, RASTA continued to foster empowerment, visibility, and social consciousness among rural adolescent girls and young women.

## Networking for Development Issues

RASTA actively builds networks with key stakeholders to amplify developmental issues, strengthen community capacity, and secure support for disadvantaged groups. It collaborates with the Jharkhand Anti-Trafficking Network (JATN) on safe mobility and anti-trafficking efforts, and partners with AALI for legal support and strategic litigation for women survivors of abuse and violence. RASTA also participates regularly in district and state-level consultations and campaigns to influence policy and advocacy efforts. Additionally, RASTA is part of the Niranthara Classic Program of Dhvani Foundation, a comprehensive organisational development initiative focusing on governance, financial systems and compliance, HR systems, strategic planning, documentation and communication, and MIS & technology integration. Through such collaborations, RASTA strengthens institutional effectiveness and creates broader impact for marginalized communities.





**Annual impact highlights 24-25**

**318**

children in distress (child marriage, child labor, abuse, medical aid, sponsorship) reached through the 1098 child helpline

**1112**

cases of child sexual abuse supported with psycho-social and legal aid; 13 accused convicted, and survivors applied for DLSA compensation

**50**

intervention/target cases successfully resolved under the POCSO Act

**105**

peer leaders trained as change agents through 21 adolescent girls and women groups

**315**

girls engaged through 21 adolescent girls' clubs promoting solidarity and football

**850+**

850+ female sex workers reached under the Targeted Intervention program for HIV/AIDS

**2000+**

high-risk groups (HRGs) screened for Tuberculosis (TB)

**1300+**

HRGs screened for HIV

**300+**

families supported with dry ration distribution during COVID-19 in Godda District

## Overall Impact:

- 20 adolescent girls trained as Community Reporters to amplify grassroots voices.
- 19 convergence meetings conducted with PRI members, SHGs, school teachers, AWWs, and DCPO.
- Child Marriage-Free India Campaign: Rallies and oath ceremonies in 25 villages; workshops with PRI members, teachers, and AWWs.
- Training modules and learning materials distributed across 17 adolescent girls' groups.
- Fellowship support provided to 10 marginalized girls to pursue higher education.
- 17 adolescent girls' leadership clubs formed with 371 members; football introduced to build confidence and teamwork.
- Awareness campaigns through street plays, seminars, and workshops on SRHR, POCSO, MTP Act, menstrual hygiene, and prevention of child marriage.
- 20 awareness sessions held with SHGs and adolescent groups.
- 105 peer leaders democratically selected (5 per village) to support community communication.
- 458 vulnerable cases identified across 21 villages.
- 149 individuals linked to government schemes including e-Shram, ration cards, and pensions.
- 2,000+ high-risk individuals accessed clinical services.
- 1,300+ individuals screened for HIV.
- 2,000+ individuals screened for TB.
- 800+ FSWs supported under the Targeted Intervention (TI) program.

## Team Members:

### Board Members

- Mrs. Mamta Devi - President
- Mr. Ajoy Kumar - Secretary
- Mr. Sanjay Kumar Lal - Treasurer
- Mrs. Sunita Marandi - Board Member
- Mr. Pankaj Kumar Jha - Board Member
- Mrs. Nutan Kumari - Board Member
- Mrs. Bitiya Murmu - Board Member
- Miss Marry Kisku - Board Member

### Program Staff

- Juli Kumari - Fundraising Manager (FRM)
- Seema Kumari - Program Manager
- Niraj Kumar - Program Manager
- Juli Kumari - Counsellor
- Ravi Kriti - Compliance Finance Manager (CFM) cum Accountant
- Sunita Devi - Field Coordinator
- Pramila Kumari - Field Coordinator cum Case worker
- Usha Kumari - Field Coordinator
- Maharani Marandi - Field Coordinator
- Bharat Kumar Yadav - Field Coordinator cum Case worker
- Mary Kisku - Field Coordinator

# Our Partners



Girls First Fund





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**1098 नंबर पर फोन कर फंसे बच्चों की जानकारी दे**

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# Financials

**REGULATORY ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL AND TERRITORIAL ASSIST (RASTA)**  
Gangta Chowk (Near Middle School), Gangta, Godda, Jharkhand  
Balance Sheet as on 31/03/2025

Liabilities	Amount	Assets	Annex	Amount
<b>Capital/ General Fund</b>		<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>1,74,509.60</b>
Opening Balance	14,27,084.89			
Add:				
Surplus	-2,32,546.21			
Round off	-0.01			
Closing Balance	<b>11,94,538.69</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities &amp; Loans Advances</b>		<b>Cash at Bank</b>		
Expense Payble	-	PNB, Godda	3,21,611.43	
		SBI, New Delhi	66,383.84	
		UBI, Godda	84,933.54	
		ICICI, Godda	4,88,645.00	
Audit Fee Payble (2024-25)	5,000.00	Canara Bank, Godda	63,455.28	10,25,029.09
		<b>Cash in hand</b>		-
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,99,538.69</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>11,99,538.69</b>

In terms of our separate report of even date annexed

For: REGULATORY ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL AND TERRITORIAL ASSIST (RASTA)

Place: Banka  
Dated: 16/08/2025



Jha Prashant & Co.  
Chartered Accountants  
*Prashant Shekhar Jha*  
(Prashant Shekhar Jha)  
Partner  
Mem No.: - 416623

**REGULATORY ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL AND TERRITORIAL ASSIST (RASTA)**

Gangta Chowk (Near Middle School), Gangta, Godda, Jharkhand  
Receipt and Payment Account for the period ended on 31-03-2025

Receipts	Amount	Payments	Amount
<b>To Opening Balance</b>	0.00	<b>By Administrative Expenses:</b>	
Cash In Hand		Office maintenance	52,650.00
Cash at Bank:		Travelling & Conveyance for admin purpose	52,982.00
PNB, Godda (FC Utilization Account)	10,14,609.43	Staff salary for OD Exercise	1,74,400.00
SBI, New Delhi (FC Dedicated Account)	3,16,033.65	Consultancy fee to Dhvani Foundation	1,00,000.00
UBI, Godda	1,90,095.54		<b>3,65,079.99</b>
Canara Bank, Godda	4,567.28	<b>By Administrative Expenses under FC Fund</b>	
	<b>15,25,305.90</b>	By Child marriage prevention initiatives	27,56,101.01
<b>To Grant in Aid</b>		By Child Protection & Child Welfare Services	3,59,968.00
For Health and HIV/AIDS, JSACS	22,75,197.00	By Health and HIV/AIDS	22,75,197.00
For Dhvani Foundation	2,54,600.00	By Strengthening protection concerns among adolescent girls & Young women	17,80,113.00
		JATN	44,543.00
For Azim Premji Foundation	23,03,000.00	<b>By Fixed Assets</b>	72,100.00
For Child India Foundation	3,59,968.00	<b>By Outstanding Exp</b>	
For Child marriage prevention initiatives (Girls First Fund)	24,60,224.00	Jharkhand Anti Trafficking Network (JATN)	2,58,509.00
	<b>76,52,989.00</b>	Audit fee Payble	17,000.00
			<b>2,75,509.00</b>
<b>To Fee and Donation</b>	90,732.00	<b>By Bank Charges</b>	
		<b>By Closing Balance</b>	
<b>To Bank Interest</b>	69,092.00	Cash at Bank:	
		PNB, Godda	3,21,611.43
		SBI, New Delhi	66,383.84
		UBI, Godda	84,933.54
		ICICI Bank	4,88,645.00
		Canara Bank, Godda	63,455.28
		<b>Cash in hand</b>	10,25,029.09
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<b>Total</b>	<b>93,38,118.90</b>		<b>93,38,118.90</b>

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# Financials

**REGULATORY ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL AND TERRITORIAL ASSIST (RASTA)**

Gangta Chowk (Near Middle School), Gangta, Godda, Jharkhand

Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended on 31-03-2025

Expenditure	Amount	Income	Amount
To Administrative Expenses	7,45,111.99	By Grant In Aid	76,52,989.00
To Child marriage prevention initiatives	27,56,101.01	By Fee & Donation	90,732.00
To Child Protection & Child Welfare Services	3,59,968.00	By Bank Interest	69,092.00
To Health and HIV/AIDS	22,75,197.00		
To Strengthening protection concerns among Adolescent girls & Young women	17,80,113.00		
JATN	44,543.00		
To Fixed Assets			
To Bank Charges	4,446.81		
Professional Fees payable	5,000.00		
Depriciation	74,878.40		
To Surplus	-2,32,546.21	By Defficiency of icome Over Expenditure	
<b>Total</b>	<b>78,12,813.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>78,12,813.00</b>

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