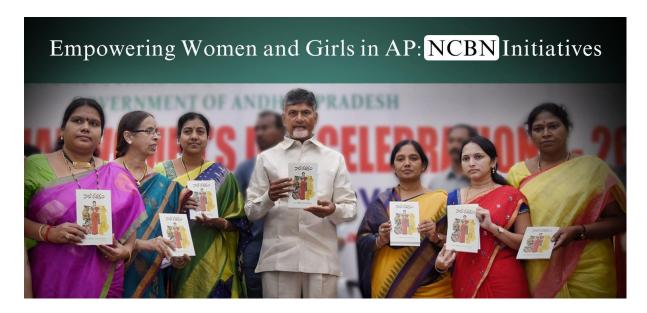
Empowering Women and Girls in AP: NCBN Initiatives

During his tenure, the former Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Shri Nara Chandrababu Naidu, the president of <u>TDP political party</u> has implemented several initiatives and programs to support women and girls in the DWACRA area. These initiatives include

- 1. The construction of housing for housewives.
- 2. Financial assistance for minority women in self-help groups.
- 3. Rehabilitation for Jogini women.
- 4. The distribution of free bicycles to students from low-income families.
- 5. The provision of 3-wheeled bicycles for disabled students.

One of the main initiatives led by the TDP Government under the leadership of N. Chandrababu Naidu is the construction of 36,452 houses under the "Housewife (DWACRA)" program. This initiative aims to provide safe and affordable housing for women in the area, to address the issue of housing insecurity and homelessness among women. By providing access to stable and safe housing, the TDP Government of AP hopes to improve the overall well-being and ability of women to access other services and opportunities in the area.



Another accomplishment of Chandrababu Naidu is the provision of loan assistance of Rs.5000 per 10,000 to minority women belonging to Self Help Groups. This financial assistance is aimed at helping women to start or expand small businesses, which can improve their economic opportunities and financial stability, and help them to become self-sufficient. Additionally, it will help them to develop a sense of community by working in groups.

The rehabilitation of Jogini women is also a significant initiative led by N Chandrababu Naidu. The program is aimed at addressing the issue of exploitation and marginalization of Jogini women, who are often forced into a life of sexual servitude and have limited opportunities for education and employment. The rehabilitation program provides these women with education and vocational training, as well as financial assistance and other support to help them to transition to a more independent and sustainable lifestyle.

The distribution of free bicycles to 2 lakh students at a cost of Rs.30 crores is another important Chandrababu Naidu contribution. This program aims to improve access to education for girls and boys who live in remote or rural areas, and also helps to reduce the dropout rate among students. The program is targeted at students from poor families studying from 8th standard to the first year of intermediate in government/local body schools and aided schools. The Girls Benefit High School Education Committee will consider the applications of the beneficiaries, and preference is given to girls who have to come to school from a distance. Beneficiaries are selected from the students of the Junior College by a committee consisting of the Principal, two lecturers, and a representative of the Mandal Samakhya.

The provision of 3-wheeler bicycles to disabled students is also a high-priority initiative led by the TDP Government, which aims to improve access to education and other opportunities for students with disabilities. The program also includes taking back the cycle from the dropout to another deserving student, this helps the students who are no longer studying to give a chance to other students who are in need.