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A Gujarati is always keen to give back to society that has nurtured him. He helps others either by gyan daan or bhaav daan. There are many ways of helping others

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Philanthropy is a strong trait of **Gujaratis** who strongly believe in the spirit of cooperation. **Economic** might of **Gujarat** owes a lot to the philanthropic groups and individuals

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Providing free education to children, developing skills among the youth, offering sustainable livelihood options to communities and helping people lead a life of dignity is philanthropy at its best, believes Adani Foundation chairperson **Dr Priti G Adani**

he best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others". A service extended out of compassion and devoid of selfish motives, a thought by Mahatma Gandhi, is our core philosophy at the Adani Foundation.

We as Gujaratis are known for the never-say-die spirit in all pursuits of life, be it the fight against oppression, running a business or leading the nation. Philanthropy is simply the inner satisfaction obtained by promoting the welfare of others with no self-centred motive or returns.

Philanthropy, for a Gujarati, is done out of love for fellow human beings. Worldwide, Gujaratis are not only known for their entrepreneurial spirit but also appreciated for their zest in giving back to the society.

Simple acts of compassion by each of us can help in building a prosperous society. A passionate

team of 250 committed professionals at Adani Foundation has been relentlessly working towards uplifting Education, Community Health, Sustainable Livelihood and Rural Infrastructure Development in 12 states across India. This is our bit in contributing towards nation building.

Helping is an inherent quality in humans. But helping someone in need with compassion is what makes the experience fulfilling. It is said, charity is of three kinds: helping with money, knowledge and showering love and compassion. Making someone capable enough to the extent of helping him live a life with dignity is charity done worthwhile.

By introducing and implementing System of Rice Intensification method on 4,000 acres of farmland in 42 villages empowering 2,050 farmers in Tiroda region of Maharashtra, Adani Foundation not only introduced the SRI method of farming **Gujaratis are** not only known globally for their entrepreneurial spirit but also for their zest in giving back to the society

in the region but was also instrumental in increasing the productivity and income levels of the farmers. This intervention has helped the farmers to live a selfreliant life.

"Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach him to fish and he feeds himself for a lifetime". Adani Foundation believes in this philosophy and hence provides a conducive environment to help people thus

empowering themselves.

To give an example, the fishing community in Mundra, Kutch, is being provided with education to the kids, developing skills in youth, providing sustainable livelihood options to women thereby assisting them in leading an independent life.

Children are the future of our country. Giving them holistic education in their formative years helps shape the future of our nation. By providing necessary resources and completely free-ofcost education in Adani Vidhya Mandirs, we are shaping 2,000 young minds every year to achieve excellence in whatever they intend to do in future. A similar intervention SuPoshan, with an aim to reduce malnutrition among kids, is being carried out in 250 villages across India.

Today's youth is socially conscious and they will take the legacy forward. The essence of life is to serve others and do well.