Journey of Khurdban
Story of Change
Khurdban village is located in Jagadhri Tehsil of Yamunanagar district in Haryana, India. It is situated 25km away from sub-district headquarter Jagadhri and 22km away from district headquarter Yamunanagar. As per 2009 stats, Khurdban village is also a gram panchayat. The total geographical area of village is 547 hectares. Khurdban has a total population of 2,299 peoples. There are about 448 houses in Khurdban village. As per 2019 stats, Khurdban villages comes under Radaur assembly & Kurukshetra parliamentary constituency. Yamunanagar is nearest town to Khurdban
Khurdban village is administrated by Gram Panchayat. People of Khurdban are living in very peaceful manner. The people are from different castes and communities. Khurdban village has a very proud history. Khurdban is an ancient village having produced gallantry awarded defence personnel and martyrs. Agriculture is the main profession of residents of Khurdban. Khurdban village is still waiting for Mega Industrial development. Education, Drinking water, Road and Electricity are the main concern Khurdban village. There is no doubt that much improvement has been made in this respect in recent times but it is not enough.
The story of Khurdban village is not less of a miracle. When migration of villagers has become a key issue in every village of country Khurdban has become a beacon panchayat in recent times. People are considering to stay in the village as khurdban is providing all the facilities of a city to its community and also generating their own revenue and providing employment to many.
The Panchayats receive funds from three sources:

• Local body grants, as recommended by the Central Finance Commission
• Funds for implementation of centrally sponsored schemes
• Funds released by the state governments on the recommendations of the State Finance Commissions. Rural Local Bodies have the duties of providing basic amenities and civic services to rural population. The Rural Local bodies are empowered to collect taxes to raise their own resources to perform their duties. However, the funds collected through their own revenues do not suffice. Therefore, the Government (Central and State) devolves part of their own tax revenues to the rural local bodies to meet their needs.

• Background-What is Own Source Revenue (OSR)
Cosidering all these factors, Ex-Sarpanch Sh. Yuvraj Sharma visioned Khurdban as a smart village after continuous meetings and mobilisation of Gram Sabha members. Gram Panchayat Khurdban came up with an exciting idea to create their own source of revenue at the same time developing their village from leveraging funds from various departments. Gram Sabha analysed the demand from villagers and came up with an innovative idea of self-sustained revenue model.
GRAM PANCHAYAT KHURDBAN, HARYANA
NATIONAL Awardee Panchayat
Intervention-Community Hall
Earlier every marriage in khurdban was conducted at school grounds or empty plots which produced tons of wastage and pollution in village, looking at this problem sarpanch proposed to make a community hall which could be rented for functions such as wedding or other social gatherings. Proposal was accepted by gram sabha and community hall was made for the village a nominal charge was kept in order to look after the operational cost of hall. This initiative was vaery well executed and now not only people from khurdband but adjoining panchayats also perform their social rituals in this community hall.
Yoga classes got started for community in order to stay healthy and fit. This activity got recognition from various nearby villages and people started to come to Khurdban. A beautiful lush green ground has been developed for villagers to sit and relax.
• Shops on rent

Gram panchayat constructed shops for villagers to be given on rent on monthly basis. This activity created a shopping complex in village and all of the shops are now booked for local businesses like grocery, medicine etc. This again increased the revenue of Gram panchayat and provided employment to many from khurdban.
Every civil construction like canals, roads etc. has been made by leveraging scheme like MGNREGA which guarantees employment of 100 days. This in turn increased the income of villagers thereby increasing Panchayats revenue.
Fishery was started in Khurdban after getting necessary funds and assistance from Fishery department leveraging their scheme. All the manpower was again deployed through MGNREGA. These ponds where auctioned every and all the produce is exported in nearby cities. This added to the revenue of Gram panchayat.
Gram panchayat made a badminton hall for their children and youth with international standards and started taking user fee on every registration this helped in achieving two thing, first the youth of khurdban is engaged in sports and fitness and secondly it started in generating revenue also. Today there are many players coming from cities like sonipat to get enrolled in Badminton.
Gram Panchayat also opened a gymnasium (user fee based) for village youth and fitness enthusiast. This project was appreciated by many nearby panchayats and it is providing good revenue also. This gymnasium has world class equipment and training facility in it.
Khurdban Panchayat also started their restaurant which has all the facility of a modern urban eatery with the help from HSRLM. Now youth of Khurdban is not only getting the taste and variety of a good restaurant in their own village but they are also employment from it.
Khurdban also has a Digital Anganwadi with fully functional smart class and playground which is again developed by contribution of villagers. Children are now getting good education on very nominal fee in a very healthy environment.
Gram panchayat purchased a vehicle for collecting garbage from every household by taking a small fee from every house. This in turn helped to get the village clean and also provided good revenue.
Khurdban also developed a beautiful park with fountain and now this is major attraction for nearby villages.
Future Plans

➢ Shopping Mall
➢ Swimming Pool
➢ Cricket Stadium

Gram Panchayat has planned many ambitious projects for Khurdwan and they are also planning to mobilize more revenue through OSR from conducting IEC activities so that people of village can take ownership of every project.
Thank you

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