

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

SHIBGANJ INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY



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SIDS's VISION

The society will be free from poverty, deprivation and unjust. It will be a self-reliant society based on human values like Cooperation, participation, justice, respect and love where people will participate in the decentralized political process, where the economy will be based on localized production and consumption, the environment will be free from pollution and exploitation, the people will survive with their own indigenous socio-cultural identity.

SIDS's MISSION

SIDS strives to provide opportunities for health, education, environment, agriculture, and socio-economic development of the poor and downtrodden people with particular emphasis on differentially vulnerable groups like women, children, the rural poor people and the berated youths.

REGISTRATION AND EMPANELMENT

- Registered under the West Bengal Societies Registration Act, xxvi of 1961.
(Registration no- S/1L/31170 of 2005-06)
- Registered under The Foreign Contribution Regulation Act., Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India (Registration No. 147111191)
- PAN No- AAYAS8726J
- TAN- CALS50957E
- Registered under NITI AAYOG- WB/2018/0206326
- Registered under section 12AA of the Income Tax Act, 1961.
- Registered under section 80G(5)(vi) of the Income Tax Act,1961
- Registered under Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India.
- Registration under Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Entrepreneurship, Govt. of India (Registration No- UDYAM-WB-18-0007693).
- Registered under Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India. (CSR00012746)
- Registered under Food Safety and Standard Authority of India (FSSAI) , Govt. of West Bengal.
- Registered with Guide Star India (GSN-11999)
- Registered with STARTUP BENGAL (Regd. No- PS2020000010)
- Registered as an associate member of CIVICUS.
- Empanelment as a member of the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC).
- Accredited provisionally member of the United Nations Convention to combat Desertification (UNCCD)

SIDS's SUSTAINABILITY CHARACTER

- *Promoting quality education*
- *Supporting preventive healthcare*
- *Encouraging environment sustainability and sustaining ecological balance and conservation of natural resources.*
- *Making safe drinking water available.*
- *Eradicating hunger, poverty and malnutrition.*
- *Developing sustainable agriculture and sustainable farming practices.*

MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF SECRETARY



Dear well wishers,

We have crossed nineteen years and entered a new year. It is great pleasure to look back at 19 years of our long journey. I sincerely thank all of our Board members, general members, Advisors and donors who have stood with us through these tough times, been hands on and so supportive. I would also like to express gratitude to our partners who have given us the opportunity to continue to work together for the well-being of the disadvantaged and needy community in Sundarbans. The entire team of SIDS has worked very hard despite natural disasters like Amphan, Yaas, loss of loved ones and the home environment not being conducive to work.

We have encountered many challenges but never stepped back from our objectives and compromised with any evil forces. Since the inception of the organization we have continued our activities for the development of the needy people of Pathar Pratima, Kakdwip and Namkhana blocks in Sundarbans. We are glad that our efforts have reached some of the most marginalized families in the part of Sundarbans. These efforts were lauded by local Panchayats and other dignitaries.

Keeping in mind the development of the people in the target area, we have implemented ten projects like Sustainable Agricultural Development, Development of Child Education, Livelihood Programs on Animal Husbandry, Promotion and protection of Human Rights, Construction of Toilets, Eradication of Hunger, Sexual Violence against Women and Women Rights, Reproductive Child Health, Land Restoration Management, and Road Safety Awareness during the year 2023-24 efficiently. We have not received any grant from Government or Donor partner in this year. The Covid-19 pandemic and its continuing aftermath have changed the world order dramatically. It affects the primary demand and supply calculations to a great extent and makes poor people poorer. With the shrunken employment and lack of growth opportunity financially marginalized communities have been affected the most. But we have received immense support and contributions from individuals and on line fund raising institutions for implementation of these projects. Due to lack of necessary funds we could not reach all the needy and disadvantaged people. But we are trying our best. Your full support and cooperation is helping us to move forward. We have prioritized a few objectives of 17 Sustainable Development Goals in this year. We want to walk towards the goal of Sustainable Development Goals. We will try in the present year to give priority to No Poverty, Zero Hunger, Good Health and Well being, Quality Education, Gender Equality, Clean Water and Sanitation, Affordable and Clean Energy, Climate Action and Life on Land which are included in SDGs.

We are deeply indebted to the mentoring and guidance from the members of our Governing Body that enables us to understand our vision as an organization. My sincere thanks to our staff members and volunteers for their dedicated efforts in implementing our programs. I extend a special thanks to our staff for their guidance on best financial practices with maximum transparency and good governance. We are sincerely thankful to the participation and support of the entire community that we work with, for it is their voice and spirit that can bring about the change that we envision. The New Year brings new opportunities and we look forward to creating high impact program. Long live SIDS.

Thanking you.

Date:13/07/2024

Subimal Karan
Secretary

PAST ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION

- Establishment of Pre-Primary and Primary school for quality education.
- Various types of Vocational training have been organized for women and youths for their livelihoods.
- Various types of training on Handicrafts have been organized for rural women.
- Reproductive Child Health and Community Health Development.
- Cultural programs for promotion of all forms of art and culture.
- Sustainable Agricultural Development and Food Security Programs
- Distribution of relief materials and ration among disaster affected persons.
- Installation of new tube wells for safe drinking water.
- Financial Help to poor meritorious students for educational development.
- Awareness programs on COVID-19 and Ration and Corona virus kits distribution among Corona virus affected families.
- Biotechnology oriented program.
- Solid waste Management
- Installation of solar panels at poor households in Sundarbans areas.
- Ration and clothes distribution among helpless and poor senior citizens.
- Development of Persons with Disabilities.
- Seminars/ Awareness camps/workshops on Legal rights to women, Violence against women, Consumer protection Act, Menstrual hygiene of adolescents, Nutritional care for children, Road safety, etc.
- Environment protection and Conservation of biological diversity.
- Construction of toilets at the premises of the poor households.
- Promoting Yogic culture among school students.

OUR POLICIES

- Code of Conduct
- Child Protection Policy
- Privacy Policy
- Procurement Policy
- Refund and Cancellation Policy
- Sexual Harassment Policy
- Corruption and Anti Bribery Policy
- Conflict of Interest
- Financial Management Policy
- Environmental Policy
- Data Protection Policy

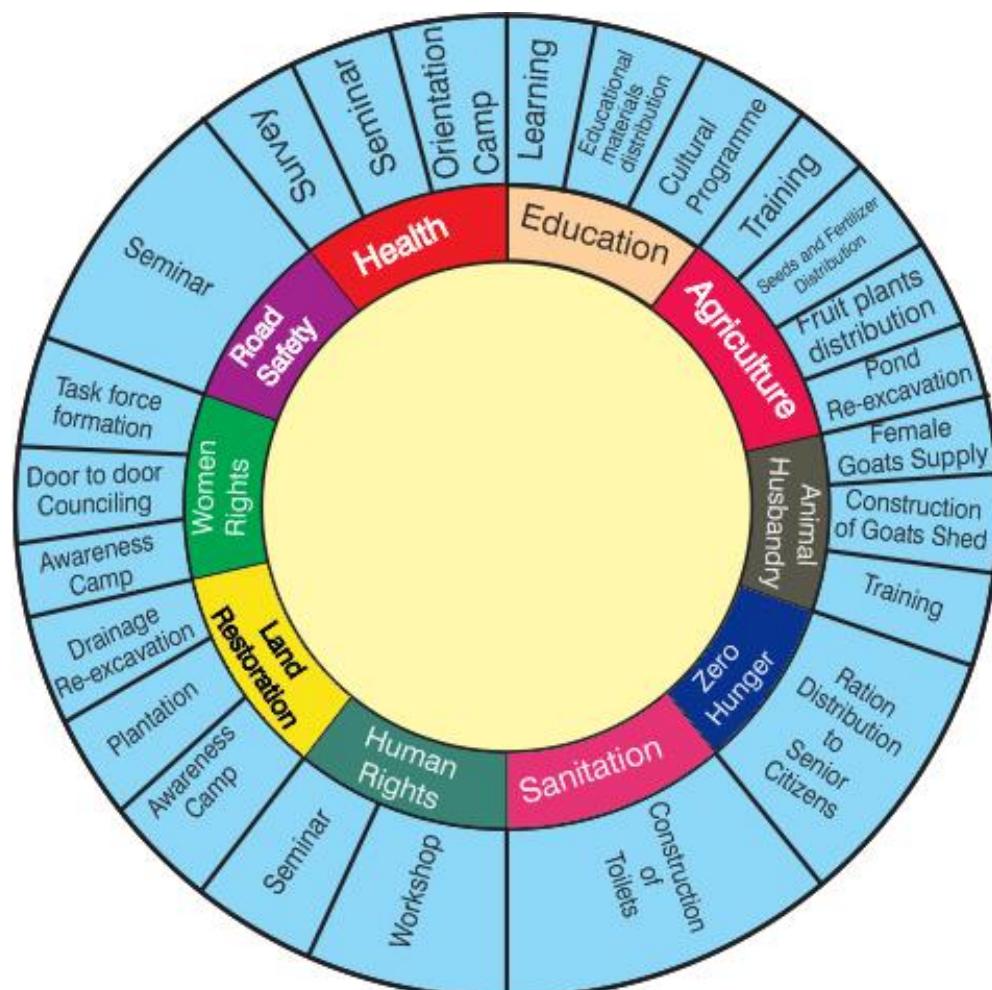
SOCIAL MEDIA (URL)

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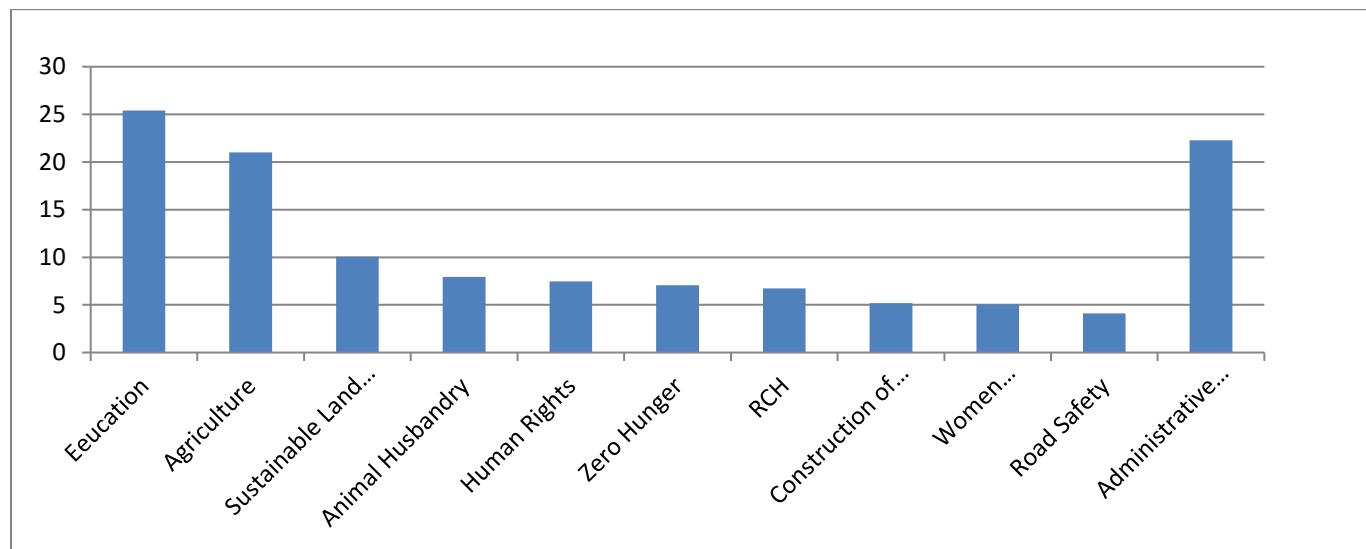
PERFORMANCE REPORT IN THE YEAR -2023-24

1. Health	Seminar, Orientation camp, Survey
2. Education	Reading, Supply of dress and books, cultural ceremony
3. Environment	Training on Land restoration, Re-excavation of drainage, Plantation.
4. Sanitation	Construction of toilets
5. Animal Husbandry	Goats distribution, Awareness, Fodder supply, Construction of sheds
6. Agriculture	Pond excavation, Training, Fertilizer & medicine distribution, Fingerlings distribution & Fruit trees planting
7. No hunger	Relief distribution
8. Human Rights	Awareness camps, workshop
9. Road safety	Seminar
10. Women rights	Wall writing, Counseling and workshop

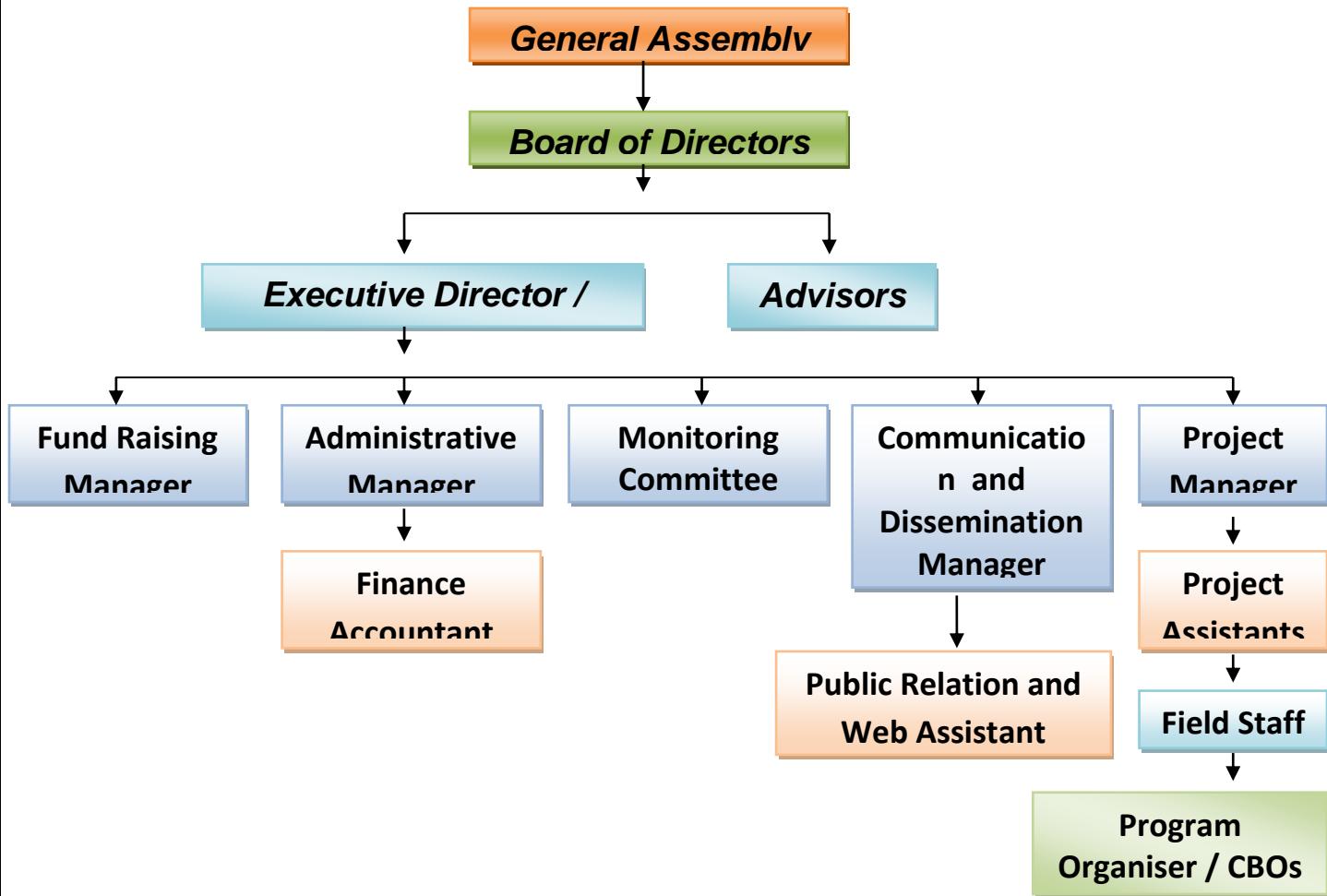
IMPLEMENTED PROJECTS AND TYPES OF WORK (2023-24)



PERCENTAGE OF PROJECT BASED EXPENDITURE



ORGANOGRAM



Reproductive Child Health (RCH)



Orientation Camp on RCH

Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) is a program that aims at combating and reducing the mortality rates of mothers, infants and children. In RCH camps ante-natal check up of pregnant women, immunization services to children, family planning services to eligible couples are provided free of cost. The RCH program incorporates components for family planning, child survival and safe motherhood, prevention of sexually transmitted diseases/infections, and adolescent health.

Everyone realizes the need for RCH programs in rural and coastal areas of Sundarbans. From a survey report of the coastal area, the authorities of SIDS thought

very much about the matter. For lack of fund, they included a few activities into this project and they have selected three poor and disadvantaged villages for implementation of this project. A few orientation camps and seminar conducted in the villages with the pregnant mothers and recently married women and separately two seminars conducted with adolescent girls. The health department co-operated us with resource persons and health related materials.



Seminar on RCH

Sustainable Agricultural Development



A vegetable garden of a trained farmer
are major challenges to agriculture growth in Sundarbans.

Sustainable agriculture refers to a holistic approach to farming and food production that aims to meet the current needs for food and fiber while ensuring the long-term viability of agricultural systems and preserving natural resources for future generations. The agriculture economy is greatly depended on monsoon and food. Land erosion, drought and other natural calamities often affect production in agriculture. Deterioration of soil health due to imbalance in the use of chemical fertilizers, paucity of suitable improved varieties of seed, unorganized marketing structure, etc.



A farmer's cultivation during Kharif Season

The staff of the organization surveyed two villages under Pathar Pratima block. Kamdeb Nagar village was selected in board meeting as their target area of agricultural development for the year 2023-24. The organization selected 50 families in the village as the beneficiaries of the project. Participation of 50 women from 50 families was high in this project. They were given agricultural training in two batches. They were given improved seeds and compost fertilizer for growing rice and vegetables. A few ponds were re-excavated for fish farming and for cultivation during Rabi cropping season. Fruit plants and fish lings distributed among the beneficiaries. Women acquired skills in agriculture and in later years they were able to stand on their own feet.



A trained farmer's Vegetable Garden

Development of child education in coastal areas



Student of a Class Room of Primary-III

The deltaic region of Sundarbans is very much prone to natural calamities like tidal surge, breach of river embankments, cyclone, flood, etc. Floods or cyclones occur almost every year in Sundarbans. The inhabitants of the proposed area are mainly poor and marginalized. Agriculture, fishing, wood cutting and daily labour are the main source of occupation at the target areas. Children of fishermen and poor farmers are always malnourished and suffer from various diseases due to lack of nutrition food and health awareness. Parents of these affected areas cannot send their children to school due to extreme poverty.

We have been running a Pre-Primary school since 2018. Primary section has been added since last year. We all know that Primary education is the first step of formal education. The overall approach of primary education is to build and develop a child's literacy, social and emotional skills. It also helps children develop their own learning style, critical thinking and character. The organization does not collect any fees from the students. The organization provides the dress, books and educational materials to the students free of cost. A two-day cultural program was held with the students. The organization continues to bear all the costs of school management and education.



Part of a Nurserv Class

Ration distribution among poor senior citizens



Rice distribution to a aged parson

Food and healthcare security among the senior citizens is an emerging fact that requires absolute attention in the caring of the senior citizens. Caring for old fathers and mothers in every culture and religion in the world is acceptable practice and norms. However due to individualism, time constraints and an eroded cultural values which brings negligence for others, most elderly people in the world suffering to live and at least have happy ending. There are numerous elderly people who exposed to various life problems living in block areas. These older persons are vulnerable to poverty, food insecurity, limited access to social and health services.

The goal of the project is create decent living condition and happy ending in their terminal life. The activity of the project was to provide dry ration which included Rice, Musur dal, and Oil to the old aged people of Rakshaskhali and Govindapur Abad villages. The organization distributed this ration during 10 months among 50 poor aged people who have no one to look after.



Distribution of food items to elderly women

Empowering rural women through increasing indigenous animal husbandry

India is an agricultural country and Animal Husbandry is an agricultural activity. It plays an important role in ensuring social justice, poverty alleviation, women empowerment and rural development. Importantly, landless and marginal farmers can increase their family income through animal husbandry. Animals provide us with a variety of food products which have high nutritional values. Dairy products from animals like cows, buffaloes, goats, etc. are rich sources of protein. Animal husbandry provides employment to a large number of farmers and women for their livelihood. In the current scenario, India is the 2nd largest producer of goat meat.



Goats grazing by a Beneficiary.



Beneficiaries in goat rearing

The organization supplied 3 goats to each beneficiary and 8 beneficiaries were selected in the Bhagbatpur village. Rearing rooms were constructed by the organization and fodder and medicine for goats were distributed for six months. Two days training program was organized for the beneficiaries. The Staff always visited the beneficiary's house and provided the required assistance.

Construction of toilet at the premises of poor households



Construction of toilet of Radhika Roy

Historically, sanitation has been a concern from the earliest stage of human settlements in Sundarbans. Many poor households in our target areas use very basic and often unhygienic toilets. Open defecation can lead to the spread of the waterborne diseases such as cholera and diarrhea. Without improved sanitation facilities, the risks of infections or other illness from fecal sludge or wastewater are extremely high. Using proper toilets prevents the transfer of bacteria, viruses and parasites found in human excreta which otherwise contaminate water resources, soil and food.

The Sundarbans is always flood prone areas and the beneficiaries of Baradapur village have been seriously affected by the cyclonic storm AMPHAN, YAAS and COVID-19. The organization constructed two toilets for two families. Each beneficiary contributed Rs. 2000.00 to the organization for his/her toilets. The organization took all the responsibility and constructed the toilets of the beneficiaries.



Construction of toilet of Tapati Jana

Conservation of Biodiversity through Sustainable Land Management



Sowing seed for protection of land.

This project proposal outlines a comprehensive approach to address environmental challenges through reforestation, sustainable land management practices, and raising awareness about environmental conservation. Land restoration is the prevention of degradation or rehabilitation of degraded land. It aims to enhance biodiversity, restore ecosystems services, and mitigate climate change impacts.

The organization organized training and capacity building programs to local communities and farmers on sustainable land management practices. It established a demonstration site to showcase the benefits and effectiveness of sustainable land management techniques. The organization Conducted a land degradation assessments to identify areas prone to erosion, desertification, or soil degradation. Drainage was re-excavated for quick outlet of water in rainy season for agricultural development and fruit plants were planted on the bank of the pond of beneficiaries for prevention of land erosion and conservation of biological diversity.



Pond re-excavation for land restoration.

Reduce road accidents and deaths by developing safe road culture and environment



Seminar on road safety for school students.

Practicing road safety measures is very good and safe to all people all through the life. Everyone should respect others while driving or walking on the road and take care of their safety. People safety on the road is one of the most important aspects in order to avoid road side accidents, injury and death. Road safety education is very much essential in today's world as road traffic is becoming increasingly busy. Now there are more cars, scooters, motorbikes, and buses, etc. on the road. Some effective measures can protect the pedestrians all the road problems.

The measures are like basic awareness about vehicle, defensive driving according to road conditions, and use of vehicles light and horn, avoid over speeding, avoid drink driving, do not use cell phone while driving, etc. Our organization has implemented various programs on Road Safety over the years. This year our organization has organized a few seminars. The school students and common people participated in the seminar. Our organization believes that road accidents and deaths can be prevented through Road Safety awareness.



Seminar on road safety for school students.

Sexual violence and women rights



Seminar on Sexual violence and women rights.

Human life, the family, the society and the nation are largely dependable on women but they are being continuously exploited for the selfish end of men. They are denied their right to participate in decision making in the development process. She is treated as secondary citizen. Poor women are being forcibly exploited where there are hundreds of deaths remain unnoticed of the reason. The poor women in our target areas are very much exploited and becoming victims of social evils like dowry system, lacking proper health facilities, education facilities, unemployment, bonded labour etc. Women are also victims of incest, rape and domestic violence that often lead to trauma, physical handicap or death.

Our organization implemented a few programs in the target areas to prevent and reduce the violence on women and girls. The organization organized a few seminars for creating awareness among women and girls about violence inside and outside the family. All the people were warned by wall writing. The staff visited the households of the target villages and advised women how to tackle the problem. Every woman says the same as they have been plagued with this problem for a long time. Three task forces have been formed in three villages to prevent violence.



Mothers meeting on open field on Sexual violence and women rights.

Promotion and protection of Human rights

Human rights include the right to life and liberty, freedom from slavery and torture, freedom of opinion and expression, the right to work and education, and many more. Everyone is entitled to these rights, without discrimination. Human rights are basic rights that humans have by virtue of being humans, regardless of age, sex, race, ethnicity, religion, or any other differentiating factor. These are the standards to protect the dignity of an individual and grant basic rights that enable a basic tenet by which we live in a society.



Seminar on human rights for school students.

Towards empowering the local communities and empowering them to demand the protection of their human rights, we organized mass awareness camps on human rights for the promotion and protection of human rights. Towards making children aware of human rights and also to their rights as children and youth, we conducted awareness sessions in school. One workshop was organized with target women and it helped to raise awareness on gender-based discrimination and structural barriers hindering women's leadership roles in economic activities in households and communities in the local context. The workshops will help in empowering the women to demand their basic rights and also enable them to fight against discrimination.



Workshop with mothers on human rights.

Success story

Srimati Khuku Rani Jana is a farmer of Pathar Pratima block in South 24 Parganas district of West Bengal. She participated in the various agricultural training programs organized by SIDS and she was a beneficiary of our project. In 2019 she decided to grow six varieties of crops through the pre-monsoon dry sowing (PMDS) method in her leased land of 0.5 acres. Cucumber cultivation was done in a greenhouse with Natural Farming. Initially, she started the conventional cultivation of Paddy, Tomatoes, cucumber, etc. Later on, realizing the importance of diversified farming, she started cultivation of vegetables in her land. Taking advantages of our scheme, guidance and quality hybrid seeds provided by the SIDS started earning significant profits per season.

Now she cultivated vegetables like radish, chilies, beans, bottle gourd, bitter gourd, lady's finger, etc. She invested a start-up capital of INR 20,000.00. She is currently actively involved in the Agricultural department for implementing modern technology in agriculture field. She has earned INR 1,40,000.00 without investment capital from this farming in a year. She and her husband work day and night to take care of the vegetable gardens and hence the cost of production is less, giving them better profits.

During her training period Khuku Rani received comprehensive knowledge and know-how of business planning, marketing policy and monitoring. Khuku Rani is now a successful cultivator. She is motivating women farmer members of various Self- Help Groups to adopt new technologies. Being an aware and hard working farmer, she is an inspiration for the other's farmers in the area.



"AGRICULTURE WAS THE FIRST OCCUPATION OF MAN, AND AS IF EMBRACES THE WHOLE EARTH, IT IS THE FOUNDATION OF ALL OTHERS INDUSTRIES".

----Edward W Stewart

Receipts and Payments accounts for the year- 2023-24.

Receipts	Amount	Payments	Amount
To Opening balance		<i>By Sustainable Agricultural Development</i>	1,84,600.00
Cash in hand	4,965.60	“ Promotion and protection of Human Rights	65,745.00
Cash at bank	49,832,10	“ Sexual violence and women rights	44,400.00
“ Donation	4,14,000.00	“ Sustainable Land Management	88,150.00
“ Subscription	58,000.00	“ Construction of toilet	45,400.00
“ Admission Fees	2,000.00	“ Livelihood program on Animal husbandry	69,650.00
“ Community contribution for Land Management	64,640.00	“ Reproductive Child Health care	58,914.30
“ Community contribution For Animal Husbandry	62,300.00	“ Pre-Primary and Primary school for coastal poor infants	2,22,925.00
“ Community contribution for Development of primary education	22,800.00	“ Eradication of hunger	62,100.00
“ Community contribution for Eradication of Hunger.	43,500.00	“ Road Safety Programs	36,000.00
		“ Postage and Telegraph	1,289.30
		“ Registration Renewal Fees	25.00
“ Community contribution for Agricultural development	95,240.00	“ Meeting expenses	3,167.00
“ Miscellaneous sales proceeds	18,200.00	“ House Rent	30,000.00
“ Donation by Bank transfer	3,83,578.96	“ Travelling Allowance	3,515.00
“ Bank interest	213.00	“ Furniture	20,000.00
“ Grant-in-Aid from Online Giving Foundation	11,850.00	“ Staff salary	1,92,000.00
		“ Contingency	2,932.00
		“ Printing & Stationery	6,714.00
		“ Office decoration	8,195.00
		“ Bank charges	650.00
		“ Audit Fees	3,000.00
		“ Closing Balance	
		“ Cash in hand	3,924.00
		“ Cash at Bank	77,824.06
Total	12,31,119.66	Total	12,31,119.66

Meeting of the Executive Committee for the year 2023-24

Date	No. of members present	Topics discussed
18/04/2023	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eradication of Hunger • Pre-Primary school • Reproductive Child Health • Sustainable Agricultural Development • Construction of toilets at poor households • Staff salary • Miscellaneous
14/07/2023	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empowering rural women through Animal Husbandry • Conservation of Biodiversity through Land Management • Road Safety programs • Sexual violence and women rights • Registration renewal • Miscellaneous
20/11/2023	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Website • Promotion and protection of Human Rights • Foreign Project proposal. • Miscellaneous
21/01/2024	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of Environment policy • Approval of Corruption and Anti Bribery policy • Approval of Conflict of Interest policy • Taking membership of various organizations

Annual general meeting for the year 2022-2023

Date	No. of member's present	Topics discussed
29/06/2023	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of 2022-23 Annual report • 2022-23 Audit report discussion • Publication and circulation of Annual Report • Approval of Budget for the year 2023-24. • Approval of all schemes and project implemented in the year 2022-23.

NGO'S ADVISORY COUNCIL

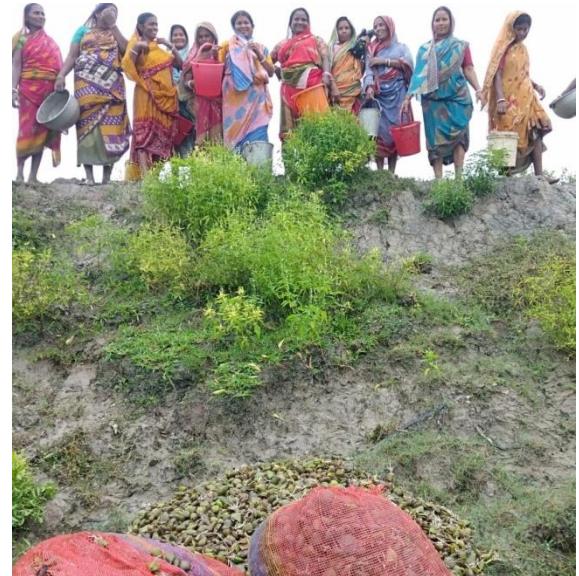
1. Mr. Parimal Karan, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Labor and Employment, Govt. of India.
2. Mr. N.C. Pal, Retired Zonal Director, Nehru Yuba Kendra Sangathan.
3. Mr. Tarun Kumar Maity, Head Master, Kamdevpur Snehabala Sikshaniketan (10+2)
4. Sri Subhendu Kumar Hota, Advocate, Calcutta High Court.
5. Mr. Rampada Bera, Retired Lieutenant, Indian Commission

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- Bose Institute, Kolkata
- Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India.
- Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India
- Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Entrepreneurship, Govt. of India
- NITI AAYOG, Govt. of India
- State Bank of India, New Delhi Main Branch & State Bank of India, Pathar Pratima Branch
- Canara Bank, Kakdwip Branch
- Guide Star India
- Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council, Geneva
- CIVICUS, Johannesburg
- Christian Aid Foundation, India
- Give India Fundraiser
- United Way Mumbai
- The Great Swan Consulting, Chhattisgarh
- The MANAGR
- Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India
- United Nations Convention to combat Desertification (UNCCD), Germany
- Benevity Causes, Canada
- PatharPratima and kakdwip Block administration
- Registrar of Firms, Societies and Non-trading Corporation, West Bengal
- Income Tax Department, Govt. of India
- Razorpay, Bengaluru
- DonateKart, Bengaluru
- On Line Giving Foundation, Bengaluru



Fruit plants distribution among women.



Seeds collection by women for mangrove plantation.

**OUR ORGANIZATION WILL CONTINUE TO STRIVE TO ACHIEVE 10 OF THE SEVENTEEN
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

