

TPCDT organises awareness session on government schemes for destitute women in Dherand and Shahapur Villages, Maharashtra

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Tata Power Community Development Trust (TPCDT), has always undertaken various activities with an aim to improve the quality of life and uplift the economic conditions of its surrounding communities. In line with this, TPCDT organised an awareness session for the destitute women to avail the benefits of government schemes in Dherand and Shahapur villages, Maharashtra.

The objective of this initiative was to sensitize the women in the villages especially the widows about their rights and enable them to enrol in government beneficiary schemes. A total of 42 Self Help Group (SHG) members participated in the session which was followed by a form filling exercise. The attendees were informed about various schemes which included National Assistance Schemes and pension schemes.

Speaking on the initiative, **Mr. Ashok Sethi, COO & Executive Director, Tata Power**, said *“We, at Tata Power have always been committed to the well-being of our communities. We always strive hard to empower the women community to enable them with a bright and secured future and also aid towards their financial and social empowerment. This session will make them aware of various benefits provided by the government and help uplift the society at large. We are extremely delighted with the response we have received for this awareness session.”*

Key functionaries including Mr. Sudheer Thale, Sarpanch - Group Gram Panchyat Shahapur and Mrs. Madhuri Bhoir, Gramsevika - Group Gram Panchayat, Shahapur also participated in the session. During FY 17, TPCDT targets to enrol 33 destitute widows and old age people in various Government pension schemes. Out of these, 10 cases have already been proceeded with the revenue department.

