

# **NIRMAN**

## ***Youth for Purposeful Life***

### **Vision**

Poverty, food shortage, energy crisis, child deaths, global warming, unemployment..... There is no dearth of problems. There could be many more challenges that are still unidentified. However the youth with social commitment and professional talent needed to tackle these challenges is generally missing. How to nurture a new generation of leadership to take up social challenges?

NIRMAN started in June 2006 as an initiative to sensitize selected youth in Maharashtra to societal problems and to identify and nurture social change makers.

NIRMAN encourages **self-search** for the development of one's life mission. NIRMAN provides guidance, expertise and environment to inculcate self-learning so that youth can lead a deeply satisfying and meaningful life.

### **Approach**

NIRMAN has developed an educational process to systematically cultivate new leadership amongst the selected students/professionals.

The educational process includes:

NIRMAN Camps  
NIRMAN Fellowships  
NIRMAN Samudaay

### **NIRMAN Camps**

This is a series of 4 residential camps (each of about 7-9 days) that are organized once in every 6 months for the selected youth. In the intermediate period, the participants get in touch with each other, carry group activities and get further exposure to societal issues through self-initiation.

### **NIRMAN Fellowships**

This is an advanced phase of NIRMAN process. The enriched youth who participated in the process of NIRMAN camps and those who want to pursue a deeper and fulltime search for their life mission while contributing to the society can enter into NIRMAN Fellowship. This is a one year process of problem based experiential learning and identification of self through it.

### **NIRMAN Samudaay**

Though NIRMAN was initiated primarily as an idea by SEARCH (Society for Education, Action and Research in Community Health – [www.searchgadchiroli.org](http://www.searchgadchiroli.org)) to identify and nurture social change-makers amongst the youth, now a group of about 30 leading figures in Maharashtra are actively contributing for the same.

The youth and these leading figures and other supporters, together form the NIRMAN Samudaay which shares this dream – *'of solving social problems and developing new generation of leadership'*.

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