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Sharing the Challenge of Disabilities

According to WHO, 'Disabilities' is an umbrella term, covering impairments, activity limitations and participation restrictions. This is a complex phenomenon, reflecting an interaction between features of a person's body and features of the society in which he or she lives. The number of PWDs in India is a wide range of 4-8 percent of the population with higher ratio in rural areas. Our disability policy framework includes ratification of CRPD, legal support to PWDs for their empowerment and encourages participation of voluntary sector for their rights advocacy and CBR. Now the very concept of medical rehabilitation for PWDs has been replaced by an emphasis on their social rehabilitation. CBR is proved effective for rural areas in addressing the primary care and therapeutic needs of these people. CBR matrix by WHO begins with human rights and goes through socio-economic development to reach a cohesive society by interlinking health, education, livelihood, socialization and empowerment for PWDs with each other. The very aspect of personal relationship like marriage and family plays significant role for making PWDs emotionally competent and helps them to live with dignity. But there is a lot to be done in Jharkhand or Bihar where entitlements and CBR for PWDs are neglected due to systemic and social apathy. These states have less than 20-30% PWDs with disability certificate as figured nationally and there are cases when such certificates have been misused, questioned or reviewed to block the entitlements for genuine beneficiaries. This needs a massive overhaul of the system to work in compliance to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities as UOA.

NBJK’s intervention upon disability was started as a Facilitation Action Center for PWDs in the year 2000 for promotion of CBR and capacity building of selected small VOIs. CBR for PWDs was continued in Murhu (Khunti) and Sadar (Hazaribag) blocks. During 2004-05, we have expanded our work in 10 blocks of Ranchi and Hazaribag with activities like their certification, school enrollment for CWDs, Self help group formation, IGA linkage and launched an awareness campaign as Viklang Vikas Abhiyan with VOIs across Jharkhand. We run Spandan (2005-08) as a special school for 165 CP/ MR children in Hazaribag to provide them free services with transportation facility. Till 2009, NBJK has ensured school enrollment for 1087 CWDs, certification for 5838 PWDs, promoted 224 SHGs and 889 challenged individuals for IGAs, linked 210 PWDs with ADL, Braile/sign language, physiotherapy, corrective or cataract surgery, aids & appliances, pension, railway pass etc. During July 09-June 13, we launched a right based program in 5 districts of Jharkhand and Bihar. This was carried out in 2118 villages, enabled 29860 PWDs to get disability certificates and resulted as access to one or more benefits, especially monthly pension for nearly 17000 such people. From 2010, NBJK has initiated CBR activities in 4 blocks of Dumka district and linked more than 6000 PWDs with services/entitlements. All these could be possible by support from CAPART, Action Aid, PHF (UK), SKN (the Netherlands), THF, Volkart Foundation, AVI-DFID (UK), CBM-AusAid, Sightavers, while VAANI and Sense have supported services for 233 deafblind & HI children in Hazaribag and Ranchi. From May 15, AVI-DF (UK) has extended support to the right mode program covering 500 new villages in Hazaribag, Kodema, Giridih, Nawada and Gaya districts of Jharkhand and Bihar for next 3 years.

This is pathetic to experience the struggle of PWDs for their certification and minimum benefits while the time has come to raise voice for their education, employment and social dignity as mere pension, tricycle or crutches are not sufficient for them. For nation building, we are in need of a paradigm shift in terms of poverty eradication and quality lives for challenged people by ensuring space for them in all developmental programs and welfare schemes of education, livelihood, health or social security.

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निवारकार : एक सहाई चुनौती

विवाह साधन संदर्भ के अनुसार निवारकार एक प्रारंभिक बाधा है, जो अपेक्षाकृत महत्व के, विनिवेश की सीमा और सहायता पर प्रति जैसे सिद्धांतों को मोड़ देता है। इस बाधा को निवारण व नियंत्रण शासकीय प्रणालियों के माध्यम से कमी करना चाहिए। निवारकार निवारण श्रेणी में संबंधित राज्य के निवारकार अधिकारियों का महत्वपूर्ण योगदान है, जिनके साथ सहभागिता संरचना के समारोह, निवारकार कार्यक्रम समिति के बाहरी विषयकः

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Training for Carers' Project Team

NBJK staffs have attended 3 days training during 17 - 19 April on Organization & Advocacy for Carers Empowerment by Carers Worldwide, UK at Bangalore. The main purpose of this training was to emphasize the strategic need of Carers Movement to address the issues Carers are facing in their regions. Other two participant organizations were SACRED from Andhra Pradesh and SAMUHA SAMARTHYA from Karnataka. Dr. Anil Patil (Founder & ED, Carers Worldwide) has shared his concern for the people, who care for their family members with mental illness, disability, old age or any other illness but become losers of employment, education, health and social contacts for themselves. He said that there are no organizations in India, Nepal, Bangladesh or South Africa working specifically to address their needs. From NBJK. Mr. Rajeev Singh (Team Leader) has informed about baseline survey, identification of 828 Carers (97% women), formation of their SHGs (58 nos.) and expectations from their side. The training has facilitated participants to reflect on their objectives, to understand their role for working with the care & federations, strategies/ process of advocacy and towards the goal of Carers Movement. Mr. Ramakrishna was the resource person and there were 14 participants in the training who prepared plan of actions for their VOEs. NBJK associates Carers Worldwide in the program upon Carers launched at Hazaribag for the period of Oct'14 - Sep'17.

Cultural Show-case by LBHC Children

The orphan children of SKB (The Netherlands) supported Lord Buddha Home for Children, Bodhgaya have come forward with self composed lyrics and music under Show-case program organized on 13 May with support of Manzil Mystics, a local group on arts & culture. A team of the group has worked hard for two days with children for the program and facilitated them for an excellent exposure by using their own talent. All the exercise was to imbibe some valuable traits of self respect, confidence, leadership, foresightedness and discipline for personality development among them through the mystic tool of LBHC children have liked this new experiment and performed amazingly during the show. They put words, made musical accouts and impressed the audience by their fair. The show was anchored by Mr. Tripurari P. Singh (Asst. Program Coordinator, NBJK - Bodhgaya) who welcomed the guests and dignitaries. Mr. Shamshul Akhtar (Karuna Shechen), Mr. Amrendra Kumar (Nalanda), Dr. Abhishek Minal (Lions Club) and Mr. Santosh Kr. Sinaha (Gyan Bharti) have graced the event and encouraged children to present their learning. The program was coupled with prize distribution and citation for 12th batch apprentices of Rozag Training Centre running inside the campus of LBHC for rural youths. Mr. Nitesh Kr. Sharma, Jasveer Anshu Raaj, Santosh Pandey, Anant Rohit, Minhas Ansari and Ajay Kumar have contributed a lot to make the events successful.

SPSS Students Shine with Flying Colors

The students of NBJK run Surenkha Prakashbhai Public School have scored 100% result in class X under Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi. There were 62 students appeared this year for the examination conducted by CBSE and all have made their school proud of them. Three students namely Ankikumar Singh, Anan Raj and Nancy Jain have achieved 10 CGPA while Pinky Kumar & Rupesh Kumar (9.8), Ankikumar Raj (9.2), Anurag (8.8), Jaikishore Kumar (8.6) with Rimy Chatterjee, Imtayaz Khan, Ankikumar, Himanshu Kumar, Chandrashekar Kumar, Shilpi Kumar and Shruti Kumar are as high as fliers in the list. Ms. Rina Padey (Principal, SPPS) has congratulated all the students with their parents and praised the teachers as well as NBJK leadership for support with team spirit. Mr. Girija Salish (ED, NBJK), Mr. Gandhav Gaurav (Program Director) and school teachers have extended their best wishes to the outgoing batch. Surenkha Prakashbhai Public School has introduced Plus 2 classes from current academic session and contributes to affordable plus quality education within reach of the rural community at Chouparuan block in Hazaribag district, Jharkhand.

Këmpërsës përiyënuana tëmës ka praësësë

Në 2015-ja këmpërsës kërkuesi i 17-19 ëllëtë i këmpërsës ilësardëve, ku-k. ak ëllëtë i këmbërrës ilësardëve, më bëkë së e ngërmizë te bes hënë te largë te jepë te ëllëtë te qëllimës i jëmbërvësës dhe vëllëmërës te bes hënë te largë te jepë te ëllëtë te qëllimës i jëmbërvësës. Në 2013 ëllëtë, bes e bërën te largë te jepë te ëllëtë te qëllimës i jëmbërvësës. Në 2011 ëllëtë, bes e bërën te largë te jepë te ëllëtë te qëllimës i jëmbërvësës. Në 2009 ëllëtë, bes e bërën te largë te jepë te ëllëtë te qëllimës i jëmbërvësës. Në 2007-ja këmpërsës kërkuesi i 17-19 ëllëtë i këmbërvësës ilësardëve, ku-k. ak ëllëtë i këmbërrës ilësardëve, më bëkë së e ngërmizë te bes hënë te largë te jepë te ëllëtë te qëllimës i jëmbërvësës. Në 2015-ja këmpërsës kërkuesi i 17-19 ëllëtë i këmbërvësës ilësardëve, ku-k. ak ëllëtë i këmbërrës ilësardëve, më bëkë së e ngërmizë te bes hënë te largë te jepë te ëllëtë te qëllimës i jëmbërvësës.
Childline 1098 for Hazaribag District

Hazaribag based VOs have launched Childline 1098 in Hazaribag district from June 1, 2015 with support of Childline India Foundation, Kolkata under guidelines of the Union Ministry of Women & Child Development. A toll free no. 1098 is operational for 24 hours in the district to provide outreach service for children in need of care and safety. NBJK has joined the league as a sub-centre of Childline Hazaribag for Chouparan block. Other VOs are Darpan as nodal, Srijan Foundation as collaborative while Samadhan and Jansewa Parishad as sub-centre for organizations for Barkaigan and Bishunghar blocks respectively. During an in house training held on 27-31 May at NBJK, Mrs. Harshmanjari Nanda and Ms Meghali from Childline India Foundation have elaborated about the program before participants of partner VOs. They have introduced 1098, the number servicable at 330 places across India with an objective to facilitate child rights. They have provided inputs like task for Childline, case process, documentation, Juvenile Justice Act / Board, duty of Child Welfare Committee / Officer etc. The Childline team members were asked for assessment of the problem and to develop a resource diary for mobilizing help to children in time. A city coordinator, 4 team leader and 21 team members have been selected for Childline Hazaribag. Mrs. Rajneeta Kiran (Darpan), Mr. Swapan Manna (Srijan Foundation), Mr. Ramral Prasad (Jansewa Parishad), Mr. Sanjiva Bhattacharya (Samadhan) and Mr. Satish Giria (NBJK) have expressed their best wishes for the program.

NBJK Initiates for Biometric Attendance System

NBJK has introduced a Biometric Attendance System for its Coordination Office at Amrit Nagar, Hazaribag from May 15. All staffs have been instructed to make entry of their thumb impression for incoming & outgoing movements. They report for arrival during 9-9.30 AM to register daily attendance, for departure & arrival between 1:00-2.00 PM at lunch time and for exit in between 5-5.30 PM at the end of the day. This allows Microcredit field staffs for late entry at 2-2.30 PM and includes local travel with all outside movements of employees as per the rule. Mr. Mishilesh Kumar (Office Manager) has informed about various features of the biometric system before all staffs of C.O. and demonstrated about the functioning. He believes in smooth dealing of the affairs now and confirmed about all time personalized data on hand to finalize salary, pay-roll and other monthly calculations. The Biometric is a professional fingerprint access and time attendance control system that uses fingerprint, voice guidance, attendance record, fingerprint update and data communication. The system is already installed at NBJK head office and Loknayak Jaiprakash Eye Hospital at Bahera village.

Orientation Workshop for Rights to PWDs Program Team

3 days orientation workshop for staffs of Rights to PWDs program team was held on 2 - 4 June at NBJK Coordination office. The program has been extended with funding of AVI - BLF, UK after 2 years of its completion by support of AVI - DFID, UK during July 29th to June 2013. Now this is being implemented for next three years in 500 new villages of Hazaribag, Koderma, Giridih, Gaya, Nawada districts of Jharkhand and Bihar. Mr. Ivan Nutbrown (Action Village India, UK) has enriched the workshop with his view upon program execution. He applauded the responsibility of team members to facilitate entitlements for PWDs. It’s worth mentioning that during last phase of the program, NBJK could identify 32000 people with special needs, ensure disability certificates for 29000 of them and connect 17000 PWDs with pension or any other claim. Mr. Mohit Gupta (State Program Coordinator) has briefed about revival of the process initiated earlier and expected for more challenged people to come in the fold through a fresh baseline survey. The program aims for selection & training of 100 volunteers, issuance of 15000 new certificates, entitlements to 19000 PWDs, formation of 250 SHGs & 75 DPOs, skill training to 1000 PWDs, service to 4000 visually / hearing impaired children and many more within the time to come. Now every district has a team of 11 members including 8 field staffs, 2 block coordinators and a district coordinator to look after the program smoothly.

निःशक्ति अधिकारिता परियोजना तीम का उन्मुक्तीकरण

बैंकीए - श्रीलक्ष्मी, (कृष्णे) की नौ जो मा जाकृं केन्द्र द्वारा पुन: प्रारंभ निःशक्ति अधिकारिता परियोजना तीम है 2-4 जून की निःशक्ति प्रयास को उन्मुक्ती देने के लिए। बैंकीए - श्रीलक्ष्मी (कृष्णे) से 09-06-13 को अधिकार में नामांकन प्रयास को पुन: हजारिबाग, कोडरमा, गिरिदिघ और बिहार के निस्कलन के 500 विभागों में मैक्रोक्विट का प्रयास। श्री आदित्य रामकुमार (प्राकृतिक) ने कार्यालय के माध्यम से वास्तविक हौकर कार्यकर्ता के साथ संवाद में हुए सुनाए गए दिशाएँ दिया। उन्होंने निःशक्तियों के अधिकार और सावान जीवन बदलने में कार्यकर्ताओं की मूल्यांकन को सरासर बताया। उल्लेखित है कि यह कार्यकर्ता के पास दैर्घ्य 32000 निःशक्तियों की पश्चात 29000 निःशक्ति पुरस्कार और छाप 17000 के लिए अवधा अपने के लिए एक सरकारी सुविधा को जोड़ा। श्री भविष्य घटना (प्रयासविद्युत प्रयास) ने फिर इस प्रक्रिया के जबरदस्त और सरासर कामों के लिए कठिनाई में दूर होने वाले संस्थानों से यह अजीबोत्तर निःशक्ति में जुड़ने की प्रमुख चाह दिया। अपने 3 महीने 100 प्रविष्ट समाजसेवक, 15000 प्रयासक, 19000 निःशक्तियों के अधिकार, 250 सत्तार सभाएँ, 75 निःशक्ति संगठन, 1000 प्रयासकों को कौशल प्रदान, 6000 इंडिया स्नातकों की सेवा के लिए स्वच्छन्द रूप से सरासर जीवन का प्रयास करने वाले। इस प्रक्रिया की लिए एक निःशक्ति समाजवादी, श्री प्रकृति समाजवादी और जाति कैलिम कार्यकर्ताओं की टीम द्वारा कार्य शुरू हुआ।
From Cradle to Classroom

Sintu Kumar (16) was born with polio caused legs, weak mind and lost her mother soon after his birth. He is only alive offspring of his parents. His father Mr. Birju Ram (village - Sarain, Hazanbag Sadar Block) is a marginal farmer of SC community and pulls kishaw. Sintu, the child was taken up by her own maternal grandmother Mrs. Gensis Devi (village - Birbiri) who still cares for him. At that time SPANDAN (a special school by NBJK for MR/CP children) was running and Sintu was enrolled there to grow with new learning including ADL through play way method amid a better milieu. Soon he became a beneficiary of the program for PWDs with support of Paul Hamlyn Foundation, UK and our advocacy ensured him a tricycle from DDRC, disability certificate and state pension. Sintu was facilitated for schooling and passed class VIII from Middle School at his maternal place. He was encouraged for admission at Amrit Nagar High School, about 5 km far from his place and he goes there by his tricycle on his own. In class IX, Sintu found free coaching facility for Science, Maths and English under RCC program with support of Axis Bank Foundation that provided him a new tricycle too. Sometimes Sintu sells eggs & gram packets to meet his personal expenditures as the pension is quite irregular. NBJK has convinced management of the high school for 50% discount in his tuition fee. Sintu will appear for class X board examination.