

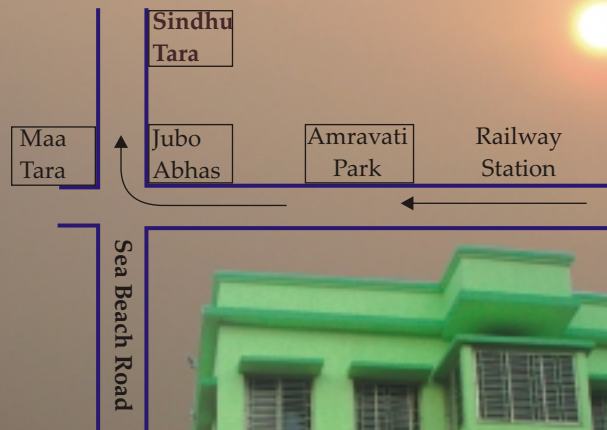
# Seva Kendra Calcutta Training Centre



Facilities available  
 Conference hall- 4 nos  
 Lodge - 180 beds (Dormitory AC / Non AC  
 Single bed AC / Non AC  
 Double Bed AC / Non AC)  
 Food - Indian, continental  
 Other Amenities - Laptop, LCD Projector, Overhead,  
 Public Address System  
 Transport (Maruti Swift, Tata Winger)



## SINDHU TARA



Seva Kendra Training Centre at Digha Rooms (18)		
• Single bed		1
• Double beds		4
• 3 beds		8
• 4 beds		5
• Conference halls	Big(60)	1
	Small(20)	1

For booking details please contact:  
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 Mobile : 09231834642

# SEVA KENDRA CALCUTTA

Social Service Centre of the Archdiocese of Calcutta



“LEAD US FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT”

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# VISION

“A self-reliant society based on peace, love and justice, respecting the human dignity and natural environment”.

## SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Mainstream the dropout children to school through STAG methodology and combat child labour
- ❖ Skill development training for the unemployed youth
- ❖ HIV/AIDS community care & counseling centers
- ❖ Teach importance of Herbal medicinal plants growth and use
- ❖ Support TB (RNTCP) programme
- ❖ Stop human trafficking, promote Safe Migration and prevent early marriage
- ❖ Build self reliant SHGs & CBOs
- ❖ Peace building through reconciliation
- ❖ Promote organic and indigenous methods of cultivation
- ❖ Work with Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRI)
- ❖ Mobilize Government Programmes for development, food, livelihood
- ❖ Develop solar and renewable energy
- ❖ Harnessing natural resources
- ❖ Community Managed Disaster Risk Reduction
- ❖ Emergency relief & rehabilitation
- ❖ Mobilize local Resources and Funds

# MISSION

**Building of a Harmonious Society, based on Cultural Ethos, inspired by Spiritual Heritage, Socially and Environmentally sound through Participatory Process.**

## SEVA KENDRA CALCUTTA

Seva Kendra Calcutta is a social service centre of the Archdiocese of Kolkata. Across the years it has built up a reputation of service, trustworthiness and integrity. It serves the poor, suffering, struggling and disadvantaged people of West Bengal and the neighborhood and is being constantly challenged to improve upon itself, as a catalyst for social change through service, animation and mobilization of people and build a network of partnership with the like-minded organization.

## GENERAL OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Achieve formal education of all children at least till class VIII
- ❖ Improve maternal and child health and Combat HIV/AIDS, Malaria and TB.
- ❖ Promote gender equality and empower women specially belonging to ST/SC.
- ❖ Build a network of partnership to work for livelihood and employment
- ❖ Promote eco-sustainability and natural resource mobilization
- ❖ Mobilize local resources

## MEMBERS OF GOVERNING BODY

Archbishop Lucas Sirkar, President  
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 Fr. Anthony Rodricks, Member  
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 Fr. Anthony Rodricks, Member  
 Fr. Shyam Charan Mandi, Member  
 Sr. Mary, D.C., Member  
 Sr. Michael, SDS, Member  
 Prof. Maria Fernandes, Member

## A Big Thank you to All

### INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Caritas, Germany
- Catholic Relief Services, Baltimore, USA
- Deaf Child Worldwide, UK
- Global Funds
- Indienhilfe e.V., Germany
- Kirche in Not/Ostpriesterhilfe, Germany
- L.L. Likvidace Lepry, Czech Republic
- Manos Unidas, Spain
- Misereor, Germany
- Missio, Germany
- Stichting Actie Calcutta, Netherlands

### NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Archdiocese of Calcutta (Parishes, Religious Societies, Educational Institutions, Associations)
- Association of Bengal Collaborators for Development, Kolkata
- Caritas India, New Delhi & Kolkata
- Catholic Relief Services, New Delhi & Kolkata
- CBCI-Health Commission, New Delhi & Kolkata
- RNTCP, Kolkata
- UNICEF, Kolkata
- NABARD

### GOVERNMENT SECTOR

- Government of India, Ministry of Labour & Employment (DGET)
- Regional Directorate of Apprenticeship Training (RDAT-Eastern Region/Kolkata)
- Govt. of West Bengal, Directorate of Industrial Training (DIT), Bikash Bhavan, Kolkata

### FOUNDATIONS

- Eric Herbert Barber
- Moses Rozario
- Isabella C. Gordon, USA
- Violate and Paul Lee
- Richard Saldanha
- S. F. Fernandes

### LOCAL NGOs/Institutions

- Action Aid
- Agragoti- Amta
- Barabankara Anagrassor Palli Unnayan Samity
- CINI Asha
- Concern Worldwide
- Dakhin Agartala Swami Vivekananda Kisak Sangha
- Focus
- Howrah South Point Social Welfare & Community, Howrah
- Khelaghar, Kolkata
- Khulna Gram Panchayat
- Loreto Day School, Sealdah
- Loreto Convent School, Entally
- Lutheran World Services
- Midnapore International Rural Development Council
- Our Lady of Providence, Kolkata
- Palli Mongol Parishad
- Seva Samity Deulpotha- Mohishadal
- St. Xavier's College, Kolkata
- Sundarbanan Devasis Sevasram Sangha
- Tiljala Shed
- Tulsiberia Shishu Kalyan Samity
- Udayani Social Action Forum
- Women's Interlink Foundation
- YCS, Don Bosco Park Circus

*A special thanks also to all Parishes, Schools, Colleges and Convents of the Archdiocese of Kolkata for the generous support*

## CHARITABLE BEQUEST TO SEVA KENDRA CALCUTTA

Bequests to Seva Kendra Calcutta can come in many forms. The donation received will be utilized as per the wishes and intentions of the donor. For further details kindly contact the Director, Seva Kendra Calcutta.



## COMMUNITY COLLEGE SEVA KENDRA CALCUTTA

“MAKING PEOPLE FIT FOR LIFE AND FIT FOR JOB”

(Job Oriented, Work Related, Skill Based and Life Coping Education)

Community College is the need of the hour. It provides education for livelihood. It responds to the challenges of exclusion and elimination from the formal system, mismatch between education and employment capability, poverty and problems of unemployment, under-employment, unemployability as well as school dropouts.

### COURSES:

1. Life Coping Skills
2. Interpersonal Relationship & Communicative Skills
3. Developmental English
4. Basic Computer Applications

### TRADE

1. Nursing Assistant
2. Basic Electronics-Renewal Energy
3. Assistant Cook
4. Computer Hardware



Duration of the Course : one year

Session Starts : **January & June**

Time: Morning 9. 30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

OR

Afternoon- 1.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Eligibility: Class VIII

Admission Fee Rs. 1000 (\*Refundable)

Exam Fee for each subject Rs. 800 (\*Refundable)

\*Money will be refunded once the candidate passes the examination and receives the certificate.

### CONTACT :

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### Seva Kendra Calcutta- A Vocational Training Provider

We got registration as Vocational Training Provider (VTP) approved by The Regional Directorate Apprenticeship Training (RDAT), Government of India, Ministry of Labour & Employment (DGE&T) and to run Modular Employable Scheme Courses as mentioned below. Here students will get a chance to learn below mentioned courses \*free of cost. For that they have to pay a refundable amount of Rs. 1,000 at the time of admission and Rs. 800 for examination fees.

### Name of the courses offered:

- ❖ Computer Fundamental, Ms-Office, Internet
- ❖ Tally
- ❖ Desktop Publication
- ❖ Computer Hardware
- ❖ Computer Networking
- ❖ Assistant Cook
- ❖ Soft skill for Baseline Staff
- ❖ Soft skill for Frontline Office Assistant

### For further queries contact:

Seva Kendra Calcutta, 52B Radhanath Chowdhury Road, Kolkata-15

\* Conditions apply. The amount will be refunded once the candidate passes the examination and receives the certificate.

**Seva Kendra Calcutta**  
 Working in 9 districts  
 of West Bengal  
 Touching the lives of over  
 15 lakh people



### EXTENSION UNITS OF SEVA KENDRA CALCUTTA

#### Seva Kendra Ext. Dum Dum

C/o Missionaries of Charity  
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Cantonment, Kolkata - 700 028  
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Email: [cccdumdum@gmail.com](mailto:cccdumdum@gmail.com)

#### St. Joseph's Hospital & Community Care Centre

Phulpahari, Vidyasagar University  
P.O. Paschim Medinipur-721 102  
Phone: (03222)275946/269902  
Email: [stjosephmccc@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephmccc@gmail.com)

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Email: [sevakgp@sancharnet.in](mailto:sevakgp@sancharnet.in)

#### Sindhu Tara Training Centre, Digha

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Phone: (03220) 266902

#### Seva Kendra Calcutta Mainstreaming Centre

Serampore, Village-Simla  
P.O. Serampore - 3, Hooghly-712 202

#### Seva Kendra Calcutta Mainstreaming Centre

Palbari, Vill. - Palbari Ganapati Nagar, P.O. Nutan Bazar, Midnapore West

#### St. Joseph's Hospital Land (Balihati)

Rupnarayanpur, Near Airtel Tower,  
P.O. Jakpur, Kharagpur local P.S.,  
Paschim Medinipur. - 721301  
Ph: 8927906020, 8768446284.

### Campaign Against Hunger & Disease



Place	Amount spent
Seva Kendra Calcutta	209850
Seva Kendra Kharagpur	6900
Seva Kendra Dum Dum	23690
Caritas India	400000
Other Expenses	98288
<b>Total</b>	<b>738728</b>

#### SKC-Calcutta

Name	Designation
Mr. Andrews Tapan	Section Head
Mr. Behera Narayan	Security Personnel
Mr. Biswas Robi	Security Personnel
Mr. Branger Ronald	Senior Accountant
Mr. Das David	Support Staff
Sr. Fulkuwari	Field Reviewer
Mrs. Ganpat Harriet	Coordinator
Mr. Hasda Boidyanath	Support Staff
Mr. Kisku Montu	Light Vehicle Driver
Mr. Mondol Francis	Field Reviewer cum Logistician
Mrs. Mondal Magdalen	Office Secretary
Mr. Mondal Rana	Assistant Accountant
Mr. Murmu Rupai	Cook
Ms. Naskar Benu	Field Reviewer
Mr. Naskar Nikodim	Light Vehicle Driver
Mr. Rana Samir	Assistant Accountant
Mr. Sarkar Bablu F.	Section Head
Mr. Tewari N.K.	Security Personnel
Sr. Michael, SDS	Section Head
Sr. Kausalya	Field Reviewer
Mr. Bishnu Sarkar	Solar Technician

#### Training Centre

Name	Designation
Sr. Bianca	Department in charge
Sr. Reba, DSA	Coordinator
Ms. Kujur Geeta	Department in charge
Ms. Singh Nalini	Department in charge
Mr. Hansda Bishnu	Support staff
Mr. Rajak Chandan	Support staff
Ms. Kisku Sonia	Support staff
Mr. Kujur Rakesh	Support staff
Mr. Mandal Hemram	Light Vehicle Driver

#### SKC-Kharagpur

Name	Designation
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Sr. Mary DC	Coordinator DRR
Mr. Sudarsan Dey	Coordinator, Projects
Ms. Ruth Mary Roy	Assistant Coordinator
Mr. Forhad Ali	Assistant Coordinator
Mr. Lawrence Adhikari	Area Coordinator
Mr. Moven Domingo	Area Coordinator
Mr. Ranjit Gomes	Area Coordinator
Mrs. Vanessa Smith	Accountant cum Office Assistant

#### CCC-Dum Dum

Name	Designation
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Ms. Suparna Raychaudhury	Counselor
Dr. Prasenjit Saha	Doctor
Ms. Jolsen Toppo	Staff Nurse
Ms. Prasen Minj	Staff Nurse
Mr. Chinmoy Mahanti	Outreach Worker
Ms. Jayanti Boidya	Outreach Worker
Sr. Bharati Baskey	Outreach Worker
Mr. Rajender Roy	Outreach Worker
Ms. Soma Hansda	Cook
Ms. Kalpana Biswas	Janitor

#### St. Joseph's Hospital-Midnapore

Name	Designation
Sr. Lizy Sebastian	Nurse cum Administrator
Sr. Rani Joseph	Nurse cum Assistant Administrator
Dr. Partha Sarathi Samanta	Doctor
Dr. Susanta Bera	Doctor
Ms. Jaicinta Roy	Coordinator
Mr. Prasenjit Mondal	Counselor
Ms. Jui Sen Gupta	Nurse
Ms. Mithu Midya	Out reach Worker
Mr. Dilip Pal	Out reach Worker
Mr. Debasis Magi	Out reach Worker
Ms. Manti Das	Out reach Worker
Ms. Sumita Singh	Janitor
Ms. Koyeli Hembrom	Janitor
Mr. Havel Rana	Driver
Mr. Kishore Biswas	Night guard

#### Seva Kendra Calcutta Community College

Name	Designation
Mrs. Rosemary D'Rozario	Teacher
Mr. Arindam Mukherjee	Computer Trainer

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- St. Joseph's Community Care Centre
- Stichting Actie Calcutta
- Community Managed Disaster Risk Reduction (CMDRR)
- Samonny-SHG Network
- Community Development Programme
- Tuberculosis Programme
- Training Centre
- Computer Centre

##### Seva Kendra Ext. Kharagpur

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### Message from the Director



During the last two years, Seva Kendra Calcutta has been making efforts to approach the bigger donor agencies, government and corporate bodies for our various programmes. To do this we needed a structural change in our administrative committees, decision-making process and implementation of various initiatives, accounting systems and visibility of programmes. During this time, we have been also working to enhance our services so that we can become a real professional agency.

This approach demands of us to open to all the areas and all people in need. This may affect us as we would not be able to concentrate all our activities around our parishes and church institutions. This may also lead to a question as to what Seva Kendra Calcutta is doing for our people.

Our people are all those in need and suffering; not necessarily those who are involved in our parish or church activities. Our work goes beyond our little institutions to all those people who are in need.

If our helping hands do not extend beyond our church institutions it is no more charity. We need to go beyond our people to all people in need, in turn all the people should become our people and then only we can call Seva Kendra Calcutta a truly "Charitable Institution". I am happy to inform that most of our projects are open to people without any distinction of caste, culture or creed. Last year one of our major works was "Aila rehabilitation" in Sandeshkhali block of North 24 Parganas district where not a single family was a Christian. We went to a place where other NGOs were not ready to go because it was one of the most interior and unapproachable places.

Caritas India, Catholic Relief Services and Concern Worldwide came forward generously to support this venture. Apart from these agencies some of our Catholic institutions like: Sisters of Charity (Convent Road), Providence School (FMM), Don Bosco (YCS), Cloistered Nuns (Carmel), Loreto College (Middleton Row), Loreto Convent (Entally) and St. Xavier's College supported this programme by way of finance, sending doctors and students as volunteers and also providing relief materials.

Khulna in Sandeshkhali one of the areas where we worked, is one of the villages selected for a bigger project from ECHO for rehabilitation. This most interior island has about four thousand families. Practically 80% of these families live in mud shelters. During the Aila cyclone they lost their dwellings. It was a great joy for us to work in this village with the support given by quite a number of our institutions. The village committee is active in helping us to assess, plan and prepare our programmes.

*Fr. Reginald Fernandes*  
Director

## Mainstreaming the Dropout Children to School

STAG (Skill Targetted Academic Growth) Mainstreaming Centres:

### Palbari, Midnapore

(We express our and gratitude to Stichting Actie Calcutta for supporting this project)



#### Present Status

- Twenty-five children enrolled at present- fourteen boys and eleven girls
- Twenty-six children mainstreamed into formal schools-nine boys and seventeen girls

#### Activities/Achievements

- ICDP meetings organized with parents every month to give a feedback for child's progress and help develop a healthy child-guardian rapport for all-round development of their ward
- Organized visits to schools in Dhahara, North Amdria, Bonguara, Madurui and Nilpura to seek evaluation from Head Masters and teachers about the newly mainstreamed children
- STAG methodology & Joyful learning methods employed to allow dropout children to cultivate interest for study
- Exposure visits conducted to zoo and parks to enable children to widen their knowledge through observing and also relaxation from daily routine
- Helped children to open up and realize their full potentials through co-curricular activities like songs, dance, recitation and just meeting visitors
- Received positive feedback from guardians and party workers in the locality regarding methods employed to educate the dropouts and also the general health set-up of the centre

Biswanath Mahili is an intelligent child. He used to study in Class III. There are ten members in his family. But there are only two earning members in the family. As their occupation is cultivation, the financial status of the family is low.

**"A promising future"**  
(Case study)  
Many nights Biswanath has to go to sleep only having one meal during the day. Thus though Biswanath is intelligent and his family is interested in his education, the family's financial state could not support his studies. So he had to drop out of his school.

Biswanath's parents came with much hope to one of Seva Kendra Calcutta's camps in Dantan Block. These camps are organized every year with the goal to screen dropout children for the mainstreaming centre at Palbari, Midnapore. At the interview, Biswanath proved his brilliance and answered every question that came his way. He was immediately enrolled into the mainstreaming centre.

At the centre, Biswanath has proved his caliber. He is at the top of all achievers at the centre!

### Serampore, Hooghly

(We express our gratitude to Indienhilfe e.V. Germany, for supporting this project)

#### Present Status

- Twenty children have enrolled in total
- Two have been mainstreamed- Dasarot Roy into Class I and Rubina Khatun into Class VII
- One child left the centre on medical grounds and then migrated from the previous address
- Fifteen boys and two girls between the age group of 8-14 years, are receiving training under the STAG methodology
- Atghora Jasaikathi Gram Panchayat & Tepul Mirza Gram Panchayat in District North 24 Parganas are targeted areas to combat child labour

**"I need to study to make it big in life"**

#### Bapon Munda

Ten year old Bapon Munda is a tribal child from Rudrapur village GP of Atghora Jasaikathi in North 24 Parganas. Both his parents work in a saw mill where he too spent almost a year without going to school. He helped his parents by working in the saw mill to earn a little extra money.

The parents had no time or interest for Bapon's education. Bapon too did not show any interest in going to a regular school. He shared that he had no strong friend circle as he was one of the few tribals at school. He also did not get mid-day meals at his



previous school. His weakness in Mathematics was another important reason for his to drop out of school.

Now once he enrolled in the Mainstreaming centre at Serampore, Bapon has realized that education is a must to make it big in life. The centre has encouraged him to overcome his weak points especially in Mathematics and Bengali. He has shown his brighter side which is very promising. Bapon can, not only read Bengali fluently, but can also work with the four Mathematical calculations easily! Bapon's friend circle prove that he can make friends confidently too. We can say that we find him a promising individual at the centre.

## Finance

Schedule of Projects for the year ended 31st March,2011 (foreign)				
Name of Projects	Opening during the year	Receipt during the year	Utilised Balance as on 31.3.2011	Closing on 31.3.2011
ABCD-Anti Trafficking Program	19516	156781	176297	nil
Caritas-Alternative Livelihood through Promotion of renewable energy among Aila affected families of (N) 24 Parganas	nil	1000000	1000000	nil
Caritas-Assistance to the victims of fire at Tangra	100000	nil	100000	nil
Caritas-Renewable Energy for Public Health & Environment Awareness	nil	646675	101135	545540
Development of Rag Pickers 2nd Phase	nil	679400	626062	53338
Caritas-Relief to the victims of Aila	1301362	2768531	4069893	nil
Caritas-Relief to Kashmiri migrants	nil	50000	50000	nil
Caritas-CBDP	6072	169738	175810	nil
Caritas-CMDRR	nil	936788	925186	11602
Community Care Center-Midnapore	(-19791)	19791	nil	nil
Community Care Center-Dum Dum	1845	nil	1845	nil
CRS-DRR-1409,1550 & 6788	712785	164292	756261	120815
CRS-Salary	22044	nil	22044	nil
CRS-Sahayog support to MC sisters	122520	315499	438019	nil
Deaf Child- Use of Office space	139421	203640	331950	11111
Deaf Child World Wide	49836	1045357	1021040	74153
Financial Assistance	513032	3871388	4218379	166041
Indienhilfe-Capacity Building	34663	70000	44383	60280
Indienhilfe-Child Labour	263635	530000	701116	92519
Indienhilfe-Emergency Fund +SEVA	426843	nil	150000	276843
Indienhilfe-Gratuity for IDP Staff	147842	nil	nil	147842
Indienhilfe-Integrated Development Program	1103769	1930000	3018996	14773
Indienhilfe-Use of Office space	59539	319440	361866	17113
Indienhilfe-Kolkata Office	257154	320000	549411	27743
Holy Child	34376	nil	34376	nil
Jesuits Missions	nil	120150	43075	77075
Likvidace/Hospital	5664010	24820588	19980709	10503889
Misereor-Community Development Program	(-137471)	382555	245084	nil
Missio EV	582710	1228660	1341644	469726
Richard Saldana	66865	nil	nil	66865
SAC	25751	1688979	1657534	57195
UGECE-ENFA	nil	310922	310922	nil
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11498328</b>	<b>43749174</b>	<b>42453037</b>	<b>12794463</b>

Schedule of Projects for the year ended 31st March,2011 (Indian)				
Name of Projects	Opening Balance	Receipt	Utilised	Closing Balance
Campaign against Hunger & Disease	2118740	1105596	923288	2301047
Emergency Relief Fund	44696	nil	nil	44696
Good Friday Walk	80708	20195	240440	(-139536)
Herbert & Ellen Barber Scholarship Fund	3700	38300	nil	42000
Herbert Eustace Barber & Ellen Barber	41000	nil	nil	41000
Fr. Moses Fund	50000	nil	nil	50000
Violet Lee Fund	57828	nil	nil	57828
S.F.Fernandes Fund	nil	100000	nil	100000
<b>Total</b>	<b>2396672</b>	<b>1264091</b>	<b>1163728</b>	<b>2497035</b>

DONORS/DONOR AGENCY		ACTIVITIES
1	ABCD,India	Anti-Trafficking Awareness Program
2	Caritas India	Assistance to the victims of Fire at Tangra Alternative Livelihood through Promotion of Renewable Energy among Aila affected families at (N) 24 Parganas Development Program for Rag Pickers in Kolkata City Relief to the victims of Aila Cyclone Renewable Energy for Public Health & Environment Awareness Community Based Disaster Preparedness Relief to Kashmiri Migrants
3	C.B.C.I, Commission for Health, India	Community Care Center
4	Catholic Relief Services,U.S.A	Support to M.C.Sisters Disaster Risk Reduction Salary Support
5	Deaf Child World Wide,U.K	Sign language Trg.for deaf children & families Skill Trg. Workshops for teachers & parents
6	Indienhilfe,Germany	Integrated Development Program, Midnapur Gratuity for staff Child Labour Capacity Building Emergency Fund
7	Likvidace/ Jiri Holy,Czech Republic	Hospital at Midnapur
8	Missio , Germany	Promotion & Networking of BCC & BHC in W.Bengal & Sikkim Region
9	Misereor, Germany	Community Development Program atn Howrah, Hooghly & (N) 24 parganas
10	Stichting Actie Calcutta,Holland	Administrative Costs Students' Sponsorship

Our sincere thanks to the donors, donor agency, The Federal Bank Ltd, Auditor M/s B.De & Co, Director, Governing Body members, staff and friends for their kind support & cooperation.

## An Appeal

*To reach out... To touch  
To make a difference*

To mobilize community and individuals who can pool their resources together for their own development.

*Be our partners in this movement*

### Donation Form

From: -

Phone

Mobile

Date of Birth

Email

Please accept my contribution of :  
(Please tick)

Rs. 1000/-  Rs. 2500/-  more  
 Cash  Cheque  Draft

Date

Signature

You can make a difference by contributing:

- Rs. 1000 : Seeds to farmer whose crop failed/destroyed
- Rs. 2500 : Annual Expense of a school child
- Rs. 5000 : Emergency treatment of a patient
- Rs. 7500 : Leadership training programme for 30 persons
- Rs. 10000 : Annual Salary of a community animator

## LOCAL RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

Name of Parishes	Total
Church of Christ the King, Park Circus	70000
St. Mary's Church, Ripon Street	68355
Sacred Heart Church, Lenin Sarani	46225
Sacred Heart Church, Kharagpur	33880
Auxilium Parish Church, Gobra	30790
Fatima Shrine, C.I.T. Road	28000
St. Xavier's College Chapel, Park Street	25000
Bandel Church, Hooghly	22000
Church of Our Lady of Vailankani, Picnic Garden	20100
Prabhu Jishu Girja, Rafi Ahmed Kidwai Road	18000
St. Francis Xavier's Church, B.B.Ganguly Street	15555
St. Anthony's Church, Kharagpur	15432
Infant Jesus Church, Behala	14050
St. Thomas Church, Middleton Row	13800
St. Teresa's Church, AJC Bose Road	13000
Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Barasat	11000
St. Ignatius Church, Ekbalpore Road	10946
St. Joseph's Chapel, Market Street	10295
Church of Our Lady of Dolours, Boitakhana, Sealdah	10117
St. Patrick's Church, Dum Dum	7000
St. John's Church, A.P.C. Road	6916
St. Joseph the Worker Church, Santragachi	6000
St. Lawrence Chapel, Ballygunge	5405
Holy Family Church, Keshtopur	5140
St. Joseph's Church, Bongaon	5000
Church of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary, Serampore	5000
Queen of Peace Church, Tollygunge	5000
St. Joseph's Church, Barrackpore	5000
Church of Our Lady of Happy Voyage, Howrah	4600
Sacred Heart Church, Kowgachi	4446
Church of Our Lady of Consolation, Haldia	4430
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Nirmal Hriday Ashram, Midnapore	4000
Nirmala Mata Maria Girja, Andul Road	3130
Chamrusai Premananda Ashram, Midnapore	3110
Holy Family Church, Kearchand	2500
Holy Trinity Church, Jhargram	2207
Mary Immaculate Church, Kanchrapara	2100
Catholic Community Centre, Jholi, Kharagpur	2000
St. John Bosco Parish, Liluah	2000
St. Peter's Church, Haldia	1410
St. Francis Xavier's Church, Guma	1146
St. Francis Xavier's Church, Salboni	1000
Carmel Convent Church, Gariahat	800
Sacred Heart Church, Chandannagar	800
St. Patrick's Church, Fort William	722
Catholic Church, Bezda	580
Holy Cross Church, Thakurnagar	500
Holy Cross Church, Baligeria	400
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>568887</b>

Name of Schools/Colleges	Total
St. Teresa's Secondary School, Kidderpore	40367
Loreto Convent, Entally	23638
Carmel School, Deshapriya Park	23100
Our Lady Queen of the Missions School, Salt Lake	20100
St. Lawrence High School, Ballygunge	16781
Marian Education Centre, Picnic Garden	16000
Holy Child Institute, Beadon Street	15500
Loreto Day School, Elliot Road	15000
St. Aloysius Orphanage & Day School, Howrah	14230
Lavinia House, Kolkata	14030
Loreto House, Middleton Row	12000
St. Agnes Convent School, Howrah	11400
Loreto Day School, Lenin Sarani	10000
Auxilium Convent School, Bandel	10000
Don Bosco School, Park Circus	10000
Don Bosco School, Bandel	10000
Meghmala Roy Education Centre, Behala	9400
St. Joseph's College, B.B.Ganguly Street	9000
Loreto College, Middleton Row	8988
St. Paul's Boarding & Day School, Diamond Harbour Road	7250
Holy Child Girls H.S.School, C.I.T.Road	5000
Loreto Day School, B.B. Ganguly Street	5000
St. Mary's Orphanage, Dum Dum	5000
St. Luigi Nursery School, Barrackpore	3000
Holy Family Convent School, Liluah	3000
Auxilium Convent School, Syed Amir Ali Avenue	3000
Don Bosco Technical School, Liluah	2645

Don Bosco Self-Emp, Mirpara	2500
Convent of Our Lady of Providence Girls' High School, AJC Bose Road	2500
St. Mary's High School, Entally	2390
St. Francis School, Guma, 24 Parganas	2000
St. Anne's Free Primary School, A.J.C.Bose Road	217
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>333036</b>

Name of Religious Institutions	Total
Seva Kendra Calcutta Training Centre	19000
St. Joseph's Convent, Chandannagar	16000
Little Sisters of the Poor, St. Joseph's Home, A.J.C.Bose Road	12000
Sisters of the Sacred Heart, Anjali Bhawan	10000
The Carmelite Convent, Outram Street	10000
M.C. Mother House, A.J.C. Bose Road	10000
St. Vincent's Home, D.H. Road	10000
Convent of Our Lady of Providence, AJC Bose Road	8500
Auxilium Convent, Mahendra Roy Lane, Gobra	5763
Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus an Mary (SS.CC)	
Damien House, Kolkata	5000
MSMHS Provincial House, Ichapur, Howrah	5000
Missionaries of Charity, Nirmala Kennedy Centre, Michael Nagar	5000
St. Agnes Convent, Kings Road, Howrah	5000
Auxilium Convent, Taki Road, Barasat	5000
Daughters of St. Paul, Royd Street	4000
Convent of Immaculate Heart of Mary, Tollygunge	4000
Sisters of the Cross, Lower Range	3500
Sisters of Charity, Provincial House, Convent Road	3000
Holy Cross Convent, Pandua, Hooghly	3000
Prem Dan, Tiljala	3000
Apostolic Carmel Novitiate, "Anjali" Gidha, Nilganj	2635
Sister of Mary Immaculate, Gurusaday Road	2600
Daughters of the Cross, Novitiate, Barasat	2000
Sisters Adorers, Bandel	2000
Bethany Novitiate, Barasat	2000
Don Bosco Ashalayma, Belilious Road, Howrah	2000
Servite Convent, Jholi	1700
Apostolic Carmel, Provincial House, Moore Avenue	1500
Missionary Sisters of the Immaculate, Dr. Sundari Mohan Avenue	1500
Carmel Niketan, Gidha, Barrackpore	1500
Sisters Adorers, Christopher Road	1500
Shanti Dham, Guma	1000
Nava Jeevan, Barasat	1000
Claretian Missionaries (Claret Niwas), Barrackpore	1000
St. Vincent's Health Centre, Taki Road, Barasat	1000
Sisters of Providence of GAP, Chutipur	1000
Carmelite Fathers, O.C.D, Picnic Garden	1000
Sisters Adorers, Kharagpur	1000
Arunoday, Taki Road	1000
Oasis Gerosa, Udayrajpur	1000
Shanti Bhawan, Prince Golum Md. Road	1000
Sisters of Providence, Provincialate, Barrackpore	1000
St. Vincent's Ashram, Jholi	1000
Sacred Heart Convent, Behala	1000
Holy Spirit Sisters, Nihon Apartments, Kolkata	800
Apostolic Carmel Convent, Bongaon	800
Nirmala Nilayam, Portuguese Church Street	600
Sisters Adorers Navajyoti Bhawan, Liluah	600
FMM Sisters, Adivasipara, 24 Parganas (N)	500
Sisters of the Divine Saviour, Sunrise Apartments	500
Massarello Home, Monsada	500
Chitrabani Society, Rafi Ahmed Kidwai Road	500
Sisters of Providence, Thakurnagar	500
St. Anne's Convent, Mataldanga, Bagdubi	500
Matri Bhawan, Sourin Roy Road, Behala	500
Carmel House, Behala	500
St. Ann's Convent, Bamandanga	500
Bethany Sisters, Portuguese Church Street	500
St. Anne's Convent, Sealdah	500
Sisters of Mary Immaculate, Dum Dum	400
Vianney Home, Middleton Row	250
SDS, Bezda	200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>189848</b>

Name of Individuals/Groups	Total
Daniel Tirkey, Rashbehari Avenue	9000
Fr. Dilip	1600
Jagat Mohan, Thyssenkrupp Elevators (India)	1000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11600</b>

GRAND TOTAL	1103371
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### Activities/Achievements

- Utilizing STAG & Joyful learning methods to develop interest and create skills for understanding, learning, building confidence
- Conducting monthly International Child Development Programme (ICDP) meetings with parents to build a positive attitude towards the children and create interest for their education
- Adjusting to new environment-shifting to the new centre at Serampore from Palbari, Midnapore
- Managing older children above 12 years of age
- Site seeing for creating love of nature, expand their knowledge & educational purpose
- Observing important National/Religious Festivals like Republic Day, Netaji's Birthday, New Year Day, Deepavali and Christmas to inculcate the feeling of patriotism, oneness and trust.
- Organizing cultural programmes on Sundays for all round development of the children
- Remembering birthdays by singing/wishing the individual
- Story telling sessions to build up moral values

## Development Program for Rag Pickers in Kolkata Slums

(We express our gratitude to Caritas Germany for supporting this project)

A call to come together .....



The "Development Program for Rag Pickers (DPRP)" was initiated in November 2008. Under jurisdiction 57 & 58 ward of city of Kolkata: Kilkhana, Lanedhar, Kuliatangra and Muslim camp in four clusters, we began the work. This area is the home as well as the work place of the most vulnerable and neglected people; such as rag pickers and rag segregationists. They recycle the city garbage, so they could be called "the beautifiers of the metropolitan city", but usually

their role is unrecognized in the waste management system of the city. As they are migrants and often seen as temporary residents of the city, can explain why few governments have designed policies to improve their situations. Most of them do not have identity cards or birth certificates and therefore do not have access to basic government facilities. This programme facilitates the process of empowering these people who are careless of the detrimental situation in which they are living and unaware of their rights.



### Impact Vs Activity

➡ **Owning Public resources** – With the growing health awareness the people of this area started using the Public health services.

Now this center has become alive. Twenty-three school going children received educational grants from 'West Bengal Minorities Development & Finance Corporation' through schools by motivating them to apply for the grant.

➡ **Out of the shell** - the youth and Task Forces were mobilized and capacitated by trainings and formed four groups in the four clusters. They organize, competitive programs for the rag picking community for all age groups, to generate awareness and cohesiveness in them. These acts were a push for the rag picking people to 'come out from their shell' so that they can claim their due rights.



➡ **Working together as change agents** – people in groups and as individuals are organizing community meetings, participating in Para level meeting, Stake holder meeting and mobilizing the target people to attend these programs. The ceaseless efforts of the animators, Task Force, Youth and CP members, could make this possible. Trainings in various subjects like Participatory Learning and Action, Leadership, Communication, HIV, Tuberculosis, DOTs,



minimum safety measures while waste collection, importance of vaccination, Climatic changes etc were organized by them.

➡ **Greater work forces to deal with** – Like minded NGOs came together and shared their objectives, activities and process/methodology so that they have networking among themselves, better understanding about each other's work and work together.

Idrish Mollah (name changed) a young man from Muslim camp was suffering last few years. Finally when he visited doctor it was found that he is undergoing the last stage of AIDS. The pressure from the neighbors and fear of the immediate family drove him away from the home. He took shelter under a tree little far from the house and started begging for food.

### 'A peaceful end' (Case study)

Taj Ali, Pinki Khatun, Md. Abid and Chandni our 'Youth Group and Child Parliament' members came to know and organized themselves with the help of other group members and started counseling the community and their family members. After a few days they could break the misunderstanding about the HIV/AIDS. Idrish was back in home and received love and care by the same family members till his death. While dying Irish said, 'because of you I shall have a peaceful death'

Journey to continue .....

## SAFE MIGRATION / ANTI HUMAN TRAFFICKING

*(We express our gratitude to Manos Unidas for supporting this project)*

Trafficking people is a form of modern-day slavery. This illegal trade leads to sexual exploitation, forced labour, fraud and violence. Children and women fall easy prey to trafficking due to ignorance, misfortune and desperate situations in the families.



They are mostly lured by false promises like employment opportunities, better life situation, money, etc.

Once they are taken, the mediators exchange them for a bigger amount. We are involved in anti human trafficking programs in Baduria Block of North 24 Parganas in the Gram Panchayats of Chandipur, Ramchandrapur, Nayabastila, Sayestanagar I & II and Bajitpur.

### Activities and Impact of our Intervention....

- ▶ 50 Community Vigilance Committees (CVC) are formed.
- ▶ 50 Adolescent Girls Group (AGG) are formed who are responsible in their villages.
- ▶ Linkage and Networking with Government line Dept., Clubs, Panchayat members etc.
- ▶ Display of IEC Materials (Posters, leaflets, banners etc...)
- ▶ Film shows on related issues like trafficking, child labour, early marriage and school dropout were shown to the villagers to bring awareness.
- ▶ 30 youth groups are formed, one each in a village.
- ▶ People have realized the importance of registering their names in the Migration Register at the GP office while going out for work.
- ▶ Participatory Learning & Action (PLA) was conducted in each village.

Sheila (name changed) was a small town girl. She was offered a job as a maid in another city. Sheila readily accepted the offer. Instead of providing a job the man took her to a brothel and sold her in Mumbai, where she was forced into prostitution.

One day she managed to escape **Case study** but she was stopped by the guards. They forced her to spend the night with them. She was threatened by the head of the brothel and she was forced to have sex with 25 customers a day. Whenever she refused, she was violently beaten with iron pipe in front of other workers. She lived with crippling fear. A social worker, taking the help of the Mumbai police, rescued some girls from the brothel. Sheila was one of them. Now Sheila is placed in a care home, where she is given life skill programme to face the challenges of new life and look toward a future with full of hope.

## SEVA KENDRA COMMUNITY COLLEGE (SKCC)

"The objective of this Community College is to create a space and include the excluded and eliminated from the formal system of education. This work is supported and teamed up with core committee members who are involved in industry and a group of dedicated staff. The work is remarkable because, in spite of its constraints and hurdles, it is marching forward at its steady pace. Apart from the main subject like, Vocational Training on Basic Electronic, Computer Hardware, Assistant Cook and Assistant Nurse, It teaches other life coping- soft skill and value based education. Special attention is given to English. Life is precious. It is a valuable gift of The Almighty God. Privileged are those whose lives are properly utilized."

*~Md. Badruzzaman Hossain (SKCC-3<sup>rd</sup>. Batch student)*



SKCC was established on 1st December 2008 with 20 students. It is an alternative system of education, aimed at empowerment of the disadvantaged and the underprivileged urban and rural poor. The education is focused on employment or self-employment through appropriate skill development with the support of the local industry.

### Industrial Partners

Community College can succeed only with the active participation and collaboration of local Industrial Partners. Our partners are:

- Jindal Computers- provide Computer Hardware training to the students, enabling them

to upgrade knowledge and develop skills (hand on experience) on Computer Hardware

- Bellona Nursing & Diagnostic Centre- Provide Nursing Assistant training to the students, enabling them to upgrade knowledge and develop skills (hand on experience) as Nursing Assistant.

- SYNERGY Kitchen & Hospitality Ltd. And Moulin Rouge- Provide training to our Community College students to be Assistant Cooks

own development

The process which we follow can be summarized into following points.

- Step1: Selection of Village
- Step2: Identification of hamlets
- Step3: Selection of hamlet wise micro planning team
- Step4: Hamlet wise Participatory Rural Approach and Stake holder analysis
- Step5: Hamlet wise identification of problems
- Step6: Prioritization of problems (Hamlet wise)
- Step7: Covergence of problems identified in different hamlet (village level)
- Step8: Final prioritization of problems (Village level) with all stake holders
- Step9: formulating plan of action
- Step10: Discussion on prepared micro plan in Gram Unnayan Samity and taking resolution to forward it to block.
- Step11: incorporation of proposed activity under MGNREGA and other Govt programmes

A total amount of Rs.6,00,000.00 was proposed and



planned by the villagers were taken up by the Gram Unnayan Samity and later on implemented through MGNREGA.

Seva Kendra Calcutta Extension Kharagpur is planning to develop another few models on micro planning in coming days to show how best Govt. resources can be utilized efficiently through community empowerment.

### Training Centre

Training centre is an integral component of Seva Kendra Calcutta Extension Kharagpur, as it nurtures the social framers by moulding it in a desired way, through its various trainings programmes. Besides providing a homely atmosphere, SKK updates itself with the modern equipments to ensure the complete satisfaction of its participants, which has increased not only the number of programmes here but also added a good name to the organization.

With a determined and incessant effort contributed by the entire SKK team, it was noticed that there has been a substantial growth, in every sphere of development process undertaken by SKK. Continuing these collaborative efforts in the areas of our operation, we assure to enhance the "Development process" in a desired way and significantly contribute to the growth of the nation.



## Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP)

*(We express our gratitude to CBCI-Health Commission for supporting this project)*



CBCI-Health Commission is supporting the RNTCP in our institutions. There are several projects which can be taken up by local NGOs and health institutions so that the tuberculosis may be controlled in India. Sisters of Franciscan Missionaries of Mary at Adivasipara, Kawgachi, Seva Kendra Extension Kharagpur and Seva Kendra Calcutta are the institutions supported partially for TB Programme.

## Seva Kendra Calcutta, Extension Kharagpur

Under Seva Kendra Calcutta Extension Centre at Kharagpur, Seven Professionals from different fields of development and 56 animators are working for development of remotest villages in West Midnapur district.

**IDP: Integrated Development Project: A project supported by Indienhilfe e.V. Germany**



Seva Kendra Calcutta

Extension Kharagpur, working for the cause of development, bears a credulous transform

ation into the lives of many. Reaching the far flung, soothing the bitter life, building up communities, restoring the bloom on childhood and rescuing people in the time of calamities are its work. And its vision is carried mainly by the IDP (Integrated Development Project), actively in 55 tribal villages, in the district of West Midnapur.

IDP is not only confined to the limits of education, health and savings as started in its initial stage but have now reached the other sectors of human development and

Natural Resource Management. Achievements of IDP are marked through its various sharp indicators like reduction in the drop-out rate, increase in the adult literacy rate, access to health care facilities, 80 % construction of sanitation, water



filters, kitchen garden, raised standard of living, active involvement of women in the decision making process in Panchyati Raj System of the Govt (participation in the Gram Unnayan Samity), using law and policy to confer land rights, which has resulted in more than 300 rural families over here to secure ownership of land under forest



land act and so on

**Micro planning:** Micro planning means micro or detail and planning means budgeting. It is a process where villagers are facilitated to plan for their own

development. The process of micro planning demands a strong determination and willingness to do something for the community voluntarily and get out from the conventional idea that "We are poor people, we cannot do anything, Government is our savior".

The process of Micro planning was initiated at Bezda village under Salboni unit. This village is under Dantan No. 1 Block and under Monoharpur Gram



panchyet. Total families in this village are 180. Most of the people in this area belong to tribal communities. They basically depend on agriculture for their livelihood. Around 70% of the total population living in this village belongs to small and marginal farmer groups with land holding capacity of less than 66 decimals. Quite a large number of families depend on daily labour for their earnings. Though the village is situated on the side of National Highway No. 6, still very less developmental work has been taken up. Most of the roads inside the village were in very bad shape and the people got only 28 days of work under MGNREGS (Mahatma Gandhi National

Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme) programme in the year 2009-10.

The main objective of Micro plan conducted in Bezda village was to increase the scope of income of the community and optimal use of village resources by the community for their

### Courses Undergoing

SKCC is offering the following courses:

- Computer hardware  Assistant Cook  Nursing Assistant  Basic Electronics and Solar-Renewal of Energy

### SKILL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE SCHEME (SDIS)

Based On Modular Employable Skills (MES)

Seva Kendra Calcutta got the registration as a Vocational Training Provider (VTP) from The Directorate General of Employment and Training (DGET), Ministry of Labour & Employment, Govt. of India under SDIS to run the VTP and conduct the following MES courses :-

1. Computer Fundamentals, MS-Office, Internet
2. Desktop Publication
3. Tally
4. Computer Hardware
5. Computer Networking
6. Soft Skill for Base Line Staff in Service Sector
7. Soft Skill for Frontline Office Assistant
8. Assistant Cook

### MES -Need of the hour

The need for giving emphasis on the Skill Development, especially for the less educated, poor and out of school youth has been highlighted in various forums. The skill and educational qualification of the workforce determines the productivity, income levels as well as the adaptability of the working class in changing environment. Large percentage of people in India is living below poverty line. One of the important causes is lower percentage of skilled persons in the workforce.

Another related problem to be tackled is large number of students drop outs (About 60% of the school students drop out at different stages before reaching Class X).



## A ray of hope in Mumtaz's life

(We express our gratitude to Misereor for supporting this project)

Location: North Kazipara: Barasat I Block; North 24 Parganas District, West Bengal



Majority of the inhabitants of this area belong to the Muslim community. Their main source of livelihood is cottage industries like stitching and hand embroideries. Mumtaz Begum, aged 46 years from Kazipara North, Ward No. 11 has come to this place with her husband Mir Kasem in 1990. After one year her husband ran away with other woman left her alone since then Mumtaz has to earn her livelihood single handedly.

She engages herself as a domestic maid in homes of nearby town. It was not easy for her with many challenges, she faced. Inspired by fellow neighbors she joined "Bakul" Self Help Group in February 2008. During the group meetings the animator of Seva Kendra Calcutta, provided the members with information on the importance of linkages and the facilities offered from bank. Inspired by this

guidance from SKC, the SHG decided to open an account in the bank. Mumtaz Begum first availed a loan of Rs. 1600/- in September 2008 from the group to start business on buying & selling of saris to nearby locality. It was a great help. Through this business, Mumtaz Begum was able to earn meager Rs150/- per month.

After six months, the animator of Seva Kendra Calcutta met the bank manager and applied for a group loan, then in March 2009 Mumtaz Begum got loan from Bank Rs. 25,000/- and started the business with big seed capital. Her present earnings almost come to Rs. 3000/- per month and have a capital of Rs. 75,000/-.

Mumtaz's loan is still being refunded now. She has become the inspiration to other group members.

CLUSTER WISE GROUP STATUS (IN RUPEES)							as on March 31, 2011	
Name	# Groups	Total savings	Out standing loan	Income	Cash in hand	Cash at bank	Total asset	
Barasat	10	68740	39290	9173	38623	9000	77913	
Kazipara south	32	169460	39000	16125	146585	0	185585	
Kharia	18	75260	19900	7934	83534	73361	103434	
Narit	26	75260	0	3745	79005	0	79005	
Sayestanagar	36	455960	451400	24663	29223	23390	480623	
Subhasnagar	20	118420	79400	25376	64396	0	143796	
Thakurnagar	33	522550	532050	92660	46757	33670	615210	
Tulsiberia	64	615370	322540	120308	413138	393838	735678	
<b>Total</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>2101020</b>	<b>1483580</b>	<b>299984</b>	<b>901261</b>	<b>533259</b>	<b>2421244</b>	

These few groups are still looked after by Seva Kendra Calcutta, in Howrah and 24 Parganas (N) districts. Many other groups formed by Seva Kendra Calcutta in this area have joined other organizations.

## Action Research Project on “Renewable Energy for Public Health and Environmental Awareness”



As a learning organization SKC has initiated this action research based on the interventions and experiences in the village Kalidaherpota, booth no 93/63 of Bitharihakimpur Panchayat of Swarupnagar block of North 24 Parganas district, West Bengal, India.

The people in Kalidaherpota have no electricity. They depend on their small kerosene lamps for the lighting of their homes. These lamps are often kept inside the closed doors, thus exposing the users to a polluted ambience within home. Children often have vision problem owing to poor light and they find it hard to devote much time to their study. After

the sunset, due to pitch darkness prevailing in the area and due to absence of electrical street lights, within the village social interaction too is restricted. The fuel they buy to light the house is kerosene which rationed (200 ml/person/week), which is expensive, even more when it is bought in the open market, (Rs 12/lit in the ration shop is Rs 40-50 in the open market).

Therefore, the research team thought of promoting renewable energy technology such as solar lamp and smokeless chulla, which is eco-friendly, easily made available, economically viable and ensures healthy environment. This action research will focus on certain aspects of HDI with specific indicators namely, Education, Economic, Social and Public Health. The overall goal of the study is to analyze the impact of solar lighting and smokeless chullas on the education of children, health of the family members, economic conditions of the family and social life in the village.

Community participation would create opportunities to have social gathering in the community or in the family. Increasing the awareness of public health and socio-cultural-educational up keeping, organize capacity building trainings for the unemployed youth in producing self planned solar energy through local resource mobilization with the help of the Village Energy Committees (VEnC)

### Research problem

Kerosene is very expensive for domestic use and it is affecting the education, economic, social and public health status of the family.

Human exposure to emission of carbon dioxide and other gases causes health hazards like pulmonary, visionary and skin diseases.

### The Research will be done on these specific questions

#### (Primary)

- Education:** Will children do better in studies by using solar lantern?
- Economic:** Will the family have any economic benefit adopting solar lantern for domestic lighting?
- Social:** Whether family and community get more time to have social gathering
- Health:** Does renewal energy promote all-round/integral family and public health?

#### (Secondary)

#### Assumptions

1. Light has great role to play in the life of people on all levels: Health, Educational, Social, Cultural and other aspects of life.
2. Introducing Solar Energy especially light will provide overall well-being of people. It does not just light their evenings, but bring change in their life as a whole.
3. A healthy self-reflected change would make people more self-reliant and

increase their self-respect promoting a marked growth in education, economic, social and public health.

### Research Approach

This action research attempts to qualitative and quantitative tools of data collections to be used at Kalidaherpota village, booth no 93/63 of Bitharihakimpur Panchayat of Swarupnagar block of North 24 Parganas district.

### Stakeholders

The primary stakeholders identified as who are direct participants and secondary stakeholders are representatives from institutions and administration. Village Energy Committee will disseminate the knowledge to the community as given to them through several awareness programs and input sessions.



## Community Managed Disaster Risk Reduction (CMDRR)

(We express our sincere thanks to Caritas Germany for supporting this project)

CMDRR is the new nomenclature for CDBP (Community Based Disaster Preparedness). The stress in this project is reducing risks during disasters. CDBP programme was organized in Swarupnagar block and it was a great success. Now we have moved into another block near the Bangladesh border. It is one of the most neglected areas and affected by the floods every year. This selection was done after we had a discussion with the Block Development Officer and Block Disaster Management Officer. Seventy two most vulnerable sansads were selected by Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRI) for this work. Most of the work, organization and planning were done by the local people. The local people take the responsibility to contact the authorities and involve them in the disaster risk reduction programme. In this programme they are able to use NREGA (National Rural Employees Guarantee Act) and IAY (Indira Abash Yojana) schemes. The most beautiful thing which happens in this programme is that people become alive and take responsibility for their safety. People themselves manage and do the work which is immediately needed. The staff and the animators just facilitate this people's movement in each village. We give below a table explaining the main activities of the programme and also the experience of Mr. Sanat Gaine, Pradhan of Miloni G.P.



### MAIN ACTIVITIES

Activity	Planned	Achieved	Male	Female	Total
Block Level Sensitization	6	6	121	89	210
PLA	72	72	3458	2305	5763
Task Force formation	100	100	2710	1817	4527
Meeting on Special Focus Group	40	40	651	2454	1135
ORS Dome station	25	25	449	355	804
Meeting with Phy challenge	20	20	193	245	438
Formation of Community Farmers Group	6	6	128	138	258
G P Linkage	6	6	49	23	72
Mock Drill	40	40	997	698	1695
Meeting on FSK & CSK	100	100	1252	1312	2564

**Getting closer to CMDRR:** Mr. Sanat Gaine, is an active Panchayet member and also the Pradhan of Miloni G.P. under the jurisdiction of Badhuria block. He is serving his second term as an elected member. He is involved in many social and cultural activities. According to him “now my eyes are opened and I have got a new dimension to work with the people. It was 2010 May, Seva Kendra Calcutta one of the NGOs approached us to work for the people of Miloni Panchayet. We received them half heartedly. We never showed any interest in the initial stage. But they did not leave us. Gradually all of us in our booth got involved with the people without knowing. We started liking their way of capacitating people. I was

surprised to notice, the way people and especially women helped us in planning development activities was very surprising. We noticed the planning of other GS also very realistic and specific. People mentioned their specific roles and plans. We found people lack health and hygiene permanently in all the booths. Seeing their interest and willingness, they also stretched out their hands and implemented low cost sanitary scheme through Task force members in each booth. We are happy and confident to continue much more PRI activities through Task force members. Truly saying, CMDRR helped me to know the situation of our area and people, which is a great help for our GP to implement PRI schemes as per the need of our area.”





## SAC (Stichting Actie Calcutta, the Netherlands)

*A foundation supporting disadvantaged children in India  
(We express our gratitude to SAC for supporting this project)*



In the year under review there were no changes in the constitution of the board of SAC. Practically all the members of the board and other volunteers are pensioned and spend part of their free time for

the promotion of good education for the poorest children in particular parts of India with much enthusiasm.

In the past year much importance was given to a renewal of SAC's policy.

Discussions were held regarding "marketing and communication" because of a continuous decline of the number of sponsors due to deaths of old faithful sponsors and financial problems and disinterest of others. This results in a reduction of sponsorships for various centres. SAC therefore tries to improve its image in order to attract sponsors in the age group thirties to sixties, especially families with adolescent children.

Also the types of sponsorships were considered, specifically the so-called name sponsored children. The administration of these sponsorships is very time-consuming in the centres in India as well in the office of SAC.

Furthermore the need of hostels is at stake. Stress will be laid more on balwadis, teaching/coaching centres, CBO (Community Based Organisation), vocational training etc. SAC will gradually withdraw its support to centres which have been aided for more than 15 years. Too many years can lead to undesired dependency and lack of initiatives for self support.

SAC enjoyed several visitors from India, amongst others Bishop Julius Marandi of Dumka Diocese and Bishop Sarat

Chandra Nayak of Berhampur Diocese. It was very pleasant to have all of them as guests and to discuss various items of interest such as sponsorships, projects and perspectives.

On the other hand SAC people visited various centres aided by SAC in India.

Mieke Hillenaar (sponsorships and first time in India) and Mr. Jan and Mrs. Henny Boekema went

specifically to Asansol diocese. They were introduced to the "Community Oriented Education Programme" and subsequently saw various teaching centres in function. They were very much impressed by the set-up of the programme under the leadership of Fr. Wilson Fernandes. Mr. Gerard Vijverberg (project committee) spent a hectic time at the bishop's house in Balasore meeting many fathers and sisters who were involved with projects. He also went to Berhampur diocese and did the same over there besides a tiresome trip to various centres with sponsorships and projects.

For Mr. Wim de Jongh (treasurer) and his wife Marianne it was their first visit to various centres in Dumka diocese. They were introduced by Mr. Leendert Hoogendam (office manager). For Mr. Wim these visits were of great importance because of the financial reports of the expenditures of SAC money.



## Sindhu Tara Training Centre-Digha

Local resource mobilization is one of the important factors in the social development sector. Four years ago we had decided that 50% of the money which we mobilize for social work should be from local resources. In view of this we built a training centre at a sea resort at Digha called Sindhu Tara which started to function in 2010. This centre will cater for all those who would like to have trainings, seminars, workshop and meetings in a centre which attracts thousands of tourists.

Sindhu Tara also gives an opportunity for the families of those who are involved with Seva Kendra Calcutta to go and spend some time at a resort and come back refreshed. We would be organizing programmes at the centre which would enhance the interreligious, developmental and educational aspects of social sector. At present we have two conference rooms with dining, kitchen and accommodation for fifty-two people. Already some groups have conducted programmes at the centre.

## Aila" affected Ghotihara village

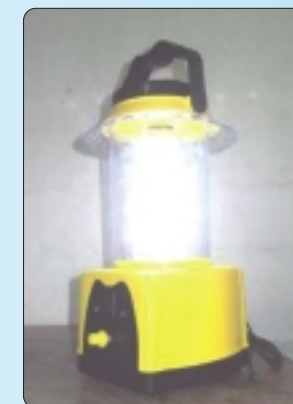
*(We express our gratitude to Caritas for supporting this project)*

Ghotihara village is one of the most interior villages in Kalinagar panchayat in Sandeshkhali Block of 24 Parganas (N) District. There is neither electricity connection in the village nor possibility of it in the near future. This interior village has about eight hundred and fifty families. When we asked them whether they would like to have solar lanterns, they were very happy. They found it, very difficult to pay Rs. 1,350/- at a time. At this juncture Caritas India came to help us with funds for "Aila" affected region. So we were able to give them the solar lanterns for Rs. 700/- . After we made an agreement with the people of the area, we started the process. We selected twenty youth from the area and in two batches; we trained them to produce solar lanterns at Seva Kendra Calcutta. They produced five lanterns with the help of our technicians as part of their training and the sixth one they produced by themselves. This was a seven day training programme.

We hired a small room in Kalinagar. The twenty trained youth produced eight hundred and fifty lanterns and sold

them in Ghotihara village within a time period of three months. These youth themselves earned Rs. 12,000/- to Rs. 15,000/- each for producing and selling the lanterns. Now every family in Ghotihara village is a proud owner of a solar lantern. Children of these families now, find their studies much easier as the solar lantern gives them light.

Sandeshkhali I & II and Hingalganj blocks there are several villages without electricity and people are using kerosene lamps. Many have expressed their willingness to buy the solar lanterns for Rs. 1,350/-. The twenty trained youth are able to produce the solar lanterns further, sell them in the area, and earn their livelihood. They also give a guarantee for these solar lanterns for one year. If needed these youth are able to repair the lanterns in the village itself.



### Solar lantern

Among the solar initiatives of Seva Kendra Calcutta, I feel the solar lantern is the most creative and socially meaningful venture. We have been producing solar lanterns during the last four to five years. We started with distributing solar lanterns at a low subsidized rate and later we assembled our own solar lanterns. At the third stage, we trained people to assemble solar lanterns. /and now in the villages where there is no electricity people are able to assemble and sell the solar lanterns.

We are very happy to say that we are neither receiving any subsidy from the Govt. nor getting any foreign funds to develop these aspects.



We had trained people from different organizations coming from Gujarat, Bihar and Tamil Nadu. I am sure gradually this will grow into a movement.

Apart from this we are also helping institutions and individuals to use solar street lights, solar home lights, solar hot water systems and so on.



## Seva Kendra Community Care Centre, Dum Dum

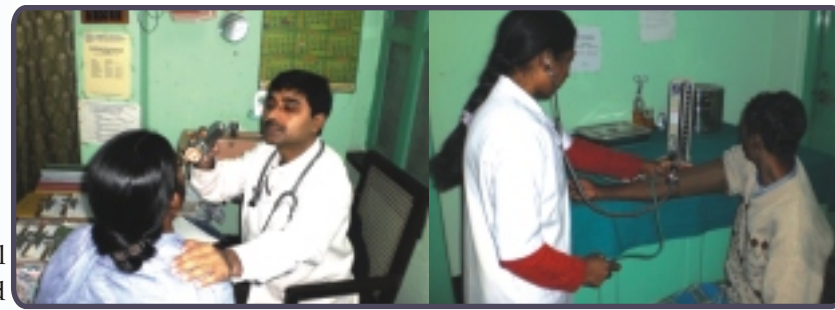
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Seva Kendra Community Care Centre was established in September 2008 to provide Care, Support and treatment to people living with HIV/AIDS (PLHA) with the support from Catholic Bishops Conference of India-Health Commission.

**Goal of the project:** To reduce HIV (Human immunodeficiency virus) related morbidity and mortality in adults and children, and mitigate the impact of HIV on children and women headed households.

### Objectives of Community Care Centre:

- \* To provide care to PLHA on adherence to ART (Antiretroviral therapy), OI (Opportunistic infection) treatment, nutrition, and psycho-social support through in-patient and out-patient services.
- \* To provide care to PLHA on nutritional education, prevention education, home based care and psycho-social support through one-to-one or telephone counseling or outreach services.
- \* To strengthen referral systems for early detection of HIV, access to HIV services and Community support.



### Achievement from April 2010 to March 2011

There are altogether 960 New Clients registered at our CCC from the initiation till 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011. Out of these 843 are ON ART (ART initiated) & 117 are Not ON ART (ART not yet initiated).

Indicators	April-June 2010	July - September 2010	October - December 2010	January - March 2011
Total No. of New clients registered at the CCC	108	101	115	111
Total no. of Inpatient clients at the CCC	108	103	112	113
Total no. of Outpatient clients at the CCC	87	176	189	174
Percentage of old registered clients counseled on drug adherence	100%	100%	100%	100%
No. of PLHA out referred	127	204	180	176
Percentage of clients visiting ART centre on due date	98%	96.87%	95.97%	97%
Percentage of clients having more than 95% adherence level	99%	99%	98%	99%
Total No. of Outreach visit conducted	158	334	197	205
Bed Occupancy%	75.33%	67.33%	73.33%	72.00%
Bed Turn Over	6.44	5.39	6.07	6.04

### Seva Kendra Calcutta Computer Training Centre

Seva Kendra Calcutta Computer Training Centre has successfully completed six years of its journey. This is such a training centre where all are dedicated to give their best service to the students. The main important thing is that we are not professional. We started this institute with a great motto to increase the computer literacy among the students who are poor. Our goal is to bring those students who have lost their self confidence and think that they are unable to do anything. Now we are running a course named as MES (Modular Employable Scheme). This course is beneficial for the students because it is a cash back course. A Student after passing the examination and obtaining certification gets the money back.



## St. Joseph's Community Care Centre, Midnapore

*(We express our gratitude to CBCI-Health Commission for supporting this project)*

*"To be at the service of the last, the least and the lost."*

### Overview

St Joseph CCC came into existence on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2009. We have completed two years of constant support to PLHIV. We have faced many challenges this Year, such as Evaluation conducted on 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2011, advocacy, and meetings, Nurses and Accountant Training etc. This Year was, a year of learning and growth for us.



New Registration	Total OP (new and old)	Total IP (new and old)	Total Families counseled.	Number of PLHA counseled.	Out referrals of PLHA	Bed Duration (days)	Total Home visits.
439	805	517	602	671	424	3390	902

### Achievements from April 2010-March 2011

*Service Delivery: -*

High quality services are given to the clients who enroll here as IP or OP. We as a team try to improve our services for the betterment of the Clients.

- \* Provide improved qualitative counseling in the form of group, individual, couple counseling.
- ❖ Help them to conduct the test prescribed by the doctors.
- ❖ Referrals to ART center, DOTS, Integrated Counseling Testing Centre and various other sectors.
- ❖ Provide free medication facility with good and experienced Doctors.
- ❖ Provide drug counseling.
- ❖ Regular home visits for follow-up and adherence level.

## St. Joseph's Hospital, Midnapore

*(We express our gratitude to Likvidace Lepry of Czech Republic for supporting this project)*



St. Joseph's Hospital runs an OPD for general patients, which provides medicines to the poor and needy patients with its well advanced skilled doctors and nurses. At present the OPD has 1550 enrollment. It has also started morning out doors from the month of April 2010, and it is progressing well. Currently ECG is done at minimum rate for the poor from May 2011.

### SAMONNAY- Networking with Self Help Groups(SHG)

#### Women Frontiers of Development

Women's Empowerment is a process in which women gain greater share of control over all resources: Intellectually knowledge and information, financially access to money and socially control over decision-making in the home, community and society. Seva Kendra Calcutta started forming SHG's for women in 24 Paraganas (N), Howrah and Midnapore area in June 2003. Slowly the groups formed and register CBO (Community Base Organization) in June 2009. It has helped women to be self-reliant.



The group members meet regularly for the SHGs to discuss and plan. The initial aim of the groups was to organize people into groups provide income generation opportunities to women, provide lower interest rates for procuring loans so that women have the right to make decision in social life. Seva Kendra Calcutta has played a pivotal role in linking these groups with banks and Panchayat.