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ABOUT SHREEJA INDIA

Shreeja India is a non-profit CSO (Civil Society Organization) working towards engaging, educating and enriching girls from marginalized and underprivileged communities in India. Based on the concepts of sports for development, Shreeja India uses both sports and education as powerful vehicles for social change and key components for the holistic development of individual girls. Our goal is to empower girls and enable them to realize their full potentials to build a gender-equitable society. Currently, Shreeja India is working to empower 700 plus rural girls from 90 plus poverty-stricken villages in Birbhum and Purba Bardhaman districts of West Bengal.

The organization's **Mission** is to 'Empower women through sports and education and enable them to realize their full potentials to build a gender-equitable society'.

Shreeja India's **Vision** is to 'Create a gender-equitable society in which women get equitable and fair opportunities to pursue and live their dreams'.



Shreeja Partners: Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes Development & Finance Cooperation, Govt. of West Bengal | Kolkata Police | Azim Premji Foundation | Soroptimist International| Sachin Tendulkar Foundation | Caring Hands Foundation | OrganinC Studios | The Telegraph Education Foundation | Individual Donors

SHREEJA INDIA ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Special Awards

- Honour Certificate for Excellence in Social Service (The Telegraph School Awards for Excellence 2023)
- Shreeja India won the 'NGO of the Year' Award for 'Empowering Women' at the NGO Awards Summit (Season 2)
- A Shreeja Girl (Sonali Soren) won the 'Outstanding Talent in Sports' award at the Telegraph Education Awards 2021
- Award for 'A School that Cares' (The Telegraph School Awards for Excellence 2019)
- Williamson Magor Education Trust Award for Excellence in Extra-curricular Activities, 2017)



Academic:

In last five years, more than 130 girls appeared for class X board exams alone under Shreeja India's tutelage and out of them 90% have passed with good grades. In last two years, students enrolled in Football & Beyond program have passed their class X and XII board exams successfully with most of them securing 'First division' and 'Star marks'.

Sports:

- One of the Shreeja Girls (Sonali Soren) has played internationally for India U-20 at SAFF Championship 2023. She is a regular attendee of AIFF training camps. She has also played State level tournaments.
- 20 girls have played Sub division level Football and four have played district Football Team
- Four of Shreeja Girls have played for top teams in Kolkata Senior Football League

SHREEJA INDIA ACTIVITIES

Attendance: (will be filled by Kritika)

Donation from Goethe Institut: Goethe-Institut / Max Mueller Bhavan Kolkata supported Shreeja India in creating two extremely rich libraries at both its centres at Birbhum and Purba Bardhaman respectively! We received over 2000 story books and a large number of academic books for the first-generation learning tribal girls that the esteemed Institute helped to collect from book stores, city schools and well-wishers from across Kolkata and Germany. In addition, we received pencils and bags for the children too.



Shreeja India Purba Bardhaman Team won the prestigious Kolkata-Naples Friendship Cup on 15th May 2022, at Kolkata:

In a gruelling final Shreeja India defeated Kolkata Police Team on tie breaker. The Women's Football tournament was organized at the Kolkata Police quarter Grounds, Tollygunge jointly by the Civic Authorities and Italian Consulate, Kolkata with the support from Naples Municipality, Italy.

Eight teams from Bengal – Roshni Youth Club, Durbar, Police Athletic Club, Shanti Mullick Academy, Slums Football Foundation, Shreeja India, Sonarpur Reliable Sporting Academy and Aruar Udayachal Club participated in the tournament. Sonali Soren of Shreeja India scored eight goals in three matches and was adjudged the woman of the match (in the Final) and woman of the series.

The Shreeja Team who played the game were - Purnima Hembram, Sonia Khatoon, Sonali Soren, Kumkum Soren. Swapna Tudu, Shiuli Soren, Tumpa Hembram, Baisakhi Mondal, Rekha Hansda, Mou Sarkar and Coach Raghu Murmu.

Shreeja India in Media: "Shreeja India's Beyond Program promotes to village girls a dignified life through sports. Football for them is no more a mere flutter of a butterfly's wing anymore but a windstorm of young women climbing up the ladders

of glory and success through sports” - Dr. Shib Shankar Dasgupta, Founder & Executive Director, Shreeja India.

Here is the link to the full article by Shreeja India’s Founder and Executive Director Shib Shankar Dasgupta on May 2022 issue of Women Shine at <https://womenshine.in/shreeja-indias-beyond-football.../>

Menstrual Health & Hygiene Workshop:

55 adolescent children along with one of the mothers - Shaina, attended a Menstrual Health and Hygiene awareness workshop on 27th April, 2022 organized at Shreeja India centre, Kalna I, Purba Bardhaman. During the workshop, as a team through various activities and knowledge sharing, many age-old myths and superstitions that cloak the tabooed concept of Menstruation were broken and reframed with logic and science. For the first time the participants became aware of the science behind puberty and periods! While many queries came up from the children about the topic, notably Shaina also emerged as one of the most vocal participants. She shared the challenges she faced as a woman in both her natal and in-law’s families



during her menstrual days. *“Didi, in our time, we couldn’t utter the term periods publicly or even talk about the problems we were having. Not only then, but even now we as women are taught that ‘periods’ is a time when our body rejects dirty blood and hence, we are barred from participating in many daily activities, eating good food and are looked down upon. This program has been really eye-opening for me. I will try and pass on the information gathered here to my next generation so that they don’t suffer like me”.* This experience has prompted Shreeja India Team to continue to conduct awareness programs, not only for the children but by also involving the parents and community.

World Environment Day:

Shreeja India observed 'World Environment Day' on June 5th to promote environmental awareness and conservation. Tribal dance, Poems, environmental conservation awareness speech, a musical dance skit, and planting saplings marked off the World Environment Day at both our Shreeja India facilities.

We want to thank our Shreeja India team at both facilities for the hard work to provide such a well-organized program. Many thanks to our local manager Mukul Debnath, our teachers Abhishek Goswami, Chandrashekhar Sikdar, Rekha Koner, Sudipa Pal, Ratna Sikdar, Purnima Murmu as well as volunteers Anjali

and Tilak from Dhatrigrām. Also extending thanks to our Rajnagar team- our local manager Subrata Sarkar, our teachers Ria Sarkar, Asit Sarkar, Kazi Raja, Santosh Bagdi, Tarapada Mardy, Mandira Hembram, Srikumar Mukherjee, and Aditi Mandal.

Click on the link below and watch videos on how Shreeja Team observed 'World Environment Day' 2022

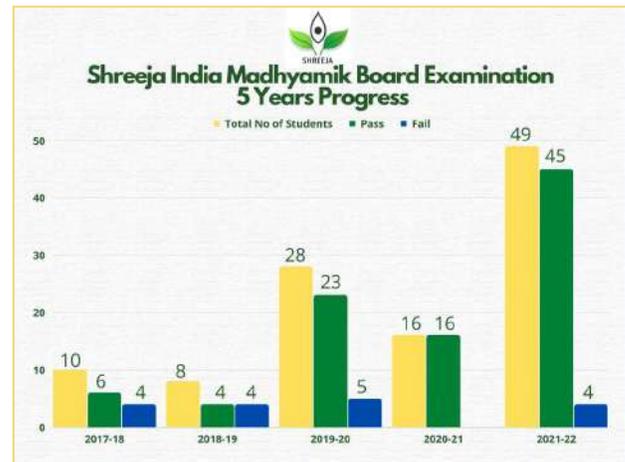
<https://youtu.be/1a51NvjoOes>

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“Go, In first vidision nam akadang.” (*“Mom, I have got first division.”*)

“Baba, In Madhyamik passed akadaing” (*“Dad, I have passed the Madhyamik.”*)

60 Santhal villages in Birbhum and Purba Bardhaman where Shreeja India operates were abuzz with these statements. Shreeja Girls not only excel in football but they have also started getting first divisions in their school-leaving examinations as well! Some of the top marks are: Neha (442) 91.45% ; Rupdhan (443) 91.80%; Oli (418) 82.36% ;Urmila (395) 72.99%.



For the first time, 14 out of 14 who appeared for the Higher Secondary examinations in West Bengal passed with flying colors!

- 36% (5 girls) secured star marks for the first time in their villages,
- 43% (6 girls) secured 1st division marks for the first time within their hamlets.
- Also, one girl secured 2nd division marks and two girls received 3rd division.

Three Shreeja Girls Sonali Soren, Purnima Hemram, and Boisakhi Mondal got selected for the final round of U17 Bengal Football Team, 2022. It was four days of rigorous selection process at Rabindra Sarobar Stadium, Kolkata where around 60 girls participated. Sonali’s father overawed by the occasion said “My daughter is doing very good at football and she makes me very proud”. Like her father, everyone has expectations from the selected Shreeja Girls journey which

is setting valiant examples for other girls who witness triumphs and setbacks every day to make a resilient team.

Sonali Soren of Shreeja India became the highest scorer in the **U-17 National Football Championship** held at Guwahati, Assam in June 2022. Sonali



scored nine goals in three matches (two against Rajasthan, two against Tamil Nadu, and five against J & K). Here is a report from Kick-Off, the Bengali online magazine published by IFA under the title: Deluge of Goals, Bengal in Last Eight.

Parent-Teacher Meeting (PTM) at the Shreeja India, Birbhum Center: After a span of two long years, On 28th June, a parent-teacher meeting (PTM) was conducted at the Shreeja India, Birbhum Center. It was an exciting day for all of us as the Shreeja India Team got to interact with equally enthusiastic parents/guardians about a lot many relevant topics. Mr. Hari Dasgupta, Country Head focused on the brilliant performance of Shreeja class XI girls in this year's Higher Secondary examinations. In fact, Neha Mardi, who has scored 91% marks this year addressed the parents with an extempore presentation on how she has benefitted from Shreeja India in her journey to academic excellence. As the Program Manager, Somasree Basu highlighted the children's overall performance, discipline, and plans to integrate the community with all our activities. Some parents also shared their experiences and offered feedback for Shreeja India on this endeavor.



Interns from University of Petroleum and Energy Studies, UPES Dehradun worked with Shreeja India for two months:

Piklu De, one of the interns conducted an interesting introductory program on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) Education for Shreeja Girls at Dhatrigram. The girls not only enjoyed the session but also bombarded Piklu with a plethora of questions related to science, technology and mathematics! This workshop was an important step in education and did help to build interest on STEM among the FGL girls who are still sceptic about their ability to pursue these subjects. Their lack of confidence and guidance inevitably restrict the chance to maximize their full potentials. Absence of proper scientific knowledge not only limit their ambitions but also increase the girls' daily struggles in real life.



Shreeja Girls still experience difficulty in making even simplest conversations in English. Unfortunately, most often this limits them from maximizing their full potentials in life. Moreover, the girls find it hard to express themselves or interact confidently with others, especially from outer States and Nations. In June, 2022 Oiendril Das (*another Shreeja intern from University of Petroleum and Energy Studies, UPES Dehradun*), brilliantly transformed the

mundane spoken English classes at both the Shreeja centres into a joyful English language expedition with games, quiz and role plays. She designed a special curriculum for the Shreeja Girls to help them grasp the intricacies of speaking English while having fun!

A free eye camp 'Mukto Drishti' was organized on 15th August (75th Independence Day) at Shreeja India Birbhum centre for the underprivileged rural population in Rajnagar in collaboration with Soroptimist International of Calcutta, and Nanritam (a non-profit organization from Purulia). The participants not only received free eye checkup but were also screened for free cataract surgeries. Many of them received eye glasses for a



nominal value as well apart from other required medicines. Over 150 people were benefitted from the initiative today.

Following the eye camp, seven patients had successful Cataract surgeries and 15 villagers got their eyeglasses after checkup, on 19th and 20th August 2022.



Tennis legend Serena Williams has announced her retirement from tennis this week. “I’m evolving away from tennis, toward other things that are important to me. I don’t want it to be over, but at the same time I’m ready for what’s next”, She said in an interview.

At the same time thousands of miles away, a sixteen-year-old Santhal girl hugged her mother in front of NSC Bose airport gate at Dumdum, Kolkata and uttered the same sentiment solemnly, “I’m ready for what’s next ...”

This young girl is our own Shreeja Girl, Sonali Soren. She took her life’s first flight from Kolkata to Bhubaneswar, on 10th August, 2022 to participate at the trials to be in the India Team at the U-17 FIFA World Cup to be held in New Delhi, in November 2022. Her proud mother,

Shreeja Coach, Raghu and I looked on...

“Didi, how big is that forest? Where is it located? Do humans like us get to enter it? Does Anaconda live there for real?”

These were some of the questions that were thrown at us when their new Smart TV was inaugurated with a documentary on Amazon Rain Forest. Shreeja girls were super excited! This was followed by an even more interesting video for them - International women’s Football highlights! Every move made by the players made them jump on their seats. Raghu (Football coach) intervened, paused the videos a number of times in between to explain the processes to the girls. Overall, Shreeja Girls spent the two hours last week with a lot of inquisitiveness & vigour!



From August 2022, **Shreeja India became ready with fully equipped kitchens at both the Shreeja centers** (Birbhum and Purba Bardhaman). All Shreeja children now get nutritious food every day of the month. A new food chart has also been prepared that includes - Khichdi (mixture of pulses, rice, veggies and potatoes), Eggs, Bananas, Chicken stew, Indian bread and Soya chunks curry, Vegetable

soup and rice along with Sattu (a mixture of roasted ground pulses and cereals) drink.

Know Thy Environment Project by Shreeja Girls: It feels wonderful to witness how the senior Shreeja girls have begun to contemplate deeply, value what they have and to actively explore their surroundings with the urge to learn more. They are now penning down their thoughts beautifully into their personal notebooks under Shreeja India's 'Know Thy Environment' Project. They are writing about themselves and their dreams, their family, friends, school, village, festivals and every other facet that make up their environment! Neha, a participant in this initiative, says, *"Didi, this notebook has my heart in it. There is so much more that I want to write down in these pages. One day I plan to pass this on to the younger members of my family, for them to understand me and the place they live in, in a better manner!"*

Here is a glimpse of a few 'Know Thy Environment' Project files. They have nicely decorated the pages of the book they now proudly own, with things and people who truly matter to them! Also, they have used the unique Sohorai Alpona (Santhal art form) on the covers and in few pages inside these notebooks too.

[\(5\) Know Thy Environment \(Know Your Environment\) Project | EVS | Rural Education #shorts Shreeja India - YouTube](#)

'Learning Values' with Shreeja India Girls:

"The illiterate of the 21st century," Alvin Toffler said, *"will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn."* Mere academic education won't suffice. We need to look beyond. Grappling with a similar idea, deep in a remote village in India, Shreeja India is trying to emote and instill love, compassion, and empathy among her girls. Values shape our lives and help us to distinguish



between right and wrong or good and bad. Values build our characters.

On 28th September, we conducted an interactive session on 'Learning Values' for Shreeja Girls at Dhatrigram. Through role plays, group activities, videos and value pyramid the girls shared and narrated many events in their lives. It reminded me of Toffler's above insight on emotional behavior and how it can guide Shreeja Girls not only within the boundaries of sports and academics but beyond to the unknown.

Understanding gender and gender relations begin early in life, from home and school. "Why are you playing football being a girl instead of doing your household chores?" - This is a question that is often hurled at almost all girls by society. As children, they are ascertained their roles: girls should buy kitchen sets and dolls

and boys must play with football and cars. These traditional feminine and masculine gendered artifacts and stereotypes forced onto children often negatively impact them.

Further, lack of understanding that 'Gender' is a spectrum, often leads to torment some children. Against this backdrop, Shreeja India conducted two training programs on 'Gender Sensitization' among the Shreeja Teachers and Shreeja children. Gender stereotypes are reinforced through teachers' behaviour, the curriculum, sports and extracurricular activities. We believe that when teachers start working to reduce gender disparities, they can act as powerful change agents and facilitate the empowerment of Shreeja girls.



Shreeja India's Sonali Soren has been felicitated by the All-India Football Federation for her participation in the Hero Junior (Under-17) Women's National Football Championship. She scored nine goals in three matches in the tournament.

Project Vidushee is the Shreeja India's endeavor to bring all the children to school. Our records show that by October 2022, we have reached 143 Vidushee students from 16 villages in Rajnagar block, Birbhum. These students begin each class with a brief meditation. It helps them to calm down and concentrate. Disciplining the mind is an essential element of Shreeja Foundational Learning. When we see these first-generation learner tribal children narrate alphabets and tables fluently, use white boards with confidence, and enjoy a piece of bread/cake we feel happy.





A women's Football tournament was organized by Amjora High School in Birbhum on 31st October. The tournament had participation from women Teams coming from both, West Bengal and Jharkhand. **Shreeja Girls became the champions** of the event with memorable performances by Purnima, Mongoli, Shila, Premlata, Sraboni and others! Purnima as the captain led the team efficaciously once again as

proud Raja da (Shreeja Football coach) looked on!

Dada, how old are you? asked the inquisitive bunch of Shreeja Girls at Dhatrigram
I am 82, smirked Dr. Sakti Das
“What!?!? Woww!”, the classroom vibrated as the girls gasped in surprise. They were completely taken aback and mesmerized by this man in front of them.

Just the thought - ‘Dr. Das has travelled all the way from California, USA to their remote village, only to meet them, and that too at this age!’ - It did seem like a dream to many of them.

Not only the girls, but the entire Shreeja India Team has been extremely lucky to have interacted and collaborated with him in person in November. A simple man with an ocean of knowledge and

wisdom. Dr. Das is a world-renowned doctor and surgeon, a lifelong humanitarian, who has served in medical mission work for nearly 40 years. Volunteering in 12 countries and on three continents, he has worked in Syrian refugee camps, in Haiti, Afghanistan, and in Mexico, saving thousands of lives. He has been a pioneer in building more than 200 schools for the underprivileged children across the world and also has more than 200 medical publications in his name.

When asked about what still motivates him to continue his work and travel across continents, he simply smiles and says, “I serve therefore I am”.



Children's Day Celebration: How can we make children love mathematics? Often children are reluctant to study math or are fearful of the subject! So, our Shreeja teachers and coach collaborated to integrate sports (play) with solving math problems on the field! This is just one example of the innovations that our Mentors bring into Shreeja India's activities to support development of first-generation learning girls.

On 14th November, Shreeja Students and teachers came together to celebrate Children's as they manifested their creative side. In the process, they did create some indelible memories.

Here is a link of a video depicting the same - [\(5\) Children's Day Celebration at Shreeja India | Women Sports | Rural Education | Women Empowerment - YouTube](#)



In December, the names of the winners of the inaugural cohort of the 2022-2023 Womenlead India Fellowship program was announced at an event in Mumbai, India. The list included 50 Indian women leaders from across India who are addressing urgent economic and social issues across four sectors: rural transformation, education, sports for development, and arts, culture & heritage. Somasree Basu, Shreeja

India's Program Manager became one of the proud winners in this inaugural event.

At Shreeja, we recognize the importance of our teachers who are moulding and shaping the lives of first-generation learning underprivileged rural girls for better! We appreciate the efforts they put into their work every day that are often reflected in all the beautiful success stories that we share with you! Hence, with the intent to strengthen knowledge & build capacity, we collaborated with APTTI (AP Teacher Training Institute is an international teachers training academy offering a wide array of teachers training courses - [APTTI - AP Teacher Training Institute Courses \(onlineteacherstraining.com\)](https://onlineteacherstraining.com) for a **training program of Shreeja Teachers** on 21st December 2022.



The trainer - Ms. Sushmita conducted the 5-hour long session on 'Motivating learning to the First-generation Learners' using a wide variety of resource materials, group work and interactive sessions. Kritika and Sanchari from Shreeja Kolkata Team also underwent the training. Overall, a great experience.



Exchange program between the Rajnagar and Purba Bardhaman teams:

To foster connections between the two centres, Shreeja India devised a two-day exchange program. Players and coaches from both centres participated in the Football training's interactive session. Led by Mr. Pathikrit Sarkar, who travelled all the way from the UK to train both the coaches and our girls.

Shreeja Girls have acquired new skills and developed a fresh perspective on the football game.

This article appeared in The Telegraph, Kolkata on 30th November.

[Sonali Soren | Football to empower girls in Bengal - Telegraph India](#)

Sachin Tendulkar Foundation (STF) have forged a partnership with Shreeja India for the sports-based education (Football & Beyond) program, to empower young girls in Purba Bardhaman, Bengal. Here is an interesting news update published in The Telegraph on Jan. 24, 2023. We thank STF along with all our institutional and individual donors for supporting our endeavor.

The news update is available here [Sonali Soren - Football to empower girls in Bengal - Telegraph India](#)

Mr. Sachin Tendulkar shared a video of Shreeja India on the occasion of National Girl child Day (24th January) 2023. Here is a link to the video-

[Video | Facebook](#)

The SAAF (South Asian Football Federation) kicked off on 3rd February in Dhaka, Bangladesh with India playing Bhutan at 2.30 PM IST. Shreeja India's Sonali Soren also represented India in the game.

Swapna Tudu of Goalpara, Purba Bardhaman has been selected for U-17 Khelo India Youth Games in Bhopal, MP to represent West Bengal. Swapna has been practicing with Shreeja India since the inception of Shreeja India, Dhatrigram.



Shreeja India celebrated her sixth anniversary last Friday, February 3, 2023.

Shreeja Girls at the two Centers organized events like dance, extempore speech, Math & biscuit race and some in-house Football matches. There were lots of awards and prizes for regular attendance, academic results, football skills display,

volunteering, creative writing and environmental awareness projects. A sumptuous feast was also arranged for the participants. Overall, it was a joyous occasion with a lot of cheers and smiles.

Science Has No Gender

On 11th of February Shreeja Girls observed International Day of Women and Girls in Science. They demonstrated science experiments like density of water, increasing speed of molecules of liquid with temperature and why water and oil do not mix with one another. Shreeja Girls were fascinated and eager to learn more about Science.

Researchers have identified the need for more women in science to address global challenges. Shreeja India is hoping to bridge this gender gap in the STEM field by providing STEM education opportunities to tribal girls at the early age of learning.

Here is the link to a video on the same - [\(5\) International Science Day | Women and girls in science | Women Empowerment | Equality | Shreeja - YouTube](#)

In February, 153 Vidushee children (age group- 4-10 years) from 10 villages in Rajnagar, Birbhum received new Vidushee uniforms, caringly distributed by their beloved Vidushee teachers, who are also our dear senior Shreeja Girls! When Shreeja team went to capture some of these moments, they posed with excitement, helped each other with wearing the uniforms, and indulged in untainted joy, fun and laughter!



Benjamin Franklin had rightly said, “Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn.”

What better way to educate FGL children than to engage them in learning activities that they enjoy the most! During our visit in February to Birbhum centre, we decided to follow up on the previous awareness workshops (Menstrual health, Safe & Unsafe Touch, Value education, child marriage, trafficking, etc.) that we had

conducted with the girls, by holding a quiz competition. More than 120 children participated in it. The buzz among them increased as soon as we started with the game! We were absolutely delighted when they correctly answer questions like - What hormones cause puberty in males and females? What is the legal age of getting married? What is the right time to get married, what are safe and unsafe

touches? What are the private body parts of any person? What is menstruation? The myths, dos and don'ts during periods, etc.) Obviously, the best part for these beautiful souls was the rewards they earned with their brilliant performance!

On 4th March 2023, Shreeja India's Purba Bardhaman (Dhatrigram) facility was visited by Ms. Sharon Fisher, Immediate Past President, Soroptimist International (IPP SI) from British Columbia, Canada.

Soroptimist International is a global volunteer movement by women with a network of around 72000 club members in 121 countries across the world who work together to transform the lives of women & girls for better. Sharon has been the Global president of SI in 2022-23. An avid advocator of gender justice, she continues to contribute immensely to the cause right from the policy level down to the grassroot level!



Sharon, Ayushi (an ardent SI member) and Sorotpimist International clubs in India were the pioneering force who made the replication of 'Football & Beyond Program' possible in Dhatrigram, in 2021.

Our girls had prepared a warm welcome for her with a beautiful handmade card and some amazing performances that included dance, songs and recitations. The best part of the visit was the heartfelt and enthusiastic interactions and knowledge sharing that happened between Sharon and Shreeja Girls!

Rupali Tudu, who is the vice-captain of the Birbhum Shreeja Football Team is not only one of our best football players but is also going places with her high jump skills! With Raja da's (Shreeja Football Coach) support and her dedication, she represented her college at the district level 'High Jump' competition and emerged a winner. She then went on to play at the State level championship, organized at Sports Authority of India (SAI) grounds in Kolkata last week. She is continuing to pursue both the sports simultaneously while also preparing for the police and nursing training examinations. We are so proud of you Rupali! You go girl!



Water gives life, to us, to the ecosystem and protects the planet. Water, however, is a finite resource. Interesting to note that out of the 70% of water available on Earth, only 1% remains drinkable!

In the milieu of global warming, with climate catastrophes & water scarcity increasing by the day, it has become a global & critical need to actively conserve water and refrain from wasting it. As part of our awareness workshops series planned on Environment, we were privileged to have Ms. Priyanjali Bose, (*M.Sc. Water Policy & Governance, TISS 2018; MS Candidate Geography, Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Geography & Environmental Studies, Texas State University*) with us on the occasion of **World Water Day 2023 (22nd March)** to sensitize Shreeja Girls from both the centres in Birbhum and Purba Bardhaman, on the need for water conservation.



The interactive discussion also explored the problems that many areas of Rajnagar are currently facing with ground water contamination and depletion, while deliberating possible sustainable solutions for the same. The one-hour session was attended by more than 100 girls who had a lot of questions to ask! We have a number of follow-up action-oriented sessions planned on the topic and shall keep you updated on the same.

What better way to celebrate **International Women's Day** than to reflect on the women who inspire us every day? To commemorate the event, our teachers asked Shreeja Girls to share their own female role models. The result was an impressive powerhouse that included their mothers and their teachers.

On the occasion of International Women's Day, Billionplus shared a video with the heartfelt words of Shib Shankar Dasgupta from Shreeja India, who talked about his journey in the organization, and the enriching experiences that continue to craft an enlightening path for all of us at Shreeja towards empowering women and working to create a gender equitable society.

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