

Annual Report 2012-13



SEED



INTRODUCTION

SEED began in 1991 as a volunteer organization formed by social workers with one worthy goal: to increase the social, economic, and cultural development of the Malkangiri aboriginal tribes in Odisha. The Organization's diverse programs restore power to the people to create ways for the communities to gain access to and control of their own resources. These programs work towards social justice by lessening exploitation, poverty, dependence, and social class differences, and by providing underprivileged people with higher education and eradicating illiteracy. SEED also proudly hosts women empowerment programme, healthcare and environmental programmes, rehabilitation of physically challenged persons and for care of infants and children. SEED was registered under FCRA (number 105090006) in 2005, and is registered under the State Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860.

Vision

To empower the Malkangiri people to build a healthy, ecologically sustainable, socially active society. Also, to prepare the Malkangiri people to lead a quality life with access to and control over their own resources.

Approach

SEED strongly believes in the latent power of the Malkangiri Tribal community. SEED's programs are designed to restore confidence among these people and raise their skill level in a variety of areas. This organization strengthens the community and empowers individuals to depend on each other for support, rather than on external agencies.

Area of Operation and Target Persons

SEED has direct association with 50,000 people in the Malkangiri district, and has impacted the lives of nearly 100,000 people in total since its inception. Malkangiri is located 750 km away from Bhubaneswar, the capital of the Indian state of Odisha. SEED works to improve the lives of scheduled tribe and scheduled caste communities, who form more than 90% of the organization's beneficiaries. In addition, distressed women, children, bonded laborers, and landless persons are always prioritized in SEED interventions.

Governing Body Members

The following leaders of SEED all have extensive education in the field of Social Work:

1. Sabita Swain, Chairperson
2. Akshya Ku Mishra, Vice-Chairman
3. Sabita Samal, Secretary
4. Ranjana Pradhan, Joint-Secretary
5. Janardana Behera, Treasurer
6. Aruna Rout, Member
7. Predeep Ku Bhupati Deo, Member



PROGRAMMES

Educational Complex for Tribal Girls

The Government of India is supporting SEED implementation as an educational complex for tribal girls named as SEED Kanyashram. It has a special focus on female literacy, a targeted scheme of strengthening education among Scheduled Tribe girls in the districts, as well as, specific components to improve girl's education of women in shaping the size of family and outlook of in improving

An Educational complex for primitive (koya) tribal girl run by SEED Kanyashram at S.Tandapalli and imparting education from class-I to Class- V, children. It has been established and managed by SEED at Tandapalli village of Korukonda block, Malkangiri district of Odisha, since February 1998. The total enrollment

Students Strength for the year 2012-13

Class	Strength
I	40
II	19
III	23
IV	21
V	37
Total	140



in the school this 2012-2013 year is 140 students. The main objective of the Educational Complex for Tribal Girls is to increase women literacy in Malkangiri district. The teachers use different innovatives and joyful teaching leaning methods to create enthusiasm amongst the children to learn, enhance the mental ability and aptitude of the children. The girl children are imparted education in a joyful atmosphere, through song, dance, story telling, games and various teaching & learning materials. The educational complex providing the



essential items like accommodation, food, clothes, soap, oil, different teaching and learning materials, regular fortnightly Health check-ups with medicines, vocational training like tailoring, kithen garden and sili culture , incentives and pocket money etc .

During this reporting period, we have conducted half-yearly and annual examination, sports, annual function, cultural meet, picnic excursion and different co-curricular activities like dancing, painting, and playing etc. They have Celebrated Festivals like: New Year, Republic Day, Saraswati puja, Ganesh Puja. The collaborations of both mothers meetings and parents-teachers meeting were conducted to review the performance of the children and suggest for better improvement of the program. Conducted health check up and provided necessary medicine during illness of students. Teaching learning materials, toys, playing materials provided to SEED Kanyashram students At SEED Kanyashram girls are playing volley ball, badminton and skipping rope. They have also provided cycle for practice cycling.

National day celebration like Gandhi Jayanti, Children's Day , Teachers Day, Independent Day and Republic Day Independent Day and Republic Day were observed at the school through our National Flag hoisting ceremony and the children also demonstrated a flag march. During the observation of Saraswati Puja (Goddess of Education), students worshipped the goddess and the school was provided with sweets for the children.

The school has included in its curriculum to practice 'YOGA', as a measure to bring about mental peace, attention span, concentration and increased remembrance, to lead a healthy life. Every Saturday morning, the students practice various types of Yoga.

In the educational year 2012-13, a total of 37 children successfully passed in class V.

Mother's Committee

A mother's committee is functioning (representative from each village in the catchment area) and they are participating in the mother's committee meeting in monthly basis and assess the performance of



students, provision for students in the complex. Necessary corrective action taken by us based on their suggestions. In order to improve the educational atmosphere and the quality of teaching standard, we formed a mother's committee at the school to guide the correct implementation of the program. They have also discussed the problems of the school with the Head Mistress and teachers, including topics: overall management of the educational complex, its future programmes as well as the provision. In addition, they also make new suggestions of new ideas with the staff-members for the successful implementation of the programme.

Women Empowerment Programme (WEP)

Since its inception, SEED has always given emphasis on women empowerment and economic self-sufficiency. SEED Women have not actively participated in their emancipation due to the lack of illiteracy and economic independence. SEED has formed and strengthened women self-help in various aspects i.e. health & sanitation, income generation, government schemes and facilities welfare and rural development schemes, (MGNREGA, RTI, SGSY, BRGF, livelihoodmission, ICDS). The SHGs are able to conduct their



meetings independently & regularly. They are maintaining their own records, performing their bank linkage without any external support, and have a liaison with Government officials. SEED also manages Micro-credit programmes in the S. Tandapalli and Pandurpani areas of the Malkanagiri district of Odisha and provides micro-credit support to poor tribal people, for the purpose of raising their income through need-based micro-entrepreneurship. The awareness created among the community members on usage of mosquito net, construction of low cost latrines, usage of safe drinking water, timely immunization and antenatal check up, promotion of Janani SurakhyaYojana, Gaon Kalyan Samiti, and implementation of MGNREGA etc. In the meetings the group members have discussed with the community on some key points and persuaded them for sending the children to school, literacy for illiterate women, participation in PalliSabha and Gram Sabha, gathering knowledge about SRH, HIV/ AIDS, various schemes and

programmes of govt. hand wash, water borne diseases & breast-feeding, role of panchayat and its services etc.

Volunteers programme

Students from ISC Paris visited SEED Kanyashram Primicess on 16th April 2013 and spent time with children, Maryel Dutrey, MAP, France also visited and guided to us for more effectiveness of the teaching learning and campus development of SEED Kanyashram.

IAFF Support

The president of Indo American Friendship Foundation, (IAFF) USA Prof. Subash Ch. Mohapatra visited this School during in the month of December 2012 to guide the children for preparation of sili-culture (hydroponic soilless cultivation). He has also contributed for purchase of different maps for each class displaying district, state, country and world for the purpose of more usefulness of teaching learning among the students.

Health awareness and capacity building training

Monthly Health check-up is conducted at the educational complex by the Health-Team from Korkunda CHC and advises students to maintain good health through better maintenance of hygienic conditions inside the school premises. Besides these SEED also hire health personal for the purpose of advising the students for proper sanitary habits and personnel cleanliness which will prevent spread of malaria and contagious diseases. Hospitalization to the sick children, and 17 students hospitalized during this year and treated at Malkanagiri district headquarter hospital and Community Health Centre, Korkunda.

Vocational training - Tailoring training imparted to the children during leisure hour so that they can able to practice stitching for own. Pis-culture- one pond is available and every year we have done the pis culture activities in the pond.

Environment Awareness Programme

On 20th March, 2013 SEED organized one day environment Awareness Programme at SEED Kanyashram premises S. Tandapally. The workshop was attended by 33 individuals, including women's self help group members, Integrated Child Development members, PRIs and youth and village leader. The program focused on the effects of degradation of forest and how to prevent it. In the workshop it was decided that every body will take initiative at their level for plantation of tree, preservation of degraded forest etc.

Capacity building of staff

A three-day capacity building training programme for staff of SEED Kanyashra was organized at SEED

premises from January 4th 2013 to 7th January 2013 and imparted training on joyful teaching learning skill, teaching of different subject, preparation of teaching learning materials, Drawing and painting, documentation, reporting, performance assessment of students, curricular and co curricular activities resource mobilization etc. In the programme, all the staff members of SEED participated. The objective of the programme was to strengthen the teaching skill of staffs and they will enable to provide service in right way Dhirendra Kumar Mohanty and Pranaya Kumar Biswal were imparted training in the programme as resource persons and they have used different methodology like group discussion, audio- visual aid, poster, and participatory methods.

Renovation Sanitation work at SEED Kanyashram, Tandapalli

After one year of latrines use, one main problem has emerged. During the rainy season, the pit in use is full of liquid, which prevents the use of the latrine anymore. The clay soil in the area makes infiltration very tricky which requires a new system that is reliable even when rainfalls are very intense. As with the use of a soak pit we would face the same problems it has been decided to implement a horizontal sand filter. So this year with guidance by Maryel Dutrey, MAP, France it was renovated for proper utilization of the lavatory.



Hydroponic agriculture with urine as fertilizer

With the goal to have a more sustainable and ecologically friendly school, hydroponic agriculture with urine as fertilizer was proposed and carried out. The principle is simple, a layer of sand (10 cm) is laid on a plastic sheet and a slope allows the liquid fertilizer to flow slowly from the top to the bottom of this layer.



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This technique has many advantages: very little labour force needed, little water wasted and effective yield. To get rid of the issue of commercial fertilizer supply, urine is used instead. It is free, reasonably safe to handle and contains the elements required for the plants to grow. We call them fertilizer and the three most important are Nitrogen, Phosphorus and Potassium (N, P, K).

Four structures were constructed with four slopes in opposite directions oriented in both are in road side of the hostel entrance road. The total length is about 10 meters and the total width is around 1.2 meters. Water and fertilizer are supplied by 60 Litres tanks through a dripping pipe. The intended species to be grown are: beans, chilli pepper, tomatoes and green leaves like spinach. The girls were given courses on the management of this original garden through vocational training .

New Boundary construction with support of M.A.P. France

With support from MAP, France SEED has been constructed School Boundary work for the purpose of safe guard to the campus for external threat. Some time cattle and antisocial people are coming inside of the campus with any protection. This entire boundary is constructed with bricks, stone and cements.

