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1.INTRODUCTION

The COVID pandemic has created lot of disturbances to the country, society , administration and governance. It has exposed the gaps of the country and created the necessity of the many things in different areas. But equally it has given an opportunity to grow and make innovations. There was changing needs of the society and changing trends in various areas. Every institution, government and society were forced to change their survival strategies which largely appeared as a good initiatives. Keeping the changing needs and trends of the society, Yuva Sathi Foundation is no different to others. It has also ensured a smooth, gradual and systematic transition in the administration patten, resource mobilization, intervention varieties and initiatives. It has tuned itself with the current pace of the society. During this transition it has achieved many breakthroughs and began associating as an implementing partner for some governmental programmes and also associated with other agencies for the interventions and programmes. There were some good initiatives taken by the organization such as Urban Slum intervention, Youth mobilization programme, Biodiversity interventions and disability interventions, to name a few. The organization has increase its turnover by a careful management of financial resources and leveraged sizable amount of resources from different source agencies. For the first time the organization realized that without funds activities can be taken up and it restructured its activities on those lines. It attempted to restructure the organization way of working and focused more on leveraging resources , increased participation of communities, leveraging the governmental programmes and touching need based and important issues of the society.

The implementation of Biodiversity programme and the RPL trainings programmes has given good lifeline to the organization and it derived confidence amongst the staff to take up more challenging roles in the future. The importance of staff trainings became more important during the year and the organization has rationalized its human resource engagement patten. It has developed an effective voluntary support system. Many recurring activities were continued despite all the hurdles of financial crunch and changing situation on account of COVID pandemic. It also realized the importance of malnourishment intervention, urban slum interventions and differently able persons interventions and made a firm foundation to take it further. The programmes like youth mobilization and women empowerment along with SHG movement have contributions to other programmes and the organization could build good proximity with the societies it touched. For the first time it attempted to map the number of beneficiaries it touched during the year.





2. AREA OF FUNCTIONING

The geographical area of functioning covers mainly all the blocks and villages of Sarguja, Surajpur, Koriya, Bilaspur, Korba, Jaspur, Dantewada and Raipur districts in the state of Chhattishgarh. The functional areas are as follows:-

- **Empowerment:** It includes formation and capacity building of SHGs and their linkages with Banks, market etc
- **Capacity building:** This includes various training programmes, leadership development and legal awareness. Also the organizations capacity building through participation in various forums and through Mukhya Mantri Koushal Vikas Yojna
- **Health interventions:** Under this the organization conducted RCH interventions focusing on pregnant women, tracking of children with malnourishment, awareness programmes on Janai Suraksa Yojna and health education. An attempt was made to work on the promotion of alternative medicine system with special focus on Ayurvedic and Homeopathic section.
- **Environment:** This includes strengthening of environment, checking pollution, imparting hygiene education, forestry programmes, availing good access for health services to the people.
- **Livelihood :** This includes engaging the rural women in self-employment activities, Imparting various vocational training, linkages with market and development of cooperatives by women SHGs etc.
- **Youth interventions :** Under the youth mobilization the interventions for youth has been started by the organisation where the youth are supported for employment / self employment and they are also engaged in developmental activities.
- **Urban slum interventions:** This year a new intervention was initiated to develop the urban slum areas and to address their issues . It started at Bilaspur and Raipur.
- **Interventions related to differently able person:** Another initiative of the organisation is to intervene for the services of differently able persons including children.
- **Smart education:** An attempt to improve the quality of education through providing access to smart education to the very poor children at village level.
- **Campaign against Child Labor:** This is another recurring programme to address the issues of child labor in the state.

3. MANPOWER ENGAGEMENT

The organization has engaged the following types of manpower during the year for all its activities.

Type of staff	Full time	Part time	Honorary	Total
Core staff	7	2	3	12
Project staff (All projects)	14	70	26	110
Volunteers	17	25	22	59

Besides this the organization has empanelled consultants in various subjects who are hired time to time as per the need.

4. PROGRAMMES & ACTIVITIES

The following are the activities organized by the organization.

I. Intervention activities

- a. **Intervention on Bio-diversity** : The organization was awarded the task of developing village level Biodiversity Registers by the Biodiversity Board of Chhattiagarh at Bilaspur district. Under this the organization has developed more than 100 village level Biodiversity registers. To develop this registers , peoples participation was ensured and the people were sensitized on the subject. Communities were mbilised for the development of the registers. Specialists from agriculture, taxonomy and Soil conservations were engaged in this programme. The organization as successful in accomplishing the tasks assigned by the Board.
- b. **COVID sanitization programme**: With the support of Hamare Disha Hamare kadam, New Delhi, the organization has conducted the door to door sanitization programme in 25 villages of Sarguja and Surajpur benefitting 31088 families during COVID pandemic.
- c. **Reproductive and Child health activities**; Since last three years the organization is intervening on RCH issues focusing on ensuring



complete immunization to children, ensuring complete ANC to pregnant women, encouraging institutional delivery and complete PNC to women post delivery, reduction in RT/STI incidence and fostering family planning measures. Also special counseling programme for Adolescent girls for Reproductive entitlements and menstrual hygiene. The programmes are presently focused on 25 underserved villages of Surajpur district. Around 156 pregnant women were interacted and ensured of institutional delivery. Also three Life Skill education sessions were conducted for the adolescent girls and they were provided with Sanitary pads for menstrual hygiene. The programme was self sponsored by the organisation.



d. **SMART education interventions:** The organization is concurrently working for reducing



the school drop out rates and conducting extra classes for mainstreaming the poor children in education. It coordinates with the education department at the district level in undertaking school related activities at various villages. Recently it is trying to provide smart education to children through electronic gadgets which helps the children in understanding their subjects. Teachers are engaged voluntarily who conducts periodical sessions at rural

and slum areas. Around eight such spots were identified and the programmes are being conducted that includes- Surajpur, Sarguja and Raipur district. More than 300 children have been benefited through this initiatives till now and the programme is continuing . Organisation leverages resources from various sources for the programme. The content of the study were obtained from Byjus video lessons and from Google search engines. It has attracted the children a lot in understanding the concepts of the topics.

e. **Urban slum intervention programme:** The organization is has lately initiated the urban slum intervention programmes at Raipur and Sarguja. Under this programme it is mapping the issues of urban slum areas along with the resources and works to address the issues such as water, sanitation youth mobilization, health care services and youth club formations. It is a self sponsored programme initiated for developing the urban slum programmes. It is a composite programme where the poor are linked with skill development programmes and supports in entrepreneurs. This year around 10 slum areas in Raipur were mapped and preliminary sensitization meetings were conducted and youth were enrolled . It is planned to develop three youth clubs in the region.

f. **Intervention with persons with differently able:** This year Yuva Sathi Foundation, has conducted survey and identified more than 75 disabled children at Surajpur and ensured their certification. Out of these around 20 children were referred for special education. The technical support was provided by Piyali Foundation, Raipur.



g. **Intervention on Right to play for children:** The organization believes in Right to Play for every children. In this regard it promotes sports activities at different schools and villages and organizes tournaments at rural areas for encouraging the children for fitness and sports. It also encourages and supports rural youth in their sports activities . This programme is being implemented at Surajpur, Sarguja and Raipur districts with self sponsored mode and leveraging resources from the donors.



II. **Awareness Programmes :** As a recurring nature, the organization has been conducting awareness programmes on various issues . The major awareness programmes undertaken theme wise are as follows :-

a. **Environmental awareness :** Environmental awareness programme are being conducted every year at outskirts of cities and in selected rural areas. The programmes are conducted through the involvement of schools and college going



children and they conduct rally, competitions, distribution of pamphlets etc. Also village level community meetings are organized to discuss on issues such as global warming, social forestry, waste management etc. This year the programme were conducted in around 50 villages of Surajpur, Korba and Raipur districts. Local people were involved in the programme and resources were leveraged from the communities.



- b. **WASP awareness** : This is a programme conducted every year with self sponsored mechanism and the programmes are conducted through kala jathhas at rural areas . Sometimes PHED departments are also approached to leverage government supports specially in Swachha Bharat Mission. The focus is on creating awareness on Total Sanitation Campaign and to adopt the usage of modern toilets and proper waste management system in the villages. Along with this there is encouragement on regular handwashing. This year the organsiation has undertaken more than 80 IEC activities at Surajpur, Raipur and Korba district.



- c. **HIV/AIDS awareness** : This is another awareness programme conducted at the high risk sights with the help of the Target Intervention partners. Also the programme is extended at colleges and high schools. The programme gives awareness on health consciousness behavior of migrant labor and commercial sex workers, practicing of safe sexual intercourse and extensive of condoms etc. Periodical tastings are encouraged to the target group and government facilities like VCTC centres, ART facilities etc are popularized. The IEC of NACO and CGSACS are leveraged for this programe. This year the programmes were conducted at Surajpur, Bilaspur, Ambikapur and Raipur districts with the support of TI partners of NACO.

- d. **Awareness on TB and Malaria**: TB and Malaria are the focused diseases where the state government is serious due to its mortalities. In this regard with the support of district administration the organisation periodically conducts sensitization



and awareness programmes on controlling TB and Malaria. This helps in increased referrals and tracking of the treatment at the community level by the departments. Further, it also promotes usage of mosquito-nets for malaria and maintaining precautionary measures for avoiding the infection rate of TB . The programmes are conducted at Surajpur, Sarguja, Bilaspur and Bastar region of Chhattiagarh. This year around 300 cases were screened for Malaria, 120 cases were referred for TB screenings at Dantewada and Bastar region. The program was technically supported by Lalitha Foundation and Development support. IEC materials were obtained from the district health department.

e. **Water harvesting awareness** : This is another recurring programme undertaken by the organization for the past three years . The focus so far has been at the villages at surajpur & Korba district. The awareness is made for adopting the soak-pits at every household and recharging the rain water and roof top water during the rainy season. Technical support has been taken from organizations like Lalitha Foundation, CARDS, Development supports and consultants of NABCON. This year more than 350 individual household soak pits were constructed at Surajpur . Attempts were made to ensure rooftop water harvesting by conducted special meetings with the household societies at Bilapur and Surajpur.

f. **COVID-19 Sensitization**: During the COVID pandemic, the organization has continuously working on sensitization of COVID appropriate behavior and distributed masks, sanitizers, dry ration to poor, food to animals, etc. Also it has facilitated many camps for the health department for ensuring COVID vaccination. The focus of the activities are in Surajpur, Ambikapur district and 10 villages of Surajpur. A total of 3567 beneficiaries were benefited with the dry ration, sanitizers and masks etc. Besides this the organization has sanitized 25 villages through door-to-door service during the pandemic. The team of the organization was simultaneously helping the district COVID control room in contact tracing and tele



counselling aspects.

g. De-Addiction programme:

Every year the organization conducts De-addiction programme intervening with youth and sensitizing



to shed off the lure of tobacco consumption and alcohols. This programmes is periodically conducted at Surajpur, Korba, Ambikapur , Koriya and Raipur with the help and support of Health department and Red Cross society. This year seven such events were conducted with the support of other NGOs and Red Cross and there a total turnout of more than 7000 people.

h. Campaign against Child Labour:

This is also a programme conducted every year where it sensitizes the vendors, shops and households to avoid child labour. Initially this programme was supported by Labour department but now, the organization is continuing with its own funds. It also conducts surveys to identify child labour and intimates to labour department and Childline for necessary action. This year around 250 shops , 50 hotels , 25 restaurants and 20 industrial units were approached and sensitized for restricting child labour. Around 15 referrals were made to Childline for necessary rehabilitation at Surajpur and Bilaspur district.



i. Road safety sensitization programme:

Every year the organisation is conducting Road safety awareness programme during the Road safety week. During this the organisation used different IEC materials and undertakes a rally with the school children for following the traffic rules and road safety features. The programme is organized every year at Raipur, Surajpur, sarguja , Bilaspur, with leveraging the Transport department support and self sponsored mode. Three rallies were organized at Surajpur and Bilaspur for road safety awareness.



III. Capacity building programmes

a. **Swasthya SATHI Trainings;** The organisation in collaboration with health department and supported by SB Pharma, conducted orientation programmes at five blocks to the swasthay SATHIs , who are volunteers identified for working on Malaria controlling at rural areas. The orientation programme were conducted benefitting 387 beneficiaries in five blocks in five batches.



b. **Training on Honey processing and Bee Keeping:** The programme was supported by Divisional Forest Office, Dantewada to training the women SHG members on Honey processing and bee keeping. The trainings were conducted at more than five places to 200



women on bee keeping and honey processing. The participants were provided with kits and literature with practical exposure of honey

processing and bee keeping.

c. **RPL trainings:** The organisation has started the training on mason and civil works to 71000 registered labour under labor department at 22 districts of the state Chhattaigarh. The organisation has trained 36000 persons till date and the programme was supported by BACIL, APTECH and APPITCO. It is a long programme which is continuing till date.



d. **Women empowerment:** Since inception, the organization has been focusing on social and economic empowerment of women and in the is direction the organization has been conducting legal awareness programmes to women, family counseling programmes, fostering women collective

bargaining programmes through various activities. The organization has been fostering women groups in villages which can take up constructive and progressive roles in rural development. This year more than 1000 women were touched in the programme at Surajpur, Bilaspur, Dantewada and Sarguja district.



e. **Vocational Training:** The organization has so far trained more than 2,000 persons on various vocational trades so far since its inception in association with the training agencies under skill development initiatives. The training included Mushroom cultivation, Bamboo handicrafts, Bastar Arts, Soft toys, Agarbatti making, Brick Making, Bleaching powder making, soap making, terracotta pieces, Bhel metal artcrafts, wood carving, paper cover making, Leaf cup making etc. These were trained to help the people secure self-employment. This year under this programme around 150 women were trained on mosquito net preparation, 100 women on mushroom cultivation, 60 women on bleaching powder preparation at Surajpur district.



IV. Youth Employment facilitation :

Every year the organization is helping the rural youth to facilitate with loans from micro-financing agencies. On an average 50 persons are helped to link with different banks. The organizations goodwill is being used to avail them the loan. This is basically to counter unemployment problem of rural youth. It is a self sponsored programme focused at Surajpur, Sarguja and Raipur district. This year 37 youth were supported for entrepreneurship at Surajpur district.



V. SHG formation & training : More than 300 SHGs that include women SHGs are being formed by the organization. Further there have been attempts to recharge the dormant SHGs also. The organization is putting best efforts in providing market linkages to the SHG products. The programme is mostly conducted at Surajpur, Ambikapur, Dantewada and Raipur districts. The organization manages some funds from the project and undertakes the activities every year. This year around 100 SHGs were re-oriented and activated at Surajpur and Sarguja district.



VI. Health service : The organization is conducting regular mobile health camps in the villages. Every year five to six camps are conducted with the help of resource persons and health departments specially with district Red Cross. This is to ensure primary health service to the rural lot. Further, the origination has been facilitating to ensure health care envisaged by the government through its schemes. It supports the mitanins to generate modern medical demand from the communities so that Maternal and Infant health are improved. Under this category every year the organization helps in periodical conducting of village health and sanitation committee meetings, Immunization camps, support to Anganwadi canters, and helping the women SHGs which are supporting the Mid-day Meal schemes and Ready to eat food to the AWCs. The programme covers four districts in the state that includes Surajpur, Sarguja, Bilaspur and Raipur. A total of 12 health camps were organized in the above district and there were a turnout of more than 1800 persons. The programmes were supported by Red Cross and Health department. Special sensitization programmes were organized to more than 100 VHSNCs for ensuring complete immunization and tracking of pregnant women for complete ANC.



VII. Celebrations : The organization celebrates important days such as Independence Day, Republic day, Women`s Day, Labour day, World Health day, World disability day, Environment day, etc . It celebrates in educational institutions, organizing skits and competitions in schools, community meetings etc . All these days were celebrated this year at Surajpur, Raipur, Bilspur and Sarguja. More than 500 school children have participated in the celebrations.



VIII. **Plantation programmes:** Every year the organization has been conducting plantation programmes at colonies of Raipur, Bilaspur, rural areas with the help of ward counselors and PRI personnel. It is a recurring programme of the organization. This year five plantation programmes were organized at Surajpur and Raipur with the support of Green Army. More than 3000 plants were planted in the year.



IX. **Support to Poor:** Every year the organization supports the poor people by distributing blankets to poor and older persons during winter, distributing pen, pencil, copies and bags to poor school going children, rain coats to domestic maids, etc. This year 290 school children were provided with copies and pen along with school bags, 138 older persons were provided with blankets, 23 domestic maids were provided with sleepers and raincoat. Other than this more than 200 beggars have received clothes and dry ration in this year.

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5. BENEFICIAIRY COVERAGE OF THE YEAR

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SI No	Programme / Activity	Direct beneficiaries touched during the year	Indirect beneficiaries touched during the year	Total beneficiaries touched
1	Bio-diversity intervention	750	600	1350
2	COVID sensitization	33600	70500	104100
3	Reproductive child health	316	440	756
4	SMART education programme	300	270	570
5	Urban slum intervention	187	9800	9987
6	Intervention with differently able persons	125	356	461
7	Interventions on Right to play	600	360	960
8	Awareness programmes (all inclusive)	18000	55000	73000(APPROX)
9	Capacity building programmes	42000	25000	67000
10	Youth employment facilitation	37	125	162
11	Health services	1500	3500	5000
12	SHG formation and trainings	2500	4600	7100
13	Plantation programme	67	15000	1567
14	Support to poor	651	600	1251
15	Celebrations of important days	1500	450	1950
	TOTAL			



6. MONITORING, EVALUATION

The organization conducted programme wise monitoring through an exclusively formed committee by the Governing Board headed by one of the office bearers. There were no external monitoring for the programme as the organization believes in self monitoring. The monitoring of the programmes was aimed at checking the deviance from the plan. Around 12 monitoring visits were made by the Statutory monitoring team formed by the organisation and many observations were shared. One of the important observations include the capacity building of the staff in the execution of the programme. There was no deviance as such but there is a need of rationalization of the activities.

7. FINANCIAL STATUS

The overall financial position of the organization was tight lipped. There was also a good flow of funds through some projects which gave a relief to the organization. It could generate donation sizably in the year. The founding members of the organization have helped financially for undertaking the recurring self sponsored programmes and the communities have supported in-kind donations. The overall financial management was hard and there was no corpus of the organization yet.



8. ASSOCIATION WITH AGENCIES / ORGANISATIONS



The following are the organizations with whom the organization got associated on various subjects and projects

- Lalitha Foundation, Raipur (For health interventions)
- BECIL (Mini ratna)a public sector organization working on project consultancy services
- APITCO (Public Sector Organisation), an organization working on skill development and engineering growth
- APTECH, a software solution organization and PMU for PSOs
- Biodiversity Board , Chhattishgarh
- Jan Sevak Samiti, Bhilai, (For mushroom cultivation trainings)
- Bright Future Academy (For skill development)
- Red Cross society (for health interventions)

9. FUTURE PLAN OF ACTION

The future plan of the organization is to ensure continuation of the existing activities and to take up the livelihood initiatives for people. It is planning to take up rehabilitation activities for the large scale migrant labor who are affected on account of Poor. Further it felt the need to associate at a large scale with the government departments to work on various areas such as livelihood, health awareness and rehabilitation. It is decided to continue the new initiatives of urban slum intervention. For the first time attempt was made to estimate the number of beneficiaries touched during the year through various programmes. This initiative is planned to be continued every year. Further it was also decided to make effective resource mobilization strategies to develop a corpus of the organization.

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