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2016-2017 SAMAJ KALYAN FOUNDATION



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PREFACE

Ever since the constitution of Samaj Kalyan Foundation by some like-minded people belonging to different age groups and different sections of the society in the year 2002, our organization is working in some devoted issues of women and child development, Health & Nutrition, environment, education, micro enterprise promotion, Cluster Development, protection and promotion of rights of different vulnerable segments of the society and management of natural disasters in the state of Odisha. Now it gives us immense pleasure to present the annual report for the year 2016-2017. Another eventful year is completed in the history of Samaj Kalyan Foundation, which would be ever remembered. The year is meaningful in achieving some milestones in the field of development with our own unique experience and expertise in implementing different development initiatives. This is only possible due to the hard work and commitment of our staffs, volunteers and other individual(s) directly or indirectly associated with our mission. We are very much thankful to them and delighted to present our achievements and thoughts in a systematic manner in this small report.

Samaj Kalyan Foundation believes that participatory approach of development and community participation at grassroots level is one of the keys for success of our activities. We would never forget the felt support and positive attitude of the community towards our programmes, and at this juncture we are also inviting them to come closer and extend their full cooperation in the development process that is meant for them.

Financial constraint has always remained as a barrier to shape up our dream. However, due to the support of our partners and members, we are marching towards our vision and mission in a collaborative approach. At this juncture, we are very much thankful to UNICEF and Shamdasani foundation for their support in our work. We wish their support would continue in the days ahead also for supporting the stakeholders to witness a better tomorrow.

SAMAI KALYAN FOUNDATION- AN OVERVIEW

Background & Formation

Samaj Kalyan Foundation is a non-Government, non-political, non-profit making organization engaged in the field of social development. It was founded by a group of likeminded social activists in the year 2000 and registered under Indian Trusts Registration Act, 1882, on 5th July 2002. The organization is formed with a wider concept of holistic and realistic development approach.

Legal status

Samaj Kalyan Foundation is registered under Indian Trusts Registration Act. 1882, on 5th July 2002 bearing registration no. 6317/1471/IV. It is also registered under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 (FCRA) bearing the registration number 104830241 and subsequently renewed in the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 on03/08/2016.

Broad Objective

Emphasizing community Development through people's participation and assuring the common masses to live with pride, dignity and peace is the core objective of SKF. Health, Environment, Education, livelihoods, Management of Natural Resources, Rehabilitation of the PWDs, Women & child Welfare, Culture and training and capacity building of the stakeholders, providing development support services to like-minded organizations etc. are some of the other objectives of SKF towards building a healthy society so that all the people shall be involved in the process of development initiatives.

Vision:

An Institution, where aspiration of every individual is achieved through innovative models of research & action programmes.

Mission:

Development through Research & innovation.

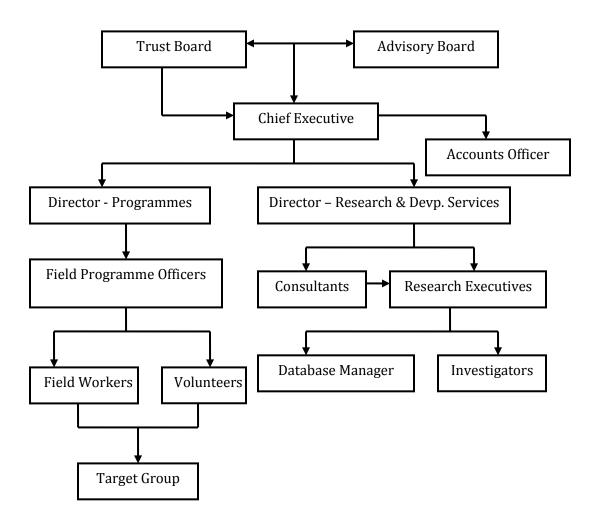
Board of Management

Broadly the affairs of SKF is managed by its trust board, but apart from its trust board members, SKF has constituted an Advisory Board to guide the team from time to time in taking forward the mission of SKF and execution of action programmes.

Area of Operation

Implementation of direct Projects: India Development Support Service: India

Organogram of Samaj Kalyan Foundation



Activities Round Up

Training & Capacity Building

Training & Refresher of Nursing faculties on Nutrition Components

With an aim to support nursing tutors/faculties on different National Nutrition programmes as per the revised nutrition curriculum, SKF organized training & Refresher of the nursing tutors/faculties in collaboration with UNICEF and Directorate of Nursing, (Dept. of H&FW, Govt. of Odisha). In total four batches of training and twelve batches of refresher conducted during the month of August & September 2016 on different National Nutrition Programmes as per revised curriculum for the nursing tutors/faculties. The training batches were of three days duration while the refreshers were conducted for one day each with the similar subject matters as in the training. The subjects covered under the programme included Basics of Nutrition, Basics of IYCF, WHO Growth Monitoring, Management of Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) and Concepts of Nutrition Rehabilitation Centre (NRC), Modalities of implementation of National iron Plus initiative (NIPI), Importance of Iodine Deficiency Disorder and its effects on growth & development of children Importance of VAS and De-worming for children and maternal calcium supplementation & de-worming. Finally, in order to assess the impact of the training, a pre and post test was conducted among the trainees to map their understanding and the same is placed in the report in specific subjects/chapters in a consolidated form.



Resource Person from UNICEF imparting Training



Resource person clearing doubt during the training session

Study & Research

SKF partnering with different I/NGOs and corporate bodies has undertaken scores of research in their respective operational areas.

Second Mid-Term Evaluation of MKSP:

Mahila Kissan Sasaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP) is a flagship programme of Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India to empower women farmers through promotion of sustainable agriculture practices. Besides, it also aims to contribute for improved health and nutritional security, reduction of drudgery of women agriculture workforce and their socio-economic empowerment. The project is undertaken by LAVS as the PIA in 88 villages of two Blocks of Koraput District namely Pottangi and Semiliguda. The assignment included household survey, FGD, KII and process analysis to map the progress, finding gaps and suggestive measures for further improvisation.





Evaluation under progress

Socio Economic Survey for the supplemental survey for Odisha Forestry Sector Project (Phase-II):

SKF has assisted the Nippon Koei Co. Ltd. Japan in preparation of the road map and detailed project proposal for a 10 years forestry sector development project in Odisha with a budget provision of more than 200 crores supported by JICA. It has taken the responsibility of conducting technical-socio-economic survey , data base preparation, analysis and findings-cum-demand from the community which is being integrated into the project for preparation of a techno-physically viable project meant for the poor forest dwellers of the State of Odisha.









Survey under Progress in forest fringe villages

Field level Interventions

Cluster Development:

Samaj Kalyan Foundation is working on cluster development activities for coir sector, handicrafts, etc. since last 8 years. It is implementing an income augmentation programme for Adolescent girls and women engaged in coir sector in Sakhigopal. They are formed into Self Help Groups and engaged in coir yarn, mat & mattings and handicraft items. Similarly, SKF has imparted coir handicraft making training to adolescent girls and women in 10 villages of Nimapada and Gop Blocks and they are now selling their items in Konark and Puri and also participating in different District level trade fairs, Rathayatra festival, Konark Dance Festival etc.



Coir Sector Activities by SKF

SKF is the Implementing partner for *SFURTI programme by Ministry of MSME, Govt. of India* for Konark Coir Cluster. Ground level works including survey of artisans, data base preparation, submission of DSR and DPR to Coir Board, Cochi, the nodal agency of the programme has already been completed. The programme will be launched very soon to meet the need of coir artisans working in the area and providing market linkage to their products.

Promotion of Agriculture:

The System of Rice Intensification, popularly known as SRI, is an environmentally sustainable farming method that has helped smallholder farmers across the globe to increase their yields. SRI yields are attributed to the ways that farmers manage their crop. The potential for growth of each individual plant is maximized through provision of necessary amounts of space, air, water and nutrients. The SRI method functions by individually planting rice seedlings at a younger age than standard planting practices require, and separating the seedlings by wider-than-normal intervals. Land farmed according to the System of Rice Intensification method also benefits from precise and sparing irrigation usage, and healthy soil through aeration practices and organic matter enrichment. In this way, the SRI method ultimately conserves valuable resources, and preserves the condition of the land. A training programme on SRI method was organized for farmers of Gop Block at Gop Block Office conference Hall on 15/11/2016. The resource persons demonstrated the farmers with audio visual methods about the success of SRI and the Chief Executive of SKF encouraged farmers to adopt the method to enhance their productivity in natural, economic and sustainable manner.

Water & sanitation:

Safe and clean drinking water is still remained as a distance dream to rural people in remote areas and the situation becomes worse during rainy season. Moreover, open defecation is a common practice in rural areas till today, which is a major cause of diseases and contamination of water. In this context, we have prepared IEC material on the issue and distributed in our project villages of Gop, Kakatpur, Astaranga and Bramhagiri Block of Puri district to spread mass awareness among the rural mass. The IEC activities include walling, booklets, pamphlets and posters etc.

In partnership with SVADHA Wash Pvt. Ltd., we are in a process of social marketing of low cost models of different sanitary mats and also making contextual integration of these mats into different on-going sanitation programmes run by development agencies and Govt. including Swachha Bharat Mission.

Plantation:

Plantation has become vital to rescue planet earth from pollution and balancing temperature. Every year, with the help of Horticulture department, we promote plantation activities in our project areas. During this year we have planted more than 5,000 saplings of different varieties in school premises, panchayat office premise and community lands in Satyabadi and Bramhagiri Block of Puri District.

Apart from the community level plantation activities, we have provided fruit bearing and vegetables seeds and saplings to the beneficiaries in our project villages under Gop Block to grow in their backyard with an aim to promote plantation activities and enhance nutritional intake.

Vocational training

Samaj Kalyan Foundation works towards promoting a self-reliant society and to fulfill the interest, we are providing vocational training to rural youths on different viable and need based trades, which will ultimately help them to stand on their own, providing sustainable livelihoods and income upgradation to their respective families after completion of the training. In this direction, we have imparted mason, carpentry, computer hardware and mobile repairing training to 100 rural youths (25 in each category) in Jatani block project area of Khurda district. The trainees of mason & carpentry will be engaged in different sites of Bhubaneswar and its peripheries soon, as there is huge demand for such skilled persons due to booming housing projects. On the other hand, the trainees of computer hardware and mobile repairing will either start their own set up or be engaged in different such shops or set ups.

Child Rights

The Convention on Rights of the Child (CRC) and the charter followed by the members of United Nations, including India, clearly mentions that every child has four basic rights like right to survival, development, protection and participation. Childhood is a phase of life that should be enjoyed by every child without any interference. But the rights are violated every day, and children are forced to do many heinous practices like prostitution, bonded or forced labour *etc.* and lead a life of adults at a tender age. It is the duty of every concerned individual to protect their rights, as the former are not capable for so. Protection and promotion of child rights is one of the thrust areas of *SKF* and we are associated with the child rights protection forums of the state and work with them for lobby, advocacy of protection and promotion of child rights.

Early Childhood Care & Education

Early childhood care and Education plays a pivotal role in the development of a child and the society, at a larger whole. This involves care of the expecting mother in the pre-natal stage of a child till its development up to 5 years of age. Pre-natal stage of a child is most important phase and the expecting mother should know all these matters. In our project areas, more specifically in tribal regions of Balangir and Mayurbhanj district, we are educating the women folk and adolescent girls on such issues. It is a continuous programme of SKF and it has a very good impact on the tribal folk. We are in the process to provide day care facilities to such children whose mothers are engaged outside.

Education material support:

SKF has always given importance on education of children, more specifically those who are deprived of it due to different socioeconomic barriers. In this context, in our project area of Jashipur Block, Mayurbhanj district, we are counseling parents of school drop-outs and child labourers engaged in different works, for continuing education in formal schools. To accelerate the process of retention of these children in formal schools, we are providing teaching learning materials (TLM) to 60 such children and also educating them at the evening hours in order to prepare them for enrollment in mainstream education.

In order to facilitate and inculcate reading habit among the school going children, we have started library facilities in our project villages which are having a number of books including story books, autobiography/biography of great people, moral education books, books based on history & mythology etc. Children are showing interest in such facility and read books as per their choice and requirement.

Skill development Training to WSHGs:

Sakhigopal (Satyabadi Block) is famous for coir sector in Eastern region of the country and a large number of women and adolescent girls are engaged in this sector, both as skilled and unskilled labour to produce coir yarn, mats and mattings, handicraft items, office and household decorative items etc.

In collaboration with the coir unit owners, we are providing skill development training to 50 WSHG members engaged in this sector with an aim to enhance their skill and help them to earn more than the amount they are earning at present. The training is proved to be beneficial to these WSHG members as they are earning more. We are also in the process of providing them training on their rights, different schemes and programmes of Govt. for their benefit so that they will be aware and avail the scope.

Promotion of micro enterprises:

Unemployment and poverty pose major challenges to the growth and prosperity of our country. In order to mitigate the problem of rural unemployment, some new avenues for employment generation need to be found within the rural areas. It is also felt that generation of additional and adequate employment in rural areas will reduce poverty. Micro finance and micro enterprise activities are positive directions in providing sustainable livelihoods and income upgradation. The groups in Puri and Khurda district were provided training on appliqué work and coir handicraft items and now they are engaged in these activities, earning substantially to support their families.

In this process, with an aim to upgrade the economic condition of the poor indigenous tribal community, SKF with support from Samdashani Foundation, has provided Banaraj chicks to ten WSHGs in Matiagarh and Durudura village under Jashipur Block of Mayurbhanj district. The women were provided basic training on poultry keeping. Now, they are taking proper care of the chicks which are at a grown up stage. It is expected that these poor women will get benefit out of this activity by earning income and provide nutritional support to their children.

Disabilities sector activities:

SKF promotes Prevention and rehabilitation PWDs in its project area. This year we have organized 06 camps one each in Puri Sadar, Satyabadi and Bramhagiri Blocks of Puri district and Balipatna, Balianta and Bhubaneswar Blocks of Khurda district to identify different problems faced by the PWDs, especially the disabled women. We have invited personnel from the VRCH, Bhubaneswar and other resource persons to orient the PWDs and their parents on different schemes and programmes of the Govt. and facilities available from other sources as well.

At this stage, SKF is interested to document the best practices evolved out of the processed adopted for community based rehabilitation of PWDs in the State of Odisha and planning to approach the SSEPD Dept., Govt. of Odisha and VRCH to for support and guidance.

Awareness on HIV/AIDS:

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) has become the greatest threat to the human existence in this 21st century. According to an estimate AIDS spreads mainly among the young and reproductive age groups. WHO has estimated and warned that about 7000 young people get infected every day with HIV. It is perfectly said that prevention is better that cure and since there is no known care for this deadly disease, it can only be preventable with large-scale awareness among the community. On this subject, a sensitization meeting cum workshop was organized at Balipatana of Khurda district on 1st December 2016, the world AIDS day.

Life Skills Education Training to the Adolescents (ARSH):

Life skills have been defined by the World Health Organization (WHO) as "abilities for adaptive and positive behavior that enable individuals to deal effectively with the demands and challenges of everyday life". They represent the psycho-social skills that determine valued behaviour and include reflective skills such as problem-solving and critical thinking, to personal skills such as self-awareness, and to interpersonal skills. Practicing life skills leads to qualities such as self-esteem, sociability and tolerance, to action competencies to take action and generate change, and to capabilities to have the freedom to decide what to do and who to be.

Adolescent Reproductive & Sexual Health (ARSH) is one of the components of life skill education and capacity building of adolescents on the issue is of greater significance in the present day context in order to aware them to live a healthy life in future. Taking this into consideration, we have organised a 3 days training programme for such target group and imparted training on management of adolescent health, hygiene, sexual orientation, behavior, menstrual health, reproductive health etc. Total 35 High School students from 05 High Schools under Gop Block participated in the training programme.

Workshop-cum-Training on Panchayati Raj:

The 73rd amendment of the Constitution mandates Government to endow the Panchayati Raj Institutions with such powers and authority as may be necessary to enable them to function as institutions of self-Government. But in the context of our state, more than 60% of the PRI members are not aware of their roles and responsibilities, powers and functions etc. In order to generate awareness among the PRI member about their roles & responsibilities and different Govt. schemes & programmes to be channelized through them to reach the beneficiaries, we have conducted a three days training programme from 12th-15th March 2017 at Balipatana, Khurda. Total 50 PRIs from 7 GPs of Balipatana Block participated in the programme.

Consumer welfare and protection activities:

A Workshop –cum -Awareness Programme for rural change agents like students, school teachers, WSHG members, Anganwadi Workers, PRI members etc. was organized on 15th March 2017, on the occasion of World Consumer Rights Day at Banamalipur High School, Banamalipur, Khurda, Odisha. The workshop was meant to raise the level of awareness of the CBOs like youth club members, WSHG members, grassroots organizations, PRI members, School teachers, Anganwadi Workers, school and college students, etc. on different rights of a consumer which will ultimately motivate them to spread awareness in their region on consumer rights. The workshop was attended by 70 participants from 3 GPs in the periphery of Banamalipur.

Foundation day celebration:

The Annual Meet (Foundation day) of Samaj Kalyan Foundation was organized at Hotel Excellency, Bhubaneswar on 5th July 2016 associating its board members, staffs, advisors, consultants, service providing agencies and well wishers. During the meet, the Chief Executive, Mr. Kasintah Jena welcomed all the guests and gave a brief introduction the journey of SKF. Ms. Anusuya Jena made a presentation on the activities undertaken during the previous financial year (2015- 2016) and also presented the budget for the coming financial year (2017-2018). The advisors and consultants also put forth their views & suggestions on different strategies of fund raising and HR management for the growth and sustenance of the organization.



The C.E., SKF, Welcoming Guests



The Director, SKF making presentation on Activities of SKF



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