

Six Monthly Progress Report

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for advancement and enable
the adolescents to become
capable citizens**

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Detailed Report

Objectives of the project:

- I To conduct meetings, awareness & counseling of parents of adolescents in target area
- ii To organize the adolescent girls in groups in the target area
- iii To conduct study through organizing camps of adolescents on various aspects (health, social, legal, intellectual, decision making & man woman equality)
- iv To develop capacities through vocational & skill development training
- v To expose the adolescents to the outer world
- vi To organize get together of all the adolescents of all the targeted villages

Target Group:

The target group is all the adolescent girls between the age group of 11 to 18 of age in proposed 10 villages. They will be formed into groups named “Kishori Gat” comprising of 8-12 girls in each group.

Target Area:

The project will be implemented in 10 villages of Ghatanji block in Yavatmal district as detailed below.

Activities carried out:

1. Visits, identification & selection of villages:

Visited all the identified villages & met with the Sarpanch, school Head Master & the SHG members of the village & inform them about the project. The villages were selected for the interventions of the project activities in which, the favourable conditions found in terms of probability of support from the people & the number of adolescents. List of selected villages is as below.

S. No.	Name of Village	No. of SHG's in village	No. of adolescents in village
01.	Dorli	03	21
02.	Mandava	05	41
03.	Titvi	08	75
04.	Rajegaon	03	30
05.	Choramba	02	38
06.	Karmana	03	40
07.	Inzala	04	35
08.	Yevati	05	33
09.	Yerangaon	10	56
10.	Nukti	01	09
	Total	44	378

2. Village level awareness/counseling camps for parents / guardians:

It was proposed to organize the awareness camp for the parents of the adolescents to convince them about allowing their daughters to participate in the project activities. Instead of organizing awareness camps a street play programme was presented in each of the squares of village & especially the middle of the village. The contents of street play programme were:

- Present status of adolescents in the society
- Undue favors to a male child in a family
- Infanticide of a female child
- Health & diet of adolescence
- Social bindings on the adolescents
- Information about the project



Joint meeting of SHG members & adolescents:

Joint meeting of SHG members & the adolescent girls were organized in each of the villages. Following points were discussed in the meeting in the presence of project coordinator.



S. No.	Name of Village	Date of meeting	Attendance of SHG Members	Participation of adolescents
01.	Dorli	13.03.2012	05	11
02.	Mandava	03.03.2012	12	12
03.	Titvi	11.02.2012	117	22
04.	Rajegaon	16.02.2012	28	11
05.	Choramba	16.02.2012	09	30
06.	Karmana	18.02.2012	12	10
07.	Inzala	13.03.2012	13	09
08.	Yevati	14.02.2012	10	13
09.	Yerangaon	22.02.2012	10	08
10.	Nukti	19.02.2012	10	07
	Total		226	133

The points discussed in the meeting were:

- Objectives of the project
- Action plan of the project
- Probable benefits to adolescents from this project
- Request for seeking participation of women in the programme & to allow their daughters to participate in the programme

3. Meetings & formation of groups of adolescents:

Special meetings of the adolescent were organized in each village. The groups of adolescents have been formed comprising of 8-12 adolescents per group. Total 27 groups have been formed in 10 villages. There are 2 to 4 groups in some villages, where adolescents are more in numbers. Each of the group has its own name & identity.

S. No.	Name of Village	No of groups	No of members
01.	Dorli	02	19
02.	Mandava	03	33
03.	Titvi	04	40
04.	Rajegaon	02	22
05.	Choramba	03	30
06.	Karmana	04	40
07.	Inzala	02	20
08.	Yevati	02	20
09.	Yerangaon	03	30
10.	Nukti	02	20
	Total	27	274

4. Meetings of Adolescence groups:



The visible changes those have been brought about through discussion, interaction & guidance in the meetings of adolescents.

- No introduction between each other, the girls from a same village & from two different wards, the same has happened due to forming in to group
- Due to village politics the girls were avoiding to go in another ward of a same village, this could be possible through group
- The girls were unknown about the availability of diet & medicines for adolescents in Anganwadi, now they got information about this
- The adolescents from Choramba village had been to the Gram Panchayat to put their problems in the Gram Sabha

5. Promotion of small saving as “Kishori Kosh”:

The Kishori Kosh has been established in six villages & the number of members of these Kishori Kosh is 64. Four other groups are under way to establish the Kosh. The saving being contributed by these groups ranges between Rs. 10 to 30 per member per month.



The established groups are as below who have their saving bank accounts with Vidarbha Kshetriya Gramin Vikas Bank, Ghatanji.

S N	Name of Kishori Kosh	No of members	Saving Rs. /month/ head	Saving bank Account number
01.	Savitribai Kishori Kosh, Yerangaon	10	30/-	5000541030021655
02.	Ashirwad Kishori Kosh, Inzala	10	10/-	5000541030021662
03.	Samta Kishori Kosh, Dorli	14	30/-	5000541030022713
04.	Ekta Kishori Kosh, Choramba	10	20/-	5000541030022706
05.	Swarajya Kishori Kosh, Choramba	10	20/-	5000541030022737
06.	Kshitija Kishori Kosh, Nukti	10	10/-	5000541030022720

Problems faced while opening of bank accounts:

- District central Cooperative bank branch, Sakhara had denied to open the bank account of Kishori groups saying that the age of account operators is below 18 years
- SBI branch Ghatanji also denied to open the bank account of Kishori group on the above ground only
- At the beginning the same cause was shown by the Gramin bank for not opening the bank accounts but finally the bank was convinced on the point that, this was the first ever experiment of opening of bank accounts of the adolescents through which the adolescents could be inhabited to saving.

6. To raise nutritional kitchen gardens:



310 numbers of nutritional kitchen gardens have been developed in the courtyards of the families of adolescents. The seeds of fenugreek, spinach, cucumber, dorka, chawali, beat, lady's finger, vetches, shepoo & chawalai vegetables were distributed among the girls. The plants of brinjal, tomato & chili were provided to the girls with the techniques of plantation. The girls were imparted about moderate use of water for developing the plants.

7. Health camp:

A series of health camp was carried out from 16.03.2012 to 27.03.2012 in all the villages. Each of the camp was divided in two parts guidance & physical check up. The points of the guidance were:

- Self cleanness
- Physical changes
- Monthly menstruation
- Causes of anemia, care & diet to be taken in anemia
- Causes of reducing hemoglobin in youth
- Effects of sexual relations in teenage
- Information about HIV/ AIDS
- Rubina vaccination prevent shedding of hair, growing pimples & smears on face
- Maintaining cleanness of drinking water & management of bathroom water



- What is sickle cell its effects on health
- Guidance on all the above points was made by Dr. Nita Bhore Ghatanji, Dr. Gedam and Staff of PHC, Shivani in each of the camps. Second part of the seminar was physical check up, in this check up following checkups & tests were carried out.

HB test, Weight, Sickle cell test & General check up

S N	Village	HB in gm							Total
		6-7	7.1-8	8.1-9	9.1-10	10.1-11	11.1-12	12-Above	
01.	Dorli	01	07	06	02	01	0	0	17
02.	Mandava	03	06	06	03	0	0	0	18
03.	Titvi	04	25	23	07	0	0	0	59
04.	Rajegaon	03	12	13	03	0	0	0	31
05.	Choramba	04	03	10	08	03	0	0	28
06.	Karmana	02	08	07	02	03	01	0	23
07.	Inzala	0	01	05	12	05	04	0	27
08.	Yevati	0	0	01	01	04	06	0	12
09.	Yerangaon	02	13	17	09	02	0	0	43
10.	Nukti	0	03	03	04	01	0	02	13
	Total	19	78	91	51	19	11	02	271

The chart shows that, maximum numbers of adolescents as many as 91 come under the category of 8.1- to 9 gm of hemoglobin where as minimum numbers of adolescents come under the category of 12 gm and above is only 2. This shows a very hopeless picture.

A chart of Sickle cell affected girls:

S N	Name of village	Affected (SS)	(Conductor) AS	Healthy (AA)	Total
01.	Dorli	0	01	16	17
02.	Mandava	0	02	16	18
03.	Titvi	0	02	57	59
04.	Rajegaon	0	03	28	31
05.	Choramba	0	0	28	28
06.	Karmana	0	0	23	23
07.	Inzala	0	0	27	27
08.	Yevati	0	0	12	12
09.	Yerangaon	0	0	43	43
10.	Nukti	0	0	13	13
	Total	0	08	263	271

- Sickle cell test of 16 girls from Mandava village was carried out earlier resulted in showing 13 positive girls; therefore the test of 18 girls was conducted again.
- Sickle cell test of Miss Meena Janardan Ggedam was come positive; therefore, test of her parents was carried out in which her mother was found to a conductor. Government started Rs. 600/- pm as help to her family

8. Legal Camp:

Duration of camp : 20.05.2012 to 21.05.2012
A batch comprising of girls from : Dorli, Yevai & Nukti villages
Number of participants : 54

Subjects for discussion & guidance:

- Domestic violence law of 2005
- How to register a FIR
- What is RTI
- What is Panchayati Raj

Following points were discussed in detail under the above subjects

- To what we fear of?
- What problems we face while dealing with the outer world?
- The problems o faces during ravel?
- Social bindings
- Traditions & thinking of family
- Self confidence
- What is the law of right to information?
- The village level disputes, its effects & remedies' for its removal
 - i. Dispute free village campaign
 - ii. Dealings with Police station
 - iii. To control abuse & call bad names



How to place the complaint?

1. Oral
 2. Written
- Detailed discussion was held on how the complaint should be?
 - Need of keeping one copy of complaint with us
 - Taking regular follow up of the complaint made through the Police Station whether any action is taken or not
 - Complaint can also be registered to the Protecting Officer through Panchayat Samiti
 - Guidance on the subjects mentioned above was sought from the experienced resource person Advocate Roshani Wanode, Babhlgaon in the two day's legal knowledge camp held at Rasikashraya Training Centre.

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