# **IMPACT STORIES FORMAT**

Story Title	From Daksh to Educator: The Inspiring Journey of
	Ganpat Meena
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Organization	
Name of Daksha/Daksh	Ganpat Meena
Name of SKB centre	Baroljagir Centre
Cluster	Dholapani
Block	Chotisadri Block
District	Pratapgarh, Rajasthan

## **BACKGROUND/CONTEXT:**

Ganpat Meena, a 25-year-old from Pratapgarh district, Rajasthan, exemplifies resilience and dedication. In July 2019, he embarked on his journey by opening the 'Baroljagir' Sakhiyon ki Badi (SKB) Centre in Chotisadri block despite facing financial hardships. His involvement with the SKB program not only impacted the children in his community but also transformed his own life as he pursued his education alongside his role as a Daksh.

#### CHALLENGES FACED:

Ganpat faced numerous challenges in the early days of establishing the Baroljagir Centre. Convincing parents to send their children to the centre, especially in an economically struggling community, was difficult. Additionally, balancing his responsibilities at the SKB centre with his personal education created pressure. Ganpat's limited financial resources added to the burden as he worked tirelessly to improve both the centre and his own prospects.

### **INTERVENTION/ACTIVITIES:**

Despite these challenges, Ganpat carried out a thorough baseline survey and enrolled 30 children in the Baroljagir Centre. His dedication to the SKB program was evident through his consistent engagement with the community, ensuring that children received the necessary support for their educational journey.

At the same time, Ganpat focused on his own studies, earning degrees in B.A. and STC. His determination to further his education never wavered, even as he managed the day-to-day operations of the SKB Centre. He saw education as the key to unlocking greater opportunities for himself and his community, which led him to set

his sights on the REET (Rajasthan Eligibility Examination for Teachers) exams, a crucial step toward becoming a government teacher.

#### **OUTCOMES:**

On September 26, 2021, Ganpat's hard work and perseverance paid off when he passed the REET exams with an impressive score of 121 out of 150 marks. This achievement marked a turning point in his life, propelling him into a career as a government teacher at Government Primary School Hamerpura Chauki.

Ganpat's journey from a struggling Daksh to a government school teacher is a testament to the transformative power of education. His success not only represents personal growth but also serves as an inspiration for the children he once taught at the Baroljagir Centre and the broader community.

Ganpat's story demonstrates how, with perseverance and the right opportunities, it is possible to overcome adversity and achieve remarkable success. Today, he proudly serves as a role model, showing that education is the key to empowerment, and his journey continues to inspire those who seek to follow in his footsteps.

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