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AADIVASI’S REFORMATION & WELFARE SOCIETY

(WARS)

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATION:

BACKGROUND:

WARS, which literally means ‘Yuddh’ (Struggle/Fighting), is a voluntary organization, operational in the state of Jharkhand and Odisha, (India), since 2001. The organization was conceived as an effort of a few socially sensitive people who came from different backgrounds, charged with the vision of working with the vulnerable sections of the society and address issues giving rise to such vulnerabilities. Therefore, during 2006, its birth by a group of social workers. Since that day, it has come a long way and implemented a lot of programmes. The aim of starting such an agency was to unite the people and to make them agents of their own development. Its Registered Office is situated at Gua of West Singhbhum district. Its doors are open for all those who are interested to do some social work selflessly or contributes for social developments. It renders services to all irrespective of caste, creed and colour. Success is our motto and we believe in the fact that talkers are never good dears”. Our work and output speak for us. The members as well as the office bearers of our organization are fully dedicated themselves for the sake of rural poor men, women, children, irrespective caste, creed & religion, who are being exploited by literacy, poverty and blind beliefs. We are true, sincere and genuine workers. We have done our much valuable work silently. The organization works in association with people, Government and non-Government organizations.

Aadivasi’s Reformation & Welfare Society (WARS) is such an NGO, Its operational areas are very backward. We operate in 2 district of Jharkhand (East & West Singhbhum) and 6 districts of Odisha viz. Keonjhar, Khurda, Salepur, Dhenkanal, Jagatsinghpur and Cuttack. Our operational areas include both rural and urban areas. We work among the poorest viz. scheduled castes, scheduled tribes, vulnerable poorest children and women from BPL families, the Aged needy persons and delinquent youth/drug-addicts from all communities. Poverty, Illiteracy, High Mortalities, Social Ignorance, Family Disorganization, Domestic Violence against Women are some crucial problems. The rural areas witness severe caste divide, the ST/SC being the major dominant caste who are the land owners and politically powerful group.

Today the organization has deep rooted understanding and experience in various fields like various Health related programme, Agricultural development programme, Educational developments to the poor section, Community Based Rehabilitation, with special focus on rehabilitation of widow, women and children, Promoting and Strengthening peoples organization, Child Rights, Disability issue etc.
PROGRAMMES DURING THE YEAR 2016-2017

A. HEALTH PROGRAMMES :-

A.A. Malaria Awareness Programme :-

Since last ten year, we are finding some positive results doing Malaria Awareness programme at various places/villages of West Sighbhum district of Jharkhand State and places/villages of Mayurbhanj and Keonjhar district of Odisha. Therefore, this year also we have conducted various Malaria Awareness programme /Campaign as well as camps on the villages of Noamundi Block, Jagannathpur Block and Manoharpur Block. This year we have also conducted same campaign in the villages of Mayurbhanj/Keonjhar and Salepur district. We have also given awareness classes especially to women and distributed Chloroquine tablets free of cost and explained the preventive measures of Malaria and other health related topics and hygiene habits.

A.B. AIDS Awareness Programme :

This programme was conducted specially for various high risk groups such as drug users including injecting drug users, truckers, Female Sex Workers and migrant Population. Various methods were used for raising the awareness. Every year we conducted this programme (for the past 4 years). Totally 7349 persons have been covered. Particularly 202 women/girls in four batches participated in slogan writing competition.

Despite several educational initiatives by the Government, majority of women from the S.C. and S.T. communities are illiterate. Even among other communities, 30-40% boys and 60-70% girls dropout from the school. Majority are unaware of HIV/AIDS situation and women and adolescent girls are exploited specially in flesh trade network. They are unaware of their health...
and other rights. In the mining areas, some part of Odisha and some part of Jharkhand (Border areas), among the tribal community (HO & Santhalis), females are engaged with truckers. Truck drivers moves one place to another place with mine and minerals far away from their family. Poor women and adolescent girls plays as their entertainment medium. Poverty and lack of illiteracy are the prime cause to led them as sex worker. This has led to this community’s high risk for STD/HIV/AIDS.

A.C. Anti Tobacco Campaigns :-

This year also we have organized Anti Tobacco Campaigns at various locations near the Market or Betel Shops where all kinds of tobacco products trading going on. This year womens participation was bigger successful initiatives. Various School and College lebel students participated the campaign and supported the programme to get success. A big numbers of social workers came forward to support the campaign. Doctors and medical institutional members also supported the campaign. Nowadays, circulation of tobacco spreading every categories of people from lower class to upper class. Mining areas of West Singhbhum and Keonjhar district are badly affected by the use of tobacco product. Govt. initiatives and public intervention required to help the campaign.
A.D. Campaign On Sanitation/Hygiene Practices :-

This year we have conducted block level 6 workshops on hygiene practices at 3 different blocks i.e. Noamundi block, Joda block and Salepur block. Local health officials and community organisers, social welfare organizations, committees, volunteer organisations and Panchayat members supported the campaign positively. This was one of the best awareness campaign for health sector. We found that Govt. has taken many initiatives for Sanitation and Hygiene practices but the illiteracy is the prominent factor for non application of good practices. Till today the people looks for traditional practices.

A.E. Tuberculosis Awareness Campaign :-

This year also we have organized door to door survey of local surrounding villages to find out the symptoms of tuberculosis and after a week we organized a camp for tuberculosis awareness. Tuberculosis is a contagious disease. A type of bacteria called Mycobacterium tuberculosis or M. tuberculosis causes it. Tuberculosis usually attacks the lungs but TB can attack almost any part of the body. It is spread from person to person through the air. When people with TB in their lungs (called ‘pulmonary tuberculosis’) cough, laugh, sneeze, sing, or even talk, the germs that spread TB may be spread into the air. If another person breathes in the germs there is a chance that they will become infected with tuberculosis.
B. WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME :-

B.A. SHG Programme for Women & Farmers :

This year also we organized different self help groups conducting various meeting and discussing with women of various villages of Noamundi Block, Jagannathpur Block and Manoharpur Block of West Singhbhum District, and promoted more than 3 nos. of Women Groups, each group having 10 -12 members and 3 nos. of Farmer group (Kisan Club) consisting at least 25 farmers of each group. The trainers for SHG has been brought from Khadi Gramodyog, Chaibasa and ATMA, Chaibasa. The trainers shown their keen interest and shown good experience and vast knowledge of self employment generation programme, agricultural development programme. Moreover all the SHG has been linked with block, ATMA and NABARD for agricultural development respectively.

B.C. Campaign on Women Rehabilitation :

This programme has catered to mostly women belonging to S.T./S.C./OBC communities through training on useful trades such as: Beautician/Parlour Training, Cutting and Tailoring /
Embroidery / Garment making/Boutique, Envelop Making / Greeting Cards, Nursery Raising / Seedlings Production, (Leaf) Patta Plate making, Candle making, Goater and Bee-Keeping. With the help of DRDA, we got various Govt. Official to execute the workshop. We had a good performance by our MSW professional volunteers/staffs. Widow re-marriage and rehabilitation of Prostitutions also been focused.

C. TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME:-

C.A. Integrated Tribal Developmental Programme :

This year also we have organized various integrated tribal development programme in the villages of Keonjhar district and Cuttack district. ST/SC are mainly found in the villages of West Singhbhum district. There were so many district officials attended in that camp. They were also participated in the programme and requested to take the advantage of the programme. Hundreds of women participated in that programme. We found the illiteracy and poverty is the prime cause made them under develop. Nukkad Natak and the exhibition on the programme successfully executed by the staffs of the organization. More than 500 villagers attended in each camps and awared about the camps.
D. ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME :-

D.A. Environment Awareness Programme:

For promotion of environment we have taken following awareness and training programme during 2013-14. To create general awareness among the down trodden people on day foot march has been organized on dated 23.09.2013 taking almost 10 villages by leaders from concerned villages. Foot March covered ten villages and mass contact, slogan, village meetings were medium used for generating awareness. The villagers were convinced for need of protection and its conservation. After the Foot march a meeting was organized by the organization and invited resource persons like mines owners, and transporters. The resource person discussed such as preservation of forest and protection of new forest, use sanitary latrine in stead of open latrine system and use alternative fuel. On June 5th is the World Environment Day.

D.B. Plantation Programme :-

This year also we have organized in various nearby villages for plantation development programme in the mining areas from where mining works goes on and trees are consistently cutting due to raising and transporting purpose. Taking waste land management programme as a total development programme for the rural areas, our organization actively participated in various watershed development programme and Medicinal plantation programmes of Noamundi Block of West Singhbhum district and Joda Block of Keonjhar district. Under this programme, our organization took active parts of awareness creation amongst the people through various village meetings as well as through entry point programme in the rural areas in Kharif and Rabi seasons. Through Farmer’s Fare, people were given training and guidance for proper use of land use system as well as improved waste land management methods. Under this programme, all the activities were selected through PRA method (Participatory Rural Appraisal Method) for smooth execution of watershed development programmes.
E. EDUCATIONAL INTERVENTIONS :-

E.A. Play Schools for Nursery Children :-

We are also providing play school education for age group 2.5 yrs. to 5 yrs. in subsidized fees. It has been noted that since last 17 years, a play nursery school is running in the name of St. Vivekananda English Medium School, located at Gua of Noamundi block, West Singhbhum, Jharkhand, presently renamed with Vivekananda Public School and we are supporting various play schools in the villages of Keonjhar district and Baranga block of Cuttack district, Odisha. “Children are the Father of Nation” is the prime slogan of the organization to develop various play school in the village level or semi urban places. Shortly we are going to open many play schools in the cuttack district and Keonjhar district. Our organizational staffs are working voluntarily to develop the same and this is also a self employment generation programme. Especially ladies will be self dependent and engaged herself in this education programme.
E.B. Vocational Training Programme :-

Computer Education is the vital part of development in the present era. We are also providing computer education programme as vocational trainings in a subsidized fees in the name of Computer Saksharta Mission to the various villages of both state (Odisha & Jharkhand). We provide the 6 month’s course Diploma in Computer Application and short term courses for the specialisation.

F. OTHER PROGRAMMES :-

Within a year, we celebrate various social and religious programmes like Independence Day Celebration, Republic Day Celebration, Saraswati Puja Celebration, Art and Paint Contest, Fancy Dress Contest etc.
With lot of hopes, we have welcomed the new financial year. Let the new financial year give prosperity to the have-notes and hope for the hopeless. Thanks are to be those whose help has enable us to contribute something towards social development.

I, on behalf of Adivasi’s Reformation & Welfare Society (WARS) do hereby declare that the particulars given above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SECRETARY CUM CHAIRPERSON  
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(NOTE : Shortly there will be amendment of the NGO’s name as Welfare of Aadivasis for Reformed Society (WARS), its area of operation from single state to whole India and new Governing Body List.)