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Prologue: Villages are considered as the heart of India and are definitely our strength. 70 % of India's population lives in Villages and 47% of the Village populations are living "Below Poverty Line" (BPL) status. Several welfare programmes are designed by the Government for the up-liftment of the rural poor, but they are not reaching the deserving poor in Villages due to various existing systems. The prime goal of SFIRD is to promote Better Villages through Cluster approach with four objectives.

Better Villages for a Better World / Better Life / Better Future through Empowerment, Enlightenment, Environment & Enjoyment through "Cluster" approach.

The VILLAGE CLUSTER Approach for Better Villages for Better Future:

- "Cluster" is circle of habitations in a radius of 20 Kms comprising Villages of same / similar Socio-economic profile and Community Groups
- \bullet Each Cluster will comprise 10-15 Villages / Habitations from local *Gram Panchayaths* (local Self Governance)
- Each Cluster will be facilitated with a Village Cluster Resource Centre (VRC) at the *mandal* / geographical level
- Each Cluster resource centre will have a team of Community Organizers, headed by a Cluster Coordinator
- The functionaries will organize / conduct Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) exercises Felt needs / identified needs will be prioritized to prepare development action plans he envisaged objective is making village "self reliant" and independent.

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"There is no greater violence than to deny the dreams of our Children"

-Kailash Satyarthi

I. Preamble:

In the service of the "Poorest among the Poor" since 2000

Society For Integrated Rural Development (SFIRD) has been working with the marginalized (socially exploited and excluded groups as well as the most backward classes). SFIRD as a non-governmental, non-political, non-profit making and secular Voluntary organization possess the required legal status — under ISR Act, Income Tax Department and the MHA of the Govt. of India. Since its inception, the Organization worked / working in a humble manner with 450 habitations (Habitations / Gram Pachayats and Slum Communities)

The main objective of SFIRD is improving the Villages for a 'Better Future' through components such as Empowerment, Environment, Enlightenment and Enjoyment. The Operational area / Target location of the Organization comprises of Coastal Villages and Urban slums in Municipal Corporation of Guntur. The target area comprises of Traditional Marine Fisher-folk, Dalits, Backward Classes and the Minority Communities. The Organization has been working in Coastal target locations in Nizampatnam, Bapatla, Repalle, Karlapalem, Kollur, Nagaram, Chirala and Chinaganjam Revenue Subdivisions in Bapatla Coastal District, Avanigadda and Chellapalli in Krishna District and in drought affected Macherla, Gurazala, Durgi, Bellamkonda, Vinukonda Sub-division in Palnadu District in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

The team of SFIRD is presently headed by a 'Team Leader' (TL) who possesses vast experience in development sector and was trained at and worked with the pioneering 'Village Reconstruction Organization' (VRO - India) founded by late Prof.M.A.Windey a Belgian Jesuit. The activities described in the following pages are implemented by SFIRD with the involvement and cooperation of functionaries at various levels and with the partnership and support of National and International Donor agencies during the reporting year 2023 - 24.

Vision:

'Better Villages for Better Future' through *Reaching the Unreached*

Mission:

Assisting vulnerable communities / habitations in re-constructing the living, working, power and cultural environment through people's responsible participation in partnership with Government, other NGOs and external agencies and benefactors.

II. EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

A. Seasonal Worksite Schools for Children of Migrant Laborers:

Back Ground:

As in previous year, SFIRD submitted a proposal to the board of E – Klub, Austria for starting the Work site Schools for the School going age Children who arrive with their migrant parents from different neighboring districts (from A.P as well as from South Odisha). These migrants work as wage laborers in brick kiln industry which is undertaken by local land lords at different habitations on the banks of river 'Krishna'. After a brief study and the data collected, it was felt that there is a need to start centers as in previous years. The SWSs proposal of SFIRD was approved and few doubts raised were clarified. As in previous years, the functionaries of SFIRD paid several visits to the region to inform the local instructors and to interact with Brick kiln owners.

In the months of November / December, 2023 the Villages were visited and the local functionaries besides the brick kiln owners were met. There was a brief natural calamity (it was named as Michaung) and it resulted in few families arriving around the 15th of January, 2024. SFIRD informed them about the centers which are already started and the local stakeholders assured their cooperation and support in the implementation process. We collected the applications from the local volunteers indicating their willingness to continue working as the instructors in our Schools.



Target information:

S.N	Habitation	Children	instructors
1	Tokalavaripalem	40	Ms. Hema Latha & Ms. Deepthi
2	Turakapalem	40	Mr. Koteswarao & Mr. Naveen
3	Potharlanka	40	Mr. Govindraj & Ms. Sravani
	Total centers	- 03, Child	ren – 120, Instructors (part-timers)- 06

The Activities Implemented:

- 1. As in previous years, prior to starting of the centers a brief induction / orientation session was conducted in the premises of the local Church. The local School teachers were oriented to get general information of the Children who are migrating along with their parents to Kolluru during the present year 2023-24.
- 2. With the consent and acceptance of the local Brick kiln owners, our instructors from the 03 planned centers identified proper places to have the base for starting the centers the brick kiln owners extended a helping hand in attending to minor repairs

of the temporary sheds / centers.

3. The local Brick kiln units' owners, team leaders who organize these laborers and the parents of Children expressed that it will be more useful if the Schools are organized between 10.00 am to 3.00 pm - on par with the local Government Schools timings and with a lunch break for providing simple Mid Day meals to the Children. Since the work in the Kilns will be over between 1.00 pm - 2.00 pm we felt that the Schools will be organized between 9.00 am and 2.00 pm on all working days (so that the



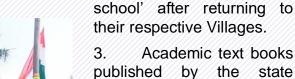
Deputy Commissioner of Labour & SFIRD Team Leader interacting with the Children and Educational Instructors

- Children will be at their temporary shelters and join their parents who return back after the day's work). This was finally agreed by all.
- 4. All the 03 schools were formally inaugurated during the month of January, 2023 by the Deputy Commissioner of Labor (DCL) in the presence of the local people. Local brick kiln owners, the migrant laborers and the work contractors attended the inaugural sessions organized by SFIRD.

- 5. DCL met three Brick Kiln units owners and their associates at the time of his vist and strictly warned them not to engage 'Child Laborers' during the brick making process.
- 6. During the previous year, a few houses were gutted to fire and we could provide the basic commodities / dry ration. This year it was very hot (around 38-45 degrees) and we found that the Children were badly in need of "Foot wear" our educational Volunteers collected the sizes and we distributed slippers (Chappals) to 120 Children who are enrolled in our SWSs.

Other important factors to note:

- As per the requirement, attendance registers and other books / records were maintained as per the need and instruction and the same were periodically checked. SFIRD functionaries maintained a special book to note down the provisions / materials provided and used during the mid day nutrition support / program.
- 2. At all the 03 centers, periodical meetings were conducted with the parents by the Work Site School instructors to make them understand issues related to usage of water, health, sanitation, STOP Child Labor and sending their children 'back to



- 3. Academic text books published by the state Government, specially for teaching children in the age group of 07-13 years studying in classes 2-7 in the academic schools, were used by the Educational volunteers as they were trained to teach in those specified manner.
- 4. Monthly / periodical tests were conducted to test the knowledge levels of the children and they were also taught a few awareness songs, besides motivating them in cultural action and drawings of local scenes.



Celebrations - Indian Republic Day on 26-01-2024

- 5. Children were provided with copy writing books to improve their hand writing and mathematical / multiplication tables books were provided. Children also made some drawings (coloring / painting with crayons) and the same were supervised by the Educational Volunteers at the SWSs.
- 6. Instructors and functionaries of SFIRD had good contacts with the Brick Kiln owners who understood that the establishment of the SWSs is important for the children who are 'out of school' during the season along with their parents.

- 7. The Telugu New Year's day, familiarly known as "Ugadi" was observed at one centrally located School by name 'Turakapalem' SWS. This is one of the important local festivals observed as per Telugu Calendar. Special food items were distributed to the Children and others who were present.
- 8. With the collaboration of Women's Wing of "Inner Wheel Club" of Guntur Chapter, SFIRD organized a medical camp for treating the Children and their Parents who are suffering with severe Sun stroke related illnesses (skin allergies, fevers, etc.,). They also distributed Clothes and gift package to the Children.



Footwear distribution for Children - Turakapalem SWS

Conclusion:

The team of SFIRD confidently say that the SWSs yielded good results during the present year 2024, like in yester years with the cooperation support of the local authorities. Parents and children got benefitted to a great extent. The local teachers, parents of the children and the Brick Kiln owners at Kollur Cluster as well as the labor contractors are indeed thankful and grateful to SFIRD and the E-Klub, Austria for the cooperation and support extended in organizing the schools. All the brick kiln owners, parents and the local instructors look forward for continued support from the Team of SFIRD in organizing similar schools in the next season of 2025.

B. REMEDIAL EDUCATIONAL CENTERS

It is a universal fact that the Educational centers were closed for over 20 months during two academic years with the impact of COVID devastation. Children were at home(s) and were another burden to their parents as these Children are to be provided with one main meal – lunch (which was otherwise provided at Schools run by the Government

departments). Children from our reference communities could not follow the "on line classes" organized by the School authorities as they were with extreme poverty to purchase and maintain Android Phones and / or Tabs and Laptops. The same situation prevailed for Children who were attending private schools organized in the neighboring cluster Villages or towns.

Thus having understood the problematic situation related to Children from our target Villages, Parents were also in confusion about the



Gullapalli - Remedial Educational Center for 30 Yanadi Tribal Children studying in Classes 1st to 5th

educational standards of their Children. Hence, after having interactions with Parents, Village elders and other grassroots level functionaries, SFIRD organized "Remedial Educational Centers" (RECs) at the following habitations — one newly selected Cherukupalli Revenue Sub Division and in two old Revenue Sub Divisions. During the reporting year 04 centers were run in the most backward remote Villages comprising Dalit Social groups. Parents and the Teachers are quite happy that their Children are performing well in their classes. The following are the details pertaining to 04 RECs organized during the reporting year.

Activities concentrated by the Education Volunteers are:

- Revision of subjects / lessons learned in their Schools from text books
- Helping and supporting the Children in attending to the 'home assignments'
- Improvement of hand writing with the support of practice "copy books"
- Multiplication tables improvement in arithmetic / mathematics
- Improvement on drawing / coloring

- Teaching life skills & home management
- Measures to be taken do's and don'ts Hand Wash / COVID precautions
- Awareness generation on "Child Rights" issues.



Nagaram Sangham - Remedial Educational Center for 27 Yanadi Tribal Children studying in Classes 1st to 5th

Formation of Children Groups (CGs):

Functionaries of SFIRD conducted meetings with the Children who are enrolled with the Remedial Educational centers. 'One to one' sessions and 'one to group' sessions were conducted in order to make the Children understand why and how these Children groups are useful in the Village situations. While interacting with the Children, the educational volunteer and few parents (especially mothers) showed good interest and participated in the group meetings. Children at our centres were taught about the following four basic Child Rights.

- a. "Right to Survival" as they are given birth by their parents, they are to be protected and cared by their family members. They are not to be separated from their families and they should have a name and the place of living which gives them the identity. Thus the moment they are born they have the right to live. They are to be provided with quality health care, nutritious food items, safe and clean drinking water for appropriate growth and development
- b. "Right to Protection" as Children they are to be protected from all sorts of violence within the family and in their own community. They should not be subject to domestic violence and they are to be protected from physical violence and psychological

issues. Parents, community and the caretakers such as teachers should be watchful and protect Children from drug abuse and use of substances, sexual abuse and all forms of exploitation. They are also to be protected from Child Labor and bonded labor practices.

- C. "Right to Development" today's Children are tomorrow's citizens. Parents are to be educated and mobilized to protect and show better opportunities for the comprehensive development of their own Children. They are to be provided with proper education and development facilities early Childhood development services Primary, upper Primary and high Schools. They have every right to development which also includes special skills for their better future.
- D. "Right to Participation" Children are part and parcel of their own villages or habitations. May be they are with small physic, but they have to be given opportunities and trained to express their thoughts, views and opinions in the Village development process. Opportunities are also to be provided (by their parents or adults in their families) to Children at their families while taking decisions at family level.



Kothasangham - Remedial Educational Center for 23 Yanadi Tribal Children studying in Classes 1st to 5th

During the reporting period Children were provided opportunities in raising kitchen / vegetable gardens at their backyards, health care facilities and to take active part in activities organized "International Child Rights Convention Week" (CRC from 14th to 20th November, 2023) at their respective Villages.

III. Women Empowerment Program (WEP)

The Women Empowerment Program (WEP) was initiated in target Villages are carried forward during the reporting year. Base line survey has been updated by our community organizers and felt the need for extending Women Empowerment activities in 07 more micro Villages in the neighboring *Nagaram* Mandal where Skill Training Center (STC) has been run. Understanding the impact of 'Michaung" (December, 2023) Cyclone devastation, Identified deserving Women are to be provided with assistance to undertake income generation activities.

As in previous year the same Organizers continued working with the WEP. Our

Coordinator has provided the infield guidance and on the job training to the Community Organizers. During the reporting year the following activities are implemented in target Villages and three neighboring Villages, which SFIRD feels are needy and deserving to be taken up during the forthcoming years.

 Conducting Capacity building and empowerment – Cluster level and Village level monthly sessions for mobilizing participation and awareness.



Team Leader interacting with the families

- 2. Supporting feasible and viable income generation activities for sustainable income generation under micro support for income generation activities.
- 3. Helping in 'accessing Entitlements' Government welfare measures old age / Widow/ Handicapped /support for their Children pensions & assistance.
- 4. Promoting Kitchen gardens Distributing local varieties of vegetable seeds and mobilizing Children and Women to raise kitchen gardens in their backyards.
- 5. Referral services Extending needed support to school/college going students for their new academic year admissions and helping needy cases to be referred / admitted in neighboring hospitals or clinics.
- 6. Environmental improvement Promotion of Tree plantation and providing knowledge and information on 'Medicinal Plants' herbs and home remedies for basic health ailments.

- 7. Undertaking alternative medicinal systems Homeopathy for (water borne seasonal communicable fevers) and local Herbal / simple remedies or medicines for common ailments.
- 8. Supporting the victims of *Michaung* calamity, supporting the most needy families with essential commodities / dry ration for 10 15 days. Dalit, tribal and fisherfolk families in our target locations are assisted with the support of the Klub, Village Reconstruction organization (VRO) and the Global UC Ministries.
- 9. As in previous years, Organized / observed International importance days International Women's Day & Independence Day / Republic Day / Christmas, / Ugadi Telugu New year's Day, Sankranthi, etc ,



Impacted families – happy to receive interm relief

Qualitative results achieved during the reporting year:

1. Capacity Building Sessions: as per the schedule, our functionaries conducted Focused Group Discussions in their target Villages as part of Capacity Building of Women members in all our target Villages.

The following important issues / topics were taken up during the sessions;

- Education for Children for better future (enrollment and continuity)
- Communicable diseases and precautionary measures
- Alcoholism domestic violence
- Environmental improvement Tree plantation
- Immunization natal care
- Democracy Voters' role during the present Elections
- Local self Government three tire system / Village Panchayats
- Skill development for educated unemployed Youth
- Government welfare measures entitlements
- SC / ST Action Plans implementation process
- Jan Dhan Yojana Insurance for the poorest at the banks
- Sustainability of activities after withdrawal
- Community Based Disaster Preparedness (CBDP)
- Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) activities
- Elimination of Child Labour / Trafficking
- Child Sexual abuse & POCSA
- STOP Early forced Marriages

As per the schedule, sessions are conducted in the respective Villages and meeting minutes are generated for documentation. Women in the Villages are now able to come out and speak openly on the problems they are facing at their community level.

- 2. Financial support (Micro) for IGPs: Community Organizers identified the Women who are most deserving and poorest among the poor for undertaking feasible and viable Income Generation activities. Families are supported to undertake basic Income generation activities Rat Traps / Fishing nets / sale of Vegetables / petty shops, etc.
- 3. Entitlements: Our Community Organizers, identified vulnerable sections such as the aged, widows, and handicapped, chronically ill including the HIV & AIDS infected cases and facilitated them to approach the local Government departments through *Grama Sachivalayams* for accessing welfare measures as part of entitlements. Several of the deserving cases supported got benefitted.
- 4. Referral Services: Many Children, especially from Yanadi tribal & Dalit habitations, are provided with information and support services to get admitted in local Schools / Colleges, Social Welfare Hostels to pursue their education. Likewise, our Community Workers accompanied cases for appropriate medical & health care services.
- 5. Alcoholism / Domestic Violence: Most of the men of our target Villages consume Alcohol (cheap liquor) and the locally available intoxicating 'Palm' / toddy juice. Cases of

domestic Violence were identified by the Staff and resolved at Village level in the presence of the other men as well as Women leaders.

- 6. Kitchen Gardens: Village Women are mobilized and provided training in Kitchen Garden rising and to encourage them, Vegetable seeds are distributed (to Women who are possessing land around their houses) twice during the reporting year. Some have
- 7. Other activities: Community Social Workers continued providing supervisory and infield guidance to the Remedial Education Centers which are being run at 4 Villages.



Villagers showing the damaged implements used for livelihoods



Livelihoods restoration support – basic equipment for Tribal Families

IV. Skill Development Training Center (STC)

SFIRD has been implementing Skill Development Training Center to impart Tailoring & Handicrafts for educated / dropout unemployed Youth in our target Villages. As such, several Youth underwent Tailoring & Embroidery, Handicrafts, Computer Education, Type writing & Spoken English courses at different centers. Passed out trainees were provided with certificates from Jana Sikshana Samsthaan and Nehru Yuva Kendra during the previous years. Several Youth secured loans to start self employment activities at their own habitations as well as in groups. Few joined other institutions in the neighborhood and secured employment. Because of COVID protocol, certain restrictions were laid and now these centers restarted. During the present year one center with 15 female youth was started with Tailoring / garment making & Handicrafts trades at Nagaram Mandal head quarters from February, 2024 and the batch will continue till August, 2024 and certificates will be awarded (mobilized from Nehru Yuva Kendra, Unit of Govt. of India) to the successfully completed trainees.



Other activities implemented:

 Glad to state that the Skill Development Training Center at 'Nagaram' served as the Cluster Resource center for the neighboring 15 – 20 micro Villages / habitations

- 30 varieties of herbal saplings are planted to educate the trainees on the use of these plants in treating minor ailments at their own houses awareness generation sessions on home remedies herbal medicines were conducted
- Promoted kitchen gardens in the homesteads of trainees & members of Women SHGs distributed vegetable seeds.
- Cotton hand bags were stitched in the center to propagate 'Say no to Plastic' and face masks were also made by the trainees for general usage. Other items made by the trainees for demo include petty coats, pillow covers, baskets etc.
- The present 15 trainees are maintaining individual record books in which the models made by them.
- Trained Youth in Pickle Making (with locally available seasonal fruits / vegetables) and also in producing Vaseline, Phenol, and Surf for local usage and at STC.
- All National festivals and important days were observed as in previous years.
- Collected / secured good books which were distributed from our newly initiated "Lending Library" and Reading Room – mainly at Nagaram STC.
- Few trainees are facing Transportation problem from their Villages to the STC during the hot summer season.
- There is good demand for Tailoring & Handicrafts skill our instructor kept many applicant candidates in waiting list which will be taken up during next batch.





V. Ensuring 'Access to Justice' for Children

Introduction: During the reporting year SFIRD implemented the Child centered activity namely "Ensuring Access to Justice for Children" with the support and partnership of Kailash Satyarthi Children's Foundation (KSCF), USA through their Country office at New Delhi. The program was approved and sanctioned to work with 50 Gram Panchayats (comprising over 300 habitations) in 05 Revenue Sub Divisions namely

Nagaram, Nizampatnam, Repalle, Karlapalem & Bapatla Rural in Bapatla District, Andhra Pradesh. The envisaged activities include (i) Prohibition of Child Trafficking & Child Labor (ii) Supporting the Child Sexual Abuse & POCSO victims and (iii) STOP Child Marriages. Initially awareness generation and capacity building sessions were organized in Villages to educate general public on bad evils of Child Labor and Child Marriages. With the consent of School authorities, activities were conducted in Schools in order to educate the School Children of 6th to 10th standards (in the age group of 11 to 15 years).

Personnel: As per the guidelines given, SFIRD with the coordination of KSCF identified 05 Community Social Workers (CSWs), 01 Counselor and a Project coordinator. CSWs are from the respective mandals / Blocks but as team



all will work with base from SFIRD's Liaison office located in Bapatla District head quarters.

District Authorities: Team Leader & Coordinator along with other project staff met the District authorities; District Collector and Magistrate, District Superintendent of Police, District Revenue Officer, Project Director – DRDA, District Panchayat Officer, Asst. Commissioner of Labor, Project Director – Women and Child Welfare, District Education Officer. The purpose of initiating the program was informed to the District officers and they were kind enough to issue circulars / memos informing about SFIRD's Child centered activities to their respective line departments.

Gram Panchayats: Our Coordinator and the team met the elected Presidents & Ward Members at all the 50 target Gram Panchayats and they assured their cooperation and

participation at their Panchayat levels. Likewise the other Village level informal and religious leaders, Youth Clubs and Women Self Help Groups extended their support to our Community Social Workers during their visits to organize Capacity Building sessions on the 03 thematic areas. Government functionaries at grassroots level namely Volunteers at "*Grama Sachivalayamulu*", local Police authorities, School authorities (High Schools and Upper Primary Schools), Anganwadi workers – ICDS, RPs from DRDA, Asha Workers, Mahila Police helped our CSWs in mobilizing Villagers during the sessions.

Trainings: The Team Leader and Project Coordinator attended orientation as well as refresher training camps organized by KSCF at New Delhi. And it helped in lining many new aspects related to Children and to share the knowledge. SFIRD organized District level training programs for its functionaries at Bapatla and the coordinators from *Bachpan Bachavo Andolan* (BBA) attended and extended the required knowledge and information in identifying the Child Laborers, victims of Child Sexual Abuse and victims of Child Marriages. During the process KSCF team from New Delhi visited and reviewed the work undertaken / executed by SFIRD at District level.



A. Child Trafficking & Child Labor:

Interacted with Deputy Commissioner of Labor (DCL) and Assistant Labor Officers (ALOs) and had detailed discussions on existing forms of Child Labor in the District. They expressed their solidarity to work with SFIRD and to make the 'Bapatla District as Child Labor Free' by organizing / capacitating the general public, owners of establishments / business units and the agricultural sectors. As responsible for

coordination of elimination of Child Labor, the DCL added SFIRD in the District Task Force (DTF) Committee for identifying Children involved in working with different sectors (hazardous and non-hazardous) as Child laborers.



Activities undertaken by SFIRD with regard to elimination of Child Labor include;

- World Day against Child Labor was observed on 12th of June by involving different stakeholders. SFIRD staff, functionaries at Labor department, general public joined the Rally which was organized in the main streets of Bapatla. DCL along with SFIRD Team Leader and coordinator lead the Rally.
- World Day against Trafficking in Persons was organized on 30th July and several representatives attended. A meeting was organized with the participation of DCL, MEO, JVV staff in the premises of ABM High School at Bapatla District Hqrs. A Rally was also organized where the Manipur massacre was condemned by raising slogans.
- Published 07 different kinds of wall posters (Say No to Child labor, different forms of Child labor) which explain on the ill effects of Child Labor. The DCL and DRO released / launched these IEC materials for extensive usage in Villages and our target locations.
- In the same manner, Hon'ble local MLA launched the posters & placards which were used for educating general public on human trafficking.
- Community Social Workers (CSWs) of SFIRD organized **Village level awareness sessions** to educate general public on elimination of all forms of "Child labor" in the allotted / targeted habitations and in the neighborhoods.

- With the support of the School management, rallies were organized at District and Mandal / cluster levels to capacitate general public on Child Trafficking and Child Labor issues.
- Raids were conducted, with the support and participation of District Officers at Railway stations namely Bapatla, Chirala and Repalle (located in the target district) with the participation of Railway Police and CSWs organized awareness camps to generate awareness.
- During the periodical Child Labor elimination drives, CSWs with the cooperation
 of Labor department (Child Help Line, Education, Factories, Police) identified 16
 Child laborers (filed FIRs or IRs or imposed fines with *challans*) and few were
 presented to Child Welfare Committee (CWC) at Guntur for appropriate action.
- Different forms of Child laborers identified include Children working in Auto mobile garages, hotels, Chicken stalls, Construction sector, bakeries, kirana shops, fancy shops and the like.
- The identified cases were extended the needed rehabilitation process Educational support, Counseling the parents as well as the Child involved not repeating / venturing in any Child labour and sensitizing & warning the employers not to engage Child laborers.

Observing the activities implemented during this process, several local establishments are not engaging Child laborers in their establishments. Parents or care takers are also pressurizing their Children not to venture in any sort of labor activities but to attend Schools to continue their education.









B. Child Sexual Abuse (CSA) & POCSO Cases:

Children below the age of 18 years are to be protected and any abuse towards them is an offence which is punishable under law. It is given to understand that many Children are abused at Schools by their classmates or by the Teachers and the management.



Many times these are unnoticed and Children are not able to report the matter to their Parents or to the concerned authorities out of fear and / or threat. Children are also subject to abuse at their own homes and at their habitations or communities by their relatives and / or their neighborers. The following activities are undertaken by SFIRD during the reporting year with regard to CSA and POCSO.

 IEC Materials in the form of posters and stickers were published and were used to raise awareness in Schools and at

Villages. These were released by the Project Director – Women and Child development in the presence of SFIRD's functionaries and CDPOs working in Bapatla District.

- School level awareness camps were organized by the CSWs and the School Children in the target Panchayats were sensitized on safeguarding themselves from sexual abuse and also basic awareness on 'good touch – bad touch' issues.
- Organized a special event for 600 teenage Girls studying at APSW Residential School and Junior College on Child safeguarding issues. SFIRD invited Chairman of APSCPCR Sri Kesali Apparao garu and Smt. B. Padmavathi – Member, DRO & DEO and DM&HO and the session was well organized. Prizes were distributed and cultural events were organized.
- SFIRD's functionaries identified and intervened with 08 Child Sexual Abuse and POCSO cases in the target area during the reporting period. All these cases were registered with local Police and appropriate legal action is being initiated. Counselor extended counseling and referral services to the victim and the relatives.

 Project Coordinator and Team Leader contacted the Chairman of CWC at Guntur and secured "Support Person" letter to deal with one particular case – a School Teacher abused a Girl of 11 years age studying in the School at Bapatla. Our functionaries met the parents and provided needed counseling.

Counselor and the Coordinator are in contact with the victim(s) and their families. It is given to understand that legal action is being taken and the cases are in active progress. SFIRD is in contact with the local Police department and the Advocates to help the victims to the maximum possible.

C. Child Marriages:

As we are aware, Child Marriage can be defined as 'a marriage union solemnized between two people where the female is below the age of 18 years, and the male is below the age of 21 years'. Child Marriages usually take place where illiteracy, and poverty are widespread. Many factors effectuate Child Marriages, such as ignorance, social customs and traditions, low level of education and considering women as a financial burden. Issues such as health problems to women due to early age pregnancies, further deterioration in the status of women and a vicious cycle of gender inequality occur. Along with KSCF, SFIRD strongly feels and committed to the need for observing 'Child Marriage Free India' (CMFI) by 2030 – the motto of KSCF.



The following activities are undertaken in the target locations.

 Organized awareness generation sessions in Villages for Men and Women together and separately with Women and Female Youth on the problems involved with Child Marriages. These sessions were also attended by local Child Marriage Prohibition Officer (CMPO), Village Volunteers, ASHA workers, Panchayat President and Ward Members, Women Police and others concerned at Village level.

- Cultural activities / Kalajathas were organized to sensitize general public and the sessions were quite successful – huge crowds attended.
- IEC Handouts and wall posters were published and the same were used to generate awareness in public. Wall writings were painted / made with slogans / quotes on Child marriage issues at important public places and on walls of Panchayat and local School buildings.
- CSWs met the Villagers and obtained pledges stating that they will not involve and / or attend any Child marriage that takes place within their Village or in the neighborhood. Totally 78000 pledges were made by different groups from our target habitations.





SFIRD met the elected people's representatives and explained about the STOP
 Child Marriages movement and the determination of KSCF and its partners to

- end CMs by the end of 2030. They individually expressed their solidarity and signed on the 'Pledges' in this regard.
- CSWs met religious leaders at Churches, Temples & Mosques and informed them about the Child Marriages Free India (CMFI) movement and obtained their signatures on the pledges. In turn, religious leaders capacitated their target population not to venture in Child Marriages.
- SFIRD met the District Collector and Magistrate and explained about CMFI movement and upon the request he released the book "When Children Have Children" authored by Sri. Bhuwan Ribhu. Copies of the books were given to District authorities and local dignitaries (Commissioner Information GoAP).



 As part of CMFI campaign, SFIRD organized Music for Change events, rallies with candles in the target Villages and Mandal head quarters. People are quite aware of the repercussions of Child Marriages. Essay writing competitions on 'Stop Child Marriages' were organized at selected Schools and prizes were distributed to the winners.

During the reporting period SFIRD's functionaries with the support of local Gram Panchayats and concerned (Child Marriage Prohibition Officers) CMPOs could stop the happenings of 19 Child Marriages. Two Marriages could not be stopped as the parties migrated elsewhere. Our Coordinator, Counselor and CSWs are in contact with the remaining 17 cases together with the local CMPOs.

Note: SFIRD is privileged to join hands with the esteemed KSCF in working with Child centered issues with the project entitled "Ensuring Access to Justice for Children" in

Bapatla District of Andhra Pradesh, South India. Team of SFIRD is thankful to all the concerned at KSCF – New Delhi & US as well as the Coordinators of BBA for their support and coordination. SFIRD ensures its continued commitment in realizing the specific common goal "End Child Marriages" by the end of 2030.





VI. Disaster Relief Activities

The extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm '**Michaung'** is the strongest cyclone that wreaked large-scale devastation in Bapatla district on the 4th of December (4-12-'23) Monday and it made landfall near the Bapatla Coast on the same day. The Cyclone damaged standing crops which are ready for harvesting. Fisherfolk lost their material in the form of 'Fish' which was kept for drying on the Coastal line. Electricity supply was disrupted for 2 – 4 days in far-flung locations. Several roads were waterlogged and the public and private transports were at halt. House damages (to hutments and semi-pucca houses) and few incidents of wall collapse were reported from a few places due to the heavy rains during the process. However, no casualties were reported, with the district administration relocating people, from several villages which are prone to flooding, to rescue shelters located in the neighborhood.



As SFIRD has been working with several Coastal revenue mandals it has its Field Office and immediately few representatives, as a team, from SFIRD visited the devastated regions with the support and cooperation of our local Community Based Organizations (CBOs), grass-roots level functionaries and local friends. Their observations shows us that the masses are struggling for existence as there is huge loss for crops which are ready for harvesting. Most of the landless wage laborers lost their work in the form of

daily wage during this season. SFIRD's team also met local leaders and grass-roots level functionaries and had discussions with them.





Our Community Organizers observed that many families belonging to Tribal, Dalit and Fisher folk residing in the Coastal region are the victims of the Michaung devastation. Interacted with the local leaders and CBOs besides the grassroots level functionaries in these habitations. It was also observed that 34 families belonging to Meesalavari palem (Yanadi tribal habitations) are badly affected as their thatched houses were also gutted to fire after about a week of the devastation. It was felt that the essential commodities in the form of dry ration for 10-15 days will be quite useful to these victims. The following number of families was helped in the aftermath of the Michaung cyclone. While contacted the VRO administration, they were kind enough to visit and helped 80 Yanadi Tribal families in Karlapalem revenue sub division. From SFIRD, with the support of E-Klub could provide essential commodities to 64 families in Nizampatnam Mandal and 122 Marine Fisher folk families belonging to Surya Lanka Coastal Village in Bapatla Mandal were provided with Dry ration kits for 10-15 days.

VII. Other Related Activities

14th April, 2023 - 133rd Birth anniversary of Sri. B. R. Ambedkar was observed at different Villages and centers of SFIRD. Rallies were conducted and all the sessions observed in our target Villages and centers (at Bapatla and Nagaram clusters) were joyfully celebrated.



14th **of May, 2023 - Mothers Day**: Dr. Vasamtham Veera Raghavaiah and Mr. Karimullah from Indian Red Cross Society, Bapatla Unit attended an awareness generation session at Lakshmipuram Village in Nizampatnam Mandal. Lactate mothers and Mothers of Children from our Villages were enlightened on various issues related to Child care and protection from communicable diseases.

Eco Development Activities:

Organized essay writing and debating competitions in Coastal High Schools to involve the Children in Coastal Eco development sector (safeguarding, generating & promotional activities) and distributed prizes to the winners – on the eve of Indian Independence Day on 15th August, 2023.



Conducted awareness generation sessions with Women of Coastal target Villages on regeneration, rejuvenation & restoration of Mangrove forest, which are degrading in the Coastal communities resulting in deterioration of Coastal Ecology and Global Warming. Children and Youth from our target Villages actively participated.

28-10-2023 SFIRD as Divisional Committee Member of Prohibition of Atrocities Act (PoA – SCs & STs) attended divisional meetings at Repalle RDO Office.

24-12-2023 SFIRD as District Committee Member of District Consumer Protection Counsel (DCPC) meeting was attended by Mr. A. Prabhakara Rao, our Coordinator.

08-01-2024 — **PC & PNDT** sensitization / capacity building session at District level was attended by SFIRD as the Divisional Committee Member.

31-01-2024 Capacity building / NGO consultation on Bonded Labor issues at state level was organized by International justice Mission (IJM) at Vijayawada. Mr. A. Prabhakara Rao, our Coordinator attended.

08-03-2024: "International Women's Day" (IWD) was observed at Nagaram Skill Training Center. A few outstanding female youth trainees from our STC were provided with prizes on the occasion. Female Youth & Women and a few functionaries attended the get-to-gather. Sensitization sessions on "Child Marriages, Child Sexual Abuse & POCSO" were conducted.

SFIRD as Member: Disaster Mitigation Committee formed under the leadership of Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) attended quarterly meetings on the Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) activities at Bapatla District head quarters.

IAG – Andhra Pradesh: SFIRD as member of Inter Agency Group - IAG attended meetings and training programs conducted under the leadership of SNIRD at Ongole.

SNIRD from Ongole & Team from PDA – USA visited lakshmipuram Yanadi Tribal habitation at Lakshmipuram and were quite happy to interact with people.

District Legal Service Authority – SFIRD was deputed to visit (along with DLSA Members and Police) two Municipal High Schools in Guntur Corporation area to capacitate Girls studying in Classes 8th to 10th on awareness generation about right age of Marriage, Good Touch and Bad Touch, Menstrual Health Management and the like.

VIII. Conclusion

The functionaries of SFIRD are thankful and grateful to the local Government Departments for their support and cooperation in undertaking "Ensuring Access to Justice for Children" (A2J) in Bapatla Coastal District of Andhra Pradesh. At this juncture, the Executive Committee of SFIRD extends heartfelt thanks to the Board of Entwicklungshilfe Klub, Kailash Satyarthi Children's Foundation, Global Ministries which has been main instrumental in extending partnership during the present reporting year.

SFIRD looks forward for better opportunities from different sources, in undertaking and implementing developmental activities for the exploited and excluded communities (especially in lines of 'helping people to help themselves') in this Coastal zone and the drought prone region in Andhra Pradesh.

P.V.M. RAO & ASSOCIATES

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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Ref.	Date

AUDIT REPORT

I have examined the Balance Sheet of Society For Integrated Rural Development (SFIRD), D.No.15-12-68, Venkat Rao Nagar, Guntur, A.P, India, at 31st March, 2024 and also the annexed Receipts and Payments account and Income & Expenditure account for the period ending on that date and report that:

- 1. I have obtained all the information and explanation which to the best of my knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of my audit.
- 2. The Balance Sheet, Receipts and Payments account and Income & Expenditure account dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of accounts.
- In my opinion and to the best of my information and according to the explanations furnished to me, the statements give a true and fair view subject to:
 - a. In the case of Income and Expenditure Account for the Excess of Income over Expenditure during the year ending 31st March, 2024.
 - b. In the case of Balance Sheet of the state of affairs of the Society as at 31st March, 2024.

PLACE: GUNTUR DATE: 28-06-2024.

P.V. Mallikarjuna Rag, Chartered Accountant M.No. 202508 GUNTUR, A.P.

SOCIETY FOR INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SFIRD)

D.No. 15-12-68, VENKAT RAO NAGAR, GUNTUR - 522 001, S.INDIA

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING WITH 31-03-2024

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT Rs.		PAYMENTS	AMOUNT Rs.
To OPENING BALANCE:		Ву	Access to Justice for Children	1669312.00
Cash at Bank	3101.45		Program Exp.	.000012.00
Cash in Hand	228.00	Ву	Dalit Empowerment Program Exp:	
		,	Income Generation for Women	214570.00
To Foreign Contributions			Michaung Relief Exp	65000.00
			Balahitha & Skill Development	74430.00
United Church of Christ- USA	796662.00	Bv	Worksite School Exp.	216440.00
E-Kulb-Ausria	971588.20		Cyclone Relief Exp	188744.00
Kailash Satyarthi Childern's			Livelihoods Restoration Program	335000.00
Foundation -USA	1669313.43		Women's Day Exp	12554.00
To Bank Interest	11069.00	Bv	OFFICE AND ADMN. EXPENSES:	
		,	Rent & Office Exp	120000.00
			Travelling Expenses	3860.00
			Postage & Communication	2180.00
			Printing & Stationary	2426.00
			Miscellaneous Expenses	1020.31
			Bank Charges	7945.44
		Ву	CLOSING BALANCE:	
			Cash at Bank	537481.33
			Cash in Hand	999.00
**	3451962.08			3451962.08

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

Verified and found correct as per books of accounts

Place : Guntur Date : 28-06-2024



SOCIETY FOR INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SFIRD) D.No. 15-12-68, VENKAT RAO NAGAR, GUNTUR - 522 001, S.INDIA

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31-03-2024

EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT Rs.	INCOME	AMOUNT Rs.
To Access to Justice for Children Program Exp.	1669312.00 By	Foreign Contributions	
To Dalit Empowerment Program Exp:		United Church of Christ- USA	796662.00
Income Generation for Women	214570.00	E-Kulb-Ausria	971588.20
Michaung Relief Exp	65000.00	Kailash Satyarthi Childern's	07 1000.20
Balahitha & Skill Development	74430.00	Foundation -USA	1669313.43
To Worksite School Exp.	216440.00		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
To Cyclone Relief Exp	188744.00 By	Bank Interest	11069.00
To Livelihoods Restoration Program	335000.00		
To Women's Day Exp	12554.00		
By OFFICE AND ADMN. EXPENSES:			
Rent & Office Exp	120000.00		
Travelling Expenses	3860.00		
Postage & Communication	2180.00		
Printing & Stationary	2426.00		
Miscellaneous Expenses	1020.31		
Bank Charges	7945.44		
To Fixed Assets Written Off	14649.00		
To Depreciation On:			
Furniture	6076.58		
Type Writer	447.91		
Computer & Printer	12121.53		
Equipments	1721.60		
Sewing Machine	4711.66		
Vehicles	5756.23		
Inverter & Battery	645.06		
To Excess of Income over Exp.	489021.32		
	3448632.63		3448632.63

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

Verified and found correct as per books of accounts

Place : Guntur Date: 28-06-2024



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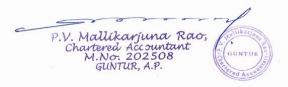
BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31-03-2024

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT Rs.	ASSETS	AMOUNT Rs.
CAPITAL FUND	-231349.40	Cash in Hand	999.00
Add: Excess of Income over Exp.	489021.32	Cash at Bank	537481.33
	257671.92	Fixed Assets:	
Add: Committee Members Loan	655039.00	Furniture	54689.18
For FCC Programme	912710.92	Type Writer	2538.18
		Computer & Printer	68688.68
		Land	110453.00
		Equipments	15494.41
		Sewiing Machines	42404.92
		Vehicles	32618.62
		Inverter & Battery	5805.59
		Rent Advance	30500.00
		Foundation Village Development Activities Assets:	
		Office Rent Advance	6000.00
		Project Advance	5038.00
Total :	912710.92	Total :	912710.92

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

Verified and found correct as per books of accounts

Place : Guntur Date : 28-06-2024







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-క్టివిస్ట్, సుమీం కోర్ట్ అడ్వకేట్ రచయిత అయిన భువన్ రిభు వ్రాసిన " వెన్ చిల్రెన్ హా రీసెర్స్ పుస్తకాన్ని బాపట్ల జిల్లా కలెక్టరేట్లో జరిగిన ఒక కార్యక్రమంలో జిల్లా కలె<mark>క్ట</mark> ంరంత్ భాష అపిష్కరించారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో సిఫార్డు స్వచ్ఛంద సీవ సంస్థ డైరెక్టర్ కొమ ఒక్కిని రవి ప్రదీష్, దళిత ఉద్యమ కార్యకర్త న్యాయవాది (తీనివాసరావు, రాష్ట్రస్థాయి మాస్ట ్రాల్లో కాల్పులు రిస్టార్స్ పర్సన్ డి . ఇమాన్యుయల్, టుడే టీవీ ప్రతినిధి విల్సన్, సిఫార్డు స్వచ్చంద సేవా సం యాక్సెస్ టు జస్టిస్ జిల్లా కోఆర్డినేటర్ ప్రభాకర్, జిల్లా కౌన్సిలర్ నాగరాజు, మండల కోఆర్డినేట కిషోర్ బాబు, నాగేంద్ర, రామకృష్ణ తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో పుస్తకము ఆవిష్కరించిన పిదప జిల్లా కలెక్టర్ రంజిత్ భాష మాట్లాడుతూ అంతర్వాతీయ బాలిక దినోత్సక సందర్భంగా ప్రధానంగా బాలికలకు సంబంధించిన ఈ పుస్తకాన్ని రిలీజ్ చేయటం ఎంట హర్షణీయమని, ఇది బాలికల హక్కుల సంరక్షణ కొరకు, వారిలో నాయకత్వ అభివృద్ధి కొరక మరియు బాలికల (శేయస్సు కొరకు సమాజం ఉద్యమించాల్సిన సమయం అని తెలియజేస్తూ ఇం మంచి కార్యక్రమాన్ని నిర్వహిస్తున్న సిఫార్డు స్వచ్చంద సేవా సంస్థ వారిని అభినందించారు ంతేకాకుండా అంతర్వాతీయ బాలికా దినోత్సవం పురస్కరించుకొని బాపట్ల లోని డాక్టర్ బి.ఆ ంబేద్కర్ ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ సాంఘిక సంక్షేమ జాలికల గురుకుల విద్యాలయంలోనూ, మందలంలోని నగరం ఎస్ వి ఆర్ ఎం కళాశాలలోను ,జడ్పీహెచ్ స్కూల్ వెదుళ్ళపల్లి మరియ జడ్బీహెచ్ఎస్ స్కూల్ ముత్తాయ పాలెం మరియు రేపల్లె పిబీఆర్ డిగ్రీ కళాశాలలలోని బా వాలికలకు బాల్య వివాహాలు, సమస్యలు, బాల్యవివాహాల నిర్మూలన అంశం పైన వ్యాసర<mark>చ</mark> పోటీలు నిర్వహించి విజేతలైన బాల బాలికలకు మొమెంటోలు, సర్టిఫికెట్లు జిల్లా ఉమెన్ చైల్డ్ ప్రాజె වුපුවට ස්නාල්ව ලංග ඉරු ව්යාද්ය සුවරයට

"బాల్ వివాహాసే ఆజాబి"

బావట్ల. ఆంధ్ర సింహం ద్రతినిధి : 77వ స్వాతంత్ర దీనాతృవాన్ని పురస్కరించుకొని బాల్య వివాహల నుండి విముక్తే కరకు దేశవాస్త్రంగా జరుగుతున్న మహాద్యమంలో బాగంగా 'బాల్ వివాహసే జరుగుతున్న సహాద్యమంలో బాగంగా 'నాన మహాద్యమంలో బాగంగా జరుగుతున్న సహాద్యమంలో బాగంగా సహాద్యమంలో బాగంగా జలుగులున్న ఎఎట్ ద్యమంల భాగంగా బాల ఎవ్వాన ఆజాద కార్యక్రమాన్ని సిఫార్మ స్వష్పంద సేవా సంస్థ ఆధ్వర్యంలో బావట్ల మండలంలోని గ్రామాలలోనూ, పాఠశాలలలోనూ శామార బారికలతో మండలంలోని గ్రామాలలోనూ, పాఠశాలలలోనూ శామార బారికలతో మండలంలోని గ్రామాలలోనూ, పాఠశాలలలోనూ కొమార్ బాలికలతో మండలంలోని గ్రామాలలోనూ, పాఠశాలలలోనూ కొమార్ బాలికలతో మరియు విద్యార్థిని విద్యార్థులతో ట్రత్మీక్ల ట్రదర్శన్ శర్యక్రమాలు, బాల్య వివాహలకు వ్యతింగా ట్రత్మిలు చేయించడం లాంటి కార్యక్రమాలు, జరిగాయి. ఈ సందర్భంగా పిన్మిత్యయినాని పాలెం డైరెక్టర్ శమరాబత్తిని జరిగాయి. ఈ సందర్భంగా పిన్మిత్యయినే పార్యత్మ డైరెక్టర్ శమరాబత్తిని చేసిన కార్యక్రమములో సిఫార్య స్వేషంద్ర సేవ్ సందర్భగాలు చేసిన కార్యక్రమములో సిఫార్య స్వేషంత్ సిస్టరం 76 సంవర్యగాలు చేసిన కార్యక్రమములో సిఫార్య స్వేషంత్రం సిస్టరం 76 సంవర్యగాలు చేప్పులు మర్గులు అనికి కంగాలలో అభివృద్ధిని సాధించినా ఈ నాటికి వ్యవాహలు అరికట్టడం సాధ్యప్రదలిదేని ఇంకా అనేక ప్రాంతాలలో ఈ దుష్ట విచాహాలు అరికట్టడం సాధ్యప్రదలిదేని ఇంకా అనేక ముక్కువర్మలుకు పంట్రదాయం కావసాగుతూనే ఉందని దీనికి ఎందరో ముక్కువర్మలకు బల్లపోతున్నారని. బాల్య వివాహల మండి బాలికలకు బాల్య వివాహాల నుండి బాలికలకు వివాహలు అర్యా మాత్రం అందిని ఆంత్రం మండి జారికలకు గ్రామ టిందిన డ్రజలు డ్రభుత్వానికి పరిహ్హాదయి మయలు అన్ని సంధ్రదాయం ఇవ్వాకున్నారని, బాల్క్ వివాహల నుండి భారికాకరించాలని కోరారు. అలా అందరం కలిని పని భారికలు బలైపాకున్నారని, బాధ్యక సభ్య సమాజంలో ఉన్న భరీంహకరించాలని కోరారు. అలా అందరం కలిని పని శ్వాకంలలన్ని అందించార్మినటువంటి బాధ్యక సభ్య సమాజలు సిర్మాణం ప్రామాన బాల్లు నివారం సమే మన్నార్లు కార్మంలో ఉంది.



అక్రమ రవాణా వ్యతిరేక బినోత్సవ ర్యావీ

బావట్ల, జూలై 30 : సీఫార్డ్ స్వచ్చంద సేవాసంస్థ ఆధ్వర్యంలో డ్రపంచ మానవ అక్రమ రవాణా వ్యతిరేక దినోత్సవం ర్యాలీని ఆదివారం నిర్వహించారు. బాపట్ల రైల్వేస్టేషన్ ప్రాంగణంలో దీనిపై ప్రజలకు అవగాహన కల్పించారు. డ్రయాణికులకు అక్రమ రవాణాపై వివరించారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో సంస్థ కో ఆర్తినేటర్ మ్రాకర్, బడుగు కిషోర్, మ్రరిపూడి నాగరాజు, ఆర్వీఎఫ్ కానిస్టే బుల్ జీధర్, జీఆర్పీ సిబ్బంది పాల్గొన్నారు.



బాల్యవివాహాల నిర్మూలనకై ఉద్యమం



හාබඩු එලැ (න්ළ ආරම) මේහර් 16: బాపట

పట్టణంలోని బ్రీ శక్తి భవనంలో నిర్వహించిన బాల్యవివాహాల నిర్మూలన, అవగాహన కార్యక్రమంలో సిఫార్డ్ స్వచ్చంద సేవా సంస్థ డైరెక్టర్ కౌమరాబత్తిన రవి డ్రదీప్, నిర్వహించమని తెలిపారు. కౌమరాబత్తిన రవి ద్రదీప్ మాట్లాడుతూ బాల్యవాహాలు, బాల కార్మిక వ్యవస్థ మానవ అక్రమ రవాణా నిర్మూలనకు ప్రభుత్వ అధికారులతో కలిసి మా సంస్థ కృషి చేస్తుందని

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తెలియజేశారు. ఈ కార్యకమనికి బ్రత్యేక ఆతిథిగా పాల్గొన్న జిల్లా డిఆర్డిఎ పిడి ఆర్మన్ రావు మాట్లారుతూ - బాల్యవివాహాలను నిరోధించాల్సిన ఆవశ్యకత స్థుతి ఒక్కరిపై ఉందని తెలిపారు. అంబేద్వర్ రీసెర్స్ సెంటర్ డైరెక్టర్ దాక్టర్ ఆడే బుజ్జి మాట్లాదుతూ బాల్యవివాహాల వల్ల బాలికలు అనేక రకాలైన అనారోగ్య సమస్యలు ఎదుర్నోవాల్సి వస్తుందని,దీనివలన మాత్ప, శిశు మరణాలు అధికంగా సంభవించే అవకాశాలు ఉన్నాయని అన్నారు.(పతి ఒక్కరూ బాల్య వివాహానికి వృతిరేకంగా పనిచేయాలని తెలియజేశారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో సంస్థ కోఅర్డినేటర్ (పథాకర్ రావు, బాపట్ల బార్ అసోసియేషన్ అధ్యక్షులు భీమా లీలా కృష్ణ, వెలుగు ఎ పి యమ్ సురేశ్, సంస్థ బ్రతినిధులు ఐడుగు కిషోర్, నాగరాజు, నాగేంద్రం, నాగేశ్వరరావు, సరిత, జ్యోతి అధికారులు, డ్వాకా సంఘాల ప్రతినిధులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

ారిపాలెం నర్పంచ్ గౌరీ, ఉపనర్పంచ్ జె.నునీల్ కుమార్ న్నారు.శుక్రవారం మండలంలోని పూడివాడ, తాడివా క వారిపాలెం పంచాయతీలలో సిఫార్డు స్వచ్ఛంద సేవ ంస్థ ఆధ్వర్యంలో నిర్వహించిన విలేజి లెవెల్ స్టేట్ ్ట్రార్స్ నమావేశంలో ముఖ్య అతిథులుగా హాజరై ాల్లాడారు.బాల్య వివాహం అనాదిగా వస్తున్న దురాచ మనీ దానిని నమూలంగా నిర్మూలించాల్సిన బాధ్యత ' భ్య సమాజం పైన ఉందన్నారు.ఇందుకోసం ద్రభుత్వం త్తాపద్ధితో బాల్య వివాహ రహిత ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ కొరకు కృషి మ్మందని ఇటు అధికారులు, అనధికారులు న్వచ్చంద వా సంస్థల ద్రతినిధులు అటు అభ్యుదయవాదులు అన్ని ్రాలకు వెందిన బ్రజలు బ్రభుత్వానికి పరిష్ఠార్థంగా ేసినప్పుడే ట్రతి గ్రామ గ్రామాన బాల్య వివాహరహిత 🗸 ాజ నిర్మాణం సాధించవచ్చునని తద్వారా బాల్య

బాల్య వివాహ రహిత ఆంధ్ర ప్రదేశ్ రాష్ట్రాన్ని రూపొందించుకోవచ్చని తెలి పారు.బాల్య వివాహాలకు ప్రధానంగా బాలికలు బలవుతున్నారని బంగారం లాంటి వారి భవిష్యత్తు నాశనం అవు తుందని వారి విద్య అవకాశాలు మరుగున పడిపోతున్నాయని పసి వయసులోనే అనేక బరువు బాధ్యతలను మోయాల్సి వస్తుందని అంతేకాకుండా బంగారం లాంటి వారి బాల్యం బుగ్గిపాలవుతుందని తెలియజేశారు. ఈ కార్యక్రమంలో పూడివాడ పంచాయతీ కార్యదర్శి కేవిద్యా





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