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ABOUT GRAMA VIKAS (GV)

GOAL

The Goal of GV is the development of poor, marginal landholding farmers, landless, daliths in the community. This goal remains as the prime goal of GV. Specifically GV takes special interest in the promotion of women and children in specified communities.

At the beginning GV's intervention for development process was on child care and nutrition. Over a period of time GV realized the need for giving equal emphasis towards women development as well as the conservation of natural resources in general and water in specific, to come within the focus of GV

PHILOSOPHY

It is a firm belief of GV that people should learn to collectively work, think, plan, and share the resources to avert the poverty that afflicts the poor in the society.

POLICIES

- ✓ Work with the rural poor in the semi-arid area of the project area. Very specifically to promote women and dalith community
- ✓ GV helps children have the capacity to improve their lives & the opportunity to become young adults also promotes institutions for protecting rights of children.
- ✓ Develop sustainable institutions that would empower the women from this community.
- ✓ Their by instituting Self Help Groups as a process of development.

- ✓ To promote among these women Self Help principles and the opportunity to share ideas among other group members.
- ✓ *Networking with like-minded institutions.*
- ✓ Influencing Government policies for rejuvenation of tanks with people's participation.
- ✓ Collaborating with the Government in projects that are designed for the poor.
- ✓ To evolve replicable modules for development based on GV's experiences.

OBJECTIVES

Enable the target group to improve their assets and to generate income that is sufficient in meeting their basic needs, with the emphasis on Food Security.

Revive the natural environment for the benefit of small and marginal farmers.

To encourage SHGs to have a greater say in the local political forum like Grama Sabha.

To strengthen women SHG groups, develop sustainable activities and to develop groups that focus on specific issues that affect members directly.

Net working with other NGOs on common issues.

GV works in collaboration with the Government Line Departments.

FOUNDER OF GV

We are guilty of many errors g many faults, but our worst CRIME is abandoning the CHILDREN, neglecting the Fountain of life.

Many of the things we need can wait, the children cannot.

Right now is the time that her/his bones are being formed, her/his blood is being made & her/his senses are being developed.

To her/him we cannot say...

"TOMORROW"

HER / HIS NAME IS

"TODAY"



Late Dr.N.K.A. Iyer Founder Secretary

PREFACE

GRAMA VIKAS (GV) was founded in September 1979 and registered as a NGO under KSR Act 1960. Late Dr. N.K.A. Iyer established GV with the help of his friends. Integrated Rural Development (IRD) is the approach of GV. After having worked and gained experience for almost two and half decades, GV had expanded its activities into Raichur in 2007 & completed 2016. GV its work had extended to Kadur taluk of Chickmaglore District in year 2005 and completed in 2011. Integrated Child Development, Women Empowerment and Natural Resources Management and Development were the major programmes of GV. The primary stake holders of GV programmes were Dalits, BPL and highly marginalized communities. During the year child sponsorship programme supported by ChildFund International, USA is major project.

Late Dr. N.K. Iyer headed the organization till 1992. Later on, the organization has successfully continued its services with the support of all the General & Governing Body members, who are contributing their huge experience and concern for the objectives of the organization

Several donor agencies have supported Grama Vikas in its 35 years long journey. Presently in the year 2016-17, ChildFund India, the donor agency which has been extending its financial support and Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice and Global Funds for Human Rights, also donor agencies, which have provided financial support for the first time, have been the partners for the development projects of Grama Vikas.

The functioning of the organization for the year 2016-17 is quite different from the previous years. This is the final phase of sponsorship of ChildFund India, which has been supporting Grama Vikas since the year 1983. The final phase aims at strengthening of people's institutions at the project area.

Likewise, the programmes of the Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice and Global Funds for Human Rights has also been undertaken in Urban place in Bengaluru district, in collaboration with another organization by name 'Ondede'.

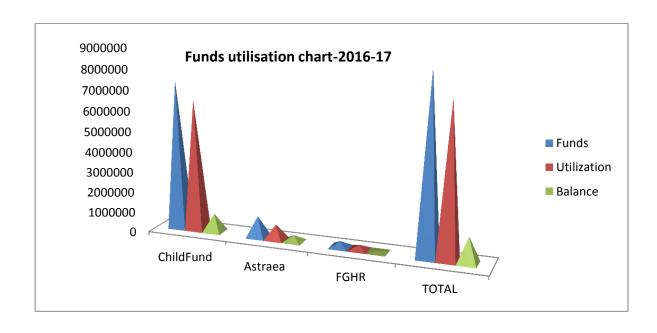
PROJECT AREA DETAILS

Sl	AREA	Working	No. of villages	Families	Population in
		from	in 2016-17	In 2016-17	2016-17
1	Mulbagal Tq, Kolar Dt	1979	26	2895	14541
2	Bangarpet Tq, Kolar Dt	2003	12	1794	6824
	Total		38	4689	21365

DONORS AND FUNDS FOR THE YEAR OF 2016-17

Sl	Name of the donor	*Funds in 2016-17	Funds utilized	Balance In Rs.	Utilized %	Balance %
		In Rs	In Rs.		, ,	, ,
1	ChildFund International, USA	7323321	6430831	892490	88%	12%
2	A-turn I Linux E-ruy dation for	1002450	70.40.20	200526		
2	Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice	1023458	724932	298526	71%	29%
3	Global Funds for Human Rights	297066	231653	65413	78%	22%
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	TOTAL	86,43,845	73,87,416	12,56429	80%	20%

^{*} Funds (Including present year received from the Donor, Last year carry forward & Bank interest)



GV's BUDGET and PROGRAMS overview-201-17

S	Name of the Donor	Name of the Progra m	Progra m Location	Main objectives of the programme	Project period	Total budget committed by the Donor (Rs.)	Any important remarks
1	Child Fund Intern ationa I, USA	Child Sponso rship progra mme	Mulbag al Taluk and Bangarp et Talu k of Kolar district	Sponsorship program-Child development from 0-5 yr, 6-14 yr and 15-24 age groups. Enhancement of the health, education, protection, participation of child and youth and involvement of community participation etc.,	From July 1st, 2015 To June 30, 2017	73,23,321	The child sponsorship program was launched on 1st August 1983 and thus completed 33 years of work with ChildFund
2	Astrae a Found ation	Transg ender rights	Urban Bangalu re	To facilitate dialogue, research, and action to pro-vide visibility and mainstream issues of dignity-voice-sexuality in relation to children, women, sexual minorities	Jan-16 to Dec-16	10,23,458	For ONDEDE project from May-2016 onwards
3	FGHR	Transg ender rights	Urban Bangalu re	As same as above	Jan-16 to Dec-16	2,97,066	For ONDEDE project from July-2016 onwards

ChildFund Supported Sponsorship project

Foreword:

Grama Vikas has been implementing an integrated child development programme with the support of ChildFund International, in Mulbagal taluk since 1983 and in Bangarpet taluk since 2004 in Kolar district. Presently, this programme is in 38 villages spreading into two taluks.

ChildFund International raises donations from individual sponsors & institutions in different countries and utilize it for such programmes/ projects. Every sponsored child covered under this program will have to communicate with the donor agency (by sending letters) periodically. Likewise even the individual sponsors will communicate with their sponsored children through the donor agency.

Through the letters will enquire about the progress, development and wellbeing of their sponsored children and members of the families. Thus a lot of communication will exchange between the sponsored children and their sponsors. Apart from providing funds for various development programmes, some sponsors will also provide gifts to their sponsored children only in the form of money through Designated Fund Certificate which will be routed through ChildFund International.

Grama Vikas works in establishing a good relationship between the children and their sponsors and help the families of the sponsored children to get required help and support, by facilitating out meaningful programmes/projects. The children who are covered under such program include SC & STs, Backward communities and specially girl children.



Objectives of sponsor relationship:

- Establish good relationship between sponsors and children and retain the sponsors/donors and strive to continue getting sponsorship and chalk out more and more programmes for overall development of the children.
- Prepare all letters and communication material with good quality and submit the same to the ChildFund international



Present Enrolled Education details						
Details	Number	In %				
1 st to 5 th grade	118	22%				
6 th to 7 th grade	104	20%				
8 th to 9 th grade	101	19%				
10th grade	49	9%				
PUC	63	12%				
ITI	13	2%				
D ed	1	0.5%				
Diploma	8	2%				
BA	17	3%				
BSC	5	1%				
BCOM	10	2%				
BE	1	0.5%				
B. Th.	1	0.5%				
Nursing	6	1%				
Tailoring	11	2%				
Computer Training	9	0.5%				
LLB	1	0.5%				
MSC	1	0.5%				
M. Th.	1	0.5%				
Working youth	3	0.5%				

Project & enrolled children							
Details	April-016	March					
		2017					
Total number of villages	38	38					
covered							
Total number of enrolled	653	523					
children							
Sponsored children	619	514					
No. of children got new							
sponsors in 2016-17	3						
No. of children departed	130)					

	AGE wise ENROLLED								
April-16	Life stage	MALE	FE	TOTAL					
_	details		MALE						
	0-5 age	0	0	0					
	6-14 age	136	249	385					
	15-24 age	111	157	268					
	Total	247	406	653					
	0-5 age	0	0	0					
March-	6-14 age	108	183	291					
17	15-24 age	80	152	232					
	Total	188	335	523					

Activities relating to sponsorship for one year

S N	Name of the Activity	Number of activities	Aim of the activity	Specified time
1	Participation of staff in the training programme that took place in National office	3 No	Sending quality letters within time to satisfy the sponsors and ensuring quality communication	5-6 days every time
2	Sponsors Day	655 children	Developing conceptual thinking among children, enhancing their skills and talent, making them convey gratitude to their sponsors	1 to 5 sessions
3	Help to pursue education	107 students studying in PU, Degree and PG courses	Ensuring children continue their education and take up higher education and enabling them to join jobs	Once in a year
4	Preparation for Board Exam- supply of education kit	55 students from 10 th std.; 35 students from PUC	Enabling children to score more marks and keeping up the sponsors trust	Once a year
5	Sponsor relation – Parents Committee meeting	Monthly meeting with participation of 38 parents	Understand the condition of the enrolled children and providing them necessary services-facilities	10 months
6	Emergency medical help	For 30 children once	Protect children's right for protection and good health	10 months' time
7	Staff reorientation meeting, training on good letter writing	Hold two-day meeting every month for 15 activists	Produce good letters and send it to the sponsors	Every month
8	Prepare children's progress reports	Progress report of 653 children	Prepare a report on the progress and condition of the children along with their pictures and submit it to the sponsors	Once in a year
9	Physical examination of the children(CHILD VERFICATION SYSTEM).	Review of 653 enrolled children twice in every six months	Understanding the education, health and programme participation levels of the children	Twice a year
1 0	Purchasing camera and scanner	One for office use	One to take pictures of children and programmes and document the same.	Once

Details of letter communication between children and sponsors for this year:

Sl. No.	Types of letters	Letters received	Letters sent	Letters sent in time	Remarks
1	Welcome letters	03	03	03	Initiated letters delayed–11. Only those
2	Bonding letters	03	03	03	letters have been delayed, who are staying in hostels, in relatives' house and studying in
3	Initiated letters	595	595	584	Bengaluru for higher studies
4	Response letters to sponsors mail	312	312	271	Response letters delayed–41. Letters are delayed because of delay in receiving emails.
5	Thank you letters	663	634	414	Thank you letters delayed–220. Due to demonetization children couldn't withdraw DF amount from their bank account and
6	Donor Portal Letter: sponsor communication	21	21	21	hence there was delay in sending the letters.
7	Re Assignment Material for searching new sponsors	27	27	24	Pictures of 27 children along with their details were obtained from ChildFund and sponsorship of 24 children has been cancelled from ChildFund.
8	Reason For leaving for the departure	00	88	88	Children's details containing education status, health, employment, family improvement conditions, project inputs & reasons for leaving have been written & sent to ChildFund National office.

Enquiry of sponsors regarding children:

Apart from general communication letters the sponsors have requested to provide them details of education, future plans, and economical status of family of 9 sponsored children. All the details have been collected and sent to the sponsors.

Details of the enquiry of the children are as follows:

Name of the	Age	Gender	Ethnic	Name of the	Details of enquiry
child			group	village	
Anitha	22	Female	SC	Gannerahalli	The details asked included educational
(Case No. 295)					details of the children, future plans. She is

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					studying in third year B.A. and she aspires
					to become a lecturer
Sarita Muniraj	20	Female	SC	Doddakaari	The sponsors have visited the child and
(Case No. 492)					family in the month of August 2016. She
					is studying PUC and learning tailoring.
Gaanashri	13	Female	OBC	Chennapura	Enquired about the progress of the child.
(Case No. 272)					She is studying in 7 th Standard
Pravanita	18	Female	OBC	Nagmangala	Her educational and future plans were
(Case NO. 568)					enquired. She is studying in LLB first
					year and aspires to become an advocate.
Gagan	13	Male	SC	Karadagur	He was asked about his education and
(Case No. 016)					purchase of bicycle. The sponsors had
					sent money to him to buy a bicycle. He
					has purchased the bicycle and goes to
					school in it. He is studying in 5 th Std.
Adarsh	20	Male	SC	Reddyhalli	The sponsors had asked about his
(Case No. 840)					education and future plan. He has
					completed PUC and is working in a
					Company and has walked out of
G: : 1	1.4	P 1	aa	D	sponsorship after joining work.
Sirisha	14	Female	SC	Ramasagara	The sponsors had enquired about her
(Case No. 865)					education and family's financial status.
					She is studying in 9 th standard and her
					family has bought 3 sheep with the
Sirisha	1.5	F1	ODC	IZ 1	sponsorship money.
	15	Female	OBC	Kooluru	She is studying in 9 th std. Her parents have
(Case No. 555)					expired and the sponsors have been
Karthik	20	Male	SC	Condhinura	requested to continue her sponsorship.
	20	iviale	SC	Gandhipura	He has completed PUC and is working and has come out of sponsorship
(Case No. 785)					
			L		programme.

Child Progress Report (CPR):

The progress report of the children for the year 2016-17 was sent to ChildFund India National Office on 23.08.2016. The CPR has covered the details of 655 children, including the benefits obtained. The details were fed into the computer and print outs of every child was taken and their pictures were taken and printed and enclosed along with the CPR. Drawings were obtained from all the children. They were also asked to write about their favorite



subject or activity like sports, games, health status, class studying, etc. for the report. Signatures of all the parents of these children in the CPR and submitted it after signing by the Director. The sponsors in their response letters to the children have expressed their happiness about the progress.

Child Verification System (CVS):

For the year 2016-17, physical examination of 655 children was done in the month of July and 590 children in the month of December. In this gap sponsorship of 65 children has been cancelled and hence CVS of only 590

children has been done. The information important of this verification system include whether the child still in the community? Whether it is healthy? Whether he/she is continuing education? Whether he/she is participating in the activities? These details collected from children in 38 villages



with the help of a common format and the same was uploaded on the website. The consolidated report was prepared and submitted to the ChildFund National office.

DFC (Designated Fund Certificate)

Around 356 sponsored children have received a total sum of Rs. 12, 32,132.08 in the form of benefits for the year 2016-17. DFC has been received in the form of birthday gift, special reward, needs of the child and family



members, Christmas gift, etc. The money was deposited in the bank account of the respective children. Thus these children have been helped to purchase necessary things. A few children have received more financial assistance, which has helped their families economically.

Though 356 children have received 663 gifts, about 299 children have not received any gift from their sponsors during the year. The DF(designated fund) contribution has helped these children to pursue education and for some children to shape their future, which is happy to know. But, when we think about the children who did not receive the financial assistance this activity appears to be making discrimination among the children, families and community. Because, these contributions should not have any discrimination like needed-not needed, male-female, rich-poor, caste or religion. When we look at several examples children in the same village who are in much more need their counterparts have not received any assistance. Whereas children who are some what in a better condition have received the benefits. Such instances keep repeating often.

By noticing this, efforts are being made to help the children who have failed to receive DF, under various programmes like health, financial assistance for education, special training and activities. It is ensured in these programmes that the rewards reach the children directly to them.

Month wise DFC details								
MONTH	No. of	DFC	DFC	DFC				
	DFCs	Amount in	100\$ &	Bank				
	received	Rupees	above	Account				
				transfer				
Apr-16	30	46906.05	1	30				
May-16	51	97984.92	2	51				
Jun-16	33	58644.46	1	33				
Jul-16	38	64381.88	2	38				
Aug-16	32	60357.33	2	32				
Sep-16	20	51632.82	1	20				
Oct-16	32	26844.51	1	32				
Nov-16	205	368600.12	7	205				
Dec-16	124	272438.38	9	124				
Jan-17	31	66954.17	4	31				
Feb-17	38	64469.88	1	38				
Mar-17	29	52917.66	1	29				

No. of DFC- 663, No. of Children got DFC- 356 Total DFC Rs. 1232132.18 100\$ and above DFC-32, Children-21 DFC transferred to Bank account -663

Renuka (23) is a native of Reddyhalli village. She completed GNM (General Nursing Midwifery) course this year and joined a job. She hails from the backward caste (Kuruba) family. She has obtained sponsorship benefit for 16 long years. In case if she had not received help from Grama Vikas or from the sponsors she couldn't have continued her education. Her family also postpned her marriage. Renuka also has received a sum of Rs. 87,061/-DF during the year 2016-17. She utilized this amount for her education, clothes, reading material and other needs



DFC utilization			
Purpose	No. of		
-	DFC		
Child basic needs (Cloth and	392		
other)			
Child & Family basic needs	74		
Education needs / stationeries	169		
Health needs	8		
Food needs	13		
Livestock assets	7		
All the children who received DFC from the			
sponsors are doing savings			

Shashikumar Shivakumar (11years) is a resident Kappalamadagu village. He hails the backward (Agasa) community. He is able to get education only because of the financial help from Grama Vikas and sponsor agency. He is studying in 6th Standard. The sponsors provided him a sum of Rs. 41,781.69 DFC amount. His family does not own a house. Hence, they have used the is amount to build roof, windows and doors. A sum of Rs. 5,000 has been deposited in the name of this child in the bank.



Deepa Chandiyappa (21) is studying in 3rd year B.A. (Degree). She belongs to SC community (Bhovi) in Pillaguntlahalli of Bangarpet taluk. She received a sum of Rs. 33,875/- DF amount in the year 2016-17. She has utilized the amount to pursue her education and build a cattle shed in her house for financial stability. She has been saving money to pursue her higher education. She has saved a sum of Rs. 50,000/- in her bank account till this year.



Sponsors Day / Child get together:

A sponsored children programme was held on dt: 18.02.2016 and 31.12.2016 to convey gratitude to the sponsors. Children from 11-12 villages of the surroundings were gathered and the programme was held in four different sessions. A total number of 336 children took part. All the children remembered the sponsors. They shared the values of 'sharing', humanity, equality, helping people in distress, etc.

All the sponsored children have not received DFC. All sponsors are not rich. But all the sponsors have contributed



Name of the place	No. of enrolled participated			
	Total	Female	Male	
Guttahalli	66	41	25	
Gangapura	104	69	35	
Chennapura	166	112	54	
Total	336	222	114	

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to deliver developmental programmes/services for sponsored children. Hence, all the sponsored children should compulsorily take part in the programme and help themselves to develop. Children were told that they should not feel that getting contribution is their right. Contributions are the good intentions of the sponsors. It is not a thing to ask and obtain. In order to make the contribution meaningful all the sponsored children should strive hard to find a livelihood and learn.

All the girls and boys recalled the help extended to them, which helped them in their lives to get education, health and other benefits and expressed their gratitude. They also pledged to help other children who are in difficulty.

They also participated in cultural programmes.

Dictionaries, long note books and hot cases were distributed as prizes based on t heir classes, for all the children who took part in the programme.

Outcome:

- Renuka (Case No. 909), Reddyhalli village She has helped a boy named Kishore who is an orphan by purchasing him a pair of trousers and shirts. On the occasion of her birthday, she also sponsored one time meals along with sweets for 36 special children in Antaragange, Kolar.
- Chaitra (Case No. 316), Hulkur village She has completed her third year degree. She has sponsored dresses for two poor girls of the village.

- Deepa Chandappa (Case No. 616), Pillaguntlahalli village She is studying in third year B.A. She has sponsored a dress for a child.
- Other children also have extended help to children of the village and have exhibited their concern for the society.

Financial assistance for emergency medical treatment from the project:

Financial assistance has been provided for 20 children including both boys and girls who were in need of emergency medical treatment. This has been very timely helpful for them. The treatment bills were obtained and the amount was transferred to the bank accounts of their parents. The ChildFund India allows a sum of Rs. 5,000/- financial assistance for every child for treatment. Depending upon the financial condition of the family and need the limit was changed. A maximum sum of Rs. 10,000/- was provided to a baby called Sindhu, who was seriously ill.

Not only emergency treatment whenever Grama Vikas functionaries visit organizing meetings or families of children if they find seriously ill persons, they will discuss about the same in the meetings and help the patients to get treatment.

Accordingly a total sum of Rs. 90,100/- financial assistance has been provided to 20 people from 30 villages including SCs (11), OBC (5) other poor families (4). All of them are enrolled families.

The organization receives many applications seeking financial help from families who have ailing members. But only enrolled children are eligible for the benefit. Hence it is difficult to handle this.

Details of the people who have availed benefit under this scheme are as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of the child	Age	Ethnic group	Name of the village	Problem/ disease	Project	Family share	Total
No.						share		expense
1	Roja Siram	12	Balajiga	Kappalmadagu	Dengue	4000	2000	6000
2	Keerthana	12	Balajiga	Boodadimitta	Anemia & fever	5000	500	5500
3	Likhita	12	SC	Putteri	Left leg surgery	5000	8000	13000
4	Dileep	12	Reddy	Boodadimitta	Skin allergy	3800	200	4000
5	Madhavi	15	SC	Nagamangala	Typhoid	5000	2000	7000
6	Gowthami	11	Gowda	Kappalmadagu	Dengue	4000	1000	5000
7	Pavithra	22	SC	Vadrahalli	Typhoid	5000	1000	6000
8	Pavitra	19	SC	Doddiganahalli	Skin disease	1600	1000	2600
9	Sirisha	17	Golla	Nagamangala	Typhoid	3600	500	4100
10	Mithun	12	Vokkaliga	Jayamangala	Typhoid	3100	2000	5100
11	Indu	10	SC	Honnsetthalli	Hand fracture	3500	5000	8500
12	Sindhu	16	SC	Ananthapura	T.B.	10000	45000	55000
13	Haritha	16	Reddy	Boodadimitta	Typhoid	5000	500	5500
14	Ragavendra	13	SC	Gandhipura	Dengue	4000	500	4500
15	Pavitra	18	SC	Jayamangala	Dengue	5000	500	5500
16	Kavitha	20	SC	Madenahalli	Kidney stone	5000	1000	6000
17	Gangotri	23	SC	Cholagunte	Leg fracture	5000	6000	11000
18	Pravanita	18	Golla	Nagamangala	Typhoid	2500	500	3000
19	Bhavana	12	SC	Madenahalli	Uterus problem	5000	600	5600
20	Chalapathi	20	Kuruba	Pichguntlahalli	Lost one leg in accident	5000	46000	51000
			Total an	nount in Rs.		90,100	123800	213900

Educational support:

Details	In numbers	In %
TOTAL STUDENTS	107	
Enrolled	91	85%
Non enrolled	16	14%
GENDER		
Female	59	55%
Male	48	45%
ETHNIC		
Scheduled Caste	99	92.5%
Scheduled Tribes	00	0
Minorities	02	1%
Backward	02	1%
communities	02	1%
General	04	3.7%
EDUCATION		
BA	26	24%
B Com	14	13%
B Sc	4	4%
PUC	27	25%
BE	2	2%
BBM	1	1%
Civil Engineering	1	1%
GNM	6	6%
Diploma	4	4%
B. Tech	1	1%
BSC Nursing	1	1%
D Ed	1	1%
ITI	11	10%
LLB	2	2%
M.Th.	1	1%
MA	2	2%
ME	1	1%
MSc	1	1%
Paramedical	1	1%
Total	107	

Financial assistance has been provided to students hailing from poor family background, to continue their education. Financial assistance is very important in order to encourage the children to continue higher education, prevent child marriage and child labour. It has helped so many people.



107 enrolled students were

selected from 35 villages in the months of August and September 2016-17 and applications, pictures, educational identity card and bills were obtained from them and amount has been remitted to the bank accounts. Financial help is provided to meet their expenses like bus pass, college fee, to buy text books. A sum of Rs. 3,000 to Rs. 4,500 was given. The director addressed all these children in a meeting and encouraged them to continue their education.



Preparation for Board exams-Education kit supply

Details	10 th gr	10 th grade		PUC
	Number	In %	Number	In %
No. of total students	55		34	
Enrolled	52	95%	27	79%
Non enrolled	3	5%	7	21%
GENDER				
Female	35	64%	25	74%
Male	20	36%	9	26%
ETHNIC				
Scheduled Caste	47	85%	33	97%
Scheduled Tribes	00	0%	00	0%
Minorities	01	1%	01	1%



Other Backward communities	01	1%	00	0%
General	06	10%	00	0%
EDUCATION				
Arts			28	82%
Commerce			2	6%
Science			4	12%

About 89 enrolled students who were studying 10th standard and 2nd PUC in the year 2016-17 passed the examinations with good marks. They were provided guides to score more marks. Exam Guru Books were distributed to 55 SSLC students. The cost of each book is Rs. 350/- This book comprises of 5 years question papers along with answers. This is very helpful for the students to face exams.

Sponsor Relations Parents Committee Meeting:

Sponsor Relations Committee meeting are being held at the project level every month in order to ensure children and parents make good utilization of the DFC amount, take signatures in the DFC log book, transfer the DFC amount directly to the bank accounts instead of distributing money directly to the beneficiaries, obtain the copy of bank pass book and update the information. Seven meetings have been held since July 2016. Parents of the sponsored children's families have took part in these



meetings. They are educated about the importance and need of writing good letters to the sponsors in time.

The DFC amount should be utilized for the correct purpose as mentioned in the sponsor slip. For example: in case if the contribution from the sponsor is for birthday celebration of the child, it should be used to buy clothes and sweets for the child. It should not be spent for other purposes like buying sheep, books or any other expenses or to save it. But not all parents/children will consider it seriously and fail to submit the bills promptly. Hence, it will lead to delay in making the children and the parents to write letters to the sponsors. In case if the letters does not have real facts they will lose the sponsors. The parents were made known about this in the meeting. About 88% of the parents are following this.

Staff meeting:

The staff meeting will be held for two days every month. All the staff should attend the meeting without fail. The Executive Director will preside the meeting. Important topics which will be discussed in this meeting include monthly activities, reorientation, budget discussion, action plan preparation, quality of programmes being conducted, programme implementation, discussion about maintenance of programme documentation. The outcome of these meetings:



• The quality and content of communication letters by the children to sponsors have improved to 95% and it has helped to send the letters to the sponsors in time. Compared to other

- organizations the communication/letter delinquency is very less. About 96% of the children/families have retained the sponsors.
- The topics included in the letters are: purpose of the contribution in the form of dollar, Rupees, as mentioned in the sponsor slip (MCS), sponsors name, child's name, class studying, drawings/paintings made by the child, programmes in which the child has taken part, etc. There are many instances where many children fail to fill correct information in these letters. Hence, extra care should be taken to make these children fill up all the details correctly.
- The monthly programme has been implemented by making efforts to increase the capacity of the functionaries and motivating them.
- Discussions on the progress of that month will be discussed with the functionaries and suggestions will be given as required.
- It has helped in submitting the monthly reports in time, preparation of monthly action plan, uploading the monthly programmes, participants, statistics and other details in the Monitoring & Information Software of the ChildFund India. It has also helped in collecting the reports of every even, upload the details of approved budget and expenses online, prepare financial reports and prepare the financial report software provided by ChildFund International office every month and submit the same to the National office.

Participation in National Office training programmes

The two states partner orgniasations workshop was held at the ChildFund India National Office from dt: 27.09.2016 and 29.09.2016. The Manager, Sponsor Relation Coordinator, Accounts Officer, Monitoring & Information System Coordinator took part in the training programme. The training included writing of quality, timely, transparent letter writing system, communication letters. We were informed that it would be possible to retain the sponsors support only by effective fund utilization, strengthening of monitoring & information system. We were also taught about several systems required to be followed.

The important points of the letter writing are:

All the following points have to be followed in order to please the sponsors.

- 1. Focus of the programme coordinator in order to ensure that the participating children will fill up all the details
- 2. Should understand the dos and don'ts.
- 3. Children should submit drawings compulsorily
- 4. Write the names of the sponsors as per the slip
- 5. Provide positive information to the sponsors
- 6. When we write the letters on behalf of small children we should involve them
- 7. The letter should include information regarding the education, health, positive changes happening in the family, etc.
- 8. The physical examination of the child should be made effectively and completed in time.
- 9. Make the children write letters in new letter head format
- 10. Send the sponsors enquiry details in time

- 11. Give preference for protection of children
- 12. In the RFL (Reasons for leaving) the status of the child, health, education, future plan, benefits received by the child and the family, etc. details should be mentioned
- 13. Other points

Other information which should be sent to the ChildFund International Office

- 1. In order to ensure the individual education of 590 enrolled children as directed by the ChildFund National office the study certificates should be collected from the Schools/Colleges and the consolidated information should be computerized and submitted to the ChildFund National Office
- 2. As per the instructions of the officers of the ChildFund India National branch, in order to establish the child data bank the documents in the individual records of 590 children have been scanned and have been updated this year and forwarded to the ChildFund India office in the form of a CD.
- 3. Complete details of 528 enrolled children have been uploaded online.

ChildFund project Educated & confident children

Program for Life Stage 6-14 ages

The major objective of this program is to make all children between 6-14 years of age educated and be self-confident. Under this project various programs like bringing back children to schools, developing arts, knowledge among all the children, bring a sense of unity among them, ensure rights of all the children are protected and ensure they enjoy their childhood, will be implemented.

Grama Vikas has been involved in organizing community organizations meeting at village-level, training programs to ensure that these organizations are strengthened and work independently, chalk out strategies to make the organizations efficient enough to sustain when the program is stopped, make these peoples institutions efficient to identify and obtain benefits of government programs-services-facilities, etc.



Major governament facilities available for children in the age group of 6 -14 years

- > Scholarship
- Midday meals and Ksheera Bhagya (milk distribution)
- ➤ Rs. 2 attendance scholarship for 1st standard girl students belonging to SC/ST community

Details of the children and project area of GV are as follows:

- > Total No. of taluks- 02
- ➤ Total No. of villages- 38
- ➤ Total No. of Govt. Primary Schools- 37
- ➤ Govt. Higher Primary Schools- 10
- ➤ Govt. Junior Primary Schools 27
- ➤ Child Resource Centers- 10
- ➤ of children between 6-14 years of age (B-1162; G-1232)

- Distribution of two sets of free uniforms for all children in a year
- ➤ Distribution of free notebooks, bags for socially backward students studying 5th standard
- > Free health checkup for children under Suvarna Arogya Chaitanya program
- Free district tour for all children studying in 6th and 7th standards
- ➤ A sum of 50,000 to Rs. 1,00,000 finanical assistance under Bala Swasthya program

Main activities of Grama Vikas in year 2016-17

- ❖ Training to children's club at village level
- Leadership training to child club members
- Children federation meeting at project level
- ❖ Meeting with SMC members on child protection
- ❖ Health support to children
- Scholarship for needy children
- Child Resource Centre
- ❖ Water filter installation to schools
- ❖ Co- ordination meeting with SMC and education department, GP members at taluk level
- ❖ SMC/BVC federation meeting at project level
- ❖ Training on child rights to SMC and BVC members
- Training on Management of SMC
- ❖ Documentation training to SMC and BVCs members



Program details

S1.	Name of	Details of activity implementation	Result/Outcome
No	activity		
1	Strengthenin	Village-level child clubs meetings	Awareness has been created about '1098
	g of child	Between August 2016 and March 2017, a total number of 238	Helpline' and its services, to 657 children of 33
	clubs	meetings have been held in 34 villages covered under Grama	villages. As a result of this children have saved
		Vikas project area. Out of this 226 meetings have been	their friends from many instances. For eg: when
	a) village-	completed, with active participation of 678 children. There	in Kodihalli village a child marriage attempt was
	level	were 20 children in each group.	identified and stopped. Likewise, in Gollahalli
	child		village an incident where a child faced sexual
	clubs	Enrolled Siblings Non enrolled	harassment while on her way to school. Her
	meetings	Girls Boys Girls Boys Girls Boys	friends called 1098 helpline and informed and
	b) Training	174 96 82 67 125 134	saved the girl.
	to		
	students	Village Animators who are our functionaries along with	
	for child	community motivators have created awareness by conduting	
	federatio	village-level children meetings every month and conducting	
	ns	lectures and holding face-to-face discussions	
	c) Project	Applications have been submitted to Grama Panchayats	A STATE OF THE STA
	level	seeking solutions to several problems of the village and the	
	child	school like drinking water, toilets, drainage facility, street	
	federaton	lights, etc.	
	meetings	Information has been shared regarding child protection unit	
	have been	and the types of protection supports available from the unit,	
	held	various programs and facilities.	During the follow up program shout 610 shildren
		Quiz and essay competitions have been held during children	During the follow up program about 610 children
		day celebrations	informed that they would immediately inform
		• Children have been provided information about the children	1098 helpline in case they come across any exploitation against children.
		grama sabha meetings held at Grama Panchayat and have	exploitation against children.
		been motivated to participate in those meetings.	There are 102 orphan and semi-orphan children in
		• Informations have been provided regarding child protection	34 villages. About 42 childrenhave applied to the
		officials lik school teachers, anganwadi activists, grama	District-level Child Protection Unit seeking
		panchayat, child protection police officer, etc.	District-level Clind Flotection Clint seeking

 Reorientation has been made about four prominent child rights at the federation meetings and by questioning and by motivating the children to in participate



essay writing competitions.

Training to children

Training was provided to 58 children belonging to federations of 25 villages in two groups. Sri Hanumanthegowda of Education Dept. took part as the resource person at the taluklevel. He made the children participate in group discussions and face-to-face questions and answers session. He made the children to understand who is a leader, responsibilities, group management, etc.

Child clubs Federation meeting

Project level child federation meeting was also held on dt: 17.12.2016, with participation of 62 children from 34 villages.

Main activities:

- 678 children have been educated about four major child rights including right live, right for protection, right to participate and right to evolve. 612 children have now well aware about these 4 rights.
- Knowing about Child Helpline number-1098 has been taught to the children

scholarship. The Child Protection Unit officer has informed the arrangements have been made to reach the scholarship to the students by the month of June 2017.

Village Name	Girls	Boys
Reddyhalli	3	2
Gandhipura	2	2
Nagamangala	0	2
Nagasandra	1	2
Chennapura	2	0
Bandahalli	1	2
Cholugunte	3	1
Ramasandra	1	2
Jogalakashti	2	0
Kapalamadagu	3	2
Gollahalli	2	0
Putteri	2	1
Betageri	1	1
Jayamangala	2	0
Total	25	17

92 children from 8 villages of Hulkur and Ramasagar panchayat limits took part in grama sabha meetings and have appealed to provide solutions for various problems like drainage facility, street lights, drinking water facility, etc., for their school and village.

- Following this the grama panchayat made arrangements to provide drinking water to Siddareddydinne, Doddkaari, Hulukur villages and schools, through tankers once in every two days.
- In the same villages following appeals made by the children, the grama panchayat has taken measures to clean the drainages and has also assured to provide UGD facilities.

• A quiz program on child rights was held for the benefit of children

• Street lights have been provided to 84 electric poles in 8 villages, following appeal made by the children.

Child/Youth Resource Centers Resource centres have been opened for the benefit of youth and children in 10 villages including Madenahalli, Reddyhalli, Putteri, Keelaholali, Jayamagala, Kodihalli, Gennerahalli, Siddareddydinne, and Doddiganahalli & Bandahalli. 10 facilitators have been appointed in these villages to manage these centres from dt: 01.04.2016 to 25.03.2017. These centres function from 8 am to 10am, 5 pm to 7 pm from Monday to Friday and from 1 pm to 5 pm on Saturdays and from 10 am to 4 pm on Sundays.

Arrangements have been made to provide indoor and outdoor sports material, books for library, weekly and monthly magazine subscriptions, two computers and other learning material. About 463 youth are utilizing the benefits.

Major activities of these resource centres are:

- Teaching how to operate notepad, Nudi, binding, drawing, MS office MS Excel, etc.
- Indoor games like carom, chess, snake and ladder, outdoor games like cricket,



volleyball, throwball, shuttle cock, skipping, ring, etc.

- Kannada and English copy writing
- Teaching of Kannada and English textbooks.
- How to read competitive exam books like 'Spardha Spoorthi', 'Spardha Vijeta', 'Udyoga Varthe', 'Udyoga

463 children and youth who take part these resource centres and have informed that now sports material. opportuties being are made available in their respective schools and colleges.



- We have to go district/taluk headquarters to learn computers and it is not possible for us to go regularly. But now the facility is available in our village itself, opined students pursuing puc, BA, ITI and Diploma.
 - 211 youth have learnt note pad and filling colours to pictures using computers
- 249 youth have participated in various sports activities like cricket, volleyball, throwball and 45 children have selected to take part in throw ball competitions.
- 204 children have learnt copy writing and developed reading habits and 179 children have

Jagattu,' books, etc.

- Awareness on child rights personal hygiene.
- School project works studies and preparation
- Quiz on textbook and other subjects
- Drawing, painting, monthly tests are held.

Details of participants of the resource centres

Enrol	led	Siblings		Non en	rolled
Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
92	48	61	65	95	102

Water Filter installation to school

Water filters have been distributed to 5 schools in Mulbagal and Bangarpet taluks in the month of May 2016 from the GV/project expenses. The cost of each water filter is Rs. 10,000 and the total cost is Rs. 50,000. Thus pure drinking water facility has been provided to the children.



4 Summer - skill development camp

A 10-days summer camp was held for school children of Kodihalli, Madenahalli, Gennerahalli, Nagasandra, Kappalamadagu villages of the GV project area. About 182 children took part in in th is program held in 5 villages, from dt: 26.04.2016 to 31.05.2016.

now improved their handrwriting.

- 206 boys and 161 girls have now started reading monthly magazines and other books to face competitive exams. Out of them 18 youth have faced competitive exams like FDA, PDO, etc.
- 143 youth (boys and girls) have learnt MS Office, MS Excel, Nudi, etc. they learnt it by attending exams and tests in the resource centres, which is noticeable here.

287 children in 5 schools and 15 teachers are now utilizing the benefit of pure drinking water.

At Gandhipura and Chennapura schools, the grama panchayat members have sponsored water bottles to 88 children, at a cost of Rs. 8,800 (Rs. 100/- bottle) and have helped the children to store water with them.

The grama panchayat has undertaken civil works in five schools by spending a total sum of Rs. 50,000/- (Rs. 5,000 per school). The works include installation of Sintex, pipelines.

School Name	Girls	Boys	Teachers	Total
Boodadimitta	12	8	2	22
Gandhipura	11	9	2	22
Channapura	30	32	4	66
Kondahalli	24	15	2	41
Angondahalli	73	73	5	151

96 children have took part actively in this camp and have learnt dance, folk songs singing, kolata, etc. Eight children groups from Gennerahalli have took part in the school-level jade Kolata program and got selected for the taluk-level talent hunt

Enro	lled	Siblings		Non en	rolled
Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys
31	26	24	30	33	38

Activities conducted in the summer camp:

- Folk dance practice for children
- Folk song singing training
- Folk Kolata teaching
- Drawing writing and
- Imparting awareness about personal hygiene



Scholarship for needy children Scholarship was distributed for students hailing from economically and socially backward families, who passed in SSLC exams, to continue their education. A total sum of Rs. 66,000/- was deposited in the bank accounts of 33 students (Rs. 2,000/- each) to purchase books, uniforms and fees), in the year 2016.

Application, 10th standard marks card, Identity card of the sc hool joined or college fee paid receipt and 2 passport size

program and have won prize.

A group of 6 children from Kodihalli village practiced the folk dance which they learnt in the camp and took part in the Tuttahalli division-level talent hunt competition, representing their school and won prize.



Swati, who is studying in 7th standard (Case No. 800) and 8th standard student Shwetha took part in the camp for 10 days and learnt drawing. They took part in the school-level drawing competition and won first prize and also got selected to participat e in the taluk level competitions.

33 students who have availed the scholarship are pursuing PUC, ITI.

Following financial assistance to more girls, it has enabled them to continue education and avoided child marriage.

Course	Girls	Boys
Arts	10	1

		nictures have been of	btained form the students.			Science	20	5	1	
		pictures have been or	oticed that cases where girls who have						1	
						Comme	erce	7	3	
		_				ITI		4	2	
		stopped studies after SSLC, for various reasons getting marriage and the state of t				Tota	1 2	26	7	
		is on the rise. Noticing these measures have been made provide minimum financial assistance to the families of s				1014				
		-	of such							
		girls.								
6	Health	Emergency financia	and children who required immediate medical							
	support in intervention. During three months, between May 2016 and June 2016 a sum of Rs. 4,000 to R									total
	emergency	financial assistance has been provided to 22 families of 25 villages.								
	need for	Details:								
	children	Name & age	Village name	Health problem	Project	Family Share	Health status			
	Cimaren		,g		support					
		Chaitra (19)	Reddyhalli	Accident	3500	6500	Recovered & regular to College		ular to College	
		Ananda (15)	Reddyhalli	Typhoid	3500	3000	Recovered & regular to School			
		Narayanappa (55)	Jayamangala	Cancer	4500	5500	Treatment not resulted			
		Ashwini (8)	Gangapura	Jaundice	3500	300	Recovered & regular to School		ular to School	
		Srinath (12)	Ananthapura	Kidney stone	3500	4700	Recovered & regular to School		ular to School	
		Lekhana (13)	Kondahalli	Typhoid	4000	1035	ĕ			
		Kartik (10)	Gangapura	Hand fracture	3000	2000	Recovered & regular to School			
		Bansuri (14)	Jogalakashti	Viral fever	4000	6000	Recovered & regular to School			
		Manikanta (15)	Kappalamadagu	Accident	3000	7000	Recovered & regular to School			
		Mounika (19)	Madenahalli	Cancer	3000	12000	Got surgery, under treatment			
		Lakhsmama (55)	Reddyhalli	Kidney stone	5000	145000	Got surgery, Health improved			
		Durga (16)	Gennerahalli	Kindey stone	4000	16000	Treatment not resulted			
		Mangamma (45)	Gangapura	Snake bite	4000	31000	II.			
		Shwetha (16)	Vadrahalli	Anaemia	4000	6000	Improved HB, Reguler to school			
		Bharat (12)	Kulooru	Heart Problem	5000	46000	Cured & regulaer to school			
		Pranav (8)	Kondihalli	Appendicitis	5000	45000	1		_	
		Jnanendra (19)	Kondiahalli	Kidney stone	5000	45000	<i>U</i> 3			
		Praveen (13)	Siddareddydinne	Appendicitis	4000	46000	Got surgery, regular to school			
		Spandana (11)	Hulkuru	Epilepsy	4000	26000	Recovered & regular to school			
		Ashwini (21)	Kondahalli	Accident	5000	20000	Cured, working in Bangalore			
		Nagaraj (56)	Kappalamadagu	Elephentiasis	2200	2800	Under treatment			
		Srilatha (9)	Kappalamadagu	Pneumonia	2700	2300	Cured & re	ured & regular to school		
		TOTAL			84,000	4,79,135				

The health condition of these persons has improved. The children are now health and are going to school. Efforts are made to know about their health condition by following up in meetings and making house visits. Reading and A three month's reading and writing skills development program was • At the end of the special classes a test writing skills conducted for the benefit of students who are slow in learning, from was held for 268 students. Out of them development April 2016 to June 2016. The classes were held from 5 pm to 7 pm in 243 students were found to have Bandahalli, Ramasandra, Gangapura, Gollahalli, Honnashettyhalli and program. improved their handwriting skills and Kondahalli villages. Special classes were held in the evening for reading skills. students studying from 1st to 5th standard. Coaching was provided by • 185 students have learnt multiplication appointing motivators in every village and a small honorarium amount tables from 2 to 20 was provided to them from the organization. 268 children have utilized • 268 children have practiced about the the benefits. importance of personal hygiene such as washing hands, wearing clean A test was conducted for 422 students, to identify students with poor clothes, wearing footwear while going knowledge, who are studying in 1st to 5th standards in 6 villages. Out of out, having bath daily. them 268 children were selected for special clases including 140 girls • All the students are attending the and 128 boys. Writing materials were also provided to them. The school regularly now. following aspects were taught in these special classes: • Kannada and English copy writing practice • Kannada and English text book teaching • Multiplication tables learning • Alphabet and grammar classes

• Drawing practice every day

hygiene.

• Entertainment programs (singing, dance, storytelling, etc.)

• Along with this the children were also made aware about personal

- 8 To strengthen school level SMC
 - a) SMC meetings
 - b) Child rights awareness program for SMC and Bal vikas members
 - c) Training
 about
 committee
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 tion and
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 ce
 - d) Project level federation meeting
 - e) Face-toface meeting of with departmen t, panchayat, SMC officials.

 Participation in school-level SMC meetings with a view to make the SMCs which have been formed for protection of child rights and education, to work for

> the objective. GV did not had any funds for this program. Our project functionaries used to attend the school meetings and used to talk about learning status of the c hildren, protection



of child rights. But, though it is compulsory to conduct SMC meetings every month, it was not happening in a few schools. Even if held members quorum was improper. Even among those who participated only a very few participated in discussions. Our functionaries have attempted to fulfil all such shortcomings. It helped upto a certain extent to have good relationship with all SMC members, consult them whenever they were met, hold talks with the teachers by visiting the schools whenever possible. By following such a method our functionaries were somewhat successful in bringing a little positive changes in SMC meetings.237 meetings were supposed to be held in 33 schools from June 2016 to March 2017. But 164 meetings have been held in 33 villages and 558 SMC members 558 (Women- 231, Men 327) have participated

 Training on Chld Rights and Committees documentation in two batches, for 120 SMC and Bal Vikas Committee members, between December 2016 and February 2017. Subject experts from NGOs

- At Kondahalli, the SMC members took the responsibility of providing drinking water facility to the school by installing 200 mts peipeline, with the school funds and have provided drinking water to the school at a cost of Rs. 24,000/-
- The SMC members of Chennapura School and grama panchayat members have contributed to provide drinking water facility by making arrangements to install 120 mts pipeline and installing motor to lift the water. They were also instrumental in getting the drainage in front of the school which was in a dangerous condition, repaired. Efforts were made to close the drainage by covering it with stone boulders upto 150 mts long (box type), at a cost of Rs. 55,000 school funds. Grama Panchayat also has contributed for this cause.
- There is toilet facility in all the 37 schools. In six schools, i.e., at Doddakaari, Siddareddydinne, Hulkuru, Ramenalluru, Bandahalli, Kodihalli and Kottur villages though there were toilets it was not being used because of no water supply. Now due to the intervention efforts are made to provide water facility through tankers, three times a week. Thus a temporary solution has been identified and provided.

- participated as resource persons.a
- A meeting was held on dt: 17.01.2017 for SMC members, teachers, education department officials, grama panchayat members, with a participation of 67 members. Discussions in the meeting were held about role of school monitoring committee m embers, panchayat and department. Shortcomings in coordination between the department and other agencies, problems were discussed and a decision was taken to utilize the facilities available for development of school, by the govt.
- A federation was formed comprising 67 members of 33 schools and anganwadis, during the year 2016-17 and meetings were held.

Topics for discussion;

- The SMC and Bal Vikas Committee members were informed about their roles and responsibilities and were advised to work accordingly.
- Discussions were held about the various benefits available from the department for development of anganwadi, school development and implementation of school action plan.
- Awareness was created among the members about child rights and protection, by giving examples.
- They were trained about the various documents maintained in SMC and Bal Vikas Committees.
- Discussion was held about the health of the children, need to conduct health check up camp once in every 6 months. In case if it is not held they were also informed to bring it to the notice of the health department.
- Benefit of District Child Protect Unit and various programs available for the children.
- They were educated about the various benefits available from the panchayat, education department, for development of school.
- What are the types of nutritious food received by anganwadis, quantity to be provided

- One federation has been formed at the head office level.
- •High tension wires were passing through the houses of two children in Gennerhalli village. The SMC and Grama Panchayat members along with the help of villagers approached the PDO and KPTCL officials and appealed for a solution. Due to frequent follow up and appeals, the high tension wires were covered with plastic pipe as a temporary solution.
- From the last 5-6 years to strengthen SMCs, efforts like repairing classrooms, providing water facilities, purchasing site to construct school building, toilet, repair kitchen, playground, teaching-learning equipment, sports and games material, trainings, community motivation, etc. are being provided by Grama Vikas. Hence, it is not difficult for GV to work with SMC and school.
- •But, in present days, several politicians, companies (CSR) have come forward to sponsor sports and game material, furniture and other physical facilities to the schools. Hence, more preference is being given to provide good facilities to the children rather than focusing on quality education and protection of children. Focus on community participation is less.

ChildFund project Program for Life Stage 15-24 ages Skilled & involved youth

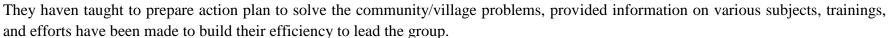
Foreword

Forming of youth groups comprising youth between 15-24 years of age in 38 villages, under the Grama Vikas project area, provide them necessary information from time-to-time, training, enable them to identify the problems in their villages and engage in village developmental activities.

Objectives: Inculcate skills among the youth and ensure that they get good livelihood and make efforts for development of their village community and society.

Important activities implemented

Youth groups have been formed by conducting 30 youth groups (30 boys, 30 girl groups) meetings in 30 villages with participation of 1,170 boys and girls.





- Forming rural development groups and strengthening & Leadership & Life skills training to the youth
- Youth groups documentation maintenance, financial transactions and resource mobilization training, Awareness camps on sexual and reproductive health
- Information about the various benefits, facilities and services available from different govt. departments, Computer training, spoken English training, tailoring, beautician, etc. trainings have been provided to the youth to provide livelihood
- Alumni meetings (sharing concept)
- Solar lamps have been distributed from ChildFund National Office
- Provide nutritious food for patients suffering from PLHIV and other chronic diseases
- Financial management and resource mobilization training & Awareness on children and youth friendly grama panchayat



Details of the activities and its outcome

Program

In order to strengthen the youth groups the following activities have been planned. They are:

- 1) Boys/girls reorientation meetings
- 2) Boys federation meeting
- 3) Life skill training
- 4) Leadership training
- 5) Vocational training; and
- 6) Sexual and reproductive health awareness for girls.

Details of activities/implementation



Separate meetings of girls groups in 30 villages and boys groups in 28 villages in the project area have been held. A total number 740 girl and 540 boys have participated in it.

- A total number of 60 youth have been selected from these villages and 3 reorientation meetings have been conducted. The youth who participated in these meetings have discussed the following aspects and are working towards it.
- The participating youth have discussed various topics like social, economical, health, educational, exploitation and

harassment problems in these meetings and have listed them out.

• They have attempted to mobilize information with respect to various life skills and



Outcome

- Youth in Ramasandra village submitted applications to the Grama Panchayat requesting to conduct ward level meeting in their village.
- Youth in Gangapur village have approached the Grama Panchayat seeking 'Nirantara Jyothi' and as a result the GP has approved 15 street lights and panel boards



- Efforts have been made to avail information regarding the nutrition available for adolescent girls from anganwadis under the Rajiv Gandhi Sabala Yojana. Accordingly the girls in 10 villages are not getting proper nutrition regularly.
- Information has been gathered from Nagamangala, Reddyhalli, Gandhipura and Kappalamadagu villages regarding the Rajiv Gandhi Chaitanya Yojana, and 10 youth have received training in Computer & animal

vocational training courses provided from the organization and government training institutes and have selected eligible candidates for the trainings.

- These youth groups have made arrangements to submit applications to the grama panchayats on behalf of the villagers seeking various basic infrastructures for the community like street lights, toilets, drainages, houses, etc. and are focusing in availing these facilities.
- The youth groups have succeeded in mobilizing information about Rajiv Gandhi Chaitanya Yojana and Sabala Yojana, facilities available from child protection units and other services, through the monthly meetings.
 - The youth (both boys and girls) have discussed about the various social, economic problems that they may face during their education period and how to face them and solve them.
- Participation of youth in ward meetings and grama sabha meetings have increased and discussions on citizens rights and importance are being discussed.
- 80 youth were provided life skill training in two groups (60 girls, 20 boys). Subject expert, lecturer Sri Ambarish was invited as the resource person. He explained 10 important lifeskills and advised the participants to adopt them in their lives based on circumstances.
- A 3-day leadership training camp was held for 28 youth (18 girls; 10 boys). Three resource persons from 'Samvada' NGO, Bengaluru were invited. Important points which they taught were who is a leader?, what are the characteristics of a good leader, who are model

husbandry and have been selected to avail loans.



 From the reorientation meetings, it is learnt that the youth who have received leadership training have inculcated courage to speak, visit GP offices, mobilize information, and participate actively in youth mobilization.

When efforts were made to speak with the adolescent girls it was learnt that they are now capable of giving suggestions about various aspects like personal hygiene, menses problems, etc.

• Gennerahalli youth had organized sports competitions for school children during Independence Day and have also issued prizes. They mobilized a sum of Rs. 2,500/- to provide prizes to the winning children. The gifts include stainless steel tiffin boxes.

leaders. They explained the points through interaction and group discussions.

- Based on the interests of the youth with respect to vocational training and according to eligibility, tailoring training was provided to 10 girls and 18 girls and 12 boys were encouraged to get computer training and arrangements were made to bear their fees.
- RCH training was provided to 567 girls in 30 villages. The
 important topics covered are natural mental, physical
 changes among girls during their adolescence and how to
 face it, personal hygiene, anemia, pregnant-lactating
 mothers care, awareness on prevention of various diseases

like TB, HIV, etc., ill-effects of child marriages.
Retired Taluk Health
Education
Officer was invited as the resource person.



After participating in the leadership training program, Chandrashekar from Gennerahalli and Madhusudan from Ramasagara villages also availed further training with support from 'Samvada' NGO and have completed leadership training course.

• The Madenahalli youth submitted an application to the GP requesting to solve the drinking water problem in their village and engaged in regular follow up. As a result the PDO visited their village and ensured drinking water supply to all the streets in their village. Likewise, they also discussed with the villagers and made arrangements to install public taps and ensure regular drinking water supply to all.



- Organizing of village development committee and project level Federation meetings
 - Village development committee meetings have been conducted in 32 villages under the program implementation area every month. 60 persons, one from each group were mobilized and Federation has been formed at head office level and 3 reorientation meetings have been held
 - The important topics discussed in the meetings are meeting the aims-objectives of the organization, unity, support other
- In Kempapura village drinking water problem has been identified due to broken pipeline, which was rectified through GP.
- Pooja, a 10th standard student of Keelaholali village, lost her school books in short circuit at her house that occurred due to thundering on a rainy night. An application was submitted to the GP on behalf o her

organizations at the village level to meet their aims and objectives and find out solutions to the problems of the community by participating with those organizations, motivate them to participate in the ward meetings and village level meetings, gather information about the facilities available in GP and government departments, etc.

- Efforts are made to list out similar problems in all the villages as per the requirement of the Federation, they are; drinking water problem, power, civil works from GP, etc.
- Information has been provided regarding the help available to the farmers to build ponds in their fields of farmers, planting saplings, building stables, toilets, etc., from GP, under the MGNREGA.
- Houses without toilet facilities have been identified and applications have been submitted to the GPs.
- Information has provided on various aspects like submitting complaints under Sakala Act and avail facilities, Swasthya Bhima Yojana health facilities, Yashaswini, Vajpayee Health Scheme and Harish Santwana Yojana accident benefit scheme. Likewise, information has been shared regarding child rights, especially their protection rights.

- and Rs.1, 000 financial help was provided to her.
- The teacher at an anganwadi in Madenahalli village used to arrive to work at 11 am daily. Even the assistant used to come late. The problem was discussed at the VDC meeting and they were summoned and warned of initiating legal action, following which the anganwadi is now functioning properly.
- At Kottur village 80% of the villagers are labourers.
 They used to leave their children at the anganwadi.
 But the anganwadi teacher was not coming in time
 and often used to become absent. The VDC members,
 GP members held a meeting and imposed a few
 conditions to her. Accordingly, the teacher and the
 assistant should avail the permission of the GP
 members now before taking leave.



Children and Youth friendly panchayat consultation meetings

- Grama
 Panchayat standing committee members meeting
- Grama
 Panchayat
 members
 meeting
- Training on child rights for GP members

With a view of making the GP as children and youth friendly, two meetings were held with the GP members of Hulkuru and Sundarapalya GPs and 32 members, staff and youth of both the GPs were gathered and training was provided on child rights.

- Awareness was created about child rights, especially right to live, right to protection, right to participate and develop.
- They were explained about the relationship between the children and GP and asked them to mobilize age-wise information of the children in their GP limits. They were also trained on what details need to be collected, monthly reorientation camps on child rights. Information was also shared about the responsibilities of the villagers/citizens regarding child rights.
- The roles and responsibilities of GP members and standing committee members were shared.
- Need to form monitoring committees for protection of children at GP level was made known and they were motivated to implement it in true spirit.

• Child monitoring committees have been formed at Hulkur GP.



 Sundarapalya GP women members have visited the schools and anganwadis and crated awareness about protection of children.

Alumni meeting: Objective of this is meeting to Grama gather sponsored Vikas program old students and create awareness among them about sharing concept

- About 60 alumni from 15 villages, who have availed benefits of the sponsorship program and who are presently in various jobs took part in this program.
- Their names, place, occupation, benefit which they availed from the sponsorship program were mobilized to introduce them.
- They shared their views that they had gained a lot from the sponsorship program and promised to help others like them, to pursue higher education, health, to find job opportunities, etc.
- They also expressed their view that there are thousands of peple who have benefitted from the Grama Vikas sponsorship programme and hence efforts should be made to gather all of them and form what's app group.

Sri Avinash took the responsibility of creating the what's app group and created a group in the name 'CCF Snehitara Balaga'. This group already has 87 members and the membership is still going on.



Provided nutritious food for needy

• About 25 people (13 female and 12 male) of 12 villages were provided nutrition. Many among the include HIV infected people, handicapped due to accident, cancer patients, TB patients, etc. Efforts are made to provide them toor dal, green gram, jiggery, soji, cereals, at a cost of Rs. 750/- per person, every month.

They are given tablets along with nutritious food to get strength. It has helped them to come out of the feeling that they have become a burden to their families.



Youth meetings with GP, to prevent child marriage



- Special grama sabha meetings were held as per government orders, at Hulkur and Sundarapalya GPs on October 2, 2016, Gandhi Jayanthi. 40-50 children from the villages that come under the project area took part in this meeting and discussed about the various problems of their respective villages.
- They submitted a memorandum requesting the GP officials to distribute one sapling per house to plant them, make the GP a child marriage free GP. The Grama Vikas functionaries explained the GP members about the ill-effects of child marriages and the legal aspects that may arise due to it.



One sapling (jamun, sampige, jackfruit, etc.) was distributed to 560 households in Hulkuru GP. Separate committees have been formed to prevent child marriages and make the GP child marriage free GP. PDO, president, school head master, members, village leaders, committee members.

Distribution of solar lamps to the children from donor agency ChildFund India

- In order to help the youth to study during load shedding, solar lamps were distributed to 150 enrolled youth in the age group of 15 to 24 years. The solar lamps were sponsored by ChildFund India. A meeting was held at the Grama Vikas office on dt: 14.09.2017 to distribute the lamps.
 - Local ZP member and GP members participated in the lamp distribution program. District Journalists Association President, Education Department Resource Person, High school head master were present.
 - The guests spoke about the present educational system, competitive world, existing problems at rural level in learning, power failure problems and appreciated the facilities provided by Grama Vikas to needy students to pursue higher education, ways to its proper utilization.
 - The beneficiaries were taught how to use the solar lamps, charge them. The cost of each lamp is Rs. 1,800. About 150 lamps were distributed at a total expenditure of Rs. 2,70,000/-

• This has helped all the beneficiaries who are facing regular power failure, to study well.



Participated in training program organized by ChildFund India

- A three-day training camp was held at the ChildFund National office for the partner organizations of three States. The Project Manager, Accounts Officer, Sponsor relation coordinator, MIS coordinator represented Grama Vikas. Information regarding quality of letter communication from children and sponsors, program implementation and results inspection, financial utility, MIS software management, information and documentation, primary documents, secondary documents, process of flow of information from organization to international office, different document formats of information system, etc., was gathered.
- A training program was organized for MIS coordinator at the ChildFund office from dt: 13.11.2016 to 15.11.2016. Information was shared about primary source documents and single report system software.
- 1-9 documents are provided to all activities (primary source) and maintained. For eg: before conducting any training or meeting of PS-1 format, it is essential to get approval of the project manager. But the coordinator and accounts and officer are not following it properly.
- Meeting/training report is being maintained in the format as suggested by ChildFund.
- The field activists and coordinators are regularly availing the signatures of the participants of the meeting/training every month.
- A list of all the activities that have to be conducted tri-monthly is being prepared and being implemented in time.

Government Programs

When various community organizations join hands together and unite with each other, it will become much easier to avail all the government facilities. It is a challenge to get various facilities under various government programmes due to the difficulties like lack of information, guidance, submission of documents and following many processes and procedures. It is very time consuming and might require recommendations several times and at several levels. In this background it becomes easier to access government programmes and facilities by organizing and holding continuous meetings. It also helps in reaching out the benefits of the government programmes to the genuine beneficiaries. In this context all the youth groups, child groups, rural development groups, S.M.C., Bal Vikas Committees, etc., are trying to avail the benefits of various government programmes, projects and services. Here are the examples of various benefits availed.

Details of the government programmes

Drinking water fr	Drinking water from Gram Panchayat, under the Facility Standing Committee				
Name of the	Details of the facility/ condition				
village					
Madenahalli	In this village drinking water was not being supplied to all the streets. Many households had constructed sumps in front of their houses, which used to prevent water supply to reach all the houses. Hence, arrangements were made to install public taps at many places to ensure everybody will receive drinking water.				
Gangapur	In Gangapura the school and 2 streets were deprived of proper water supply. Arrangements were made to supply water by installing 150 m long pipeline and also the two streets.				
Kooluru	This village was facing drinking water supply problem. Water was being supplied through tankers once in one or two days. Due to the youth intervention and with the help of VDC members, the gram panchayat was approached to set right the problem, as a result of which two borewells were provided to fulfil water supply.				
Kodihalli Banahalli	Both these villages were facing water supply problem. Though there were borewells villagers couldn't get water from them. By supplying memorandum to the GP and following up arrangements have been made to supply water to both these villages through water tankers.				

Nutritious food to	Nutritious food to adolescent girls under Rajiv Gandhi Sabala Yojana					
Name of the village	Beneficiaries	Details of facilities/ status				
Kondahalli	For 18 girls	The adolescent girls of this village were not receiving proper nutrition from the anganwadi under the Rajiv Gandhi Sabala Yojana. The adolescent girls dared to discuss this problem in the monthly meeting. After collected complete information they approached the anganwadi teacher and GP members, following which now they are receiving proper nutritious food supplied by anganwadi. Each girl is now getting 500 gms jiggery, 500 gms Bengal gram, 3 kg wheat, 1 kg rice and 300 gms groundnut. Recently they are also getting sanitary napkins.				
Ramasandra	For 14 girls	In this village also the adolescent girls were not getting proper nutrition. After the intervention now all getting it, along with sanitary napkins of course.				
Kappalamadagu	For 2 girls	Two adolescent girls by name Tulasi and Ramya were not getting food supplements from the anganwadi. But now after submitting the documents they are getting the benefits.				

Housing scheme				
Name of the	Program	Houses	Status of the construction of	Estimated
village	_	granted	house	cost in Rs.
Vadrahalli,	Indira Awas	10	5 houses have been completed; 1	13,00,000
Doddakari,	Yojana and		is at the wall construction stage;	
Pillaguntlahalli	Basava		2 wall construction completed	
Cholangunte	Yojana		and 2 houses are at the base level	
Boodadimitta				

Construction of toilets under Swach Bharath Abhiyan scheme				
Name of the village	Process/ status	Amount		
	Constructions of 23 toilets have been completed.			
	50 families in 66 households did not have toilets. 40			
	households have submitted applications. Now 23 toilets have			
	been constructed at a cost of Rs. 15,000/- each			
Madenahalli	Construction of 6 toilets have been completed	90,000		
	Out of the 15 adolescent girls only two have toilets in houses			
	and the remaining households have submitted memorandum			
	to the GP			
Karadaguru	10 of them are using	1,50,000		
Nagasandra	4 using	60,000		
Gandhipura	20 using	3,00,000		
Jayamangala	4 using	60,000		

Training to youth from GP, under the Rajiv Gandhi Chaitanya yojana and salary and loan							
Name of the	Scheme	Number	Estimated cost				
village			in Rs.				
Doddakari	Financial assistance to get computer training	1	4,000				
Boodadimitta		1	4,000				
Chennapura		2	8,000				
Doddakari	Scholarship	1	3,000				
Boodadimitta		1	1,500				
Chennapura							
Kappalamadagu	Loan to undertake animal husbandry	2	1,00,000				
Nagamangala		2	1,00,000				
Gennerahalli	Rs. 1 crore worth works are in progress The	1 village	1,00,00,000				
	Gennerahalli village which has been adopted	192					
	under the Suvarna Gram scheme	households					
	Works completed						
	Cement roads to all streets, Construction of two community halls completed, Drinking water facility to all households, Temple premises completed, There were no toilets for 134 households out of the total 180 households. 20 toilets have been constructed and remaining are in progress						
Karadaguru	Street lights in use	7	9,100				
Nagasandra		6					
Gandhipura		9					
Jayamangala		4					

The basic infrastructures provided by the government under various programmes/schemes during the year 2016-17 are as follows:

No. of Villages	No. of Toilet construction Under the Govt. Scheme	Approved Amount for toilets (estimated) in Rs.	Housing Scheme Under Indira Avas and Basava Yojane	Approved Amount for Housing (estimated) in Rs.	No. of Bore wells (MLA fund) Scheme	Approved Amount for Bore wells (Estimated) in Rs.	Cattle shed	Cattle shed Amount
38	292	28,86,000	127	1,58,75,000	15	22,50,000	11	33,00,000

Report of the GERNERAL PROGRMS

Date: 01.04.201 to 31.03.2017

Though projects have been implemented with the help of external donors, it is inevitable to focus on local requirements and donors also. External donors will approve funds only according to their objectives and programmes. Grama Vikas has implemented the following programmes without depending upon the external donors and only by utilizing the local funds.

- 1. CAN Kolar (COLLECTIVE ACTIONS NETWORK) meetings, active participation and guidance
- **2.** Formation of NGO Federations in other districts of the Sate and providing guidance and follow up to conduct meetings regularly
- **3.** Water testing programme
- **4.** Small and marginal dry land farmers convention
- **5.** Child convention on 'Sharing' concept
- **6.** Sharing of Grama Panchayat organizational strengthening (GPOD) experiences
- **7.** One-day workshop on safe food
- **8.** Belgium University, Belgium students field visit



Details of the program

1. CAN -_Kolar (COLLECTIVE ACTIONS NETWORK)

The Non-Government Organisations/Voluntary Organisations work in the area of value-added policies-rules, human rights, pro-people advocacy, etc. In this context organizations-institutions are essential in order discuss about the various problems that these organizations may face at the district, state and national level and work accordingly. It is very sad to learn that the NGOs/Voluntary organizations which have created history by building community groups to strengthen the society are still unorganized and it is also a unbearable loss. Grama Vikas is working in this context, to lead the district level NGOs/Voluntary Organisations network, to help its existence, through its networking activity. But the major problem faced by Grama Vikas in taking forward its networking activity is financial support. The organization doesn't have any donors. There are no enough funds even to meet small expenses like minimum facilities, material, travel expenses, food, maintenance, etc. There are instances where the organization has been continuing its work by meeting its own expenses, without even local help.

A total number of 15 meetings have been held under the CAN Network in the year 2016-17, with

participation of 12 NGOs. The major topics which were discussed in these meetings are new membership for networking, creation of web site to publicize the networking activities, network registration renewal, etc. Three new NGOs have been included into the network. All the details of the NGOs that are under the network including its introduction, activities



undertaken by the network till date have been uploaded in the website. Renewal of the network has also been made. Programmes to solve a few problems like soil conservation, water problem, insurance coverage to workers, etc., have been implemented. Efforts have been made to create awareness among the high school children and grama panchayat members about soil and water conservation from resource persons of respective departments/institutions. Two farmer conventions have been held.

Grama Vikas has been providing guidance regularly with respect to networking activity. Efforts to lead the network in times of crisis that may arise due to social reasons are essential.

2. <u>Creation of NGOs/Voluntary Organizations in other districts of the State, guidance to conduct meetings regularly and follow up:</u>

In order to form NGO federations in other districts, to ensure regular meetings at all the district level network organizations and to follow up, the Grama Vikas Director participated in various district-level meetings and supported. Grama Vikas took the lead in the year 2016-17 and made efforts to form a Federation comprising 12 to 15 NGOs/Voluntary Organizations at Raichur, Shivamogga and Mysuru districts. They were apprised of the roles and responsibilities and programmes implemented by the NGOs/Voluntary organizations in development of the villages, what developmental works should the local government agencies like grama panchayat should shoulder, strengthening of standing committees.

Discussions were held about the role of NGOs in district development, need of NGO Federations and appropriate suggestions, advices have been given. Six reorientation meetings were conducted in the Raichur district network and discussed about water problem, malnutrition among children, etc.

In Shivamogga six reorientation meetings were held, resulting in 8 NGOs visiting the Grama Panchayat and discussing with them and were successful in putting the standing committees work on track.

3. Water Testing Program

On 30.07.2016 a demonstration on water testing was held at the Raichur district network meeting, by Sri S. Vishwnath, Grama Vikas, and Administrative Board Vice-president. About 15 water testing kits were distributed free of cost during this meeting.

As a tribute to Late Anitha Kaul, I.A.S., a memorial day was held at the Raichur Press Club. About 15 school were contributed water testing kits on this occasion in the presence of DDPI. They were also explained about the need to conduct water testing and ways to use the kit. One kit was also given to the SPREAD NGO on this occasion.

Water testing was made at the school in Puchchadinne village in Raichur district. The test results showed fluoride presence in the water, following which discussions were held with the School Monitoring Committee members and the villagers. Efforts were made to appeal before the grama panchayat regarding the fluoride problem in drinking water. As a result the Grama Panchayat made arrangements to provide a new borewell by spending Rs. 4 lakh and established a fresh drinking water unit in the village.

4. Small and marginal dry land farmers convention

Objective:

Organizing young agriculturists in villages and ensure that thev have concern to maintain soil fertility, instill confidence among them about organic farming, engage them agricultural activities actively.





A young agriculturists meeting was held at the Grama Vikas office on dt: 17.02.2017, with participation of 218 young agriculturists from 15 villages. The main topics discussed in the meeting are as follows:

- The present bad condition of soil, protecting the soil fertility by adopting organic farming methods.
- Saving indigenous seed varieties
- How the soil has lost its fertility from usage of chemical fertilizers, consumption of poisonous food and health hazards due to it
- Inevitability for forming farmer groups to discuss all these problems were explained and they were motivated to form farmers groups in their villages. Sri P. Srinivas, Soil organization and Pragathi Krishna Bank Manager took part as the resource person.



Two reorientation meetings were held after this meeting. As many as 48 farmers participated from 5 districts and promised to form farmers groups in every village. Two farmers of Reddyhalli and Kammasandra villages promised to plant 25 saplings in their farms. Chaitra of Reddyhalli village promised to undertake organic farming in 5 gunta land in her agricultural field and also to create awareness among fellow farmers.

5. Child convention on 'Sharing concept'

Objective: Inculcate "SHARING" culture.

A child convention was held on dt: 05.02.2017 by Grama Vikas in association with the parents

federation. A total number of 226 children participated. ZP member Sri Krishnappa, Canara Bank Manager, Mulabagilu Branch, Smt. Gowramma, Gram Panchayat member, organization Executive Director and Vadagur Panchayat PDO were present.

The ZP member inaugurated the programme. She mentioned that Grama Vikas organization is an NGO but has engaged in various

developmental organizations which is appreciable. She assured to provide all necessary support by

ZP to its developmental programmes. Canara Bank Manager spoke on this occasion and explained about the loan facilities available to pursue higher education and assured to provide it to interested students. Journalists association president explained about the various learning opportunities available nowadays for village and city people, differences, educational rights, government benefits, etc.

Children should do higher education. Government is providing so many benefits to

meritorious students like scholarship. Also help is being provided from various private organizations like Rotary Club, Milk Dairy. The students who took part in this programme expressed their view that presently they are getting help from others and promised to help other students like them in the future, after they finish their education and join good jobs.



6. Sharing of Grama Panchayat Organizational Strengthening programme experiences:

On dt: 16.03.017 a team of 7 people led by Smt. Sonali from Anode Governess Lab and members who are associated with the Jharkhand Grama Panchayat visited Grama Vikas. A team of 4 persons including the former Grama Panchayat member participated in the GPOD programme held in U.

Mittur Grama Panchayat. One former member from Dibbuaharahalli, Grama Vikas and FES organization members also took part. A total of 24 persons participated including the ZP Programme Manager of ZP implementation unit.

The main points discussed with the GP members include the experiences of GPOD programme. They were apprised of the various phases of implementation of GPOD. The difference of functions GPs in Jharkhand and local GPs were discussed. The GP members of Jharkhand learnt so many aspects followed by local GP. The local GP explained that it takes extra care to collect revenue. The GPOD programme is good and has brought confidence among us opined the Jharkhand GP members.

7. One-day workshop on safe food

On dt: 09.10.2016 a one-day workshop on safe food practices was held at the Grama Vikas office. A

total number of 68 members including the Grama Vikas organization functionaries, CAN Network members, GP members and farmers took part in the one-day workshop. Sri P. Srinivas of SOIL organization was invited as the resource person. He explained about the safe food practices, poisonous food practices followed these days, etc. He presented a PPT. He also explained



that hybrid species, foreign species, soil infertility are the reasons for adulteration in all food material, which is very dangerous. He called upon the farmers to adopt organic farming methods and do seed conservation. He also advised the farmers to share their knowledge and experiences with fellow agriculturists.

8. Belgium University, Belgium students internship

Two BSW students from Belgium University, Belgium visited Grama Vikas as part of their internship programme, along with Sri Agustin Ullatil. They stayed here for 60 days from March 4, 2016 to May 15, 2016. During this period they visited various network organizations and also a few tourist spots in Hassan, Mysuru, etc. They learnt about the functioning of anganwadis which come under Grama



Vikas function area, nutritious food provided to the children in anganwadis and houses, various services of pregnant and lactating women, child resource centres run by Grama Vikas, services provided by ASHA activists, etc. They also participated in village visits, anganwadi visits, held meetings with the Bal Vikas Committee to understand the functions. They visited 3 anganwadis in Raichur to know the ground realities. They were supposed to submit a report about their visit and study. They had informed us to submit the report by e-mail but we have still not received it. A sum of Rs. 1, 36,000/- has been spent for all these activities which has been borne by Sri Agustin Ullatil, Development Support.



ONDEDE ANNUAL REPORT 2016-2017

REVIEW REPORT

Ondede's vision is to bring convergence on the issues of dignity, voice and sexuality (DVS) through a rights based approach, among children, women and sexual minority groups. The effort towards this is through network and alliance building with groups working with these three constituencies.

During the period of 2016, as Ondede had just been formed, it has been in a process of trying to get its act together. With a very small team of only 3, essentially 2 full timers and one Founder Trustee who gave some time for coordination, the activities were conducted. In addition, with the support of other Trustees, Ondede was able to hold few trainings in a couple of colleges, hold public meetings including a meeting in Mangalore, to speak to the youth on issues of sexuality, women's rights focusing on DVS.

Ondede has been in the forefront of advocacy on, issues impacting sexual minorities, such as section 377 of the IPC and more recently the rising violence unleashed on transgender communities. This was lead by its Founder Member who is a transgender and works directly with the community.

Somehow, the focus on taking DVS through women's rights and child rights groups into the communities has not been very successful. But efforts are on.

Ondede was represented in several meetings both at the State and the National level through its Trustees. At the State level, Ondede is recognised more as an Organisation that works with sexual minorities as this area deserves attention. But as an Organisation focusing on convergence, surely dignity-voice-sexuality would be in the future focussed among women and children.

The Annual report details the activities that Ondede conducted during this period.

Ondede would also like to acknowledge the support it received from the different colleges, students, who came and interned with Ondede to help in taking its objectives forward.

Finally, it is only appropriate to acknowledge the support received from Grama Vikas towards the implementation of the Ondede project.

Aasha Ramesh

Management Trustee

DESCRIPTION OF THE ORGANISATION

Ondede was founded on November 20th, 2014 in Bangalore. The concept arose from a focus group discussion on the need for convergence across three movements in the country- children's rights, women's rights and sexual minority rights; and crystallized into a registered trust on August 14th, 2015.

The Organisation is called Ondede, which means "convergence" in our local language, Kannada. By recognising and acknowledging the existing movements, Ondede endeavours to link these different but inter-related groups to various media platforms to foster productive community discourses, to conduct research and to instigate action on Dignity-Voice-Sexuality.

MISSION

Ondede's mission is "to promote dialogue, research and action to create awareness and to mainstream the issues of Dignity-Voice-Sexuality of children, women and sexual minorities.

CORE CONSTITUENCY OF THE ORGANISATION

Children, women and sexual minorities are the core constituency of the Organisation. The focus is on convergence across these three constituencies, in relation to Dignity-Voice-Sexuality.

DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PROGRAMMEMES

1. <u>AIM OF THE PROGRAMMEME</u>- Amendment of Section 377 of IPC and Section 36A of the Police Act.

January began with a public meeting held on Jan 5 on "State Intolerance Against Our Lives" in St Joseph's College organised by Ondede. Experts were invited to talk on several issues including; Vidya Dinker social activist-Mangalore & Co-Founder of Ondede; Prof Dominic., social activist and Professor at the Department of Kannada at Bangalore University; Dr Shailaja Hiremath, social activist, Professor of Women's Studies at Kannada University —



Hampi, and Co-Founder of Ondede; Arvind Narrain Human Rights Activist at the Alternative Law Forum, Dr B.U. Suma, Associate Professor at the Government First Grade College, and Community Speakers Mr. Ashwath.C Hassan, Ms. Priya from Kunigal/Bangalore and Amrita Chanda from Bangalore.

The Moderator was Shakun Mohini, a Vimochana Women's Rights Activist. The topics spoken about were social injustice in the name of sexuality and gender, communal violence against women, right to expression, right to speech and more.

Following this public meeting, members of Ondede met the Honorable Home Minister Dr.G Parmeshwar and submitted recommendations to take necessary action against people who indulged in Immoral Thinking and Communal Violence, and also to take action on the amendment of the IPC 377 and the 36A police act.



Meeting with the Home Minister Dr.Parmeshwar

On Jan 11 Ondede met with Law minister T.B.Jayachandra on repealing 36A police act to which he agreed - writing a petition to be filed before the Honorable High Court on January 12.

Meeting with Law minister T.B Jayachandra on repealing the 36A police act

2. AIM OF THE PROGRAMME

To address the issues of working class women and the transgender community.

The Reserve Bank of India, Bangalore for the first time invited Ms. Akkai Padmashali as the chief guest for the International Women's day programme



organized for its employees. Ms. Padmashali gave an address about the notions of gender identity, socially constructed norms and the economic status of the working class women and the transgender community.

The regional director, Mr. Khatar made an assurance that necessary guidelines would be introduced in banking and economic policy in favour of these communities.

3. <u>AIM OF THE PROGRAMME</u>- Amend Section 36A of the Police Act and propose police force training.

 Ondede coordinated with women's rights organizations and sexual minority organizations to hold a meeting with the Home Minister of Karnataka, the Director General of Police



Ms. Padmashali as chief guest for the International Women's Day celebration for employees of the RBI

(DGP), the Bangalore Commissioner and the Additional Commissioner of Police, to discuss communal harmony, the 36A Karnataka Police Act, 377 fabricated cases Hassan, and the section 377 state clarification-amendments.

- In the meeting, all the concerns of the above mentioned issues were brought before the Home Minister, and it was ensured that people will be living without fear and human rights violations.
- Hearing the concerns and issues raised by the people present at the meeting, the Home minister has promised that necessary action will be taken seriously to protect human rights and to withdraw false cases. He also instructed police officers to undergo training that respects differences of gender and sexuality and human rights.



Meeting with the Home Minister and with senior officials from the Karnataka Police Force, to discuss the 36A Police Act.

- The Law Minister assured the organization that any law which is against sexual minorities will be revoked.

4. AIM OF THE PROGRAMME- To develop a policy on Sex Reassignment Surgery.

A Sex Reassignment Surgery Policy meeting coordinated by Ondede took place. The Bangalore Medical College, National Institute for Mental Health and Neuroscience (NIMHANS), Victoria Hospital, the MS Ramaiah Hospital, and the Department of Plastic Surgery at Victoria Hospital were present at the meeting.



The Sex Reassignment Surgery Policy meeting organized by Ondede

They discussed the process of sex reassignment surgery, to develop a sound policy that would function across the state.

5. <u>AIM OF THE PROGRAMME</u>- Training of the Police force.

The Karnataka Police Training School and Ondede, following up from the decision taken in the meeting on the 26th of April, jointly organized an awareness programme for police officers across

Karnataka to educate and bring awareness surrounding issues of gender identity, sexual diversity and human rights.

More than 480 police officers attended this jointly organized programme – the first time such an orientation has ever taken place. Members from the sexual minority community, including a gay man, a lesbian woman, a trans-women and an elderly hijra also shared their testimonies, which helped closely understand the issues faced by sexual minorities in Karnataka. The session was

moderated by Ms. Akkai Padmashali.

Ondede members with police officers during the gender awareness programme at the Karnataka Police Training School, Chennapatna



6. <u>AIM OF THE PROGRAMME</u>- State Level Consultation on Class. Caste and Gender.

Ondede, the Karnataka Transgender Samithi, the Karnataka Sexual Minorities Forum, Payana, Samara, and Jeeva jointly organized a state level consultation on caste, class and gender. The guest speakers for the event were Honourable chairperson Shri Kantharaju of Karnataka State Backward Classes Commission, Ms. Yashodha - eminent dalit rights activist and founder of Dalita Mahila Vedike – and Ms. Gowri of Mahila Munnade.

The event aimed to understand the difference between caste, class and gender, and to help understand the Supreme Court of India's National Legal Service Authority v/s Union of India's NALSA judgement – which recognizes the transgender community as an "other backward class" community – in light of these differences.

More than a hundred transgender community members from across Karnataka participated in the consultation, and it was unanimously agreed that the transgender community must indeed be recognized as a "class" minority and not as a "caste and religious" minority. The programme was supported by the donations raised by the Hijra community at the Karnataka Administrative Service Auditorium, Bangalore.

This consultation helped in affirming the recognition of the transgender community as a class minority. The meeting was followed by the submission of a report on the consultation to the governor, the chief minister and the minister for social welfare, demanding that the state government should follow the example of NALSA, and also recognize and treat the transgender community as a class minority.

At the jointly organized state level consultation on caste, class

7. <u>AIM OF THE PROGRAMME</u>- Gender awareness session for the Sub-inspectors.

The Karnataka Police Academy, Mysore and Ondede, jointly organized an awareness programme for sub-inspectors and senior officers across Karnataka, including the Director of the Karnataka Police Academy, to educate and bring awareness surrounding issues of gender identity, sexual diversity and human rights.



Ondede members at the gender awareness programme for sub-inspectors, jointly organized by Karnataka Police Academy in Mysore and Ondede

More than 300 police officers attended this jointly organized programme. Members from the sexual minority community, including a kothi, a trans-woman, a trans-girl and a homosexual man also shared their testimonies, which again helped closely understand the issues faced by sexual minorities in Karnataka. The session was moderated by Ms. Akkai Padmashali.

8. <u>AIM OF THE PROGRAMME</u>- Discussion on the Diversity, Identity and the Law.

Ondede coordinated with the Centre for Law and Policy Research to set-up a programme discussing the relationship between diversity, identity and the law. The programme consisted of a workshop and a panel discussion

The workshop elucidated the interplay between the recognition of different gender identities and sexual orientations within the law, and the rightsaccorded to them, with a specific focus on the legal perspective. The panel consisted of



speakers representing the transgender, homosexual, feminist and gender non-conforming communities, wherein each speaker shared with the audience their opinion on the relationship between identity and legislation.

Ondede was successful in creating a discursive forum that disseminated both the legal perspective and the perspectives of different communities in an accessible manner.

9. AIM OF THE PROGRAMME- A lecture towards radical inclusivity.

Jointly organized by Ondede and the Gender Sensitization cell, a public lecture was held at the St. Joseph's College Auditorium on the 5th of June, with guest Dr. Smitha speaker Radhakrishnan. who is a professor of Sociology Wellesley College in Boston, USA.



Her talk was an imagination of a radically inclusive world, where

we embraced inclusivity in our work and professional spheres, in our societal norms, in our love and our relationships and in the manner in which we produce our knowledge. Her talk was followed by a question and answer session. The discussion was powerful and insightful, and drew in many perspectives from an engaged audience.

10. AIM OF THE PROGRAMME- Discussion on Women's Reservation Bill.

Ondede and the Government Arts College jointly organized a discussion on the Women's Reservation Bill which states that 33% of all seats in lower parliament must be reserved on women.

Aasha Ramesh, Management Trustee of Ondede gave a talk on the journey of Women's Reservation Bill in the country. The students were presented with the history of the bill as well as the current status of the bill, following which the floor was opened for discussion. The discussion was fruitful and insightful and helped everyone involved understand the many factors to be considered with legislation around reservation.



Report on the High Level Committee on the 'Status of Women in India'

Ondede led a campaign to raise the issue of non-transparency and non-consultative process in the preparation of the Status of Women in India report. It was a signature campaign that Ondede initiated and got endorsements from women's groups in the southern states of India. The report is currently shelved and not accepted as an official document.

11. <u>AIM OF THE PROGRAMME</u>- Discussion on the Transgender Person Rights Protection Bill.

Members of Ondede, along with allies from various different sections within the transgender community, as well as Humans Rights, children rights and women rights groups gathered for a conference to draft a set of suggested amendments to the government-proposed Transgender Person Rights Protection Bill 2016.

The amendments were then submitted to the Standing Committee for evaluation. This Bill is a crucial legislative tool for the transgender community and constructive discourse over the provisions of the bill was useful in understanding the needs of the community in question.





HONOUR ROLL

Akkai Padmashali became the first transgender person on India to be awarded an honorary doctorate.

The doctorate was conferred on her in Bengaluru on May 31st, 2016 by the Indian Virtual University for Peace and Education.

Dr. Akkai Padmashali is also the first to have received the Karnataka Rajyotsava Award which is the second highest civilian honour of Karnataka State on November 1st, 2017.



In November, Dr. Akkai Padmashali received the Global Ashoka Fellowship for her social activism.

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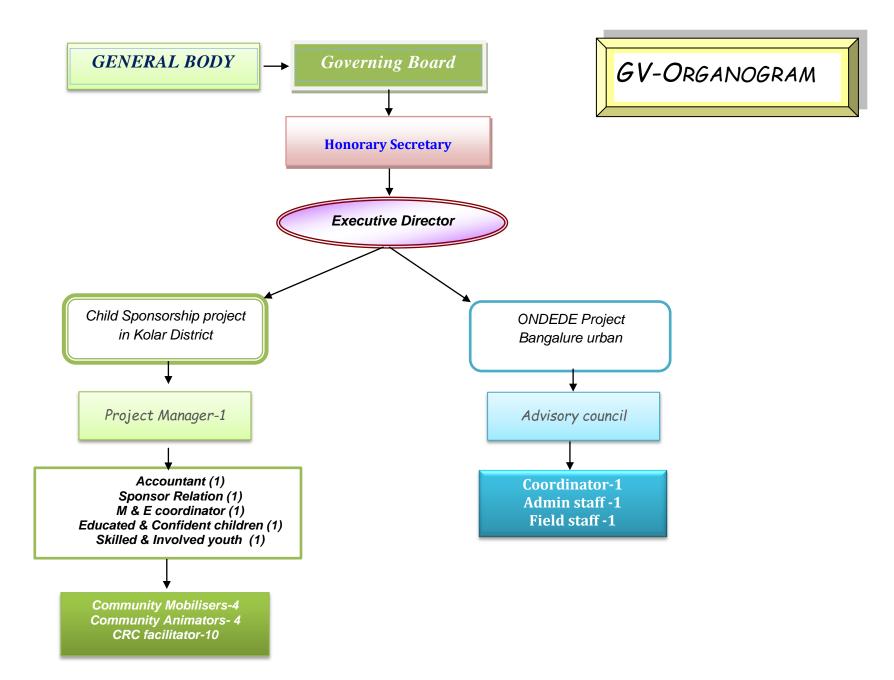
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