

A Narrative Report
On
Comprehensive Integrated Rural Development Project.
CORD at Deuladiha, Keonjhar, Orissa
(From 1st April 2007 to 31st March 2008)

CORD is serving consistency towards its vision to harness human potentialities and enable the poor and down trodden to transform their life through programme driven by them. Four vital factors guide the organization after a through keen investigation and minute analysis in operational area.

- Community integration by awareness programmes.
- Organisational support through participatory methods.
- Regeneration and reinforcement of human and Natural resources.
- Development with dexterity, using a participatory approach includes beneficiaries in decision making process.



CORD Building at a Glance

Especially CORD at Deuladiha is striving hard with its soft and positive attitude to motivate the rural psychology stained with a number of blind beliefs and superstitions prolonged since. In spite of that an ample of opportunities are there for service in all walks of life and livelihoods of community. During a short span of time our attitude, approach and action has touched the hearts of thousands.

PROGRAMME HIGH LIGHTS.

Mahila Mandals (women groups): The women forum (Mahila Mandal) is a platform for women to discuss on their personal, domestic & economic concerns freely to find out solutions. Total 16 nos of Mahila Mandals have been formed during this current year 2007-2008. They participate actively on issues associated with the rustic life for the common interest like.

- Availability of drinking water through AMC by installing a numbers of tube-wells in different places by the awakening and participation of Mahila Mandals.
- Anti Alcoholism movement in village like Udayagiri, Kadapara, Santeibhanj, Madhyapur and Deuladiha.
- Forest protection by 4 Mahila Mandals, 3 in Deuladiha and 1 in Kadapara.
- Mahila Mandals of Santeibhanj village sincerely demand of the River Lift Irrigation point to collector of Keonjhar district through B.D.O with initiation by CORD, Deuladiha.
- For Spiritual awakening of women, the classes are being conducted in villages like Deuladiha, Udayagiri regularly ones in a week. Also we are taking classes in other village when ever the opportunity and time availed.



Yuva Mandals (Youth & Men's Groups): To harness the youth potentiality through dynamic spirituality, CORD provides a beautiful platform for youth, where they avail opportunity to express their feelings freely about themselves and society through classes & question & answer sessions.

Topics like unemployment, implementation of NREGS, personality Building, Skill developments and Social services etc. are being interacted regularly. To keep in view that the youth are not useless but they are used less, CORD has taken one youth group experimentally at village

Deuladiha named "Chinmaya Radha Krushna Youth Club on 1st November 2007. The members of the youth club are rendering their heartiest Social Service towards the development of their village Deuladiha as a ideal one. Some of their activities are quoted below.

- Cleaning of village drain
- Repairing of village connective road
- Cleaning of surroundings local CHC (Community Health Centre), Telkoi
- Extended support for self employment of a widow Smt. Hira Bewa etc.
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Yuvati Samuha (Adolescent girls groups): Youth groups provide a concrete platform towards their education and skill development. Besides that the girls learn a lot about adolescent issues which they hesitate to discuss in families and Communities . To build self confidences it is the best forum to find out Solutions of their problems in a natural and loving atmosphere. Total number of Yuvati Samuha which are formed during the year 12 nos.

Balwadi: It is a preparatory stage of children between age group 2 to 6 years for enabling the higher education to enter into regular school. Beside the Traditional system of education, special attention is being given to improve the moral and ethical values of the children through various competitions, Religious stories and tips in Balwadi classes.

Balvihar: 5 regular coaching centers are being conducted i.e. class-1 to class-7 in different villages of Deuladiha G. P. by the sevikas of respective villages with a little Monthly honorarium.



About 200 students from poor and needy families are getting free education on behalf of CORD with the basic need of hour to promote the standard of education in such a remote tribal area. Considering the poor economical condition of the students many a cases, nominal charges have been exempted. It is reported from the guardians and the teachers of the local educational institutions, regarding the improvement in standard of education of the students taking coaching is satisfactory.

Self Help Groups (SHGs): One more addition to the previous states during the current month. As per the instructions of National Directors a series of training programmes i.e. 3days in the month of January, 3days in the month of February and 1day in the month of March 2008 have been imparted to the selected SHGs leaders from the village of Deuladiha and Sarei.



The objective of the training is to build up capacity of the trainees to maintain their books of Accounts and other paper work independently. Besides these, there are so many programmes to strengthening the SHGs have been organized viz. Gram Panchayat level SHGs meets.



Where the officers of Banks, Blocks C.D.P.O., Lead Bank manager from Bank of India, DDM, NABARD, Keonjhar have participated and imparted them training and valuable advice for their sustainability. Now CORD has 40 nos of own SHGs and has adopted 19 nos of SHGs formed by ICDS and others. Current features of the SHGs as follows.

SHGs OF CORD AT DEULADIHA (As on 31.03.08)

SI.No.	Village / Hamlet	GP	CORD SHGs	CORD Adopted SHGs
1	Deuladiha	Deuladiha	15	07
2	Udayagiri	Deuladiha	02	06
3	*Madhyapur	Deuladiha	-	-
4	Nuagarh	Deuladiha	01	01
5	*Mandeisahi	Deuladiha	03	-
6	*GhuntuPosi	Deuladiha	-	-
7	*Gaudunidar	Deuladiha	-	-
8	*Butisahi	Deuladiha	-	-
9	Kadapada	Deuladiha	-	-
10	Santeibhanja	Deuladiha	-	02
11	Jenadar	Deuladiha	-	01
Sub-Total Deuladiha GP			21	17
12	Khuntapada	Khuntapada	01	-
13	Kantlei	Khuntapada	01	-
14	Oriya	Oriya	03	-
15	Dobalapal	Dobalapal	03	01
16	Shivnarayanpur	SNPurgoda	02	-
17	Shankarpur	SNPurgoda	05	-
18	Bhaliadal	SNPurgoda	01	-
19	Golagadia	Bhimkand	03	01
Sub-Total Outside			19	02
TOTAL			40	19

Primary Health Care Programme:

Every day poor and needy patients from far and near are being treated in CORD campus by local arrangements. CORD provides medical transportation facilities to the poor and hopeless to different hospitals in minimal charges or in free of cost considering the economic condition of the beneficiaries concerned. CORD has provided transportation facilities to 243nos. patients during this quarter, out of which 12 nos patients got the free transportation facilities. 4 patients, named 1. Matiani Patra, 2. Late Duhita Patra, 3. Kabita Patra etc. got both free transportation and medical treatment. 17 nos free blood bottles arranged from Indian Red Cross Society for the poor and needy patients. More than 12 nos delivery mother got the funds from mother Referral Funds.



CORD has been organized a numbers of free health check up camp at every villages and village hamlets of Deuladiha G.P. in own arrangement and the doctors from CHC

Telkoi and Br Somesh Chaitanyaji, rendered their honest service to the poor. A mega Eye check up camp was organized by CORD on its Campus with supported by Maa Tarini Eye Hospital, Keonjhar during this year.

Community based Rehabilitation:

CORD, Deuladiha has extended its service towards the rehabilitation of orphans, physically handicapped, psychological deformed. Its members of a Mahila Mandal of village S. N. Pur Goda repair a house of an orphan family (two brothers & one sister) in their village.



One three wheel cycles arranged from the block and donated to physically handicapped boys. Another proposal of a three wheel cycle for Sri Bijaya Kumar Samal, student of CORD operated child labour school has been given to District Administration. One girl named Kumari Kabita Patra, an orphan of Bimala has rehabilitatee in a Ashram at NTPC, Kaniha, Angul.

INCOME GENERATION PROGRAMME:

Community Based Livelihoods:

Non-Firm Sector:

- i) Agarbati Making by Girls of Chinmaya Saraswati Yuvati Samuha, Mandei Sahi and Girls of Chinmaya Khudurkuni Yuvati Samuha of village Madhyapur initiated in Agarbati making as their partial livelihoods. They are purchasing the raw materials from Cuttack and finished products are being sold in shops of local market. To keeping in view that the NTFP based to livelihoods, a proposal for Sal leaf cup plate making has already been sanctioned by NABARD for 25 trainees. Members of 2 SHGs are being selected to



Provide the training which will be commenced soon. Besides these, the making of "Ammchur" (Mango Powder) was processed by Sri Narendra Jamwal to be initiated in three village of Deuladiha G.P. in first phase.

Farm Sector:

1. Goatery & Poultry have been promoted / intensities through Self Help Groups.
2. 25 nos farmer of Farmer Group of Deuladiha village have been provided training with exposure visit on preparation of Vermin compost under ATMA Scheme, organized by CORD to Baliposi village in Patna Block of Keonjhar District.

New Technology Promotion / Adoption:

- One medium size and one individual small farmer size vermin composing unit are under construction inside Chinmaya Mission Premises in Deuladiha.
- One medium size vermin composing unit by one trainees is completed.
- Two more individual small farmers to construct 2 small sized units soon.
- Sri Narendra Jamwal, NRM expert from Resource Centre, Sidhbari has provided practical Training to the beneficiaries on Low cost / No cost vermin composing during the visit of a team from 16-02-2008 to 26-02-2008.

NRM based livelihoods initiated in Deuladiha.

During the last visit of the team of Sri Vijay Singh, Sri Narendra Jamwal and Smt Kaushalya Devi in the month of February 2008, NRM (Natural Resources Management) based livelihoods programme started for the first time in CORD at Deuladiha. Sustainable Orchard management for enhancement of productivity of Mango and increasing income, through the same was started in 2 acres of land of Sri Harihar Nayak of Deuladiha village will be replicated of the activities to 8 acres during March 2008.

Social Sector Kay Activities:

- Literacy Drive: The illiterate members of SHGs and Mahila Mandals are being gradually taught by the field staff and the members of Adolescent Groups. Some of the students of Child Labour School also involved teaching the illiterate women nearer to them.
- Solving Social Issues: The conflict among the chausa Sahi & Patra Sahi has been came to compromise stage after a hard and heartiest trial by Br Somesh Chaitanya, Project coordinator which is a good wish for the total village Development.
- One widow Smt Hira Bewa has setup her office stationary shop by the donation from National Director, CORD Chinmaya Radhakrushna Youth Club, CORD at Deuladiha. DDM NABARD and marketing officer SBI, Keonjhar state Bank of India, Jagmohanpur has sanctioned a loan for her without any mortgage of an amount of Rs 15000/-
- Checking Middleman exploitation: The awareness campaign, group discussion are being regularly arranged to check the middleman exploitation.

Participatory Natural Resource Management:

To keep in mind that the Natural Resources in abundance, if properly utilized the problems associated with the inhabitants can be solved in a sustainable way. It was detected and promoted to the pasture/ grazing land for the domestic (Cattle fodder) purpose to utilize the N.R. Accordingly training provided by the NRM experts of Resource Centre, the guys of CORD at Deuladiha has planed to develop the Chauka system and create the grazing land through the village Development Committee and youth club.

CORD CLAP PROJECT:

Introduction: Aiming at enhancing the standard of living of the poor community, CORD CLAP Project is launched in the month of January' 2008 along with the other Rural Activities of CORD at Deuladiha. It is basically, concerned to Medicinal Plants based livelihood.

Project Title: Cultivation and collection of Medicinal Herbs in Telkoi Block of Keonjhar District.

Project Theme/Description: Cultivation of Catharanthues Roseus (Sadabahar in Oriya) in 52 acres of land and collection of selected wild herbs through provision of seed money/ revolving funds supports/ working capital support to eligible SHGs/ CBOs and ideal farmers.

Operational Area: 10 villages of Telkoi Block.

Progress Made (as on 31.03.2008):

1. Wall painting for advertisement and publicity in 15 sites in 9 villages approximately 600 sq. ft.
2. Beneficiary identification for cultivation of Sadabahar is already completed.
3. Leaflets for creating of awareness among communities have been done.
4. Two G.P. level mass awareness generation programmes and 12 village level awareness meeting has been organised.
5. Two Exposure visit/ Training of Programme – in – Charge and 3 Capacity Building Training for SHGs Leaders has been conducted.
6. Seedling raising process is started.
7. 22 acres of land for cultivation is on the process.
8. 30 acres of lands are under preparation.
9. Revolving funds to eligible SHGs is released.
10. Collection of wild medicinal herbs is started.
11. Innovation involved - dynamic fund utilisation and monitoring system is under implementation.

Village Development Plan (VDP):

CORD initiated its Comprehensive Rural Integrated Development Project within the Deuladiha G.P. and focused the Village Deuladiha as its Model Village. At the mean time NABARD has felt to under take the Village Deuladiha under its Village Development Plan and graded CORD as its Nodal Agencies. Village Development Plan has already been launched on 25th March' 2008 with a huge gathered and the noble hand of the

honorable Collector – cum – District Magistrate. The plan was discussed thoroughly in the Sensitization Workshop and decided that the modification may be incorporated.

Methodology for the VDP:

1. Household Survey
2. MIS Data collection
3. Social Mapping
4. Resource Mapping
5. Interaction with Villagers, Farmers, Women's' groups, PRI members, Youth mass and the educationist of the locality.
6. Discussion and collection of Govt. scheme to be linked

REDP: The Skill training programme on Sal Leaf Cup & Plate making had sanctioned by the NABARD and the programme shall be started from 22nd April' 2008. The 2nd training on the same will be submitted to the NABARD as soon as possible.

NABARD has agreed to provide the funds for the Exposure Training on SRI & IFS (Integrated Farming System) for the 40nos. of farmers in the year 2008- 09.

WADI:

NABARD has also proposed for the WADI Project which is under consideration of CORD, Deuladiha.

National Child Labour Project (NCLP):

A Child Labour School Centre sponsored by the Child Labour Welfare and Rehabilitation Society under Ministry of Labour, Govt. of India under the scheme National Child Labour Project. The centre consists with 50 nos of child Labour under the age group between 9 – 14 years engaged in hazardous field. The centre has been started since October' 2007.

List of Delegates Visited during the Year:

1. Mr. Purna Ch. Nayak – Ex. Sub – Collector, Keonjhar.
2. Mr. Rajendra Ku. Panda – Tahasildar, Telkoi Block, Telkoi.
3. Mr. RamdasTudu – B.D.O., Telkoi Block, Telkoi
4. Mr. Asit Ku. Mohanty – DDM, NABARD, Keonjhar
5. Mr. S.K. Parida – Asst. Engineer, OLIC Sub – Division, Keonjhar
6. Mr. Tara Dote – Secretary, Deptt. of ST & SC Cell, Govt. of Orissa.
7. Mr. N. C. Vasudevan – Secretary, Science & Technology, Govt. Of Orissa
8. Mr. Chintamani Patra – P.A., ITDA, Keonjhar
9. Swami Sharanandaji Saraswati – Chinmaya Mission, Chicago
10. Mr. Bipin Behari Mohapatra, I.A.S – Collector – cum – District Magistrate, Keonjhar
11. Mr. C.R. Satpathy – Deputy Director, PHDMA, Planning & Co. Deptt. BBSR
12. Mr. S.K. Das – Consultant, Medicinal Plants, OFFDI, PHDMA, BBSR
13. Mr. B. N. Hembrum - AGM, NABARD (RO), Bhubaneswar
14. Swami Sadananda Saraswati – Regional Head, Orissa, Bhubaneswar.

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