## Ankur – The seed balls project

Having worked in the field of women and child development for more than 30 years. Sakar always aimed to inculcate various positive thoughts in the minds of developing children. Keeping this in view this year we initiated the "Project Ankur – The Seed Balls Project" because trees and forests are being depleted at an alarming rate due to deforestation. Besides providing oxygen and raw materials, trees also maintain the earth's temperature. There has been a drastic change in the earth's climate due to the depletion of trees for commercial purposes.

Climate change and global warming are real challenges that the country is now facing, as highlighted by the increasingly tormenting heat waves of recent years due to depletion of trees.

Planting one single tree a year is a simple way to contribute to the environment. Who does not know that trees absorb carbon dioxide from the environment, which serves to decrease greenhouse gas pollution? Additionally, trees provide shade, which can reduce the amount of energy needed to cool your home. But always make sure to take care of your tree by watering it and ensuring it receives proper sunlight.

Average per person trees in India is 16 whereas it has to be 28 to solve the environmental issue. Project Ankur is a small contribution towards helping our mother nature grow stronger and healthier.

Through this project in the year 2024-2025 Sakar distributed 5000 seed balls to 3 school campuses in the surroundings. The informative sessions were conducted in the schools stating the importance of mother nature and the importance of planting trees. Demo was also given instructing to grow the seed balls and then planting the trees.

Nearly 5000 students were benefitted through this project which in result helped towards the betterment of mother nature in terms of planting the tress.



