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From the Secretary's DESK....



I feel really happy to present the annual progress report of Gram Jyoti for the financial year 2017-2018. I am excited to proclaim the year as an eventful, successive and a lot of learning to all of us. As per our commitment we always stand beside the most deprived and downtrodden sanctum of the society and worked in the situation where the wheel of sustainable development was gotstuck in the sludge like situation of the society. With joint and repeated effort and indomitable spirit, we are trying to drag the 'Wheel' out of the 'Mud'. We, the team Gram Jyoti, as a pioneer are showing the vulnerable people the way to come out of the 'shell of darkness' of the society and tread into the journey of sustainable development in easy accessible way.

In this financial year 2017-2018 we are delighted to present a glimpse of our achievements: In association with WaterAid-NSE, UNDP, Childline, NABARD, JSSWB, SBM, ITDA and MADA we strived tirelessly for promoting sustainable livelihood in the Santhal Pargana region among the most vulnerable community and improved the socio- economic scenario of the marginalized community of the society through SHGs strengthening.

Gandhi Jee said, "Sanitation is more essential than freedom." Keeping this quote in our heart we are working collaboratively with DWSSM and SWSM and with the support of Water Aid India and UNDP to establish open defecation free environment in the rural areas of Jharkhand and Bihar. Also we created technical model and methods to support DWSSM and SWSM. Protection of child rights is another success we have gone through in this financial year. We developed some model village to replicate throughout the whole state. We are heartily thankful to the GOJ and Water Aid India, UNDP and other agencies for their blissful support in the same.

Gram Jyoti worked on women empowerment and PWDs' right protection. We became successful to make the Government responsible for the PWDs and establishment of their rights. The women, who were somewhere lagging behind from the mainstream of the society, have been empowered through different programs and we are proud to say that the women have become decision maker along with the male members of the family as well as the society.

Your comments, feedbacks, information, and suggestion is highly solicited.

Now concluding with this hope that we will come back in the next year with another successful story.

With warm regards,

Pashupati Kumar
(Secretary)

Genesis of Gram Jyoti

Gram Jyoti was founded in 1998 when a team of 9 social activists felt the need to have a platform to work for the poor and downtrodden under SARVODAYA and ANTYODAYA concept for improvement of their life of standards. The founder moved towards collective strength of communities to achieve a just society, which is free from exploitation, hungry and discrimination. It also believes in the economic solidarity of the whole society through working for the deprived segment for their well-being.



Vision, Mission & Objective

VISION

Holistic development of the downtrodden and deprived section of the society and to bring them in main streams and enlighten them.

MISSION

Empowerment of the poorest of the poor to establish equity, inclusive growth & progressive society based on the pillars of decentralization, participation, social peace & universal brotherhood.

OBJECTIVE

- ◆ To enhance awareness level and build capacity of society so that people can identify their needs and solve the issues and facilitate rural reconstruction through the efforts of community
- ◆ To main stream deprive vulnerable excluded group of the society.
- ◆ To promote gender equity based developed society.
- ◆ To develop skills among youths for self-employment
- ◆ To promote and do advocacy for the concerns and rights of children and women
- ◆ To promote for optimal utilization of locally available resources for sustainable development
- ◆ To develop skills among youths for self-employment
- ◆ To developed people's capacity to ensure food security and sustainable livelihood.
- ◆ To encourage people to participate in local governance, not just as representatives but also accountable for the Govt. services and development schemes.
- ◆ To establish alliances between people's group, the Govt. & Development agencies with a view to rural reconstruction.

Recognition

- Gram Jyoti is a member of several network and alliance to promote development initiative
- Working as member of Jharkhand state sanitation mission program

Award

- NIRMAL GRAM AWARD by the Honorable president of India for the wonderful work on sanitation ,
- Jal Star award by the DanikBhaskar news media team for the Noble work on water conservation
- Various endorsement letters by the commissioner, deputy commissioner and other Govt. officer for the satisfactory work on development issue

Thematic area

Our expertise theme during the reporting year- 2017-2018

Livelihood Promotion through

- Women empowerment
- Sustainable agriculture Development
- Land & water Intervention

Community Health Development Through

- Safe Drinking water,
- sanitation and Hygiene,

Non Formal Education

Protection of child rights

Environment Development through

- Alternative source of energy development like smokeless oven, Gobar gas
- Orchard and wood plantation

Promotion of Rural Housing

GLIMPSES OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2017-18

8 Nos project handled during the year and covered 562 villages of Pakur, Dumka, Sahibganj and Deoghar district

1.Namami Gange Project- under implementation of the Ganga rejuvenation program- UNDP , Geographical coverage 27 villages of 10 GPs in 2 block

2.Childline – Working in Deoghar as Nodal agency to cover entire district with the support of 2 Collaborating Agency- NEEDs & YAM India

3. “Swachha Vidyalaya Swachha Aadat” Geographical coverage-52 villages of Pakur district.

4.DWSM- Deoghar, Pakur

Dissemination information, education, and communication in 240 villages community on

<p>construction and use of toilet through street play, drawing competition, triggering process</p> <p>5. Birsa Awas, coverage 20 villages in Sarwan block of Deoghar district by MADA, Deoghar.</p> <p>6. Tribal development through Water harvesting, storage and land development, coverage 13 villages in Sikaripara block of Dumka district by ITDA , Dumka</p> <p>7. Sustainable sanitation development through supporting individual household as a loan money for constructing IHHLs by NABARD</p> <p>8. Running 10 creche centers at Deoghar and Mohanpur blocks of Deoghar District.</p>
<p><u>Outlay of project execution</u></p> <p>Facilitated poverty reduction initiated through Strengthened 125 SHGs in Sahibganj distict, accumulated 23 lakh saving among 1469 members for the promotion of internal transaction in Sahibganj district</p>
<p>Skill Development support to SHG members in 4 training centres 24 SHGs members on tailoring, 20 Cement brick and ring plate manufacturing, 14 Lac bengle making</p>
<p>Entrepreneurship development undertaken among 1575 SHGs members on 309 vegetable cultivation, 702 on Horticulture , 550 on Toilet construction, 14 s on pickle making and increased their additional income from Rs 4200 to 7300 per month</p>
<p>Celebrated International women’s Day as Anti liquor, dowry & superstition at Raj Mahal</p>
<p>300 HH equipped with smokeless oven, 14 H.H. with Gobar gas plant for the promotion of alternate energy</p>
<p>203 compost units installed among 150 biomass compost , 40 aerobic compost, 15 drum compost for the domestic waste management and promotion of livelihood</p>
<p>introduced SRI & organic farming among 560 farmers (300 Paddy crop, 260 pulse crop) and increase production & reduced pesticide use on the Ganga basin area</p>
<p>32 workshop , seminar and capacity building initiative organized on rural development, Ganga rejuvenation, CLTS & ODF, Liquor prohibition, local governance</p>
<p>facilitated construction of 1355 units IHHL among 27 villages through 55 SHGs and declared 14 Villages of 3 GPs ODF, 32 Vigilance committee functioned towards creating ODF milieu in project area</p>
<p>Formed 36 child line group , 36 open house session in school , 36 open house with allied system , 60 review , 840 CBOs meetings, 336 PRI meeting, 204 police meeting, 6 block level child protection committee meeting , 1, resource organization meeting , 336 ICDS mothers meeting, 408 session awareness at school level, 48 meeting with railway station children, 120 CAV meeting, 624 cases reported, 84 cases protected and safe from abuse, and facilitated Childline friendship program (Childline se Dosti)</p>
<p>Capacity building of 8 GPs PRI members on leveraging process to DWSSM on Sanitation matter, mason trained on SBM sponsored latrine technology and benefited 243 , trained 52 Para-hydrologist of 2 GPs of Deoghar District, Developed 13 villages WaSH plan of Fulkari GP</p>
<p>Developed Rain water Harvesting unit at Ghoshpur in Deoghar district for promotion of waste</p>

conservation and ground water recharge among the villages.
2 workshop on self construction of IHHL and PWDs friendly toilet issue to PRI members ,JSLPs, BRC & CRC.
Facilitated village plan development exercise in Sonahautu GP Community of Littipara block in Pakur on OWN Village –Own developing their village WaSH scheme and incorporating to village plan
Facilitated Workshop on open defection Free strategic plan in 6 blocks of Pakur district for 327 persons
Facilitated 10 farmer clubs and constructed 10 pond, 8 low land well, 14 ha. Land levelling, and ensure irrigation in 126 acres land of 136 farmers
Provided 957 persons training on different issues like, Sanitation, IHHL technology, CLTS & PRA technique, bahaviour change and rural development, governance, project management and Women rights issue
Constructed 33 tribal house (20 Deoghar & 13 Dumka) and ensured home to 33 poor tribal families.
Reached to 9000 school students with messages of WASH and could bring significant changes in their behavior towards WASH at 52 villages of Maheshpur and Pakuria blocks of Pakur district.
Conducted capacity building programs for 52 SMCs, 316 Teachers, 926 WASH Ambassadors and 1026 Child Cabinet Members on WASH in Maheshpur and Pakuria blocks of Pakur district.
Strengthened PRIs and preparation of village WASH plan of 52 villages of Maheshpur and Pakuria blocks of Pakur district.
Constructed 5 CWSN toilets, 20 incinerators for adolescents, 10 Hand washing facility with force and lift pump, 40 SLWM dustbins at schools of Pakur district.
Through joint initiative of Govt. agencies as well as INGOs dissemination of messages on WASH through Swachhta Raths, Sanitation Exhibitions, Rallies on special days like – Republic day, MHM Day, World Toilet day, International Hand Washing day, Jharkhand Sthapna Diwas etc. in Pakur, Dumka, Sahibganj and Deoghar districts of Santhal Pargana Region.

Health program in Ganga rejuvenation program



Mass awareness on preventive measure as well as early treatment of minor ailment diseases, 4 health camps were organized and treated 597 patients with pathological facility for early diagnosis of their diseases and check their earned money to drain off and increasing their quality of life.

Water, Sanitation, Hygiene Development in 177 villages of Deoghar and Pakur districts Water Aid India Sponsored Project

- Enhanced capacity of 8 GPs PRI members, 90 VWSC members on leveraging process of SBM program facilities from DWSM and ensured improved sanitation within community.
- Leveraged SBM program to 177 Villages and facilitated to construct 700 IHHLs at Deoghar and 8552 IHHLs for 9252 families of 51264 population
- Developed a pool of 250 skilled mason team to construct healthy and scientific IHHL under the frame work of SBM program.
- Developed WASH plan of 2 GPs villages at Mohanpur block in Deoghar district with the active participation of community member to carry WaSH program in sustainable way through leveraging and incorporating their need in Annual plan.
- Installed 1 water recharge well and roof water harvesting structure in Ghoshpur village of Mohanpur block to promotion of water conservation and ground recharge practice at community level
- Enhanced capacity of 52 youths as a cadre of Water hydrological knowledgeable person in their respective village for the water security, storage and conservation
- Developed 15 Adolescent club on the issue of Menstrual Hygiene Management and SRH



Sanitation Development in the Ganga Rejuvenation Program

- Established improved sanitation in 27 villages, through CLTS exercise, leveraging to UNDP IHHL fund, developed 27 village sanitation plan through PRA exercise, constructed 1355 IHHL with the help of 55 SHGs in 26 villages, and behavior change mechanism. Developed a pool of 150 trained masons hand to construct SBM based technology latrine within the project area in sustainable manner.



- Developed a list of 250 Bio-Latrines require families and submitted to Govt. as well as UNDP to Construct it for the check of sanitation status on bank of Ganga River
- Declared 14 villages of 3 GPs (saidpur, Ghatjamni, and Kaswa)

ODF village by the local administration and ensure toilet at household level, behaviour change and community mobilized

- Constituted 32 Vigilance committee at hamlet level for preventing village open defecation practices at community level
- ✓ Regular imparted WaSH education under following key issues -Hand washing during three critical time, Personal Hygiene Management ,use of latrine ,Maintenance and operation of safe drinking water and proper management of solid and liquid waste through Kitchen garden,

LOAN SUPPORT FROM NABARD FOR SANITATION DEVELOPMENT

GJ utilized NABARD supported fund to 30,000 households of Pakur and Deoghar district at the rate of Rs1500 per family as loan money for constructing their toilet. After payment of SBM ,beneficiary returns it with the interest of 6% per annum to Gram Jyoti. The overall recovery rate is 85%. The amount is used as revolving basis under the framework of microfinance system.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC & LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT

IN GANGA REJUVENATION PROGRAM

- For reducing poverty and improving living condition of the villagers, 125 female SHGs formed and accumulated 23 Lakhs amount among 1469 members for the internal transaction to check the grip of money lender and promotion of livelihood. These groups are working as a vigilance team of their respective village of adopting latrine during vital need and promotion personal sanitation.
- Total 67 groups with 598 members in 14 Villages of Sahibganjdistrict trained on mushroom cultivation, lac bangle making, pickle making, cement brick making, tailoring ,domestic kitchen garden, nursery &organic farming trade. 429 farmers engaged and earn a sum of Rs 3200 to 4500 per month .A papaya and wood sapling was developed in Fatehpur village Nursery and earned Rs 29000/- from the nursery.
- 1575 nos. women developed under entrepreneur program through skill transferring in the area of vegetable cultivation, nursery raising, tailoring unit, Lah Bangle making, Cement Brick and Ring manufacturing, Pickle making, Pulse crop development and Papaya Fruit plant Nursery raising .
- Meena Bazar SHG established cement brick and ring construction unit at Kalyani village and earned Rs 2200 monthly per member as net profit after getting their manual labourRs 240 per day. Thus , it is good source of income of SHG members
- Demonstrated Ravi and Kharif organic farming practices among the 560 farmers to check the soil population on the bank of Ganga river areas and promoted eco-friendly agriculture practice to the farmers. 24 farmers were trained under ToT program of organic farming in Ranchi.



CAPACITY BUILDING AND CHANGE IN HYGIENE BEHAVIOR

Conducted a series of capacity building programs on WASH cutting across of all stakeholders (Teachers, Students, PRIs, & Community). All these trainings sensitized the participants and brought massive changes.



As an impact no. of sanitation users increased by 16680, 9588 individuals got access to safe drinking water, and 24821 individuals change their behavior towards WASH in-terms of Hand Washing at critical times, MHM etc.



Models have been constructed which brought a revaluation in the mindset of Teacher, Community and Govt. in-terms of WASH. New structures have come up through leveraging and advocacy.



Now, teachers have become ambassadors for promotion of WASH messages. Unlike previous scenario now, they take hygiene classes regularly using a specific module book on WASH.



BIRSA AWAS

Socially and economically have not face many problems and housing is one of these. To address this issue several scheme have been generated. However, this issue remains unaddressed in major areas. Keeping this in mind Gram Jyoti taken initiative and houses have been constructed for 33 houses holds of Tribal community. As an impact now, 33 households of tribal community live in houses where proper sanitation facility is also there.



ENVIRONMENT DEVELOPMENT & ALTERNATIVE ENGERGY INITIATIVE

- 120,000 saplings transplanted on the bank of the Ganga river a for the promotion of environment and increasing oxygen level among the area. 14 Gobar Gas unit, 250 Smokeless Oven installed within the area as an alternative energy development and reducing Carbon Dioxide levels in the area.
- 5000 herbal plants planted and popularize medicinal value of their respective plant within the community for the promotion of environment and low cost based no side effect medicine among the poor families for well being of Ganga river surrounding area
- Awareness raising for the promotion of environment through solid& liquid waste management , stop use of pesticide and chemical fertilizer
- 203 compost units constructed in 10 villages of project area among 203 H.H's land for the promotion of domestic waste management and reducing the wastage drain to the Ganga river for increasing the Ganga water quality as well as promotion the livelihood situation of the 203 families

PROTECTION OF CHILD RIGHT

- Formed 36 childline group and conducted 72 session open house session (36open house session in school ,36 open house with allied system) 840 CBOs meetings, 336 PRI meeting,204 police meeting,6 block level child protection committee meeting ,1, resource organization meeting ,336 ICDS mothers meeting, 408 session awareness at school level, 48 meeting with railway station children,120



CAV meeting to aware them about the dimension of the program & sensitize them to cooperate in child line services

- Conducted 60 review meeting of the program with different actors and 624 cases reported to the concerned, out of total cases 84 cases protected and safe from abuse, and exploitation.
- Regular facilitated Childline friendship program(Childline se Dosti)

TRAINING



Several trainings, exposure trip have been made to empower the community and staff. 11 training on sustainable agriculture and vegetable farming were undertaken and washed 329 SHG members. Staff training was organized on sanitation , PRA tool and technique, SHG nursing & management, SRI technique and project management.

720 SHG members of 125 SHGs were trained on SHG management, report keeping , account system and group dynamics.

102 SHG members skill developed on lac bangle making, tailoring, ring making, cement brick making, pickle making and jute crop development . Now trained members are engaged in their respective



trade to enhance their income level.

About 500 mason skill developed on the technique of SBM sponsored latrine and engaged them to construct quality based latrine in the project area.

ADVOCACY, NETWORKING & GOVERNANCE

Child line 1098 , covers all children need of help , support and caring through countrywide emercy toll free helpline 1098- Empowered community to safe their ward from abuse and exploitation, domestic violence, end of child marriage and rescue – children

Advocacy on child protection, improved sanitation, sexual reproductive health, and people with disabilities were undertaken at state level for improving their status in the community

Empowered Community enforced Govt proam at village level

Budhawaria is one of the least developed village of Rajmahal block in Sahibganj district. It is situated on the bank of the Ganga river and falls under Ghatjamani Gram Panchayat. The village covers an area of 334 households and has 1403 person with 765 male and 718 female. The overall literacy rate is 51%. The village is a home of OBC and SC segment. Out of 334 households, only 10 houses have access sanitary latrine facilities. Open defecation is very common problems in the area. Maximum households are daily earners and arrange their subsistence economy .After returning from daily manual work, they take Alcohol and create mal practices among the community .As a result of it, all the existing facilities are defunct and contractor use their need through putting a bottle alcohol. So, The village development scenario is far below compared to other parts of GhatJamani Gram Panchayat. Although this village has one Utkramit Madhya Vidyalaya , two Anganwadicentres and a health sub – center. The Health sub - centre building is in poor condition with damage. Most of the male adults involve in drinking wine and playing card throughout day - long whenever they have no work.



In the meantime, Gramjyoti entered this village under the flagship NamamiGange Program in July 16. Various dialogues and meeting holds in the village and finalize to impart PRA exercise for situation analysis and community empowerment. Before PRA most of the village did not know about the membership and empowerment of the GRAM SABHA. SHGs also did not know that they are eligible to monitor the governance and to raise voice against their atrocity. During PRA exercise, numbers of people participated and analyze their situation. Various level problems, lack of motivation, apathy of Govt sponsored development program and hellish condition of village premises provide opportunity to think about the village. Suddenly, community call village meeting on 19-9-16 under the leadership of concerned CO Mr. Shivrajkumar. In the meeting community decide to raise their voice against the poor performance of Mid day meal and alcoholism.

In the mean time Mrs:Fulan Devi raised a voice, “HUM SABSE PAHLE GAON MEIN DAROO BAND KARAYENGE.” Everyone supported her and repeated the slogan 5-6 times loudly. Suddenly appeared 4-5 men with quarrel attitude. All the women counseled them and compel to fly way. Meanwhile, Women took decision to monitor the MDM. Whenever the school opened, in next day , they jointly monitored it with a number of villagers and found some guilty and mistakenness of the school Now, community enjoy with The mid – day - meal with regular supply .Teachers follow the all norms and rule during deliver MDM. Clear cut Rule and Regulation of supply MDM create confidence among villagers towards empowerment process after the PRA in Budhwariya.

Govt. schools also can be equally good like a Private school

U.M.S. Englishpara of Pakur District shows the way. Even a year back U.M.S. Englishpara was merely a government's school where lack and poor management of infrastructure, inadequate number of teachers, lack of awareness amongst students & teachers on WASH, no involvement of SMC (School Management Committee) in operation of school, least interest on community on school etc. were the key features. Many from the village were sending their wards to "Sun Rise School" of Muraraie or "St. Joseph Missionary" of Chandrapura.



But now, the scenario is different in many aspects. Like a well reputed private school it has a boundary wall and gate. Even after school hours the existing infrastructure are secured here. Mr. Suraj Shekh, SMC – President, proudly says that partial money of this has come from Mukhiya Fund and rest of it has been leveraged from different sources under the leadership of SMC.



The teachers have received training on WASH in

"Swachh Vidyalaya, Swachh Aadatt" Program. The students are well aware now on six key aspects of WASH. Child Cabinet and WASH Ambassadors have been trained on six key aspects of Hygiene, Monitoring Tools have been developed. Now, like many other private schools in Englishpara students monitor their personal hygiene, Mid Day Meal related issues etc. on their own. The teachers facilitate the process. In the words of proud teacher Mrs. Amrita Singh " Now, I am proud that adolescent' girls do not miss schools during their

menstruation period because proper arrangement in toilets and an incinerator has been constructed and became operational at the school."

Another she teacher Ms. Khatun of Englishpara added that she is also proud because she is teaching in a school where CWSN Toilet has been constructed and especially after this attendance of children with physical disability have been regularize. Ms. Khatun added that U.M.S. Englishpara is a middle school. It caters 7-8 neighboring villages. So, according to her it is good that now, children especially girls with special needs would be able to continue their studies even after Class V without giving a break. Earlier many of the CWSN students were used to drop their studies after Class V because for them it is difficult to attend schools at a distance.

Here Mr. Arvind Yadav, Head Teacher, just counted in figure and said that “We have CWSN Toilet, WASH Unit, Force & Lift Pump connected to Hand Wash Unit, dustbins for garbage disposal, and separate dustbins for dry & wet wastes. Above these a strong motivated Child cabinet & WASH Ambassadors. So, I feel that we are number one at least in Maheshpur Block. All these have helped me to improve the quality of education given at the school. Earlier parents were used to come to complain for quality of food only. Now, many come to complain when some of us (teachers) be late. As far my knowledge goes Model School Barkiyari or Kasturba Vidyalaya of this block do not have all these human & infrastructural assets and that too in good operational condition. I really wonder that how sudden massive success could be achieved in such a short span of time.”



On 23rd March, 2018 SMC Members lead by Mr. Suraj Shekh inspected school at 9.15 a.m. and took action against absentee teacher and ultimately the teachers those who reported after the schedule time had to take leave for the particular day. According to many (officials of Block Education



Department those who did not want to disclose their name) it is an unique case in block may be in district also. Now, time has come when Education Administrators can't think SMCs are paper bomb only. Many of them did welcome and appreciate this venture.

Massive changes in the behaviour of the students are clearly visible in a year only. On 26th January, 2018 the students took out a rally where theme was WASH. These could open up the eyes of community.

MEDIA GALLERY



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