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Making
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Difference
Qualitative





VISION

“Better Villages for a Better World”

Mission Statement

“To encourage the initiatives and the energy of the villagers by facilitating their self improvement and sustainability process through development partnership”



2018-19 CHILD EDUCATION AND RIGHTS OUTREACH

CHILD DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION & RIGHTS OUTREACH 2018-2019										
S.no	Program	Villages VC	Gender			Community				
			M	F	T	ST	SC	BC	OC	T
1	Odisha	15	220	195	415	163	99	153	-	415
2	Gonasika	17	294	239	533	480	13	40	-	533
3	Kothakota	15	231	202	433	333	12	88	-	433
4	Rajahmundry	30	638	669	1307	128	250	729	200	1307
5	Guntur	30	601	594	1195	366	418	336	75	1195
6	Nellore	20	420	418	838	333	339	136	30	838
7	Kadapa	15	325	293	618	49	358	192	19	618
8	Hyderabad	15	298	319	617	14	216	382	5	617
9	Tamilanadu	3	84	80	164	-	126	38	-	164
Total		160	3111	3009	6120	1866	1831	2094	329	6120

2018-19 YOUTH SKILL DEVELOPMENT OUTREACH

YOUTH SKILL DEVELOPMENT (YSD) OUTREACH 2018-2019										
S.no	Program	Villages VC	Gender			Community				
			M	F	T	ST	SC	BC	OC	T
1	Orissa	54	-	174	174	59	72	39	4	174
2	Guntur	12	64	187	251	77	77	63	34	251
3	Nellore	6	-	30	30	-	3	24	3	30
4	Kadapa	2	-	36	36	-	20	16	-	36
5	Hyderabad	20	-	473	473	51	195	212	15	473
6	Rajahmundry	15	60	109	169	11	27	88	43	169
7	Tamilanadu	6	-	25	25	-	9	16	-	25
Total		115	124	1034	1158	198	403	458	99	1158

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Minutes of 47th Annual General Body Meeting

MINUTES OF 47th ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING IN SATYODAYAM ON 16-09-2018

The 47th Annual General Body Meeting was convened by the President of VRO at 10.30am on 16th September 2018, at Satyodayam, 12-5-33, South Lallaguda, Secunderabad, 5000017.

The following members informed the Secretary of their inability to attend the General Body meeting: Mrs. Kavitha David, Mrs. Purnima and Mr. J. Ranga Rao.

Sr.Cletus Daisy JMJ the president, Fr. Dhanapaul SJ, Secretary, Fr. Peter Daniel SJ, Operational Director, Sri.T. Gopala Rao and Dr.Bayyrapu Prasada Rao lit the lamp. Fr. Santiago SJ honoured the portrait of Prof M.A. Windey SJ with a garland.

The meeting began with prayer song “Om Jagadeswara” Sung by Ms.V.Sandhya Rani, Ms.J.Mani, and Ms. Amitha Behara.

Fr. S. A. Dhanapaul SJ, Secretary, read out the minutes of the 46th Annual General Body Meeting to the quorum. The president requested weather there are for any corrections or additions to the minutes. Since there was no correction proposed approval of minutes was proposed by Fr.AXJ Bosco S.J and seconded by Mr. A. J. Saju.

Sr. Cletus Daisy JMJ, the President, welcomed the General Body Members and the Governing Board Members for the 47th Annual General Body Meeting. In her introductory remark she mentioned that VRO must be open and inclusive to everybody and lend sufficient space for them in our Vision and Mission for the poor and the marginalized like the fingers in our hands find the space among them so fittingly.

Sri T. Gopala Rao Garu expressed his experience with VRO for the last 41 years since 1977, the year in which the super cyclone hit Andhra Pradesh. In his sharing he said “VRO should allow everyone who is willing to join and enable them to be an integral part of VRO. Inclusiveness should be the symbol of VRO for the time to come. We are happy to have contributed for the development of the society. We have an opportunity to enrich the lives of women and children in the field of empowerment, health care, rights and safe guarding their dignity. Along with the four thrust areas, Child Education and Rights, (CER) Youth Skill Development (YSD), Village Empowerment and Entitlements and Agro-Forestry let us also envisage



working with the forgotten elders”.

Fr. SA Dhanapaul,SJ read out the secretary’s report and after some deliberations and clarifications about membership of General Body, the approval of the minutes was proposed by Mr.TKS Sharma and seconded by Mr. Ravi Pradeep. All the general body members unanimously approved the same.

Discussion on life membership was initiated by Dr. Nagenderswamy who cautioned that VRO should be careful in selecting the board members as they have to contribute towards the growth of VRO’s service to the people. He also mentioned that we should drop the members from the General Body who are constantly absent for meetings.

Dr. Nagendersway suggested that it is good to take professionals to work in VRO from scheduled tribes and other disadvantaged sections of the society and not only from the Society of Jesus. For this Sr. Cletus Daisy, JMJ, commented that if we find such committed persons it is well and good but it is hard to find professionals who are available 24 hours for the people and the service.

Operational director proudly acknowledged that VRO is making a difference in the lives of the poor through various programs like CER, YSD, VEE, Agro-Forestry and Village Rebuilding Programs. He mentioned that VRO educated through evening study centers 6099 government school going children in 163 villages, provided skill training to 1156 young boys and girls in different centers and villages, worked towards village empowerment in 136 villages, enhanced the livelihood

of tribes in 42 villages through Agro-Forestry program and constructed houses with sanitary facilities in two new villages for 62 tribal families. He also thanked the team of volunteers headed by Velanagani Raju SJ, the Associate Director, which puts its heart and soul in making a difference in the lives of thousands of villagers and thus “Building Better Villages for a Better World”.

In order to present the activities of VRO for the financial year 2017-18 videos on different Programs (CER, YSD, VEE, and Agro-Forestry & Village Rebuilding Program) were shown to the general body members by Mr. Vijay Reddy, the Program Manager.

Having seen the activities done by VRO to the villagers the following suggestions were made by the members.

Dr. Prasad Rao garu suggested the following:

- In the villages where we have Agro-forestry program the women are to be formed into a collective institution such as Mutually Aided Cooperative Societies. Collectiveness of women leads to economic independence and raise their social status in the society. Unutilized lands can be brought under cultivation for producing grass for the cattle.
- Bio mass composting units could be started and they will be beneficial to the farmers. Also we need to motivate our farmers to avoid pesticides and fertilizers and move towards organic farming systems.
- We also need to motivate our stakeholders to develop kitchen garden around their houses or in the empty plots. The kitchen garden ensures an inexpensive, regular and handy supply of fresh vegetables which are basic to nutrition.
- Nomads are in the process of constant mobility in pursuit of livelihoods and hence the children are deprived of their education. It is good to motivate these parents to send their children to schools which have hostel facility as well. We can mobilize sponsors and resources for the education of nomadic children.
- Sanitary Pads manufacturing is an emerging business activity in the field of women empowerment. We can discuss with our women and introduce manufacturing of Sanitary Pads.
- Fr. A. Santiago SJ, congratulated VRO for its efforts in uplifting the disadvantaged and marginalized. It is now time for us to expand our services and increase our visibility to other villages as well.
- Fr. AXJ. Bosco SJ, expressed that it was important to capacitate our volunteers with needed skills to provide qualitative service to the villagers.

• Sri .T. Gopal Rao expressed his happiness over the new systems that are being followed now in VRO. He also suggested that in CER program we need to prepare the children for competitive examinations for securing admissions in government and other reputed educational institutions.

Velanagani Raju SJ, Associate Director, presented his



report “Rowing into the Deep.” He also expressed his happiness in working with rural poor and especially schedule tribes. He also thanked APSHC headed by Sri Kantilal Dande IAS for its wonderful collaboration with VRO in building so many houses for the poor yanadi tribes in six villages of Repalle area. He also thanked Sri. T. Gopala Rao garu and Dr. B. Prasada Rao garu for their support at different critical times.

Due to illness, Ms. Mrs. Kavitha David, the Treasurer, excused herself and hence the operational director presented the financial report for the year 2017-2018 and the budget for 2018-19. The General Body members approved the financial report and the budget.

General Body also approved the continuation of the Auditor M/s KV Subbarao-PCO-CA, Guntur for the financial year 2018-19. It was proposed by Mr. TKS Sharma and seconded by Sri.T.Gopala Rao garu.

Velanagani Raju SJ thanked all the members who actively participated in the meeting by providing valuable suggestions and advices and welcomed everyone to join the community lunch. Finally the formal meeting came to a close with VRO anthem “Vijayaviharam”.

Fr. Dhanapaul Stanislaus Aruputham, SJ
Secretary- Governing Board, VRO

President Speaks

Dear Friends,

We are on the threshold of the Golden Jubilee year of Village Reconstruction Organisation. If we look at VRO from its inception lots of innovative changes have taken place without compromising the values, the Vision and Mission of VRO rather those standards have given great momentum. Prof. Windey, SJ must be immensely happy to see the growth of VRO by leaps and bounds in spite of his physical absence. As we know in any organization like VRO the richness is not only measured by the capital but by its attitudes, care, concern and the desire to reach out to the unreachable. I wish to reiterate that VRO has been at the service of the poor right from its birth especially for the empowerment of the Tribals, Dalits and Backward classes in various parts of India. It is well known fact that Lakhs of families experienced the feeling of being accepted through the interventions of VRO especially in the early years of 1971-2000 and even now in spite of so called Globalisation influence.

It is very true that the world is racing faster to be better than the other without looking in to the damage being done to the other in the process of being better. The values of being for the other and living in harmony with the other is considered as a terminated past. This kind of attitude is very much contrast to the foundations of our organisation and being relevant at this point of time with the attitude of creating "Better Villages for a Better World" is a daily contest to all of us

Perhaps it is an opportune time to pledge ourselves to envisage the right ways and means to work for the realization of our Vision and Mission day in and out without looking for any reward. The context invites us to go to the peripheries to experience the plights of the poor who have lost their identities and dignities due to so many new ways of oppressions. To counter all these we need to collaborate and cooperate with the like-minded people and organisations so that our effort achieves the purpose. I request the operational team to reflect on this line as we are getting ready to celebrate the Golden years of our service among the poor in a meaningful way in the villages.

As I conclude my message, I would like to place on record the unfaultable and immeasurable and generous support and dedication of the Governing Board Members who tirelessly work for the realization of the dream

of VRO through their proficiency, guidance and timely support as and when the operational team requests. They are ever ready and willing and at times their enthusiasm makes me to think that the desire to serve has no retirement.

It is indeed an immense joy to recall and recollect the untiring and enthusiastic services of every VRO volunteer, who actually reach VRO to the needy rural poor.

I earnestly urge the funding partners, collaborators, networking partners, well-wishers, friends, Governing Board Members, General Body Members, volunteers, and the stake holders to encourage and enthuse the youth to come forward to be the stake holders of philosophy, charisma, Vision and Mission of VRO.

May the service mindedness and good spirit that is pervading in VRO, continue to flower under the dynamic and able guidance of the Governing Board Members, specifically the compassionate and the committed Operational Director Fr. Peter Daniel, SJ and young and energetic leader, advocate, challenge and risk taking Associate Director Velangani Raju, SJ (Venkatapathi) who shoulder and manage the day-to-day execution of Vision and Mission of VRO through thick and thin.

And with great appreciation the bounteousness of Jesuits for their collaboration, cooperation and wholehearted support to VRO I wish God's abundant blessings and our unity of VRO Family.



Sr. Cletus Daisy, JMJ
President- Governing Board, VRO

Secretary's Report

It is my privilege and honor to welcome Madam President, Members of the Governing Board, General Body and Friends to the 48th Annual General Body Meeting of Village Reconstruction Organisation.

The Governing board met during the year as follows:

1. 16th September 2018 at Satyodayam, Secunderabad
2. 5th January 2019 at St Joseph's Hospital, Guntur
3. 5th April 2019 at St Joseph's Hospital, Guntur
4. 15th July 2019 at St Joseph's Hospital, Guntur.

Major Achievements

Six thousand one hundred and twenty children (6120) across four states of VRO are given an opportunity to improve their standards in Education through evening supervised study centers. All these children are government primary school going children covering 160 villages; the effect of the project resulted in eradication of child labor in all the villages. VRO strived very hard to prepare 163 children to appear for the government residential school entrance exams and succeeded too. They are now continuing their further education in government residential schools with better facilities.

VRO successfully trained 124 young boys in driving, electrical repair and cell phone maintenance skills and 1034 girls and women in tailoring, embroidery, fashion designing and beautician skills. We are glad to announce 93% of boys are either employed or self-employed in various sectors and among the women 51% are self-employed and 12% are employed. We are also happy to inform you that some of our trainees have taken up the order from the government to stitch uniforms of the school children.

Three hundred tribal farmers, in Kothakota cluster area, planted 18,854 cashew saplings during the past 5 years in 204.5 acres of land. The survival rate is 86%. Out of 204.5 acres almost 120 acres now look like a forest which was a barren land for many years. Farmers



also had been given training in inter-crop cultivation which brought lots of additional income. We duly appreciate the agricultural department personnel who walked along with us in this process of empowering the tribals in farming skills.

VRO successfully constructed 191 houses in six hamlets for the Yanadi tribes of Repalle area of Guntur District, namely, Kapulapalem (33), SR Colony (39), Potumeraka (54), Mollagunta (18), Pedapalli (18), and Kalliphalem (29) in collaboration with Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation (APSHC). We remain ever grateful to Sri Kantilal Dande, IAS, the Managing Director of Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation and Mr. Naga Sivarao, the Project Director, Housing, Guntur and the other housing department officers for their excellent collaboration. We are aware of the fact that without their continuous support this mission would not have been very successful.

Associate Director Velangani Raju, SJ is to be congratulated on his successful fund raising trip to Europe and London on convincing the donors to continue their support to VRO programs and establishing new contacts especially in Spain and London is remarkable.

Some of the Important Discussions and Resolutions:

18 General Body Members were supposed to have renewed their membership but only 11 members renewed their membership namely Sri T. Gopalarao garu IAS, (Retd), Sri. R. Rajaiah garu, Sri. P. Sreemannaryan garu, Dr. Nagenderswamy, Mr. TKS Sharma, Fr. AXJ Bosco SJ, Sri. Giri Yadav garu, Sri. Jashti Ranga Rao garu, Mr. G. Sudhir John, Fr. S. Gnanadevan SJ and Mr. K. Ravi Pradeep. Suggestion was sought by the Operational Director from the Members of GoB regarding the other 7 members who did not renew. After due deliberation it was resolved to send a letter of reminder to the other 7 members (since they are very senior members of VRO) about the need to renew their membership during the next general body meeting and if we do not receive any response from them we can take a decision on their membership later. The seven members are Sri Kolhatkar Garu, Sr. Martin Malieckal JMJ, Srimathi Nandita Sen, Srimathi Latha Jain, Sri Pramod S. Shinde garu, Mr. Jose Vincent and Sri Gurunadha Reddy garu.

Operational Director requested the Governing board to give him permission to avail the Over- Draft facility on the existing fixed deposits in HDFC bank at Guntur in order to make use of the loan towards the advancement of housing materials for the housing programs undertaken by VRO in collaboration with the Housing Corporation, Government of AP and to advance the required expenses for the TRICOR project sanctioned by the Tribal Corporation, AP Government in Repalle area and to pay back the loan to the bank once the money arrives from the different government departments. He also informed the board members that the bank has accepted to give loan for 0.75% above the interest that we receive over the FD. After some deliberation on the topic the board unanimously resolved to authorize Operational Director to avail the over-draft facility on the existing fixed deposits in HDFC bank at Guntur.

The board resolved to renew the lease period of Pondichery land for another three more years starting from October 2018 to September 2021 to run the tailoring program for the poor adolescent girls and women around that area by the Jesuits of Chennai Mission.

The GoB unanimously accepted the proposal of the operational team to settle the Provident Fund issue which is of 35 years old. The Board authorized the operational team to request the PF department to determine the liability as soon as possible so that VRO could arrange the amount to pay off the liability. However the operational team was asked to have an internal determination of the liability by an experienced outsourcing department so that VRO is well prepared to meet the consequences without causing any disturbance to the ongoing projects for the poor.

The proposal to lease out Perecherla land for the establishment of petrol bunk is being turned down by the Board as it causes damage to the environment.

Regarding the rehabilitation activities in Ambedkar colony, Kotanadu of Kerala district due to the heavy floods it was resolved to send Rs 4,00,000 (four lakhs) to begin the tailoring and electrical course to the Dalit youth. The proposal to go for housing program was kept under study since there was no clarity on the contribution of the government for the rehabilitation of destructed villages in remote areas.

Sri. Kona Sasidhar, IAS, Collector and District Megistrate, Guntur, requested VRO to build 59 houses for the differently-abled families at Vedullapalli village, Bapatla Mandal of Guntur district in collaboration with AP Housing Corporation. Hence the board members discussed about it and resolved to construct the houses. It was also resolved to have MOU with the Housing department, AP, that VRO will construct the houses and the Housing Board will give the whole amount for the construction to VRO.

It was resolved to sell the lands around 66km site

(Ac1.30 Cents) at Kurmedu and A site at Rajupalem center (Ac 0.53 cents). The secretary and the operational team were asked to look for good bidder and proceed.

It was resolved by the Board that Fr. Peter Daniel SJ, Velangani Raju SJ, and Fr. Dhanapaul SJ would meet the Bishop of Nellore regarding the Sagarasangam Society. Operational team was asked to inform the Bishop that the donor's intention should be fulfilled by keeping three members from VRO in the board of Sagarasangam society and to run the ecumenical spiritual center for the volunteers of VRO and for others. The committee was also asked to inform the Bishop that the donation of the Sagarasangam Society land (2 acres) to the Tourism Department of AP Government was illegal and it had to be revoked or paid damages.

Sri. T. Gopalarao Garu presented his visit report of Kerala to the board. There was a long discussion among the members regarding the housing program for the Ambedkhar Colony. The board was informed that Government of Kerala provides RS. 4, 00,000 out of the budget of Rs. 5, 00,000. VRO resolved to help the village by providing Rs one lakh for each house.

Having read the request letter from the Provincial of JMJ Society, Bangalore, regarding starting of health program and nursing training center in VRO land at Arogyanagar, the board members discussed about it at length and also noted that the Kadapa area is very much backward in health. Looking into the positive nature of the proposal the board resolved to donate the land with a condition that the property will be used only for health related purpose.

Operational Director presented the budget for the year 2019-20 and after certain deliberation it was unanimously approved by the Board Members.

Regarding the request made by the Project director of Housing Department, Guntur, to construct 52 houses for the physically challenged families at

Kopalle village near Tenali and 17 houses for Yanadis at Vellature village, the board accepted to build the houses in principal but cautioned the operational team to go slow in taking it up the construction because of the forth coming elections.

Associate Director presented the fund rising trip plan to Europe and the board approved of his trip unanimously from 15th of May to 13th of June 2019.

The board resolved to take Over-Draft from the fixed deposit from Catholic Syrian Bank to run the TRICOR project for the Yanadhi tribes in Repalle area for the year 2019-20 and to construct the houses for the 52 disabled families in Kopalli village and 17 houses for yanadi tribes in Vellaturu village of Battiprolu Mandal. Once the money from TRICOR and housing department arrives in to VRO account the loan will be paid back to the bank and OD will be cancelled.

It was resolved to gift the land at Pelican Nivas to Maher Society, Pune (introduced to VRO by Ms. Ulrike, the president of Indienhilfe, Germany) to run a home for the distressed women and Girl children who are found on platforms. It also resolved to gift the land with a condition that the land is provided to the Maher Society as long as it runs the above said program. Once the above said program comes to a close for any reasons, the land will automatically come back to VRO with all the developed structures. Maher Society was also requested to get an endorsement letter from the Provincial of Holy Cross Province, Pune, because Sr. Lucy Kurien, the Director of Maher, belongs to the same society.

It was resolved to have the VRO Annual General Body Meeting on 15th of September 2019 in Prakash Hall, VRO Head Office, Pedakakani, Guntur.

Fr. Dhanapaul Stanislaus Aruputham, SJ
Secretary- Governing Board, VRO

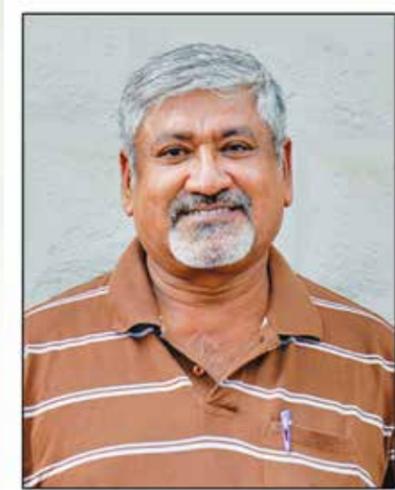
Operational Director's Foreword

To Serve and to Improve

Dear Sister. President, honorable members of Governing Board and General Body, Donors, well-wishers and friends,

As we are nearing the golden jubilee celebrations of VRO's existence I often read through the writings of Prof. M.A. Windy SJ. When I was reading his writings I bumped into these words which he wrote on his 81st Birthday. "The day is fresh, as every morning appears to me because, frankly, I am not a "year-man," but a "morning man." Every morning, I feel like beginning a new life, as I so many times invited you also to feel. Every day is so enormously full and long, so full of chances and of wonder, of grace and appeal, **"to serve and to improve."** In those two words is all my philosophy of work: **Serve and Improve.** Help others, and become better yourself in the process, without worrying about yourself. And put it all, without fear, in God's hands, come what may. But at the same time "spare

not yourself any effort," banish any feeling of discouragement or fatigue, till the night comes and by itself covers every weakness and stirs up new sources of energy: mainly humility and trust. So I taught you to say thanks always in



the beginning; and not to wait for the end of the day or the work: after all it will be God's work".

I am sure all of us present here are trying emulating the sayings of Prof. Windy, SJ in our daily life.

We are all engaged in serving and in the process of improving ourselves, so too VRO. In this financial year we have collaborated in a big way with the AP State Housing Corporation and built 6 villages in Repalle area where 191 yanadi tribal families live securely without any fear of natural calamities. We also collaborated with TRICOR and provided self-sustainable skill development to the Yanadi Youth. 95 young tribal boys learned drum beating, 42 youth learned electrical repair, 95 tribal girls learned tailoring and embroidery. I am glad to make a mention here that TRICOR has given job to all these tribal girls by asking them to stitch uniforms 4 each for 557 tribal boys and girls this year. Along with the above programs regular programs



like Child Education and Rights (CER), Youth Skill Development (YSD), Village Empowerment and Entitlements (VEE) and Agro-Forestry(AF) among the tribes in Kothakota and Gonasika areas enable VRO to serve the people.

Certainly we are Serving and Improving. In and through our service we are improving ourselves too. God the almighty has given us all this wonderful chance of serving and improving every day and hence we raise our hearts in thanksgiving for what He was and

He is and He will be.

As I conclude I duly acknowledge, appreciate and thank our donors abroad, local Government, Government officials and well-wishers for their generous support to VRO programs. Certainly I thank the Governing Board Members with folded hands for their constant support and valuable guidance. I do appreciate the General Body Members who encourage us. Thanks a lot. My heart-felt thanks to every member of VRO family for your gracious presence and valuable contribution.

Finally I thank the team of volunteers headed by Velangani Raju, SJ which puts its heart and soul in Serving and Improving and thus "Building Better Villages for a Better World".

Peter Daniel SJ
Operational Director



Education leads to Emancipation

I am of the firm belief that Education in the rural segments is not only important to eradicate poverty and illiteracy, but also for a variety of other reasons like social, economic, and political.

Education is the most potent weapon to initiate social alterations and improve community development in remotest areas of India. Education plays a major role in the country's progress. Although education in the urban areas has progressed rapidly during the last few decades, there are still thousands of villages where education is not given sufficient priority. It is a good augury that VRO, as a social organization, has been striving hard to touch this most important aspect in a significant way in the remote villages of India. There are several reasons as to why Education is essential for all the socially discriminated families and I like to dwell on some of them for our reflection and collaboration.

- **Social Reasons:** The Indian Constitution provides for several rights to the citizens of which the Right to Education is a major aspect. To understand the significance and functioning of these rights modern education is a must. I am happy to note that VRO is reaching out to 160 remotest villages in India and educating nearly 6120 children in this academic year. Although the number is small yet this effort will go a long way in being a catalyst of progress among the deserving ones.

- **Economic Causes:** In contemporary India, villages play an important role in the national economy by producing agrarian, industrial and other goods, for national as well as international markets. However it is a known fact that rich and middle men decide the prices of the product produced by the poor and it has been a sad experience. I have learnt that VRO has formed a number of farmers'

associations especially in tribal areas to decide the price for their products and sell them as per their desire. This has enabled them to have final say on the price of their products and also makes the community economically strong.

- **Political Reasons:** It is important for rural people to have adequate education so that they can understand the programs and principles of the ruling bodies better and elect worthy representatives for their own development. I am glad to know that VRO through its VEE (Village Empowerment and Entitlements) Project has been endeavoring to work with the poor and educate them about various government schemes through its Adult Education Program especially in tribal areas of Odisha and Andhra Pradesh. This enables them to be aware of various government programs available for their upliftment

Rural education is important not only for the enhancement of life quality of the rural community, but also for the overall progress and development of our country.

**Dr. B. Prasada Rao, IPS (Retd.)
Governing Board Member, VRO**



Housing program enhanced social security, positive self-perception

It has been my greatest joy to listen to a marginalized family speaking to me joyfully that the new house being built by VRO gives them a sense of internal and external freedom to be of themselves. It has been a special experience for me for the last 41 years of my association with VRO in its mission to provide home to homeless. I feel that a house is a symbol of status and economic asset.

I am convinced of the fact that a house is an economic asset and contributes to upward social mobility with constructive impact on health and educational achievement. The perceived and un-perceived benefits flowing from a permanent house are numerous and invaluable to both the family and the entire community.

The methodology of VRO while the construction is in progress has two impacts on the community: The first one is that the positive sequel includes social integration and sustainable communities. The second one is that security and comfort of a home provides the launch pad for feeling of enhanced social security, positive self-perception and a powerful impetus to overcoming the difficulties of poverty.

The trade mark of VRO is that while the project is in progress the entire chosen community is at work in continual collective reflection and execution of the project and this resulted in the responsibility and belongingness towards the project

The intangible benefits from improvement in housing condition are gains in labour productivity and positive health benefits. It positively influences human development parameters of nutrition, sanitation, maternal and child health. Overall improvement in quality of life occurs along with improvements in the physical environment.

I am happy to note that VRO, as never before, started working with the Government in the process of the housing construction. This initiation by the operational team, although it is very difficult to work with Government as it has lots of procedures, resulted in number of

qualitative houses with all the facilities for a healthy living. The chosen communities for the last five years are Yanadis and this community is most vulnerable in this part of Andhra Pradesh. It is astounding to know that VRO built 191 houses in the last financial year alone with better facilities to live in with qualitative completion for this community.

VRO has not left this community after the housing programme but blazed a new trial by combining skill development programs with livelihood initiatives for tribal girls and boys. An MOU has been signed with AP Tribal Finance Corporation to train the girls in tailoring and the boys in Dappu Dance programme and Electrical wiring skills and are being conducted in different centers. Girls are getting gainful employment by stitching school uniforms, making sanitary napkins at low cost etc. Boys are being employed for house wiring and repairing. There is a need to upscale these programmers year by year for the total economic emancipation of this community from the clutches of the land lords.

I wish to applaud the strenuous efforts of the operational team to think together, work together and accomplish the planned results in collaboration with a government in a profound way.

I am more than sure that Prof. Michel Windey, SJ (My close friend) would be ever happy and grateful for all those who work tirelessly for this mission of providing home to homeless which is pivotal to our organisation

**Sri. T. Gopalarao, IAS (Retd.)
Governing Board Member, VRO**



Introduction

My experiences

My experiences as a member of VRO Governing Board

My heart gets euphoric whenever I attend the Governing Board Meeting of VRO as we intensely discuss the current challenges that poor face in their day today life ornately. Enormous amount of reflection goes on for each topic without sliding down to any kind of nepotism on any issue or person. I am very happy to be part of this noble organization which goes on to serve the poor without any prejudice to caste, creed or religion.

There is a beautiful blend of programs in VRO which concerns for the poor in the field of education to Children, Skill training to the rural youth for men and women. The field of agriculture is being touched upon by motivating the tribals to have commercial as well as non-commercial plantation. Health is another field of VRO which goes on to serve the rural women and children. Housing project is another important aspect in which the poor is respected by providing qualitative housing which is recognized by the country as one of the better housing projects in the State.



Another important aspect which is very much interesting is that VRO provides a platform for the rural youth to know their rights and motivates them to seek constantly their due entitlements.

I am enthralled to read some of the success stories which speak volumes of VRO's commitment to the poor and needy. I personally feel proud to be part of this organisation and it teaches me to be more and more at the service of the poor in my own way.

Mrs. G. Vasumathi Purnima

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Governing Board Member, VRO



Child Education and Rights (CER)

Children's Human Rights Education refers to education and educational practices in schools and educational institutions that are consistent with the United Nation's Convention on the Rights of the Child. VRO believes that all the children are born with inherent rights to justice, peace, freedom and deserve access to all fundamental human rights including education, health care, love, respect, security and protection.

Education is the Fundamental Right of every child. However, at times due to socio-economic reasons these rights are either ignored or violated. In remote rural areas, illiteracy and ignorance of parents many a times conveniently forces them to forget the education of their own children. Children are vulnerable to several kinds of abuses. Parents have neither patience nor time to motivate the children to go to school. Social discriminations inflict deep wounds in the minds and hearts of children that they no more love the school hence dropout. Economically poor parents do not mind to force their children into Child Labour and Child Marriages prompting to vulnerability and abuse. It is in this context VRO started the programme of Children Education and Rights (CER) in 160 villages covering four states for the last 6 years to ensure enrollment, attendance, qualitative learning, hygiene and all round development.



Child Education and Rights (CER)

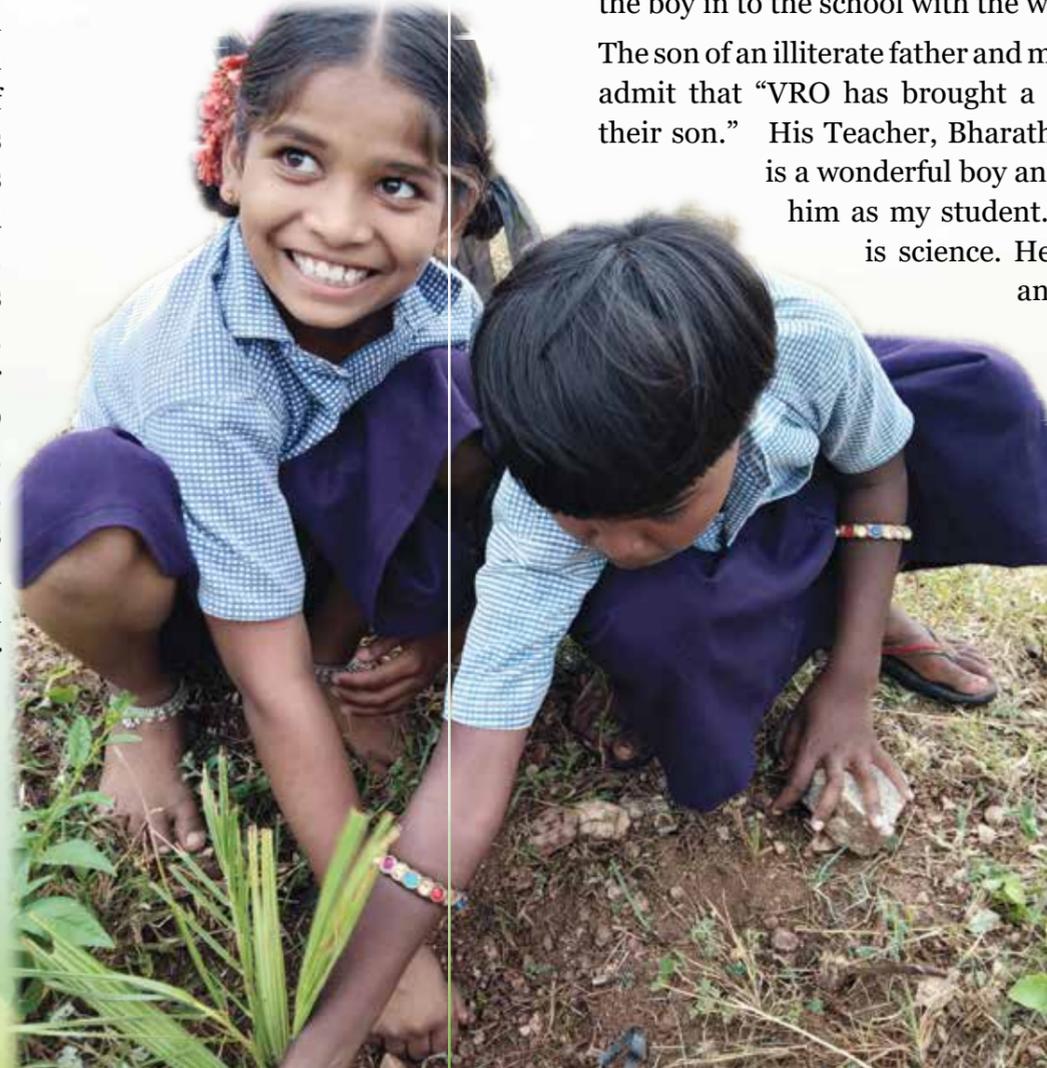
VRO has initiated “School Enrollment Visit” before the commencement of new academic year. Our staff visits rural poor families and persuade the parents to admit their children into the nearby government schools. Visits are more to Dalit, Tribal and Backward poor families with a special focus on girl children. The children are given an opportunity to develop their skills in observation, self-development and to provide space to play. Parents’ meetings are conducted every month and they are trained to be aware of issues related to health and hygiene, child care, immunization, communicable diseases and preventive information and knowledge along with nutritious food. All these activities are carried out in collaboration with parents and village elders. Every month regular parents meeting and village elders meeting are organized to motivate and sustain the momentum. VRO empowers parents and village elders so that the future citizens are encouraged to have integral formation of character and intelligence and unearth latent creative force and expand their horizons to be second to none in the society at large.

VRO has been spear heading the movement to provide quality education to the most marginalized and deprived children. The idea is to ensure that all children, irrespective of their origin, are able to go to school, play, interact and learn with other children of their age so that they secure for them a life of dignity and contribute to the betterment of the society. VRO interacts, involves very much the local communities, school teachers, management, parents

and children. VRO encourages to form parents-teachers committee so that accountability, transparency and responsibility of parents, community elders and teachers is ensured and assured.

Another mile stone of this program is that VRO puts lots of efforts to prepare and train good number of students to appear in entrance exams for Government Residential schools and we have a great success in this process.

VRO does not stop with enrollment of children and formation of parents-teachers committee but insists on all-inclusive and integral formation. Therefore in this project elements like, extra curricular activities, leadership training camps, children parliament, sports and games are provided. Such a holistic approach has begun to bear encouraging fruits.



Disability is not an obstacle to study – Pelican Nivas

Children with disabilities can face multiple forms of exclusion, often limiting their participation in their community. It can also mean they don’t go to school or they aren’t given the support that they are in need of.

Abhimanyu is a 13-years-old boy from Akkarapaaka, in Pelican Nivas, suffered from polio attack and discontinued his studies in class V. VRO animator along with the head master gave counseling to the parents and empowered the boy with confidence and mainstreamed the boy in to the school with the wheelchair.

The son of an illiterate father and mother, daily laborers, admit that “VRO has brought a light into the life of their son.” His Teacher, Bharathi, says: “Abhimanyu is a wonderful boy and I am proud to have him as my student. His favorite subject is science. He is like a son to me and I believe that he is going to be a great man in the future. To achieve this I will pay special attention to him.”



Success Stories



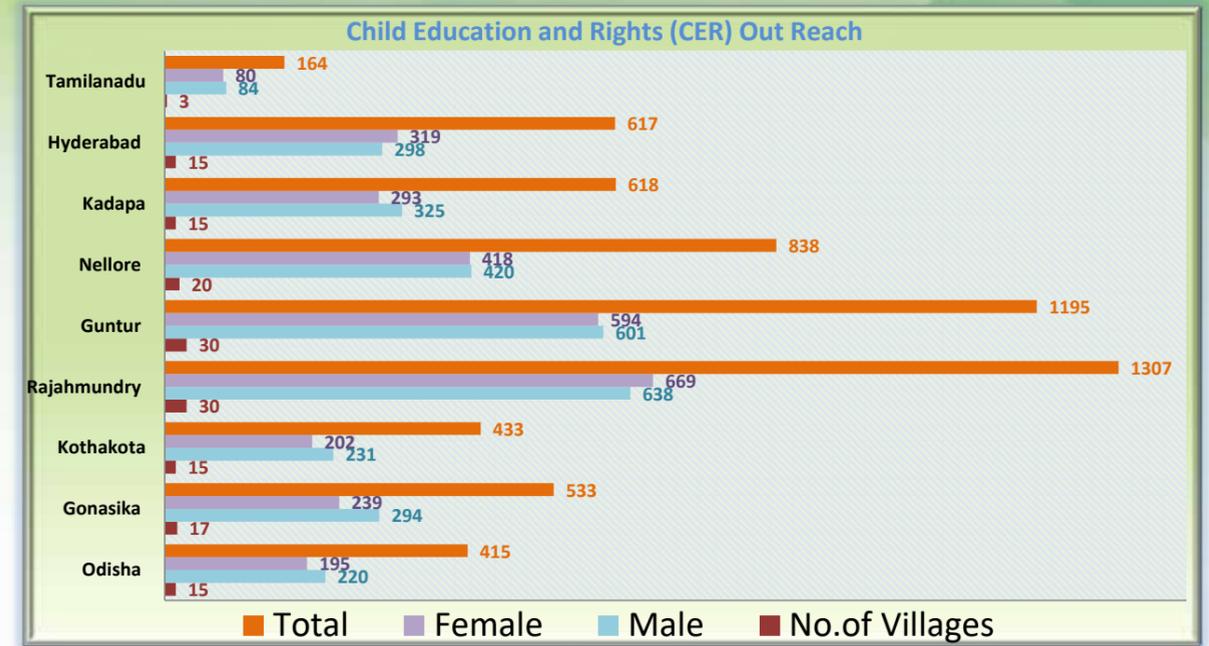
Bisnu Bindhani, son of Banamali Bindhani, is studying in class IV. He is from Saradhapur village, Keonjhar district, Odisha. His father became blind suddenly hence his mother got married to another person and abandoned her sons and husband as well. Hence his father had no other go than to become a beggar and started to take his son along with him for begging. So Bisnu was often absent in class and not interested in study. His elder brother also used to go with his father for begging.



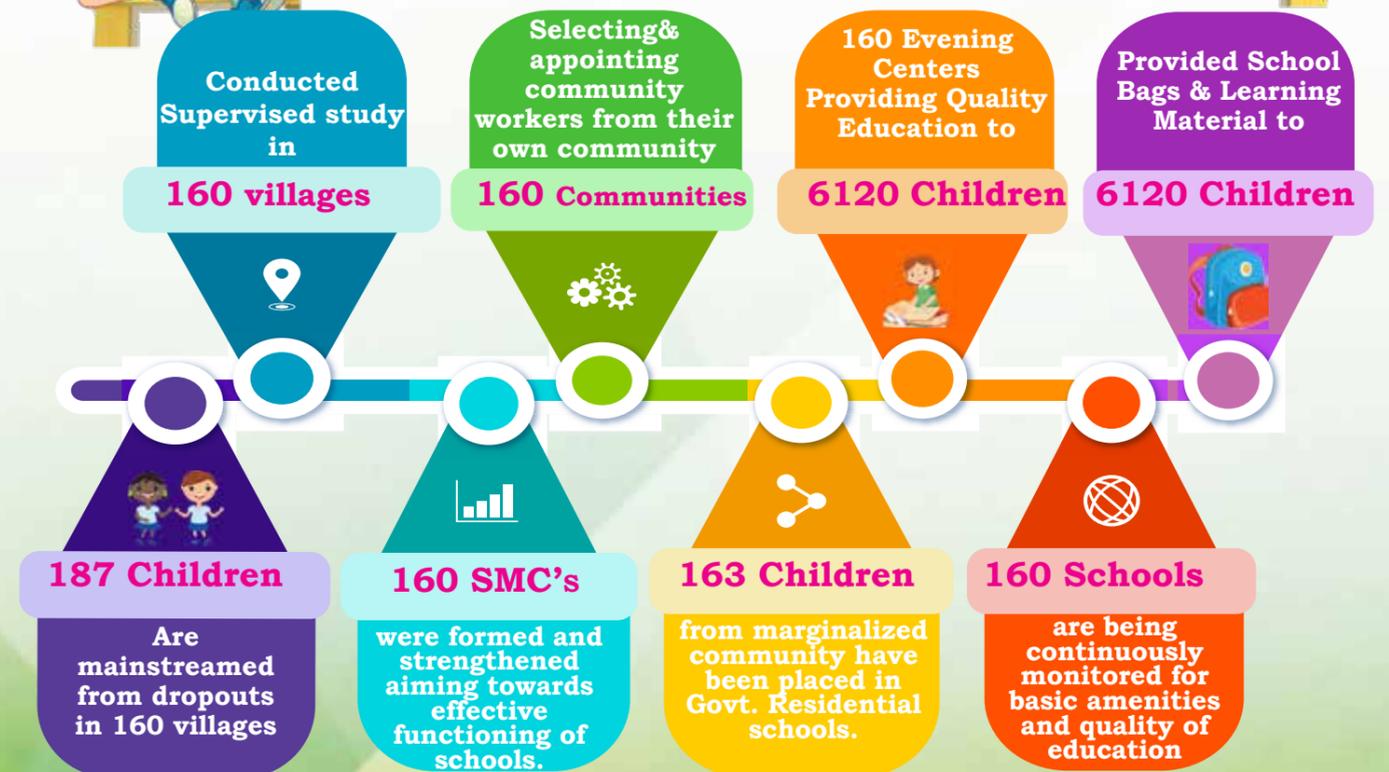
After the opening of CER Program in Saradhapur village, the community worker and the volunteer of VRO motivated his father to send Bisnu to school assuring his father that VRO will provide school bags, note books and other needed material for his learning. Thus he accepted to send Bisnu to school and take the



elder boy along with him for begging. Now we are trying to get old age cum handicapped pension for him from the government and once he gets that we will try to motivate the elder boy also to go to school by next year. Gradually Bishnu is regular to school and evening study. His father is very grateful to VRO for taking care of the education of his son.



CER Achievements



SMC - School Management Committee

Youth Skill Development (YSD)

The demographic profile of India has undergone a considerable change especially during the last two decades. The advantage of the Indian economy rests on the overwhelming young and working age population. This scenario compels one to create increasing opportunities for the youth to develop their personality, functional capability and thus make them economically productive and socially useful. The critical aspect of the challenge is the labour market entry where young people encounter difficulties in finding and maintaining a decent job. The International Labour Conference had pointed out the issue of young workers who do not have access to decent work. Also there is growing concern about the youth unemployment which is seen as one of the most daunting problems encountered in both the developed and developing countries alike and it is much more alarming when we reflect about the situation of youth in our VRO work area; most of our work area is populated by tribes, dalits and backward class youth. They neither have proper education nor have any land holdings to cultivate hence, they are very much disoriented towards life.

It is in this context VRO initiated a program for the rural youth in the selected areas with an aim to improve economic condition and social awareness among the unemployed youth. Their primary objective is developing leadership and the ability to work well with others in a group and community situations. The secondary objective is improving their skills and abilities in carrying out income generating activities in rural areas. Keeping all these objectives in

mind VRO has been providing trainings in tailoring, computers, driving, electrician and domestic skills. Apart from above the youth are also trained on starting own business



and interpersonal skills. Social awareness is enhanced among the youth through organizing service camps. At present this program is being implemented in 4 states of India i.e. Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Odisha and Tamil Nadu both as residential as well as non-residential.

YSD has produced tangible results. Most of the youth who have undergone training have either got into decent jobs or landed in self-employment. Economic and Health profile is encouraging. Through YSD program VRO enabled employability and self-confidence among rural women and men. The young women and men are now actively contributing to their family income as a result gained respect, dignity in the family and the society.



YSD Achievements

01

Conducted in **115** centers of operational area

02

124 boys trained in driving, Cell phone & Electrical repair. **93%** are employed.

03

1034 Ladies trained in Tailoring, Embroidery, **75** in Fashion Designing & Beautician

04

51% of the women either employed and **12%** Self-employed.

Youth Skill Development (YSD)



Success Story 1

My name is D. Mallesh I love my parents. They do hard work for the upbringing of our family. We have 2 acres of land and cultivate it yearly twice to support our family. After the completion of 10th class, I started friendship with local boys who are in the construction work and learnt bad habits like smoking and drinking. As we were teasing the girls in a drunken mood police arrested us and bet us thoroughly. My father got me released from the station and brought me home from Hyderabad. During those days VRO staff came for a survey to my village to gather young boys for the skill training in Perecherla VRO center. I grabbed the opportunity and gave my name for the training. Accordingly I joined the course and learnt driving and mobile repairing for two months. During my training I learnt to discipline my self by following the timetable regularly. The talks given by the directors and the volunteers molded me to become a man for the others. Because of the motivation I generously contributed 4 days of my manual labor during the inauguration of a village at Repalle area. After my training I found a job in a mineral water plant at Nallapadu as a driver. Every day I drive the vehicle to distribute mineral water to many villages from morning to evening. My owner appreciates my work and is givesme Rs 10,000 as monthly salary and provides me meals as well. I thank almighty God for giving me this wonderful opportunity.



Success Story 2

DARE TO DREAM AND STRIVE TO ACHIEVE'



I am Bojja Siva Rama Krishna hailing from Uppudisangham, 13th ward, Repalle. I am 25 years old. My father's name is Samba Siva Rao. I am from yanadi tribal community with poor economical background. I studied up to 10th standard. I could not continue my higher education due to poor economic conditions. To fulfil the family needs I went for daily coolie work. I always dreamt to become somebody and to take care of my family. The opportunity arrived when VRO

volunteers came about collecting yanadi tribal young boys to learn electrical skill training. I grabbed the opportunity to learn the electrical skills and learnt very well. Now through this skill I am earning Rs.3000 weekly and able to take care of my family. Thanks to VRO for providing me with this Skill at the appropriate time and helping me to full-fill the dream of my life.

Success Story 3

VRO enabled me to support my parents. Gandhi Nagar

Sk.Sharmila, 22 year old, is from Muslim minority community. Her parents did not allow her to move away from the house or to search for some job. Hence she was spending her time at home idle along with her mother. Obviously her father's income was not sufficient to maintain the family. She tried to convince her parents several times to send her to allow her to learn a skill or to do some job but they bluntly refused. Mrs. Anuradha who was attending the training program at VRO youth skill development center informed VRO animator about the problem of Sk. Sharmila. On 05-7-2018 the animator along with the trainee visited the house of Sharmila and shared the importance of women entrepreneurship and convinced her parents to send her to the training program.



She joined the tailoring course and learnt various designs of stitching in four months. Now she has started her own business in her house and earning Rs.6000/-per month by stitching variety of dresses for her relatives and neighbors. Her parents expressed their gratitude to VRO for providing the skill to their daughter and thus make her earn and support the family. Sk.Sharmila is so happy that she is totally empowered through this training program and remains ever grateful to VRO. She feels proud to feed her parents with her earnings.



Village Empowerment & Entitlement (VEE)

Women empowerment is essential for our society to ensure the sustainable development of the country. Women's economic and social empowerment refer to the ability of women to enjoy their right to control and benefit from the resources, assets, income and their own time. It is also the ability to manage risk and improve their economic and social status and wellbeing. Hence VRO through Village Empowerment and Entitlement (VEE) program dreams of empowering women and enabling them to have entitlements to improve their economic and social status. It also aims at improving the participation of community in the process of empowerment. To ensure this process VRO works at forming, training and facilitating women groups in the target area. The program facilitates community based organizations to sustain the development process through establishing income generating activities and monitoring other allied groups i.e. SHG,

Entitlement Action Team, Mutually Aided Cooperative Societies(MACS), etc.

The community is empowered to realize its strength and challenges. The community is educated and empowered to avail their rightful resources from the government and other institutions through a participatory process. Primary activities of the program are formation of the entitlement action team, SHG training and strengthening, formation and strengthening of MACS which will contribute to the village empowerment and entitlement program.

Entitlement Action Teams: It is hard to educate all the villagers at one time and hence forming a team from the same village will keep the help at hand and the team can facilitate people at any time. This will enable more number of people to procure entitlements. This team works as a watch team to identify the people who do not receive their entitlements and to monitor it. During this year nearly 120



village entitlement committees actively supported their own communities to access the government entitlements.

SHG Training and Strengthening: Self Help Group (SHG) is one of the mechanisms that has been initiated to run micro financing programs in the rural areas. VRO volunteers strengthened these micro-finance activities through various trainings.

Forming and strengthening MACS: The Mutually Aided Cooperatives are the latest one among the people's organizations that take care of not only the awareness building among the people but also enable them to avail resources from the resource institutions such as banks and government departments. Unlike SHGs,

MACS include both men and women. The main task is to sensitize the community members towards the formation of MACS and inculcate in them the spirit of saving. Once the groups are formed the members are oriented on the benefits of being registered into MACS and accordingly they are registered into MACS groups. The members are further informed of various income generating business components and facilitated to choose the right one. Besides, through regular meetings, the members are led to decision making process. During this year we were able to run 12 registered MACS and 14 unregistered MACS for the deprived community.





Village Empowerment & Entitlement (VEE)

Success Story 1

ENTITLEMENT: SUCCESS STORY OF MS. RAIBARI JUANGA

Ms. Raibari Juanga, D/O Mr. Samen Juanga, aged 30, hails from Gonasika village of Banspal Block, Keonjhar District. She is a differently abled women.

Ms. Raibari, being a handicapped person, applied for pension previously through PRIs of the Gram Panchayat, but could not avail the facility for many years. When VRO started CER and VEE programs in this village the community worker identified Ms. Raibari and heard about the unsuccessful attempts to obtain handicapped pension. Hence the CW took Ms. Raibari personally to the BDO of Banspal Block and got sanctioned her Pension and now she receives her pension every month from PEETHA scheme(People’s Empowerment- Enabling Transparency and Enhancing Accountability on Odisha Initiatives).

Ms. Raibari is giving thanks to VRO and the staff for helping her to obtain the pension through Advocacy and Lobbying.



Success Story 2

Water sanitation and hygiene (WASH) are some of the most basic needs for human health and survival. More than a third of the world’s population do not have access to hygienic means of basic sanitation.

I, (Chettimalla Laxmamma) got married to my husband in Gowraram village of Nalgonda District. Having lived in a semi urban village my house had sanitation facility.

“On the first day when I came home after the wedding, I started looking for the toilet”, said Chettimalla Laxmamma candidly,“ and I found out that there was no toilet at home”.

I was forced to publicly defecate every day which created a tremendous humiliation to me. I used to control my bladder for almost 13 hours a day and the situation got even worse when I was pregnant. This experience of mine challenged me to look for solutions.

I brought out this issue during the meeting of the women groups. Having discussed about this issue seriously in collaboration with VRO volunteer we decided to meet the



village secretary and to submit the applications to build toilets. Our persistent efforts resulted in the sanctioning of toilets for all the families in my village. We all received Rs12,000 as subsidy from the government to construct the toilets and successfully completed them. Now we are all using the toilets and our anxiety and fear have disappeared. Now I am so proud to achieve this for the women of my village and certainly all of us live a dignified life.



Agro Forestry (AF)

Agro-forestry is a collective system of land management practices that maximises utilization of available land in which woody perennials are deliberately integrated with crops. Agro-forestry incorporates definitely several plant species into a given land area and creates a more complex habitat than those found in conventional agricultural or forestry situations. There is enormous potential for economic benefit to practitioners and environmental benefit to the land; agro-forestry is a value-added practice where agricultural cropping, forestry and production-system analysis come together in highly integrated and complementary manner. The main objective of the Agro-forestry program is to exploit positively land to more effective use so that its productivity is increased and restored. Such multiple interventions generate steady income opportunities for the rural poor very particularly to the Adivasis/Aboriginals/Natives / Tribal population. In 2014 the Agro-forestry program at Kothakota Cluster of Andhra Pradesh was an Environmental Friendly intervention that was necessitated by the devastating killer cyclone called Hud-Hud. Swirling winds wrenched, ripped open and uprooted several long standing trees in the Scheduled Forest Area of Visakhapatnam District and Kothakota surroundings of Ravikamatham Mandal. Most of the Tribal Farmers not only lost their standing crops but also forest produce (especially cashew trees) on which their livelihood depended on. Only twenty percentage of the standing crops withstood the wrath of Hud-Hud. Almost all the people were left with clothes on the bodies.

The Agro-forestry program was extended to

Gonasika cluster of Odisha though they were not the victims of Hud-Hud since their Socio-economic milieu is below the poverty line. Environmental standards are deplorable. Due to illiteracy ignorance is all pervasive. Hence Gonasika has been included to be the beneficiary of Agro-forestry program. Our Agro-forestry program has become scaffolding to otherwise traumatized Tribals a bouncing back platform. Their drooping spirits were recharged. VRO identified qualified, interested and willing staff to launch Agro-forestry. All of them had intense



two weeks training under Agro-forestry experts and equipped them with skills and confidence to actualize the program. They were trained to be the Capacity builders. They acquired knowledge and became familiar to essential concepts vis-à-vis Soil Testing, Marking the Pitting, Art of Choosing Plants which would grow well in the local environment. In a phased manner VRO distributed various saplings from 2015 onwards to the Tribals. During the year 2018-19, 106

Kothakota farmers received 4724 saplings and 337 Gonasika farmers 835 saplings. Seventy percent of the saplings were income generating cash crop namely Cashew. The rest were various fruit bearing saplings such as Mango, Chikoo and Lemon. Our staff monitored and ensured that the process was scrupulously followed. The dead saplings were replaced with seed dibbling. The survival rate in the year 2015 was only 60% and gradually grew up to 95% in both the clusters of tribal area.

Agro-forestry program has convinced the Tribal Farmers. Their response is amazing. New people are showing interest. While including the new



people we make sure that they are interested, their lands are closer to their dwellings, soil condition is conducive and their capacity to realize the Agro-forestry is in the required limits. Once these parameters have been verified then they are trained by our staff. If need be, protective techniques too are included in the training if our field study points to animal menace to the plants. VRO's ultimate goal of Agro-forestry program is that the native people reclaim the fertility of the land, restore decaying eco-system to cope with climate change and resuscitate dying flora and fauna so that they stop going to cities in search of livelihood. Their dignity and identity is enhanced and life is promoted.



Success Story 1

GO - NGO COORDINATION FOR AGRICULTURAL SUPPORT from Barrenness to Fertility...

In Gonasika village the hilly lands belonging to Ten farmers is now seen green and fertile. During the last period of 2016-17 with the help of SG foundation, JDA (Juanga Development Authority), NABARD and with the technical support and training from VRO on waste land management a group of 10 farmers from Gonasika started cultivation in a patch of 10 acres of land.

The farmers received seeds from JDA, irrigation facility with solar pump from NABARD, pesticides from SG Foundation, and a care taker and Land development from MGNREGS scheme and training on Organic Farming from VRO.

Now the land looks green, fertile and the farmers are doing inter-cropping like

Mango, Cabbage, Brinjal, Cauliflower, Chilly, and Maize etc. Annually each farmer earns about Rs. 9,000/- to 10,000/- income from the field and also collaborate with each other.

It is a model for others in the area. Having seen this Guptaganga area farmers have started cultivation in 20 acres of land and are ensured a secure future through Land Yield along with better earning.



Success Story 2

From Barrenness to Fruitfulness

In June 2017 VRO gave 150 cashew saplings to three farmers in the village of Cheemalapadu to plant them in 3 acres of land. Those three farmers are Gora Chandramma, Bonda Ratnam and Bonda Kannamma. The three of them grew the plants with utmost care and built tree-guards. They had sown inter-cropping, namely, cotton and red grams.

The cashew plants are protected well due to inter-cropping raised. They gained income of nearly Rs. 18,000 each through inter-cropping. The farmers are very happy about it. Thanks to VRO.



Interventions

Village Re-Building Programme (VRBP)

Building Communities by Building Homes

Village Rebuilding Program is very dear to our organisation as well as to our founder director. We consider that providing security of residence is nothing but initiating the poor in to the field of internal and external freedom.

The main purpose of the housing is to create alternatives for the communities and while in the process of building, the youth become skilled and professionals in mason and other related works of construction. The experiences revealed to us over the years that many of our initial interventions brought life and light in the lives of thousands of families who had been stuck with bonded woks in the households of Land Lords.

However, building houses for a community in 2018 is very much different from that of earlier years as the nature of the communities transformed very much due to globalization, dwindling number of large families in the villages and enormous increase of urban population.

Much more than that globalization breached community conscience, unity and unleashed new psychology of family which is individualistic, indifferent to the needs of the other. It is a challenging task to motivate the communities to have collectively carry out housing construction as many evil forces divide the communities on various issues, hence our concept of uniting the community and working for all the community members during the construction has become Himalayan or herculean task. Even then VRO is able to carry forward the Vision and Mission successfully due to our sincere commitment to the people through thick and thin. Over the last five years we built number of houses in collaboration with the State Government by providing all the facilities and this venture has transformed the image of VRO and has become a beacon of hope of the poor to avail government housing scheme. The success of this project goes to the collective participation of the entire stakeholders' community and deep commitment of the volunteers all through the process.



Village Re-Building Programme (VRBP)

Success Story 1

I am Ms. Seethaka from Mollagunta village, Repalle block of Guntur district. Nearly 100 years back 20 families belonging to tribal community started living in this area. The dwelling place was only small huts and shade trees at the bank of small fish ponds of the villagers. Our livelihood was catching the rats, crabs and fish. But over the years due to modern prawn and fish cultivation with chemical mix the water got contaminated and the fishes in the river died. Hence we learned agriculture work and started working in the farms of land lords as agriculture labourers. Though the years passed by there was no proper place to put up a small thatched house. Especially during the rainy season the situation was worse and ill health was regular due to mosquitoes with the water lagging. My husband died during the rainy season and there was no place to place his body on the ground due to water lagging all over. We have to make a platform with four sticks to place his body for the last rituals before burial.

At this situation we decided to apply for housing program of Government but did not know what to do. Then we heard of VRO helping for construction of houses in the neighbouring villages and approached VRO to help our community at Mollagunta. VRO volunteers made assessment and started the work. VRO helped to get all required documents within time.

On 20-4-2018 we cleared all bushes of the land where we were staying and started the foundation. With the help of VRO and assistance from Government we finished 18 houses and toilets in 6 months. Since VRO provided mesh doors we are sleeping peacefully now without mosquitoes. We are not afraid of even big rains as we have proper place to dwell in with proper toilet facilities. We had never imagined of having such a home to live in our life time. I am able to take bath and go to toilets freely without fear. I feel proud to have a home like this. It is all possible with the intervention of VRO. In addition to this VRO is conducting evening tuition centre for the children and also awareness programs for the women and life skill trainings for unemployed youth. Thank you VRO for standing by us, walking with us and leading us towards dignified living.



Success Story 2

I am Mr. Venkateswara Rao from Peddapalli village. In the year 1972, we moved to Pittalavani Palem from Alluru village. We had put up small huts near the canal and started making our livelihood by fishing in the same canal which was flowing next to the village and selling the fish around the villages. When there was no catch of fish that day we used to have nothing to eat and whole family had to spend the day without food. The life situation was worse and pathetic. In the year 2003 we could get allotment of the small portion of land for housing at Peddapalli through village president. Since the land allotted to our families was in a low lying area we could not move to the allotted land. Over the time as the family members increased we could not continue to stay besides the bund of the canal but have to move to the land allotted to us. We put few trucks of mud to raise the level. Whenever there were rains pool of water surrounded our huts and entered our huts too. Hence we used to live on the road side during the rainy season. Though we were facing many difficult situations there was no one to help us.

At this juncture we approached VRO and explained our pathetic condition and the volunteers visited our village. Understanding the situation VRO conducted meeting and created awareness. They took us to Mandal Revenue Officer and made us apply for government housing program. In collaboration with the Government and with the partnership with VRO 18 houses were completed with toilet facilities within the span of 6 months.

Before the construction of houses the Land Lords used to treat us like untouchables. But now we have identity and recognition. The villagers communicate to us with respect and dignity.

We are living comfortably without fear even during heavy rains and floods. The days where we used to sleep in the fields have gone by because we have a comfortable home to sleep now. Going one more step ahead VRO is conducting evening tuition program for our children to ensure quality education. Together with me the whole village wholeheartedly thank VRO for all the benevolent assistance provided to all of us.

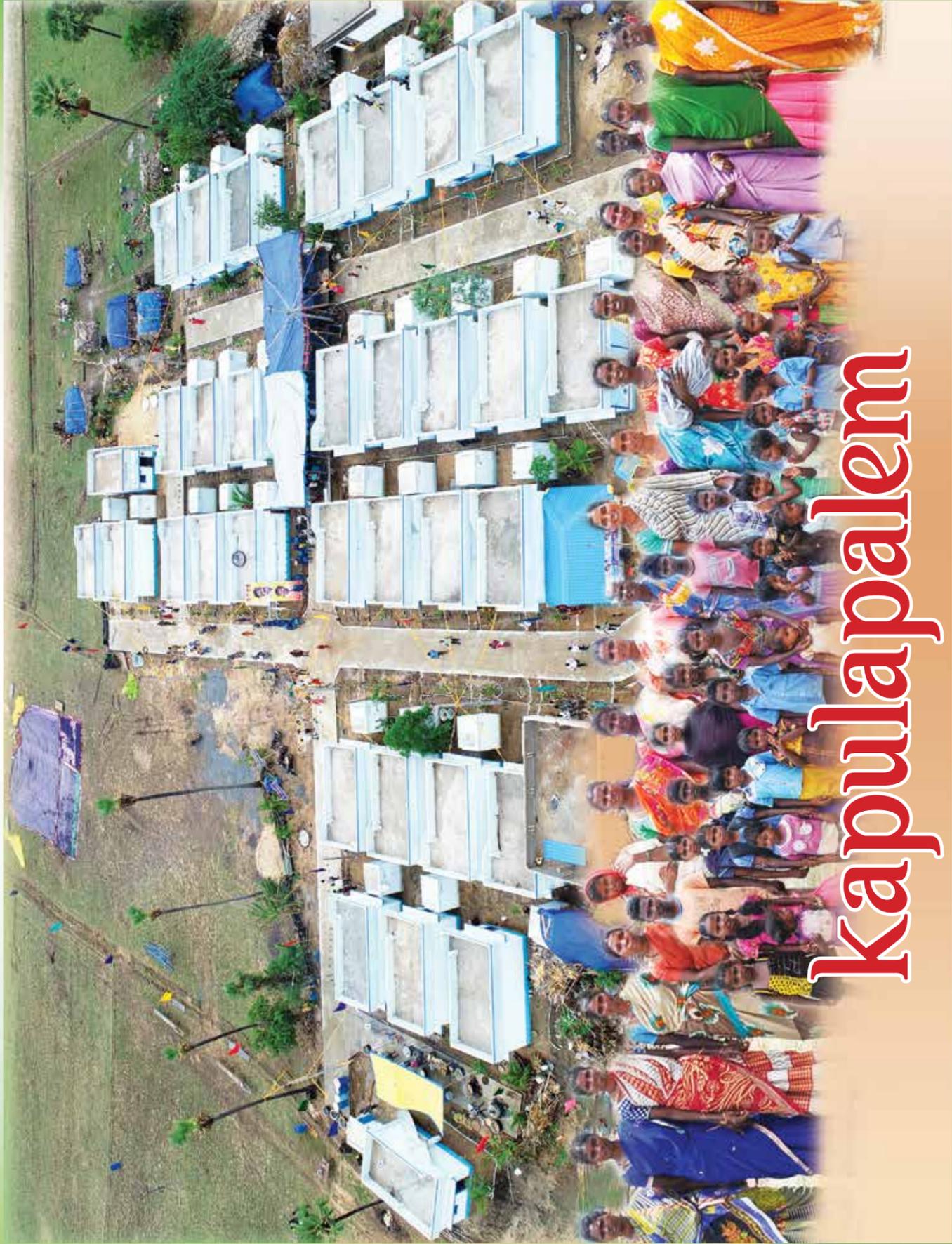




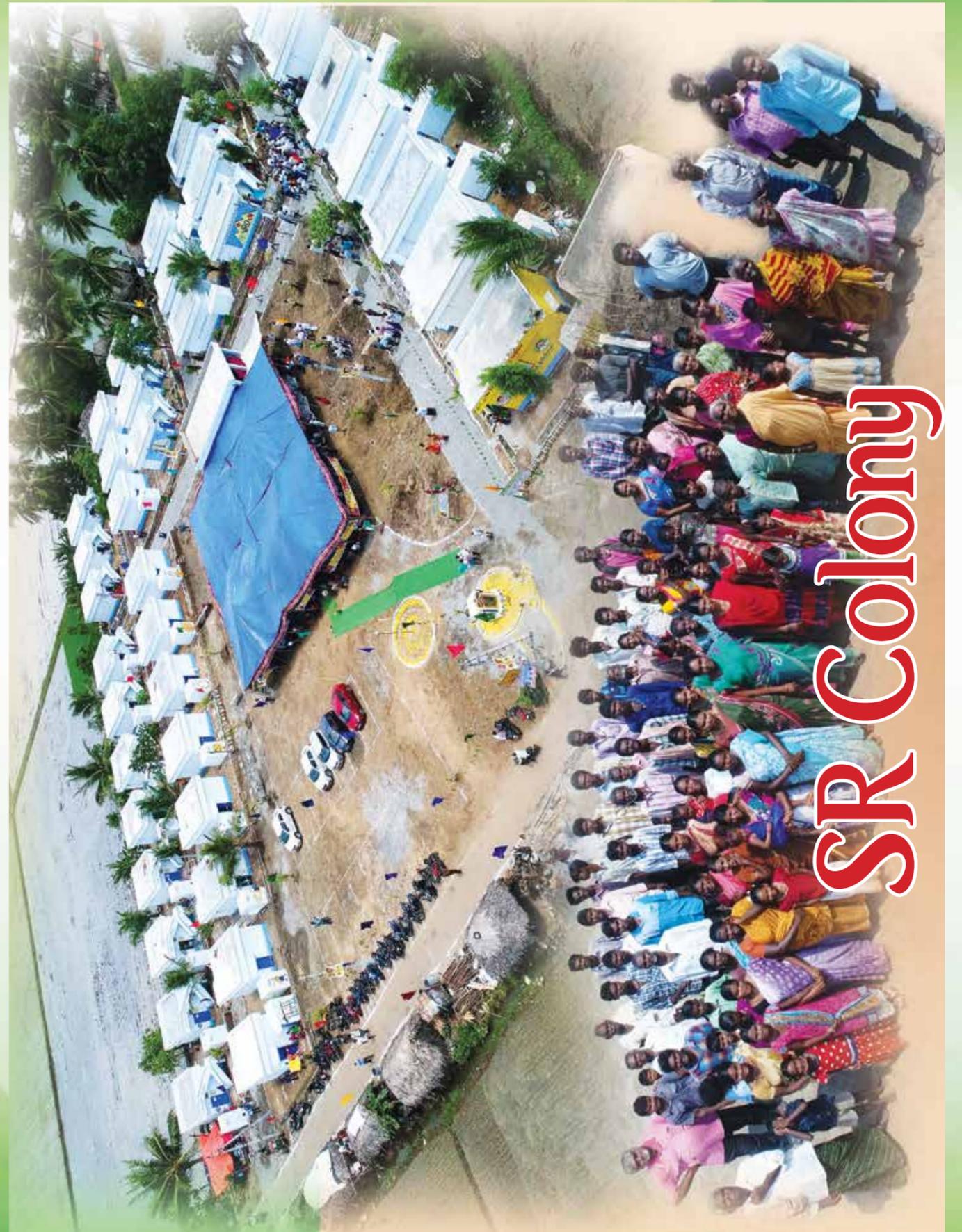
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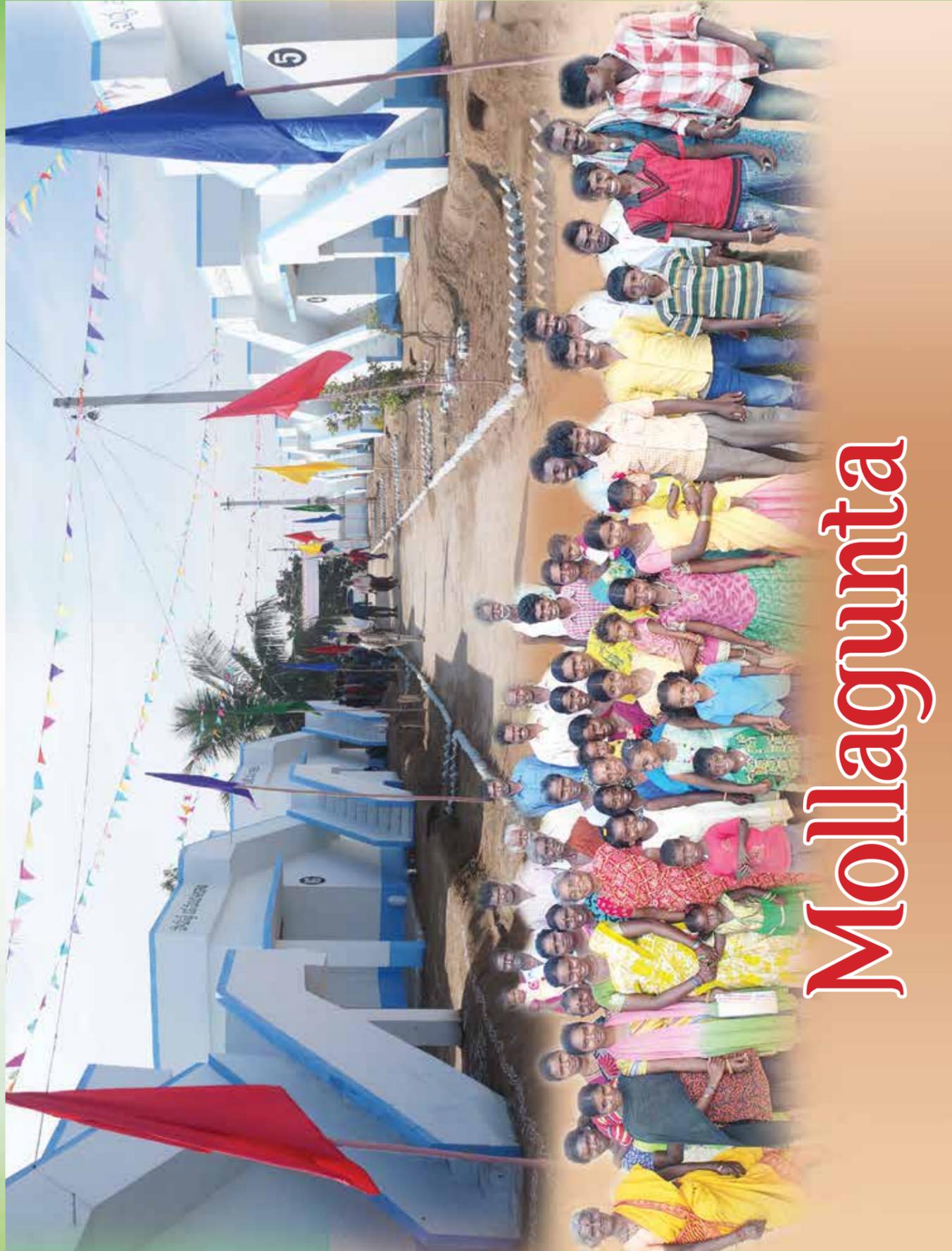
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Mollagunta



Kalliphalam

VRO Collaboration with TRICOR

Sustaining Vulnerable Nomadic Yanadis of Repalle In Collaboration with TRICOR- AP

Yanadis are plain tribes who are spread across Andhra Pradesh. They are nomads. We find many of them in Guntur District along the Krishna Riverbed. They speak Telugu. They are homeless and dwell on the fishpond brinks. They live in makeshift either tarpaulin tents or pigsty like huts roofed with either reeds or palm leaves. They are peripherally poor and vulnerable people. They are unable to prosper in their circumstances and meet basic needs that allow them to flourish. Often the causes stem from a lack of access to key resources such as knowledge, tools, quality inputs, infrastructure, information, markets, and rights to land, labour and participation in governance.

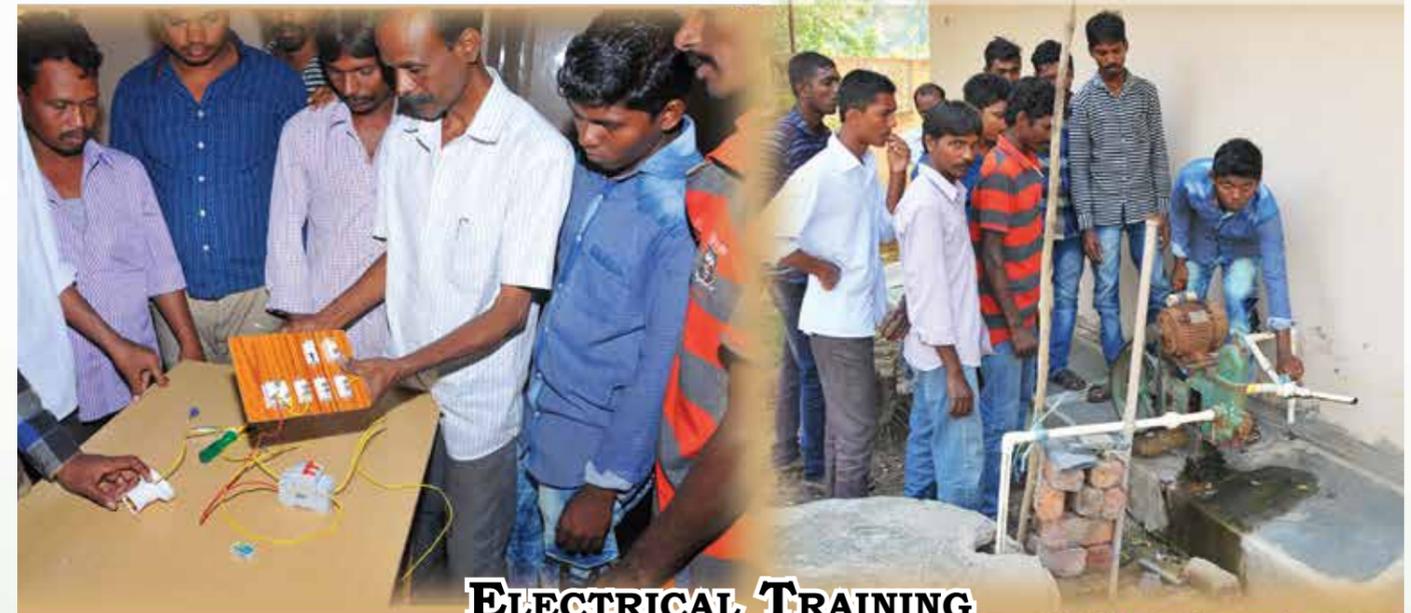
VRO after a serious observations and study has decided to emancipate these vulnerable plain tribals. We deliberately chose Kapala Yanadis of Repalle who seasonally hop from one work to another namely during rice cultivation they catch rats, in the summers besides guarding the fish ponds they also catch fish. Other times they go for agricultural or construction of work. They are often times paid meager amounts. They are mercilessly subjected to occupational hazards such as snake bites, drowning in the ponds and heatstroke. Being nomads they are very much unorganized and unaware of rights and unable to assert. They do not think of alternative occupations. Their loyalty and hardworking nature, inability to organize, agitate and assert their due rights have become a proverbial golden goose of the exploitative landlords. For generations they have been on the sly bonded labourers or else nameless address less vulnerable migrants during lean season. Invariably whole family migrates. Therefore children are deprived of childhood and education. At very young age they are forced into child labour. These days women are choosing domestic servant job. Here too they are cheated and their ignorance is exploited

by the house owners. Most of the Yanadis are unaware of Government Welfare Schemes. They have neither Job Cards nor Ration and Aadhar Cards nor housing title deeds. Therefore VRO has deliberately zeroed on these Yanadis to integrally develop them by making them valued partners of sustainable development.

Government has launched several economic welfare schemes in order to emancipate these Tribals. VRO by being a liaison between Tribal Welfare Department and Yanadis making sure all the welfare schemes reach to the last and the least. We have entered into partnership with Tribal Welfare Department and launched TRICOR activities which ensure Implementation of Economic Support Schemes/Self Employment Program to the particularly vulnerable Tribal Group and other vulnerable groups in Andhra Pradesh. Through this venture we train them to have self-employment and economic support. The Managing Director of TRICOR (Mr Ravindra Babu) has preferred to reach TRICOR activities through VRO to these Yanadis. VRO willingly associated. Presently a few skill trainings like Tailoring & Embroidery for women, Drum Skill Training, and Electrical Wiring for youth are in progress. Women have become members of Mutually Aided Cooperative Thrift Society (MACTS) to become self-sufficient families and community. Now there are 257 members with total saving of Rs. 56,900. The VRO took up four mandals such as Repalle, Nagaram, Nizampatnam, and Battiprolu to empower them economically and socially. We believe that our constant interaction with the tribal community and Socio economic programmes of the government for the tribal will enable them to restore their lost human dignity. We are grateful to TRICOR for its indubitable support in all the ways for the integral development of the Yanadis in this particular part of Andhra Pradesh.



TAILORING & EMBROIDERY



ELECTRICAL TRAINING



DRUM SKILL TRAINING

Education for Social Transformation

In the Post-truth Society need for trans formative, wholistic and holistic education has gained unprecedented importance. Unfortunately education has become an easy way of making money. Hence it has lost its sheen. Money centered corporate education has changed the landscape of education and has imposed unhealthy comparison and competition. Hence the question of character formation and imparting civic sense, social responsibility and ethical conscience into the minds and hearts of children has taken a back seat. Unethical practices to be in the competitive race have become the unwritten accepted way of running the educational institutions. Sadly the government which is supposed to be the guide and philosopher has mortgaged its duty and responsibility at the altar of corporate powers and lobbies. Hence the responsibility of educating the poor, the marginalized, scheduled caste, scheduled tribes and the rural poor has conveniently been ignored by the ruling powers. Such freedom to the corporates has resulted in the narrow conception of education vis-à-vis admitting the children in the school and getting the schools to function efficiently so as to generate income and reap profits. This tantamount to missing the trees for wood.

Present education does not bother to raise questions such as: what kind of society does the future generation need to conceive? What kind of production does the present future require to acquire? On what kind of principles the foundation of the future society to be built, developed and consolidated? What kind of ideologies and ethical practices are to be taught to be personalized by the children to uphold the unity in diversity of the society? Regrettably most of the debates, deliberations on education revolve around administrative finer points or child-centered education which will fetch money to the



corporate institution. Ironically education which claims to form future generation to immerse into the world outside fails to incorporate the existential socio-economic, political, cultural and religious ground reality. It is no exaggeration to state that contemporary education is another kind of a poultry industry, hence dances to the tunes, directions and desires of the market economy resulting in new oppressive and destructive social structures in the society.

In the name of smart classes, digital teaching and virtual learning humanizing process is steadily declining and mechanization is exponentially growing resulting in ultra-modern social evils and economic exploitations. Transmission of specialized information lost its inherent transformative essence therefore after completing education children find it difficult to immerse themselves into the societal reality and social responsibility. Such weird behavior has led to social evils, emotional fragilities and unrest. In fact the transformation would occur when learners are able to make meaning of what they learn and find value of? Then the future generation without fail embrace or exercise actions and make value-based

judgments. This is one of the most challenging tasks of Indian education where learning is becoming an investment for future returns.

The real challenge to actualize value based elementary education or universalization of education among the rural poor is poverty and powerlessness. Poor parents are therefore helpless. Though the intention of universalization of education is to eradicate inequalities and liberate the rural poor from various oppressions, the in-built differential socio-economic treatment of people scuttle the process and progress.

These glaring inequalities in rural India have provoked and confronted Village Reconstruction Organisation (VRO) to address and root out the causes. However VRO by fully being aware of its limitations and realizing that it is a drop in the ocean still positively has embraced the noble task of emancipating the poor children knowing that this tiny drop contains Whole Ocean of opportunities to literate rural poor children. It has envisaged contextualized plan of action to befriend the poor children only to bring them in large numbers to the school. Such plan of action is christened as “Children Education and Rights”(CER).

Such plan of action has become one of the main missions of VRO. In a modest way it has been launched in the remotest villages of Odisha and has gradually spread to all the four states. Today proudly CER has entered into sixth birthday and has embraced thousands of children. All these children are government school going children who need external support of educational aids such as books, bags, clothes, additional coaching, value based education, environmental awareness, leadership qualities and responsibility towards the nature and people. VRO has been working on these elements relentlessly for the well-being of these deprived children. CER centers are also known as Supervised Study Centers (SSC). All the SSCs have Village Committees. Committee members are identified by the village people in

a democratic way with the help of Community worker. Invariably qualified and well-disposed towards the education of the rural poor and who has positive attitude is chosen. Our experiences have been very affirmative and refreshing.

Request for CER centers is on the rise. Our SSC centers have brought down the rate of drop outs and children love to be in the school and learn.

Dr. APJ Kalam’s belief that “some of the brightest minds can be found in the last benches of the class rooms” inspires VRO to acclaim that the Pearls of the Country are found in the remotest villages of India. VRO uncompromisingly continues this project and combs every nook and corner of the village to make sure none of the children are deprived of quality education in all the villages which are adopted. All activities in SSC centers without fail try to realize Margaret Mead’s intention that the ‘Children be Taught how to Think not What to Think’.

At this juncture VRO gratefully remembers and acknowledges the generous contributions of various donors who have sacrificed their comforts in order to comfort the disturbed rural poor children.

K.Venkatapathi, (Velangini Raju, SJ)
Associate Director, VRO



My Journey with the poor in Odisha

We have 27 Volunteers and 35 Community Workers out of which 6 Tailoring Instructors in Satellite School and 29 CER Teachers working in 35 villages of Odisha. All of them work hard for the poor in remotest areas. 171 Tailoring trainees appeared and all graduated with first Division in the Sewing and Design Diploma Exam conducted by USHA International. This initiative has given them added advantage of seeking better income, better lifestyle and to face the future with more self-confidence with the tailoring skills. Around 172 students trained and 85% among them placed, either self-employed or in Garment Designing Industry in Bhubaneswar, 100% placements: Self-employed/ in Bhubaneswar, Cuttack, Tiruppur project centers. An updated English curriculum designed by HLC piloted at the three Residential Centers. Around 1000 underprivileged students made use of our tuition facilities out of which a tiny minority has also made it to the Residential Schools especially in the tribal pockets through CER projects. Health Program benefited more than 5000

underprivileged people comprising children, youth, women and old people. These camps also majorly work on building awareness regarding common ailments, family planning methods, nutrition, hygiene and sanitation. These camps provide comprehensive health services free of any cost.

I look back at 2018-19 and the one word that describes the year is 'fantastic'. It has been a year of experimentation, trying new methods and modules, learning by trial and error method in our approach and repeating the Fr. Windey SJ, Mantra of "Better Villages for a Better World" and it was fantastic. The team demonstrated more courage than ever to handle the roadblocks and push through the challenges ahead as we found ourselves innovating always. I feel extremely proud of the team for giving their very best to do more than we imagined. The stories that emerged as we returned from the villages were heartening and have strengthened our conviction that we can be the change makers.

George Anthony, SJ
Area Director, Odisha



Treasurer's Report - Mrs. Kavitha David

It is with great pride and accomplishment that I present before you VRO's Audited Financial Report of 2018-19 for the third consecutive year. The programme achievement of VRO in the field of CER, YSD, Housing, Agro-forestry and Women Empowerment is reviewed from Sustainable Development Goals. Our Accountability towards achievement is reflected and we shall continue to be more accountable towards the global framework.

Audited financial statements comprising of Receipts and Payments Account, Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st March 2019 duly certified by the Statutory Auditor Mr. K.V.R. Subba Rao, F.C.A., along with his observation is presented in the Annual Report.

Highlights:

- The over-all turn-over is 187.596 Million Rupees compared to the previous year figure of 151.008 million rupees. The Mission & objectives of VRO are carried out by each & every volunteer connected to VRO and its ethics.

Certainly there is Increase in receipt (external and local) from 47.316 million rupees to 93.250 million rupees. The break-up is as follows:

Overseas Donors 51.118 Million, INR & Local Contribution is 42.132 Million, INR which includes major portion from Sale of Land to the tune of 30.137 Million, INR & specific grants from APSHC 4.784 Million INR.

- In spite of the financial crunch that prevails globally and the political disturbance our donor partners continue to support our efforts and initiatives towards helping the poor. VRO expresses its sincere thanks and gratitude to them for the continuous support towards upliftment of the Marginalised. It is worth mentioning the donor partners namely



Entwicklungshilfeclub, Vienna together with Jesuiten Welweit, Switzerland, and Swiss friends, Jesuiten Mission-Nurnberg, BIVRO-Antwerp, VRO- Germany, Freiburg, Indienhilfe-Kelkheim, Nicopeja-Udine, VRO-Italy, Caritas Scotland, Salvatorians Relief Action- Belgium and DEMAINS- France. Special thanks to Dr. Robert Wychera and Christine Camenzind for their strenuous efforts in mobilizing fund for VRO.

- Local contribution has increased from 10.434 million rupees to 42.132 million rupees, major share being the Bank & Fixed deposit interest, Sale of Land and specific Grant from APSHC.

- Rural Development expenses have increased from 53.052 Million rupees to 61.733 Million rupees. There is an excess of expenditure over income to the tune of rupees 10.342 Million during this year. This reveals that local contributions received during the year were utilized to cover the unfunded project activities. We have to be cautious and ensure that all the project expenses are funded in order to grow the corpus with the bank interest generated annually.

As we are nearing to our Golden jubilee year, I am really happy to see that VRO during FY –

2018-19 was able to support around 6000 children by giving supportive assistance through CER program and 1200 young girls and boys in imparting driving, electrical, cell-phone, tailoring and beautician courses.

I Congratulate and applaud the Operation team which mobilized resources from the AP Housing Corporation and enabled 6 yanadhi tribal communities to construct 191 quality houses for themselves in Repalle area. The Operational Team deserves our appreciation for mobilizing resources from TRICOR to empower the 232 yandhi tribal boys and girls with skills like tailoring, embroidery, electrical repair and drum beating,

- During the period under review, the Financial Management has strongly improved. Budgeting and accounting as per cost, the centres deliver utmost transparency towards the Management and the Donors. The finance team headed by the finance manager has exhibited its best efforts in monitoring and following up the day today transactions. I do appreciate their tireless services. I am hopeful that the operational

team may work hard to tap more local funds from various corporate companies under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) to enhance the organisation's reachability to more programs and people in the near future.

I wish to encourage operational team to work with TRICOR to tap more for Tribal projects.

The accomplishments over the past year and the work ahead depend on the support and Contributions of our Partners, dedicated and committed team of Volunteers. I am immensely grateful to those individuals, institutions and partners for continued support and initiatives of VRO in transforming the lives of the poor and make a difference in sustaining such process.

Thank you

Mrs. Kavitha David
Treasurer, VRO



Auditor's Report

AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

We have audited the attached Balance Sheet of VILLAGE RECONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION [INDIA] as at March 31, 2019 and the Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date annexed thereto. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Society's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a resolvable basis for our opinion. We have no relationship with or any interests in the Association other than our capacity as auditors.

We report that, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the said accounts, give the information in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India:

- In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of the Society's affairs as at March 31, 2019; and
- In the case of Income & Expenditure Account, of the deficit for the year ended on that date.

Place : Guntur
Date : 24-08-2019

SCHEDULES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND NOTES ON ACCOUNTS:

a. Revenue Recognition: The Society follows cash basis of accounting for all financial transactions. The Society may require refunding the contributions received from certain agencies, if the same is not utilised for the sanctioned purposes as per the contracts.

b. Fixed assets and Depreciation: Fixed assets include all expenditure of capital nature are valued at cost of acquisition and cost of installation/ erection as applicable. Depreciation is provided on written down value method and at the rates prescribed by the Income tax Act.

2. NOTES TO ACCOUNTS:

a. Activities and Purpose: The Society is established with the primary objective of village reconstruction and Development and with a motive of not to make profit out of its activities.

b. Classification of expenditure as stated in the programme and based largely on the identification and estimates of the management.

c. Previous year figures are re-grouped wherever necessary.

For K V R SUBBA RAO & CO
Chartered Accountants

sd/-

K V R Subba Rao FCA
Chartered Accountant

M No. 020129

UDIN : 19020129AAAAAW3507

Financial Statements 2018-2019

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019			
RECEIPTS	Sch. Ref.	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2018
Balance	[5]	90,008,933.34	102,965,010.49
Specific Grants	[6]	4,784,750.00	-
Contributions	[7]	51,118,971.50	36,882,037.93
Other Income/ Receipts	[8]	37,348,335.89	10,434,206.68
Advances	[9]	4,335,476.00	726,765.00
Total		187,596,466.73	151,008,020.10
PAYMENTS			
Administration & maintenance	[10]	10,861,256.79	7,674,407.59
Rural Development	[11]	61,733,302.81	53,051,679.17
Advances		1,038,995.00	-
Fixed assets	[12]	459,335.00	273,000.00
Balance	[5]	113,503,577.13	90,008,933.34
Total		187,596,466.73	151,008,020.10

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2019			
INCOME	Sch. Ref.	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2018
Specific Grants		4,784,750.00	-
Contributions	[7]	51,118,971.50	36,882,037.93
Other Incomes	[8]	7,210,394.89	10,434,206.68
Total (A)		63,114,116.39	47,316,244.61
EXPENDITURE			
Administration & Maintenance	[10]	10,861,256.79	7,674,407.59
Rural Development	[11]	61,733,302.81	53,051,679.17
Depreciation	[3]	862,382.90	984,093.65
Total (B)		73,456,942.50	61,710,180.41
Excess of Expenditure over Income	(A) - (B)	(10,342,826.11)	(14,393,935.80)

As per our report even date annexed,
For K V R SUBBA RAO & CO.
Chartered Accountants

Guntur
24-08-2019

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Operational Director

For Village Reconstruction Organisation

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Treasurer

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Financial Statements 2018-2019

BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2019			
SOURCES OF FUNDS	Sch. Ref.	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2018
Capital Fund	[1]	175,795,705.29	141,090,590.41
Advances	[2]	4,940,326.00	15,619,850.00
Total		180,736,031.29	156,710,440.41
APPLICATION OF FUNDS			
Fixed Assets	[3]	65,853,808.16	66,346,856.07
Advances / Deposits	[4]	1,378,646.00	354,651.00
Cash & Bank balances	[5]	113,503,577.13	90,008,933.34
Total		180,736,031.29	156,710,440.41

SCHEDULES TO BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2019									
S.No	Particulars	Balance as on 01-04-2018	Additions during the year	Total	Deletions during the year	Balance	Rate of depn.	Depn. for the year	Balance as on 31-03-2019
1	Land	2,029,657	-	2,029,657	90,000	1,939,657.00	0%	-	1,939,657
2	Buildings	59,425,663	-	59,425,663	-	59,425,663.00	0%	-	59,425,663
3	Furniture & fixtures	113,836	-	113,836	-	113,836.46	10%	11,384	102,453
4	Equipment	399,657	-	399,657	-	399,657.18	15%	59,949	339,709
5	Vehicles	4,113,957	1,209,335	5,323,292	750,000	4,573,291.80	15%	685,994	3,887,298
6	Other	2,309	-	2,309	-	2,309.36	15%	346	1,963
7	Computer	261,776	-	261,776	-	261,776.26	40%	104,711	157,066
	Total	66,346,856	1,209,335	67,556,191	840,000	66,716,191.06		862,383	65,853,808

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**VILLAGE RECONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION (INDIA)
CONSOLIDATED BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2019-20**

S.No.	Name of the Programme	No.of Prog.	Guntur	Hyderabad	Kadapa	Kothakota	Nellore	Odisha	Rajahmundry	Tamilnadu	Total Budget
			INR	INR	INR	INR	INR	INR	INR	INR	INR
I	FUNDS FROM DONORS ABROAD										
1	Child Education & Rights (CER) & Village Empowerment & Entitlement (VEE)	6	1,189,333	1,370,864	-	-	1,483,040	958,493	2,496,538	-	7,498,268
2	Youth Skill Development (YSD)	10	1,683,594	2,219,826	-	-	594,941	4,182,471	1,701,652	-	10,382,484
3	Child Education & Rights (CER) & Youth Skill Development (YSD)	2	1,051,201	-	-	-	-	-	-	811,477	1,862,678
4	Integrated Community Development Program (ICDP)	2	1,514,036	-	1,697,815	-	-	-	-	-	3,211,851
5	Cluster Program	2	-	-	-	2,634,073	-	2,589,492	-	-	5,223,565
6	Village Re-Building programme (VRBP) (177 Houses)	4	15,951,552	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,951,552
	TOTAL-A	26	21,389,716	3,590,690	1,697,815	2,634,073	2,077,981	7,730,456	4,198,190	811,477	44,130,398
II	FUNDS FROM Govt. of AP										
7	AP Housing Corporation(68 Houses)	2	11,900,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,900,000
8	TRICOR - Rural Livelihood Program	1	7,295,271	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,295,271
	TOTAL-B	3	19,195,271	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,195,271
III	FUNDS FROM VRO										
9	Resource Mobilization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300,000
10	Legal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500,000
11	Child Education Rights (CER)	4	265,200	-	273,200	-	249,700	-	540,400	-	1,328,500
12	Discretionary Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500,000
	TOTAL-C	4	265,200	-	273,200	-	249,700	-	540,400	-	2,628,500
	GRAND TOTAL (A+B+C)	33	40,850,187	3,590,690	1,971,015	2,634,073	2,327,681	7,730,456	4,738,590	811,477	64,654,169

VEE INFORMATION FOR 2018-19 (APRIL 2018 TO MARCH 2019)

S.No.	Region	No.of Villages	No of SHGs	No of SHG Members	No of SHGs Strengthened	No of CBOs Registered	No of CBO Members	CBOs under registration process
1	Jaggampeta	30	135	1485	32	7	172	1
2	Kurmedu	10	87	913	71	1	30	1
3	Devathapalli	5	21	211	21	3	71	1
4	Perecherla	10	55	550	55	0	32	0
5	Rajupalem	10	41	410	2	0	22	1
6	Repalle	25	70	640	69	1	352	0
7	Kothakota	29	66	726	22	1	357	0
8	Sagarasangam	5	42	425	23	0	0	0
9	Pelican nivas	10	61	624	31	0	0	0
10	Arogyanagar	5	63	693	26	5	162	0
11	Tamilanadu	3	9	81	6	0	0	0
12	Orissa	17	76	826	75	7	84	0
	Total:	159	726	7584	433	25	1282	4



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