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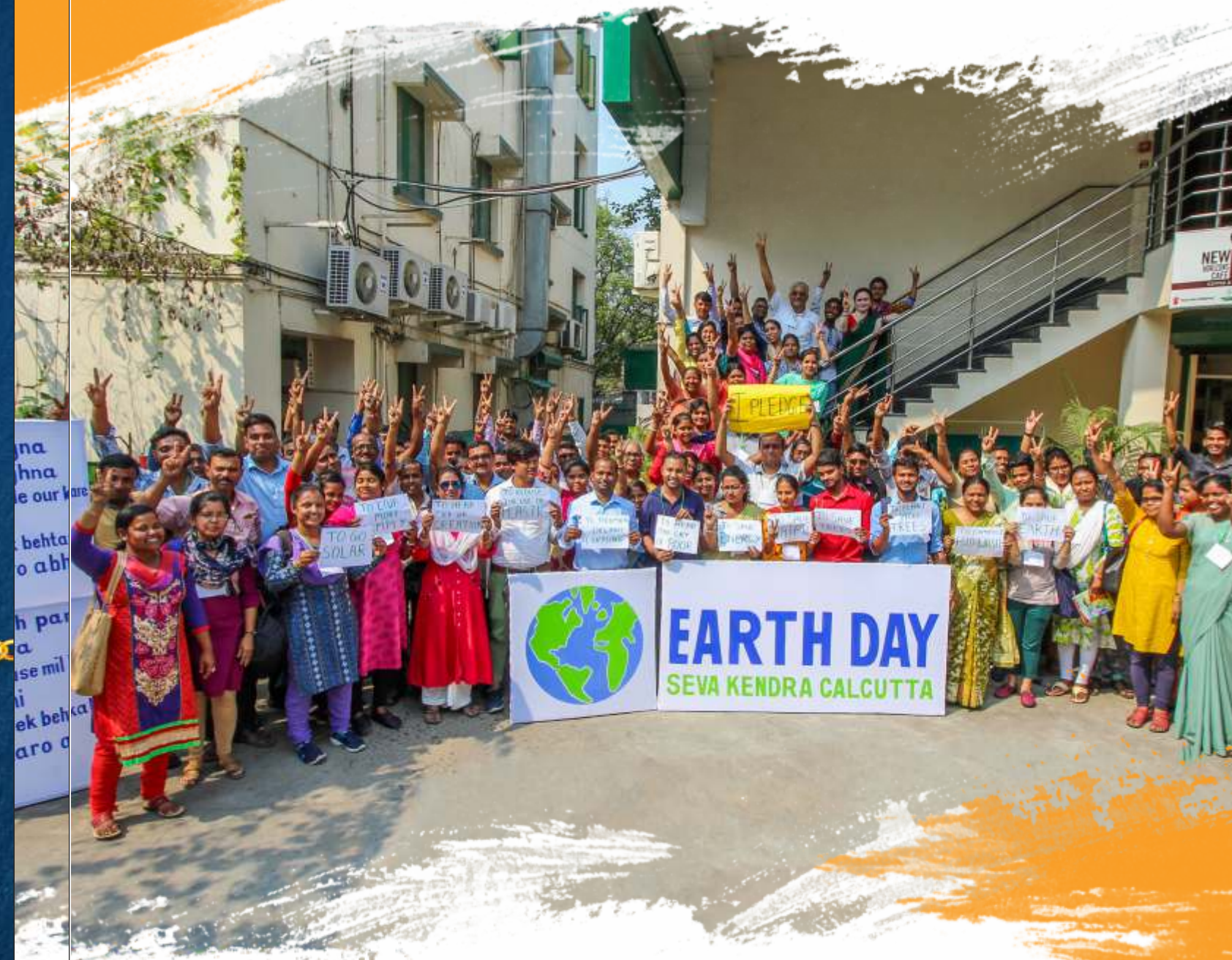
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2018-19**

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VISION

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

MISSION

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



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Director's Message

Rev. Dr. Franklin Menezes
Director

“THE NEW HEAVEN AND THE NEW EARTH”

In the Holy Bible the book of Revelation chapter 21 in verse 1 the author describes his vision: “Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth”. In verse 5 he writes, “And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new’”.

If this is what we read in the last book of the Bible, the first book, the book of Genesis gives us the story of creation by God and we hear a constant refrain that says, “And God saw that it was good.” If the first book of the Bible speaks of “CREATION”, the last one speaks of a “NEW CREATION”. And between these two poles the tragic events of “UNCREATION” unfolds because of the sin of humans. This situation is so poignantly portrayed by St. Paul as he writes to the Romans, “For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God....” We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now (Romans 8: 19-22).

The world is viewing climate change as the defining issue of our time. Now is the time to act. Hence the UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres will host the 2019 Climate Action Summit on 21-23 September 2019 to meet the climate challenge. Pope Francis declares 'Climate Emergency' and urges action as he addresses the energy leaders.

As I pen these lines we hear of the heat-wave in France, an all-time high temperature of 45.9 C. Europe is reeling under the unbearable & unprecedented temperatures. People in Chennai are struggling for drinking water. Plastic waste is choking India. Air-pollution in our metros is making it impossible to live healthy lives. Bengaluru, Delhi, Chennai among 21 cities will run out of ground water by 2020 (<https://www.firstpost.com>) Little efforts are made by different groups to do something beautiful for creation. One such noteworthy action is the: “Season of Creation”, celebrated each year from September 1st to October 4th. This is an effort by the Christian family to unite for this worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. We are called to be Stewards of God's creation.

At Seva Kendra Calcutta we intend to organize a national inter-faith climate change conference in December 2019. Knowing well how the religious leaders influence their followers, there will be a day-long conference on climate change action involving religious leaders, environmentalists, social activists and representatives of different faith-communities to discuss as to how we can play a small yet significant role in climate action.

Climate action on the macro-level is the responsibility of world-leaders who influence policy making. Civil society can put pressure upon them to take big and bold steps to protect our common home. On the micro-level all of us have a serious responsibility to take steps to lead a life-style defined by REFUSE, what you don't need; REDUCE, what you need; REUSE, by using what you have; RECYCLE, what you can; REPURPOSE, your life-style.

Having placed before you my deep concerns for our common home, it is my pleasure to present the Annual Report of the year 2018-2019. The pages that follow will tell the story of our service to thousands of families on the margins of society. We are indebted to them for allowing us to journey with them on the path of sustainable development. I wish to express my debt of gratitude to Archbishop Thomas D'Souza, the President of the Governing Board, the members of the Governing Board, Finance Committee, the General Body and the members of the staff of Seva Kendra Calcutta. I owe deep sentiments of gratitude to our donors, partners, benefactors, volunteers and our numerous well-wishers without whom it would have been impossible for us to serve with the kind of love with which we have reached out to our less privileged sisters and brothers. Do continue to support us so that we can transform this broken world and heal the broken hearts by inspiring hope and kindling joy.



Environment

Natural Resource Management addressing climate change by gender mainstreaming through solar technology

Project Period

Ongoing
since 2015

Supported by

Misereor & KZE

Area Covered

40 tribal
villages from
West Midnapur
& Jhargram
districts

Project Goal

To improve
energy security
for about
1400 families
from 16 villages
in the district of
West Midnapur
and to
create new
income
opportunities
for Adivasi
women

Project Objectives

The three main objectives of the Project are:

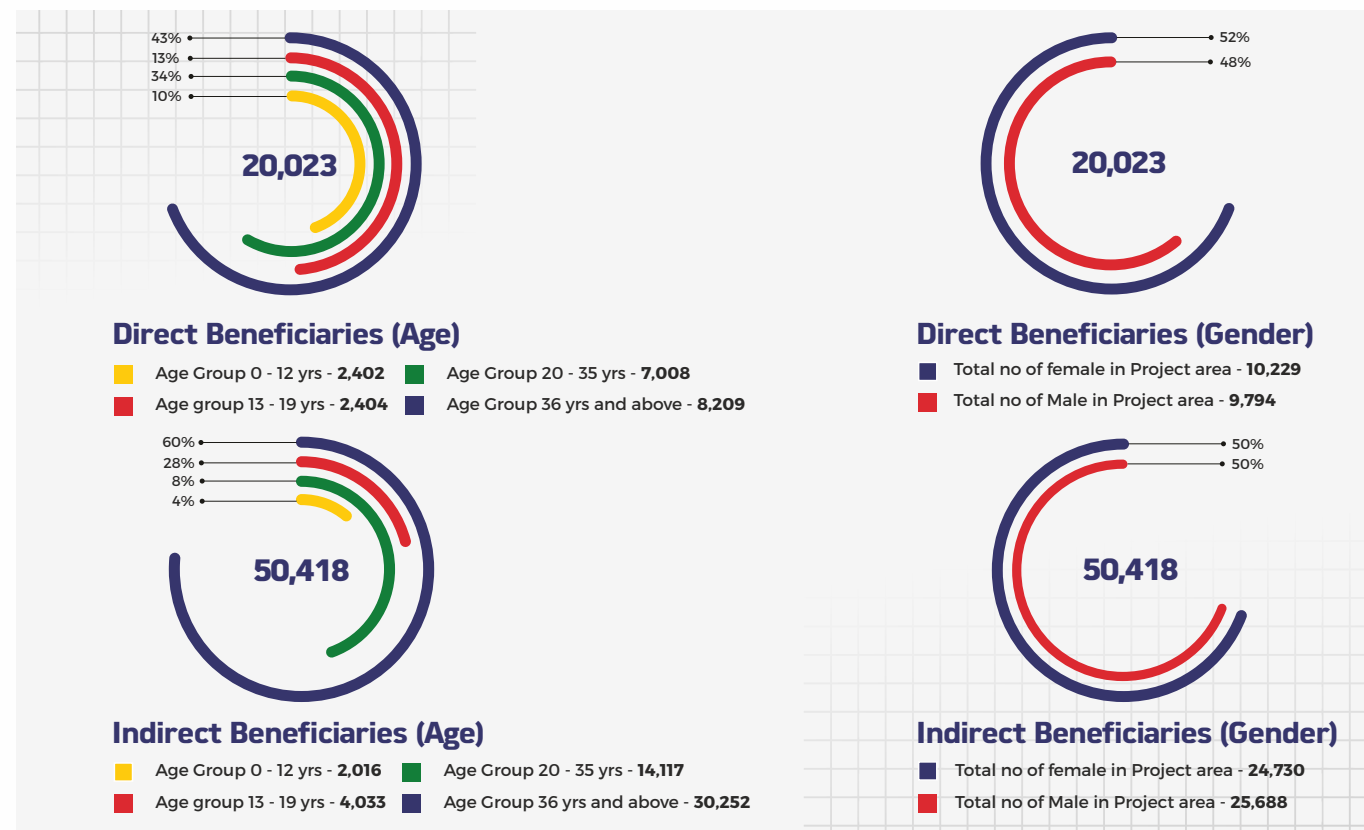
- Villagers are trained in the use, production and marketing of solar-powered lights to create sustainable livelihoods.
- 16 villages through systematic sensitization and training programmes become climate change resilient communities with improved health and quality-of-life.
- The partnership with the private and public sector is strengthened.



Activities conducted during the year

- Selected villagers from the project area were provided with training to become professional and competent solar technicians.
- Provided hands-on-training to 402 tribal women to assemble solar lanterns, mini lights, home lighting system along with their installation, maintenance and fault detection.
- Regular practice sessions were conducted in all 40 NRM Practice Centres.
- Systematic marketing efforts with innovative strategies were introduced in order to promote and drive up the demand and sale of solar energy based products by the Producer group members at various market locations.

- Shop owners' orientation programme on Climate Change and Solar Technology was conducted successfully and a regular and systematic follow-up system was put in place
- Actively pursued advocacy and networking opportunities with various government departments, GPs, blocks, schools and colleges.
- Developed contacts with the purpose of networking with NGOs, Dealers/ Distributors and different marketing channels.
- Created linkages with NABARD and built relationships with banks and MFI (Micro Finance Institutions) for availing loans and other facilities for the producer groups.
- Conducted village awareness meetings in 40 NRM villages on climate change adaptation and mitigation.
- Gave demonstration in composting and plantation techniques to the project villages.
- Explored research opportunities to expand and upgrade the product base of solar energy based products and the process was systematically documented



SKC received the prestigious

Caritas India Social Innovative Award 2018

for successfully implementing the
NRM Project



265 Female

technicians have taken up assembling
solar products, as their full time
occupation and have even earned a
profit of ₹ **5,81,952/-**

and the figures are steadily increasing

Achievements/Impacts



The project's success lies in its proven potential to empower women and this is why 402 out of a total of 506 newly trained solar technicians this year are women.

23 Solar technicians have also conducted workshops as resource persons in places like Bihar, Kharagpur and Dantan, training the participants to assemble solar lanterns and home lighting system and thus earning fees amounting to ₹ **40,000/-**

495 meetings with 2,065 families out of a total of 4,125 families from 40 project villages were conducted to raise awareness about climate change and its effects on their lives.

No cases of tuberculosis and bronchitis were reported after the successful implementation of the project and this steep decline to zero cases from the pre-project phase estimation of 23 reported cases of tuberculosis and seven cases of bronchitis in women due to regular inhalation of smoke from firewood while cooking is indeed one such major achievement of the project



4,055 Solar Lanterns

were sold and the use of the same has had a visible impact in the reduction of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere



An NGO - Vision Private Limited placed an order for

2000 pcs

of assembled solar lanterns & this order enabled the producer group members to rope in a profit of
Rs. 1,59,353/-



Due to the established linkage with IDO (Industrial Development Officer), a female producer group received a loan of

₹2,00,000/-

Gogoneswar No. 9 GP has placed an order for 50 solar lanterns and Monaharpur GP have shown their interest towards, 'Solar Home lighting System.

Adopting organic methods in farming have radically reduced the effects of chemical fertilizers and pesticides on the health of the farmers- a remarkable accomplishment given that 47 male farmers during the pre-project phase had been diagnosed with skin infections in their feet and hands due to over exposure of chemical fertilizers and pesticides while spraying in their fields.

A total of 18,000 saplings were planted during the year.

'Climate change comic workbook' was discussed in the session held in 16 high schools and these were marked with an active participation of 803 students and 26 teachers.



Challenges

- Raising funds to procure materials for different solar products is a challenge because it is excluded from the main project funding that we receive, and so the short term solution is sought through collecting the funds from within the producer groups and the long term solution is to attract and build a network of angel investors.
- There had been a break in organizing micro-planning meetings due to the onset of general elections.
- Certification of SKC Solar lanterns as a genuine product is still pending.

The way forward...

The way forward to NRM Project's relentless efforts in exploring innovative and creative ways and means to build communities and mitigate their climate change problems by empowering women with alternative source of livelihood through use, production and marketing of solar products are as follows:

- Expedite the promotion and use of solar based technology in the 4125 households of the project area.
- Provide refresher course to update the master trainers about the new breakthroughs in inventions that are based on solar driven technology.
- Explore new marketing opportunities for the product.
- Conduct effective micro-planning in the villages-in-need to 'ensure safe drinking water'.



Kenduboni village receives happy sunshine

40 tribal families consider Kenduboni, a small hamlet surrounded by dense forest as their home. These families eke out a precarious existence by gathering the wild forest-produce such as sal leaves and selling it in the local haat. 1000 pieces of sal leaves have gathered together after rigorous back-breaking work among thorns and thistles in the wild, earns them a pittance of only rupees thirty five. The daily pressure and frenzy to make ends meet by collecting as many leaves as possible, lures them to stagger unmindfully into the cruel forest, often exposing them to being trampled down by wild elephants, mauled by leopards, bitten by poisonous snakes among many such dangers lurking in the woods.

The introduction of the NRM project in Kenduboni was nothing short of a blessing and a saving grace for these tribal people.



An alternate source of income has indeed rekindled hope for a better quality of life for these villagers. 15 members are actively involved in assembling and marketing solar lanterns. Their passion, dedication, commitment and attention to detail while working to assemble the lanterns in the practice centres clearly highlights their intense desire to rise and break the fetters of poverty and shackles of oppression. They would certainly inspire many a people living a life of despondency and despair to face and overcome life's challenges head-on.

The women of the producer group have recently bought a television- something the villagers could not even dream of buying some years ago. SKC's tiny effort to alleviate their sufferings and bring them out of darkness has begun to show positive results. FIAT LUX!

1.2

Char Training through Samuchit

Date

March 25, 2019

Venue

Kamarchowki Practice Centre, Keshiary Block

Participants

102 participants from six villages

One of the thrust areas of the NRM Project of Seva Kendra Calcutta is exploring and promoting new and sustainable livelihood opportunities especially for women, while also addressing climate change mitigation and adaptation. In this earnest quest, the project has once again shown its immense potential by exploring the manufacturing of charcoal and promoting its different uses, as an excellent viable option. Charcoal is a hydrocarbon element and its production is eco-friendly and pollution free. It is easy to manufacture charcoal at home with minimum effort & investment of cost and time. Charcoal is produced from readily available materials such as wood, bamboo chips, coconut shells, dry leaves etc that are often found in abundance in villages.



Charcoal is an excellent alternative cooking fuel which is both cost-effective and environment friendly. 'Char powder' made from charcoal has many uses. It eliminates bad odor & neutralizes the place & therefore can be used as a natural air-freshener in vehicles, homes and bathrooms. Char powder can also be used as soaps, face packs and in manufacturing incense sticks.

On March 25, 2019, two resource persons from Pune's Samuchit Foundation, Mr. Rabindra Deshmukh & Mr. Prasanta Barote shared their knowledge and expertise on production of charcoal & its by-products at the SKC organized training programme at Kamarchowki Village Practice Centre in Keshiary Block.

102 participants from six villages attended this training programme and were taken through the entire process of charcoal production and the machines needed with their costs. They were introduced to the income opportunities available in pursuing this source of livelihood. The new seed of opportunity has been sown and now it's up to the beneficiaries of this project to nurture it and let it grow into a tree that bears good fruits.



1.3

Solar Installations in Educational and Charitable Institutions

Project Period

Ongoing
since 2010

Supported by

Seva Kendra
Calcutta

Area Covered

West Bengal

Project Goal

Reducing
greenhouse
effect by
promoting the
use of solar
technology

Project Objectives


- Installation of solar lighting and water heating systems in various charitable and educational institutions in West Bengal.
- Training and capacity building services to the various institutions on assembling, operating and repair of solar gadgets.



S. No.	SOLAR PV CAPACITY	NAME OF INSTITUTION	BENEFIT/S
1	2 kWp Solar PV off grid System	Chetanalaya a Human Resource Development Centre, Burdwan	Answer to the frequent power-cuts in this remote area. 20 solar garden-lights are kept on upto 12 hours
2	8 kWp Solar PV on-grid System	Chetanalaya a Human Resource Development Centre, Burdwan	Helped reduce electricity bill
3	Solar Lantern, Home lights assembling & Bio-filter training	Nirmala Mahila Kalyan Kendra, Darbhanga, Bihar	11 participants/students received training in assembling solar lantern, home lighting systems & Bio-filter technology
4	500Wp stand-alone System	Helper Sisters, Barasat	Students no longer have to be dependent on daylight inorder to study
5	12 kWp Solar PV on-grid System	Loretto College, Park Street	Helped reduce electricity bill



Achievements of the Project and its impact

-  Adequate experience gained to provide reliable and professional installation services.
-  Advocacy to promote the use of renewable energy.
-  Availability of experts in providing hands-on-training in assembling solar based products.
-  Seva Kendra Calcutta Main office has a total of 10+11+12.5 (33.5kWp) kWp roof top solar on grid system.

 Approximately **₹400,000/-** saved every year

 Annual output of approximately **46,464 units**

 Annual reduction of upto **26,020 kg** Carbon footprint



“ Solar power, wind power, the way forward is to collaborate with nature - it's the only way we are going to get to the other end of the 21st Century “.

- Bjork

1.4

Children Led Disaster Risk Reduction

Project Period

April 01, 2018 Onwards

Supported by

Kinder-missionswerk, Die Sternsinger e.V., Germany

Area Covered

3 Panchayats of Swarupnagar Block in North 24 Parganas

Balti Nityananda Kati Gram Panchayat

Bithari Hakimpur Panchayat

Kaijuri Panchayat

31 Villages covered in these three panchayats

Project Goal

Disaster risk reduction through disaster preparedness by building a strong network of school, non-school children and youngsters

Project Objectives

- Disaster Preparedness that is ultimately owned by the community with leadership provided by children.
- To develop and build a working network between the various stakeholders.
- To build capacities and disaster preparedness of the local Panchayats.



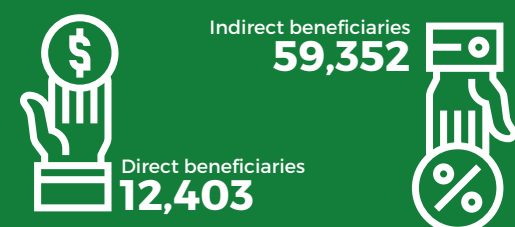
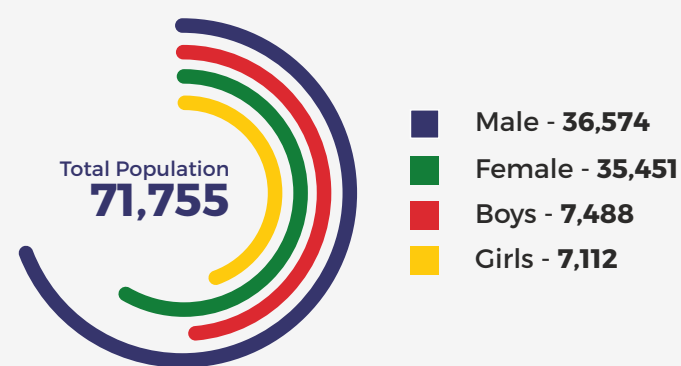
Project Approach

CLDRR project will promote those activities that develop practical survival skills in the event of any disaster, with children acting as torchbearers of the project. It will have a multidimensional approach towards preventing or minimizing the loss and damage to the environment with consequent effects to the social, economic and institutional setup. The community and the PRIs are tasked to jointly organize and handle the overall management of the project. The management of the entire process will revolve around the Childrens Club through their group leaders and active members. The activities will include planning and developing systems for disaster prevention plan based on the findings of various surveys and outcomes of the PRA exercises.



Activities Conducted During The Year

1. Selection of location of field-centres in the project target areas.
2. Recruitment of various project personnel.
3. Village level surveys and compilation of findings.
4. Review of exercise of Stage 1 with supporting partner/s.
5. Capacity building of project personnel.
6. Stake holders' consultation and rapport building.
7. Formation of Children's Clubs.
8. Capacity building of children in HVC (hazard, vulnerability, capacity).
9. Risk mapping and identification of vulnerable mapping exercises by children
10. Orientation of school on HVC, World Environment day, World Disaster day, Women's day



Achievements/Impacts

Capacity building of Children



- 785 children between the age group of 12-18 years were introduced to the topics of hazard, disaster, vulnerability, capacity and risk reduction.
- 370 children have been able to identify the risk factors of disaster.
- Children introduced the risk mapping process to the mothers in the community.
- 31 children groups have been formed.
- People have provided 31 different places for the children in the project area to discuss the issues of the villages.
- Children participated in area mapping to make them aware about community resources.



The children groups organized role plays during Puja at nine pandals to create mass awareness about DRR

- Safer areas have been earmarked for temporary shelters.
- 32 boats and boatmen have been included as a part of the disaster response and preparedness plan.
- Children are now able to critically analyze their own village situation.
- With the active support of children, various UN days have been celebrated, e.g. Environment Day, World Disaster Day and World Women's Day.
- Children have now become the change agents.
- They know the possible height of stagnant water and the duration of the water remaining stagnant in the area.
- They are now able to determine the loss and damage of live stock and crops in the area.
- They have identified Government institutions and other institutions in the area.
- They have identified vulnerable people and houses in their locality.
- They have identified the tube wells that need to be elevated during flood.
- They also know what kind of necessary arrangement required in order to check the entry of flood water.
- The children have realized that they will not be able to stop flood in their area but they can take some precautionary measures to minimize the loss of property.



Children readily participated in spreading awareness in the community on disaster through street plays and rallies.

Achievements/Impacts

Project's contribution/support to the local government initiatives

SL. NO.	Project's contribution/support to the local government initiatives
1	27 GP members have been briefed about CLDRR.
2	27 GP members were also requested to prepare POA (Plan of Action) based on the local community disaster problems.
3	The PRI administration, Schools and Government line departments appreciated the unique idea of children led DRR plan.
4	Panchyat provided a room for conducting CLDRR meetings which is now identified as GP Resource centre.
5	SHG, ICDS, CBO, NGO, Clubs have provided space for establishing Village Field Centre for CLDRR meetings.
6	In CLDRR Club, children have been nominated as representatives of GPDMC (Gram Panchayat Disaster Management Community).
7	Three schools have formed School Disaster Management Committee.

The way forward

- Constant situational analysis.
- Strengthening of clubs and VLCPC (Village Level Child Protection Community) to enable future sustainability of the Project.
- Linkages with various government line departments.
- Networking with various NGOs and GOs to create a safety network.



What are people saying...



Kaylan Chokrobatty
Head master of Hakimpur High School

while extolling all the work done under the CLDRR project exclaimed, 'This is the first time I came to know that there are different kinds of hazards & without proper measures in place could eventually lead to disasters'.



Rahima Khatoon
Class IX student of Bayarghata High School

heaved a sigh of relief & expressed confidence in the project saying, 'Now I know my school building map and I also know how to get relief at the time of disaster'.



Archana Ghosh
Panchayat Pradhan of Balti GP

gratefully welcomed the innovative initiative of Seva Kendra Calcutta to mobilize children in the crucial work on disaster mapping and risk management. She is very keen to promote CLDRR project & pointed out that although they were earlier aware of the existence of risks & dangers, they were not able to identify and map them.

1.5

The Sunshine Project

Project Period

Ongoing since 2015

Supported by

Ave Maria University

Area Covered

Area under the Archdiocese of Calcutta

Installation of Solar PV system during 2018-19

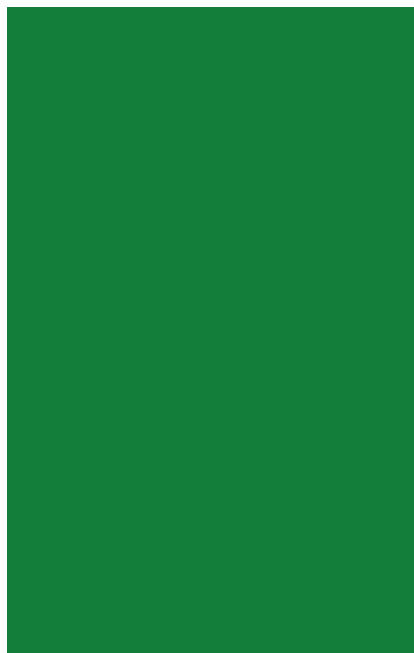
SL. NO.	Solar PV Capacity	Name of Institution	Beneficiaries	Benefit
1	2 kWp Solar PV Off Grid system	St. Joseph's Parish, Bongoan, North 24 Parganas	30 students	The installation of Solar PV system has helped the students who due to erratic or weak power supply were unable to study in the evening. They are now able to study until 10 pm
2	2 kWp Solar PV Off Grid system	Golgotha Buru Adibasi Hostel, Baligeria, Midnapur	65 to 85 students	

Project Goal

Installation of solar PV system in 40 schools and hostels

Achievements of the Project and its impact

SL. NO.	Name of the Institution	Capacity	Year of Installation	Unit Per Year	Amount saved Annually in INR	Amount of Co2 reduced Annually in Kg
1	Henry Hostel, Bamundanga North 24 Parganas	2 kWp off grid	2013	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
2	Sisters Adorers, Jhuli, Kharagpur, Midnapur	2 kWp off grid	2013	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
3	Minor Seminary, Amghata, Krishnanagar	2 kWp off grid	2013	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
4	Kristo Jyoti Hostel, Basinda, Paschim Midnapur	2 kWp off grid	2014	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
5	Chirsto Jyoti Hostel, Kamalazole, Paschim Midnapur	2 kWp off grid	2014	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
6	St. Francis Xavier Hostel, Salboni, Midnapur	2 kWp off grid	2014	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
7	Emily Girls Hostel, Bamundanga, 24 Parganas	2 kWp off grid	2014	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
8	Sisters of the Divine Saviour, Bezda, Midnapur	2 kWp off grid	2014	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
9	Emily Girls Hostel, Bamundanga, 24 Parganas	2 kWp off grid	2014	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
10	Holy Family Church, Kearchand, Midnapur	2 kWp off grid	2015	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
11	Serampore SKC Extension Centre	2 kWp off grid	2016	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
12	St. Joseph's Parish, Bongoan, North 24 Parganas	2 kWp off grid	2018	2,336	16,000.00	1,308
13	Golgotha Buru Adibasi Hostel, Baligeria, Midnapur	2 kWp off grid	2018	2,336	16,000.00	1,308



1.6

Solar Energy Based Technologies Workshop

Project Period

March 28, 2019

Supported by

Seva Kendra
Calcutta

Project Goal

To disseminate
knowledge
about & foster
exploitation of
new livelihood
opportunities
by using solar
energy based
technologies



Seva Kendra Calcutta's commitment to advocacy for clean, green and a healthy world shines forth through the decade-long and several path breaking initiatives in the areas of organic farming, arsenic-free water supply and promotion of solar energy based technologies. Organizing awareness seminars, workshops, peaceful awareness rallies etc. are different ways by which SKC promotes 'advocacy through awareness' programme for climate change mitigation. A workshop held on March 28, 2019 at Seva Kendra Calcutta was one such event organized to showcase SKC's work in the area of using solar energy based technologies to reduce carbon footprints and foster new and exciting entrepreneurial opportunities in this area.

Fr. Franklin Menezes warmly welcomed the participants, especially acknowledging the presence of Fr. Wilson Fernandes, Director of ABCD, Fr. Reginald Fernandes, Director of St. Joseph's Hospital, Midnapore, Fr. Alfred Paul, SDB Don Bosco Nitika, Fr. Vincent Lobo of Church of Christ the King, Park Circus, Fr. Anantha from Morning Star College and Mr. Thomas John, CEO of Antara among other important dignitaries.

He began the session by introducing the topic of climate change and its causes and effects on the life on earth. At the end of the session he screened a short video on 'Global Warming' with an underlying message that climate change mitigation is a collective responsibility of every human life on earth.

Ms. Ruth Roy, the Project Coordinator of SKC's Natural Resource Management Project was the next resource person. This project is a proud recipient of the Social Innovation Award presented by Caritas India, the social arm of the Catholic Church in India.



The NRM presentation ended up raising the excitement and curiosity level of the participants of the workshop for more information on this relatively nascent area of solar energy technology. The thirst for knowledge was adequately quenched by the informative presentation on “General concept of Solar Energy Generation” by Mr. Rajaram Ghoshal, Mr. Subir Santra and Mr. Bishnu Sarkar. The presentation covered various technical aspects of Solar Energy utilization and the cost and feasibility of using different solar energy based products available in the market. They also threw more light on the advantages and disadvantages of solar stand alone/off-grid solar power system and on-grid solar system and the related know-how of the monitoring system.

This stimulating bombardment of information for several hours was effectively confronted with a barrage of questions from this motley group of information-thirsty participants. The questions flew in from many directions. Does WBREDA provide subsidy to install solar energy based system? Can an individual sell the tapped solar energy to WBSEBL? How is the generation of flow monitored? How much money can be saved from 30KW per year? How is the electricity generation calculated? What infrastructure does one require to install this solar energy based system? How to protect the system from accidents such as lightening? What can be done with the rejected solar panels after a period of 25 years? The resource persons satisfactorily answered each one of these questions.

This exciting exchange of information would have carried on if it wasn't for Fr. Franklin's intervention due to the paucity of time. He brought the curtains down on the workshop by thanking the resource persons and the participants for their active collaboration to make this workshop a great success.

1.7

“From Darkness To Light” – Solar Energy Promotion Phase IV

Project Period

April 2018 to
August 2018

Supported by

Misereor
through
Association of
Bengal
Collaborators
For
Development

Training Partner

Seva Kendra
Calcutta

Area Covered

Baruipur
Burdwan
Raigaj
Siliguri

Activities conducted during the year

Provided training to 58 people to serve as local technicians skilled in manufacturing and repairing solar products such as lanterns, torches, home lights, street lights etc.



Challenges faced

- Low awareness and inadequate knowledge of fundamental theory in electrical/ electronics, equipments and its functioning.
- Training had to proceed slowly due to constant repetitions of the topics already covered in the earlier sessions.



The way forward...

Trainees are eager to learn more about on-grid and off-grid solar systems



Health

2.1

St. Joseph's Hospital

Project Period

Ongoing since November 13, 2011

Supported by

Partially funded by Likvidace Lepry, Prague

Area Covered

Serves people who are largely from Midnapur and Jhargram districts



Brief Description

- 150 kms away from Kolkata, St. Joseph's Hospital, a unit of Seva Kendra Calcutta is located in Konkaboti Panchayat of West Midnapur district.
- The hospital caters to both outdoor and indoor patients.
- A 10 bedded hospital in 2011 has now expanded into a 100 bedded hospital with well-equipped departments and infrastructure.

The clinical areas in the hospital are:

Medical Ward	3 wards with 10 patients and few cabins attached
Surgical Ward	2 wards with 10 patients and few cabins attached
Paediatric Ward	1 ward with 10 patients
Gynaecological Ward	10 beds

Maternity Ward	6 beds
Nursery Ward	Attached to the maternity ward
Eye and ENT Ward	6 beds
ITU	Application submitted for recognition

Emergency/Casualty Ward	Application submitted for recognitionOne with 3 beds
Oncology	2 beds
Minor Operation theatres and procedure stations	2
Operation Theatres	3 (One each for General, Orthopaedic and Eye)
OPD facilities	8

The equipment and supplies available in clinical areas are:

- All necessary equipments to carry out the day-to-day functions of the hospital with three operation theatres and two minor operation theatres.
- The operation theatres have 4 OT Tables, 3 anaesthesia machines, 1 C- Arm, 1 laproscope, , 1 endoscope, 1 ear and nose scope, 2 microscope for eye operation, all ophthalmic equipments required for eye check-up.
- Equipments for maternity and neonatal section are available.
- Dental chair with all the equipments available.
- All machines for the diagnostic lab needed for all kinds of procedures are readily available.

The general facilities available in the hospital are:

- Every two wards have one nursing station.
- Each ward has 10 beds with toilet facilities and running water.
- Mobile nos. As station telephone; wifi at three places & mobile nos. for the people in-charge.
- Every ward has a separate toilet facility. There are three toilets for the general population present for both male and female separately.
- General sterilization facilities are attached to the operation theatres and also to other stations where sterilization is required.



- There is committee for disinfection that oversees regular disinfection of the place.
- The responsibility for waste disposal is outsourced to a government approved company and the hospital follows their directions accordingly.
- Fully equipped pathology, micro-biology, biochemistry laboratories.
- Full pledged pharmacy with a complete stock of both branded and generic medicines.
- Medical, Surgical and T.B. wards have their separate supervisors who look after the smooth functioning of their wards.



Hand sanitation

facilities available



Infection

control committee



A separate laundry section equippe with a
20kgs
capacity washing machine



Clinical facilities
to a daily average
of

 **150 OPD
patients**
&
 **60 indoor
patients**

The hospital provides services through various government programmes, namely:

- Swasthya Sathi Programme.
- Primary and secondary hospital to the ESIC Programme RSBY Programme.
- DR-TB Centre for 20 patients, from RNTCP.
- Reconstructive surgeries for leprosy affected people.



- Extends services and facilities to promote community health in surrounding villages by conducting regular camps in the district.

The rural and the urban areas covered are:

- **Rural**
 - + Medinipur Sub divisional RH (BPHC).
 - + Keurullachowk PHC.
- **Urban**
 - + Midnapore Medical College Hospital which is only 3 kms from St. Joseph's Hospital.

St. Joseph's Nursing School provides wind beneath the wings of Santal tribal girls of Jungle Mahal .

St. Joseph's Nursing School delivered the first of many blows to break the invisible glass ceiling for tribal girls in the male-dominated and patriarchal setup of Phulpahadi, also commonly known as Jungle Mahal or Forest Palace, which not very long ago was strongly associated with the Naxalite movement. These economically poor but socially sound and culturally rich forest-gatherers have education as the only means to escape the clutches of chronic poverty and exploitation. Most of the girls who reside at St. Joseph's Nursing School have completed their Class XII.

There are 24 students in the First Year and 11 students in the Second Year. Out of the 35 students, 29 of them are tribal girls. They stay in the hospital and pay for their boarding and lodging by contributing two hours of work at the hospital.

These girls are currently preparing to give the Bed-side Nursing Examination. The School is also in the process of introducing General Nursing and Midwifery course next year. This can happen only after receiving the no-objection certificate from the State Government of West Bengal. There is an urgent requirement of setting up a small library and procuring teaching aids for the purpose of receiving this no-objection certificate. Another requirement to start this course is completing the procedure to get the school affiliated to the Indian Nursing Council. This process should take another six months to complete. St. Joseph's Nursing School stands tall in its commitment to provide the wind beneath the wings of these Santal girls that will empower them to soar high to embrace liberation and ultimate freedom.



2.2

Positive Change Programme

Project Period

Ongoing since October 01, 2015

Supported by

AHF India-INDIA CARES

Project Goal

Reduce HIV/AIDS stigma and discrimination by 10% by the year 2020 in Kolkata and the rural pockets of Howrah, Hooghly, North 24 Parganas and East Midnapur.

Area Covered:

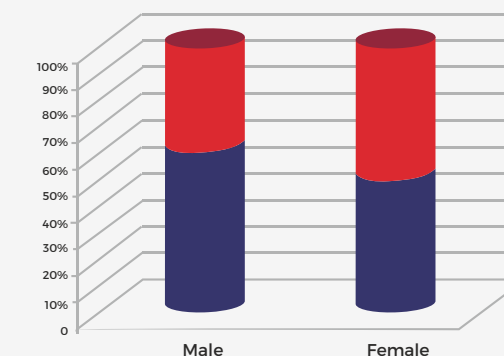
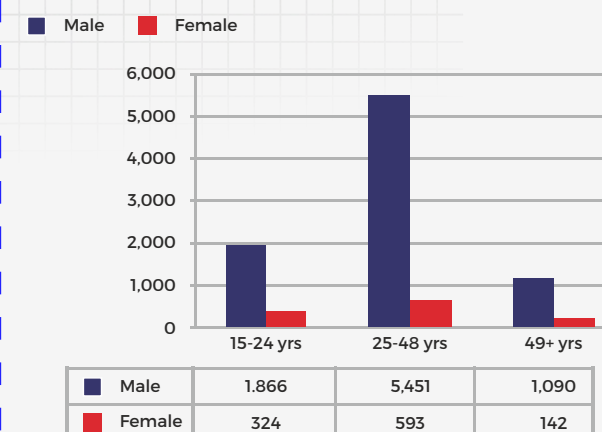
District	Area	Ward/Panchyat
Howrah	Koila Depo, Shalimar, Ankurhati, Kona Parking, Lilua, Bully, Shibpur Bazar Mallick Fatak	Ward nos. 19, 35, Domjur Panchayat, Ankurhati Panchyat,
Hooghly	Dankuni Parking zone, Dhaka Pamp, Himalaya Plaza, Phonex Hospital area, Rajchandrapur.	Ward Nos. 12, 14, and 18
North 24 Parganas	Petra pole Border - 1, 2 and 3 No. Parking zone, Satberia, Kalitala, Barasat,	Ward no. 17, Chhayghoria G.p. Motigunj G.p., Gopalgunj G.p.
Kolkata	Ekbalpur, New Alipur, Brace bridge, Santoshpur, Akta Fatak, Majherhat, Food Corporation of India,	Ward nos. 23, 25, 80

Project Objectives:

- Identification of HIV positive cases through rapid test at their work place & link them to the ART centre at the government hospital.
- Sensitization of the community to reduce the stigma and discrimination of victims of HIV/AIDS.
- Ensure access to quality HIV care by creating awareness among community leaders & actively engaging them in the process.
- Make adequate efforts for early detection of the virus to ensure timely intervention.
- Raising awareness of family members to become supportive care givers to the infected person.



Direct Beneficiaries



Indirect Beneficiaries

Male - 14,780
Female - 10,080

Area Covered:

- Identifying and selecting target areas for HIV testing (Migrants, People with high risk behaviour).
- Networking with Stakeholders in different areas.
- Pre counselling.
- Testing.
- Post counselling.
- Registered patients in a government hospital if tested 'reactive'.
- Provided Medical care, treatment and mental support.
- Follow up.

Give a child love, laughter and peace, not AIDS.



- Nelson Mandela

Anu Devi's (name changed) four month old daughter is a happy baby and looked after very well by both her HIV positive parents. The baby also receives proper medication and is safe and non-reactive. Anu Devi's pregnancy however was not a happy journey. She was wrought with emotional turmoil and difficulties from the first trimester when she was tested positive to the routine HIV test conducted for pregnant women. Her world was turned upside down when her husband who worked as a driver abandoned her fearing loss of job and social stigmatization. Twenty six year old Anu had to bear the brunt of pregnancy all alone.

Finally help came her way when she visited the project's testing camp. She requested her husband's enrolment in ART. He had returned after 10 months with early symptoms and illness. He underwent counselling sessions and finally agreed to undergo treatment. He is now under ART and is also showing signs of recovery. They are now happy together and proper follow-ups and ongoing treatment have helped them lead normal lives.

2.3

Free Dispensary Project

Project Period

April 01, 2018

Supported by

Seva Kendra Calcutta & Asha Deep Trust

Area Covered

7 areas in Kolkata Municipal Corporation (Ward no. 56, 57 and 58) and Maheshtala Municipality (Ward no. 11)

Project Goal

To ensure good health and well being of the marginalized people

Project Objectives

- + To provide free medical treatment and medicines.
- + To create awareness in the community about various topics related to health care.
- + To decrease the burden of medical expenses of the poor.



Activities conducted during the year



Health check up



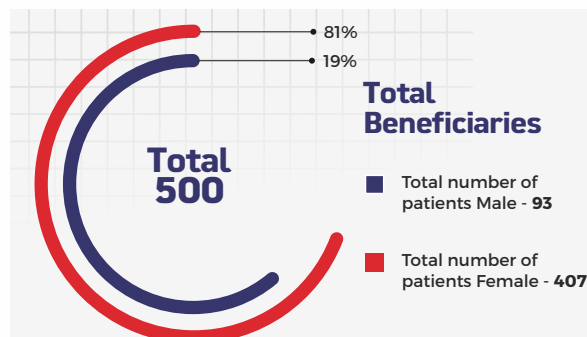
Providing free medicines



Medical Counselling



Blood test



Good health is indeed the greatest blessing and means of everything. The vicious, self-reinforcing cycle of poverty in the communities of Tangra and the neighbouring areas is inextricably connected to poor health and the prevalence of various illnesses. Seva Kendra Calcutta started a free dispensary in collaboration with Asha Deep Trust in order to cater to the lack of health care facilities in these areas.



आरोग्यं परमं भाग्यं स्वास्थ्यं सर्वार्थसाधनम् ॥

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The sole aim to provide equitable and easily accessible primary health care and related facilities to the poor people living in these areas has now become a reality. The dispensary is open every Saturday of the month and doctors and nurses attend to the patients from the communities with unflinching love and care. The residents of these communities have acknowledged the presence of this dispensary as a huge boon and blessing to them. Many who avail the benefits of the dispensary receive excellent and professional services from the doctors and the health care workers. The medicines are provided free of cost which has eased the burden of medical expenses for the poor people of the Tangra and the neighbourhood communities.

2.4

EMAMI Frank Ross Project

Project Period

Ongoing since November 2017

Supported by

Emami Frank Ross Ltd.

Project Goal

To provide health care facilities to the commercial drivers

Area Covered

SL. NO.	Name of the District	Name of the Ward / Panchayat	Name of the Areas
1	Kolkata	Ward Nos. 79, 80	New Parking, Coal Birth Parking, Gardenreach, Jainkunj, 15-16 Parking, Dhobiatalo, Bhootghat, Loco shed, Ispat logistics, 5 No Dock gate, The PDP Groups, Paharpur, Phonex Logistics, Ispat Logistics, Tiwari ware house, Krishna Shipping, Koushik Logistics.
2	Howrah	Ward Nos. 35 and Makardah Gram Panchayat, Nibra Gram Panchayat, Argori Gram Panchayat, Chamrail Gram Panchayat, Nischinda, Gram Panchayat.	Shalimar, Kona parking, Dhulagarh, Kona expressway parking lot, Salap high road, Junglepur, Uluberia parking zone.
3	Hooghly	Ward Nos. 12, 14 & 18	Alwar Punjab, Dhaka pump, Dankuni parking zone, Himalaya Plaza.
4	East Medinipur	Ward Nos. 8, 17, 20	A.L. Logistics, LOKC parking, Dock gate, MCPI Pvt. Ltd, Punjabi Dhaba, City center, Debhog, Dighashipur, Talpukur, Ranichak, Jhikurkhali, HPL Road.
5	North 24 Parganas	Ward No 17 Choyugharia Gram Panchayat, Gopalnagar Gram Panchayat	CWC parking, Petrapole, Satberia parking, Sefali Susoma parking, Naroharipur, Jayantipur, Kalitala, Bongaon, Chakdah.

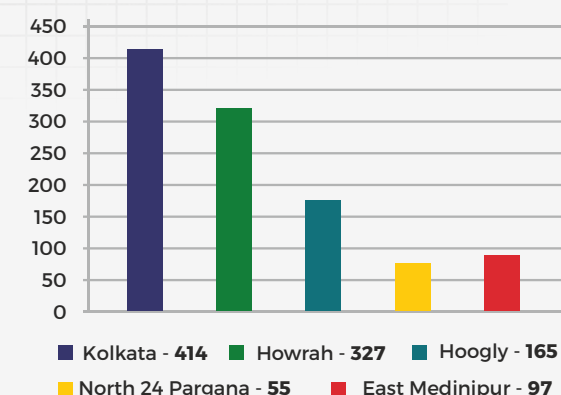
Project Objectives

- + To provide health care check-up that include ECG, blood pressure test, weight measurement and blood sugar test.
- + Create awareness about the risks and side effects of high blood pressure and blood sugar.
- + Create awareness as to how one could protect himself/herself from these common problems and prevent them.



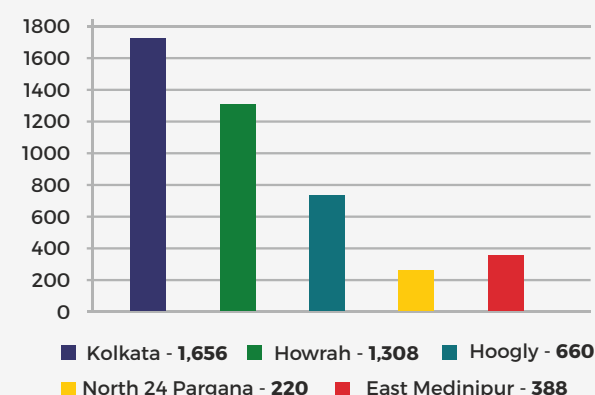
Direct Beneficiaries

Total Direct Beneficiaries **1,058**



Indirect Beneficiaries

Total Indirect Beneficiaries **4,232**



Activities conducted

Emami Frank Ross Ltd., Kolkata conducts free health check-up camps within their coverage area as a part of their marketing strategy. The purpose of such camps is to build visibility of Frank Ross brand as well as strengthen their business.

Project contribution/support to government initiatives

Till date there are no appropriate specific Government initiatives present for the truck drivers, but linkages with Government social security schemes have been established with truck drivers e.g. Pradhan Mantri Jivan Joyti Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Suraksha BimaYojana, Samajik Suraksha Yojana etc.

2.5

Inauguration and Blessing of the Nursing School at Midnapur

The new building of the Nursing School at St. Joseph's Hospital, Midanpur was inaugurated on Friday 9th November 2018 by Mrs. Joke Jansen, President of Stichting Actie Calcutta. Stichting Actie Calcutta together with Wilde Ganzen Foundation had supported the construction of this new Nursing School. Immediately afterwards Fr. Franklin Menezes, Director of Seva Kendra Calcutta blessed the building. Before the inauguration and the blessing the distinguished guests were led in procession with Santhal dancers from Kearchand parish. They set the celebrative mood for the day.

After the blessing and inauguration there was a little gathering in the hall of the new Nursing School itself. Dr. S. Chakraborty, Vice Chancellor of the Vidyasagar University, Mr. Alok Rajoria, District Superintendent of Police, I.C. Kothwali and O.C. Traffice of Midnapur and many other dignitaries were present for this function. In the various speeches given by the speakers they extolled the marvelous services rendered by St. Joseph's Hospital to the people in the area and at the same time extended their hand for future collaboration, cooperation and support. The students of the Nursing School and staff put up a delightful programme. After the programme the guests were served with a delicious lunch. The credit for this new facility goes to Fr. Reginald Fernandes, the ever dynamic Director of St. Joseph's Hospital.

This particular building will serve as a Nursing School for GNM Nursing when the requisite permission from the Govt. will be obtained. Presently a nursing training is organized by the Hospital itself for 2 years. It is running successfully and those that are trained are either employed at the hospital or get a good job at a Govt. facility.



2.6

Blessing and Laying of the Foundation Stone of the T.B. & Leprosy Block

Realizing that the present arrangement in the main hospital which is having MDR-TB centre and which recently has been upgraded into a Nodal MDR-TB centre for 4 districts is unsuitable for T.B. patients, the Governing Board decided to set up a separate block for T.B. and Leprosy care. Accordingly a new block has been planned and the foundation stone for the same was laid by Mr. Girish Ch. Bera, Chief Medical Officer of the district of Midnapur. Most Rev. Thomas D'Souza, Archbishop of Calcutta blessed the foundation of the building. Fr. Franklin Menezes, Director of Seva Kendra Calcutta, religious Sisters and Priests of the Deanery along with many other dignitaries were present for the occasion. The Archbishop, during his short speech reminded everyone as to how St. Joseph's Hospital was able to reach out and serve the most vulnerable people of the area. Mr. Girish Ch. Bera, our CMOH said that there is a great need for growth in the health care systems in the districts and St. Joseph's Hospital is playing a very important role in bringing in qualitative change in the healthcare system.





Education 3

3.1

Smile Twin e-Learning Programme (STeP)

Project Period

Ongoing
since
August
2015

Supported by

Smile
Foundation

Area Covered

Ward Nos. 55
and 56

Project Goal

Provide a
platform for
the
marginalized
youth to
enhance and
nurture their
skills, boost
their
confidence and
become self-
reliant

Project Objectives

- Provide employability training to a minimum of 40 youth per batch for a period of 4 months in 5 subjects namely Spoken English, Basic Computer, Basic Retail & Management, Personality Development and Financial Literacy.
- Provide a realistic idea about different jobs and their responsibilities by conducting Career Counselling Programmes (CCP) with the help of professionals from different companies.
- Provide placement opportunities by organizing interviews conducted by professionals from various companies in the center itself.

Activities

- Exposure Visit.
- Employee engagement programme.
- Career Counselling.



Achievement/s this year

Digitalization

Seva Kendra Calcutta was the first and the only choice among 10 other centres in Kolkata, to get upgraded as a fully digitalized STeP centre in the city.

In the month of April 2017, laptops and projectors were provided to facilitate audio visual classes.



This has made the classes more interesting and effective for the students. The introduction of the new curriculum, designed especially to make optimum use of the digitalization facilities has also made the teaching-learning environment very interactive for the students. They can now clear their doubts, if any, by navigating through the audio-visual lessons. Digitalization has indeed helped shortening the student's learning curve.

Challenges

- Students prefer the Government of India's skill development programme that offers certificates and monetary assistance over STeP courses which are equally if not more competent.
- There are many institutes running such courses in the area which has given students more options to choose from.
- Therefore, the biggest challenge is to keep maintaining very high quality standards so that students continue to avail of our services



A small step towards a big leap to success

Sandeep Ruben Prasad, a 20 year old young man landed his first job in Pantaloons, Kolkata with a starting salary of Rs. 7000 per month. The credit for this job, he believes, goes to the efforts made by SKC's STeP to mould him into a confident person with a good command of the English language. A bright lad who had scored well in his Class X board examinations will be soon sitting for his Class XII board examinations. He lives with his mother and elder brother. His brother works at a food joint. The family struggles to make ends meet with a meagre income of Rs. 12, 000/-. Sandeep wants to move ahead in life and become financially independent and he is confident to make this dream a reality. He is ever grateful to this day for enrolling into STeP course because he believes firmly that SKC's STeP is instrumental in teaching him a valuable lesson that it is important to remain steadfast to one's long-term dream by taking small steps consistently. Wish you all the best, Sandeep!

3.2

Child Labour Free GP Initiatives in Line with MVF

Project Period

Ongoing since
2013

Supported by

Indienhilfe,
Herrsching,
Germany

Project Duration

01.4.13 - 30.3.16 -
1st Phase ,
01.04.16-30.03.19 -
2nd Phase

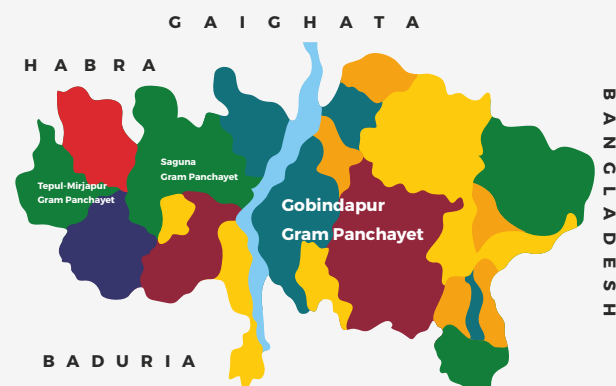
Project Goal

Achieve universal
primary
education
(MDG 2) by
eradicating all
forms of child
labour and
upholding the
child rights of
children,
especially from
the marginal
section in line
with the MVF
model

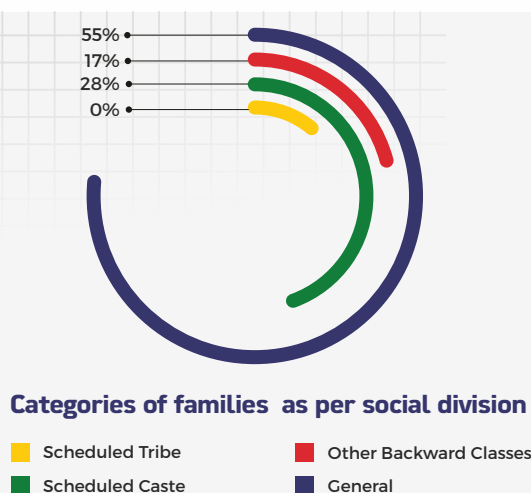
Area Covered

WORKING AREA AND WORKING UNIT DIVISION

WORKING AREA OF SENA KENDRA CALCUTTA CHILD LABOUR FREE GRAM PANCHAYET INITIATIVES IN TEPUL MIRJAPUR, SAGUNA AND GOBINDAPUR OF SWARUPNAGAR BLOCK UNDER JURISDICTION OF NORTH 24 PARGANAS DISTRICT.



TEPUL MIRJAPUR GP	
CLUSTER	CRW
1	Rita
2	Mondal
3	
SAGUNA GP	
CLUSTER	CRW
1	Sirajul Islam
2	Serina Sardar
3	Ferdoushi bibi
4	Indrani Gain
GOBINDAPUR GP	
CLUSTER	CRW
1	Aktanur mondal
2	Muslima Mondal
3	Piklu Khan
4	Fatema Khatun
5	Rakhi Sardar



Project Objectives

Prevent and eliminate all forms of child labour by ensuring that all children between the age group of 6 and 14 years from the three selected GPs (Tepul-Mirjapur, Saguna and Gobindapur) in North 24 Parganas, are compulsorily undergoing formal schooling.

- 100% children from 6 to 14 years of age are under full time schooling.
- No drop-outs from class V to class VIII under each MSK (Madhyamik Siksha Kendra), Jr. High and High School of the project area.
- 80% children between 3 and 6 years are enrolled in local pre-school centres /ICDS.
- Social banning on child labour and child marriages is reflected in the behaviour and practices of the community.

Achievements:

80%

- Child migration cases reduced in the target area.
- Employing child labourers reduced in the target area.
- Child marriages reduced in the target area.
- "No formal schooling" or drop-out status" between 6-18 years age group reduced.



Project Approach

- Analysis.
- Formation and orientation of CRPF (Child Right Protection Forum) & GRPF (Girls Right Protection Forum).
- School Area Selection.
- Primary Data Collection.
- Rapport Building with PRI.
- Staff Selection.
- Distribution of Area.
- House Hold Survey. Organize Motivation Camp.
- Mainstream & ICDS visit.
- Child labour cases are identified and sent to formal school.
- Remedial Coaching Classes.
- Motivation Sessions.
- Formation of a Kishori Bahini and creation of a Nutrition Garden.
- Strengthening of VLCPC and become member of BLCPC.
- Orientation on Various Government Scheme for CRPF & GRPF members. School Bus Programme . Sishu Mela.

Achievement/s this year

- The members are convinced about the need for a joint venture in making these three Gram Panchayats (GP) into a child labour free zone. In this regard, these groups prepare quarterly child registers for 69 units with the help of CRWs(Child Right Worker). They also conduct Quarterly Review and Planning meeting with stakeholders at the Gram Panchayat Level based on the results of the data in the child registers.
- The CRPF and GRPF members along with CRWs monitor 3721 children of 115 ICDS centres and 12890 students of 76 Schools and check on regular attendance in schools. The average regular attendance in ICDS is 72 percent and Schools is 67 percent .

Training was provided to



69 CRPF
(Child Right Protection Forum)

&

69 GRPF
(Girl Right Protection Forum)

that were formed with a total
strength of

1,380 Members

- Out of 243 students, 162 students find studies in school difficult to manage. In order to address this issue 11 Remedial Coaching centres were established so that these 162 students get the required assistance in their studies. Vikram Shila Education Resource Society has assisted our staff in the required pedagogy for this venture.
- CRPF and GRPF members readily assist in conducting motivation classes for 209 children in 14 centres.
- Mainstreaming status is 826 out of 1069 dropouts and irregulars. There are 243 more children still waiting to be mainstreamed.



69 VLCPC

(Village Level Child Protection Committee)

have been formed &

352 CRPF & GRPF

members were added as members of these VLCPCs

Mainstreaming Status Of Child Labour

- Mainstreamed Since initiation - 77%
- Yet to be Mainstreamed - 23%

- 54 awareness rallies were conducted by VLCPCs, CRPF, GRPF, ICDS and ASHA. These rallies addressed 16500 on Child Rights, Child Protection and the adverse effects of child marriage and child trafficking.

- Seva Kendra Calcutta has been given the responsibility to stand as a Nodal NGO to conduct SANKALPA-I & II- a government initiative for Tepul-Mirjapur, Saguna and Gobindapur GP.
- Child Labour Free Gram Panchayat Initiatives team worked together with the BLCPC (Block Level Child Protection Committee) to conduct SANKALPA-I & II- an awareness programme for adolescent girls in 32 Schools sensitizing them about Prevention of Child abuse and protection of child right. 6012 children participated in the programme.

Challenges

- Pre and post national poll-related conflicts in the project area delayed the activities of the project.
- Found inadequate facilities to fulfill the rights of children with disabilities.
- Some schools are run with only two teachers and four classes.
- Some of the ICDS Centres are very congested and unhygienic.
- There are occasions when the elected members overlook child marriage happening in places under their jurisdiction.
- Teachers are completely unaware and ignorant about the topics of child abuse and the protection of child rights.



The way forward...

- Situation Analysis.
- Strengthening of CRPF, GRPF, CBO and VLCPC for the future sustainability of the Project Eradication of Child Labour.
- Use advocacy and galvanize the community to mainstream children who were child labourers into formal schools.
- Linkages with various government line departments.
- Ensure quality education for multi-level and multi-grade students through remedial coaching centres.
- Ensure the community makes efforts to maintain total enrolment and retention of children in schools.

- Ensure the availability of Government Schemes.
- Ensure child rights and child protection through VLCPC.
- Strengthening health, hygiene and nutrition for children through ongoing government schemes.
- Ban of child labour, early child marriage and child trafficking in the project area. Networking with various NGOs and GOs to create a safety network.



Boy, shackled in misery & sorrow, rescued by the community & sent back to school

This is a real and heart-wrenching story of 12 years old, Soumitra Debnath. He was only two years old when his biological father died and his mother remarried. In 2016, Soumitra was forced to drop-out from school by his tyrant step-father. He would spend his entire day running errands for his step-father, Jagannath Debnath. He was forced to efficiently handle different household chores. Any defiance or mistakes from Soumitra either by not doing or completing any tasks would unsparingly invite his step-father's ire. His merciless step-father would keep him hungry and chained to the door of his home.

The entire neighbourhood knew about the ordeal and did nothing. Meanwhile, our CLF project was making great strides towards community sensitization and mobilization against child labour and to protect child rights. During this period and on one such occasion, all the CRPF and GRPF members gathered at Jagannath's house. They wanted to know the reason for chaining the boy.

Mr. Jagannath brazenly replied, "He does not do any work properly at home, instead prefers to play all the time". The CRPF and GRPF members along with a Panchayat member counselled Jagannath to refrain from abusing the boy. They also informed him that his actions are deemed criminal and punishable. Jagannath finally agreed not to abuse Soumitra and admit him back to school. He is now studying regularly in Class VIII at Balki High School. Such is the power of getting together and rising up against injustice and abuse of power.

3.3

Nutrition and Education Through Ecological Farming Practices in 22 Hostels of Midnapur

Project Period

Ongoing since 2016

Supported by

Edmund Rice Foundation, Australia

Area Covered

22 Hostels in 9 Blocks of West Midnapur District, West Bengal

Project Goal

Improved child nutrition as well as education and ensuring their future livelihood through ecological farming and the promotion of home garden programs

Project Objectives

- Setting up household kitchen garden using low cost and sustainable agricultural techniques.
- Designing household balanced food group charts as a strategy to develop good food selection, production and consumption practice for nutrition security.
- Reducing the burden of morbidity and sickness among the community by some basic curative and preventive health practices.
- Building Community Based Organization (CBO) which will act as the nodal point in implementing the concept of Nutrition security.



Conducted four training sessions on low-cost kitchen garden/ecological farming practices:

Jan 28th 2018

at
Nirmal Hriday Hostel

Mar 10th 2018

at
Premananda Hostel

Jul 17th 2018

at
Dibya Bani Niketan

Jul 18th 2018

at
Holy Family hostel

Conducted practical demonstrations in nine hostels on topics, namely, bed making, mulching and thorough sustainable techniques in agricultural practices:

Feb 17th 2018	Feb 25th 2018	Jun 18th 2018	Jun 19th 2018	Jul 10th 2018	Jul 17th 2018	Jul 18th 2018	Oct 26th 2018
at Nirmal Hriday Ashram	at Christo Jyoti hostel	at Golgatha Buru Ashram	at Ragamatia Girls hostel	at St Joseph hostel	at Dibyba Bani Niketan	at Holy Family hostel	at St. Anne's Convent, Keshiary

Conducted orientation on ecological farming practices in 12 hostels, 708 students from classes III- X participated.

Home visits to 126 families under parish area to motivate low cost kitchen garden/ecological farming practices.

Conducted a training session for hostel master and superiors on Health and hygiene practice at SKC Extension on 28/2/18.

Conducted two-days training programme on 8th and 9th May 2018 for hostel teachers on 'Joyful teaching and learning method' and to 'Developing teaching materials'.



Achievements/Changes

10 Hostels have set up kitchen gardens, through sustainable techniques of agriculture and have collected 885kgs of vegetables.

123 households have adopted the model and have setup low cost kitchen gardens. 4217 kgs of vegetables were collected from their Kitchen gardens to fulfill their nutritional needs through sustainable techniques of agricultural practice.

123 households have saved between Rs.500 and 1200/- as monthly expenses to buy vegetables.

8,000 vegetable saplings of various vegetables worth Rs. 12,000 in the market have been collected from the nursery.

In nine hostels, 465 children have benefited through the Joyful Learning Method.

1540 students were found to be regularly maintaining personal hygiene

Challenges

Ensure good quality and timely supply of saplings.

Crop damage by pests.

Remedies

7 hostels built vegetable nursery to ensure timely supply of vegetable saplings.

Use of bio-pesticide for pest control.

Mens sana in corpore sano

("A healthy mind in a healthy body")



Mens sana in corpore sano is a latin phrase which means "a healthy mind in a healthy body". This is a reality today in the hostels and is being witnessed by all those who visit them. Children fed with a wholesome and healthy diet and taught using 'Joyful Learning Method' have developed interest in their studies. Teachers are confident to complete the syllabus on time. Slow learners are also able to cope up with their studies and the reduction in the drop-out rate is also becoming a reality. One cannot but agree that all of this has become possible because of the food security due to the cultivation of nutritional gardens in their campuses. The resounding and gratifying success in cultivation of nutritional gardens, experienced by the 22 tribal hostels of West Midnapur has grabbed many eyeballs in other hostels in their vicinities.



Around 123 families (mostly families of students) have started cultivating nutritional gardens in their homes. The credit for the newfound nutritional security goes entirely to the consistent efforts made by the children and teachers in the hostels. Parents are filled with appreciation and are extremely satisfied with the quality of food provided to their children. Varieties of green vegetables from the nutritional gardens have become an integral part of their daily diet. The sustainability of 'nutritional gardens' in the hostels and the villages will soon become a reality.

3.4

Children Parliament

Project Period

Ongoing since 2017

Supported by

Association of Bengal Collaborators for Development

Area Covered

In The Archdiocese of Calcutta (Loreto day school, St. Mary's Boys School, St. Anthony's Higher Secondary school, St. Mary's Sunday School and the Community Children from Tangra area.)

Project Goal

An effective platform for the children to voice their concerns and opinions and take appropriate actions

Project Objectives

- To help children to succeed in their lives by instilling self-discipline and self-correction.
- To enable children to develop self-confidence and leadership qualities.
- To train children to become articulate, assertive and display good team spirit.
- To create opportunities and environment for children to showcase & develop their personalities.
- To create a safety net for monitoring children in difficult situations & educate the children about their rights and train them to take measures to protect & respond to any abuse or violation.



Activities

- Children are seen to empower others to articulate & express their ideas in public.
- Children work in cooperation with one another.
- Children are now aware of their rights and are able to assert themselves.
- They know especially what child abuse is and are able to protect themselves.
- They have grown in deep sensitivity for the environment, cleanliness, hygiene etc.

Activities



82 Orientation Programmes

to Parents and Teachers and children conducted.



123 Trainings

on Child Rights, Right to Education, Child Health & Sanitation, Environmental Protection, Promotion of Arts, Culture and Sports has been conducted.

Impacts

- Children learnt from life by themselves and advice one another and find solutions.
- Children have become self disciplined and self motivated, having handled opportunities to lead, & they developed their personalities and enhanced their leadership qualities.

Approach

- Children assume responsibilities and learn to proactively play their role as citizens in the day-to-day functioning and governance in the society. This would include:
 - Learning to become responsible caretakers of their neighbourhood.
 - Taking responsibilities for their actions and their growth and development.
 - Learning to convert experiences into life's lessons and reach out to one another with solutions, suggestions and advice to the challenges they face.
- Participating with confidence in matters concerning the society by interacting with adults from different walks of life.



Beneficiaries

820 Children in 41 Groups
consisting 20 children in each group.

I would rather walk with a friend in the dark, than alone in the light.

-Helen Keller

Epicurus had said, "The noble man is most involved with wisdom and friendship" Children's parliament is all about children getting involved and growing in wisdom and friendship. Friendship forms the essence of Children's Parliament. Rehan, a 10 year old child with special needs had no friends for a long time and had no one to share his inner thoughts and feelings with. He has finally found true friends after he joined the Children's Parliament and is a very happy child today. His friends look after him and shower him with lots of love and warmth. This new found friendship has brought positive changes in his life.

"Don't walk in front of me... I may not follow Don't walk behind me... I may not lead Walk beside me... just be my friend"

-Albert Camus

3.5

Mainstreaming of Out-of-School Children, Palbari, Medinipur

Project Period

Ongoing since 2007 and renewed every financial year

Supported by

Stichting Actie Calcutta, Holland

Project Goal

Mainstreaming the drop-out children back to formal government schools after they have experienced the joy of learning and are conditioned to formal schooling by undergoing the one year STAG (Skill Targeted Academic Growth) programme in the residential learning centre.

Area Covered

Once a year, around 10 to 12 villages & 4 to 5 panchayats are scanned for dropout children from vulnerable socio-economic background and who do not have access to schools or study centres.

Beneficiaries

27 to 30 children between the age group of 7 years and 12 years.

In 2018-19 there were 25 direct children and 2 indirect children selected from the parish of Basinda & Kearchand.

Challenges:

One of the issues facing the education system in India today is the prevalence of high drop-out rate of students from formal schools. The usual problems faced while mainstreaming these children back to formal schooling system gets further exacerbated by the effects of the trauma and victimization to many social evils these children might have been subjected to before they could be helped and are able to respond to any positive interventions. They having been victims of child labour, trafficking and other types of exploitation contribute mainly towards their stunted mental, emotional and physical growth. The project deals with locating these children and providing them with support and care. Besides drop-out children, there are children who have never seen the face of a school in their lives. There could be several reasons to this such as poverty, lack of awareness, poor accessibility, lack of motivation and interest. There are also those children who cannot be mainstreamed back to formal schooling system. These children are also taken care of under this project. We reach out and cater to the different needs of these children, especially by providing them with a sound environment for learning. It has been observed that the drop-out rate from schools by children of unemployed parents is relatively high. This being the case, unless there is adequate improvement in the socio-economic status of the parents, very little efforts can be expected from them to educate their children. Moreover, their inability to provide for proper nutrition in the diet of their children also stunts these children's mental and physical growth.



Our Objective:

Therefore, giving these children a warm familial atmosphere and a joyful teaching-learning environment with proper care and adequate nutrition is the primary objective of this project. They are taught to read and write alphabets, numbers, words, poems etc. They also get enough physical exercise through sports and games. They learn to work as a team and often study in groups. This entire process is an intensive programme for a year in the mainstreaming centre before they are mainstreamed in one of the local government schools between Classes I and VI. We succeed mainstreaming all the children under our care.

3.6

The Dutch Organisation - Stichting Actie Calcutta (SAC)

Seva Kendra Calcutta and the Dutch organization “Stichting Actie Calcutta” (SAC), share a long history of serving the poor in the regions in and around Kolkata. Seva Kendra Calcutta is helping and advising SAC to find an optimal way to spend many donations of SAC for education of the poor or to facilitate education. During this long period of 45 years a true bond of respect and friendship has been developed. It is always a safe and hospitable harbor to stay and rest in hectic India. We find the explanation and the update of new developments in and around Kolkata always very useful and helpful. SAC needs information of professionals like the Board of Seva Kendra Calcutta, to understand future plans in India to help the poor. This helps SAC to determine the priorities for projects and hostels.

The policy of SAC is to help the very poor to educate them, so they can be more independent in the future. SAC helps poor children and students to go to balwadi's, primary schools, secondary and higher secondary schools, colleges, vocational education and skill training in any form. SAC believes that any education will help the poor to move a step forward in life. SAC also supports many projects to realize or improve education. Seva Kendra Calcutta is a perfect partner to advice SAC in the field of education of the poor.

SAC supports many projects in and around Kolkata and also projects of Seva Kendra Calcutta. In 2018, the building of a Nursing School in Midnapur was completed. This is an example of a project of Seva Kendra Calcutta, financed by SAC. Two board members were present during the official opening of the building. This was a beautiful sustainable project in collaboration with the government. New projects of Seva Kendra Calcutta are being partially financed by SAC, such as the Nazareth project, a training center/farm to teach young farmers and a project in Solo Biga to mainstream the children from the slums.

SAC and Seva Kendra Calcutta are working together to find a new policy to create a strategic partnership. SAC is looking for one or may be three strategic partners in India. We are looking for ways to share with Seva Kendra Calcutta the work in monitoring projects of SAC, finding projects associated to the developments of the region in the field of education, especially vocational education. SAC will stimulate Seva Kendra Calcutta to focus on local fundraising. We hope Seva Kendra Calcutta will give advice to SAC about new developments in the region and about the governmental developments in the field of education. The implementation of this new partnership will take some years. We hope that new partnerships will bring even more respect to each other and more time for SAC in the Netherlands to use for fundraising.

The professional development of Seva Kendra Calcutta in 45 years is impressive. In the coming visits SAC will discuss all the new ideas for a renewed partnership in the future. SAC considers Seva Kendra Calcutta as an important & reliable partner organization. SAC thanks Seva Kendra Calcutta community for its hospitality, friendship & professional assistance.

3.7

Kishaloy Juvenile Home for Boys

Project Period

April 2018 to
March 2019
(Ongoing
since 2015)

Supported by

Self initiative
of Seva
Kendra
Calcutta

Project Goal

Mainstreaming
all the inmates
into the
society as law
abiding and
potential
productive
members

Area Covered

Kishaloy Juvenile Home for boys is located in Barasat, North 24 Parganas. The inmates are largely from the following areas:





Kolkata and North 24 Parganas

Orphans, homeless boys and boys who are considered Juvenile in conflict with law (JCL).

Different Ports

 International JCL- boys arrested from different ports.

Project Objectives

-  Achieve cent percent literacy rate in Kishaloy Home.
-  Mainstream the boys into formal school education.
-  Help reduce juvenile recidivism rate.
-  Eliminate and treat physical, substance and sexual abuse among inmates.

Total Beneficiaries








125 inmates of Kishaloy Juvenile Home | **65%** boys are below 12 years of age

Activities conducted during the year

SKC's activities in Kishaloy are based on pedagogical interventions and life-skills training. These two-pronged approaches have shown a positive impact in achieving the desired project goals and objectives.

Pedagogical Interventions:

1) Curricular Activities:

-  Kishaloy Juvenile Home has achieved cent percent literacy rate. Presently, 60 inmates are regularly attending classes.
-  Remedial classes are conducted for illiterates and new inmates.
-  Regular classes are conducted for inmates studying at the primary level.
-  High school students who are preparing to appear for their board examinations also receive due attention.
-  Up-to-date Teacher Learning Materials (TLM) developed during the workshops are used systematically during group-based learning activities.
-  Puppetry and other teaching aids are regularly used in the classrooms.
-  Periodic evaluations are conducted based on Continuous Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE) model as per RTE Act, 2009.

2) Co-curricular Activities:



(I) Art & Craft Classes

- 25 students are regularly attending these classes. They are learning to draw & paint.
- The boys also make paper masks, paper puppets and other paper craft items during their classes.

(ii) Puppetry and Music Classes

- Puppetry and puppet-making classes are conducted regularly. The students attending the classes have developed commendable proficiency. The testimony of the same is borne by the fact that they have on various occasions been invited by government offices and local clubs to perform.
- Regular music classes and practice sessions are conducted for the inmates. 10 boys from the group have on various occasions successfully put up short skits that expressed their hope and optimism.

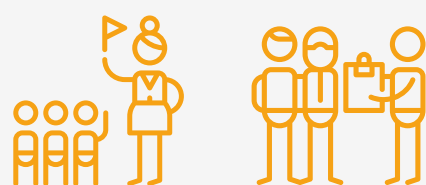


(iii) Peace-building activities

- Skits, role play, counseling and peace building sessions every Saturday have become invaluable tools of intervention in reducing physical and sexual violence among boys.

(iv) Other activities

- The boys took initiative to organize special days during the year.
- They put up skits and performed in them after diligent practice.
- The SKC team won the inter teaching aid development competition this year.
- The newly appointed education officers and other Class I officers from the State Institute of Panchayat and Rural Development, Government of West Bengal visited the home to orient themselves about the work done. They could experience the use of various pedagogical interventions such as joyful learning techniques, peer learning, preparation & implementation of lesson plans in the classes.



Life-skills programme:

1) Organic farming and Nursery Building



2,203 kgs of 16 different types of vegetables

were cultivated organically last year on the land belonging to Kishaloy Home.



This commendable outcome is the result of the unwavering commitment and intervention of SKC since 2015 to organize and train the boys in organic farming. All the vegetables are consumed by the inmates. 20 boys have received training on organic farming using techniques like mixed cropping, multi-cropping, bio-manure production and use of bio-pest controllers.



Besides vegetables, they were able to breed and harvest **25 kgs of Cat fish** from their small pond adjacent to their garden.

In 2018-19 SKC launched a new initiative to organize and train the boys to build a nursery. 10 boys armed with different nursery making techniques have produced more than 1755 saplings of 12 different types of trees this year. They have planted some of these saplings in their campus extension during the monsoon season and the rest were distributed.



3.8

Intervention in the Ariyadaha Dhrubasram Home

Project Period

Ongoing
from 2017

Supported by

Kindermissions
werk, 'Die
Sternsinger'
e.V., Germany

Project Goal

Empowering
the Juveniles in
conflict with
Law (JCL)
through
capacity
building and
mainstreaming
them into
formal schools

Area Covered

Kolkata and North 24 Parganas

Orphans, homeless boys and boys who are considered Juvenile in conflict with law (JCL).

Different Ports

International JCL- boys arrested from different ports.

Project Objectives

- Achieve cent percent literacy rate in Ariyadaha Dhrubasram.
- Mainstream the boys into formal school education.
- Help reduce juvenile recidivism rate.
- Eliminate and treat physical, substance and sexual abuse among inmates.

Direct Beneficiaries

Around 135 JCLs.

Area Covered

SKC's activities in Dhrubasram are based on pedagogical interventions and life-skills training. These two-pronged approaches have shown a positive impact in achieving the desired project goals and objectives.

Pedagogical Interventions:

- We run a bridge course for these boys. These adolescents are least interested in their studies. We found out that many of these delinquents could not read nor write. Many of them lacked knowledge of basic mathematics like addition, multiplication etc. At the end of this bridge programme -
 - The boys will be able to read, write and would be able to read and understand news reports from the Bengali newspaper.
 - Would be able to do basic calculations and record keeping.
 - Would be able to read simple English sentences and would be aware of some sentences which would be necessary for daily communication.
- In 2018-19, we have trained more than 135 boys in 3 phases.

Livelihood training:

- Sustainable agriculture: The boys have cultivated vegetable gardens in three plots adjacent to their building. It was a fallow land and they were able to produce 18 types of vegetables and saags. In 2018-19, they had produced more than 1203kg of vegetables in their campus for their consumption. 15 boys have also learnt the different techniques in organic farming.
- Our trainers have trained 20 boys to make handicrafts from plastic waste, photo frames, pen stands, greetings cards, plastic flowers etc.



They have started a small plant nursery which has
**750 saplings
of 15 different
plants**

Other activities:

- Puppet-making and staging puppet shows have piqued the interest of some of the inmates. There is a puppeteer group of 20 boys in Dhrubasram who have learnt to make paper puppets and other types of puppets.
- State Legal Services Authority sent a group of Judges to meet the boys. During that visit, they performed puppet show and greeted them with handmade paper flowers and greeting cards.
- We do some role play activities and skit in order to teach and inculcate peace building skills amongst the boys.

3.9

Sukanya Juvenile Home for Girls

Project Period

Ongoing from February 2018

Supported by

Kindermissionswerk, 'Die Sternsinger' e.V., Germany

Project Goal

Mainstreaming all the inmates into the society as law abiding and potential productive members

Area Covered

Sukanya Juvenile Home for girls is located in Salt Lake City, Kolkata. The inmates are largely from the following areas:

Kolkata and North 24 Parganas

Orphans, homeless girls and girls who are considered Juvenile in conflict with law (JCL).

Different Ports

International JCL- girls arrested from different ports.

Project Objectives

- Achieve cent percent literacy rate in Sukanya Home.
- Mainstream the girls into formal school education.
- Help reduce juvenile recidivism rate.
- Help create abuse-free, caring and hygienic living conditions.

Total Beneficiaries

100 girls of Sukanya Juvenile Home for Girls between the age group of 6 years and 18 years.



Activities conducted during the year

SKC's activities in Sukanya Home started slowly with few activities in 2017-18 and gradually gathered momentum by 2018-19. The two-pronged approaches namely, the pedagogical interventions and life-skills training have shown a positive impact in achieving the desired project goals and objectives.

The activities conducted in 2018-19 include:

Pedagogical Interventions:

- 30 girls are preparing to receive formal education.
- Remedial classes are conducted for illiterates and new inmates.
- Regular classes are conducted for inmates studying at the primary level.
- Girls who were already in formal schools in classes VIII and IX before they came into Sukanya Home are now being prepared to appear for their board examinations.

Life-Skills Training:

1) Spoken English Classes

- 45 girls were enrolled in this course.
- Spoken English Classes is the pioneering initiative in Juvenile Home Development Programme.
- Many who will turn 18 years have developed optimism and confidence because of the newly acquired fluency in spoken English which they believe will help them immensely to seek jobs in the retail and hospitality industry after the end of their stay.



2) Computer Classes

- More than 25 girls attend this course.
- Basic computer and office management skills are taught.



3) Mehendi Designing Course



- 20 girls who enrolled have been trained to design and apply mehendi.
- The girls have developed creative and artistic skills to design and develop new and beautiful patterns.

4) Imitation Jewelry making, paper craft and puppetry

- 30 girls are involved in learning to make imitation jewelry & handmade paper items such as paper bags, puppets etc.
- SKC has plans to market and promote these products in the new year.
- The 30 girls have formed two groups who put up puppetry shows during different events.
- The home also has an active music group performing regularly.



5) Vegetable cultivation

- SKC's initiative to train and promote cultivation of vegetables was successful until October 2018.
- The programme had to be halted due to the commencement of a major civil construction work in the area since November 2018. The fallow land is now being used as a storage facility for construction materials.
- The girls had produced 621 kgs of seven different types of vegetables such as leafy vegetables, pumpkins, bottle gourd, okra, chillies and egg-plants in the first seven months. The produce was used in Sukanya Home's kitchen for their consumption.

3.10

Prayash Child Care Centre, Barasat

In 2018-19, Seva Kendra Calcutta started a child care centre in its outreach centre at Barasat. One of the objectives of this centre was to mainstream the dropout children. Another objective was to establish a resource center for the adolescent youth, where they could share their ideas and receive need-based-hands-on-training. The centre also runs basic computer courses for the poor children.

Started in October 2018, we had 41 children from primary level to Class VIII. Out of these 41 children, 15 were dropouts and all of them were readmitted to school from 2019 academic session in a local government school. All the children did very well in Mathematics, Science and English in their school examinations. Moreover all these 41 children learnt basic computer operation.

20 adolescents out of these 41 children have formed a youth club. This club conducts door to door visits to survey the problems of slum dwellers. There were music, art & craft and puppetry classes. These children learnt puppet play and also learnt how to make different types of puppets from papers, foam and thermocol sheets. They have also performed puppet shows and music during the local and church programmes.



3.11

Supportive Education in Joynagar

Project Period

2018-19

Supported by

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)

Area Covered

Six Backward Villages under Rajapur Karabeg Panchayat in Joynagar-I Community Development Block of South 24 Parganas District

Project Goal

Improvement in the socio-economic conditions and quality of life of the people through the education facilitation programme

Project Objectives

- Train and skill up the 12 teachers in the centres.
- Promote activity based learning using TLM, group work, art & craft etc.
- Develop models like assembly, continuous comprehensive evaluation etc.
- Promote joyful learning using action rhymes, songs, drama etc.
- Regular meetings with the parents with workshops to promote nutrition security among the students, improvement in diet & home-based learning.

Total Beneficiaries

264 households of six backward villages under Rajapur Karabeg Panchayat in Joynagar-I Community Development Block of South 24 Parganas District



Activities conducted during the year

- Six volunteers from six villages with the help of two senior trainers from the Department of Primary Education and Department of Sustainable Livelihoods conducted a baseline survey from April 01 to April 16, 2018. Data collected were regarding the socio-economic status of the households, livelihood options availed, dietary pattern of the household and the educational status of the family members.
- All children were provided with Education support Kit.
- Preparation of Teaching Learning Materials and question papers for quarterly examination.
- Two pedagogical workshops were conducted during the year in Seva Kendra Calcutta & Swarnirvar, Andharmanik. The workshops conducted dealt with the core topic of teaching in Bengali.



A new beginning of learning and change

A new beginning of learning and change was made by the children of six backward villages under the Rajapur Karabeg Panchayat in Joynagar-I Community Development Block of South 24 Parganas District. Seva Kendra Calcutta's initiative as the education facilitator and with the support of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited has found much appreciation by all the stakeholders including the public representatives and the administration. Different pedagogical interventions and life-skill development and trainings have created an exciting and positive environment for learning and growth. The efforts to improve the socio-economic conditions and quality of life of the people through the education facilitation programme has now entered the second phase which has brought in exciting challenges to introduce more innovations in teaching-learning.

3.12

Innovative Actions in promoting Education, Health And Community Development in Ri Bhoi District of the Shillong Diocese

Project Period

2018-19

Supported by

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited and implemented through the Social Service Centre of the Shillong Diocese

Area Covered

Six most backward villages of the Ri Bhoi District

- Mawiong
- Nongkhrah
- Pahambir
- Pahammardoloi
- Pahamshiken
- Pahamjri

Background

The aborigine tribes take permission of the village head for any decision and the families live in a matrilineal society. The headmen and women of these six villages had granted permission to Seva Kendra Calcutta to implement development programmes for these villages. They had also instructed all the villagers to cooperate with our survey team who were visiting door to door to get real time data to real pictures of their life. Baseline data will be analyzed by the scientists of CSIR-IICB, Kolkata and a detailed action plan will be drawn based on these reports.

Project Goal

Collaborating with the Social Service Centre, Shillong Diocese in implementing a pilot initiative in promoting education, health and community development.

Direct Beneficiaries

Villagers of the six villages namely, Mawiong, Nongkhrah, Pahambir, Pahammardoloi, Pahamshiken, Pahamjri.

Activities conducted

- Recruited educated young Khasi housewives as our field staff.
- Received permission and assurance of cooperation from the villagers by the headman/headwoman of these six villages.
- Door-to-door survey for the baseline data. The data will be analyzed by the scientists of CSIR-IICB, Kolkata and a detailed action plan will be drawn based on these reports.

Project contribution/support to government initiatives

Innovative actions in promoting education, health and community development as per Niti Ayog in Ri Bhoi district in Meghalaya State.



3.13

The Community College

In 2018-19, Seva Kendra Calcutta and its partner organization, Swanirvar introduced two new certificate courses :

- Community Health service.
- Montessori Teacher's Training.



These courses were conducted by the Community College Calcutta and the trainings were held at the Seva Kendra Extension service centre at Barasat. 20 young women (85% were housewives) participated in Teacher's Training sessions and 15 young women (most of them were women in conflict with law or rescued from human trafficking and few were from underprivileged families) participated in Community Health Services course.

The course fees were exempted. Swanirvar also provided lunch for the trainees. All the trainees had to attend both theoretical and practical training sessions. The successful candidates were then awarded certificates on March 23, 2019.

After the training, all the trained teachers got jobs in the local private schools and three trained Community service providers have started their home service units in their villages. The remaining participants are now working in different clinics.

3.14

The Peace Building Project

Project Period

Ongoing since March 2018

Supported by

Kindermissions werk, 'Die Sternsinger' e.V., Germany

Area Covered

10 villages and 5 GPs under Kesiary block in the district of West Midnapur

Project Goal

Fulfill the desire of the affected children and their communities through involving their peers and family members in creating a peaceful society

Project Objectives

- To fulfill the desire of the affected children and their communities, for a just and peaceful society, that is deeply affected by the armed conflict.
- To involve their peers and family members in the peace building process.
- To envisage the objectives of contributing to peace building learning and practices.
- Improving children's participation in the positive peace building exercises.
- Documenting children's opinions, experiences and their contributions in all the peace building initiatives.



Activities conducted during the year

- Identified need-based students mainly from the isolated and deprived families & initiated coaching in 4 coaching centers covering 8 tribal villages in the Kesiary block.
- Orientation session for the entire staff was conducted in order to explain the outline of the project. The core members of the team were given a thorough orientation to the objectives, goals and expected outcomes of the project.
- Conducted Household survey through home-visits, in the target families of the project villages.
- Conducted motivational activities like Guardian meetings, counselling and home-visits for the Parents and caregivers of these needy and disadvantaged students.
- Tribal children were provided with specialized coaching classes for six days a week and without charging them any fees. The topics and activities covered during these coaching sessions helped the children to develop peace loving & peace building personalities.

The topics included :



Yoga



Meditation



Dance classes



Drawing and craft



Music



Hands-on-training

on bags, buckets and clay making for their day-to-day use and also to earn additional income.

- Formation and orientation of the Children Peace Clubs in the four coaching centres.
- Identification of core problems using the problem-tree technique.
- Home-visits conducted by these peace clubs to assist in conflict resolution through peaceful negotiations among various peer groups, families and individuals and different other ways that support peace.

Achievements/Impacts

- The four Formal Coaching centres with 154 children (72 boys and 82 girls) from eight villages are open on all days except on Sunday.
- Counselling and meditation have helped 154 Children and their families.
- 19 boys have successfully able to quit alcohol and other addictions through the child peace clubs.



67 children have learnt to refrain from using swear words and have also shown positive improvement in their communication skills, attitudes & behaviour.

- 17 tribal mothers, who were severe alcoholics and had neglected their children, are now free from the grip of alcohol, through regular counselling.
- Three government and one community infrastructure facility are used free-of-cost to conduct project-related activities.
- 20 students (9 boys and 11 girls) are enrolled in formal schools.
- Parents of 25 students decided to send their children to high schools after the completion of children's primary education and 13 among them are girls.

Challenges

- Regular political disturbance in the area.
- Alcohol addiction among women is high and is declining slowly through project's intervention.
- Child labor and child abuse are on a decline through regular meetings, awareness programmes, home visits and counselling sessions.
- Lower participation of male members of the families in various meeting and events. This challenge is being addressed through periodic home visits, street plays and awareness campaigns.
- The commuting facilities between villages are poor and therefore the project personnel have to make their own arrangements to travel to remote villages.



The way forward...

- Children Peace Club follow-up seminar at Kharagpur.
- Develop more adult peace clubs using the model of children peace clubs.
- Introduce the model of adult peace club at village level.
- Conduct various skilled development courses such as music, yoga, meditation, art and craft for students in the coaching centres.

- Advocacy and network with schools for a wider impact promoting peace building process.
- Organize peace building exercises conducted by children of peace clubs through various plays, drama, skits etc.
- Create a vibrant atmosphere in the coaching centres by introducing various indoor and outdoor games, art and dance.
- Conduct periodic evaluation of the project and plan the future course of action accordingly in order to achieve the desired outcomes.



Mandi brothers wrench their father free from the clutches of evil and death



Brothers Maina and Mohan Mandi found immense joy and happiness as students of the Kamarchowki coaching centre. They enthusiastically participated in all the activities that were organized in the centre and enjoyed each of these activities to the hilt. They never seemed to feel tired or bored and moreover never wanted to go back home. However, hidden behind this apparent peace, joy and enthusiasm was a grim reality which they wanted to escape each passing day. As a matter of fact, the Mandi brothers even shuddered to imagine what lay in store for them when they returned home. The boys were being raised in a home that had been made into a living hell by their alcoholic and violently abusive father. He would invariably return home sloshed and would direct all his pent up hatred and anger towards his hapless wife and the two boys. They silently bore their pain and sorrow and waited for the dawn of another day when they could scamper back to the comfortable and safe environment of the coaching centre. One day their father returned home drunk as usual but this time he had brought with him Rupees ten thousand which he had stolen from their neighbour's house. That act was indeed the last straw that broke the camel's back. The boys took this immoral action of their father's as an affront to their dignity and honour and decided to confront their father head-on and save him from further trouble. They spoke about this issue in length with one of the project associates and sought the person's advice. The boys, taking the advice, and applying what they had learnt during the peace-building exercise, confronted their father and implored him to return the money. The confrontation was successful and made a positive impact on the father. He repented and apologized for his action. He returned the money and decided to work. Ramen Mandi is a changed person today. He earns a dignified living by working in a hotel at Keshiary Bazaar. His metanoia is the direct result of all the skills and training that Maina and Mohan had received through this project.



3.15

Integrated Community Development in 5 villages (8 centres) of Chhayghoria at Bongaon.

Bongaon is part of the Ichhamati-Raimangal Plain, one of the three physiographic regions in the district located in the lower Ganges Delta. Bongaon has an area of 336.70 km². It has 1 panchayat samity, 16 gram panchayats, 230 gram sansads (village councils), 150 mouzas and 149 inhabited villages. Gram panchayats of Bongaon block/panchayat samiti are: Akaipur, Chhayghoria, Gangrapota, Kalupur, Bairampur, Dharam Pukuria, Ghatbour, Palla, Chawberia I, Dighari, Gopalnagar I, Sundarpur, Chawberia II, Ganganandapur, Gopalnagar II and Tengra.

Since its inception the Catholic Church, Bongaon has been working for the upliftment of the poor & marginalized. It also helps and supports poor children for their nutrition, health and education. In the year 2018, we have taken a new initiative and began a new project called integrated community development with the help of SKC, in order to develop the communities through , education, health, empowerment of women and ensure the education for every child.



Goal of the project :

Integrated development of the economically poor and Migrated people through education and socio-economic upliftment.

Objectives:

- Mainstreaming the children of poor and marginalized communities through education.
- Empowering women through capacity building and leadership promotion.
- Promoting self reliance through income generated programs.
- Promotion of self help groups among women.
- Community health & hygiene.

Activities:

- One day workshop on environment and Govt. scholarship for school students.
- Animation programme for Sub-station leaders.
- Awareness building of the parents about Gram Samsad meeting and it's importance.
- Group discussion and awareness programme on 'bad effect of plastic use'.
- Awareness on Global warming , use of water and taking care of our earth.
- Animation programme for Women empowerment and health.
- Non-formal education for the school dropouts to enroll them in school.
- Conducted children camps & animation programme.
- We started 8 group tuition classes for school going children to cope up with the daily syllabus in school and ensured that children go to school. A teacher is volunteering this group tuition in each village. We pay each teacher ₹1500/- per month as honorarium.

Below are the details of the 8 centres:

SL. NO.	Centre's Name	Student's Enrollment	Teacher's Name (volunteer)	Activities
1	St. Joseph's main centre	18	Malati Biswas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 days tuition classes in a week. Meetings with the parents. Visit to the student's house. Celebrating important days like Republic Day, Independence Day, Teacher's Day, Children's Day, Rabindra Jayanti etc . Organized sports meet. Organized various competition like drawing and quiz programme. Picnic with the students.
2	Shantipara	15	Mandira Baroi	
3	Uttor Chhayghoria	32	Dipali Gomes	
4	Horidaspur pashcim	22	Kanchan Das	
5	Monigram	19	Amela Topno	
6	Unnui	23	Vincenza Mandi	
7	Srimontopur	22	Nilda Tete	
8	Dighari	30	Prokash Sardar	

Centres : 8

Students: 181

Teachers: 8



Achievements:

- Sub-station leaders organized meetings with village people and informed them about projects (Prokolpo).
- After the meetings with sub-station leaders, villages went to Gram Samsad.
- After the Gram Samsad meeting Panchayet sanctioned concrete road project and street light project at Shantipara and Churchpara.
- Villagers have got MGNREGA benefit.
- They also got 'Sastho Sathi' card from West Bengal Government (Medical facility). Last year the school dropout of children reduced to only 15%.
- Village women have formed SHG groups (Every local area we have 5-6 SHG groups).
- Teachers organized parents meeting and discussed with them about their problems. Sensitization on micro planning meeting at Shantipara has been conducted by the social worker of SKC.
- The presence of villagers in the Samsad meetings was appreciated by the Block authority and they agreed to sanction Pacca road (dhali road), Job cards distribution, drinking water facility, one low cost house for the needy person, old age pension by the end May- June, 2018. These will be verified as per the list which has been submitted in the meeting.



- Till November, 2018, 80 students had applied for scholarship grant. Out of 80, 56 are girl students.
- Door to door house hold survey (Socio economic) in the four project areas. Total families are 258 . Survey conducted at Srimontopur, Dighari, Metopara, Unnui, Monigram.

Challenges

- Some fields are located at Indo- Bangladesh border in Zero point, which is at times unsafe for the social worker (development activist).
- In these places any type of gathering is prohibited.
- So very difficult to conduct village animation programme like meetings and seminars.
- Lack of Funds.
- Many political parties and clashes between them.



The way forward:

We want to carry forward this developmental work which will be based on the success that we have achieved in last one year. Last financial year (April, 2018 – March, 2019) we tried to reach all the people of our area and ensured that children go to school. We are able to make them understand that ' Education is the only way to a better future and a successful life' for a child. Empowerment of women can only bring sustainable development in the society.



Case Study:

Reshmi belongs to a poor family. When she was small, her mother died in an accident. Her father was not able to give proper education to her. St. Joseph Catholic Church, Chhayghoira took the responsibility. Now she is 15 years and completed class X successfully. Her elder brother Akash completed class XII with 2nd division.



Social Justice



4.1

Sambandh

Project Period

Ongoing since
April 2016

Supported by

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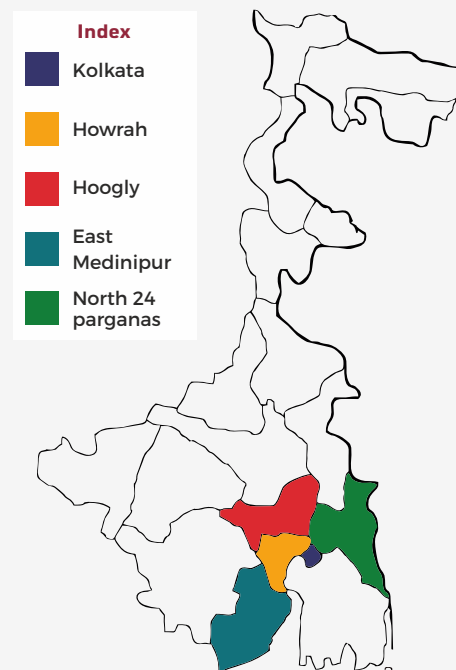
'Sambandh', is a relationship development program designed for truck drivers to motivate and facilitate psycho-social and behavioural changes to transform their professional and personal lives.

Project Goal

To have sustainable development and transformational approach for the truck drivers through healthcare activities, skill training, and relationship building with improved social and economic security. Also to build an enabling environment by involving important stakeholders, supporter and logistics industry to bring an impact.

Area Covered

Geographical map



District	Name of the Ward / Panchayat	Name of the areas
Kolkata	Ward Nos. 79, 80	New Parking, Coal Birth Parking, Garden Reach, Jainkunj, 15-16 Parking, Dhobiatalo, Bhootghat, Loco shed, Ispat logistics, 5 No Dock gate, The PDP Groups, Paharpur, Phonex Logistics, Ispat Logistics, Tiwariware house, Krishna Shipping, Koushik Logistics.
Howrah	Ward No. 35 and Makardah Gram panchayat, Nibra Gram Panchayat, Argori Gram Panchayat, Chamrail Gram Panchayat, Nischinda, Gram Panchayat,	Shalimar, Kona parking, Dhulagarh, Kona expressway parking lot, Salap high road, Junglepur, Uluberia parking zone.
Hooghly	Ward Nos. 12, 14 & 18	Alwar Punjab, Dhaka pump, Dankuni parking zone, Himalaya Plaza.
East Medinipur	Ward Nos. 8, 17, 20	A.L. Logistics, LOKC parking, Dock gate, MCPI Pvt. Ltd. Punjabi Dhaba, City center, Debhog, Dighashipur, Talpukur, Ranichak, Jhikurkhali, HPL Road.
North 24 Parganas	Ward No. 17 Choyugharia Gram Panchayat, Gopalnagar Gram Panchayat	CWC parking, Petrapole, Satberia parking, SefaliSusoma parking, Naroharipur, Jayantipur, Kalitala, Bongaon, Chakdah.

Project Objectives

- To identify High Risk Behaviour among Truck Drivers and to provide them with Personal and Group Counselling and Therapeutic treatment such as Yoga meditation, physical exercises etc.
- To sensitize and build capacities of 10,000 Truck Drivers on various risks associated with their lives and livelihood such as safe driving, addiction, high risk sexual behaviour and together evolve mechanisms of risks and risk management within a span of 12 months;
- To conduct HIV/AIDS testing of all registered truck drivers under Sambandh project and identify positive cases to Government ICTC/ART centres for further treatment;
- To conduct medical check-up camps for the detection of TB, Hepatitis, Diabetes and other illnesses and to provide them with free prescription medicines and hospital care if required;



- To conduct ophthalmology camps for registered truck drivers for eye testing and screening for prescriptive eye glasses;
- To ensure the safe maternal health and child nutritional care practices among the Truck Drivers' spouses with education on safe sex, child nutrition and immunization, reproductive health care and provide linkages to local PHCs or Government Hospitals for treatment;
- To make Truck Owners responsive toward ensuring the basic available amenities and socio-economic needs of their Drivers – such as uniform policies and legislations on fair wages, Social security, accident insurance coverages, Aadhar cards, voters cards for truck drivers, and Risk Management through Safe Driving classes , etc.;
- To ensure providing of government-linked social security schemes and old age pensions through local banks for drivers registered under the Sambandh project;

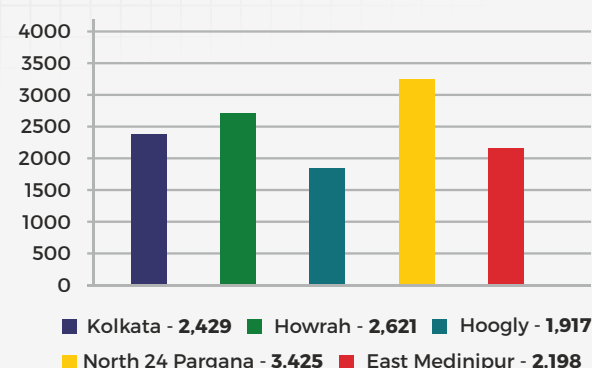


To provide the scope and opportunity for psycho-social bonding among truck drivers, police, Dock and Port officials and fleet owners through sports activities;

- To provide school-going and out of school children of truck drivers with opportunities to continue with their studies through evening tutorial classes and link them to formal schools at Kolkata Port, Howrah and North 24 Parganas;
- To engage traffic and police departments for smooth and hassle free transit operations for truck drivers. To motivate truck drivers on responsible sexual behaviour, safe driving, dangers of addiction through street plays, motivational camps;
- To network with organizations, corporate bodies and Government for the welfare of truck drivers;
- To build capacity and skills of project staff through various trainings, workshops and interactive seminars to implement the project efficiently.

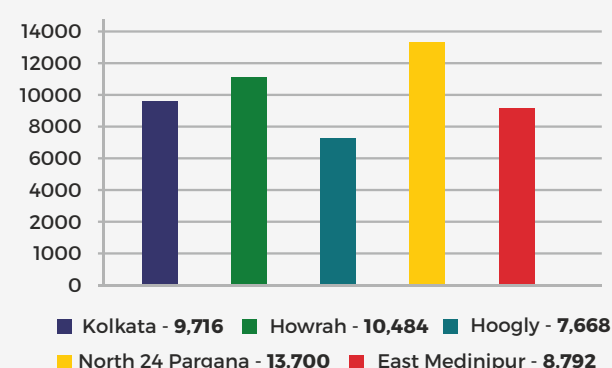
Direct Beneficiaries

Total Direct Beneficiaries **12,590**



Indirect Beneficiaries

Total Indirect Beneficiaries **50,360**



Activities/Achievements

- **Enrolment/Registration:**
8343 truck drivers enrolled in our program for their physical and psycho-social assessment & provided remedial care.
- **Social security awareness camp and linkages:**
1568 drivers participated in social security awareness camps and 74 drivers were linked to various schemes e.g. Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jivan Jyoti Bima Yojana, Samajik Suraksha Yojana etc.
- **Psycho-social counselling:**
Drivers are mainly addicted to alcohol, tobacco, opium, doda (extract of opium) etc. Some of them are suffering from behavioural disorder. Skilled and experienced counsellors are available to help them. A total of 2573 drivers attended counselling sessions. Almost 30% drivers are trying to quit their addiction, 877 drivers attended Physiotherapy and Yoga sessions.
- **General health interventions:**
Regular free health camps are organised for the drivers where medicines were provided and BP, Blood sugar, ECG tests were conducted as per the requirement. A total of 2819 drivers received treatment. The major findings are: most of the drivers suffer from high or low BP, high blood sugar, skin diseases, weakness, breathing problem etc.
- **Eye screening camp:**
Free eye check-up camps were conducted regularly for the drivers; medicines were prescribed; glasses were provided as per the need. 1868 drivers benefitted from the services. Most of the drivers are suffering from itching, redness, watering, dryness and cataract issues.



HIV detection camps:

Total of **1,161 drivers** participated in HIV testing and screening camp out of them 15 drivers found reactive.

11 drivers were referred to for ART center for linkage, out of them 4 drivers have been linked and have begun the treatment.

- **Awareness program:**
Awareness camps were organised on ill-effects of addiction, HIV/AIDS, Social security, Road safety etc through street dramas. A total of 749 drivers participated.
- **Training on road safety and safe driving:**
737 truck drivers participated in a training programs on road safety conducted in collaboration with Traffic Police, Police Staffs.
- **Special day observation:**
1191 drivers joined in the celebration of Special days e.g. World No Tobacco day, Environment day, Independence day, World AIDS day, Republic day etc.
- **Social bonding program:**
887 stakeholders including Police department, Logistics Companies, Drivers, Local club and other Government officials organized in five districts. To change the conventional concept about truck drivers and to build congenial relation among police, owners and other catalyst.



- **Distribution of Solar lanterns:**
452 drivers and their families are using solar lanterns and torches for domestic use and during their long-distance trips. Carrying solar lanterns and torches have helped them to fix their vehicles in the dark. They are also able to cook, eat and enjoy leisure time with their fellow drivers on the highways in the middle of no-where. 30% of the drivers' family are using solar lanterns and torches at home and this has helped them work effectively and children are now able to study peacefully in the absence of electricity. A total of 452 lanterns were distributed among the drivers.
- **Meetings with fleet owners/stakeholders engagement:**
Throughout the year 1011 stakeholders participated in our meetings/programs, out of which unions, companies, organizations like PDP group, MCPI Pvt. Ltd., All India Truck Owners Association, Bangaon Mahakuma Paribahan Sramik Union, Bangaon Motor Sramik Welfare Association are deliberating upon the rights of truck drivers

● Advocacy:

After a series of stakeholder engagements through our various activities, awareness and discussion the issues and challenges of truck drivers are now being addressed and the situation is changing slowly. A very small portion of the general population has started thinking about them. Our truck drivers are also being empowered. This year 82 drivers submitted their online petition to facilitate their right to vote and we have conducted signature campaign for the same.

● National Conclave:

The National Conclave on Truck Drivers was organized in June 2018 to bring all the stakeholders of the sector under one roof, to exchange knowledge, challenges and way forward in order to improve the lives of Truck Drivers, who are vulnerable and neglected segment despite of being a backbone of the industry. The event was successful in creating a buzz in the electronic and print media about issues of Truck Drivers in India. A total of 177 Govt. officials, transporters, logistics companies, drivers, NGOs, media and other organizations participated.

● Joyful learning/Free tutorial for drivers' children:

A total of 61 children are enrolled in our tutorial classes. Project SAMBANDH is transforming lives of 61 children of truck drivers by providing them with free tutorial classes at Kolkata, Howrah and North 24 Parganas districts. The centers are run on weekly basis (thrice in a week) by five trained teachers. The centres are unique for its child-centred pedagogy approach to achieve quality of education among underprivileged children belonging to truck drivers' family. From Howrah, 9 drop out children were mainstreamed into government school. Two motivational magic shows were organized for the children of truck drivers at Garden Reach and Howrah. A total of 182 children participated.



Impacts

- 60 drivers have donned the role of peer motivators who are always ready to stand up against police harassment, assert their right for a dignified livelihood etc.
- The drivers are now aware of their legal entitlements and are proactive in availing of several different governmental schemes.
- Some logistics companies and associations have shown keen interest in advocacy related work (PDP group, MCPI etc) for a better system for truck drivers.
- Continuous advocacy and organizing regular events such as stakeholders meeting, National conclave, seminars. with the Government officials, mass media and stakeholders have created positive impact and awareness about the challenges faced by truck drivers.
- Activities involving the truck drivers, police, owners and others have played a crucial role in breaking the conventional concept about truck drivers.

Challenges

- Truck drivers are always on the move and therefore it is a challenge to coordinate and organize any specific event and ensure their presence.
- 70% of the drivers do not have Aadhar card, Voter ID or bank account which makes it very difficult for them to access government schemes.
- Unfavorable weather conditions dampens the spirit of the truck drivers to participate in any event organized during such time.
- Police harassment and issues related to traffic rules and regulations lowers the motivation of the truck drivers to remain positive.
- Delay in getting official permission from State Government to setup field testing for HIV and the matters is still pending inspite of following it up regularly.

The way forward...

A number of concluding points for the way forward for sustainable development of Truck Drivers can be distilled from the lessons learned and extensive work undertaken during the year 2016 to 2019. These points relate not only to the outputs and tools which have been specifically derived from the journey, but also for sustainability in its wider context for Truck Drivers in the future. The main and utmost thing is to do Advocacy for the rights and entitlements of the Truck Drivers and for the betterment of their lives with the Government departments, logistics, transporters, owners etc. After assessing the needs of Truck Drivers', following are the actions the project team is going to take up for the next phase:

SL No.	Humanitarian services	Advocacy on rights and entitlements	Documentation
1	Enrollment of drivers	Linkage with the Government departments, logistics, owners, transporters, corporates, organization, advocates etc.	Media advocacy: electronic and print.
2	Psycho-social counselling (individual & group) with Yoga & Physiotherapy.	Minimum wages	Create a blog and update regularly.
3	Social security awareness camp and linkages.	Paid leave	Social networking: Facebook, twitter etc.
4	General health interventions	Basic facilities like drinking water, proper shelter, toilet at parking zones, truck terminals.	Prepare reports on various project activities & advocacy.
5	HIV/AIDS interventions	Health insurance for the drivers.	
6	Eye interventions	Postal vote	

SL No.	Humanitarian services
7	Training on road safety and safe driving
8	Special day observation: May day, Independence, AIDS day and Republic day
9	Social bonding program
10	Distribution Solar Lanterns
11	Other Stakeholders engagement/ National Conclave
12	Strategic Partnerships
13	Free Tutorial for Truck Drivers Children

A Great Challenge:

There are innumerable instances when drivers are stopped on the highways and fined for a variety of reasons. This could range from not wearing uniform or right footwear to drunken driving. Virtually all drivers and owners complain about the arbitrary fining as well as the fact that receipts are not issued for the entire amount.

Every single driver who participates in the Sambandh project as well as the fleet owners without exception complained about harassment by police, Regional Transport Office and Motor Vehicle Dept. about the arbitrariness with which fines are slapped.

All players in the industry have been left with no choice but to accept payment of fines as an inevitable reality of the transport industry. "In the trip that I came back from yesterday, I had to pay a fine at two different toll gates for overloading. The permissible limit is **25,000 kg** and I had taken **37,000 kg**. The regular toll fare is **Rs.280** but I was forced to pay **Rs.855** plus **Rs.1440**.

Sometimes the transporter insists on carrying a certain weight and a driver is pressured to take it. They don't even weigh the vehicle and cargo at toll gates - it is just an approximation. If I show the receipts, the owner will reimburse the amount. Sometimes the police take more money and give a receipt for a lesser amount, the deficit does not get reimbursed and I have to pay from my pocket" complained Janardhan Patakar, a local truck driver from Garden Reach.



Face of change: Resam Singh

Resam Singh, a self-made man, has over 30 years of experience in the logistics and supply industry as a truck driver. This 47 years old truck owner cum driver is an inspiration to many other truck drivers, especially at Petrapole in North 24 Parganas district. It was during one of the visits to Petrapole, when Sambandh team first met Resam Singh. He had everything going for him – a proud father of two ambitious and capable children, entrepreneur who invested 20 years of savings to own a truck and run his business and also a friend and inspiration to many. However, his severe addiction to chewing tobacco had put immense strain on his health. His passion to travel is what made Resam Singh give up his family profession of farming at a young age of 17 and take up the profession as a Truck Driver. His journey in trucks began as a helper and after having learnt driving he has never looked back. He now lives for his children and their future. He wants his son to go to Canada for further studies and his daughter who is now in Class 12 to happily settle down. As it is said, 'health is wealth', Resam Singh has to get back to good health and this would happen if he quits chewing tobacco. Sambandh team took up the responsibility to counsel Resam Singh. After nine months of counselling, a man who could not live without chewing tobacco, 20 to 25 times a day has now quit the habit. He has taken up yoga and is on the road to complete recovery. His knee pain has become more bearable. Resam Singh is an inspiration to many truck drivers. He is indeed a 'FACE OF CHANGE'.

4.2

Swadhina (The Freedom Project)

Project Period

Ongoing since
January 2017

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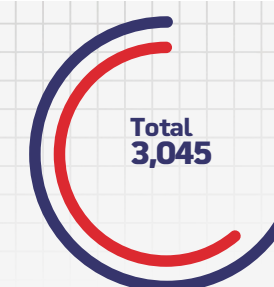
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Area Covered

District
North 24
Parganas.
Block
Swarupnagar.
Panchayat
Balti
Nityananda Kati
Gram Panchayat.
8 Villages

Project Objectives

- Prevention of Human Trafficking.
- Prevention of Domestic Violence.
- Prevention of Unsafe Migration.



Direct Beneficiaries

Female - 2,245
Male - 800



Indirect Beneficiaries

Male - 12,321
Female - 9,867

Project Goal

To eradicate the epidemic of human trafficking and prevent the occurrence of domestic violence from Nityananda Kati Gram Panchayat by providing comprehensive capacity-building support and research backup to the local government, NGOs, CBOs, and the communities of the area.

Activities conducted during the year

- Baseline survey of eight villages in Balti Nityanandakati.
- Awareness of Panchayat Members, women groups & men.
- Capacity building for Panchayat Members.
- Developing and follow up of Community Referral Systems.
- Awareness sessions on prevention of human trafficking and on Domestic Violence.
- Awareness sessions on prevention of human trafficking in Schools and Kishori Bahani.
- Awareness sessions on prevention of human trafficking in ICDS School.
- Other Activities
 - World Women's Day.
 - "Go as you like".
- Quarterly meetings for team with the Director.
- Monthly meetings for planning and follow up.

Achievements:

- 1560 SHG members were made aware about the consequences of domestic violence.
- Children and their mothers are aware that 1098 is a Child Helpline number and they have called the number whenever the need arose.

Achievements:

- Nine 'Kishori Bahini' were formed last year.
- Five child marriage plans were foiled by Kishori Bahini.
- People have now realized that poverty, accepted practice of child marriage, naivety of victims and unscrupulous greediness are reasons why people fall prey to human trafficking in their area.
- Villagers are now aware that widows, single woman headed families, women from economically vulnerable families are easy victims of human traffickers.
- Participants now empathize with the mental and physical agony of the victims and have vowed to eradicate the menace of human trafficking from their area.
- 92 SHG members deliberated upon the social evil of domestic violence during the monthly meetings.
- 49 SHG members vowed to save their mothers and daughters from the menace of domestic violence.


300 girls
between the age
group of 10 to 18yrs
are actively involved with
Kishori Bahini


280 members
of 'Kishori Bahini'
understood the negative
effects of child marriage

- Children actively volunteered to organize celebrations of different International Days marked by the UN, e.g. Environment Day, World Disaster Day and World Women's Day.
- The PRI members have taken a resolution in the Gram Panchayat meeting that those who go for work to other states or districts would register their names along with the address of place of work. Those people who come to the Gram Panchayat for work will also have to be registered with the Gram Panchayat.

- In Balti Amudia Mallickpur three village parents pledged not to give their daughters in marriage before they turn 18 years old.
- 40 members of three clubs, viz. ABSR, Balti Youba Sanga and Amara Kajan club decided to work as vigilante group to prevent child marriage.
- Eight village level Child Protection Committees were formed and 48 members are active members of these committees.
- 9 Kishori Bahini were also formed to prevent Child Marriage.
- Kishori Bahini group members put up 13 plays during various festival celebrations.
- Panchayat Desk at the GP level maintain updated records to ensure safe migration.
- Collective efforts were made by SHG members to successfully bring back a victim of domestic violence safely and reunite her to her family.
- Panchayat organizes regular orientation sessions during the quarterly meetings.

Challenges

- Keeping the community united even on common issues due to the ongoing political polarization is a tough challenge.
- Porous international border poses a challenge in controlling trafficking and child marriages.
- Panchayat Members cannot attend important meetings on a regular basis due to their hectic work schedule.
- Involvement of ICDS workers is limited due to their involvement in other assignments from the government.
- Although Panchayat has been systematically implementing MGNREGA scheme, people still prefer to migrate to other places of work.
- Information related to trafficking is not made open due to the fear of social stigma Children are not a part of their life's decision making process.



4.3

Urban Poverty Alleviation Programme through Community Mobilization

Project Period

January 2018 to December 2020

Supported by

Caritas, Germany

Project Goal

Improved quality of life for the marginalized families living on the banks of Town Head Cut Channel of Tangra Area of Kolkata Municipal Corporation (Ward 56, 57 and 58) and Solo Bigha (Ward 11) in Maheshtala Municipality through Community Mobilization

Area Covered

Kolkata Municipal Corporation (Wards 56, 57 & 58)

- Muslim Camp
- Kulia Tangra
- Lanedhar
- Mathur Babu Lane
- Kilkhana
- Beth Bagan
- Kapali Bagan
- Motijheel
- Bibi Bagan
- Second Lane
- Dhapa
- Vaishali

Maheshtala Municipality (Ward 11)

- Bazar Para
- Kala Bagan
- Kadamtala
- Rail Line

Project Objectives

- Strengthening the existing Community Based Organizations (SHGs, Children, Youth and SAGs) in Tangra Area and Solo Bigha while forming and adding new CBOs through SAGs and network committees.

- Social Action Groups (SAGs), Networking Committees at Tangra, Town Head Cut Channel Level and Solo Bigha will have enhanced capacities in community mobilization methods such as social analysis, project management, networking and social legislation, local governing systems and structures, and advocacy for addressing their priority issues.
- Networking/ Advocacy Committees function in Tangra Town Head Cut Channel Area and Solo Bigha for achieving sustained collaborations and partnerships with all the stakeholders to address the macro issues.
- All staff have greater knowledge and skills in communication, social analysis, organizing and facilitating CBOs, close accompaniment as to mobilize larger communities with common interests.

Direct Beneficiaries

Direct Beneficiaries = **3,170 families** (↑ 21.45% since 2017-18)

Type of Groups	Number of Groups	Total Group Members
Social Action Group	7	199
Women's Group	57	1036
Youth Group	46	723
Children's Group	57	1014
Youth Networking Committee	1	46
Women's Networking Committee	6	86
Rag Pickers	5	66
Total	179	3170



Total Group Members

Direct Beneficiaries

- Women's Group - 33%
- Children's Group - 32%
- Youth Group - 23%
- Social Action Group - 6%
- Women's Networking Committee - 3%
- Rag Pickers - 2%
- Youth Networking Committee - 1%

Indirect Beneficiaries

Indirect Beneficiaries = **15,550 families** (↑ 19.16% since 2017-18)



Activities conducted during the year

- Group formation.
- Group meetings.
- Capacity building of the groups towards effective functioning.
- Training on Community Mobilization as an empowerment process.
- Training on Participatory Learning and Action.
 - Situation Analysis
 - Problem Identification
 - Resource Analysis
 - Prioritizing issues
 - Plan of Action for Implementation
 - Evaluation of the process
 - The Next (move to the next issue)



Skill development training re-kindles hope and confidence in the lives of 128 people



Activities conducted during the year (Contd.)

- Implementation of (AIRPIEN) project cycle (Community development projects).
 - SAG meetings
 - FGDs, Interviews
 - Visits to the concern departments & individuals
- Promoting Networking Committee at Project area level:
 - Clubs, CBOs, SHGs
 - Organisations
 - NGOs, Schools, Institutions,
 - Government departments
- City level (Kolkata)
 - Clubs, CBOs, SHGs, Agencies, Network
 - Staff Capacity Building
 - NGOs, Schools, Institutions, Organisations
 - Staff Monthly Review Meeting
 - Government departments, Kolkata
 - Municipal Corporation

SKC's Community Mobilization Team has been relentlessly working to ameliorate the socio-economic conditions of the people of Tangra and Solo Bigha. One such step towards this direction has been in developing entrepreneurial and employability skills among these residents.

128 candidates experienced the sweet taste of success after completing their vocational training. They are now employed and earn between **Rs. 7000 to Rs. 8000** per month as beauticians, solar technicians, facilities management team members, AC technicians, computer skilled staff members, bedside nurses and coffee shop attendants.

The icing on the cake is the success of seven girl students (Sana Perveen, Sahida Bibi, Afsana Khatoon, Pervina Khatoon, Puja Sarkar, Amrita Manna, and Anju Das) from Solo Bigha, Maheshtala Municipality. They had enrolled in Seva Kendra Calcutta's beautician training program. Four have already completed their course and are about to get jobs in the local salons. Some have even shared their desire to set up a small shop in the community and operate from there. Their countenance shines forth brightly with new zest and confidence to take on the world in their stride. The same girls were not even allowed to step out of the community sometime ago. Now they travel 16 kms every day to complete their course just to improve their stake in their lives. They can now see a new horizon. They are indeed the young pathbreakers in the community.

Finally a Community Hall they can now call their own!

The Social Action Group (SAG) of Muslim Camp had organized a PLA process for two days. The outcome of this collective reflection and deliberation was a report on the various issues and the availability of resources in the area. The group strongly felt the need for a community hall for the use of 1500 families living in the area. Once decided, the next step to get the sanction to build a community hall from the state government was challenging. The state government sanctioned the construction after intense discussions and negotiations. In 2018, Mulla Jaan Memorial Welfare Society, the SAG and local political party members inaugurated the community hall.

Another floor was added later that year in October, 2018. The local club and the SAG along with the local party members took up the responsibility of the upkeep and maintenance of the hall. The families from the locality who use the hall for various events like marriage ceremonies, death anniversaries and other social activities pay a nominal amount of **Rs. 1000/-** per day as maintenance charges. Finally the community has a hall they can now call their own!



4.4

The Ministry of Domestic Workers

Project Period

Ongoing since October 2014

Supported by

Seva Kendra Calcutta

Area Covered

Archdiocese of Calcutta, Kolkata Deanery

Project Goal

The domestic workers' ministry will focus on the identity, dignity and empowerment in personal and professional life of domestics

Project Objectives

- To create a deeper awareness about the dignity of labour inherent in the domestic workers' profession.
- To provide pastoral care, counselling services and moral support to the domestic workers.
- To encourage domestic workers to participate in common activities.
- To organize socialization activities that will bring the domestic workers together.
- To survey new entrants in the profession and undertake case studies.
- To strengthen interpersonal relationship between the workers and their employers.
- To provide opportunities to exercise their hidden abilities and build confidence.

Activities conducted during the year

- Three Awareness and Leadership programs were conducted: 6th May at Middleton Row, 12th August at Archbishop's House and on 28th October 2018 at Christ the King Church Park Circus.
- Monthly meetings were held at Middleton Row and at Park Circus. Around 15 to 20 participants on an average were present for these meetings.
- Regular visits to families atleast once in 2-3 months were made.
- Regular counseling was provided to those in need.
- 29 case studies, survey was conducted and the new entrants were promptly contacted.
- Pastoral Care was organized on 6th May, 12th August, 28th October, 9th December, 2018 and 24th February 2019. The group took part in Christ the King Procession on 25th November. Individual instructions and advice were given as per the need.
- On 17th February 2019 the group went to Proggaloy for an annual picnic.
- May Day celebration and Christmas get-together in December were organized.
- 40 workers have paid their membership subscription fees.
- Monthly reports and plans were sent to SKC for documentation.



Achievements/Impacts

This project has brought in many changes in the lives of the domestic workers and their employers:

- The participants are trained in different domestic skills and receive constant encouragement.
- The participants are positively motivated and have become self confident.
- The ministry has helped workers to grow in their religious faith.
- The worker-members look at their work as a joyful commitment.
- The domestic workers are active in church related activities.
- The group members feel a sense of belonging and share the spirit of camaraderie between them.
- There is an improved quality of relationship between the employer and the employee.

Challenges

- Organizing formal group at Park Circus.
- Difficulty to organize meetings according to the time of the domestic workers.
- To motivate Institutions / Parishes to start this project.
- Shortage of funds.

The way forward...

- Project evaluation required.
- More meetings with the authorities and like-minded people needed.

A home away from home



Beronica Murmu is 26 years old domestic worker from Jharkhand. She is currently employed as an assistant cook with a family in Kolkata. She is a Roman Catholic belonging to a Scheduled Tribe. She was a child when her father passed away. She also lost her mother in 2006. Her marriage too did not last long and her husband abandoned her. She fell sick and depressed and lived in Kolkata with a constant fear of her aunt who wanted to grab her property. She mustered courage and spoke with the villagers. The villagers assured her with help and assistance. Her property is now looked after by one of her close relatives. She is an active member of the Domestic Workers Forum and participates in the counseling sessions and awareness campaigns.



4.5a

The Common Good Project North 24 Parganas Deanery

Project Period

From April 01, 2018

Supported by

Missio, Aachen, Germany

Project Goal

It is based on the premise that in spite of our difference, we shall work together for the common good which benefits all people in society through the Pastoral Plan of the Archdiocese of Calcutta.

Area Covered

Total Population: **24,266** Total Families - **4642**


District	Block	Gram-Panchyat	Communities
North 24 Parganas	Bagdha	Asharu ,Koniara, Pathuria, Nilabash	Monsada, Pathuria, Koniara, Patsimulia, Amdob, Nilabash
	Bongaon	Chhoyghoria, Dighari, Gopalnagar	Uttar Chhoyghoria, Chhoyghoria, Parui, Santipara, Unai, Monigram, Metopara, Srimantapur, Dighari
	Habra 1	Guma-1, Simulpur	Guma ,Bamandanga,Raghabpur
	Deyganga	Thakurnagar	Billpara, Church Para, Kabarstan para
	Rajarhat	Tarulia	Kestopur, Tarulia
	Municipal Corporation-DumDum	Nagerbazar Muni-Corp	Matkol ,DumDum cant & Jn.
	Barasat Sub-Division	Barasat Municipality Corp	Roth tola
	Kalyani Sub-Division	Kanchrapara	Kanchrapara,


Project Objectives

- Instilling confidence and motivation within the community and create an inclusive and meaningful environment for growth and development.
- Looking beyond the symptoms to analyze the systemic structures to get to the root cause/s of social inequalities such as poverty, food insecurity, social injustice, religious intolerance, lack of health and safe drinking water and sanitation facilities and climate change adaptation potential within the community.
- Promote and facilitate peaceful and non-violent social action strategies to challenge and subvert unjust social structures.
- Actively promote sustainable organic agriculture.
- Introduce skill development training for the youth in order to assist them to access further education and better employment opportunities.

Activities

- Established ten Parish community-based groups ('Environment and Social Justice') in the seventeen communities.
- 1629 people from 15 communities were sensitized about the different government schemes available.
- Small communities in Srimantapur, Uttar chhoyghoria, Chhoygharia, Uni, Monigram, Metopara, and others were sensitized on 'Effect of using Poly-Plastics'.
- 555 people in the course of 22 meetings were sensitized in group formation.
- Five pressure groups with 270 voters (45-55 people in each) submitted their micro-plan and beneficiaries list in the Gram Samsad meeting.
- 746 Parishioners participated in the social analysis programme. They belonged to 8 Communities (Guma, Thakurnagar, Chhoyghoria, Metopara, Mathpara, Jhawdanga, Barasat & Madhyagram)


4092
people were sensitized
on Environmental Issues
through 66 seminars


798
students
were sensitized about the
Government Scholarships
(Pre-metric and Post Metric)
available.



Activities conducted during the year

- 22 volunteers offered their generous service by conducting 12 motivational workshops.
- 19 impromptu meetings were conducted.

- Assisted community level micro planning.
- Signature campaign on 'No Poly-Plastics' was carried out in the Guma community. 180 participants took part in the campaign.
- Social analysis Programme conducted in the community.
- Linkage meetings conducted with the Gram-panchayats, elected members, joint B.D.O, ward members, Panchayat Sabhapoti and Religious Leaders etc.
- Conducted awareness meetings, seminars & one day orientation on 'environmental issues, government schemes, scholarship grant, poly-plastics etc.
- Para level campaign conducted on 'Kanyashree' and Book Grant.
- Monthly review and planning meeting with the 'Environment & Social Justice Team/Group Members.
- Regular visits by the Project Coordinator to the parish communities.
- Distributed IEC materials on government schemes and panchayat actsto the groups.

- Village level awareness meeting and documentary shows conducted.
- SHG meetings conducted in the villages.
- Special orientation session for the deanery youth on differentgovernment scholarship programmes.
- Celebrated Women's Day | Celebrated Youth Day | Celebrated Sick and Caregivers' Day.



A journey of hope and courage towards prosperity and justice with equity

SKC's sweat and toil to rekindle the lives of the families in the communities with renewed hope and confidence will indeed help bear sweet fruits of prosperity and justice with equity. In order to undertake the journey through the road less travelled, SKC has facilitated the process of social analysis and micro-planning within the communities. One such process of the root cause analysis is given below:

The journey was ridden with several challenges. They were:

- Political Polarization.
- Lack of presence of Pressure Groups and a strong platform to voice protest against Social injustice & Political Exploitation.
- Lack of generosity with time to volunteer for community development work.
- Unrealistic and high expectations for immediate resolution of issues.
- Lack of proper communication infrastructure in remotest areas.
- Inaccessibility of commercial bank loans along with Government financing facilities to facilitate small business and trade.

Root cause analysis

Present Situation	Problem facing	Cause	Cause of Causes	Root Cause	How to solve
Poverty	Lack of Money. Lack of purchasing capacity. House Repairing cost. School Fees. Medicines. Private Tutions. Transport cost etc.	No work. Low Wages Unemployment.	Lack of Skills and Education in order to undertake particular Jobs. Specialization of Labour. Lack of communication with Local Authority/ B.D.O. Panchyat, Municipal corp. Communication Gap with the Towns and Cities. Lack of Information centres in the villages.	Less opportunities available. Lack of political and social sources. Lack of Training centre from Government or NGO's. Lack of skill Development Opportunity. Lack of skill according to Market wants. No specialization in: Mechanical Job, Electronic Engineering, Electrical Engineering. Agricultural speciality. Farming specialization. No speciality in modern Beautician course for girls. Nursing Course etc.	Need Capacity Building for various Jobs. Need low cost Skill Development Training programme Institute. Sensitization on Government Schemes and Loans. To attend Gram Samsad Meeting. To Build Political Support. Need to arrange Skill Development Training on: Cycle Mechanical Job, Motor Mechanical Job. PumpSet Mechanical Job. Genarator, Refrigerator, Air Cooler, Grinder, Mixture, water filter etc. Electrical or Electronic Engineering., Nursing training, Beautician course etc. Govt. and NGO Support. Need to create alternative livelihood option for the unemployed youth in the community

"Where people of goodwill get together and transcend their differences for the common good, peaceful and just solutions can be found....."

- Nelson Mandela

4.5b

The Common Good Project Kolkata Deanery

Project Period

April 01,
2018

Supported by

Missio

Activities conducted during the year

- On March 09, 2019, 40 participants attended a workshop arranged by the Environment and Social Justice Cell of Christ the King Parish, Park Circus on Community Response to the Environment Crisis and Social Justice.



- On March 17, 2019, 70 participants attended a workshop arranged by the Environment & Social Justice Cell of the Church of Our Lady of Vailankanni.
- On March 03, 2019, 43 participants attended a workshop arranged by the Environment and Social Justice Cell of the Fatima Church on Christian Response to the Environmental Crisis and Social Injustice.
- Fr. Jolly, Assistant Director of Caritas India and his team conducted a workshop on Catholic Social Teachings on March 11 and March 12, 2019 at ABCD.
- Workshop on Gender Sensitivity was held at Seva Kendra Calcutta on February 25, 2019. Mrs. Salony Priya was the resource person.
- The Project Co-ordinators of Seva Kendra Calcutta conducted a workshop on Solar Roof- Top Photovoltaic Systems at Seva Kendra Calcutta on March 28, 2019.
- On March 24, 2019, an orientation programme for the Youth of St. Ignatius Church, Ekbalpore was organized to introduce The Common Good Project.
- The Parish Council Members of St. Thomas Church, Middleton Row attended an orientation programme on The Common Good Project on March 31, 2019.

4.5c

The Common Good Project Midnapore Deanery

Area Covered

Midnapore Deanery
(Balichak, Baligheria, Komolasole, Bezda, Chamrusai, Haldia, Jhargram, Kamarchowki, Kearchand, Kharagpur, Namasole, Salboni)

Activities conducted during the year

- Orientation done in parishes of Midnapore deanery on the Care of Our Common Home.
- Awareness was done on environmental issues, no plastic zone and reduce the uses of harmful pesticides.
- Total 16 villages were covered in 4 blocks of the Midnapore district.
- Awareness conducted climate change at Chamrusai parish, Komolasole parish, Baligheria parish, Kearchand parish, Bezda parish, Namasole parish, St. Anthony Parish and Salboni parish. In addition, we conducted at villages like Dalhara, Kazipara, Serna, Begumpur, Panchiar, Kamarchowki and Salboni.
- People of Midnapore deanery learned the process of applying for different government scholarships and loans, Adhaar Card, Widow Pension etc.
- Reducing the financial burden of educating the children with the help of government schemes. Students from Midnapore districts applied for Minority Scholarships because of the awareness spread about Government schemes.
- Orientation conducted in various villages and parishes of 4 blocks in Midnapore deanery.
- Parishes like Chamrusai, Komolasole, Baligheria and Kearchand parishes have taken initiative to make the parish a plastic free zone.
- Kearchand parish ordered cotton bags and distributed it on women's day to all the parishioners.
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- 10 parishes out of 14 in Midnapore deanery have been done with awareness on environment and its effects caused by we human being. In addition, awareness was conducted on plastic free zone.
- Planning meetings with the parish priests of all 14 Parishes on the theme of 'Environment and Social Justice'. Out of 14 parishes, we have successfully created Environment and Social Justice Cells in 10 parishes.
- Visited 14 parishes of Midnapore deanery and discussed about the Parish Pastoral Plan. Therefore, parish pastoral cells were created in 12 parishes out of 14 in Midnapore deanery.
- Many parents and students were not aware of the minority schemes but after attending the orientation maximum students enquired in their respective schools and availed the scholarship scheme directly from school.

The way forward

With the help of this project "The Common Good" we are trying to make the community aware regarding Climate Change and its impact, Government scholarship & Loan schemes. The main motive behind this awareness programme is to make them independent & self-reliant. Thus, the entire community can avail all the facilities for which they are entitled.

4.6

Equal Community Project

Project Period

April 01,
2018

Supported by

Edmund Rice
Foundation,
Australia

Area Covered

Kharagpur &
Midnapore

Project Goal

A self reliant
community
through equal
participation of
men and
women to
introduce a
sustainable,
non-violent and
equal society for
girls and
women

Project Objectives

- To prevent violence and discrimination against women and girls by working with men and boys.
- To change behaviour of men and boys progressively at the level of individual, household, community and society.
- To cover issues that are relevant and applicable to the lives and experiences of programme participants, their families and community.



Activities conducted during the year

- Conducted sessions as per the curriculum at Hijli High School and in Bezda.
- Learning aids were distributed (one notebook and one pen) to the participants.
- An assessment on gender awareness was conducted in the community centre. Gender awareness games were conducted along with other activities in both the centres.

Achievements/Impacts

- Received overwhelming support to implement 'Equal Community Project' at Hijli High School, Kharagpur and in Dantan 1.
- Presently, 70 students (boys) have been enrolled in this programme a total of 32 sessions were conducted on related topics like Gender sensitization, identification of the causes of women oppression, wish-tree, mental assessment of the boys regarding the situation analysis of women through different case stories, action plan at family level etc.

- The programme in the rural area is conducted on Sundays and has received complete support from the community.



Challenges

- Difficulty to get the permission from different schools in order to start this programme due to political and other internal issues.
- The school administration have allotted Friday as the day to conduct this session but is often cancelled due to various reasons such as exams, festivals, etc.
- The girls are keen on joining the programme.

The challenges were overcome by:

- Constantly following up with the schools and meeting the managing committee members and orientating them about the ECP concept.
- The Asst. Headmaster has arranged another day for the programme.
- Explained to the girls that the programme is exclusively for the boys.



Livelihood 5

5.1

New Horizons : Empowering adolescents and youth from the slums of Kolkata - Promoting youth leadership, skills training and employment

Project Period

May 2018-
April 2019

Supported by

Save the
Children

Area Covered

Wards under KMC :
29, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57,
58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 66
Wards under DMC:
1, 14, 15, 16 and 21

Project Goal:

Break the vicious cycle of inter-generational poverty by bringing 110 marginalized youth (18-24 years) from the slums of Kolkata under a skilling platform, link them with dignified livelihood options and facilitate linkage of their families with government social security schemes by the year 2019.

Project Objectives:

- To develop technical and soft skills of at least 110 youth by providing them with training through government accredited training centres and provide them with dignified livelihood opportunities.
- To facilitate linkage with government entitlements and social security schemes for the 120 marginalized youths and their families.
- To improve access to skills training opportunities for marginalized youths and promote compliance with provisions under Minimum Wage Act by the employers, corporates and training institutes and through advocacy efforts with relevant authorities & government departments for necessary revision in the educational criteria under NSDC skills training programme.

Beneficiaries

Through this project intervention, we needed to reach out to those vulnerable adolescents (age group 18 to 24 years) who are engaged in hazardous labour including child domestic workers, victims of trafficking, drug abuse and sexual exploitation, orphans and children of single parents, destitute, dependents of addicts, victim of child marriage, dropped out of school, irregular in schools, and belongs to economically poor families:

Timeline	Urban				Total
	Trade 1(BT)	Trade2(FM)	Trade 3 (BT)	Trade 4 (AC)	
May 2018- April 2019	30	30	25	25	110



Activities of New Horizons project:

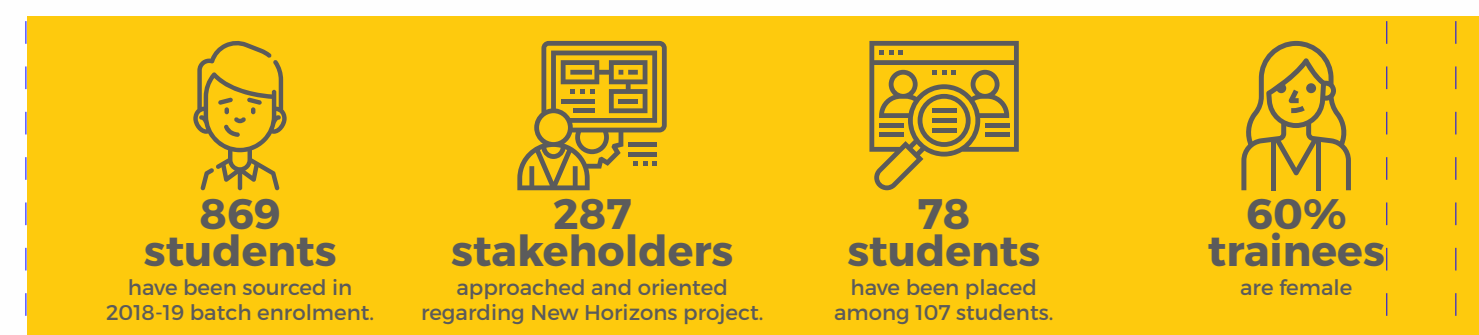
Target	Activities	Sub-activities	Achievement
100 Vulnerable adolescents between the age group of 18-24 have successfully completed MOST	Sourcing	Survey	-264 students sourced
		Auto Campaign	-605 students sourced
			-23 Auto campaigns conducted
	Screening & Selection	Orientation	-554 students oriented
			-132 orientation conducted
		Personal Interview	-384 students interviewed
			100 Personal interview conducted
		Household Visit	-311 Household visit conducted
		Consent Letter signed	-281 consent letters signed during the project period
		Comprehensive Life Skill Training (CLS)	-173 students attend the CLS and among them 139 students completed CLS
			-6 CLS conducted during the project period



Target	Activities	Sub-activities	Achievement
100 Vulnerable adolescents between the age group of 18-24 have successfully completed MOST	Screening & Selection	Result sharing meeting with candidates & guardians	-164 guardians participated in result sharing meeting -139 students attended the meeting - 7 meeting conducted during the project period
	MOST Training	MOST- 1 3 months vocational training on Beauty and Wellness trade (B 159) MOST- 2 3 months vocational training on AC Repairing and servicing trade (B 163) MOST- 3 3 months vocational training on Beauty and Wellness trade (B 165) MOST- 4 3 months vocational training on Beauty and Wellness trade (B 166)	-25 students enrolled who completed the training from George Telegraph Training institute -19 students enrolled who completed the training from George Telegraph Training institute -32 students enrolled among them 31 completed the training from Emporium - Training Institute Pvt. Ltd. -37 students enrolled among them 32 students completed the training from George Telegraph Training Institute
	Follow up Life Skill Training (FLS)	FLS Weekly sessions	-24 FLS conducted for 4 MOST batches by external trainers
	Soft Skill sessions Career Counselling and Gender sensitization session	Soft Skill weekly sessions Career counselling and Gender sensitization session organised during the project period	-52 soft skill sessions conducted for 4 MOST batches by external organizations -6 days of career counseling -2 days gender sensitization sessions were organized
Alumni group is functional with 30% of graduated trainees and linking more vulnerable adolescents with NH opportunity	Alumni Club and Enterprise Development	-Alumni Assembly Programme -Alumni monthly meeting -Alumni –stakeholders meeting	-106 students involved in these meetings -Supported to conduct a meeting to measure the impact of vocational training

Target	Activities	Sub-activities	Achievement
- 50% trainees have received the minimum legal documents - 10% of the eligible candidates are linked with open education system - 10% of the families are linked with various social security schemes	Regular meeting and sensitization with Parents on Social benefit schemes, legal documentation process	CSSP meeting with parents and candidates	-77% trainees have received the minimum legal documents -4% of trainees have been linked with open education system -71% of families have linked and benefited from social security schemes - Alumni groups are functional & 106 students actively participated in different Alumni programmes -71% alumni members mentored as youth champion
-	Annual Certification Programme	-	-82 students have received NSDC certificate from 2018-19 present year batch -88 students have received NSDC certificate from 2017-18 Alumni batch

Major Achievements:



- 108 students enrolled in MOST and among them 107 students completed MOST.
- 214 students and guardians have been oriented about CSSP.
- 164 guardians participated in 7 guardians meeting throughout the year.
- 554 students have been oriented and among them personal interview has been covered with 385 students.
- 281 household registration has been completed and among them 173 students attended CLS and 139 students completed CLS.
- 45 students have been counseled throughout the project period to prevent drop out.
- Total 23 auto campaigns have been conducted for sourcing candidates.
- 11 students have participated in change maker programme.
- 6 active Alumni members participated in different kind of community programme.
- 10 placement agencies approached throughout the project period.



Case Story :

Md. Wajid Ali

Background

Wajid used to stay with his family at Banka. His father used to work as a tailor but his income was not sufficient for meeting all the daily needs of family and it was also very difficult to bear the cost of education of all children. Therefore, Wajid was compelled to drop-out from his studies. He started working with his father. Wajid's siblings also helped their father along with Wajid. The monthly income started to improve as their income depended on the number of clothes they managed to stitch.

Challenges faced

Wajid from his childhood had learnt the importance of strife inorder to survive and the value of money. Therefore, he took his family responsibilities seriously from the age of 15-16 years. Wajid's income of Rs.5000/- could barely provide for their sustenance. Thus, he started to participate in Bike racing to supplement his earnings. Bike racing was life-threatening but he opted for it to make ends meet. Wajid always wanted to start his own business but he did not know what exactly he wanted to do in life.

Intervention of project

Once Wajid came to Seva Kendra Calcutta with one of his friends for a course on hospitality and during the Personal Interview when he was asked for the reason to join the course, he replied that he wanted to enrol for the course because all his friends have done the same. He showed keen interest in beautician course especially in the area of hair styling and make up. Thus, the facilitator of Seva Kendra Calcutta updated him about the opportunities in this beauty industry and how he can start his own enterprise. He took up the challenge and enrolled for the course.

Supports provided

During the Comprehensive Life Skill training, he was very irregular and always late for his class. He was given a warning to delist him from the course. He promised to attend the class regularly on time. He continued and completed three months course along with all family responsibilities. He attended classes every day in the morning and worked in the night.

Achievements and success

Wajid's friends had already dropped out of the course but Wajid persisted. He was dedicated and focussed to achieve his dream. He tried different kind of hairstyles at home and provided free services to all his neighbors. Presently, he has started working in the parlour on Rs. 6000/- salary per month. According to him, he has found his vocation and has decided to start his own parlour in Howrah after gaining some more experience



5.2

New Horizons Cafe

An Alternative Livelihood programme of Seva Kendra Calcutta with the support from Save the Children.

Summary of the project:

New Horizons is a vocational training program designed to provide economically viable skills to marginalised youths who are either vulnerable to or are engaged in exploitative and high-risk labour. New Horizons aims to build the capacities and skills of these young people to enable them to make informed choices leading to productive lives and also empower them to recognize and resist exploitation.

Title of the grant:

Empowering adolescents and youths in slums of urban Kolkata - Promoting youth leadership, Skills Training and Employment.

Goal of the Project:

Break the vicious cycle of intergenerational poverty by bringing 15 marginalized youths (18-24 years) under a skilling platform, link them with dignified livelihood options and facilitate linkage with their families with government social security schemes by the year 2019 in the slums of Kolkata.

Specific objectives:

- To develop technical and soft skills capacity of at least 15 youths by training through government accredited training centers and linked with dignified livelihood opportunities.
- To facilitate linkage with government entitlements and social security schemes for the 15 marginalized youths and their families.
- To improve access to skills training opportunity for marginalized youths and compliance with provisions under Minimum Wage Act by the employers, corporates and training institutes through advocacy efforts with relevant authorities & government departments for necessary revision in the educational criteria.

Target Group And Expected Beneficiaries

Through this project intervention, we needed to reach out to those vulnerable adolescents (age group 18 to 24 years) who are engaged in hazardous labour including child domestic workers, victims of trafficking, drug abuse and sexual exploitation, orphans and children of single parents, destitute, dependents of addicts, victim of child marriage, dropped out of school, irregular in schools, and belongs to economically poor families:

Timeline	Trade(Coffee Brewing)	
	Enrolled in CLS	Enroll in technical skill training
May 2018- April 2019	20	15

Intervention Areas:

Wards under KMC : 29, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 66



Major Achievements:

- 43 students have been sourced in 2018-19 batch enrolment.
- 15 students enrolled in MOST and among them 14 students completed MOST.
- 10 students have been linked with placement among 14 students and presently 5 students are working.
- 14 students and 14 guardians have been oriented about CSSP.
- 9 guardians participated in 2 guardians meeting throughout the year.
- 39 students have been oriented and interviewed.
- 43 household registration has been completed and among them 25 students attended CLS and 18 students completed CLS.
- 4 students have been counseled throughout the project period to prevent drop out.
- 2 students have participated in change maker programme.
- 71% trainees are female.





Case Story :

Lucy Sarkar

From her childhood Lucy stayed with her parents and sister in Kolkata. Lucy has seen her parents work hard as sweepers in different schools to bring them up. Thus, Lucy always wanted to contribute something to her family. She completed class 10 and after that she wanted to continue her studies but due to financial problems was compelled to drop out. She started to teach stitching to girls in the church. Lucy came to know about this course through a staff of Seva Kendra Calcutta and readily enrolled for this course.

She has been provided 7 days training on Lavazza coffee brewing along with life and soft skill classes. Apart from this, they have been provided with 15 days continuous practice sessions on coffee brewing. Presently, Lucy is working at CCD and is very happy that she can now support her family.



The orphanage has strictly laid down a rule that all the inmates need to leave the orphanage immediately after completing their Class X with an exception for those who have scored well or can afford to bear the cost of further education. Guria had scored well but her father refused to bear the cost of further studies owing to his weak financial condition and his regressive belief that girls should not study further after Class X. Guria's sister intervened with an offer to finance Guria's further studies only if her father agrees to bear the cost of studies for their other younger siblings. Guria was also constrained by a diffident fear towards her father to boldly express her desire to study further. Finally, the orphanage agreed to bear the expense of her education and this is how she finally managed to complete her Class 12.

Guria came to know about the course in Coffee brewing from her elder sister who also works at Seva Kendra Calcutta. Her sister was initially reluctant and not convinced about Guria's ability to pursue this course. However, she did register Guria in the four days life skills training. Guria performed well and this helped her get admission into Lavazza Coffee brewing course.

Guria has been provided 7 days training on Lavazza coffee brewing along with life and soft skill classes. Apart from this, they have been provided 15 days continuous practice session on coffee brewing which helped her to develop confidence.

Guria is a confident girl today and can hold a conversation with anyone. Presently, she is working in New Horizons Cafe with a salary of **Rs. 6000/-**. She can now speak fluently in English with the customers. She hopes to become a manager of a coffee shop someday and be able to bear the entire cost of her younger brother's education. She is now bearing half the cost of her brother's education.

Case Story :

Guria Khatoon

Age: 18 Father : **Md. Badruddin**
occupation: **Hawkar**
Mother: **Shahnaz Begum**
Occupation: **Home maker**
Family members: **5**
Family income:
Rs. 5000 per month

5.3

Revelation Academy - Beauticians' Skill Training Programme

Project Period

February 15,
2018

Supported by

The Federal
Bank Ltd.

Area Covered

Tangra Slum
and other slums
of Kolkata

Location

Seva Kendra
Calcutta

Project Goal

To make the
most
marginalized
unemployed
youth
employable

Project Objective

- Seva Kendra Calcutta will train 100 candidates in four batches, within the age group of 18 – 30 years. The duration of each course will be 3 months.
- Post training the candidates will be provided with placement assistance.
- 20 of the most talented students will be provided with an additional intensive training of 2 weeks on advanced hair and beauty techniques.
- Career counselling during the course of training will also be provided to all the trainees.
- Networking with a host of prospective employers is a major objective of this project.

Direct beneficiaries

100 youths between the ages of 18-30 years of age.

Indirect beneficiaries

Families of 100 participants and their future employers.

Project Activity

Very few opportunities for skill development are available for the above referred groups (out of school youth & existing workers especially in the informal sector). Most of the existing Skill Development programmes are long term in nature. Poor and less educated persons cannot afford long term training programmes due to higher entry qualifications, opportunity cost etc. Therefore, a new frame work for Skill Development for the Informal Sector through imparting training in hair dressing and beauticians course has been evolved by Seva Kendra Calcutta to address the above mentioned problems. The key features of the project are:

- Developing 'minimum skills set' which would be sufficient enough for the trainee to get employed.
- The training will allow skills upgradation, multiskilling, multi entry and exit, vertical mobility and lifelong learning opportunities in a flexible manner.
- The training will allow recognition of prior learning (certification of skills acquired informally) effectively.
- The training modules in this sector when grouped together could lead to a qualification that is equivalent to National Trade Certificate or even higher.

- Opportunity for youths seeking certification of their skills acquired informally.
- Opportunity for youths seeking skill upgradation.
- Opportunity for youths who are early school drop-outs and unemployed.
- Opportunity for youths who have earlier worked as child labourers and their families.

Contribution/Support to the local government initiatives

The project supports the skill development initiative taken by the government. It also supports UN's Sustainable Development Goals such as No Poverty, Quality Education, Gender Equality, Decent Work, Economic Growth and Reduced Inequalities.



SKC opens the door of opportunity to a promising transgender person



Rishav Roy is a transgender person from Tangra. Extremely hardworking and passionate about the beauty industry, Rishav's sole dream was to one day become a well-known professional cosmetologist. However, he had to face many failures, rejections and soul-crushing discrimination for being a transgender before he could enrol himself in SKC's Revelation Academy. Rejected by many institutes presumably due to his gender, Rishav embraced the opportunity given to him at Revelation and worked very hard to successfully complete the beautician course as a star performer. He is a confident person today and has embarked upon the next level of his career which is to start his own beautician's academy especially for transgender persons. This is his way to gratefully give back to the society and empower transgender people to stand on their two feet and become a valued and valuable member of the society. SKC wishes Rishav Roy, great success in his 'beauty' journey.



5.4

Beautician's Skill Training Programme for SHGs

Project Period

April 2019

Supported by

The West Bengal State Cooperative Bank Ltd.

Area Covered

Women of different Self Help Groups (SHG) in Kolkata

Location

Seva Kendra Calcutta (Main Campus)

Project Goal

Most marginalized and unemployed women become employable

Project Objective

- Seva Kendra Calcutta will train 60 candidates in 2 batches. The duration of the course will be of 3 months.
- Post training 20 of the most talented students will be provided with placement assistance by West Bengal Cooperative Bank.
- Career counselling during the course of training will be provided to all the trainees.



Direct beneficiaries

60 women of Self Help Groups

Indirect beneficiaries

Families of 60 direct beneficiaries and their future employers

Project Activity

Very few opportunities for skill development are available to women who are living below the poverty line. Most of the existing Skill Development programmes are long term in nature. Poor and less educated persons cannot afford long term training programmes due to higher entry qualifications, opportunity cost etc. Therefore, a new frame work for Skill Development for the Informal Sector through imparting training in beauticians course has been evolved by Seva Kendra Calcutta to address the above mentioned problems. The key features of the project are:



- Developing of 'minimum skills set' which is sufficient for the trainee to get an employment in the labour market.
- The training will allow skills upgradation, multiskilling, multi entry and exit, vertical mobility and life-long learning opportunities in a flexible manner.
- The training will allow recognition of prior learning (certification of skills acquired informally) effectively.
- The training modules in this sector when grouped together could lead to a qualification equivalent to National Trade Certificate or higher.
- Opportunity for women seeking certification for their skills acquired informally.
- Opportunity for women seeking skill upgradation.
- Opportunity for women who are early school drop-outs and unemployed.



Contribution/Support to the local government initiatives

The project supports the skill development initiative taken by the government. It also supports UN's Sustainable Development Goals such as No Poverty, Quality Education, Gender Equality, Decent Work , Economic Growth and Reduced Inequalities.



5.5

Computer Centre - Ek Sunehra Kal

Project Period

February 15,
2018

Supported by

Pernod Ricard

Area Covered

North and
South 24
Parganas
(Baripur and
Santoshpur)
Kolkata
(Tangra,
Mushibazar, Bibi
bagan, Topsia,
Motijheel, Park
Circus,
Maniktala)

Project Goal

To impart
computer
training to the
youth and
improve their
chances to get
better job
opportunities

Project Objective

- To provide the youth with sound computer knowledge and adequate mentoring from the professionals in the field.
- To provide them with training on fundamentals, applications, social networking and other commonly used software.



Achievements/Impacts

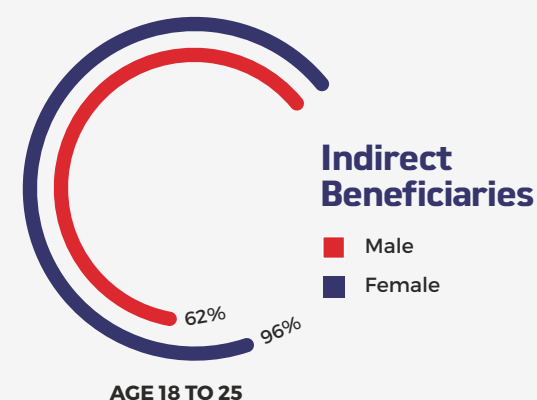
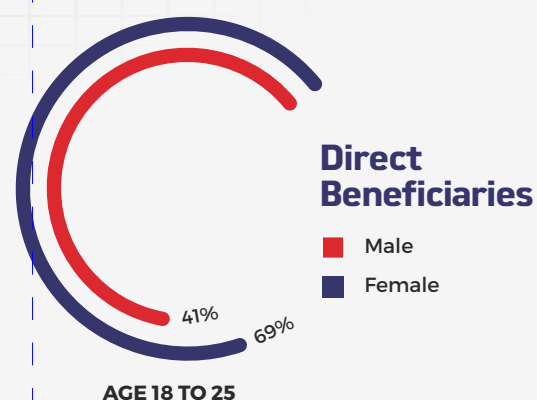
- Students have shown marked improvement in the knowledge of computers.
- Many have been employed as data entry operators.
- The centre has become well known.
- The centre has provided students with excellent teaching-learning environment.
- The project has supported the efforts of the local government in developing job-intensive education system.



**SKC creates ladders
of opportunity
through education**



Akash Majhi had just completed his Class XII when he became a student of 'Ek Sunehra Kal' Computer Centre. He has now much to thank SKC for as he sets his eyes on climbing the ladders of opportunity given to him. He is currently employed with Kotak Mahindra Bank as a Telesales & Data Entry Operator at Salt Lake City, Kolkata. He draws a monthly salary of Rs. 9000/- which has supplemented his family's household income.



5.6 Uttoran II

Project Period

From
January 2019

Supported by

Caritas India

Area Covered

20 villages of
West Midnapur/
Jhargram (2 No.
Chandavilla & 2
No. Boro Khakri
GP)

Project Goal

Empowered
communities
foster climate
adaptive
agriculture and
livelihood
practices and
secure
adequate
nutritious food

Project Objective

- Food and Livelihood Security is expanded through promoting Climate Resilient Agriculture and Livelihoods.
- Farmers' and wage laborers' organizations (Farmers' Producer organizations) make use of the possibilities for participation and greater involvement in existing social programme.
- Community groups/committees/organizations of 20 villages have increased ownership and support management of village level governance and administration.

Activities conducted during the year

- Conducted 11 SHGs & Farmers meetings.
- Conducted six awareness meetings on government schemes viz. MGNREGA, Kisan Credit Card, BSKP (Bangla Swanirbhar Karmasansthan Prakaalpa), Old Age Pension Schemes, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bhima Yojana and Disability Certificate etc.
- Conducted three orientation sessions on climate adaptive agriculture practices.
- Conducted interaction meeting with Anchal Pradhan on project extension and project activities.
- Homes of 658 families visited to motivate them to cultivate nutrition garden, collection of local seed varieties for cultivation, rain water harvesting, and preparing supporting documents to access government schemes.

Achievement/Changes/Impact

- The project was started in January 2019. As per the scheduled plan we have conducted three orientation sessions on Climate adaptive agriculture practices.
- The community is slowly becoming aware of the impact of climate change in their lives and the need to adapt to this change for the better.
- Three new self help groups have been formed and four other Self Help Groups have been linked to the finance institutions. They have received a loan of Rs. 50,000/- and have used it to start a goaterly and piggery.



112 families
were able to avail 21 days job
through the MGNREGA scheme

- Three out of nine applicants have received the disability certificates.
- Mr. Ranjit Patro from Sonu Negui linked with BSKP (Bangla Swanirbhar Karmasansthan Prakaalpa) Loan of **Rs. 5 Lacs** for Business purpose has been approved.
- The observations made after the orientation sessions on climate adaptive agriculture practices in three villages are as follows:

- 76 families have realized the importance of complete nutrition for their families and have developed low cost nutrition garden. So far, 368kgs of vegetables (Sag,okra, pumpkin, radish, carrot, beans and brinjal) were harvested from the nutrition garden.
- 20 farmers have collected 130kgs of traditional varieties of seeds from other villages for cultivation, which would be used in varying climate scenarios like early sowing varieties, late sowing varieties, short duration varieties etc.
- 26 farmers from five villages have undertaken incredible steps to address water crisis in the area (agriculture in this belt is solely dependent upon monsoon rain by digging water reservoirs and collecting surface run off rain water in agricultural field for cultivation).

Challenges

- Project work was curtailed during the election period which was under the model code of conduct.
- Non availability of local varieties of seeds.
- Scanty rainfall in the area and poor irrigation system available.
- Decrease in varieties of crops.
- Farmers not interested in local variety of seeds due to less production.



Action plan to overcome challenges

- The PRI members and village leaders continued with the activities.
- In CAAP orientation we are trying to involved village senior farmers to share their experience, knowledge and importance on traditional /organic agricultural practices.
- As per the information from the villagers there are 100 different local varieties of seeds but few are readily available. We requested farmers to collect local seeds. They tried and collected 4-5 varieties of seeds from different sources and decided to make a local seed bank.
- We are trying to motivate target community during village meeting to use different tools, local seeds and hybrid methods, health ranking, soil health report etc.



The way forward...

- The Project Uttoran – started in January 2019, was a blessing in disguise for the 20 tribal villages in West Midnapur district. People are no longer ignorant and helpless waiting for others to help rather have taken proactive steps to learn unlearn and relearn through different sources.
- The project aims to empower the community to become self-reliant in planning, implementing and owning the project work so as to make it sustainable. Advocacy would play a crucial role in this endeavour.
- As per our 'detailed implementation plans' there are series of skill building and leadership trainings scheduled designed for our target groups to equip them with more productive tasks, through which the 'concept of development' can be sustained even after the completion of the project.

Uttoran – A project for the community, by the community and of the community



Uttoran project has brought the community of Baliaghati village together. This can be seen through the following examples:



Mr. Bhuban Singh

is a marginal farmer residing at Baliaghati village. He was present in one of the meetings and became inspired to develop a seeds bank of local varieties of seeds. His efforts to collect 70 kgs of five different varieties of local seeds from nearby villages and relatives have been commendable and motivating to other farmers. These seeds are environmental friendly and healthy. He freely shared the seeds with other farmers of the village on condition that they will return double the seeds after harvesting so that the same can go back into the seeds bank.



Mrs. Basanti Routh

is 57 years old Baliaghati resident and has a 29 years old son **Dhuma Routh** who stays with her. However, Dhuma is physically handicapped. Basanti had run from pillar to post, knocked on every door of the doctors known to her and requested them to help her to get a handicap certificate for her son but failed miserably. She explained her struggle to get the handicap certificate to Mr. Manaranjan Sing, animator of the village. He immediately contacted a doctor and today Dhuma Routh has official government handicap certificate.

5.7

Sanitary Napkin Entrepreneurship Programme For Women Of Tangra Slum

Project Period

Since
August 01, 2018

Supported by

Missio, Austria

Project Goal

This project aims to restore the dignity of women living below the poverty line by providing them with safe and alternative means to livelihood and personal hygiene through developing in them skills to manufacture and market low-cost premium sanitary pads in their neighbourhood

Area Covered

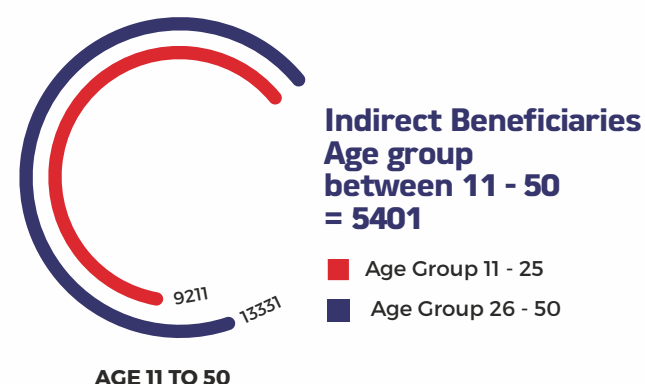
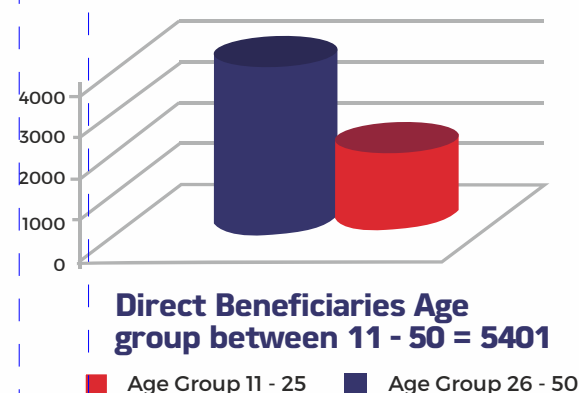
- **26 Villages**
 - Howrah District : Tulsibera. Kamina and Sumda
 - Midnapur District : Kamolasole, Pandapata, Chawlbata, Choto Dhan kawre, Upar Baghasol, Talent, Kadam Kundi, Boresole, Chet Jhawri, Reharghuta , Baligeria
 - North 24 Parganas : Kamolasole, Pandapata, Chawlbata, Choto Dhan kawre, Upar Baghasol, Talent, Kadam Kundi, Boresole, Chet Jhawri, Reharghuta , Baligeria
- **1 Municipality**
 - Howrah District : Ulluberia Municipality
- **4 Wards**
 - Kolkata : Ward Nos. 56, 57, 58 and 59





Project Objectives

- Developing entrepreneurial and leadership skills among the targeted beneficiaries.
- Promoting awareness about menstrual hygiene and thereby creating opportunities for the enterprise.
- To create direct link between good sanitary practices and disease prevention. To provide an entrepreneurial vehicle for local women to earn their livelihood with dignity and pride.



Activities conducted during the year

- Staff training was conducted by the Project Coordinator on all the eight steps of production and maintenance of health and hygiene during the production process.
- Regular awareness sessions on menstrual hygiene and promotion of the use of biodegradable sanitary pads are being undertaken for girls and women of the different neighbourhoods of the Tangra area.
- Awareness of menstrual hygiene and promotion of the usage of biodegradable sanitary napkins were provided to:

- **44 students** from E Learning centre of Seva Kendra Calcutta
- **16 MSW students** from IGNOU
- **16 girls and 14 women** in Vaishally and in Kulia Tangra & of the surrounding areas of the Tangra community
- **57 important leaders** of Ulluberia, Tulsiberia, Bamundanga, Midnapur, Muslim camp & Bibi bagan
- **12 students** from St. Xavier College

- 44 meetings were conducted with women groups and community leaders. A total of 1533 women were present during these meetings.
- Sensitization sessions on menstruation hygiene were conducted in different schools namely: St. Ann's convent school Bamundanga; St. Mary's Loreto (Bengali Medium); Don Bosco Nitika and Khanna High school. 425 students were benefitted by these awareness camps.
- Networking with other like-minded NGOs like Focus, Tiljala Shed, Assembly of God Church Technical school, Agragati & Eso Kajkari.



Padman of SKC brings Sanitary Pad Revolution in Kankrajit village



395 adolescent girls and women of Kankrajit Village in Monoharpur Gram Panchayat of Dantan Block have been using unhygienic cloths during their menstrual periods. Seva Kendra Calcutta took up the challenge to create awareness of maintaining proper hygiene during the menstruation period. **100 women** so far know the effects of proper hygiene on their health and efficacy of using sanitary napkins during their menstrual periods. **52 women and girls** have switched over to using SKC's manufactured sanitary pads.

Our work has just begun. There is still a lot of work to be done to make all the **395 girls and women** of Kankrajit Village, torchbearers of this Sanitary Pad Revolution.



Food Security 6

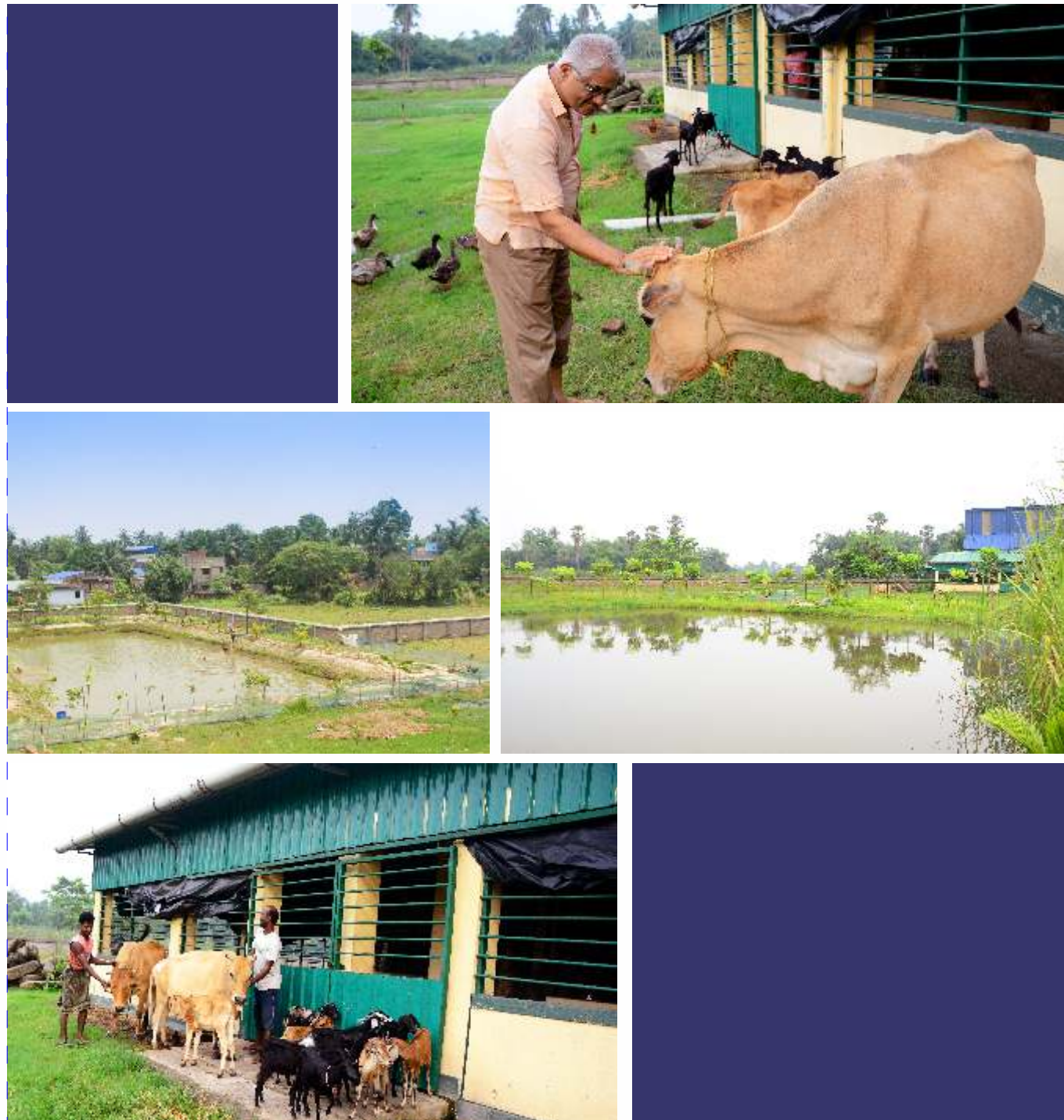


6.1

ASHA Farm:

The Arthur Shenoi Horticulture & Agricultural farm in Serampore was set up with the generous contribution of Allan & Lalita Shenoi Charitable Foundation, U.S.A.

Last year we experienced a big challenge of water-logging of the farm for almost four months making it impossible for us to do any cultivation. Apart from cows, ducks, chicken and rabbits the farm can boast of nearly a thousand trees and lot of fish in the pond and trenches.



6.2

Urban Agriculture:

The effort of Seva Kendra Calcutta to do urban organic cultivation is to inspire and encourage the city dwellers to cultivate vegetables in whatever space they have. It is heartening to note that many people have begun doing this on their terraces, balconies and garden spaces. They also compost their kitchen waste and use it as manure for their plants. Seva Kendra Calcutta itself is composting its kitchen waste into manure for the plants. The greenery in the campus brings a good feeling for people who visit us and undergo trainings. We are in the process of setting up an aquaponics facility in the centre. Aquaponic gardening is a great method for raising fish and vegetables together.



6.3

Balihati Farm



This farm of about 9 acres is managed by St. Joseph's Hospital & is intended to support the hospital for rice and vegetables. Every year 2 crops of paddy is cultivated and during the winter months vegetables are grown.

Seva Kendra Calcutta has already planned a farmers' training centre at this farm. It will set up a small research centre in collaboration with the agricultural department of the Indian Institute of Technology. A water and soil testing facilities, organic pest-control techniques, traditional seed bank, promotion of tribal herbal medicinal plants and cures are some of the plans made. We are awaiting for the plan to be sanctioned for the training centre to be built. Once functional, it will serve the 3 districts of Midnapore (E&W) and that of Jhargram.



Campaigns

7



7.1

Swachhta Pakhwada

Swachhta Pakhwada is an initiative taken by Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) in different parts of India. Seva Kendra Calcutta was their implementing partner for organizing **Swachh Pakhwada**. The places considered to implement this programme were:

Three Juvenile Homes:

- Kishalaya Home, Barasat - Boys home
- Sukanaya Home, Salt Lake - Girls home
- Dhruvasram, Ariyadaha - Boys home

Six most backward villages in Joynagar Block, South 24 Parganas:

- Korabeg
- Godabar
- Rajapur
- Ghosherchak
- Bantra
- Shastitala

The beneficiaries from the six villages were:

- **350 under-privileged**
SC and minority children
- **350 mothers**
- **23876 villagers**

Activities conducted in the three Juvenile homes

BPCL officials, government officials and ADM, North 24 Parganas and officials from welfare department were also present to encourage the boys and girls during the activities.

- Hands-on-training on safe hygiene practices and create awareness against open defecation.
- Distribution of soap, shampoo, comb, paste, brush, sanitizer, cotton, nail cutter in a cotton bag.
- Puppet shows on awareness of healthy lifestyle and peace building.
- Special awareness campaign on menstrual hygiene and distribution of sanitary napkins amongst the girls at Sukanaya Home.

Activities conducted in the six villages of Joynagar Block

A community based environment conducive intervention through health and hygiene through activities such as:

- Awareness programs with the aim to bring about permanent behavioural changes. The awareness was created through organizing rallies with the message on healthy lifestyle, safe hygiene practices, 'say no to open defecation' and vector control.



- Cleaning **12 village roads** and removing plastic waste from **12 water bodies**

- Distribution of health and hygiene kits, slippers and bags to **350 children** and distributing **1000 packets** of sanitary pads to women

- Distributing **2000 cloth bags** with awareness on plastic pollution.

BPCL officials, villagers, local Gram Panchayat Pradhans, Panchayat samity members, Local Zilla Parishad member, Khan Ziaul Haque and MP, Smt. Protima Mondal were also present during these programmes. The villagers were amazed with the puppet shows and took oath to stop open defecation and water logging to control vector borne diseases.



7.2 Swachhta Hi Sewa – A Tribute to Mahatma Gandhi

After experiencing a resounding success with **Swachh Pakhwada** campaign held in August 2018, BPCL launched a series of **Swachhta hi Sewa** campaign in September 2018 to pay tribute, express our indebted gratitude and commemorate the 149th Birth Anniversary of the Father of our great nation, Mahatma Gandhi. **Swachhta hi Sewa** also an initiative to promote 'Swachha Bharat Abhiyaan'.

Seva Kendra Calcutta organized eight campaigns in North and South 24 Parganas, Kolkata, Hooghly, Howrah, West Midnapore, East Midnapore and Bankura. **Swachhta hi Sewa** roped in the participation of 1.5 lakh people.

Campaign	Place	Activity	Beneficiaries
Campaign 1	East Midnapur, Haldia: A.L. Logistics, LOKC parking, Dock gate, MCPI Pvt. Ltd, Punjabi Dhaba, Speedways, LCL parking.	Awareness campaign for multi-axel container trailer drivers and lorry/dala body truck drivers.	600 Drivers
	Hooghly & Howrah: Alwar Punjab, Dhaka pump, Dankuni parking zone, Himalaya Plaza.	Topics covered: General health issues like healthy eating habits, hygiene, healthy lifestyle, benefit of regular health check-up, ill effects of tobacco and alcohol consumption, STI/STD, HIV/AIDS etc	
Campaign 2	Haldia, Deganga & Baduria Block	Cleaning water bodies – ponds and wetlands.	Haldia
		Cataloguing water bodies & creating a bio-diversity register of these ponds.	6 areas with ponds with 2500 people
		Awareness and Campaigns on topics such as: “Save surface water”, Stop plastic pollution; Climate change and global warming	2 Schools with 2000 children.
		Rallies and street puppet plays to create Swachhta awareness in school children.	Deganga and Baduria Block
		Involving two schools – Deulpata High School, Haldia Municipality and St. Mary's School of Haldia in the awareness campaign.	6 ponds and 1 wet land with 25000
			2 High Schools with 3000 children

Campaign	Place	Activity	Beneficiaries
		Arsenic contamination in Deganga Block and Baduria Block is amongst the highest in any part of the world. So making village people aware on Arsenicosis and effects of arsenic. Making them aware on using surface water, healthy living and importance of ground water recharge.	
Campaign 3	Susunia Hill in Chhatna Block of Bankura district. The Hill is a tropical forest with rich biodiversity and is inhabited by Santhal tribe who consider this Hill as a sacred place. The active spring throughout the year at the foothill is considered holy and has medicinal properties. It is now a tourist destination. Due to the increased footfall of tourist, the area is getting polluted with plastic and Styrofoam and is facing water scarcity.	Awareness program through Puppet play, street skit on health and hygiene, environmental pollution and its impact on human health and biodiversity through discussion, puppet and magic.	50 school going children from the locality.
		Distribution of personal hygiene kits to 50 school children.	2500 Santhal villagers from two adjacent Santhal villages.
		Putting up banners and distribution of leaflets in the local communities.	More than 50000 tourists and pilgrims
		Speech by Susunia panchayat personnel and tribal leaders.	
		Cleaning the Susunia foothill with the help of local people and assisted by the school children.	
		Distribution of footwear to children.	
		Cataloguing water sources and surface water bodies and create a bio- diversity register of that place.	

BEFORE



AFTER



Campaign	Place	Activity	Beneficiaries
Campaign 4	Ward Nos. 56, 57 & 58 in Tangra Area of KMDA and Ward No. 11 of Maheshtala Municipality.	Health and hygiene awareness and distribution of health kits focusing on the theme of SWACHHA LIVING.	6000 direct beneficiaries & 20000 indirect beneficiaries in Tangra.
		Mass Cleanliness drive at public places including street, drains and back alleys.	2000 direct beneficiaries & 10000 indirect beneficiaries in Solo Bigha basti.
		Distribution of Cotton bags to the public at Community Centers with a message 'Say No to Plastic'.	



Campaign	Place	Activity	Beneficiaries			
Campaign 5	25 villages in North 24 Parganas	Awareness on Vermin Compost and making vermin compost pit at home.	250 farmers from the villages in North 24 Parganas.			
	10 villages in West Midnapore.		1750 out of 35 villages will be trained in this Programme.			
Campaign 6	11 Anganwari Kendras (ICDS centers) and Shishu Shiksha Kendra(SSK) in Deganga Block and Baduria Block and Sundarban zone, North 24 Parganas.	Awareness and talk on cleanliness, sit and draw competitions with Anganwari Kendra (ICDS centers) and Shishu Shiksha Kendra(SSK) children and Mothers, Hostel for children - Tribal girls Hostels, Special anti-superstition shown in tribal hostels in West Midnapore, Deganaga, Baduria, Indo Bangladesh Border, Sundarban zone of N 24 Parganas, Haldia Municipality and in 3 Gram Panchayats of South 24 Parganas.	Name of the Places	No of child ren	Mothers and young house wives	Villagers
	22 Tribal hostels of West Midnapore		11 ICDS centres and Shishu Shiksha Kendra in Deganga Block, North 24 Parganas	500	1000	10000
	5 Centers in Haldia Municipality		22 Tribal hostels of West Midnapore	2500	5000	15000
	15 Centers at the Indo Bangladesh Border, North 24 Parganas.		5 Centres in Haldia Municipality	500	1500	5000
	12 centers in Harinarayanpur GP, Maida GP, Korabeg GP of Joynagar Block		15 Centres at the Indo Bangladesh border, North 24 Parganas	500	2500	15000
			12 centres in of Joynagar Block	600	5000	20000
		Special talk with ANC (pre pregnant) and PNC (post delivery) mothers and young housewives on cleanliness and safe hygiene practices; Special session on full immunization and sanitation. Stopping open defecation and practice of washing hands. Session on controlling Anemia and regular de worming tablets.	TOTAL	4600	15000	65000
		Meeting with ASHA and other village level health workers on successful implementation of Swaccha Bharat Abhiyan (SBA).	- 65			
		Village cleanliness drive, remove plastic for stopping water logging, vector monitoring to control Dengue and Malaria.				

Campaign	Place	Activity	Beneficiaries
Campaign 7	Cassipore Chitpur	<p>Three separate programs have been designed so that drivers' overall health and hygiene situation is effectively improved.</p> <p>100 cloth bags with hygiene kits to be distributed to the dealers to create awareness on 'Say No to Plastic'.</p> <p>600 Hygiene kits in 600 cloth bags with all items including a hand towel for the truck drivers so as to create awareness on health and hygiene.</p>	Lorry drivers and Khalashies near Cassipore Chitpur railway station area.
Campaign 8	Kolkata	<p>Poem and Slogan Writing Competition on Swachhta</p> <p>Twenty candidates were selected from each category and were given awards from BPCL Kolkata Head office on 2nd Oct, 2018.</p>	<p>More than 100 thousand people were given leaflets and were invited to submit their slogans and poems in all the sixty BPCL pumps and Gas booking stations of Kolkata</p>



7.3

Plastic Free Communities

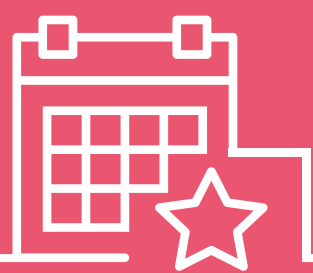
The excessive use of plastic is harming the environment in a massive way. From injuring marine life to polluting our beaches and landscapes to contaminating water and clogging the drainage systems and landfills.

Seva Kendra Calcutta has been striving to change the attitude of the people towards plastic usage and ensuring a significant reduction in plastic pollution through its awareness campaigns. We educate the people and mobilize them to ensure that there is a significant reduction in plastic pollution. We spread the message of "Reduce, Refuse, Reuse, Recycle and Remove plastic" through our awareness campaigns. We work with the local municipal corporations, clubs, panchayats and councillors and even involve school children and the authorities in promoting plastic-free communities.



Some of our major initiatives towards plastic-free communities have been undertaken through the implementation of the Swachhata hi Seva and Swachhta Pakhwada campaigns all across West Bengal. This involved massive cleaning of water bodies, areas filled with plastic and spreading awareness among the school students and the community through mega rallies. Apart from this most of the projects of Seva Kendra Calcutta has a component which involves activities that ensure that action is taken towards achieving plastic-free communities. The process of converting our head office into a plastic-free zone has already begun. Seva Kendra Calcutta has promoted the use of cotton bags as an alternative for plastic bags and has distributed more than 10,000 cotton bags to its beneficiaries. We also observed World Environment Day and Earth Day to further spread the message of plastic-free communities. All this to ensure that we beat plastic pollution in our own lives and in our communities.





Events 8

8.1 SKC completes 45 years of shaping stories of hope & joy

On December 13, 2018, Seva Kendra Calcutta (SKC) completed 45 years as the social service arm of the Archdiocese of Calcutta. This was marked on 15th December 2018 by a thanks giving mass followed by a programme to celebrate the past and present, and embrace the future.

The event began with a solemn mass in the Mother Teresa Hall attended by several priests, religious and laity and was presided over by Most. Rev. Thomas D'souza, the Archbishop of Calcutta and President of the Governing Body of Seva Kendra Calcutta. In his introduction to the Eucharistic celebration, Bishop Thomas reminded the congregation, that God is at the centre of all that has been manifested in these 45 years of Seva Kendra Calcutta.

The melodious choir led by Mr. Dilip Rozario rendered beautiful hymns in Bengali, Hindi and English during the Eucharistic Celebration.

In his sermon, Bishop Thomas beautifully related the Gospel reading with the 45 years history of SKC reminding the congregation that God always is the God of History. Drawing out from the gospel reading, he pointed out that 'the Good News' is the person of Jesus himself and SKC brings this Good News to the poor and all kinds of poor people- spiritual, material, abused and abandoned. Quoting Mother Teresa's words, "The fruit of faith is love and the Fruit of Love is service", he pointed out that SKC started as a response to faith and love to the situation of refugees of the Bangladesh War. This humble beginning was a small grain of wheat that has grown into an abundant crop. He concluded the sermon reminding the congregation that the vision of SKC is the vision of the Gospel. Therefore, the objective of restoring and enhancing the quality of life of the poor should always be at the forefront in all the planning and actions undertaken by SKC.

Nelson Mandela had said, “Remember to celebrate milestones as you prepare for the road ahead” After the spiritual nourishment from the mass and light refreshments at the cafeteria, a short programme was conducted to celebrate SKC milestones and to display the road map ahead. A dance on the song, **Le chal mujhe tere singhasan ke paas** again highlighted the central theme that God is at the centre of all the activities of SKC.

Fr. Franklin Menezes, the Director of Seva Kendra Calcutta in his welcome address explained that this celebration of SKC is an opportunity to respond to the call for renewal- change for the better in the service of the poor and to enhance the qualities of its services. He compared the Gospel to a Project Proposal and the objective of this project is the transformation of the inner selves and this change can be brought about by change in our attitudes. He further explained the 45th year logo of SKC which was designed by Mr. Farrell Shah with the theme: “Inspiring Hope, Kindling Joy”. 'Inspiring hope' is a further refinement of the Ruby Jubilee logo theme: “Bringing Hope and Healing” and 'kindling joy' is an inspiration from our Holy Father Pope Francis' dominant theme for this year.

Fr. Franklin Menezes with this short introduction led the gathering to celebrate the past and present and embrace the future. Archbishop Thomas was felicitated with utorio followed by the Governing Body Members and close collaborators. To his surprise, Fr. Franklin was also felicitated by the staff for his dedicated service and leadership.



His efforts ranged from training the staff with the help of Coady-CRS, obtaining funds to build a three-storey office building to inviting XLRI to conduct an evaluation of the work which Coady Institute continued. The work on food relief and later the construction of the Training Centre gave SKC a national recognition. He concluded his speech with a caveat that SKC should not be treated as any other NGO but should be looked upon as the Social Service Arm of the Archdiocese of Calcutta.

Mr. Stephen Gonsalves in his brief speech took from where Msgr. Francis Gomes had left. His short talk outlined the road map that envisions the future. He too emphasized the fact that SKC is not an NGO and also added that it is indeed a way of living that comes with commitment to love. SKC is set to embrace the future as mobilizers, networkers, story tellers, campaigners for the oppressed, visualizers and connectors of this fragmented society that will be inclusive and creative. At one point, he expressed his desire to have an institute similar to Coady International that will be inspired by faith. He concluded his speech with two suggestions for those working with SKC: 1) Don't be a social worker but a change maker and 2) Be faithful to the inner calling.

After the felicitation, Fr. Franklin Menezes took the gathering down the memory lane with a short presentation about the history of Seva Kendra Calcutta. This long journey of 45 years was made possible by the constant presence of God. Mr. Alexander James, one of SKC's Project Manager sang a devotional song, “Shukriya” to thank the presence, blessings, inspiration and guidance of God in this journey.

This journey was also made possible by the dedicated work of all the past and present employees. Archbishop Thomas D'souza felicitated them with mementos. Mr. Stephen Gonsalves, the senior consultant of Seva Kendra Calcutta was specially felicitated for his dedication and commitment to selflessly share his expertise, knowledge and insight. His extraordinary service helped Fr. Franklin Menezes to break new paths for the growth of SKC.

Fr. Franklin Menezes invited Msgr. Francis Gomes to share his experience as the former Director of SKC. Msgr. Francis Gomes is credited for reviving SKC and taking it forward as the social service arm of the Archdiocese of Calcutta. In his speech, he explained how he was sent as a Director to close down SKC but after a careful study realized the potential of having such an organization. His goal had been to make SKC self-sufficient and not be dependent on the Archdiocese for funds. He networked extensively with different international organizations.

A sense of pride and excitement engulfed the gathering when Mr. Nilangshu Gain and Ms. Rehana Sultana of Swanirvar handed over the papers of one acre land at Baduria to Archbishop Thomas D'souza for SKC to start a home for the disabled.

At the end of the programme, Most. Rev. Thomas D'souza in his speech officially dedicated the year 2019 as the year for Climate Change and Mitigation initiative in the Archdiocese of Calcutta. He directed SKC to play an active and serious role in inspiring and bringing joy in the lives of people through their initiatives to protect the environment. In this context, he praised the ongoing work of SKC in solar technology training, organic farming and other such efforts to protect mother earth. He thanked the donors, the past directors and the present director for their efforts. He prayed that SKC has many joys to celebrate and be at the service of poor and the environment as it reaches the golden jubilee.

Mr. Mukul Halder gave the vote of thanks and the programme concluded with the inauguration of the SKC calendar for 2019 followed by a sumptuous lunch.

8.2

Fund-raising dinner

A fund-raising dinner was organized on Sunday 7th October 2018. Friends and well-wishers of Seva Kendra Calcutta were personally invited with a request to contribute Rs. 500/- per person for the event. The response this year was better than last year as more than 200 people joined the event with great enthusiasm. The programme began with a prayer dance by Mr. Dilip Rosario's dance troupe. A power-point presentation of the activities of Seva Kendra Calcutta followed which was much appreciated by the guests as it informed them of the various programmes and projects of Seva Kendra Calcutta of which they were unaware of.

It was followed with a cultural programme on the grounds. The band, Chord Vocal Blues led by Mr. Bradford Fernandes created a festive mood for the evening. Mr. Dominic D'Rozario, an accomplished saxophonist set many to dance. The delicious dinner that followed was sponsored and catered by Mr. Dennis Das of Rozanna Kitchens. The funds raised were meant for the home of the differently abled planned at Baduria. Indeed, it was an evening to remember.



8.3

Black & White – Fundraising Retro Theme Party 2018

Revelling in the success of 'Red Party, 2017', Revelation Beauty Academy of SKC once again organized another theme party in 2018. This 'Fundraising Retro Theme Party 2018' was a 'Black & White' Party. It was held on Sunday, December 02, 2018 with the purpose to raise funds to build a home for the disabled. The entire place, decorated in black and white cast an ethereal glow. Many people along with their families and friends attended the party dressed in black and white. The entire event was delightful. Songs, dance, fun and games made the evening memorable.





8.4

Campaign Against Hunger & Disease

The season of Lent in the Catholic Church is a sacred time. Lent is traditionally described as lasting for 40 days, in commemoration of the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the desert before beginning his public ministry. It is a time for prayer, fasting and abstinence. It is during this season, the campaign against hunger and disease is conducted. Parishes, schools and religious institutions in the Archdiocese of Calcutta give their contributions done basically through fasting for this cause. This campaign is organized by Seva Kendra Calcutta on behalf of the Archdiocese of Calcutta and the funds collected are basically used for the medical needs of the very poor and the elderly.

Seva Kendra Calcutta is very grateful to the Parish Priests, Religious Superiors and the Principals of the schools for their generous contribution.



8.5

SKC wins the prestigious CI Social Innovation Award, 2018

While Kolkata was immersed in the sacred chanting of mantras accompanied by the rhythmic beating of **dhak** and was breathing in the celestial aroma of incense sticks, **dhoonu** and flowers, Seva Kendra Calcutta was being honoured with the prestigious **Caritas India Social Innovation Award 2018**.

During the National Assembly of Caritas India, held on October 17th-18th, 2018 in Bangalore, Fr. Franklin Menezes received the first runner-up award plaque and cash prize of Rs. 25,000/- on behalf of Seva Kendra Calcutta for becoming an outstanding example **“of innovation which will serve as a source of inspiration and positively influence the greater cause of social development”**.

SKC received this award for successfully designing and implementing an innovative and sustainable project called, “Natural Resource Management, addressing Climate Change by Gender Mainstreaming through Solar Technology”. This project addresses three key requirements: 1). Climate change adaptation, 2). Gender mainstreaming and 3). Livelihood through Solar technology. This project is implemented in the districts of West Midnapur and Jhargram and focuses primarily on empowering the poorest tribal and rural women by transforming these women from sal leaves collectors to solar technicians and trainers.

So far, out of 506 solar technicians, 402 solar technicians are women, thus setting them on a journey from humiliation to a dignified and empowered lifestyle. The project had started with only five assembling units. There are 40 such centres now. These 40 production/practice centres are completely owned and managed by 'producer groups' and have become a source of regular income. Since 2016, 235 female technicians have assembled and sold 2113 solar lanterns and have earned Rs. 4, 22, 600/-.

3398 tribal and OBC families from 40 remotest tribal villages have been the direct beneficiaries of this project. They have availed government schemes worth Rs. 72, 28, 890/- as on December 2017. 116 government and gram panchayat officials from four blocks are directly involved in this work.

Today, there is a growing demand for solar products in the area. Many schools have applied for solar units and will discard the use of electricity, indicating a growing awareness among school students, community and other stakeholders. Inspired by this innovative project, a government college conducted a self-funded National Seminar on 'The Menace of Global Climate Change'.

Involving the active and meaningful participation of the community in its agenda for sustainable lifestyles and development, has made Seva Kendra Calcutta stand out as an organisation that is called to a special vocation of mobilizing resources for the divine and God inspired purpose to assist the community to grow and develop.



8.6

Best Partner Award for Children's Parliament

In the month of February 2019, ABCD had organized a State level Children Parliament award programme. All the seven partners were invited to participate in this event. Seva Kendra Calcutta and other partners had presented their activities and had also put up cultural items. At the end of the event the SKC Team was presented with the Best Children's Parliament Award.

Our achievements were shaped by the teamwork and the strength of the foundation we built for the Children Parliament. The Children Parliament team had to work hard to get this recognition and excellence award. We had to work in a team - in the schools, parishes and community. Great many achievements have been made with the cooperation of many minds with a common vision working towards a common goal.

This achievement is also a reminder to us that "Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already mastered, you will never grow".



8.7

International Mother Earth Day

Heeding the call of the United Nations, people all over the world are celebrating the International Mother Earth Day on 22nd April 2019. Seva Kendra Calcutta too joined in celebrating this day with all the staff.

At the start of the programme, Fr. Franklin Menezes, shared with the participants the major concerns of the Holy Father towards Mother Earth spelt out in his path-breaking Encyclical "Laudato Si" (Praised Be"). The Holy Father invites individuals, communities and nations towards a moral and spiritual transformation in our relationship with Mother Earth.

The participants learnt the climate song, "Do it now. Sing for the climate" in English and also in the translated Hindi version.

The participants then worked in groups to draw up an action plan on different levels: (i) on the individual level (ii) family level and (iii) at the project level. The action plans were later shared during the general assembly. At the end of the one-day seminar, the participants pledged to work towards saving the Mother Earth from further destruction.



Climate Action is the need of the hour. The Church as a community and we as individuals have to get involved to make a difference.

A few suggestions for action:

- Our schools, parishes, religious institutions can easily “Go Solar” be it for lighting or water heating. You wish to know more about it you may please get in touch with me on my mobile no. 9830894838.
- Shun the use of “one-time use plastic” like drinking water in plastic bottles, plastic straws, throw-away plastic bags, plastic glasses (for drinking hot-beverages or water etc.)
- Kitchen waste segregation and composting the bio-waste.
- Planting trees etc. etc.



Let's spread awareness and become models of climate action.

For the creation waits with eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.

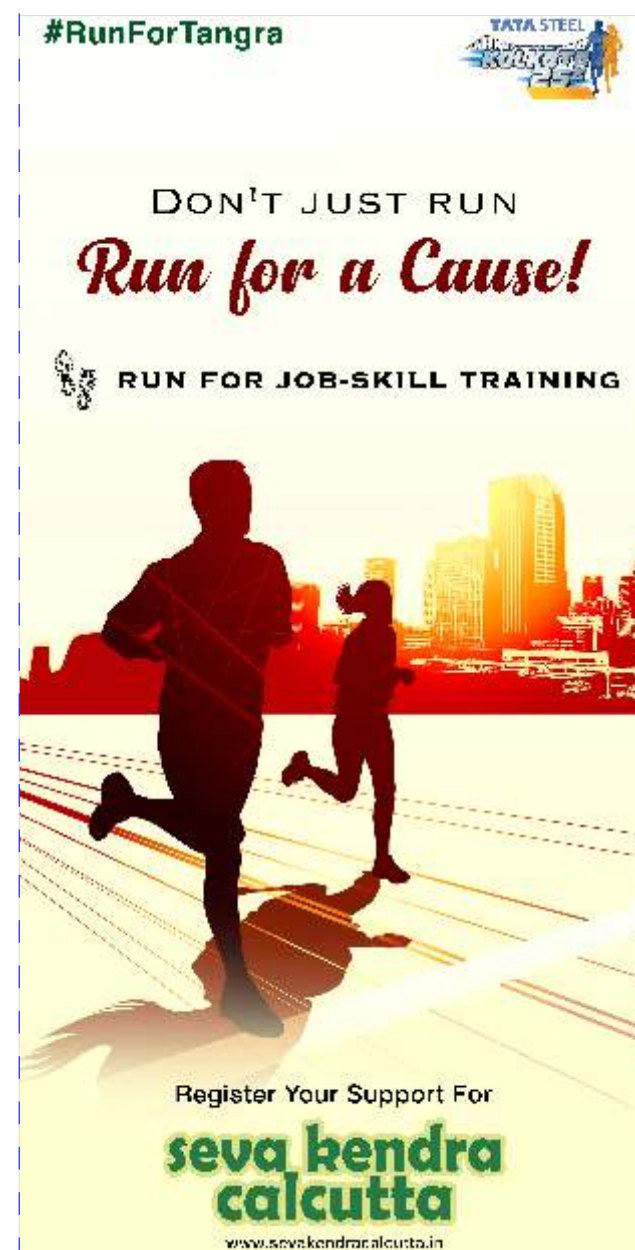
8.8 TATA Steel Kolkata 25K

"The TATA Steel Kolkata 25K (TSK25K) is the largest competitive Run organised in Kolkata and witnesses mass participation of all sections of society apart from champion marathoners from across India and the rest of the world. This event is not just a great sporting occasion in the city's calendar, but also a platform for civil society organizations to promote their causes and raise funds for their programmes.



Seva Kendra Calcutta joined this initiative in 2017, and after a great response, plunged into the action once again for the 2018 edition. It was an excellent opportunity to raise awareness of the various developmental projects undertaken within the city by SKC, and to inculcate a deep bond with thousands of citizens who participate in this event. A large number of TSK25K runners and socially conscious citizens joined our RUN for a CAUSE campaign through individual fundraising and participated in the various activities conducted at SKC main campus.

This year, SKC hosted first of its kind Workshops for participating NGO's and Runners of TSK25K, conducted by India Cares Foundation, to help campaign promotions and fundraising efforts of all partners. We look forward to pioneering many more such activities which would enhance the philanthropic impact of the event.



Amongst the many supporters, the highest individual Runner fundraiser of TSK25K 2018 was Samudrajeet Ghosh, ho repeated his sterling support of 2017 for SKC. We believe he and many more will continue to emerge and bear the flag of Seva Kendra Calcutta in the years to come and look forward to a record breaking RUN for a CAUSE in TSK25K 2019.

SKC places on record its appreciation to PROCAM India, the organizers of TSK25K and their Philanthropy partner India Cares Foundation for all the support they have extended to us".

8.9

National Conclave On Truck Drivers

The National Conclave on Truck Drivers was organized in June 2018 to bring all the stakeholders of the sector under one roof, to exchange knowledge, challenges and way forward in order to improve the lives of Truck Drivers, who are vulnerable and neglected segment despite of being a backbone of the industry. The event was successful in creating a buzz in the electronic and print media about issues of Truck Drivers in India. A total of 177 Govt. officials, transporters, logistics companies, drivers, NGOs, media and other organizations participated.





9

In-house Services at SKC Main Campus/Extension Centres



SKC Extension Training Centre - Kharagpur



Sindhu Tara Training Centre - Digha



SKC Training Centre - Kolkata



Daily Bread Restaurant - Kolkata



Revelation Beauty Salon - Kolkata

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3	Fr. Reginald Fernandes	Member	Director, St. Joseph's Hospital, Midnapur	St. Joseph's Hospital, Phulpahari, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore-721 102
4	Fr. Moloy D'Costa	Member	Financial Administrator, Archbishop's House	Archbishop's House 32, Mother Teresa Sarani, Kolkata 700 016
5	Fr. Anthony Rodricks	Member	Dean, 24 Parganas North	Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, 37/2, Jessore Road, Kolkata-700 127
6	Fr. Orson Wells	Member	Dean, Howrah-Hooghly	Church of the Sacred Heart, Chandannagar, Hooghly Dt. - 712 136
7	Fr. Sudhir Tudu	Member	Dean, Midnapore	Church of St. Paul the Apostle Kamarchowki, P.O. Jamsore, via Keshiary, W Midnapore-721133
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11	Ms. Annie Joseph	Member	Director, Ankur Kala	72B, Park Street, Kolkata-700 017
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Awards & Recognition Received

Recognition & Awards	Source	Year	Relevant Activity/Work for which received
Certificate of Appreciation	UNICEF	2012	Contribution towards making India a Polio-free country
Certificate of Appreciation	Caritas India through Association of Bengal Collaborators for Development, Kolkata	2013	Contribution towards making India a Polio-free country



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Certificate of Appreciation	St. Xavier's Social Service Society through Chetanalaya, New Delhi	2014	UPDP-Partnership
Kolkata NGO's Leadership Awards 2017	World CSR Day & World Sustainability	2017	Leadership in social work
Appreciation Award	C/A Naresh Kumar & Co. Pvt. Ltd, TATA STEEL, Kolkata	2017	Truck Drivers' Motivational Project-SAMBANDH
Caritas India Social Innovation Award	Caritas India	2018	Natural Resource Management, Addressing Climate Change by Gender Mainstreaming through Solar Technology
Appreciation Award	Association of Bengal Collaborators for Development, Kolkata	2019	Best Partner Award for Children's Parliament

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Legal Relevant Document Details

Document	Particular	Registration/Valid till (DD/MM/YYYY)
Societies Registration Act XVI of 1961 West Bengal	S/13865 of 1973-74 14th December 1973	One time
Renewal of Society Registration	Form No. VI	-
Section 12 A of the IT Act 1961	No. 452-S/WB.VII of 1976-77	One time
Section 80G (5) (vi) of the IT Act 1961	No. DIT(E)/8 86 8E/1393/73-74 Dated:22.10.2009	Perpetual as per Income Tax Circular No.7/2010 Dated: 03.10.2010
Permanent Account No. (PAN)	AAETS1781Q	One time
Foreign contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA)	147120029	No. 030007002016, Valid upto: 31.10.2021
Affiliation	Ministry of New & Renewable Energy, Govt. of India, New Delhi	-



Local Resource Mobilization

FCRA Bank Account Details

Bank Name	The Federal Bank Limited
Branch Name & Address	Branch-Tangra Branch Address-52D Radhanath Chowdhury Road, Tangra P.O. Kolkata-700 015 Ph: (033) 2329 9351/8722
Account No.	12370100001117
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9 Digit number (MICR number)	700049007
Swift Code/Remittance Instructions	FDRL INB BIBD
IFSC Code	FDRL0001237

Non-FCRA Bank Account Details

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Account No.	12370100000408
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9 Digit number (MICR number)	700049007
Swift Code/Remittance Instructions	FDRL INB BIBD
IFSC Code	FDRL0001237

Bank Name	State Bank of India
Branch Name & Address	Branch-Tangra Branch Branch Address-4/1 A Radhanath Chowdhury Road, Tangra P.O. Kolkata-700 015
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9 Digit number (MICR number)	700002101
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1. Kolkata Deanery

SN	Name of Parishes	Total
1	Church of Christ the King, Park Circus	2,00,000
2	Church of Our Lady of Vailankani, Picnic Garden	1,94,682
3	St. Ignatius Church, Ekbalpore Road, Kidderpore	1,60,525
4	St. Teresa's Church Fund, AJC Bose Road	77,280
5	St. Mary's Church, Ripon Street	74,755
6	Infant Jesus Church, Behala	64,018
7	St. Thomas Church, Middleton Row	42,592
8	Auxilium Parish Church, Mahendra Roy Lane, Gobra	42,000
9	Stella Maris Church, Nimak Mahal Road	40,995
10	Fatima Shrine, C.I.T. Road	36,000
11	Prabhu Jisu Girja, Rafi Ahmed Kidwai Road	35,826
12	Queen of Peace Church, Tollygunge	31,742
13	Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Lenin Sarani	30,000
14	St. Joseph's Chapel, Market Street	18,200
15	St. John the Evangelist Church, A.P.C. Road	15,000
16	St. Xavier's Community, Park Street	14,926
17	St. Francis Xavier's Church, B.B.Ganguly Street	14,238

2. North 24 Parganas Deanery

SN	Name of Parishes	Total
1	St. Patrick's Church, Dum Dum	1,72,686
2	St. Joseph's Church, Barrackpore	34,000
3	Mother Teresa's Church, Dum Dum	26,450
4	Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Barasat	20,520
5	St. Damien's Church, Dum Dum	18,818
6	Quasi Parish, Rupantor Community Centre, Barrackpore	16,200
7	Holy Family Church, Kestopur	15,000
8	Shantirani Girja, Bamandanga	12,044
9	Sacred Heart Church, Kowgachi	10,000
10	Holy Cross Church, Thakumagar	6,000
11	Mary Immaculate Church, Kanchrapara	5,280

3. Howrah-hooghly Deanery

SN	Name of Parishes	Total
1	Bandel Church, Hooghly	75,000
2	Church of Our Lady of Happy Voyage, Howrah	52,260
3	Church of St. John Bosco, Liluah	44,000
4	Nirmala Mata Maria Girja, Andul Road	17,930
5	St. Joseph the Worker Church, Santragachi	16,819
6	St. Michael's Church, Premnagar, Santragachi	14,612
7	Jishu Ashram, Station Road, Pandua, Hooghly	10,890
8	Church of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Serampore	6,012

4. Midnapore Deanery

SN	Name of Parishes	Total
1	Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Nirmal Hriday Ashram, Midnapore	40,000
2	St. Anthony's Church, Kharagpur	35,000
3	Sacred Heart Church, Kharagpur	18,000
4	Church of Our Lady of Consolation, Geonkhali	9,000
5	Holy Family Church, Kearchand	4,500
6	Christo Jyoti Ashram, Kamalazole,Basinda	2,000
7	Church of Our Lady of Consolation, Srikrishnapur, Haldia	1,500

Total	17,77,301
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SN	Name of Schools/Colleges	Total
1	Auxilium Convent School, P.K. Guha Road, Dum Dum	1,47,680
2	Holy Child Institute, Beadon Street	1,04,566
3	St. Teresa's Secondary School,Kidderpore	99,084
4	Auxilium Convent School, Barasat	75,000
5	Morning Star College, Barrackpore	72,000
6	Christopher Day School, Malancha	67,082
7	Loreto Day School, B.B. Ganguly Street	60,000
8	Loreto Day School, Lenin Sarani	50,416
9	Don Bosco School, Park Circus	38,910
10	Loreto House, Middleton Row	35,000
11	St. Francis School, Guma	20,000
12	Shanti Rani Primary School, Tollygunge	19,500
13	St. Mary's Orphanage, Dum Dum	18,562
14	Convent of Our Lady of Providence Girls' (Hindi High School), AJC Bose Road	17,000
15	Loreto College, Sir William Jones Sarani	16,000
16	St. Joseph's School, Kanchrapara	15,700
17	Loreto Convent School, Entally	10,000
18	Loreto Day School, Sealdah	10,000
19	Holy Child Girls H.S.School, C.I.T.Road	10,000
20	Our Lady Queen of the Missions School, Syed Amir Ali Avenue	10,000
21	Our Lady Queen of the Missions School, Salt Lake	10,000
22	St. Joseph's College, B.B.Ganguly Street	10,000
23	Loreto Day School, Elliot Road	8,000
24	St. Mary's High School, Convent Road	8,000
25	Don Bosco School, Thakurnagar	1,000
26	St. Anne's Free Primary School , A.J.C.Bose Road	500
27	St. Teresa's Girls Primary School, A.J.C.Bose Road	500
	Total	9,34,500

SN	Name of Religious Institutions	Total
1	Little Sisters of the Poor, St. Joseph's Home, A.J.C.Bose Road	20,000
2	St. Albert's Home, Monsada	13,500
3	Daughters of the Cross, St. Vincent's Home, D.H. Road	10,000
4	Holy Child Convent, C.I.T.Road	10,000
5	The Carmelite Convent, Outram Street	10,000
6	Sisters of Charity, Sacred Heart Convent, Provincial House, Convent Road	8,000
7	Loreto House Community, Middleton Row	7,400
8	Sisters Adorers, Christopher Road	5,000
9	Auxilium Convent, Syed Amir Ali Avenue	5,000
10	Carmel Jyoti, Deshpriya Park	5,000
11	Convent of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Tollygunge	5,000
12	Daughters of St. Paul, Royd Street	4,900
13	Sisters of Charity, Oasis Gerosa,Udayrajpur	4,000
14	Holy Cross Convent, Pandua, Hooghly	3,500
15	Sisters of Providence, Provincialate, Barrackpore	3,000
16	Sisters of Charity,Oasis Capitanio, East Udayrajpur (N) 24 Parganas	2,500
17	St. Joseph's Convent, Kanchrapara	2,400
18	St. Vincent's Health Centre, Taki Road, Barasat	2,000
19	Sacred Heart Convent, Bethany Sisters, Behala	2,000
20	Helper Sisters, Barasat	2,000
21	Sisters of Providence of GAP, Chutipur	1,600
22	FMM Sisters, Adivasipara, 24 Parganas (N)	1,500
23	Nirmala Convent, (Nirmala Sisters), Dr. Sundari Mohan Avenue	1,500
24	St. Anne's Convent, B.B. Gunguly Street	1,000
25	Ursuline Sisters, Dum Dum	1,000
26	Sisters of Providence, Thakurnagar	1,000
27	Shanti Rani Niwas,Serampore	1,000
28	Chitrabani Society, Rafi Ahmed Kidwai Rd.	1,000
29	St. Anne's Convent, Nirmal Hriday Ashram, Midnapur	1,000
30	TOR House, Kowgachi	500
	Total	1,36,300

SN	Name of Individuals/Groups	Total
1	Deepananda Banerjee	520
	Total	520

GRAND TOTAL	28,48,621
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Annual Report Projects Summary

Sl. No.	Project Name	Opening Balance (as on 01.04.18)	Received during the year	Utilised during the year	Closing Balance (as on 31.03.19)	Thematic Area	Nature of Donor
1	ABCD Child Parliament 2nd Phase	91,395.00	1,87,600.00	2,87,745.00	(8,750.00)	Environment	Institutional
2	ABCD From Darkness to Light Phase 4	-	55,900.00	4,900.00	51,000.00	Environment	Institutional
3	AHF Community Based HIV Testing	3,238.00	6,76,729.00	6,81,159.00	(1,192.00)	Health	Institutional
4	AHF World Aids Day	-	15,000.00	13,434.00	1,566.00	Health	Institutional
5	Allan Lalita Charitable Foundation (Arsenic Free)	5,108.00	-	58,389.00	(53,281.00)	Environment	Institutional
6	Allan Lalitha Charitable Foundation (Kishaloy)	(1,08,311.00)	-	3,10,203.00	(4,18,514.00)	Social Justice	Institutional
7	The Allan & Lalita Charitable Foundation	2,39,275.00	-	2,30,064.00	9,211.00	Food Security	Institutional
8	Archdiocesan Development Prog. (Equal Community Prog.)	4,26,503.00	-	1,93,627.00	2,32,876.00	Social Justice	Institutional
9	Archdiocesan Development Prog. (Nutrition & Education)	5,30,090.00	-	92,719.00	4,37,371.00	Food Security	Institutional
10	Ave Maria University (Solar)	3,20,082.18	3,41,800.00	-	6,61,882.18	Environment	Institutional
11	Bal Raksha Bharat (Empowering Adolescents & Youths)	(14,591.00)	14,591.00	-	-	Livelihood	Institutional
12	BMZ Community Mobilization	2,91,047.57	35,08,894.00	32,58,291.00	5,41,650.57	Social Justice	Institutional
13	Caritas India	-	2,89,973.00	1,73,879.00	1,16,094.00	Environment	Institutional
14	Deaf Child Worldwide	2,70,604.12	6,57,805.88	8,20,200.00	1,08,210.00	Social Justice	Institutional
15	Die Sternsinger (Kindermissionswerk) Ariadaha	7,44,403.30	-	3,67,484.00	3,76,919.30	Education	Institutional
16	Die Sternsinger (Kindermissionswerk) CLDRR	29,58,889.00	-	12,99,103.00	16,59,786.00	Environment	Institutional
17	Die Sternsinger (Kindermission) Peace Building Programme	6,22,924.00	-	6,11,359.00	11,565.00	Social Justice	Institutional
18	Green Energy Against Poverty (Solar)	(63,019.00)	1,50,501.00	49,798.00	37,684.00	Environment	Institutional
19	Indien Hilfe (Child Labour Free GP - 24 Pgs. North)	2,95,382.82	21,99,847.59	23,19,914.47	1,75,315.94	Social Justice	Institutional
20	Indien Hilfe (Emergency Fund)	3,70,969.59	6,492.00	3,77,461.59	-	Social Justice	Institutional
21	Likvidace Lepry (St.Joseph's Hospital)	53,93,517.00	53,08,599.00	90,62,285.00	16,39,831.00	Health	Institutional
22	Maersk Group CSR (Sambandh 2nd Phase)	32,28,120.70	-	32,28,120.70	-	Social Justice	Corporate
23	Maersk Group CSR (Sambandh 3rd Phase)	-	94,41,558.00	75,45,650.00	18,95,908.00	Social Justice	Corporate

Sl. No.	Project Name	Opening Balance (as on 01.04.18)	Received during the year	Utilised during the year	Closing Balance (as on 31.03.19)	Thematic Area	Nature of Donor
24	Manos Unidas	5,43,176.00	-	4,81,579.00	61,597.00	Social Justice	Institutional
25	Misereor 2nd Phase Natural Resource Mgment	(4,74,188.00)	32,54,299.05	22,55,120.00	5,24,991.05	Environment	Institutional
26	Misereor Natural Resource Management	(2,28,454.50)	2,27,621.50	-	(833.00)	Environment	Institutional
27	Missio - Implementation of the Pastoral Plan	-	11,78,848.00	3,35,226.00	8,43,622.00	Social Justice	Institutional
28	Missio (Women Entrepreneurship Dvlp in Tangra)	10,55,395.00	-	8,67,966.00	1,87,429.00	Social Justice	Institutional
29	SAC Project Admin Charges	1,84,485.21	2,79,102.00	2,95,054.00	1,68,533.21	Education	Institutional
30	SAC Mainstreaming the Dropouts	72,189.00	2,00,000.00	5,02,080.00	(2,29,891.00)	Education	Institutional
31	Stitching Wilde Ganzen	1,58,226.81	19,51,395.26	16,33,289.00	4,76,333.07	Health	Institutional
32	Save The Children	1,56,878.00	18,99,140.00	20,06,873.00	49,145.00	Livelihood	Institutional
33	BPCL Providing Education in 6 Villages at Joynagar	1,48,838.00	8,62,650.00	4,99,474.00	5,12,014.00	Education	Corporate
34	BPCL 6 Villages Development (Ri Bhoi)	-	3,55,920.00	-	3,55,920.00	Environment	Corporate
35	BPCL Swacchata Hi Seva	-	18,71,747.00	18,40,131.00	31,616.00	Environment	Corporate
36	BPCL Swachh Pakhwada	-	6,13,000.00	6,06,324.00	6,676.00	Environment	Corporate
37	Federal Bank- Skill Trg.on Hair & Beauty Theraph	(2,31,764.00)	6,69,980.00	4,37,781.00	435.00	Livelihood	Corporate
38	Gail Solar Project at Joynagar	(9,94,905.00)	9,94,905.00	-	-	Environment	Corporate
39	Pernod Ricard India Pvt Ltd	(18,435.00)	5,04,874.00	3,13,621.00	1,72,818.00	Education	Institutional
40	Smile Foundation Phase 3	25,313.00	3,96,881.00	4,13,837.00	8,357.00	Education	Institutional
41	Smile Foundation 4th Phase	-	4,68,753.00	6,08,597.00	(1,39,844.00)	Education	Institutional
42	SVF Entertainment Pvt Ltd (Prerna)	-	2,00,000.00	-	2,00,000.00	Social Justice	Corporate
43	SVF Entertainment Pvt Ltd (Sanitary Napkin)	1,20,000.00	-	81,128.00	38,872.00	Social Justice	Corporate
44	W B S C Bank Ltd	-	4,72,239.00	-	4,72,239.00	Livelihood	Corporate
45	Good Friday Walk	26,897.50	15,52,420.00	15,62,978.00	16,339.50	Health	Institutional
46	Campaign Against Hunger & Disease	29,39,873.28	13,30,201.00	97,841.00	41,72,233.28	Health	Institutional
Grand Total		0.00	4,21,39,266.28	4,58,24,684.76	1,54,03,735.10		

Sl. No.	Thematic Area	Receipts	(%)	Payments	(%)
1	Education	27,12,260.00	6%	30,00,147.00	7%
2	Environment	83,43,266.55	20%	65,75,389.00	14%
3	Food Security	-	0%	3,22,783.00	1%
4	Health	1,08,34,344.26	26%	1,30,50,986.00	28%
5	Livelihood	30,55,950.00	7%	24,44,654.00	5%
6	Social Justice	1,71,93,445.47	41%	2,04,30,725.76	45%
Grand Total		4,21,39,266.28	100%	4,58,24,684.76	100%

Glossary Of Abbreviations

ASHA - Accredited Social Health Activists

BDO - Block Development Officer

BLCPC - Block Level Child Protection Committee

BPHC - Block Primary Health Centre

BSKP - Bangla Swanirbhar Karmasansthan Prakaipa

CAAP - Climate Adaptive Agricultural Practice

CBO - Community Based Organization

CCP - Career Counseling Programmes

CMOH - Chief Medical Officer of Health

CCE - Continuous Comprehensive Evaluation

CLS - Comprehensive Life Skill Training

CRPF - Child Right Protection Forum

CRW - Child Right Worker

CSSP - Child Sensitive Social Protection

DRR - Disaster Risk Reduction

ESIC - Employees' State Insurance Corporation

FLS - Follow up Life Skill Training

GO - Govt. Organization

GP - Gram Panchayat

GPDMC - Gram Panchayat Disaster Management Committee

GRPF - Girls Right Protection Forum

ICDS - Integrated Child Development Scheme

IDP - Industrial Development Officer

IGNOU - Indira Gandhi National Open University

JCL - Juvenile in Conflict with Law

MDG 2 - Millennium Development Goal 2

MFI - Micro Finance Institutions

MGNREGA - Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guaranteed Act

MOST - Market Oriented Skill Training

MSK - Madhyamik Siksha Kendra

MSW - Masters in Social Work

NABARD - National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development

POA - Plan of Action

PRA - Participatory Rural Appraisal

PRI - Panchayati Raj Institutions

RNTCP - Revised National TB Control Programme

RSBY - Rashtriya Suraksha Bima Yojana

SAG - Social Action Group

SHG - Self Help Group

TLM - Teaching-Learning Material

VLCPC - Village Level Child Protection Community

WBREDA - West Bengal Renewal Energy

Development Agency

WBSEBL - West Bengal State Electricity Board Limited



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