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Dear Members,

We on behalf of the Governing Body members, welcome you to the 8th Annual General Meeting of Our Association of Remedy. We are thankful to all of our members for their yearlong association, for extending their relentless support and also for sharing their valuable thoughts coupled with new ideas.

Annual Accounts for the financial year ended on 31st day of March in the year of 2020 along with Auditor's Report thereon have been attached herewith for your ready reference and for the purpose of keeping records.

Our Association of Remedy has been playing an effective role in the society through adoption and implementation of various projects and programs in the field of tree plantation, education, free cloth distribution, women empowerment, free supply of food articles, vocational training, duck farming, art workshop and organic farming within their limited capacity. Some activities have been expanded with the support of corporate entities through their CSR funding. We have an aim to commence more activities under CSR funding from corporate entities as well as adoption of more initiatives in collaboration with other voluntary organizations in the years to come.

Introducing Our Association of Remedy

Our Roots

Established in the year of 2012, Our Association of Remedy was founded by Mr. Bikash Biswas to serve the various sections of marginalized people such as women, children, aged and differently able in our society that needed the most care but usually went unnoticed. OAR committed to the goal of providing a choice and an opportunity of better living for those who were the most underprivileged. In the 10 years that followed, many more shared their vision and joined them in their mission to make Our Association of Remedy what it is now, a non-profit organization.

Our mission

Providing livelihood through sustainable community development by connecting people to available resources.

Our vision

A society where every man, woman and child can live with dignity.

Principle of working:

Our Association of Remedy is to work with the most marginalized groups in society. The approach is holistic and integrated one to empower the participant beneficiaries in all spheres of their lives.

Core Areas of Work:

- Improving food and livelihood security of the rural poor, especially tribal community through scientific management of natural resources and community-based initiatives.
- Livelihood support and vocational skill development programme for women, un-employed youths.
- Education for underprivileged children who are on and off streets, begging, victims of trafficking, working children, rag pickers, sexually abused, child laborers, children of migrants, tribal children etc.
- Since inception OAR is engaged in health-related activities for under privileged. The objective is disease prevention through awareness generation and free medical check-up camps.

Brief of the Activities in the year 2020-21

Campbell Duck Farming Programme:

This programme was initially launched in collaboration with Sarala Welfare Trust having its registered office located at Andul, Howrah-711304 and since October, 2019 has been continued out of owned fund.

Under this programme, training facilities for duck farming is provided for the benefit of women of low-income group. If any income is earned from the sale of products like duck dropping fertilizer, egg and meat is utilized to meet the cost of training programme as aforesaid as well as to support the education of street children.



The project is located nearby Thakurpukur area by acquisition of three bigha pond. Maintenance and supervisory services for three hundred ducks are hired by our society.

Tree Plantation Programme:

Through this programme, trees are planted that provide shade and also feed people with fruits as well as help to prevent environmental pollution. Two hundred (200) fruit trees, Six Thousand (6000) Neem Trees have been seeded along the road side of James Long Sarani, Diamond Harbour Road and Yen Sarani at Joka in Kolkata-700104 in the month of August, 2020.

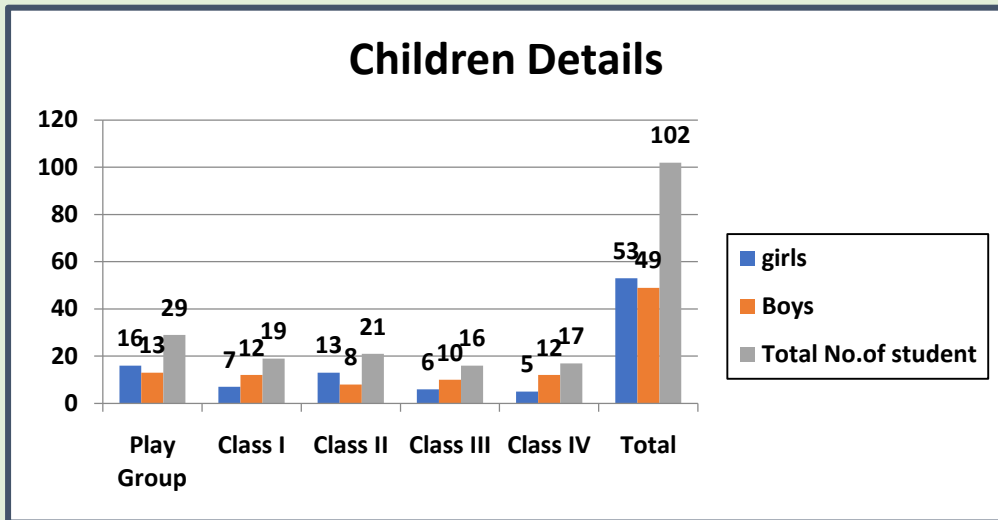


Education Programme:

MUKTI-Care for the slum children:

MUKTI is welfare initiative by OAR. In India, around 170 million or 40 percent of children are suffering from vulnerable situation and experiencing difficult circumstances. Focusing on the target group, OAR has been executing MUKTI programme to improve the status of the targeting beneficiaries.

MUKTI is a protection for children in need of Majherhat (Near the railway station), Taratala, West Bengal. Currently 102 children are being benefited from this programme. Under this programme, all learning materials, school bags, uniforms and food items are provided at free of cost to all the children enrolled with the school.

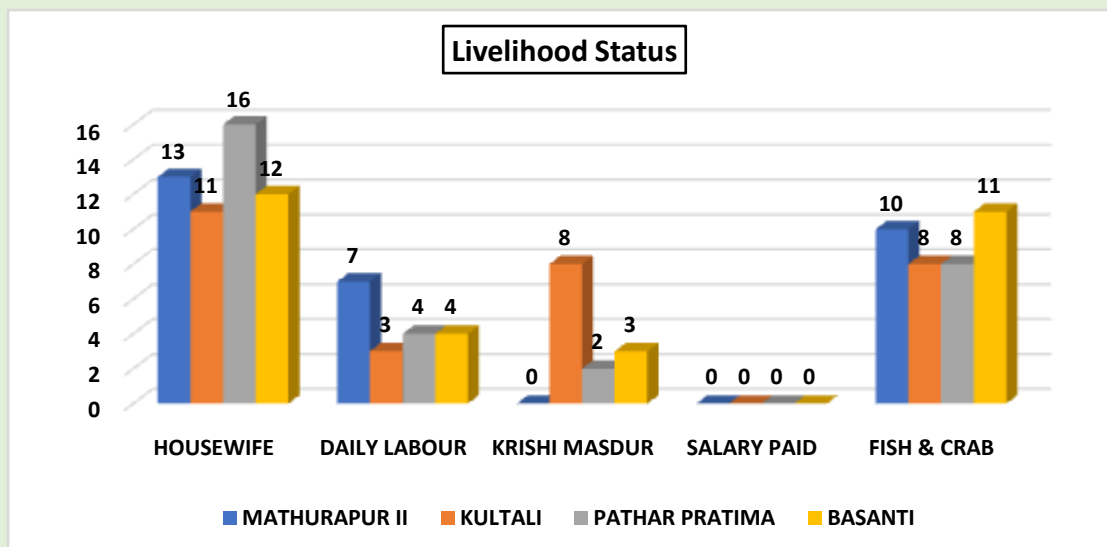


Skill Development Programme for women Convergence with Forest Department (Government of West Bengal)

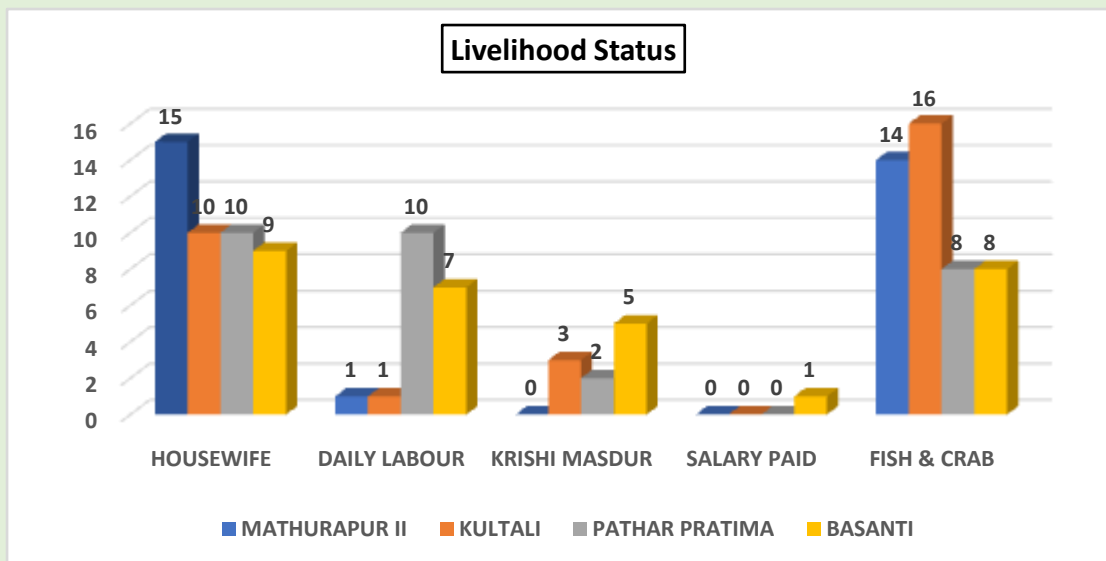
Our Association of Remedy was collaborating with Forest department (Government of West Bengal) towards implementing a skill development project on Kitchen Garden training programme and Duck Farming training programme for the beneficiaries of Sundarbans regions. Sundarbans is the largest mangrove forest in the world and a UNESCO world heritage. But the area is populated by some of the world's poorest people characterized by low levels of socio-economic indicators. In this context Kitchen Garden and Duch Farming Training Project were the revolutionary steps for livelihood generation.

The main focus of the training programme was capacity building of rural women in the Kitchen Garden and Duck Farm in gand respectively 120 trainees from each trade were selected from 4 Blocks (Mathurapur, Patharpratima, Basanti, Kultali) of SOUTH 24 Parganas district.

Livelihood Status of the Kitchen Garden Trainees:



Livelihood Status of the Duck Farming Trainees:



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the programmes were chaired by respectively Sri Biplab Ghosh (Forest Ranger- Malta Range), Sri Gulam Sawas Ambia (Beat Officer), and Sri Sanad Deb (Beat Officer-Nalgara Beat), Sri Arup Kumar Maity (Beat officer). The programmes were attended by respective Government Officials, Panchayet & block level representatives. They assured that in future they will come forward to support OAR initiatives. Trainings aims to bring about changes in practice, knowledge, attitudes and skills of the learners with the expectation this will bring about changes in practice.

Dipshika- a skill development project for women:

This programme named “Dipshikha” is inclusive of Campbell Duck distribution and Tailoring Project. Under this project, two-fold training programme is imparted consisting of six month’s basic training course and one year’s advanced course is divided into two groups of women containing ten women in each group. Total number of beneficiaries under this project was one sixty (160) during the accounting year 2020-21. Total number of ducks distributed among the beneficiaries during the same period was fifteen (15) per trainee.



Skill Development Programme for Poor Women:

This skill development programme I conducted followed by the name “Dipshikha”. All the trainees enrolled under this project are provided with the training to do hair style, bridal make up, facial, manicure etc. under the supervision of experienced trainers and well-equipped infrastructural facilities. Total number of women who have successfully finished their training was one forty (140) during accounting year 2020-2021. A certificate is issued at the completion of the training programme.

Vocational Training Programme For Women Belongto Backward Class:

Vocational training programme covers tailoring training for the benefit of women belong to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Class. Total duration of the programme is six months and training classes are taken for five days in a week. Total number of beneficiaries under this programme during the accounting year 2020-2021 was eighty (80).

Free Food Distribution Programme:

The marginalized section of our society faces food insecurity. Through this programme, food articles and food grains are distributed among the street children and poor people with an aim to achieve smile on their face.



Free Cloth Distribution Programme:

This programme has been introduced to meet the basic need for clothing among the street children and families of low paid Labourers belong to unorganized sectors.

Art & Craft Workshop Programme for Poor Students:

Learning through entertainment is the focus. The programme named 'Chander Hat' is an initiative for skill development of street children year-round. This programme covers all-round cultural activities including sports, theatre, short film projection, dance performance and talent hunt of children enrolled under the project name "Mukti".



Organic Farming:

Careful handling of fertilizer and insect repellents as well as alternative soil treatment methods, are important to ensure that human health is not jeopardized. This programme has been launched to convince farmers to use compost as a fertilizer rather than a chemical compound during the course of production of vegetables, fruits and herbs. The project is being run at Green Park in the area of Joka, Kolkata.



Disaster Management:

Covid-19:

The Covid-19 Pandemic is one of the worst health and economic crisis in modern history and its continuous to require the best of humanity to overcome. During the lockdown from the month of (April-July,2020) OAR was involved in the distribution of food grains to the people worst

affected Majherhat, Kolkata slum area. Jindal Foundation made an indigenous support for the 300 beneficiaries of OAR[Dry ration, basic pulses, spices and hygienic products].



Amphan:

Sundarbans, the part of West Bengal has been devastated by the super cyclone Amphan which hit the coast of India 20th may, 2020. One of the most severe storms hits the eastern coast of India in the past several decades. Sundarbans and its adjoining villages and towns in South Bengal are ruined due to Amphan. In such disastrous situation Our Association of Remedy along with few civil society organization and corporate came forward to



support the community of the region who were already in distress situation due to lose of income for Covid-19 related lockdown. Relief work was done in joint collaboration with AICURD at Sundarban, Raidighi on 2nd July, 2020 and 200 beneficiaries were supported [Dry ration, others household essentials daily needs, cloths for men & women, food for children]. Similarly, Income Tax Employees Federation Bengal Circle came forward for the Amphan victims of Hingalganj, North 24 Parganas. 400 beneficiaries were supported through the distribution of [Dry ration, cloths for children]. Our Association of Remedy came forward for the support of 250 Amphan victims of Sundarbans (Sagardeep) on 23rd June, 2020. They were supported dry rations, cloths and sanitary napkin.

Thanks, and Appreciation:

We promise to continue with our activities in a broader scale in the years to come. The aforesaid activities have become successful due to the co-operation and help from our members, staff members and committee members. We are grateful to all of them. We say sincere thanks to all our Donors and well-wishers. We are thankful to our consultant and auditor for timely and accurate annual accounts and also for timely writing and checking the accounts. We appreciate co-operation and expertise of the persons who have designed our society's souvenir, prospectus and have developed our website. We are thankful to all those who have directly and indirectly helped in various activities of our society.

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