

NYSASDRI

Annual Report

2014-15



Genesis

The National Youth Service Action and Social Development Research Institute (NYSASDRI) is a non-profit social development organization that reaches approximately 5.2 million people in Odisha with its innovative and sustainable development strategies. Established as a village youth club in 1973, the organization is registered under the Indian Society Registration Act, XXI of 1860 (Registration No. DKL-390/80), the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) of 1976 (Registration. No. 104890005), and 12(A) & 80(G) of the Income Tax Act. At present NYSASDRI operates in the most remote and inaccessible areas of 12 districts of Odisha where more than 60% of the population is living below the Poverty Line. Our development initiative covers the poor and more vulnerable sections of the population including women, children, elderly, disabled, destitute, marginal farmers, rural artisans and other such underprivileged. It has developed an integrated strategy by combining a direct service delivery approach and development support activities such as research, advocacy, and networking.

PREFACE



Dear Friends,

It is my immense pleasure to publish the annual report for the financial year 2014-15. The year was wonderful year for NYSASDRI as because organisation has achieved several milestones like conducted more than 7000 cataract surgeries, added values like new infrastructure and equipments in Educational Complex of Muniguda and ODM Community School, Kokuajhar, Dhenkanal. The first batch of students finished the two year course of Master in Social Work from our NYSASDRI School of Journalism and Social Work, Govindpur, Dhenkanal. New Watershed project has been launched with support of Odisha Watershed development Mission for Sadar block of Dhenkanal district in which 11 watersheds are covered. Several volunteers from Europe and USA have visited and contributed their time and brain for achieving the greater goal of NYSASDRI. I convey my gratitude to all supporters, donors and well wishers of NYSASDRI for their support to bring the organisation to this height. I am looking forward the better years ahead.

Kind Regards,

Sarangadhar Samal

Member Secretary-Cum- Director, NYSASDRI

MISSION

To empower underprivileged communities by increasing their participation in the development process, ensuring the proper utilization of resources within the community, raising the level of literacy, and expanding access to healthcare.

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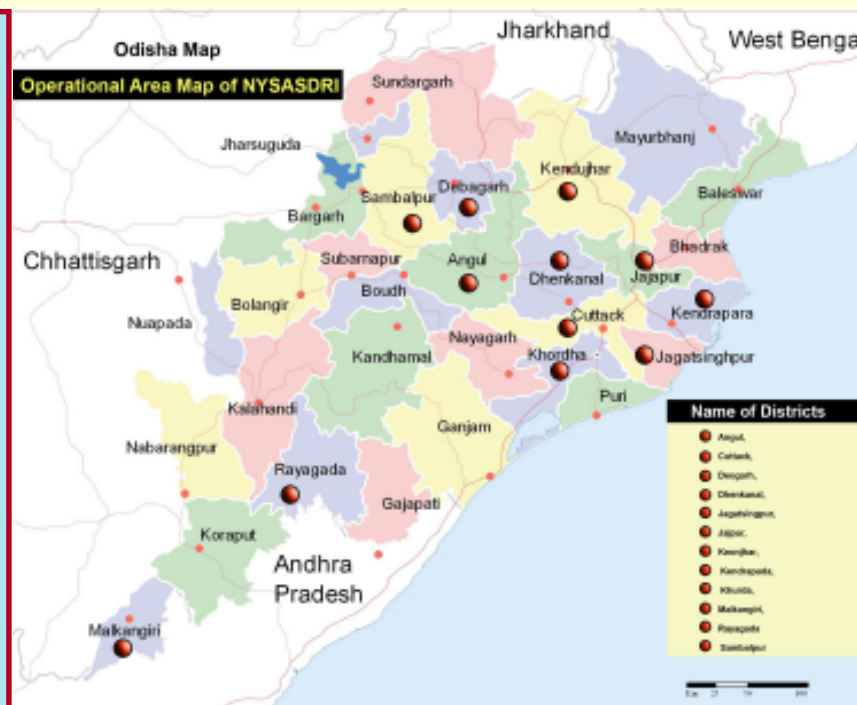
To facilitate the process of establishing a just society and to enable underprivileged people to gain power and lead a better, higher quality life with control and access to common resources.

Operational Area & Target Groups

NYSASDRI works in 12 districts of Odisha, namely Angul, Cuttack, Deogarh, Dhenkanal, Jagatsingpur, Jajpur, Keonjhar, Kendrapada, Khurda, Malkangiri, Rayagada and Sambalpur. In these districts, NYSASDRI works with marginalized people from scheduled tribes and scheduled castes, destitute women, children, families from below the poverty line, elderly persons, people with disabilities, small farmers and people needing eye care and general health care.

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AFFILIATIONS AND ALLIANCES

- The United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI/NGO)
- Vision 2020, an organization formed by IABP & WHO
- International Federation of Neighbourhood and Settlement
- Indo-American Friendship Foundation (IAFF), USA
- Voluntary Action Network India (VANI)
- Women Power Connect (WPC), New Delhi
- District Blindness Control Society

GOVERNING BODY OF NYSASDRI

- Dr. Nagendra Nath Das, Chairperson
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Strategy

NYSASDRI's development initiatives are based upon community participation. Its goal is to increase people's participation in the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of its programmes. Its strategic approach encompasses:

1. Public Education & Awareness
2. Development Counselling
3. Skill Training
4. Promotion & Usage of Local Resources
5. Networking
6. Research
7. Policy Advocacy



Short-Stay Home for Women and Girls in Distress

The short-stay home for destitute women and girls is running with 30 adult resident and 17 children. NYSASDRI provides various services including food, accommodation, medical care, legal support, vocational training, entertainment facilities, education, and pocket money to residents during their stay. During this reporting period, 17 new adult resident and 13 children have been enrolled while 17 residents and 5 children have been discharged.

NYSASDRI has made great strides in rehabilitation during this period, including: 8 resident settled at their parents' house, 5 at their in-laws' house, and 4 engaged in different need based activities. 4 home committee meetings have been conducted to review the performance of the program along with a series of awareness meetings.

Deemed Orphan Program

This program is run by NYSASDRI under the Odisha State Council for Child Welfare, Bhubaneswar. At present 12 children are enrolled in the program. NYSASDRI provides services including food, accommodation, medical care and education to the children during their stay. 24 children were admitted to the program during the reporting period.



Family Counselling Centre

The centre aims to reconcile family disturbances through counseling and support services to individuals, especially women, suffering from severe family disturbances and domestic violence. During the reporting period, the Family Counseling Centre (FCC) of NYSASDRI has given need-based services to 144 cases through counseling families in both joint and separate sessions. Some were referred to different support service institutions including the legal aid cell, police station, the short-stay home and the women's cell. 138 family disturbance cases were also serviced during the period. In addition, four sub-committee meetings have successfully taken place. These sub-committee meetings provide an opportunity for the members to review the progress of the program and prepare future plans. Finally, through leaflets, posters, and banners, the family counseling center has provided education to the community about better self-control and reducing violence towards women.



Mango Plantation and Drip Irrigation Project

A series of demonstrations were held by the help of Horticulture Department of Dhenkanal at NYSASDRI's demonstration field in Santhasara. Topics covered included mango plant cultivation and drip irrigation functions for supplying water, offering an excellent educational opportunity for local farmers.



Rural Tribal Women Support Programme

NYSASDRI is dedicated to raising the income and self-esteem of poor tribal women through micro entrepreneurship in Gondia Block, Dhenkanal District, Odisha, India. 208 women from the project area were covered under different initiatives including training on savings and credit, group management, and general business skills, along with specific trades such as live stock management, nurseries, vegetable cultivation, agriculture-allied activities and micro entrepreneurship skills. Bankers, horticulturists, agriculturalists, veterinarians, local government departments, and other agencies imparted training to them for their capacity building. We also formed sub groups consisting of 5 to 6 members, who then selected two needy women for financial support. Accordingly, 80 women from 40 sub groups have taken financial support from the project to facilitate income generation activities like goat rearing, shepherding, cow and bullock rearing, petty shop keeping, kitchen gardening, iron work, the collection and sale of minor forest produce, etc. After involvement in different entrepreneurship activities, they are able to substantially boost their financial contribution to their family. Through improving collective savings and group work in their respective villages, they are regularly sending pupils to school, receiving health care when ill, avoiding alcohol, and participating in the village development process.



**CRECHE:**

10 crèche centers are running in the Gondia Block of Dhenkanal District for the benefit of families who live below the poverty line and poor communities. They are supported by the State Social Welfare Board and the Rajiv Gandhi National Creche Scheme. 250 children ranging from 2 to 5 years old are attending the crèche centers. Two teachers were hired to manage one centre and to help with tasks such as giving out supplemented-nutrition food and health checkups along with managing teaching and learning materials. The teaching is based on a non-formal approach. In each center, the parents and teachers meet to monitor the crèche centers effectively. The centers run from 9am to 5pm.



ODM Community School

The ODM Community School is helping the poorest children from the local community and tribes of the Dhenkanal district in Odisha to one day be in a position to compete with the national elite. This year marks the schools fifth in existence. A total of 68 students from Nursery to Class IV are attending the school. This year we have organised exposure visits to Konark, Nandankanan, and the planetarium, a picnic at Kapilash, sports, and a cultural programme. National days , local festivals and birthdays are celebrated at the school. Monthly examinations, quarterly parent-teacher meetings, and day boarding's were introduced during the reporting period. Other services include regular class, indoor games, outdoor games, transportation, arts, singing, dancing, music, physical training, basic computer use, health care, medicine, picnics, outdoor excursions, celebrations of national festivals, annual sports, teaching materials, and uniforms. Transportation and food are provided during events held by the school.





Eye care

The eye care programmes of NYSASDRI are carried out by its eye hospital, the Kalinga Eye Hospital, which is located at the district headquarters and is around 30 Kilometers from NYSASDRI. As we all know, blindness and poor vision have a severe impact on an individual's quality of life. NYSASDRI therefore started Kalinga Eye Hospital in 1988 to provide affordable eye care services on a sustainable basis. Many have joined with the hospital in this noble mission this year.



Every year, KEH conducts thousands of free surgeries for Odisha's poorest residents. Patients diagnosed (through outreach screening camps or eye exams at KEH) with eye conditions requiring surgery, and who are determined by KEH's social counsellors to be unable to afford treatment, are given operations at no charge. Our efficient model allows us to maximize quality output while minimizing expenses. These surgeries are made possible by surplus from paying patients, contributions from local businesses and government initiatives, and our supporters from abroad. This year, we are pleased to report that we completed 7,949 sight-restoring surgeries, 7,569 (95%) of which were free of cost for the patients.



Ambulance Donated for Outreach Patient Transport

On 12th May 2014, the State Bank of India recognized Kalinga Eye Hospital, Dhenkanal for its excellence in the field of community eye care by donating an ambulance for use on KEHRC's outreach camps. The ambulance will be used to transport patients requiring surgery to KEHRC's base hospital in Dhenkanal. On behalf of Kalinga Eye Hospital, Director Sarangadhar Samal thanks the State Bank of India for their generous support of the community outreach department that will enable us reach more people throughout our state.



ODM World School

The ODM World School is located in Govindpur Village of Dhenkanal and provides modern technology-based education in English from class Nursery to Class VI. The school was started during the 2012-2013 school year and a total of 176 students are attending. The school uses an activity-based methodology centered on the child and includes a digital classroom for helping children to acquire knowledge through audiovisual aids. The school observes National & International Holidays. There is also a regular assembly where children under the guidance of teachers offer prayers, share noble thoughts, read news headlines(including school news, regional news, state news, national news & international news), and practice Veda chanting for developing mental concentration and spiritual awareness. Apart from learning, children regularly participate in different programmes and competitions both inside and outside the school such as: arts crafts, dance, music, songs, trivia, and many more. Children under the guidance of their respective Class Teachers present their creative writing and craftsmanship that is displayed in the School Wall Magazine. The school is running with the technical collaboration of ODM Public School, Bhubaneswar who manages the school day to day basis.



NYSASDRI School of Journalism and Social Work

In its 2nd year a total of 16 students are pursuing a Master in Social Work (MSW). This year the semester system was launched and the 1st semester MSW examination was held from 20th Dec to 27th Dec 2014; a total of 12 out of 17 students secured a passing grade of 60% . Accordingly , the 2nd year traditional MSW class is continuing on to college. The Journalism unit could not be opened due to less number of students and planned to start from the next academic year.



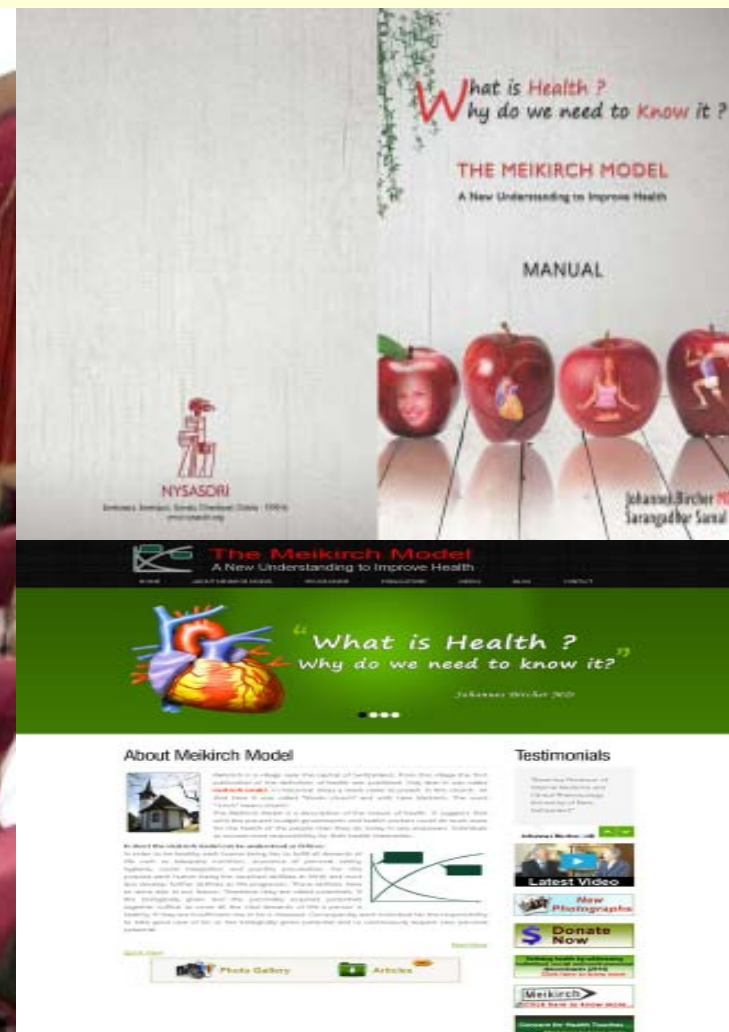
IWMP- Batch V Sadar -1

Odisha Watershed Development Mission (OWDM), the State Level Nodal Agency (SLNA), Agriculture Department, Government of Odisha is implementing Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) in 26 districts of Odisha. NYSASDR acted as the project implementing agency for the empanelment of NGO-PIA under IWMP batch-V (2013-14) projects for Dhenkanal district Sadar - I. Activities included signing an MoU, the open pass book, transferring money, setting up a project office in Govindpur along with starting field activities like the meeting with community , capacity building training , Initiation of Detail Project Report and entry point activities in 07 Grampanchayat that cover 11 micro watersheds in 18 villages of Dhenkanal district. Other activities include the orientation and capacity building of staff, creating awareness among the community about the watershed programme, and the construction of immediate need based activities.



Short stay Home for life skill Education of socially excluded children

BMZ Germany supported a project through Jewel International (CHETANA E.v Germany)The project is focused on two major areas; (1), the construction of buildings and purchase equipment, (2), imparting life skill training to socially excluded children. During this reporting period building construction is going on at Govindpur Village in Dhenkanal. The second objective will be covered after completion of the construction. The project will provide 30 socially excluded children with short stay facilities, vocational training, life skill education, and support services for self-employment opportunities.



Meikirch Model

Different activities were conducted during the reporting period. At community level meetings and other interactions with different groups, our staffs were able to conduct orientation and training. Besides this, staff members took a lot of initiative in running different projects of NYSASDRI and applying the benefits of the Model at different levels. At the Block level, training on the Meikirch model was imparted to ASHA and ICDS workers in our operational area. At the District level, an interactive session was conducted with different nongovernmental organisations and the government functionary's local media people involved. T Shirts, stickers, posters, and learning materials were used. Our staff also shared their views when participating in different meetings, workshops, and seminars about the Meikirch model and its benefits. One website has been launched www.meikirchmodelodisha.org to educate the mass.



Educational Complex for Tribal Girls

NYSASDRI runs an educational complex in Hukumtola village of the Bisam Cuttack Block of the Rayagada District. Schooling and housing are being provided for 172 Tribal girls. A batch of 25 tribal girls completed their primary education in April of 2014 and is continuing their studies at a different school. In total, 31 new tribal girls are attending the school. The syllabus is built in accordance with the guidelines of the Government of Odisha. Students are able to take advantage of benefits like free accommodation, food, uniforms, teaching materials, sundries, health care, entertainment, extracurricular activities, extra coaching, and incentives, among others.





Lafarge

LAFARGE (IT) and its partners, L & T Infotech & KPIT Commins Infosystems Limited supported the construction of a boundary wall at the NYSASDRI educational complex in Hukumtola of Rayagada district. 172 tribal girls are attending from class 1 to 5. All the girls are residing on campus. Now the campus is safe and they are able to grow vegetables and flowers on the side of the campus. The purchase of furniture and equipment was also provided for the school.





Humanitarian work by the Student of Aide Mondiale, ISC Paris

In the month of April 2014 a team of students from Aide Mondiale ISC Paris visited our organisation and spent time with students and staff at ODM Community School in Kashipur, the NYSASDRI Educational Complex in Hukumtola, SEED Kanyashram in Malkanagiri , Kalinga Eye Hospital and NYSASDRI Head office in Santhasara. During their visit they shared experiences and learned through cross cultural situations in the different programs. The programme is continuously running since 2009.



Support for Education and Health care by international friends

NYSASDRI is managing two primary residential schools for tribal girls in Odisha. The project focuses on shelter, education and health care services. A total of 313 tribal girls (age 06-14) are studying in Class I to Class V (through the Odisha Education Board). The school is rendering services like accommodation, uniforms, teaching materials, sundries, food, vocational training, health care, entertainment activities and different extracurricular activities. Considering the requirement of additional resources for education and health care activities the friends and supports of NYSASDRI have extending their financial help to meeting the needs as the current support from Government either irregular or inadequate or not available for the specific activities. The support comes on occasional basis and specific purposes.



Sponsorship under God parents programme

The programmes assistance with transportation charges, tuition fees, health check-ups, medicine, uniforms, and food for special occasions were provided in ODM Community School and SEED Kanyashram . 47 no students benefited through this programme. They celebrated national holidays like Independence Day and Teacher's Day on the school campus with fun and entertainment. A weekly /monthly examination (standardized test) was conducted in the school to measure the progress of each student. Necessary study materials like books, notebooks, pens, pencils, paper, drawing sheets, charts, and toys were distributed to selected needy students. They also received support for tuition fees, transportation charges, and health care, teaching materials, uniforms and expenses associated with extracurricular activities.



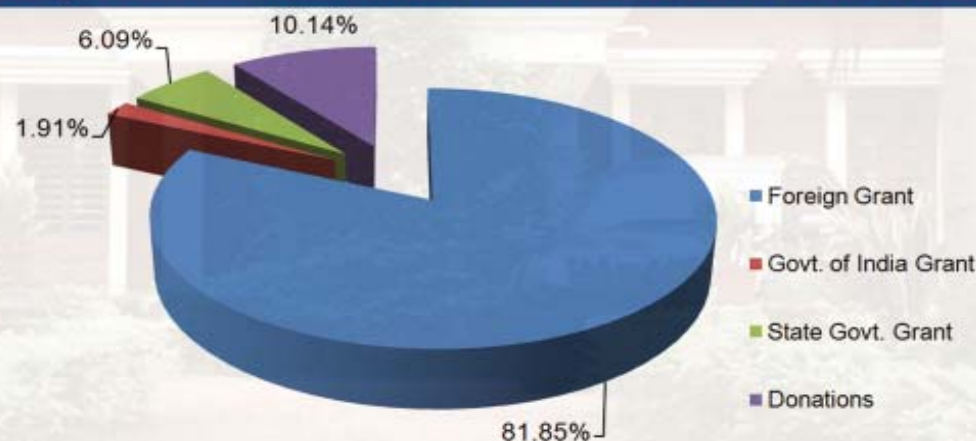
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Our Supporter



Funds Recieved by NYSASDRI in the Financial Year 2014-15



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