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*Gramin Vikas Parishad,
Castairstown,
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Jharkhand.*

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ABOUT US

Gramin Vikas Parishad is a Non-governmental Organization located at District B.Deoghar; Jharkhand. It is registered under Societies Registration Act of 1860 vide No. 95 dated 26.04.1986 from I. G. Registration, Patna again registered under Societies Registration Act 1860 vide No. 724 dated 28.08.2007 from I. G. Registration, Ranchi. The organization has the FCRA license of 1976 vide old No. 031220022 dated 30th November 1990 and New No. 337680036 dated 26th September 2003 and has been registered under the Income Tax Act, 1961 vide No. CIT/DHN/TE/12A-9/2000-01/ dated 16th November 2000. PAN No. of the organization is AAATG 3750 F.

VISION

A Socio-economically developed society living in a healthy environment with self respect, dignity and harmony.

MISSION

Sustainable development through conservation of land, water, vegetation and Bio-diversity and to promote Socio-economic activities for the upliftment of Socio-economic status of weaker section of the society.

AREAS OF OPERATION

BIHAR & JHARKHAND States.

MAIN TARGET GROUPS

- Women
- Small and Marginal Farmers
- Tribal
- Schedule castes
- Landless labourers
- Underprivileged people

Fields In Which G.V.P Takes Special Interest

- Awareness generation
- Networking and Advocacy
- Formation and Strengthening of VLOs/CBOs

- Natural Resource Development and Management
- Soil Conservation
- Watershed Development
- Education
- Health and Sanitation
- Agricultural extension works
- Tribal Development Activities in MADA area.

ACTIVITIES

Awareness Generation and Community Organisation

From its very beginning, Gramin Vikas Parishad has involved itself in awareness generation and capacity building activities for the target people. In this direction village level organisations are formed. Special emphasis has been given on the formation and strengthening of Gram-Sabha and Mahila-Mandals. For organizing young people Youth-clubs are also formed. A strong village level organisation with its members fully aware of their rights and duties form the base of development work- this is our conception.

Education

One of the major activities of Gramin Vikas Parishad is Mass Literacy Campaign for school dropouts and adults in and around the project area.

The achievement of the Mass Literacy Campaign has ensured proper functioning of the schools with the teachers reaching school on time and a strong motivation on part of the parents to send their children to school without fail. This can be treated as a significant lead in the education of children.

Gramin Vikas Parishad has successfully been able to run Non-formal Education Centers in Banka district of Bihar and Deoghar District of Jharkhand.

Plantation

The main activity of this organization from the very beginning is the development of the wastelands by planting trees. Thousands of hectares of wastelands are available in Banka

District and Santhal Pargana region. These lands have suffered vagaries of nature and soil erosion has been rampant depleting vegetative cover. One can see stray cattle moving over the area rubbing their mouth against nothing. This has further aggravated deterioration of the soil. Water table is going down steadily and during the summer specially, water is not available for drinking for the cattle. Besides, there is an acute problem of fuel wood. The villagers find it difficult to keep the pot boiling.

Achievements

As mentioned above, the organization has paid particular attention in planting trees on the wastelands that have remained barren so far and they cannot be ploughed in the present conditions.

A constant interaction in the form of group meetings, individual meetings etc. has been started as an early measure for educating the villagers on different aspects of plantations such as collection of seeds, raising nursery seedlings, planting in the area and its maintenance. Credit goes to villagers who have co-operated fully in our endeavours. This has been possible due to constant contact with the target groups and involving them in our activities at every stage.

A climate of confidence has been created between the organization and the villagers. By now village woodlots have been created in the villages over 3000 Acres. All plantations raised since 1989 are intact and they have been raised without fencing. The concept of '**Social Fencing**' has been fully achieved.

Soil and Moisture Conservation Works

In plantation areas Soil and moisture conservation works like Gully plugging, Staggered contour trenches and check dams have been constructed wherever necessary. On check dams and contour trenches Neem seeds, Acacia and Subabul seeds have been sown. Vitex cuttings have been planted in eroded areas in abundance. Agave and Jetropha have been planted on boundary and bundhs of the fields. The saplings of Babul, Neem, Acacia and Subabul have done the cover plantation.

Achievements: Soil erosion has stopped. Run off rainwater has stopped and under ground water table has been coming up. Recharging of water in wells and other water bodies has started.

Health and Sanitation

The standard of health of rural people is not good. The problem is aggravated by a poor sense of hygiene and sanitation, far away location of PHCs and their non -operational condition.

G.V.P. believes that prevention is better than cure. We are regularly organizing awareness camps on sanitation and hygiene to fight the problem of occurrence of diseases. We are educating them on the benefits of safe drinking water.

We are giving stress on herbal medication at village level. Village practitioners are encouraged and their networking has been started. Experts also give them training regularly. Promotion of cultivation of herbal plants is our main activity.

For increasing nutritional values in their food, fruit plants have been raised in their backyard.

Agricultural Works

Most of the target population depends on agriculture for their livelihood yet the production is not sufficient to feed them for the year. The reason is traditional and primitive way of cultivation, dependency on rainwater, soil erosion etc.

From the very beginning we are educating them on the drawbacks of traditional system of farming, ill effects of excessive use of inorganic fertilizers, conservation and proper use of available water for better yield etc. Now people are using compost and vermi compost in farming. New techniques of cultivation have been adopted. **SRI and SWI techniques for paddy and wheat cultivation are being promoted.**

We have been able to construct a number of water-harvesting structures and renovation of already existing bunds, ponds and tanks to increase the availability of water for cultivation.

The effect of our efforts is heartening. They have started cultivating Rabi crops, cash crops and vegetables and their overall agricultural production has increased.

Activities in the Financial Year 2023-2024

LEDP on Low Cost Nursery Development in Mohanpur Block of Deoghar District-

Livelihood Enterprise Development Programme has been sanctioned by NABARD in Mohanpur Block of Deoghar District. The objective of the programme is to develop 150 Women SHG members (WSHGs) into successful entrepreneurs in Plant Nursery. Under this program a Demonstration Nursery has been established. Theoretical and Practical Training has been given on Low cost Nursery Development to 150 WSHGs. They were given training on raising of timber, fruits and herbal plants in nursery. Training on Preparation of Vermi compost was also given.. Exposure visit was arranged to KVK and Local Nursery.

A two days Refresher Training has been organized for 150 SHGs women in 5 Batches each batch consists of 30 Participants. The objective of the training was to solve their problems in nursery raising and marketing. Experts on the subject from KVK Deoghar and other professionals were the resource person. Theoretical and Practical training was given to them.

The participants of the program are raising vegetables, ornamental and timber plants in groups. They are selling vegetable plants to local farmers. Ornamental Plants are sold in Mohanpur Haat and at the nursery. Papaya Plants are sold to farmers from the nursery.



Refresher Training on Low Cost Nursery Development



Raising of plants in Nursery and marketing by the SHG Members

LEDP on Cultivation of Medicinal Plants in Kundhit Block of Jamtara District-

Livelihood Enterprise Development Programme has been sanctioned by NABARD in Kundhit Block of Jamtara District on "Cultivation of Medicinal Plants". The objective of the programme is to develop 150 Women SHG members (WSHGs) into successful entrepreneurs in Medicinal Plants Cultivation and Marketing. Under this programme a Demonstration Herbal Garden has been established in Gaipathar Village of Jamtara District. Theoretical and Practical Training has been given on Cultivation of Medicinal Plants to 150 WSHGs. They were given training on raising of seedlings of medicinal plants, their cultivation, processing and marketing. Training was given on scientific method of preparation of compost and Vermi Compost.

Exposure visit has been arranged for 40 participants. They visited commercial cultivation of Lemon Grass in Simladangal village of Fatehpur, Jamtara. The participants of the program will now raise medicinal plants in groups.



Exposure visit on cultivation of Medicinal Plants

Demonstration nursery is the practical learning place for them. In the demonstration herbal plants have been raised. They are Shatavari, Ashwagandha, Kalmegh, Tulsi and Aloe vera.

Trial cultivation of Ashwagandha, Tulsi, Kalmegh, Aloe vera and Shatavari has been done this year. Scope of Ashwagandha cultivation at commercial level has been established. From winter season Ashwagandha will be raised in larger area.



DDM NABARD Deoghar (tagged Jamtara District) Sri Anand Kumar Visit to Herbal Garden

Promotion of Farmers Producer Organisation (FPO)-

In March 2020 Grant Assistance has been sanctioned by NABARD for Promotion of two FPOs to Gramin Vikas Parishad. One FPO has to be promoted in Mohanpur Block of Deoghar District and other in Kundhit Block of Jamtara District. Both FPOs have been registered in December 2020 under Company Act.

Both FPOs participated in Mango Festival in Ranchi organized by NABARD Regional Office.

Awareness and training programmes organised through own resources-

We have organized awareness programme on Climate Change, Organic farming and current Government Schemes for Farmers. They are made aware about current developments on agriculture and allied sector by our volunteers and staff members. They are assisted for availing Government Sponsored schemes and Training Programmes on entrepreneurship development.



(Sanjay Kumar)

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