

Annual Report of Diocesan Social Work Society for 2011-2012

Brief History of the Organization:

The Diocesan Social Work Society, Lucknow (DSWS) is a registered nonprofit making charitable organization registered under Societies Registration Act XXI, 1860 No.855/91-92. Ever since its existence, the DSWS has been engaged in the process of empowering the poor, socially excluded and the marginalized and attempts to incarnate the social justice, peace and fullness of life to all in the structures of the society. We help the marginalized especially the women and the socially excluded population to liberate themselves and come to the mainstreams of the society. To achieve this, DSWS adopts various measures to work as an effective agent of social change. We consider this mission as our preaching of God's kingdom of Justice, Peace and Equality.

As of today, DSWS has a full time Director, a full time Asst. Director, Program Officer, Program Coordinator for differently able people, 4 development coordinators, one women coordinator, 7 supervisors, 16 Block Nutrition Facilitators (BNF) and 45 animators who are successfully carrying out developmental programs and engaged in 400 villages of 10 districts in Uttar Pradesh.



VISION: We visualize a society based on Gospel values such as Justice, peace, equality and fullness of life for all.

MISSION: To empower the marginalized sections of society, especially the women, dalits, children and neglected in the Society, by raising their socio, economical, political, moral, spiritual and health status.

Activities Undertaken so far:

- Motivating village level organizations for initiating development activities at Village for their development.
- Initiating the process of group activities for the empowerment of women.
- Awareness generation of the community through health group and health sessions.
- Animation and awareness program using puppetry, street play etc.
- Initiating the process of self help groups, CBOs and federation for the sustainability of these groups.
- Motivating health group members for regular group meetings to discuss and prioritize the identified problems such as HIV/AIDS, etc. for the growth and development of village.
- Formation of Self - Help Groups, linkage with banks and inter loaning process.
- Promoting vaccination program for pregnant women and children.
- Providing linkage process to group's for getting benefit from service providers/ stake holders
- Awareness on legal literacy
- Community Rehabilitation of Differently abled.

To achieve these above objectives and activities we had a band of workers and volunteers working in different areas under different projects.



OUR ACHIEVEMENTS ON INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS:

City Makers Project

- 4 permanent shelters were caused to be constructed by the municipal corporation after joint advocacy meeting with Nagar Nigam and Mayor of Lucknow
- With our effort 72 persons applied for voter ID cards and 35 person received voter ID cards.
- 75 construction labours applied in labour office for the registration and 262 construction labours registered in under labour welfare board.
- 35 houses have been allotted to poor families under Kashiram Urban poor Housing schemes.



Networking with the other partners



explaining about the benefits of union



Our participation in May day at Railway stadium & cooperative auditorium



Capacity Building of the Rickshaw pullers & Presentation of the Charter of demands to Rural Development Minister

GAD Project

- 160 low cost toilet constructed and 11 toilet under construction with the help of Sampurn Swatchhata Abhiyan in 12 villages.
- 24 girls enrolled in remedial classes.
- 10 dropout girls enrolled in literacy classes.
- 160 adolescent girls enrolled in training center for the Tailoring & Beautician course.
- A total 61 trained adolescent girls are earning through beautician, tailoring and beauty parlors in community.
- 1 Information Centre has been established at the village level for enhancing information of girls about health rights and other social issues.
- Total 15 adolescent girl groups are formed in 12 villages and 30 adolescent are members in each groups.
- 638 parents are made aware about the importance of equal health treatment, education, opportunity and participation in decision making for girl development.
- 10 women have taken lead to register of new born child and have registered their new born child.
- 190 adolescent girls have increased their technical knowledge on reproductive health & hygiene, AIDS & life skills by Aasha, ANM & project staff through training program.



Formation of adolescent groups



Inauguration of center



Vocational (beautician) center



Information center

Community health Program Nanpara, District Bahraich

- 16 staff members increased their knowledge and capacity building on street play, awareness song, Leadership skill, use of Herbal Medicine, RCH, SHG Formation skills, Legal awareness and structure of PRI.
- A Total of 6597 people including men, women and children are made aware about importance of health and education in their life through street play and health awareness organized by project staff.
- 26 S.H.G are formed.
- A Total 770 people including women, children and adolescent benefited from Health Camps



Initial interactions with the people



Work with women



Networking with the Govt and Non Government Organizations for Health Camp.

Community Health Program - Gosaiganj block, District of Lucknow

- 20 Animators increase their knowledge on RCH and its component.
- 95% deliveries are being held in intuitions in project area.
- 100% children immunized according immunization time plan.
- 429 community leaders including health committees members aware about children and women health status during pregnancy period through training program
- In our project area 20 TBAs are capacitated through TBA training program. Now they are conducting safe delivery.
- The community people are aware about prevention from communicable and seasonal disease at village level.
- The community people basically women have been the learned preparation of ORS.
- The villagers are aware about importance of immunization, intuitional delivery, ANC during pregnancy period, herbal medicine, prevention from communicable disease, importance of girl child education and aware of education entitlements.
- The villagers are aware of indigenous herbal medicines.
- The people have started the plantation of new herbal plants in their villages.
- The villagers are aware of HIV/AIDS and they have the knowledge of four basic causes of HIV/AIDS.
- A Total of 79 S.H.G, 37 adolescent groups, 23 federations and 60 C.B.Os are formed and their members have improved their leadership skills. They are involved in the functioning of health services such as routine immunization, health checkups of pregnant woman by ANM.
- A Total 9240 people benefited from Govt. social welfare schemes.



Kishori Training at Gosainganj area

IDEA Project in Nigohan, Lucknow & Banki Block of Barabanki

- Total 2733 people benefited under Social Security Schemes from Govt.
- 4 Gram Panchayats namely Karanpur, Dakhina, Sherpur and Bhaddisheersh are recognized by Govt. as model village panchayats.
- 41 C.B.Os leaders (Women) elected in PRI election in 2010 as Pradhan -01, BDC-02, Ward members-28 from different villages of the project area.
- A Total 52 VDP approved by the Gram Panchayat during the meetings of Gram Panchayat.
- A Total 137 micro plans prepared by villagers for village development in 10 GPs in last year.
- 25 monitoring reports have been submitted to higher officials by vigilance committees.
- The higher officials have taken action against PRI for the improvement to construction work.
- A Total of 49 S.H.Gs. are formed in the project area.
- 12 federations are formed in the project area.
- 439 S.H.G members established business and they achieved 20% to 30% income increase of our family.



Mass Awareness through Puppetry



Training on PRI



Demonstration of health habits

Gonda Project: VISTAR

Accomplishment and mile stones of the program:

- Acceptance by DPO of the program is achieved.
- Restructuring of the centers in clusters is done.
- Sector meetings are held in time, in proper manner and proper participation.
- Before the training M.S were not interested in field visits. But after the training they are interested in the field visit and arrange for the field visits.

Participation of AWW in sector meeting:

- Presence of AWW and Asha's in the sector meetings in 2009 was 37 % and in 2011 it is 86%

VHND observation by Govt.

- In 2009 it was 0 check list were filled and 244 check list were filled by the Government workers in Dec. 2011

- VHND Bonners, equipments, were purchased from the untied funds of the panchayats.

Sustainable

- Sector meetings and their documentation will continue with a, attendance around 86%
- MS CDPO meetings will continue
- Attendances of AWW in VHND will continue

Requires support:

- VHND observation and check list by Govt. officials.
- Block level our District level convenience meeting
- Data entry and analysis by Govt. officials.
- Formation of TRG (Technical Resource Group).

Learning:

1. Build up the rapport/ linkage from higher authorities to lower level of workers.
2. Work with Govt. officials though linkages with different departments than water tight compartmentalized way
3. Building up of the capacity of the personnel will ensure the sustainability/ continuity of the work
4. The training programs were held late they have to be conducted to the initial stages.
5. Often change of the check list - the check list should be field tested and ensured error free at the initial stage.
6. Frequent change of decisions regarding the continuity of the makes the personnel non committal.
7. The tools for M&E have to be developed initially and shared and based on the same the monitoring and evaluation has to be done, rather than changing the tools on and off.



Discussion at Convergence Meeting



TOT of Mukya Sewikas



Monitoring of the Program



Liaising with Government Officials

The Liliane Fonds Program

We work in Lucknow Diocese with the differently able children; we are assisting altogether 151 children. Most of the children are studying in the Institutions. 42 children Visually Impaired are in Mohanlalganj , Navjyothi School remaining in the boarding, 49 children Hearing Impaired are in Thakurganj, St. Francis School with boarding facilities, 14 children Mentally Retarded in Hussainganj, Navdeep School, And 46 children are in their own houses that is from Gosaiganj, Barabaki and Nigohan area.



Meeting with the children and parents & Visiting the children at their houses especially when they are sick



Children are given the Tricycles



Visiting the children in the institutions by the mediator.

MICRO PROJECTS:

1. Non Formal Education For Poor Children:

Objectives:

- To conduct non formal schooling for the children
- To prepare the dropouts and admit them in the formal schools.

Results achieved

1. Non Formal education 10 centers – 250
2. Dropout children are back to School – 104

Welcome to the Assistant Director:

On Jan.5, 2012 Fr. Melwin Rozario Rodrigues, Assistant Director was welcomed to the family of Prabhat Tara. All the animators and co-ordinators were present for the welcome program.



Evaluations Conducted:

Evaluation of MMD program was conducted for the donor agency

Trainings/meetings attended:

1. Review meetings of Vistar Program
2. Meeting with IGSSS regarding City Makers
3. Meetings with UKSVK
4. Review meetings of IDEA program
5. RUPCHA meetings
6. Training on Project preparation of ADIKAR
7. National Workshop on Urban Poverty in India by Caritas India
8. Training of DDSWS, Delhi by Caritas India

Trainings facilitated:

- Training on RTI and legal awareness
- Training on PRI and the roles of the people's representatives
- Training on Social Workers and Religious Commitment to Cannosian Sisters
- Classes for MSW students at St. Joseph Women's College, Gorakpur

Exposures arranged:

1. Cannosian Sisters
2. XISS students

Charitable Works:

With the help of Catholic Diocese of Lucknow Society On 23rd and 24th December 2011 the whole staff of DSWS and Rastriya Garelu Kamgar Trust were busy in reaching the blankets to the individual identified persons and thus on 24th evening all the 310 identified persons received the blankets.

New Programs for the Year 2011-2012:

1. GAD program
2. Community Development Program at Nanpara.

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