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Sustainable Community Development through improved sanitation and hygiene practices livelihood option and education in the Urban Slums

Name of the Project: Sustainable Community Development through improved sanitation and hygiene practices livelihood option and education in the Urban Slums.

Funded by: Missio Austria

Project Period:

Phase I: January 2021 to December 2022

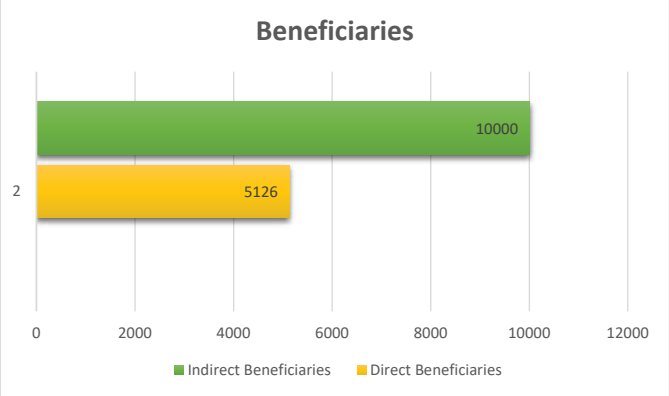
Phase II: April 2023 to March 2025

Areas of Operation: Ward 58 of Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC).

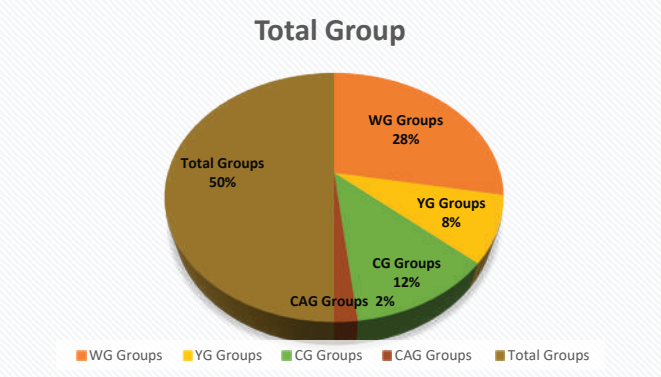
Beneficiaries:

- Number of Direct Beneficiaries - categorize by group
- Number of Indirect Beneficiaries– in general

Total Beneficiaries	
Direct Beneficiaries	5126
Indirect Beneficiaries	10000



WG Groups	YG Groups	CG Groups	CAG Groups	Total Groups
107	33	45	7	192



Budget Allocation: Project Expenses & Admin Expenses

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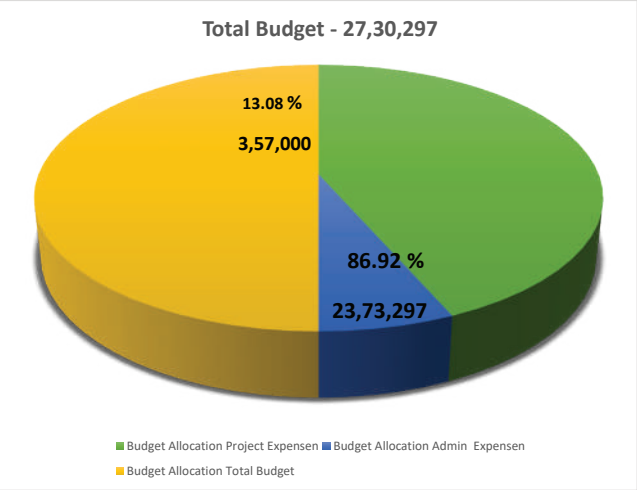
Project Expenses	Admin Expenses	Total Budget
2,373,297	357,000	2,730,297
86.92%	13.08%	



Project Goal:

Improved quality of life for 3300 socially and economically marginalized families living of Kolkata Municipal Corporation (Ward 58) through community mobilization.

Project Objectives:

- Improved quality of life for marginalized families living in ward 58 of the Kolkata municipal corporation by formation of strong community-based groups for advocacy and social action.
- Promotion of good health through training, awareness programs, health camps and linking beneficiaries to government schemes. Increased awareness and demand for essential Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child, and Adolescent Health services.
- To impart necessary education, help, guidance, and cooperation to the distressed children living in Ward 58 and mainstream the children into government school.
- Training programmes on skill development to help improve the employability of the women through the tailoring courses.

Project Activities:

Criteria	Baseline	End line	Comments
Change pertaining to result 1: Improved quality of life for the 10000 household in Ward 58: Based on the theory of change, the beneficiaries were well equipped to address their problems, they have also developed the skills to address. Through the trainings they could identify their relevant stakeholders. The Staff on the other side became efficient enough to take the role of a resource person.			
Formation of Community Based Organizations	0	192 groups	Groups with women, youth, and children
Group meetings of Community Action group	0	180 meetings	Community Action group meetings

Youth task force group formation	0	3 groups	Groups working on Education, Health and hygiene and social issues
Rapport building with the Local Stakeholders	0	15	Rapport could be built with 15 concerned people
Workshops and trainings	0	56 Trainings	Trainings on Group Building, SPSA, CLD
Staff Review meeting	0	23 meetings	Once in every month
Staff Capacity Building	0	12 trainings	For the project staff
Change pertaining to result 2: Promotion of good health and hygiene through awareness and training The beneficiaries developed the skill of advocacy, which had helped them to reach out to other people. They have better awareness and has good health and hygiene. The pregnant and lactating mothers no more go for home delivery process, they are regular in the immunization centres.			
Auto campaign and rally	0	14 rallies and campaign	Related to environment, health, and hygiene
Adolescents' Health & Anaemia Awareness Program	0	12 batches	With the adolescent girls of the community
Awareness training on RMNCHA	0	52 batches	With the lactating mother and pregnant women of the community
Community level meeting with Eligible Couples	0	52 batches	With the new married couples of the community
Health camps	0	9 camps	
Plantation Drive	0	6 drives	
Street Play	0	2 times	
Change pertaining to result 3: Impart basic education to the marginalised children Children are now interested in going to school and started to dream. At present 61 enrolled in the government schools and the students themselves take the initiative to motivate their peers.			
Study class	0	3 study centres	69 D.C. Dey Road, 25, 26 P K Road and Dhapa Dhipi Area
Annual sports day	0	2 times	With the children of study centre
Workshops on Education	0	4 batches	

Change pertaining to result 4: Employability for the women through skill development Women are equipped with the skill of sewing. Out of 121 women 90 women have started with income generation mostly by working from their home. This has helped to improve their lifestyle and quality of life as they are now able to contribute to their family in domestic work, health and maintaining hygiene.			
Srishti Tailoring Academy	0	10 batches	With 152 students
Certification ceremony	0	121 students	Completed the course and received the certificates
Workshop on entrepreneurship	0	3 batches	

Workshops and trainings

Review Meeting & Planning

Adolescents' Health & Anaemia Awareness Program

Street play

Medical Health Camp

Auto campaign and rally

Plantation Drive

Pregnant lactating mother meeting

Annual Sports day

Tailoring & Sewing

Study Center

Networking with school

Interface Meeting with Stakeholders

Mother's Day cerebration

Achievements:

- 12 child marriages were stopped in 25,26 Pulin Khatick Road, 69 D.C Dey Road, 12 and 19 no. G.K Road, Muslim Camp. Currently the rate has been reduced since the people got aware about the helplines and laws through the trainings they had received. Even through the FGDs during our evaluation, it had come from the people that they are aware and take their own initiative to stop child related issues.
- 5 Drainage system were constructed and maintained in several areas through the initiative of the community action group members which prevented water logging and proper sanitation. The areas were namely 69 D.C Dey Road, Muslim Camp, 12 no, GK Road, Muslim Camp and 25,26 PK Road.
- 61 dropout children were identified, mainstreamed and got them enrolled into the government schools by the staff and local stakeholders.
- 152 students of the stitching class have successfully completed their tailoring course.
- Community pond in 69 DC Dey Road was cleaned which was earlier used for dumping garbage.
- The community members enrolled 12 students into computer classes.
- 200 Streetlights were installed to make the streets safer for women and adolescent girls.
- The community people had contributed Rs. 9000 for the installation of roof, door and windows of the Vaishali Study Centre.
- 23 Community Dustbins were installed in all the areas by the initiative of the community action group members.
- 9 Health camps and 6 plantation drives were organized in the community along with the KMC Department.
- Roads were constructed in 25,26 PK Road, 69 D.C Dey Road and Kacharipara.
- The community people helped their sick and needy neighbours through local contribution. At a time, they had collected 40,000 rupees for a cancer patient.

Impact:

Situation: A pond located in Vaishali area of 69 D.C. Dey Road was at its most despicable and grubby condition with pigs bathing in the pond water. Residents living in the vicinity of the pond used the water from it, unaware of the level of toxicity and its adverse effect on their health. Thus, inviting various kind of illnesses.

Action: Training imparted on PLA turned out to be useful at a time when it was needed the most because it was through this that considering having the pond cleaned became definite. Therefore, the CAG (Community

Action Group) members discussed the situation at hand with the club members, had a word with the councilor, and together took the initiative to get the pond cleaned.

Output: Finally, a cleanliness drive commenced on 7th June to give the pond a lease of new life and eventually came to an end on 9th June 2022 making the pond water useful to the residents and biding adieu to illnesses.

Before

After

Story of Change:

Community cares for community

A total of 7 community action group member from the SCD project had decided to help two cancer patients who were suffering from breast cancer and no one was there in her home since her father had died during covid time. She was left all alone and no one was there beside her to help her or to take her to the hospital and to give proper care. However, all our community action group members decided to help for her treatment. On the other hand, one of our CAG group member Purnima Singh's husband Sanjay Singh was also suffering from chest cancer and he was the only bread earner of the family. So, all the seven members of the CAG group decided to help him and in order to do so they had raised money from the community for his treatment. This was one of the biggest achievements for the community and the CAG group members to raise money for the medical expenses of two cancer suffering patients. Finally, they had raised an amount of Rs 40,000/- and handed it over to the concerned person. In this way we can now say that community cares for the community.