

INBI Film Initiative seeks to foster better understanding of issues related to poverty, labour, gender and education in the Indian context.

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Unconditional Basic Income

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Unpaid Work, Women and Basic Income

Our society thrives on a large chunk of invisibilized and unpaid labour of women and (children also in some countries). The economy and society benefit from it, but do not recognize their labour. This is gross injustice. In the basic income debate, this issue needs to be fore-grounded. When we give an unconditional basic income to women and children, we are NOT giving them FREE money!!! We are recognizing their labour and respecting them as contributing citizens.

Duration: 1.12 minutes , **Produced** by SEWA MP in partnership with INBI ,

Director: Ravi Davala, **Post production:** Dinesh Swarnakar PostPond Media



Girl Child and Basic Income

In rural India girl children often drop out of school in order to care for their younger siblings since the mother has to go for wage labour and the family cannot do without her wage. In Indian pilot we observed that when the entire household gets a basic income, the women withdraws from wage labour that often requires her to travel long distances, and **instead** spends her time rearing livestock or starting a small home-based enterprise. When this happens, the girl child is released from her child care duties. She then goes to school. Providing unconditional basic income has this extraordinarily positive educational outcome.

Duration: 49 seconds, **Produced** by INBI, **Director:** Ravi Davala,

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Unconditional Basic Income: A Better World is Possible

Ghodakhurd is a Bhil tribal village in Madhya Pradesh, India. In 2012, all the 735 individuals residing in the village were provided with an unconditional basic income for a year. The experiment was evaluated by a team of experts headed by Prof. Guy Standing of University of London. The results of this experiment were very positive and today the study is quoted world-wide to show the positive effects of unconditional basic income on poverty. Four years later, the research team again went back to the village to observe what happened to those positive effects. This film is a snapshot of the village in 2017, showing some of the effects that have sustained. This brings us to the conclusion that even if basic income is given for a short period of time, it still leaves a strong developmental impact on the households of the recipients.

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Debt is a Curse

To the poor, debt is a curse. Most are perineally in debt. They borrow for bare survival. To meet health shocks and other emergencies. At a very high cost. The poor move from one debt cycle to another and soon get trapped in debt bondage. The only asset they possess is their body. They repay through their labour. A regular Unconditional Basic Income can bring great relief. It can potentially liberate the poor from bondage.

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