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INTRODUCTION

The National Youth Service Action and Social Development Research Institute (NYSASDRI) is non profit, non-governmental organization based in Orissa, India. It aims at facilitating the establishment of a just and healthy society in which the poorest of the poor have the power to attain a better quality of life with equal access to and control over resources. Since its inception in 1973, NYSASDRI has been committed to the implementation of social justice and the development of marginalized sections of society. It operates in the most remote and inaccessible areas of Central Orissa, where the land is tribally dominated and more than 80% of the population reside below the poverty line. Its development initiatives cover more than 5.2 million underprivileged persons, including women, children, small farmers, rural artisans, the elderly, the disabled, and the destitute.

NYSASDRI has developed an integrated strategy by combining direct service delivery with development support activities, such as research, advocacy and networking. With over 140 highly skilled professional personnel, NYSASDRI runs a number of programs. In remote rural and tribal communities it initiates sustainable socioeconomic development, sets up structures to ensure safe drinking water, provides sexual & reproductive health education as well as other non-formal education to girls, ensures basic health needs, organizes income generation through micro credit, offers disaster management and mitigation, and restores eyesight of the elderly and children who are in need through the Kalinga Eye Hospital & Research Center (KEHRC). In addition, NYSASDRI provides elderly care, support to people with disabilities, assistance for people with HIV/AIDS, malaria prevention, local agricultural development, village infrastructure development and human rights promotion. It was the first organization in Orissa to assume the day-to-day functioning of two Primary Health Centers (PHC) by signing a memorandum of understanding with the Government of Orissa through the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) modality, which has become a successful and replicable model for the State.

NYSASDRI 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) of the Income Tax Act.

Our Mission

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

Strategy

NYSASDRI's development initiatives are based on community participation. Our goal is to increase public participation in the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of our programs. Our strategic approach consists of

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

Operational Area & Target Groups

NYSASDRI focuses on rendering quality services for the marginalized people of Orissa. This group includes scheduled tribes, scheduled castes, destitute women, children and families from below the poverty line, elderly persons, people with disabilities, small farmers, and persons who are unable to afford healthcare. NYSASDRI has expanded its horizons to 12 of Orissa's 30 districts, namely Angul, Bhadrak, Deogarh, Dhenkanal, Jagatsingpur, Jajpur, Keonjhar, Kendrapada, Khurda, Malkangiri, Rayagada, and Sambalpur.

Affiliations and Alliances

- a) The United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI/ NGO)(UN Press Release PI/ 1597 Dated 20th July 2004)
- b) Public-Private Partnership (PPP) with the government of Orissa
- c) Member of Vision 2020, an organization formed by IABP and the World Health Organization (WHO)
- d) Voluntary Action Network India (VANI)
- e) Jan Adhikar Abhiyan (JAA)
- f) SWADHIKAR Forum (State level)
- g) Campaign Against Child Labour (CACL)
- h) Committee for Legal Aid to Poor (CLAP)
- i) Orissa Vikas Manch (OVM)
- j) Campaign on Survival and Dignity (CSD)
- k) Indian Network of NGOs (INN) on HIV/AIDS.
- I) District Blindness Control Society

Advisory Board

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1	Maj. Gen. (Retd.) S. D. Mohanti	Retired Major General of Indian Army
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		Consultant, Bhubaneswar
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5	Shri Debabrata Jena	Advocate
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7	Shri Keerti Bhusan Pradhan	Faculty, Aurobindo Eye Hospital,
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THIS YEAR'S INITIATIVES

Community Empowerment and Advocacy for Sustainable Healthcare (CEASH)

Community Empowerment and Advocacy for Sustainable Healthcare (CEASH) was an initiative directed toward people in extreme need in Orissa. CEASH consisted of a series of programs implemented by NYSASDRI in the Gondia block of the Dhenkanal district and the Sukinda block of the Jajpur district from September 1st, 2004 to August 31st, 2009. During the project period, a total of 150 women's self help groups, 130 men's groups, 81 Kishori (adolescent girls) clubs and 66 Emergency Obstetric Contingency Committees (EOCC)



were formed. 48 of the EOCCs have joined with local Gaon Kalyana Samiti (GKS) groups. The GKS program is sponsored by the National Rural Health Mission, and has similar objectives to the EOCC program.



Each of these groups is actively involved in village developmental activities and helps to disseminate knowledge on topics such as health, sanitation, and income generation principles. Awareness is spread among community members concerning quality health practices and services provided by government programs (such as the Right To Information Act, the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act and Janani Surakshya Yazona.) Health awareness was achieved through creative means such as 24 Palla and 20 Daskathia cultural dance performances and wall paintings.

CEASH also sponsored training programs for community based organizations, Panchayat Raj Institution members, and self help groups. These programs covered topics such as behavior change communication, financial management, health sector reform, roles and responsibilities of PRI members in health sector reform, community based organization management, organizational development and strategy planning. The strategy planning sessions





were intended to help community members set and reach goals beyond CEASH's end date of August 31st, 2009. Self help group federations in Atta and Kasipur will assist with managing and overseeing future activities.

Public Private Partnerships with Primary Health Centers

Two Primary Health Centers (PHC) in the Sukinda block of the Jajpur District and the Gondia block of Dhenkanal District were transferred to NYSASDRI management using the Public Private Partnership (PPP) model. The Atta and Khankira PHCs have subsequently improved the care they provide to their respective areas.



Recent achievements include the introduction of ambulance facilities, referral services for the needy, increased numbers of institutional deliveries, and infrastructural developments i.e. electrification, purchasing of instruments and equipment, planting flowers and vegetables, phone service and wall paintings. Medical achievements are listed below.

This past year, an eye screening camp was organized at both PHCs with the support of KEHRC in addition to a one-day reproductive child health clinic. An orientation on PHC management and management information systems was given to the staff of both PHCs to promote more effective management and health care.

Both PHCs were visited and evaluated by Ms. Leena Choudhury, a representative of IWW. SRISTI Consultancy, a Bhubaneswar based agency, conducted a survey of the PHCs so as to compare there effectiveness to government run PHCs and to assess their qualitative and quantitative impact. In addition, a team from SRB Associate performed an audit of the PHC's financial accounts. These three evaluations concluded that the centers were run efficiently and effectively.

Because of the effectiveness of the PPP model, the National Rural Health Mission has supported 19 NGOs for the management of 22 PHCs at different locations in Orissa. The Government of Orissa Health and Family Welfare organization has supported NYSASDRI in continuing its management of the centers.



Particulars	PHC (N) Atta	PHC (N) Khankira
OPD	15114	10226
Out reach health camp	59 camps - 1553 screened	28 camps - 630 screened
Institutional delivery	37	59
Malaria slid collection	9139	2126
Malaria slid positive	134	343
Child immunization	223	427
RCH Mela	620 treated	420 treated
Particulars	PHC (N) Atta	PHC (N) Khankira
ANC	154	176
PNC	39	55
Ambulance services	130	147
Refferal service	100	154
Rogi Kalyan Samiti meeting	10	06
Motivation for Family planning	50	40
Distribution of contraceptives	530	754
SRH counseling	98	67

Kalinga Eye Hospital & Research Center (KEHRC)

KEHRC provides free, high quality eye care services to the poor and underserved residents of the Angul, Bhadrak, Dhenkanal, Deogarh, Jagatsingpur, Jajpur, Kendrapara, Khurda, Keonjhar and Sambalpur districts of Orissa. By providing corrective lenses, treatment for eye diseases and surgery, KEHRC has helped restore sight to thousands of people. The hospital is registered under the Clinical Registration Act of Orissa and is a unit of the NYSASDRI. KEHRC has received the



District Award of Dhenkanal for three consecutive years in recognition of performing a record number of cataract surgeries. KEHRC is also an associate institutional member of VISION 2020, a national organization dedicated to improving eye health in India, has been supported by the World Health Organization and has been acknowledged for its outstanding performance in conducting over 5,000 free cataract surgeries a year

New Infrastructure Developments

Kalinga Eye Hospital & Research Center (KEHRC) officially opened its new building on 5th March, 2009. This state of the art facility consists of eight separate departments, among them a Cataract Department, a Diabetic Eye Disease Department and a Paediatric Eye Department. The new building was opened by Ms. Christina Vasilidis, Ms. Julie Vignie, Mr. Dan Sheriff,

all of Euromoney, and Ms. Karen Jaques of ORBIS International. The inauguration ceremony was attended by Dr. Pramila Panigrahy, the State Program Officer of National Program for Control of Blindness in Orissa who lit a ceremonial candle to mark the occasion. At this time a book was released which detailed Kalinga's vision for comprehensive community based eye care.



Hospital Based Program on Pediatric Strabismus



A hospital based program was conducted to strengthen the knowledge and skills of the clinical team in treating pediatric eye disease. The program focused on pediatric cataracts and the management of pediatric strabismus and was held from 9th-13th November 2009. During this period, a clinical session on "squint evaluation procedures" was conducted for the paramedical staffs. A total of 24 pediatric eye surgeries were also conducted during the program.

Focus on Diabetic Eye Diseases

The increasing incidence of diabetes mellitus poses a major public health problem in India. In order to preserve the sight of the people suffering from diabetic eye diseases, KEHRC has joined with the World Diabetes Foundation to formulate strategies to strengthen the diabetic eye health services in Orissa while creating awareness about diabetes and diabetic retinopathy. These strategies will be implemented in the coming year and will be the first of their kind in Orissa.

Reaching out to Local Industries

KEHRC has recently begun a campaign to encourage local industries to assist with the community eye care. To better achieve this goal a meeting was organized at the Dhenkanal District



Headquarter Hospital's National Rural Health Mission on the 21st November 2009 in the presence of the District Collector Sri Girish S. N & the Chief District Medical Officer Dr. Prafulla Ku Sahoo. The meeting discussed how the attending industries could help to provide eye care to people residing in their operational areas. These industries agreed organize regular eye treatment camps and sponsor sight restoration surgeries. The exemplary efforts of two specific industries are detailed below.

Jindal Steel and Power Limited (JSPL)

In addition to providing for regular eye treatment camps, JSPL is planning to introduce pediatric eye care along with diabetic eye care services in the eye treatment camps through KEHRC. During November 2009, three outreach camps were held in selected villages, in which 674 were screened for ophthalmic problems, 299 received medical treatment, and 41 underwent sight restoration surgeries at KEHRC. Both JSPL & Kalinga Eye Hospital are planning new strategies to render ophthalmic services on



a more comprehensive scale. These strategies include the education of community volunteers and greater community participation in general.

Kalinga Coal Mine for Eye Care



In a joint venture between of Kalinga Coal Mine (P) Ltd. and KEHRC, an eye treatment camp was organized at Dabamaliasahi in Angul district. A total of 113 adults and 65 pediatric patients were screened. 128 patients received medical treatment and 14 adults were identified with cataracts. The identified cataract patients underwent surgical procedures at KEHRC.

State Review Meeting on Blindness

On 28th April 2009, the National Program for Control of Blindness state review meeting was held at the Health & Family Welfare Department of Orissa. The meeting focused on the development of eye care in Orissa and the role of each hospital in cooperation with the mission of Vision 2020. The State Program Officer lauded

KEHRC for its excellent efforts toward fulfilling this mission and increased the hospital's operational area by granting permission to hold eye care programs in 5 more of Orissa's districts. KEHRC now operates in a total of 12 districts

Reaching out to Angul's Children

KEHRC approached the district administration of Angul and the Collector cum District Administrator in an attempt to organize a general body meeting. The assembled officers agreed to hold a pediatric eye treatment camp at the district headquarter hospital on the 3rd of August. Around 186 children were brought to the screening spot on the 3rd of August 2009, out of which 51 underwent surgical procedures at KEHRC.

Teaching with Greater Efficiency

In order to better spread eye care awareness, KEHRC has begun providing training sessions to a small group of community members. In the past year this group has included local school teachers, Anganwadi workers, Asha Workers, and village volunteers. This program has lead to a more efficient screening process. Trained teachers, for instance, will hold screening

programs in their school every six months and will submit the report to the respective Sarva Sikshya Abhiyan, the national education oversight organization.

Felicitating the Legends

In memory of the Doctors Mahendra Chandra Mishra and Kulamani Mishra, both esteemed Ophthalmologists of Orissa, a felicitation program was organized on the 8th of



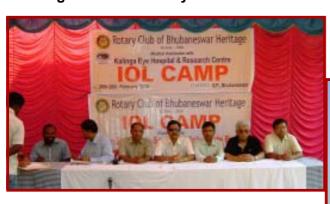


December 2009 at Kalinga Eye Hospital. At the program, Prof. Subash Chandra Mohapatra, Director of the Indo American Friendship Foundation, dedicated KEHRC's two operation theaters to these two magnificent doctors. Prof. Mohapatra also pledged IAFF's support for 100 pediatric eye surgeries every year.

Vision Foundation of India

With the continuous support of Vision Foundation of India (VFI) a total of 300 sight restoration surgeries have already been conducted in the last two years.

Working with the Rotary Club of Bhubaneswar Heritage (RCBH)



The clinics screened 667 people, 113 of which were identified with cataracts. These cases were brought to the hospital for surgery. Before



In association with the RCBH, KEHRC conducted two outreach eye-care clinics in the Chandaka panchayat of Khurdha district.



organizing the eye treatment camp, a doorto-door survey was organized in the Daruthenga village of the same panchayat.

Support from Indian Red Cross

The Indian Red Cross Society of Bhubaneswar extended its support by covering the cost of medicines for the patients in the camp organized on the 26th of February, 2010, at Chandaka and Daruthenga villages.

Unite for Sight

In the past year, Unite for Sight, a US based eye care organization, sponsored 1234 cataract surgeries for needy individuals. They also sent 21 volunteers to stay at KEHRC and provide support by developing newsletters, submitting grants and planning new activities. A representative from KEHRC attended Unite for Sight's annual conference in New Haven, Connecticut.

Volunteering hands in 2009

- " Ali Sambucetti USA
- " William Moen UK
- " Sylvia Kauffman USA
- " Lauren Campbell USA
- " Jenny Thompson Canada
- " Sudeshna Myralla USA
- " Kim Le USA
- " Mallory Raymond USA
- " Hillary Gaiser USA

- " Ravi Vaswani USA
- " Larry M Cai USA
- " Pooneh Vaffaee USA
- " Marshal Ross Canada
- " Susan Evans USA
- " Radeeb Akhthar USA
- " Jasson Ma Hong kong
- " Michcle Lai USA
- " Daniel Lanno USA
- " Neil C Patel USA
- " Manan Shah USA

Mobile Medical Unit (MMU)

The MMU runs in the Sukinda block of Jajpur district in areas that are isolated from health care services. The inhabitants of these areas are tribal and live in miserable conditions. Contributing to their destitute state is their distance from villages and from Public Health Institutions, their lack of medicines/equipment/manpower, and their lack of awareness & health



consciousness. Pollution from nearby industries is also a factor as it creates different water-borne chronic diseases and negatively impacts people's health. In order to combat this situation, NYSASDRI runs one MMU covering 30 villages which provide preventive curative and referral health care. This MMU consists of one doctor, one pharmacist, one handyman and one driver. The unit performs a variety of health related activities, such as providing immunizations, stressing maternity child health, promoting

institutional delivery, performing post-natal check ups, treating RTI/STI, providing adolescent care and lifestyle education, counseling, treating minor ailments and anemia, treating common childhood illnesses such as diarrhea and complications resulting from measles. This year, a total of 6156 of patients were treated by the MMU and 72 cases were referred to other hospitals.

Orissa Demonstrative Multipurpose Community School (ODMCS)

In an attempt to improve primary education in rural areas, NYSASDRI established the ODMCS in Kokuajhara village of Gondia Block, Dhenkanal. The school is designed as an English medium school and is based on the model set by the Central Board of Secondary Education. ODMCS emphasizes joyful and quality education within a child-friendly





environment. The main objective of the program is to create an opportunity for poor and tribal communities to access the modern education through which they can compete with an evolving society. The school currently enrolls 46 students between the ages of 3-6, and has nursery, Lower KG and Upper KG grade levels. NYSASDRI hopes for the school to ultimately provide education up to the 10th level (16 years old). The faculty and staff consist of 4 teachers, two AYA (nursery) workers, 3 drivers, 1 security

guard and 1 clerk. Currently, students must pay for their enrollment.

NYSASDRI would like to add several infrastructural improvements to the school, such as computers, a library and boarding facilities. They would also like to begin a scholarship program to provide education to those who cannot afford it.

Educational Complex for Tribal Girls



NYSASDRI has been successfully running an educational complex for tribal girls at Hukumtola village in Rayagara District since 1998 in association with Ministry of Tribal Affairs. A total 160 girls are continuing their education from class I to V in the school. In addition to learning materials, the girls receive food, clothes,

accommodation and health check ups free of charge. Both the teachers and students are engaged in developing the surrounding area by cleaning and planting vegetables and flowers. They observe and celebrate local festivals such as Dasahara, Kumarpurnima, Independence Day, Ganesh Puja, Children's Day, Saraswati Puja and



Teachers Day. Besides their regular health check ups, supplemental medicines are provided to them based on need.

The NYSASDRI was grateful for the support provided by the Canada Hindu Society by purchasing study materials, play materials and dresses for the complex at Hukumtola and a similar complex run by SEED, a NYSASDRI sister organization.



Crèche Centers



NYSASDRI runs 21 crèche centers in Gondia block of Dhenkanal District and Telkoi Block of Keonjhar District. This year a total 525 children within the age range of 3 to 5 years were enrolled in the crèche centers. The program provides day care services to children of the age group of 3-5 years from lower income group families, schedule castes and schedule tribes, as well as disabled children. The centers provide support to both mothers and young children. Play materials, nutritional food, health check ups, teaching materials, and medicine are supplied.

Each center is managed by 1 Aya and 1 teacher, and is monitored by a Village Education Committee.

Family Counseling Center

NYSASDRI runs a Family Counseling Center in Santhasara village of Dhenkanal district which provides crisis intervention and counseling services to women and families who are victims of atrocities and familial crises. This year, the center received 54 new family disturbance cases. The distribution of these case can be seen below. Similarly, 60 cases were settled using a variety of means, such as mutual understanding, reconciliation and referral services. Throughout the year 46 session meetings and 36 home visits were



conducted to counsel the applicant's family members, in-laws and/or relatives on solving their disputes. A total of 30 village awareness meetings were organized by the counselor to inform the rural community regarding the services of FCC and to find better solutions to their problems. 11 follow-up visits were conducted by the counselor to appraise the condition of settled cases.

Type of Case	Number	Of	Case
Physical Torture		12	
Property Related		-8	
Unmarried Mother		-2	
Interference of In-Laws		-4	
Alcoholism		-4	
Dowry		-9	
Extramarital Affairs		11	
Economic Crisis		-1	
Rape		-1	
Domestic Violence		-1	
Husband Migration		- 1	



Short Stay Home

Short Stay Home has been run by NYSASDRI since 1st October 1996 with the objective of providing shelter for a limited period to distressed women and girls. It functions with the support of the Central Social Welfare Board and is monitored by the State Social Welfare Board. Presently, 31 adults and 14 children reside in the home. The program received 14 new cases this year and resolved 15. The distribution of cases is shown below. 10 follow up programs were conducted to assess the present



status of rehabilitated residents. While there they receive counseling, legal support, weekly health checkups, youth education, literary classes, food and clothing. Residents are also given training in various programs such as tailoring, broom making, cooking, and garden activities. The women form self help groups further enabling them to earn and save money. Legal assistance in the form of drafting petitions, registering cases at police stations, and preparing agreement documents is also provided. In some instances, the organization takes the case directly to the court. 14 awareness meetings and 4 home committee meetings were organized to assess the performance of the program.

Solution	Number of Cases
Restoration at Parent's House	5
Restoration at In-Laws House	6
Self Employment	4
Type of Case	Number of Cases
Family Disturbance	1
Unmarried Mother	4

Widow	2
Physical and Mental Torture	1
Poor and Helpless	3
Trafficking	1
Rape	2

Deemed Orphan

The Deemed Orphan program works toward the rehabilitation of orphaned, abandoned, and surrendered children. It is run by NYSASDRI



under the Orissa State Council for Child Welfare, and is located at the Short Stay Home. At present 14 children are enrolled under the program. During their stay, NYSASDRI provides food, accommodation, medical care, education and pocket money, among other services.

Community Based Rehabilitation for Persons with Disability (CBRPD)

The CBRPD program is operated by NYSASDRI in the Gondia block of Dhenkanal district. The project staff provides counseling and other needs-based rehabilitation services to disabled persons. The program has formed 7 self help groups provide better cohesiveness and greater government influence among the disabled. Educational





programs were conducted with Panchayat Raj Institution members, Anganwadi workers, teachers and community based organizations in order to increase community awareness about various schemes, facilities and support services for disabled persons. Community members also learn about the preventative, curative, referral and rehabilitation aspects for persons with disability.

Building Educational Complex at Kashipur: Supported by Association Aide Mondiale ISC

With the support of the Association Aide group a Mondiale ISC, a France based management school, NYSASDRI was able to establish a school in the village of Kashipur, one of the remote villages of Gondia Block. The project's goal was to give educational support to the poor & tribal children as well as to bring them in the mainstream of



society. Presently, 50 tribal children within the age group of 3-12 are continuing their education in a friendly atmosphere. The group also supported construction of another building for SEED along with the purchase of a van to transport children to the school.



SHORT TERM EVENTS Nava Bharat Study



This year NYSASDRI undertook a project working towards the "development of women folk through capacity building and need based micro entrepreneurship" in Kochilamada village in Khadagaprasad Gram Panchayat of Dhenkanal district.

First, a survey was conducted to determine the socio-economic status in the village. On the basis of a base line survey, a focus group discussion, a chapatti diagram, a resource map and

business plan, NYSASDRI was able to prepare an action plan for the development of Kochilamada village in sustainable manner. Senior officials from Nava Bharat Venture Ltd were included in this discussion.

Also with the support of Nava Bharat Venture Ltd, NYSASDRI was able to conduct a socioeconomic study at Nimidha Village in the Odapada block of Dhenkanal district in order to determine the socioeconomic status, educational status, and infrastructural needs of the village. It was found that the

investment in a school and clean water facilities would be of great use to the village. The study was submitted to Nava Bharat Venture with the hope that they will support further development of the village.

Training for Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA)

An advanced ASHA training session was held, with the support of NRHM, at NYSASDRI's headquarters. NYSASDRI arranged accommodation, food and a conference hall for the training. During the course of training NYSASDRI staff shared their experience on primary healthcare among the participants. Audio-visual aids and cultural events were arranged to increase the effectiveness of the program.

National Environment Awareness Campaign (NEAC)

On 22nd March, 2010 NYSASDRI held a climate change workshop with the support of Ministry of Environment and Forest, as a part of the NEAC. The workshop was attended by 76 individuals, including women's self help group members, Integrated Child Development members, PRIs and several members of the Indian government. The program focused on the effects of climate change and how best to prevent it. At the conclusion of the program each



participant agreed to plant 10-15 trees in his/her backyard as a sign of their commitment to the environment. The participants also agreed to form a Vana Sarnkhyana Samiti forest protection program.

Demonstration of Sili Culture Activities by the Indo American Friendship Foundation (IAFF)

Under the direct guidance of Dr. Subash ch. Mishra Scientist, President of the IAFF, Sili Cultures, Drip irrigation, Fustigation, Hydroponics and Gravity-Feed auto flow were demonstrated to NYSASDRI staff members on the Kashipur Campus. These low cost, low labor planting methods require no soil and will be integrated into future NYSASDRI projects.

Camp on Vitamin A Deficiency



A team of media personnel from France visited the village of Pipiria in the Gondia Block of Dhenkanal district and instructed the villagers about vitamin A deficiency and its consequences. Simultaneously NYSASDRI organized an eye check up camp in the village. A total of 97 patients were examined. Out of these, 9 patients were identified with mature cataracts and were subsequently transferred to the KEHRC for free cataract surgery. Vitamin A tablets were also distributed to those showing symptoms.

Workshop on Right to Information Act (RTI)

A one day workshop on the Right to Information Act was organized by NYSASDRI on 10th March 2010 in collaboration with Gondia block's governing Panchayat. A total of 75 participants attended the program. The procedures and effectiveness of the RTI act were discussed as well as the importance of transparency and accountability in preventing a corrupt society.



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- " Mangamal, Volunteer, France (pass world)
- Beleau Cindy, Volunteer France
- " Bichler Valau, Volunteer France
- " Thibault Guillame, Volunteer France
- " Mr. Mark Paul, New Delhi

The following officials visited our project area and inspected the ongoing programs in different parts of Orissa.

- " Dr. Pramila, SPO, NPCB, Orissa
- " Dr.Prafulla Sahoo CDMO, Dhenkanal
- " Udaya Natha Das, DPC-SSA, Dhenkanal
- " Sanatan Mallik, DPC- SSA- Kendrapara.
- " Sj Ashok Tripathy, Priciapl Secy, SCST, GOO
- " Sj Girish S. N, Collector, Dhenkanal
- " District welfare officer, Keonjhar

- " District welfare officer, Dhenkanal
- " District welfare officer, Jajpur
- District welfare officer , Raygada
 Additional District Magistrate, Dhenkanal
- " Dakshini Pradhan , Counselor, SSWB, Bhubaneswar
- " Snehalata Mallik & Mr Chand, CSWB, New Delhi

NEW INITIATIVES FOR 2010-11

Kalinga Eye Hospital and Research Centre

The hospital has several new initiatives planned for the coming year. The staff is currently working on the establishment of an eye bank which will be able to preserve transplantable corneas. In conjunction with this, the hospital is working on spreading awareness about cornea donation. KEHRC would also like to develop a center for community ophthalmology as well as three vision centers. The centers will allow patients to receive check ups and care for less severe eye problems without having to travel all the way to KEHRC. As always, spreading eye care awareness will be a major project for the hospital, and new educational methods are currently being discussed.

ODM Community School

The school is now only in an infantile stage. In the coming year, NYSASDRI would like expand the number of grades taught and increase enrollment. At the same time NYSASDRI would like the school to provide top notch education and to provide newfound opportunities to its students. To do so, many infrastructural improvements are necessary. The school still requires the construction of new buildings, a bus for transport, teaching materials, a library, computers and playing materials. NYSASDRI would also like to start a scholarship program for needy students.

Management of PHCs through Public Private Partnership

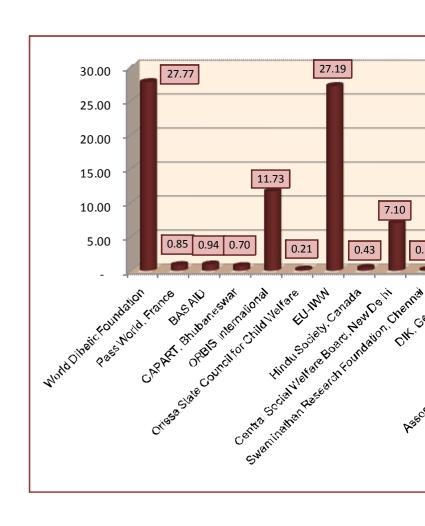
NYSASDRI would like to continue improving the services provided by its two PHCs. We would like to continue providing 24 hour ambulance service and expand the infrastructure of the two centers. The PHCs currently suffer from a lack of quality medicines and we are currently looking for ways to deal with this.

Creation of a Secondary School at Govindpur

NYSASDRI has already begun construction of a new science college in Dhenkanal district. The college will focus on teaching the skills necessary to give back to and improve the rural community. The foundations have already been laid but it will be at least a year until the structure is finished. NYSASDRI is currently paying for the school, the total cost of which is 2 crore R, with loans. The school, once completed will require supplies and a teaching staff.

Words cannot express the profound gratitude we feel towards our partner agencies. They have extended their kind cooperation & support to NYSASDRI and, in doing so, have drastically changed the lives of the of people of Orissa. We give them our utmost thanks, and hope that they continue their support in the future.

Grant in Aid Received (in Percentage)



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