

NABHA SPEAKS

The Nabha Foundation Newsletter



Sustainable Agriculture & Paddy Straw Management Impact Highlights (Jan–Dec 2025)

During the reporting period, the program worked closely with farming communities to promote sustainable paddy straw management and eliminate stubble burning, delivering measurable environmental, economic, and livelihood gains. Through awareness, technical support, and institutional partnerships, farmers were supported to adopt climate-smart practices that improved soil health, productivity, and income.

Impact Highlights

24 awareness camps and 8 expert trainings conducted

88 villages covered, reaching 1,356 farmers

26,681 acres brought under improved agricultural practices

Zero stubble burning achieved across 41,863 acres

Average yields recorded: Wheat – 23 qtl/acre | Paddy – 22 qtl/acre

Pesticide input costs reduced by 11.9%



Phulkari interpretation of the “Mustard Field,” handcrafted by artisans from our women’s empowerment program (page 3)

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Key Achievements

- **Through a two-month paddy straw management campaign, 6,063 farmers were reached across 41,863 acres, preventing stubble burning on 41,648 acres.**
- **Strengthened farmer clusters to improve access to government schemes, technical support, and market linkages**
- **Enabled resource convergence with Punjab Agro Limited and the Agriculture Department, benefiting 205 farmers**
- **Improved soil health through biofertilizers and waste decomposers distributed to 100 farmers**
- **Supported 734 farmers in adopting sustainable practices, reducing chemical input use**



Overall Impact

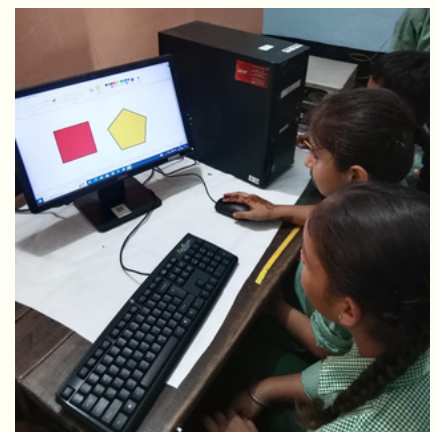
The initiative advanced sustainable agriculture by lowering input costs, improving productivity and incomes, enhancing farmer well-being, and delivering significant environmental benefits through the elimination of stubble burning.

The Nabha Foundation 'Education Program' in 5 Villages of Nabha, Punjab

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The Navi Disha Schools provide quality education free of cost, prioritizing children from disadvantaged backgrounds. Despite demand from economically stable families, limited capacity ensures the program remains focused on those with the fewest educational opportunities. Teaching emphasizes personalized learning, structured academic support, collaborative activities, co-curricular exposure, and environmental awareness to support holistic development.

Currently, 419 children are enrolled across five Navi Disha Schools. Academic outcomes are strong — in the SCERT-conducted Class 5 examinations, 50 of 52 students achieved A and A+ grades, reflecting the program's effectiveness.



‘Women Empowerment Through Phulkari Program’, Nabha & Bathinda, Punjab

This program has created a life-changing impact on women by empowering them as skilled Phulkari artisans and opening pathways to sustainable livelihoods. Through access to opportunities, training, and resources, the women have been able to strengthen their economic independence while ensuring quality education for their children. The steady income earned has helped many of them repay loans and improve household financial stability. Increased earnings empowered artisans to achieve personal milestones such as purchasing scooters.

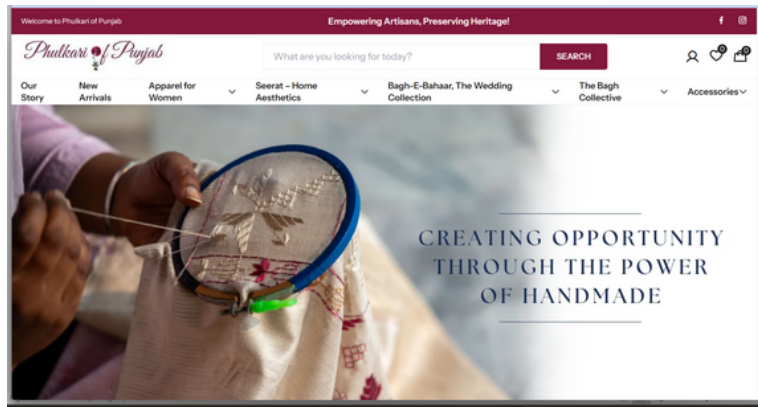
By providing artisans with global exposure through participation in international and national exhibitions, the program has further strengthened their visibility, self-esteem, and recognition as skilled professionals. The program has enhanced their confidence and influence, positively shaping their role in decision-making within their families and the wider community.



Program Impact Highlights (January–December 2025)

- **116 women identified and screened across villages for basic Phulkari training**
- **72 women successfully trained as skilled Phulkari artisans**
- **2 exposure visits conducted, including international and national learning experiences (Germany and Ahmedabad)**
- **14 exhibitions participated in across India, expanding market reach and visibility**
- **25 artisans represented the program at exhibitions**
- **372 Phulkari artisans supported in earning a regular and sustainable income**
- **6 design workshops conducted to enhance creativity, innovation, and market relevance.**





We are delighted to announce the launch of our **“Phulkari of Punjab” website, www.phulkariofpunjab.com**, where you can now purchase authentic, handmade Phulkari creations. Each piece is carefully handcrafted by the finest phulkari artisans, carrying forward generations of tradition while supporting sustainable livelihoods.

Partner with us - Donating to the Nabha Foundation means gifting quality education to underprivileged children | Joining hands with the small & marginalised farmers to build a sustainable future and restoring mother Earth| Health and hope for communities battling drug addiction, diseases like HIV/AIDS & effects of poor sanitation | A new lease of life to a dying craft and livelihood for women | Job-oriented skill training courses for the youth - Your financial help makes all this happen, and more. Do write to us at info@thenabhafoundation.org. All donations are exempt U/S 80 G of the Income Tax Act of India.

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