Afsana’s Aspirations

Afsana is 27 years old, she lives at Sarai Kale Khan, her mother's name is Shakeela Bano, her father's name is Mohammad Azam. He used to work as a tailor but after he got COVID-19, he could not work anymore. Afsana’s mother . is a housewife. He has also developed a heart condition and is currently undergoing treatment. Afsana herself has Asthma.

Afsana has three brothers; two of them are married and live separately. Afsana's younger brother works as a delivery boy and earns Rs. 8000 a month. Out of which INR 5000 used to go in rent, it became difficult to run the expenses of the house to INR 3000.

Just before Eid, this year, Afsana came to the PACE centre and said that they had run out of food in her home. She was sobbing as she said this. BUDS provided rations for Afsana who were happy that they could celebrate Eid with the rations.

Afsana needed BUDS support and begged Shobha to give her some work so she could earn money and help her father’s treatment. Shobha told her about the computer training course from the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC). After three months course, Afsana joined BUDS as a volunteer. She mobilizes the community to access healthcare at the Mobile Health Van checks patients blood pressure, measures their height and weight, and also helps in preparing ration list for distribution. .

BUDS is committed to placing students whom they train. Afsana was taught how to sit for a job interview by her peers. After that she was taken to Sant nagar by the counsellor to a company called Innovation for Service Private Limited for an interview. The Afsana cleared the interview and now she is doing a tele-calling job and earning ₹9000. Mother and daughter were both very grateful and thanked Shobha, “May, Allah keep you all happy”
And said that now our household expenses will go smoothly and we will never forget the help received from BUDS.

Observation: - Earlier, she used to be disturbed behalf of her family conditions. Now she is so happy. Right now, she also encourages others for job placement.