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For Free & Quality Education Support to Children

Choroigora, Sirisboni, Chhotadhadika, Juktidih & Baboida
Ghatsila, East Singhbhum, Jharkhand



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From the Secretary's Desk ✎

Respected Chairman and Dear friends,

Warmest greetings to all !

On behalf of RDA, I am taking this opportunity to present the overall status of the organization in the year 2021-22. The activity report highlights our small initiatives, key achievements in spite of the critical phase we were passing through due to Corona Pandemic. The entire nation had to go through very difficult time, our life was jeopardised and the worst sufferers were the poor day laborers (wage earners) and migrated persons in search of jobs

Our main focus is to ensure food and income security through judicious use of natural resources and efficient utilization of Social Capital in view of enabling the target community to evolve a paradigm shift in the quality of life, based on sustainable livelihoods, followed by empowering them to fight for their legitimate rights and entitlements. Working on Child Rights, their development and keeping them safe has also become a major focus. Children were never neglected in our activities but such an organized drive has not been taken up before 2012. Terre des Hommes, Suisse deserves our heartiest thanks and gratitude for helping us to think deeply on these issues and rendering constant support towards that. It has also helped the referral communities to take proper care of their children and preventing child labour, early marriage and unsafe migration. In this reporting period a serious drive was for children's education. Due to lockdown for CORONA pandemic all the schools are closed and children are deprived of the pleasure of going to school, having fun with their class mates and other extracurricular activities.

In this backdrop RDA's Jharkhand Project in Ghatsila has taken drives to ensure the access of education by adapting teaching facilities to prevent the risks dropping out of schools so that children in the adopted areas can have access to a free, appropriate and quality education. We are extremely thankful to Terre Des Hommes, Suisse for their continuous support.

Awareness building on COVID safety behaviors and vaccination and protection of children, youth and community was also a major drive in this pandemic period. Food and Livelihood support for the needy families were provided during this period.

Our strategic intervention plays a pivotal role for target communities in remote, inaccessible rural areas and become instrumental in organizing themselves to work proactively in view of improving quality of their lives to have transparent understanding on their basic Human and Socio Economic rights and fight for accessing the same. We are grateful to Tata Trusts, Terre Des Hommes, Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) , Central Social Welfare Board, Govt. of India, Bharat Rural Livelihood Foundation (BRLF) and Panchayat & Rural Development Department (PNRD) for their continuous support to make our activities successful. Through USHARMUKTI Project, supported by BRLF, RDA got the opportunity to work with PNRD, District Block and Panchayats in the target blocks falling under Paschim Medinipur and Jhargram Districts. We are also grateful to Azim Premji Foundation for their support for children during the Covid pandemic period.

After the restrictions imposed by the Govt were lifted all the activities got a momentum and all the staffs of RDA tried their best to make up the backlogs and initiate new activities.

Details of the activities and their impact have been narrated briefly in the following pages.

I wish to conclude by expressing my sincere gratitude to our donors, members of the Governing Body who constantly inspired us by their valuable, thought provoking suggestions and critical feed backs. I would also like to express my heartfelt thanks to my whole team and also the members of the referral communities without whose active involvement it was not possible to proceed forward with our mission to bring positive changes in the lives of the marginalized, hard core poor.

Best wishes for everybody.

*Nandini Basu
Secretary*

ABOUT RDA

Rural Development Association (RDA) is a registered non-govt. social service organisation. It has been working in the Western part of Midnapore District (presently known as Paschim Medinipur) of West Bengal since 1980. From 1984 RDA has extended its area of operation in the neighbouring Ghatshila Block of East Singhbhum District of Jharkhand (erstwhile South Bihar). The West Bengal chapter is known as Midnapore Project and the other one is known as Singhbhum Project.

In Midnapore RDA has been working in the remote rural areas falling under Jhargram, Sankrail, Keshiary. Under Singhbhum Project RDA is working in Ghatshila and Dhalbhumgarh blocks. All the areas have almost similar geographical and climatic condition. Demographic profile is more or less the same.

RDA is registered as a society under the West Bengal Societies Registration Act (1961). To receive foreign contributions, it is registered under Foreign Contribution Regulatory Act (FCRA). The owners of RDA are its Governing Body, which constitutes of nine members. They include individuals from academic and social service institutions. The person responsible for day-to-day functioning and decision-making is its Secretary-Ex- Officio Director.

RDA's Head Office or Central Coordinating Office is at Paschim Medinipur Sadar (District HQ). In the operational Blocks RDA has Field Offices.

Vision of RDA:

RDA envisions equitable societies where sustainable development and livelihoods will allow tribal populations to lead a better life and people are able to make independent choices and decisions.

Thematic Area:

- Empowerment of women in rural areas especially in tribal areas.
- Protection of Child Rights situation, special focus on quality education, protection and participation of children.
- Youth as an actor of change in their communities and society
- Increasing access of rights and entitlement of community especially less privileged people tribals
- Integrated Natural Resource Management (INRM)
- Income enhancement of farmers through high value agriculture, small ruminant rearing and promotion of Farmer Producers' organisation (FPO)
- Environment protection through awareness building, promotion of non-chemical agriculture, plantation and protection of forest, reduce use of plastics etc.
- Development of community resource persons
- Capacity building of children, youth, SHG members, PRI members and community
- Strengthening ecosystem with government and other stakeholders

Values of RDA:

- Dedication to work
- Team work
- Trust
- Transparency

- Accountability
- Integrity
- Empathy
- Concerned to community
- Respect to women and children

Our Donors:

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| 1. Terre des Hommes, Suisse | - | International |
| 2. Tata Trusts | - | National |
| 3. Collectives for Integrated Livelihood Initiative | - | National |
| 4. Bharat Rural Livelihoods Foundation (BRLF) | - | National |
| 5. Azim Premji Foundation | - | National |
| 6. Jharkhand State Livelihood Promotion Society (JSLPS) | - | National |
| 7. Ministry of Rural Development, GoI and GoJ | - | National |
| 8. Central Social Welfare Board, Govt. of India | - | National |

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- VB Net Foundation, Ranchi, Jharkhand
- PRADAN, Jharkhand and West Bengal
- District Social Welfare Officer, Midnapore
- Panchayat & Rural Development Dept., WB
- BDO, Ghatsila and Dhalbhumgarh Block, Jharkhand
- District Agriculture & Horticulture Dept., East Singhbhum, Jharkhand

Our Bankers:

- State Bank of India, Midnapore
- Bank of India, Sankrail, Midnapore
- Bank of India, Ghatsila, Jharkhand
- Axis Bank, Midnapore and Ghatsila
- ICICI Bank, Midnapore

Our Auditor:

- ❖ **Ramkrishna Roy & Company**
Chartered Accountants, Kuikota, Midnapore, Pashim Medinipur, WB.

WEST BENGAL PROJECTS

Usharmukti Plus – A Journey towards ‘Krishi Samriddhi’

Supported by: Bharat Rural Livelihood Foundation (BRLF), GoI.

‘Usharmukti’ – Salvation from Barrenness – This unique project was initiated by Government of West Bengal in collaboration with Bharat Rural Livelihoods Foundation (BRLF) and 6 Civil Society Organizations (CSO) along with PRADAN as the lead CSO. The Panchayats and Rural Development Department (P&RD Department), Government of West Bengal, invited BRLF to support this project to facilitate the capacity building of the all the MGNREGA functionaries especially the grass-root implementing bodies, i.e. Gram Panchayats, Blocks, Districts in collaboration with expert CSOs so that the whole ecosystem will be orchestrated for effective implementation of the programmes and that will translate ‘today’s wage’ to ‘tomorrow’s livelihood’ of the poor community of 54 poorer blocks of 6 districts in the Western Bengal. RDA was among those 6 expert CSOs who were given responsibility to strengthen NREGA functionaries right from the districts to GP for effective implementation of NREGA programme in 4 blocks. In this journey some of our major achievements were:

- Nearly 6000 ha additional area treatment
- 11336 Household have been covered under asset creation
- Soil erosion checked in more than 3000 ha
- Nearly 3000 Ham water has been arrested through various activity
- Water restoration capability has increased more than 500 Ha per year
- Total expenditure in NREGA occurred in nearly 100 Crores in these four blocks
- Assured Khariff crop and Rabi crop area has increased 5030 ha and 1676 ha respectively.

With the above facts, it was realized that the huge potential created to transform people’s lives towards prosperity with availability of water. But to harness the actual benefit, some more years of co-travelling through GO-NGO partnership needs to accelerate the supply side management processes for “nature” building as well as need of sustainability of created NRM assets for transforming the land scape wise crop management at demand side. Number of strategies are being evolved to integrate the demand side of farming system by ensuring regenerative process. Working on both forward and backward linkages for assurance of input and output market is also integral part of the project. As envisioning the ‘large land mass’ as a unit of pursuing Usharmukti goals, similar process is adopted for demonstrating sustainable livelihood by establishing a self-reliant farming system which has been termed as ‘Usharmukti Plus’ means beyond ‘Usharmukti’.

Major Achievement:

Quantitative:

- Net area treated during August 2021 to March 2022 is 5220.52 Hecter as against the target of 5000 Hecter in entire Usharmukti Plus period.
- Net amount leveraged from various Government departments is 4969.39 Lakhs from August 21 to March 22.

- 18 Producer Group formed for synchronized production and collective marketing with the target of working with 6000 farmers as a whole in entire Usharmukti Plus period.
- Started working on few agricultural crops as winner crop such as Scented Paddy, Mustard, Sesame, Bitter Gourd including horticultural crop Cashew

Qualitative:

- Change of mind set of Government functionaries - CSOs, block and GP functionaries has worked in close coordination in last financial year.
- In AAP (22-23) preparation, CSOs were invited to attend all block level workshops for meaningful contribution as well as necessary information. At the time of finalization of AAP, all the blocks have shared their finalized AAP to the respective CSOs and most of the blocks have adhered the NRM plan for at least 70% of the entire plan and consulted with CSOs before submitting.
- CSO representatives were invited each time of AAP presentation to District Magistrate
- Matir Sristi Site (Special programme initiated by CM of WB): CSOs are actively involved in all Matir Sristi site development right from community mobilization, planning, map preparation as well as execution. They will have definite role into marketing of the produce of those sites shortly.

Major Highlights:

Women empowerment: Women remains disguised in agriculture; their role is unrecognized in their own house and outside. They remain marginalized and hence are not the agents of change. The interaction with outsiders, as trainees, negotiations with stakeholders are all being done by their counterpart or other male members. In UM Plus Women would be central actor in every intervention, as Mahila Kisans, CRPs and Entrepreneurs. UM PLUS project design and implementation has enough provisions for active participation of women, but this issue is complex and present in each and every sphere and is an outcome of how society tends to view and operate the social construct. It would need greater awareness and active engagement plan at household and outside, all the stakeholder's mindset changes in favour of women participation.

Usharmukti Diwas: An initiative called 'Usharmukti Diwas' (Usharmukti Day) was taken by Jhargram district NREGA cell with effective leadership of honorable District Magistrate of the district. All the CSOs were told to select MWS in their respective block in which NRM work can be carried out in focused way. This could be termed as paradigm shift in the attitude of Government.

Systems for progress monitoring (*data management-Dashboard, consolidation, analysis*):

In addition to BRLF MIS, UM dashboard has also been created which can directly fetch data from NREGS portal to UM Dashboard portal which helps the system to keep in track and analysis the day-to-day activity. Activities in different level & layers (Dist.-Block-CSO Vs WS-Land category wise) could also be tracked from Dashboard which is very user friendly.

DARKHULI DREAMS OF PROPEROUS FUTURE

Location: Village – Darkhuli, GP – Radhanagar, Block – Jhargram, District – Jhargram.

Initially, people were sceptical about building assets on individual lands as they feared of losing land in the long run but with regular interaction, meeting, movie show and discussions with community members, slowly they gained confidence and started participating in the village level planning. Rural Development Association (RDA) played an important role in ownership generation of Villagers as well as capacity building of Dharasevak or Supervisor and Gram Panchayat Functionaries.

At the beginning, we went for transect walk with villagers with informal discussion after that presented the idea through Para meeting and village level meeting with beneficiary. Rural Development Association and GP Staffs were intensely engaged in conversation as well as implementation.

Transect walk with the villagers along with Watershed expert

The planning of work was done by members of Village Level Organizations and Self-Help Groups and facilitation were done by CSO, Rural Development Association (RDA) with the support from Bharat Rural Livelihood Foundation (BRLF) and MGNREGA functionaries in the district. It is a unique approach as it gives utmost priority to the needs of communities as well as to watershed planning principles.



Intervention: - The total area of Darkhuli Model Micro watershed is 837.40 ha. After excluding forest land, homestead land, roads, and other habitation structures the conservation works (treatable) was taken up in 647.75 ha of land. The



GP started to implement UM project in the high

lands which consists of Govt. and personal lands. 40.09 ha. of land in FY 2019-20 & 2020-21 was covered with Cashew plantation and 30x40 model with CPT, water harvesting and water conservation structure was created for water scarcity in plantation and Hapa (5%) were excavated to store the run-off water from the high land area along with 30x40 Model, CPT

and plantation.



Explaining the Watershed area through

Present Situation: -The area has been converted into a large horticulture patch with potential of earning huge amount of money within 2/3 years. In addition, the surface area is becoming suitable for seasonal cultivation at rainy season with huge amount of sub-surface flow because of 30x40 model and cattle proof trench. Few ponds are also being excavated gives rise to possibility of fish farming as well as vegetable cultivation. Today in this Darkhuli Model Micro Watershed area total of 40.09 Ha of Upland area has been treated with various work under MGNREGS, and Agriculture Department.

Apart from this patch, there are other upland patches also in this model watershed which have been covered under plantation with 30X40 model along with CPT. Altogether 190.75 ha of upland have been treated under this Model Micro-Watershed.

Convergence – Sericulture department has contributed with 8000 Arjuna saplings for plantation in 6 ha of upland. Estimate of financial outlays:-Total no. of schemes implemented – 55, Total Paid Amount in lakh – 49.24 Lakh and total person days created - 15630.



Photo: Visit of Govt. Officials

Seed Village Programme

Area of Quality Paddy seed production – Sankrail ,Jhargram ,Gopiballavpur -2 block in Jhargram District,Midnapur Sadar,Kharagpur Sadar,Pingla, Sabang,Debra Block in Paschim Medinipur District and Sarenga ,Mukutmanipur,Chhatna in Bankura district.

Season – Pre Kharif (May to August) – 189 farmers cultivated paddy on 25 hectares land in this season .In this season 82 ton of raw seed was received. Farmers of Pingla and Sabang block also Cultivated paddy in this season . In this season all seeds were of truthful level (T/ L) seeds. Due to pandemic in this season Seed Certification office, Govt of W.B. was not involved in this programme. After processing, total 68 MT seeds were ready for summer paddy cultivation.



Farmers Training

Season – Rainy (Kharif) – 121 farmers cultivated paddy on 49 hectares of land in this season. 77 farmers cultivated on 31.06 hector land under Seed Certification(C/S) programme and 44 farmers cultivated on 17.94 hec of land under truthful level (T/L) seeds. RDA received total raw seeds of 170 tons from farmers, 92 tons under certification programme and 78 tons for T/L seeds. Assistant Director of Agriculture, Seed Certification, Midnapur visited the fields and Collected Sample seeds. Sample seeds were submitted to State Seed Testing Laboratory, Kolkata for testing of seed Germination, moisture etc. All samples were certified as good quality seeds by the Testing Lab of Govt. of WB.

Season – summer (Rabi) – In this season 13 hector land had been cultivated. Mainly MTU1010 and IET 9947 (Lalat), IR 36,IR 64,Chaitali, IET 4094, GB-1,IET 4786, Khandagiri variety paddy seeds cultivated in this season . 45 tons of raw seeds were received from farmers.

In this year total 230 tons of seeds were ready for market. 36 varieties had gone to market. Variety names MTU7029, MTU1010, IET9947(Lalat), IET4786(Shankar), Shyamashree, IET-4555(IR-36),GB-(IET17430),Sahabhazi dhan,CR-1017,CR-1018, Super Shyamali, Bulet, Khandagiri, Gobinda Bhog, Chaitali etc.

Family Counselling & Legal Aid

RDA has been running FCC since December 1987. The centre is sponsored by Ministry of Women and child Development, Govt. of India via Central Social Welfare Board. The centre is located at the HO of RDA at Mirzabazar, Midnapur.

The main objectives of the Centre are -

- a) Amicable settlement of the family dispute by counselling the concerned parties.
- b) Taking necessary step to stop violence and mental torture on women in the family and render legal administrative steps as and when necessary;
- c) Liaison with Govt. Departments and legal Authorities for better running of the activities
- d) Organising Awareness camps in the villages and different Mahallas within the Midnapur Sadar and peripheral areas on various social issues, laws for protecting women from violence, injustice and discrimination and support services available in the districts and State.

FCC is operated by two Family Counsellors (Both are MSW) and the Secretary intervenes when necessary. Counsellors work in close collaboration with District Administration, police, District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) and District Social Welfare Office (DSWO).

During this reporting Period Total 62 cases of different problems have been registered and 47 cases were carried over from previous year. Due to the Corona pandemic and lock downs this programme was badly affected. People with problems could not come to the FCC as the office was closed for four months as the outsiders were not allowed to enter the office.

Three Awareness camps were organised with the mothers who were coming to ICDS centres. Two Sub-committee meetings were organised with the Experts' for better running of the FCC.

JHARKHAND PROJECT 2021-22

The Project: "SMILE" Improvement in Life of the marginalized Tribal Children through Quality Education, Participation and Protection in East Singhbhum district of Jharkhand.

Supported by: Terre des Hommes, Suisse; Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC).

Area of Intervention:

- Education, protection and participation of children;
- Quality education support to children of Support Education Centres (SEC) and young people for continuation and completion of their education even in COVID pandemic situation through on-line, off-line, in small group at open air place, study notes support etc.
- Awareness and capacity building of children and youth, SHG membres, parents and community on child rights, COVID and protection, vaccination etc.
- Awareness building of public school children on child rights and covid protection ;
- Increase in participation of children and young people in different platform child club, VLCPC, child cabinet, youth group, national youth forum, monitoring committee etc.
- Environment protection actions by children and youth;
- COVID protection health and hygiene kit support to children, youth, adult and community.
- Food and livelihood support to needy families.

Area Covered: 20 villages of 5 panchayats, Ghatsila and Dhalbhumgarh blocks.

Achievements in brief:

1880 vulnerable tribal children in remote villages are continuing their education even in COVID pandemic situation. Awareness building and follow up COVID protection behavioural protocol by children, young people, parents, community and staffs of RDA, protection of children from any form of violence and ensuring active participation of children in family, support education centre, child club, school and community in their issues. In COVID pandemic, health and hygiene support to 3020 families and 16187 beneficiaries, 1960 children of SEC, child club and government schools, supported nutritious dry food twice to 406 needy families and livelihood support to 100 needy families who are affected in covid pandemic. Psycho-social support provided to children for keeping their mind free from anxiety in covid. RDA was made aware and capacitate children, young people, parents and community on environment protection, child rights and protection from any type of violence. Children and young people took environment protection actions.

Number of direct beneficiaries covered:

- **Children and youth: 2180 (Girls 1220 and Boys 960)**
- **Adults: 1288 (women 958 and men 330)**

Right to Education:

RDA was run 5 support education centres (SEC) and 2 digital literacy centres in the villages Choroigora, Bbaoida, Sirisboni, Chhotadhadika and Juktidih (covering 20 villages) at open air in covid situation and in room in normal situation and provided quality education support to 520 children (55% girls) through different methodologies – lecture, board work, peer to peer learning, audio-visual, practical etc. Numbers of TLM were used like maps, chart, pictures, TLM prepared by children etc. In this pandemic, organisation periodically supported 1360 left out children (52% Girls) of 11 government schools additionally through providing study notes, child rights documents and covid protection kit. Total 1880 children (993 girls and 883 boys) have accessed to basic education are continuing or completed their education - 520 SEC children (girls 55%) and 1360 left out children (52% girls) of 6 to 10th Std. All the children were safe in pandemic. The organisation was also run one tablet based digital literacy centre for children of 9 to 14 years age group at Chhotadhdika centre. In this critical situation 211 children have completed their digital course and this knowledge helping in their regular education. Total 1960 children (SEC, Child club, Left-out children) from vulnerable and marginalised groups enrolled in basic education. 48 young people (63% Girls) were also completed their 6 months computer education certificate course. This knowledge and certificate will be helpful in their higher education and in job. Our work has brought significant changes in the life of the vulnerable tribal children in this critical covid pandemic situation when large number rural children in Jharkhand were out of education.



DIGITAL LITERACY FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

In this reporting year, RDA assets support (10 tablets, LED and Inverter) and teacher's support from ST Microelectronics India Foundation, Noida, UP (a Swiss Company). TdH was also supported partly for this programme.

In 2021, RDA with the help of ST Foundation supported 211 tribal children for developing their digital knowledge through Chhotadhadika DU Centre, Ghatsila. All children successfully completed their certificate course and received certificate. Digital knowledge helped them in accessing better knowledge of their class curriculum and different information. They are very happy for the support provided by RDA and ST Foundation.

RDA is running 6 months certificate course of computer training for youth from 2019 from the support of Terre des Hommes, Suisse. This is 6 months computer certificate course. The objective of this vocational training for youth programme is to support vulnerable tribal youths of our youth groups of remote villages for their higher education and accessing job.



Photo: Tablet based Digital Literacy for children and Computer training for youth.

Right to Participation:

Participation of children have been increased in project proposal formulation to planning, implementation and periodical monitoring and evaluation by continuous awareness and capacity building of children and young people. The organisation team faced difficulties time to time in organising meeting, training of children and youth for covid situation. 314 children (59% Girls) and 220 young people have been integrated in 6 numbers of mechanisms – 9 child club, 12 youth group, 4 child cabinet in school, 1 M & E committee, CPC of RDA and National Youth Council of TdH partners. Active participation of children and youth have been increased in planning to implementation and monitoring. 9 child clubs were run their activities regularly even in covid situation. M & E committee monitored child club and SEC at quarterly basis and shared their feedback and suggestions. Action was taken as per their suggestion and feedback.

Right to Protection:

RDA team, children, youth, teachers/ educators took different initiatives for keeping children safe from covid and any type of violence. Youth vigilance group consisting 27 youth day to day monitored @16 children per team members and total 432 children through phone call, one to one meet, meet in small group etc. for protecting children in covid and any type of violence in covid situation when schools are closed. Other children were monitored by other youth, teachers/ educators and RDA staffs. As a result, all children are safely living and continuing their education.

Youth leaders took initiative of mass campaigning on covid protection, vaccination and distributed health and hygiene kit (mask and soap) in 5 local market / Haat and in 35 villages. RDA staff, teachers and educators supported them in this initiative. Total 3020 families and 16187 children, youth, adult have been supported through these initiatives. 1360 school children were supported by awareness materials, health and hygiene kits. RDA with youth installed 18 hand washing system in 14 villages.



Photo: Mass awareness on COVID protection and child rights through miking, distribution of leaflets and Health & hygiene Kit distribution among the community and school children.

Child-led and Youth-led initiatives on Environment Protection

1. Organic Nutrition Garden

During last couple of years, they have developed some organic nutrition garden at their child club and they are regularly nurturing and learning by doing how to maintain them. Children of child club developed 18 model organic kitchen garden with the help of youth and adult @2 such garden per child club of total 9 clubs. Other children, youth and adults visited these gardens, developed their knowledge to replicate at their home space for regular availability of fresh and safe green vegetables as additional nutrition for their children and other family members.

2. Plantation

Children after learning and understanding the ill effect of deforestation and need for plantation, took the initiative of planting trees. During environment week celebration they took numbers of initiatives like drawing competition on environment protection, awareness rally (cycle rally), making seedball of different forest species and throwing it in fallow barren land and nearby valley of hills and plantation of plant etc.

Total 550 children and 50 youth were participated in the environment week celebration and environment protection actions. They made and threw 9800 seedballs and planted 250 plants at the side of their child club and road side. They have also protected plants by making fence around all plants.

3. Campaign on reduce and re-use of plastics

Day to day increase in use of plastic is creating non-biodegradable waste in the villages which causes environment pollution by waterbody pollution, decrease in soil-fertility, and ultimately affecting children's health. There is a common practice of burning of plastic to dispose them, but the harmful gas emits during this process which is harmful for health.

Children have been oriented in the child club and they have decided to reduce the usage of plastic through "no plastic campaign". This year children and young people organized awareness campaign.

NUTRITIONAL DRY FOOD AND LIVELIHOOD SUPPORT TO 500 NEEDY FAMILIES IN COVID PANDEMIC

In two years COVID pandemic, many families in our operational villages faced problem in availability of sufficient food in their daily plate, faced shortage of cash for meeting day to day family requirement and support to their children in continuing education. SHGs and community shared their need for supporting needy families by dry food and cash support for continuing livelihood activities. In 15 villages, villagers selected total 406 needy families for dry food support and 100 families for livelihood support. RDA distributed nutritional dry food support and livelihood support for goat rearing to the total 506 selected needy families.



NUTRITIONAL DRY FOOD SUPPORT TO 1500 NEEDY CHILDREN (2-12 YEARS AGE) IN COVID PANDEMIC.

Supported by : Azim Premji Foundation

Objective:

- Awareness building of children, youth, SHG members, parents and community of most vulnerable tribal villages on COVID protection behaviour.
- Protection of children from corona pandemic by increasing immunity power through additional nutritional food intake and protection of their health and hygiene.
- Develop good habits of children and community for keeping children safe and healthy.

Area covered:

Total 18 remote tribal villages, 16 villages of Ghatsila block – Choroigora, Dubrajpur, Chirugora, Pithati, Sirisboni, Dhangakamal, Jharbera, Dhakpathar, Chhotadhadika, Bordih, Asna, Paharpur, Mahatam, Lohamalia, Katsole, Chengjore and 2 villages of Dhalbhumgarh block – Baboida and Basajhore of East Singhbhum district, Jharkhand.

Beneficiary covered: 1500 children of age group 2-12 years (mostly tribal children).

Impact of the support:

- 1500 direct children (87% tribal children) accessed supplementary nutria-based food which helped them to maintain their healthy food plates for at least 45 days and helped them to maintain good health in COVID pandemic situation when their families were unable to provide required food for loosing their job, not able sale their agriculture produce in the market etc.
- No children were attacked in COVID and they were in good health.
- Continued their education from the support of RDA (from other source) when all educational institution were closed.
- No cases of death in these 15 villages for COVID.
- Significant percentage of people were vaccinated.



Photo: Nutritional Dry Food Packets, Health & hygiene Kit and awareness leaflets distribution.



The Project: Sustain +, Accelerating Growth of Lakhpati Kisans to Ensure Enhanced Income and Quality of Life in Focused Geography of Jharkhand (Dhalbhumgarh, East Singhbhum)

Introduction:

The project is concentrated in 91 villages covering all the 10 Panchayats of Dhalbhumgarh CD block and the Panchayats are Junboni, Moudhasoli, Chukripara, Rautara, Jugisole, Kanas, Mohulisole, Kokpara, Pawra Narsingarh & Nutangarh. And centrally these panchayats are conducting all the work by 2 federation & one company. RDA team is continuously supporting the federation & company's members to cope up with emerging constraints while delivering their responsibilities for betterment of all activities under project. Major constraint for promotion of rabi vegetable is due to lack of irrigation infrastructures. If irrigation sources developed in planned way, scope of promotion of Rabi & Summer vegetables will increase significantly.

Plan for the year:

An important component of the program to accelerate income through agriculture is access to irrigation of 0.30 acre to 70% of the households. While in 8 structures created all the structures are lifting water through diesel pumps. It is seen that high cost of diesel increases the input cost.

Here are the plans we have had this year under the Sustain+ project

Last year, we have completed most of the patch selection work & community orientation at village. We have talk to multiple vendors to farther speed up the work. We have selected Vinayak Irrigation for the pipeline work. Nimbus has been selected for Solar's installation work. We have talk to JOHAR (JSLPS) about the government assistance or the pumps that was supposed to be installed through the other fund mobilization and so far, the pumps have been installed in 31 patches in Dhalbhumgarh target in this year 64 sites. Due to few changes made by the government this year regarding FCRA, we have had to make some changes in our annual plan. This year some financial parts of our annual plan we'll work directly from CInI in some part will work from RDA. According to the annual plan, we need to complete total of 31 solar installation work form RDA Sustain plus financial support and the rest 33 solar we do form CInI financial support directly.

Plan Vs Achievements:

Sr. No.	Indicators	Unit	Plan for the FY: 2021-22	Achievement
1	Identification of site	Number	64	64
2	No. of user group formed	CBO no.	64	32
3	Solar MLI system Installation (5HP for new sites)	Number	64	27
4	Total command area covered under solar irrigation	Acre	372	157.85
5	No. of HHs covered under solar irrigation	Number	310	198

6	Total solar pumps leveraged	Number	64	2
7	No of training programmes conducted for servicing of pumps by vendors or mechanics	Event no.	64	3
Training & Capacity Building				
1	Exposure visits & Training of WUG Members	Number	1230	677
2	Training of Federation members on Fund Flow	Number	1	1
3	Training of Professionals and Team members	Number	10	10
4	Review Meetings - 1 Meeting in each month	Number	12	12

In the last financial year, we have successfully completed a number of 27 Solar MLI which covered 167.85-acre of land with 198 household in Dhalbhumgarh block. Although, we had the plan to complete 64 MLI so, the rest will be completed in next quarter. On the other hand, 2 numbers of MLI completed through leverage.

Positive impacts:

As an associate programme of “Lakhpati Kisan-Smart Gaon” it has special significance. The main task in 6000 families Lakhpati was to create a source of irrigation for agriculture for most of the people in Dhalbhumgarh. If we look at last year’s statistics, only 45 percent of people have become Lakhpati. The main reason for this is that we have not been able to develop irrigation system for the majority of the people throughout the year. Through this programme we can fill our inadequacies. Fast of all, a beautiful use of natural energy is solar irrigation system. On the one hand the intense heat of the sun is hardening the ground and on the other hand the intense heat of this sun is cooling the ground through solar irrigation. What a beautiful system! There is no smoke, no sound no pollution. With the rising price of diesel every day, it has become almost impossible to supply petrol and diesel for irrigation. Not only that, it is tough for them to raise money every day in the tribal community.

This programme has brought a boon to the farmers who use to cultivate small plot of land all year round on their own initiative. We have most of the places in the remote villages of this area where they are cultivating on a piece of land near the river far away from home and people used to fill the cart and take the pipe, machine, labour etc. to irrigate it. Watering or irrigate the land is like a hassle, a day’s work for all the members in the family. In many cases, water is not given to plant in time as they come to various social events (“Kaman Ghor”) during this summer season in tribal community. In this case, many times the crop is damage and in many cases the level of yield is reduced. Such types of problem became an obstacle for the farmers. We are able to solve or reduce all these problems through this programme. Today, where the solar irrigation systems have been installed, there is no need to waste all the day watering the land. The biggest finding is that the male person of the house is no longer needed to irrigate the land. Today, any women or boy in the house can do this job beautifully. After all, the farmers who used to cultivate in 0.10 acre of area is now trying to cultivate in 1 acre of land as well. Today, the cost of farming is declining as they no longer have to spend on diesel. Naturally, their incomes are increasing.

Learnings from implementation of the program:

In this financial year, we have been able to work on this programme in full of engagement. At the very beginning of the project the pace of work was a bit slow but later it accelerated. Nowadays farmers are aware of the need of irrigation system for agriculture. Now after installed solar several the demand has increased in this area. In this case, we have taken a number of steps that are followed. A user committee (Jal Upbhokta Samitee) has been set up in each village to look after the solar powered system. The community contribution amount is collected by the group and depositing the amount in their bank account. The issue of loan has been finalized. We are talking about this with various loan providers and even banks for KCC loan lastly decided Rang De (Micro Finance Institution) as vendor.

The Project: Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)

Integrated drinking water project in partnership with Jal Jeevan Mission at Dhalbhumgarh block of East Singhbhum district, Jharkhand.

Reporting Period: October 21 - March 2022

Overall objective of the Project:

“Every rural household has drinking water supply in adequate quantity of prescribed quality on regular and long-term basis at affordable service delivery charges leading to improvement in living standards of rural communities”.

Achieved improvement in quality of life in the livelihood clusters through facilitating provision of hygienic sanitation facilities, safe drinking water and behaviour change in the communities with regard to personal hygiene and cleanliness in Dhalbhumgarh Block of East Singhbhum district.

Specific objectives:

- Ensure FHTC to every rural household.
- Prioritize provision of FHTCs in quality affected areas, villages etc.
- Ensure functional tap connection to Schools, Anganwadi centers, GP buildings, Health centers, wellness centers and community buildings.
- Developed the monitoring system for functionality of tap connections.
- Promote and ensure voluntary ownership among local community by way of contribution in cash, kind and/ or labour and voluntary labour (shramdaan) through VWSC.
- Assist in ensuring sustainability of water supply system, i.e., water source, water supply infrastructure, and funds for regular O&M.
- Empowerment and development of human resource for construction, plumbing, electrical, water quality management, water treatment, catchment protection, O&M, etc. for taken care of in short and long term.
- Develop awareness on various aspects and significance of safe drinking water.
- Engage extensively at the Gram Panchayat levels by creating a demand for sanitation and safe drinking water and achieve model Panchayats in the livelihood clusters.

Major Activities:

- 🚧 Completed baseline survey of 1617 households & 61 villages.

- ✚ Household survey done in Govt. format of 61 villages
- ✚ Water connection charge collected in Mouhlishol GP (224 hh @ Rs. 310=69,440.00)
- ✚ VWSC reformation 58 nos.
- ✚ Formation of tola level Jal Nal samiti 52
- ✚ Regular Tola meeting, village meeting & VWSC meeting
- ✚ 1 Nos of Women's Day celebration Cum Capacity building training to Jal sahiya
- ✚ 1 Nos of Water Day Celebration at Chirugora, with Jal Sahiya & VWSC members.
- ✚ An inaugural workshop was held with the Jal Sahiya, Gram Pradhan and various government officials on Jal Jivan Mission at block level.
- ✚ Time to times meeting with BDO, JE & Co-Ordinator at block level.
- ✚ Meeting with EE, AE/SDO at office regarding plan verses achievements and share 15 days action plan for liaising with Govt. officials & good relationship building.
- ✚ Orientation meeting cum capacity building to Jal Sahiya at block office.
- ✚ 30 numbers of village level orientation meeting on JJM.
- ✚ Village action plan at 8 villages in PRA method.
- ✚ Meeting with PRI members (Mukhia) – 2 GP (Moulisole & Jonbuni) for relationship building at local level Gram Pradhan, Jal Sahiya, & PRI members
- ✚ Village survey on ODF in Govt. Application (Swachh Bharat Mission 2.0)
- ✚ Already approved four MVS scheme in four Gram Panchayet & work started at 3 GP 3 MVS.
- ✚ Rest seven GP's DPR prepared by Govt. & submitted in single MVS.
- ✚ Good response receives from Jal Sahiya & Gram Pradhan at Launching workshop.
- ✚ 2 nos of exposure have done of Jal Sahiya & PRI members.



Best Practices:

- ❖ Liaising with Govt. officials & good relationship building are too much needed for implementing this project. So, in every 15 days we are submitting our achievements against plan to them for maintain good relationship.
- ❖ For relationship building at local level Gram Pradhan, Jal Sahiya, & PRI members we are orienting them regularly and try to include in every activity.
- ❖ At the village level, various trainings are being arranged for the people to understand their need for pure drinking water. And they are accepting the proposal of tap water system.
- ❖ Meetings are being held with them frequently to revive the VWSC and to get them involved in various activities.
- ❖ Hamlet level committee is being formed for the people of each community in the village to participate in the VWSC. Its main purpose is to enable people of all walks of life to benefit from this Jal Jeevan Mission.



- ❖ Good response receives from Jal Sahiya & Gram Pradhan at launching workshop.



Photo: Meeting with Govt. Officials and Training of Jal Sahiya

ANUAPCL - FPC promoted by RDA

Adivashi Nari Uthhan Ajivika Producer Company Limited - Dhalbhumgarh (ANUAPCL) is a company of rural farmers of Dhalbhumgarh registered in the year 2018 under Companies Act of Government of India.

The vision of the Company is to enhance sustainable livelihood of the poor focusing mainly tribal women of the ten Gram Panchayats of Dhalbhumgarh block areas for 6000 HH. Till the last year a total of 2701 shareholders included under this FPC. In this year 159 families included as shareholder.

The key activities of the organization include promotion and strengthening of Self-Help Groups, land and water management, promotion of improved agriculture activities, goat rearing, fish rearing and horticulture. ANUAPCL is implementing all the livelihood activities through these grass root people institution.

In the last year, more than 0.72 Cr. turnover has done through ANUAPCL from marketing of paddy, Vegetables, goat & other inputs. In this year ANUAPCL has started its marketing activity through watermelon selling. At present ANUAPCL has set an example by marketing of vegetables in Dhalbhumgarh block. Marketing was done through local vendors and farmers products collected from various panchayat wise different villages.



On the other hand, a lot of activity like awareness program (safety & health issue) have been done in such a pandemic situation. Hand in hand with the Government, 11 Gram Panchayats in the block have taken responsibility for supporting block in this difficult situation.

In this year FPC was set up a solar powered small rice huller at Bharudhi village as pilot based. In future we are trying to set up a rice mill at Dhalbhumgarh.

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AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the Attached Balance Sheet of The RURAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION at Mirzabazar, Dist.- Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal as at 31st March 2022 and also the annexed Income & Expenditure Account and Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended on that date.

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Association Management. Our responsibility is to express opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We have conducted the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in India these standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining on test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We further report that:

- a) We have obtained all the information & explanations, which to the base of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit.
- b) The Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account dealt with the report are in agreement with the Books of Accounts.
- c) In our opinion and to the base of our information and according to the explanation given to us the aforesaid statements, give true and fair view :-
 - i) in the case of Balance Sheet of the state of affairs as at 31st March 2022 and
 - ii) in the case of the Income & Expenditure Account of the Deficit for the year ended on that date of the above named Society

Place : Midnapur
Dated : The 28th September 2022

For Ramkrishna Ray & Co
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MIRZABAZAR : PASCHIM MEDINIPUR : WEST BENGAL

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2022

LIABILITIES:	FY : 2021 - 2022	FY : 2020 - 2021
SOURCE OF FUND		
Capital Fund	Rupees	Rupees
General Fund	4,470,568.00	4,403,568.00
Project Funds	2,548,563.91	2,459,689.75
Assets Fund	12,404,173.15	23,936,548.72
Unspent Non Recurring Fund	4,693,179.00	5,069,016.00
Utilised of working Capital	-	-
LOAN AND OTHERS LIABILITIES:	929,323.37	877,723.37
Project Loan	2,628,375.00	2,647,235.00
Other Liabilities and Provision	2,640,636.05	4,010,211.05
	<u>30,314,818.48</u>	<u>43,403,991.89</u>
ASSETS:		
Fixed Assets	4,762,919.00	5,142,246.00
Loan and Advance	4,481,378.37	3,620,160.37
Current Assets:		
A. Grant Receivable	170,481.00	105,801.00
B. Accrued Interest from Bank/SHGs	616,132.00	616,132.00
C. Tax Deduction at Source	46,680.00	92,819.00
D. Investment	3,836,571.00	3,836,571.00
E. Closing Stock of Raw Paddy Seed	2,510,256.70	2,083,622.00
F. Sundry Debtors	918,334.00	850,130.00
G. Cash	10,347.10	115,363.14
H. Bank	12,961,719.31	26,941,147.38
	<u>30,314,818.48</u>	<u>43,403,991.89</u>

Signed in terms of our report of even date

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

INCOME:

	FY : 2021 - 2022	FY : 2020 - 2021
	Rupees	Rupees
Grant Received	15,932,794.00	39,081,544.10
Interest Received from Bank and CEMTEX Dept:		
Interest from Bank	824,011.33	832,859.69
Interest from CEMTEX Department	-	1,711.00
Donation and Beneficiaries Contribution	152,069.00	226,219.00
Sales Proceeds	8,519,604.00	7,725,520.00
Other Receipts	247,941.44	91,900.52
Closing Stock of Paddy Seed & Oil Seed	2,510,256.70	2,083,622.00
	28,186,676.47	50,043,376.31
Deficit: Transferred to Project & Assets Funds	11,919,838.41	-
	40,106,514.88	50,043,376.31

EXPENDITURE:

Opening Stock of Paddy Seed & Oil Seed	2,083,622.00	1,538,923.00
Community Level Institution Building	4,468,153.65	2,279,924.40
NR Based Activities	8,823,837.44	8,792,763.72
Ensure Child Right Programme	973,335.00	456,120.00
Animal Resource Development Activities	-	285,813.00
Strengthening of SHGs, Farmers & Project Partner	472,017.00	553,727.00
Child Education Programme	412,358.50	744,552.00
Solar Lift Irrigation	5,619,478.26	2,960,232.00
Covid 19 Activities	2,478,540.00	811,482.00
Supervision Cost for Programme	6,644,582.75	2,139,363.00
HR Cost For Administrative Staff	6,502,359.00	8,585,086.00
Operating Cost	1,142,704.28	885,930.52
Depreciation on Fixed Assets	485,527.00	530,295.00
	40,106,514.88	30,564,211.64
Surplus: Transferred to Project Fund and Assets Funds	-	19,479,164.67
	40,106,514.88	50,043,376.31

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

RECEIPTS:

	FY : 2021 - 2022	FY : 2020 - 2021
	Rupees	Rupees
Opening Cash and Bank Balance	27,056,510.52	4,961,428.85
Grant Received	14,694,750.00	43,660,010.10
Interest Received from Bank	824,011.33	832,859.69
TDS & Interest Refund From CEMTEX :		
TDS Refund	72,460.00	24,569.00
Interest on TDS Refund	-	1,711.00
Donation & Banificiaries Contribution	152,069.00	226,219.00
Sales Proceed of Seed and Others	7,677,089.00	6,924,213.00
Other Received	241,941.44	91,900.52
Profession Tax and TDS(Recovered)	369,112.93	217,419.00
Loan for Project Expenses	2,799,770.00	98,280.00
Programme Advance and Group Loan Recovered	1,120,663.00	2,561,665.00
	<u>55,008,377.22</u>	<u>59,600,275.16</u>

PAYMENTS:

Community Level Institution Building	4,468,153.65	2,927,416.40
NR Based Activities	8,823,837.44	9,587,206.72
Ensure Child Right Activities	973,335.00	456,120.00
Animal Resource Development Activities	-	423,563.00
Strengthening of SHGs, Farmers & Project Partner	472,017.00	553,727.00
Child Education Programme	412,358.50	744,552.00
Solar Lift Irrigation	5,619,478.26	2,960,232.00
Covid 19 Activities	2,478,540.00	811,482.00
Supervision Cost of the Programme	6,644,582.75	2,177,863.00
HR Cost of Administrative Staff	6,502,359.00	8,657,360.00
Operation Cost	1,167,704.28	906,278.52
Purchases of New Assets	106,200.00	93,736.00
TDS Against Interest on Term Deposit	26,321.00	20,290.00
Loan for Project Expenses	30,300.00	15,280.00
Profession Tax & TDS Paid on Salary	388,223.93	203,998.00
Programme Advance/Revolving Fund	3,733,820.00	1,789,660.00
Loan Refund to Staff and Others	189,080.00	215,000.00
Closing Cash and Bank Balance	<u>12,972,066.41</u>	<u>27,056,510.52</u>
	<u>55,008,377.22</u>	<u>59,600,275.16</u>

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