

Overview – SDG 1

GOAL 1 - NO POVERTY

Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University (KMCLU) aligns its mission with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 1 (No Poverty), SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being), SDG 4 (Quality Education), SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals). Believing that education must extend beyond the classroom, KMCLU actively engages with surrounding communities through village adoption programs, health and education awareness campaigns, and cultural preservation initiatives.

Practices Contributing to Poverty Alleviation:

1. **Educational Empowerment through Anganwadi Support:** o Distribution of educational kits, furniture, and learning tools worth ₹6,33,350 across 20 Anganwadis enhanced early childhood education and development, thus laying a foundation to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty. The initiative significantly increased attendance and resulted in transition to formal schooling—key indicators of long-term poverty reduction.

2. Health and Nutrition Interventions:

Free health check-up camps, blood donation camps, BMI tracking, COVID-19 awareness, and Yoga sessions contributed to reducing health-related vulnerabilities, which are often a major cause and consequence of poverty. o Sanitation awareness and promotion of toilet construction helped reduce disease burden, further lowering out-of-pocket expenses on health. 3. Awareness and Facilitation of Government Schemes:

o Ensuring **universal enrollment in schools, LPG connections under Ujjwala Yojana, and health insurance through Ayushman Bharat** contributed to building economic resilience in poor households.

o Door-to-door engagement ensured inclusive access to welfare schemes, thereby improving the **economic security** of the rural poor.

4. Livelihood and Women Empowerment: o Skill-based workshops such as mehndi designing, diya designing and saree distribution under the Saree Bank initiative helped in promoting self-reliance and dignity among rural women.

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