

The Jhadoo Pochcha Kranti Fellowship (hosted by #Shikshantar) invites 12 young women (ages 18-28) from low-income semi-urban neighborhoods of Udaipur to participate in a 3 month leadership development program. These young women have walked out of formal education. They work as domestic cleaning help in the morning and work on the fellowship in the afternoons. We deeply respect and honour the work they do to support their families. We seek to nurture and grow the intense power, love and creativity that they hold due to their life struggles.

During the fellowship, the women are learning many skills like healthy cooking, organic farming, upcycled natural jewellery, community arts, grassroots filmmaking, theatre, etc. They are also developing their communication skills, management skills, facilitation skills and research skills by setting up stalls, doing neighbourhood projects, and offering workshops to younger girls around the city. They are also expanding their vision of what's possible by visiting many inspiring projects and social leaders of Udaipur such as Sukoon, Millets of Mewar, Sadhana Women's Cooperative, Ecohut, Tapovan Ashram, Jail University, Pukaar. They will also meet local government officials and business leaders.

Following the fellowship, the Udaipur as a Learning City project will support these young women leaders in working on their own regenerative startups, getting experiences in internships, becoming learning facilitators, etc. to bring new life to the city and strengthen the local culture, community life and ecology. Several will be selected to be on the Udaipur team for the International Gigatonne Climate Challenge.













