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Director’s Desk

Our organization has been working since 1993 to prevent and put an end to the troubles faced by women and children. This includes trafficking, child marriage, domestic violence, forced prostitution and many more. In 25 years of strenuous work, we are able to recognize the vulnerabilities and weaknesses of the women and children belonging to areas prone to these evils and are still putting efforts to end them. Now we are facing a great challenge to minimize the socio-economic differences between the have and have-nots. We believe in developing the mankind by strengthening the bond between commoners and involving individual participation.

In the financial year 2016-17, we have had a vision—“optimistic view of social changes” among the potential youth and vulnerable women and children. Under the Govt. policy there are many scopes for the said group are available. But the people are not getting all the benefits only due to their ignorance and lack of intention to change them. We have tried to motivate all of our beneficiaries and partners to do something in favor of the youth, children and women.

Within our limited resources we have been able to do something to cover 40,000 youth and women by providing different capacity building programmes on health, legal literacy, life skill education and livelihood support to the victims of human trafficking and the children in difficult circumstances. During this period, we have got different support services from Govt., non Govt. agencies and large no. of civil society organizations in the District of Murshidabad, Nadia, Birbhum, 24 paraganas and Burdwan in the state of West Bengal, India. We give our heartfelt thanks to all the persons with anticipation for future. Last but not least we oblige to all our beneficiaries for those, our works have been successful. The leanings from the people make us smart to go further in a smart view.

We appeal to everybody to break silence where injustice prevails.

Soma Bhowmick
Executive Director
Suprava Panchashila Mahila Uddyog Samity (SPMUS)
SUPRAVA PANCHASHILA MAHILA UDDYOG SAMITY (SPMUS)

**Vision:**
To develop credibility of women folk and children to meet the socio economic vulnerability, ensuring health, social economical and educational environment.

**Mission:**
To facilitate and enhance effective participation of the women and children and rural and urban area to fight against vulnerability through education, information dissemination, advocacy, networking, capacity building, research, care, support and treatment service by involving civil Society Organization (CSO).

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PACT, SHAKTI AND CHAURAHA
*(Prevention of human trafficking in source areas)*

**Objective:** To create safe communities for children, especially for those belonging to unsafe areas.

**Target audience:** Children imperiled by their exposure or vulnerability to isolation, neglect, violence, hazardous or exploitative work, early marriage, juvenile offending, trafficking and abuse.

**Goal:** Establishment of safe communities where children, adults and governments work together to prevent mischief and injustice to these children.
**PACT (Parent Adult Children against Trafficking):**
- The aim of this programme is to mobilize and involve community adults to create a safe community for children
- The capacity building of parents and adults of the community is done by implementing several protection mechanisms
- Through PACT, we hope that parents and adults will be able to recognize and identify signs of isolation, understand its consequences (risk of being trafficked, early marriage, abuse, etc.) and make linkages to services in the community on addressing vulnerability

**SHAKTI (Programme among adolescent girls):**
- Find the Shakti girls
- Identify their strengths and abilities
- Connect to care givers and peers
- Make them dare to dream and make plans for their future
- Acquire negotiation skills to stay in institutions, dealing with adjustment issues
- Work towards financial independence and jobs
- Let them know about their rights

**CHAUARAHA (Programme among adolescent boys):**
- Find the Chauraha boys
- Connect to care givers and peers
- Give information about different social problems related to boys
- Give knowledge about Juvenile Justice Act.
- Life skill education with special emphasis on family adjustment, unrest, chemical addiction etc.
- Let them know about their rights
FAMILY STRENGTHENING PROGRAMME

Intervention Area: Domkal, Hariharpurpara Raninagar-1&2

ACTIVITIES:
- To identify 300 most vulnerable families in each community
- Finalizing an interview schedule through participatory discussion
- Training of PACT mothers for data collection
- Base line data collection through mobile application
- Data analysis
- To take action for family strengthening
- End line data collection through mobile application

OUTCOME:
- 1200 vulnerable families identified at four communities through PACT mothers and major stakeholders
- 48 PACT mothers participated for finalizing the interview schedule with the help of technical advisor
- 48 PACT volunteers and 4 field coordinator participated in use of mobile application training
- 5 major felt needs identified from each family.
- 3 major needs mitigated in each family with the support of major stakeholders within 6 months
- 90 percent families declared as strengthened families after end line assessment
SAVE VILLAGE PROGRAMME (SVP)

*Intervention area:* Backward villages in Murshidabad.

**ACTIVITIES:**
- Identification of backward villages from the list by Govt. of India.
- Advocacy with different stakeholders in those villages.
- Select school with consultation of the stakeholders.
- Conduct awareness programme at school and community level.

**OUTCOME:**
- 5670 students reached through school programme.
- 870 parents reached through community programme.
- 190 stakeholders reached through school programme.
- 5670 comic books (related to SVP) distributed among students.
- 870 flyers distributed among parents.
- 6540 people reached through SVP.

**PROJECT ‘MissingLink’**

MissingLink is an effort to bridge the critical gap between donor/institutional funding and social problems. MissingLink aims to provide shelter to young, abandoned women with/without young children who are escaping domestic abuse, often becoming easy target for traffickers. India has the highest number of child marriages in the world. According to Government of India’s data, 47% girls are married before they turn 18. Murshidabad district in West Bengal rank among the three top districts with highest rate of child marriages. UNICEF’s report of 2015 and West Bengal Government’s baseline report both show that prevalence of child marriage in Murshidabad is more than 70%.

SPMUS while working in those areas often has to work with abandoned young women. Adolescent girls who are forced into marriages often face desertion from their husbands or marital families. If they are divorced or separated from their husbands, they are no longer welcomed in their paternal families. Research shows
a strong link between child marriage and domestic violence. These young girls are left to fend for themselves and their children with almost no marketable skills. This makes these young women easy target for traffickers who are often acquaintances.

SUPRAVA PANCHASHILA MAHILA UDDYOG SAMITY (SPMUS) is working in this area for more than a decade on the issues of women and children. Although a relatively smaller organization, it has earned a reputation for standing up for women in need. MissingLink is trying to build on the current programs of SPMUS, such as women’s and children’s groups to prevent child marriages, preventing women and child trafficking, forced prostitution and provide support to women through socio-legal counseling in the cases of domestic violence.

MissingLink wants to provide-

- Safe transitional housing to 3-5 young women with children escaping domestic violence at any given point in time for 15 days- 3 months
- Counseling support
- Ensuring nutritious meal, organizing required medical treatment in collaboration with Medical College Hospital
- Educational support for children
- Minimize the possibility of getting trapped by Human Traffickers through socio legal counseling
- Help the residents to learn a skill to earn livelihood or find a job locally
- Financial Education
- Information and education related to other available government assistance program to the residents
- MissingLink also wants to develop a crèche/ day care services for young children, who cannot go to school yet, with local women volunteers.
MissingLink is looking forward to add as many volunteers as possible to make the project sustainable.

**Sample Case Study:**

Shefali was referred to SPMUS when she was in desperate need of shelter and medical attention for her 3 children who sustained burned injuries. She had lost her shanty and was living under open sky with her 3 children. She was married off at the age of 13& escaped the abusive marital relation to give better life to her children at 28. Her relatives didn’t like her audacity, hence decided to burn down her hut. Friends of SPMUS immediately decided to be MissingLink & raised an emergency fund to support medical need, food and finding a safe and hygienic shelter for Shefali and her children.

Within three months’ time with the help of project MissingLink Shefali’s children recovered from their injury and they resumed school; Shefali got her job back as domestic help; their hut is redone and more secure than before and the local police is taking care of her assailants. Now the young woman has emerged as a role model and being approached by local organizations and women in distress, for counseling support. What one did is nothing more than being a ‘Missing Link’ that she needed during the most trying time of her life. Our support was small when you look at the amount, but had immense impact in her life. It proved to have a life changing impact, wherein she turned from the victim needing support to someone capable of providing support in a short period of time. Shefali says, “I want my children to get educated for better future.” She is daring to dream for a better future.
PROJECT KOMAL

OBJECTIVES:
❖ To create awareness on child sexual abuse
❖ To inform children (age group 6-12) about the various forms of abuse: physical, verbal or visual
❖ To make children aware about the concepts of safe touch, unsafe touch and unsafe actions
❖ To give children the necessary knowledge to prevent abuse i.e. Personal Safety Rules

STRATEGIES:
❖ Volunteer engagement.
❖ Training of Trainers.
❖ Advocacy with awareness among major stakeholders.
❖ Facilitation by TOT at schools.

ACTIVITIES:

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| Conducting the awareness program in schools | * | * | * | * | * |

MONTH-WISE PERFORMANCE:

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OUTCOME:

- 9353 students have been reached through awareness programme on child sexual abuse in 67 schools covering 3 blocks in the remote areas of Murshidabad district.
- 15 volunteers’ from 18 years – 30 years have been involved to conduct the awareness program in different Govt. schools of the district.
- The permission from the District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) and School Inspector (S.I) of each circle has been granted through advocacy.
- Before starting the programme, the written consent was collected from the school authority for conducting the awareness program.
- Feedbacks from the school authority have been documented to serve the best for the students.

In future we are planning to conduct the awareness program in the community by involving the community leaders and community people to create the awareness on the community level.

CHALLENGES FACED:

- The teacher from religious institution was showing apathetic attitude towards project Komal. But we have been able to perform the program through the support of inspector of schools.
- Problem of transport facility in rural area.
CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME

(Among Youth and Stakeholders)

LIFE SKILL EDUCATION:

Major Content discussed in the life skill camp:
- Thinking Skills
- Social Skills
- Negotiating Skills
- Imparting of Life Skill Training to Adolescents
- Sensitization on various social issues
- Community based activities
- Subjects related to general health, reproductive and child health
- Awareness and knowledge about HIV, AIDS, STDs and other ailments
- Nutrition, substance, abuse and alcoholism
- Norms and imperatives of a healthy family
- Healthy moral life
- Gender issues and
- Regular counseling etc.

Target group:
All participants are the members of the Teen Club/ Youth Clubs affiliated to NYK (Block names are- Berhampore, Beldanga-1 & 2, Lalgola, Bhagwangola.

Duration of the Programme: 10am- 4pm

Type of participants: Members of Teen Club/ Youth Club (preferable women, SC/ST/OBC).

Age Group of the Participant: 10-19 years.

Nos. of Participant: 40
METHOD:
Lecture, Storytelling, game, Group work, Presentation  Group Discussion, Focus group Discussion  Slides show, Audio & visual, Demonstration of Model, Flip Chart, Picture, Magazine, Movies, Case Study, Quiz, Debates, Field visit and shearing Views, Idea, Knowledge, Experience etc.

OUTCOME:
❖ Developing an Identity- awareness helps adolescents understand themselves and establish their personal identity. Build their skills positive image and sound career perspective.(90% increased)
❖ Managing Emotions- Adolescents have frequent mood changes reflecting feelings of anger, sadness, happiness, fear, shame, guilt, and love. Now they understand the emotional turmoil.(88% increased)
❖ Building Relationships- Adolescents understood social skills for building positive and healthy relationships with others including peer of opposite sex. They understood the importance of mutual respect and socially defined boundaries of every relationship.

❖ Increase Positive behavior, creative thinking, and Interpersonal relationship.
❖ Increase self-awareness, coping with stress, interpersonal relationship, decision making.

Capacity Building of Village Level Child Protection Society (VLCPC)

Target Group: Anganwadi worker, Self help groups, Panchayet members, School teacher, Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANM) and children representatives.

Method of facilitation: Group work, videoshow, case study discussion & Lecture.

Topic of Discussion: Child Trafficking, Early marriage, Role of VLCPC to prevention of child trafficking and child marriage.
OUTCOME:
560 multi stakeholders under VLCPC have sensitized about prevention of child marriage and child trafficking in different Panchayets of Murshidabad.

CHILD TRAFFICKING CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

Objective:
- Ensure the rescue and reunification of trafficked victims and prosecution of accused in the 8 blocks of Jangipur and Domkal Subdivision of Murshidabad District of West Bengal.
- Strengthening the system related to child protection services by ensuring advocacy among stake holders (CWC chairman, BDO, BMOH, DMEEO, DCPS, Police, CKI, Babu, Madam etc.) in the proposed area.

Achievement (Cumulative):

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<td>Traffickers arrested</td>
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<td>CWC</td>
<td>Safe custody of survivor and facilitate to register the case in respective police station</td>
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<td>Police</td>
<td>Information for investigations related trafficking case and help to rescue</td>
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<td>Panchayet</td>
<td>Facilitated to linkage with existing schemes and provide necessary documents of the survivor. (Residential certificate, BPL card, job card, IAY etc.)</td>
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<td>Family</td>
<td>Care, protection &amp; help to continue schooling of the survivors.</td>
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<td>Public Prosecutor</td>
<td>Facilitated to strengthen the case and help to reject the bail of trafficker.</td>
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<td>School Teacher</td>
<td>Initiation of educational support and follow up the survivor with special emphasis.</td>
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CHETANA
(Special School of Mentally-challenged Children)

Suprava Panchashila Mahila Uddyog Samity (SPMUS) is a registered under the Society’s Registration Act 1961, FCRA. It has been doing different social welfare program for the women and child since 1993. The organization has been running a special school for mentally retarded children namely ‘CHETANA’ giving facilities to 50 MR children without any financial support. It was academically recognized in 2nd March, 2001-No. 242/1(3 MEE).

The institutional special education has been imparting to the 45 Nos. mentally retarded children. Integrated approaches have been adopted for the prevention of it with protection of the children by the organization through different campaign program in different blocks of the District. The organization has been working with strong support of National Trust of Government of India, State level authority and Dept. of Mass Education Extension Dept.

Objective:
- Integrated education and social inclusion of differently able children and their families.
- Imparting education to the mentally retarded children in formal education system
- Involvement of community to social and economic rehabilitation of the children at family level and community level.
- Sensitization of the people about prevention and protection of the children.
**Approach:** To overcome the challenges with the participation of family members and their concern community.

**Activities:**
- Teaching in special education
- Vocational training
- Sports and cultural activities
- Linkage with schemes of the government
- Parent counseling

**Achievement:**

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<td>Nos. of children linkage with social security schemes.</td>
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LIVELIHOOD PROGRAMME

Organized by: SWAJAN group.
Target group: Self help group of survivors.

PRODUCT:
❖ Kantha blanket.
❖ Cloth towels
❖ Bori making.
❖ Sattu making.
❖ Puffed rice

OUTCOME:
The group has started to sell their product in local market.

BANK DETAILS:

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