

You can donate by cash, cheque or online transfer. Please write to us at donations@forrad.org for further details. All donations to FORRAD are exempt from income tax.

Dear friend,

Eight years ago, Premlata graduated from the girls' school in Kaliyachak village, Bihar. Her parents couldn't read or write. Her family depended on sharecropping and casual labor to get by. But her hard work and the girls' school reputation earned her a position at the local government school to finish her higher secondary, and she went on to an engineering degree -- and finally, a teaching career.

Just after she graduated, the girls' school shut down. They were out of funds. The closest government school was 10 km away -- too far away for parents to send their girls -- and the nearest private school was too expensive. The students had no other place to turn, and most of them were forced to give up their education.

In our country, where too many girls aren't allowed to attend school, or whose schools are falling apart, without teachers, books, or toilets, this girls' school in Kaliyachak was a real gem. On two acres of land, it had five well-furnished classrooms with attached toilets -- and even a library and a playground for the younger girls. With your help, we can put it all to use once again.



With your help, the girls' school in Kaliyachak will be up and running again by April.

Please give what you can today.

We need to raise just INR 10,00,000 to get this school up and running. This money will guarantee a full year of education for 350 girls who have no other options. It will cover teachers' salaries for a whole year, computers, furniture and books.

Of the 150 girls who graduated from the school before it shut down, 40 continued their studies and found jobs -- as bank clerks, police officers, nurses and teachers. These are the girls on whom the future of Kaliyachak and its neighbouring villages depends. Imagine what the next 350 girls could do with your support.

The community of Kaliyachak is more than willing to do their part. Samaj Kalyan Mandal, a local community-based organization, will run the school. They'll begin preparing in January for the new school year. The buildings are in good condition, and the teachers are ready to join back up at short notice. All they need is the money.

Please, donate whatever you can today. Every donation counts -- no gift is too small. And if we reach our 10,00,000 goal in the next few weeks, we will be able to restart the school in April 2017. We'll be sure to let you know when the school opens and report on how the students are doing.

On behalf of the community at Kaliyachak, Samaj Kalyan Mandal and FORRAD, we thank you for your support.

The Foundation for Rural Recovery and Development (FORRAD) has supported 450 grassroots projects over the last 36 years. FORRAD and Samaj Kalyan Mandal have partnered since 1985.