

# Empowerment Through Self-Reliance



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## Goals:

- Empower women and help them adopt sustainable livelihood options through the formation of Self-Help Groups.
- Enhance government programs, and institutions for community welfare in the area.
- To improve the living standards of poor people by helping them to adopt sustainable livelihood opportunities, improve productivity, and conserve existing resources
- To promote gender mainstreaming in the society.



**State** : Madhya Pradesh

**Location** : Dewas

**Brief of the activity** : The project aims at providing employment opportunities to rural women through planned activities like manufacturing of leather goods and stationery items. It also aims at improving the agricultural practices in the region. These opportunities will not only help rural women develop a sustainable livelihood but also empower them to actively take part in village development. Suzlon Foundation has formed women Self-Help Groups (SHG) on the basis of activity, kinship, interest, and resource usage. The foundation has also taken up the responsibility of nurturing and supporting these groups to assist them over a period of time.

**Progress** : More than 15 Self Help Groups have been formed working on different interests and activities.

**Benefits** : Currently the project is focusing on empowerment of rural women towards village development activities.

Traveling at night for the villagers is a lot safer.

**Quick Information** : Time Period: April 2008 to March 2011

**Partners** : CONCEPT Society