

# Work update for 2021-22



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**“Sustainable utilization and conservation of natural resources by tribal community through innovative Technology for improving alternate living conditions”.**

509 tribal women members of 4 villages trained in different trades and skill enhancement activities for income generation based on natural resources available in the area. 1. Palmyrah Palm leaf craft making, 2. Palmyrah Palm Jaggery, 3. Fruit baar, Jam, Squash and bi-products making. 26 Tribal youth trained in Palm Tree climbing with 6 Multi Tree climbers. The process of Bamboo sheath selection, collection for cup and plate making. Established 32 Self Help Groups in 4 villages. Exposure trip organized to Horticulture Research Station, Pandirimamidi. Arranged two hydraulic and manually operated machines for Bamboo sheath cup and plate making. Submitted 82 applications of Craftsman identity cards from DC, Handicrafts and obtained approval for 68 Artisans. Linkage with Annapurna Cottage Industries for sale of Bamboo sheath cups, plates is made. Link up with Horticulture Research Station, Pandirimamidi and Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Pandirimamidi. Exposure trip for Mothugudem cluster SHGs two batches consisting of 32 members organized to our Training cum Production centre, Tellavarigudem. Procured 1 Hydraulic Bamboo sheath cup and plate making machine. One production cum training centers completed. Provided 10 Madhu Decorticators reducing drudgery of women work in removing rind of Mohva seed in 4 villages. As per the directions of Department of Science and Technology we plunged into Corona relief and rehabilitation activities as detailed below. Some portion of budget we met from the DST project with due approval from DST. Established Prime Minister Vandhan Vikas Kendras (PMVDVKs) in 5 clusters with 1500 SHG members in collaboration with Integrated Tribal Development Agency [ITDA], Chinturu.



**Addressing and essaying vulnerable tribal and other communities victimized Ganja smuggling in tribal area of east Godavari District of A.P. (Livelihoods enhancement program – social issue.)**

**Awareness generation among victim families.**

In the project area we identified 29 victim families. Through our volunteers we are providing awareness to victim and other families not to involve themselves in any kind of smuggling activities. In 7 villages we conducted regular awareness programs to community at village level.

**Income generation support to vulnerable limited families.**

We identified 6 most vulnerable families for the income generation support out of them we provided 4 Country poultry units to 4 families.

Mrs. K. Pulmathi's husband went for fishing in nearby river but not yet returned. She is waiting for him from last six months. She has 3 small children. She doesn't know what happened to her husband Mr. Gopalrao. His friend took him to nearby town saying he needs some help. But at the check post police caught both friends under GANJA smugglers/transporters and booked a case, sent to jail in Rajahmundry.



Mr. Goplarao is drop out of 10<sup>th</sup> class. He failed to get Caste certificate since they migrated from other state/district. He is not eligible to get free seat in Hostel to continue study. Not only he, many of the youth stop their study at 10<sup>th</sup> class level because of caste certificate. They have no owned land and all are living in Reserve Forest hence they are illegal occupants. All the villages in this category are denied for all Government entitlements. This situation contributes young generation to drive into unlawful activities. The culprit escapes from the issue. The youth has no scope to get even bail because of lack of security to provide.

On knowing this Asha provided 15 Hens and 5 Cocks as country poultry, since she knew Desi Poultry. Now Pulmathi is confident of assuming her children's best future.

**JAL PAHUNCHE JAN JAN TAK**

Under this support we constructed 9 dug wells for drinking facility in 9 most interior and needy IDP villages. Under this intervention totally 247 households and 1055 population getting drinking water facility. This year we planed and constructed 5 small water pits with cement rings near bore wells /wells. We planned to store used water in this cement rings for cattle drinking water with this 5 pits 2132 cattle (cows, ox's, goats) got drinking water facility within the villages particularly in the summer.



#### 4. Dry ration kits distribution to Covid-19 affected families

As first priority we have distributed essential groceries through Dry ration kit to all 687 targeted Covid-19 affected families in 10 Grampanchayaths in Chinturu Mandal. In each dry ration kit we ensured.

Sl. No	Commodity: Food basket contains below items for each family.	Quantity ensured to each family
1	Joggrey	1 Kgs
2	Red gram Dall	2Kgs
3.	Groundnut	1 Kgs
4	Sweet oil	2 lts
5	Salt	1Kg
6	Soaps	10
7	Red Chili Powder	½ Kg
8	Turmeric Powder	½ Kg
9	Finger millet powder	2 Kg
	<b>Vegetables,</b>	
	Tamato-1 Kg, Onion-1 Kg, Potato- 1 Kg Green Chili- ½ Kg, Ginger – ½ Kg, Garlic- ½ Kg	4.5 Kg



#### COVID-19 EMERGENCY RELIEF Distribution Details

No of the Panchyaths	No of Villages and Community wise beneficiaries covered							
	Koya Community		Kondareddy (PVTGs)		IDPs (Gottikoya/muriya)		Total	
	Villages	Families	Villages	Families	Villages	Families	Villages	Families
<b>10</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>687</b>

#### Village wise orientation on safety precautions

After the distribution along with Health workers and Village volunteers in each village we organized Orientation to Covid-19 affected and non- effected population.

Oriented on below subject

1. How CORONA will be infected and what are the precautions.
2. Hand wash practice and mask usage.
3. Need of Social distance etc.



In all 47 villages totally we oriented **1,410** Affected and non-affected population in 10 Panchyaths of Chinturu Mandal.

## 5. ANDHRA PRADESH STATE BIODIVERSITY CONSERVER AWARD 2021

🌿 **Asha got AWARD: "Biodiversity Conserver Award - 2021"** on the occasion of International Day for Biological Diversity-2021 by APSBDB, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

### TELANGANA PROJECT

#### Formation village wise cultural and environmental conservation bodies.

Now in 10 villages all members occasionally sit together along with village heads. Then they are discussing and deciding about the festivals dates and culturally implementing



strategies. and established some nonnegotiable things like singing tribal songs only in the festivals and marriages etc. doing small disputes managements at village level only.

#### Village level Interaction meetings between elders and young's.

In 10 project villages **women- 43, Men-63, youth – 42** (all are indigenous people) are aware on the cultural and environmental conservation methods. Mainly existing educated youth (boys and girls) learned about the history, previous culture, festivals and food habits, village governance systems and the role and responsibility of Village heads (Patels). They are slowly internalizing to adopt cultural systems, like organizing festivals and marriages death events in the cultural ways. Now slowly younger generation started respecting the traditional village heads, trying to talk in the local tribal language etc.

#### Cultural (kalajata) with Tribal children on culture and environmental conservation.

Through (Kalajata) cultural programme in all 10 villages **women- 211, Men-205, youth – 241** (all are indigenous people) were aware on the cultural and environmental damages and the importance of cultural protection and tradition. Now slowly younger generation started respecting the traditional village heads and trying to talk and respect the local tribal language etc.

#### Traditional food and cultural festival with traditional food items (with local veracities and millets)

After Traditional food and cultural festival in 10 villages **women- 315, youth – 158 (girls) (all are indigenous people)** were learned to make traditional foods like gruel, pudding, sajd, dumplings etc. mainly younger generation (tribal educated girls) were very impressed and learned cooking process of above traditional food items from elder women. After the festival also these girls are making some traditional food items at home.



#### Identification and Meeting with traditional herbal practitioners.

**Men- 28 and women- 5** (all are indigenous people) herbal practitioners are came in to the light and

providing medical facility to local villagers for small illnesses. Up to now **women- 181, Men- 89 youth – 54** are treated in all 10 villages. It is ongoing process to be continued after project also. In all 10 villages' community members also aware about the herbal practitioners address and what type of illness they treated.

90% of elder and younger tribal generations from project area are noticed that they are slowly ignoring their valuable culture and values and Identity.

- 70% of villagers from target area are, heart fully trying to rebuild the tradition and culture through conduct their festivals and marriages etc in their traditional process.
- Now slowly younger generation started respecting the traditional leadership. Now they are considering/ respecting the advices /directions of village heads (Patels) in the planning and implementation of festivals and other cultural events happening in the village.
- In all 10 villages people collectively resolved that, they must grow minimum 50% of traditional food crops particularly traditional pulses in the village, from the next year onwards.

#### **6. Internally Displaced Person's (IDPs) fellowship programme.**

##### **Ensuring the legal behavior through awareness among IDP youth, on safe and protected migration tips and alternative livelihood opportunities in existing areas.**

Awareness generation training programme to IDP Youth (Girls and Boys) on human trafficking and safe migration methods. Under this activity we conducted two types of training one is project level trainings for selected persons from each settlement. 2<sup>nd</sup> one is settlement wise trainings for community members at the settlement level on below subjects.

- Migration Issues related to IDPs in the project area. And examples of cases and victims suffered.
- Role of middleman's in the prefacing and exploitation in payments and safety things.
- Played film shows about the trafficking issue
- Tribal culture and importance of local governance (Patelu (village head)- KULA PANCHAYATH) system. How to involve local Patels (village heads) and youth in trafficking issues at village level.
- Methods for safe and protected migration systems. Agreements process with terms and conditions with middlemen in front of village heads and youth.
- In the project level trainings we covered **Male- 42 Female – 25** members from 10 settlements now they are capable to understand the Human trafficking issues.
- In the Settlement wise trainings we covered **Male- 111 Female – 98** in above 18 years age. In the age group of 6 to 18 years educated children **Boys- 51, Girls- 48** members were trained from 10 settlements.



**Protection and promotion of traditional seeds with establishment of traditional seed banks in the settlements for minimum food security to IDP communities.**

##### **Formation of settlement wise Seed protection units.**

We formed 10 seed protection units with interested and needy tribal farmers in 10 project settlements. In the process we discussed about the importance, shortage, and protection of traditional seed and community responsibility in the destination area.

In 10 settlements in 3 mandals we formed 10 seed protection units with 111 internally displaced tribal farmers.

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