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STRENGTHENING RURAL GOVERNANCE

Promoting Education of Minority women and girls through Community Led Change Agents

Capacity Building of Community Change Agents

Phase II training of Community change agents was carried out from 11th to 16th April, 2011 at Sahbhagi Shikshan Kendra, Lucknow. The training was based on Gender, Leadership and Communication. **The objective of the training was:**

- ◆ To describe cause and effects of stereotype gender role and gender based discrimination on women and society as a whole.
- ◆ To Recognize her strength and potential to become an effective change agent.
- ◆ To enhance the understanding of the participants on the concept of paternalism and feminism.

Phase-II was targeted towards developing the understanding of the participants on gender issues and group process so that while working with women and adolescent girls in the community, they may analyze various dynamics working behind women's participation and strategize their actions for better intervention, simultaneously their capacity as a group facilitator may also grow.



Completion of batch first Vocational Training at Vanita Polytechnic

The vocational training is very innate means for economic empowerment of the rural girls. It was the three month course in which girls have taken four different trade as Sewing and cutting, Zardoji, and beautician. In this batch 17 adolescent girls from 5 different gram panchyats (Cholapur, Gadsara, Bhavanipur, Dhaurahara and Shrikanthpur) have taken the training. On 2nd May, 2011, the final display of the girl's material was done. In this day Mr. Ashok Chaubey Coordinator of Vanita polytechnic encouraged the girls for their improving skill and congratulates them for this achievement. In this occasion Ms. Meenakshi Bhatla,

FIELD EXPERIMENTATION

Reducing Vulnerability of Migrants Workers, Sitapur (Source End)

Migrants rights awareness campaign

SSK Sitapur organized migrant rights awareness campaign in 66 villages of 15 Panchayats of Khairabad block from 5. 4. 11 to 5 .5 .2011. During the campaign street play organized to disseminate information about services of Sharamik Sahayata Kendra, poster emphasizing importance of identity card and work agreement are pasted on wall, brochure, pamphlets emphasizing services of Shramik Sahayata Kendra and pamphlets emphasizing benefits of Pravasi Parivar Samooh are distributed among beneficiaries, arrange mobilization meeting is facilitated with the help of mega mike and loudspeaker. Registration form of migrants is filled to provide them Pravasi Pahchan Patra, labour related to wage problem being informed to come Shramik Sahayata Kendra for legal counseling. Many women group showed interest in formation of Pravasi Parivar Samooh.Youth visited for vocational training.



Vocational Training/ Youth Mobilization

The First batch of Mobile Repairing is going on which will be end on 20th May, 11. Two among the participants of the batch got placement in Nokia care. The placement for the other students is in process in Lemon, Lava, and Airtel etc through GRASS Academy and SSK. New trades for next batches have identified as tally and mobile repairing. As Sitapur as well as Khairabad is famous for Dari making so there is lots of factories where Tally is a big requirement, in this regard it is a good opportunity for the youth to get the better opportunity with a handsome salary. Counseling and registration process for new batches is in process. From the present batches of the training second batch of the same training of

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EDUCATION

Vidya Gyan Scholarship programme

Interface with Guardians Meeting

A guardian meeting was organized on 25, April 2011, of the girls enrolled in Vidhya Gyan Scholarship Programme .The meeting was conducted in Aditya Narayan Public School- Cholapur 80 guardians and girls were participated. During the meeting we shared to the parents about the scholarship amount and information and sharing the observation of computer test and next three month course of Computer classes i.e. photo-shop and Hindi Typing on computer. At same also shared information related to govt. Schemes for minorities Students and community and discussion on school sanitation issue. All guardians have an opportunity to share their feeling and ask questions.



Selection of New Teacher

The session is ended and girls will promote at 9th and 10th standard. For quality education and betterment in this month 5 new teachers are appointed for the coaching under Vidhya Gyan Scholarship Programme. A fair and transparent process is adopted for selecting the teachers. Under the selection process written test, interview and 15 days demo class is taken on. During the demo old teachers, who are taught from 3 years were with them and given

(Principal of Vanita polytechnic) and SSK members also present. On this day girls have shared their future plan after taking this professional training. After this training they have increased her confidence and become an example in their villages as rural entrepreneur.



Village level Vocational Training for adolescent girls

To explore the vocational opportunities of adolescent girls a village level vocational training centre was started at VRC of Bhavanipur Gram panchyat. The training of Embroidery and bag making was started from February by technical person. The course of embroidery and bag making is completed in which 24 girls have learned a new skill of bag making and more than 50 different stitches of embroidery. The use of stitches can use in the suit and they are searching for market linkage to sell their handmade bag.



Training on Life skill building and Sex Education for Adolescent Girls

Adolescent is the very crucial time for growing girls. There are a lot of physical and emotional changes taking place. To keep in mind these issues one day training Programme on sex education and gender sensitization was organized for adolescent girls groups of Cholapur block at five gram panchayts named Tisaura, Chandravati, Rampur, Shrikanthpur and Chhittampur on this month. The objective of the training was

- ◆ To provide a platform for adolescent girls for sharing their feelings about the physical and emotional changes of adolescent phase.
- ◆ To sensitize the girls for their security, against violence and sexual abuse.

In these training there are 478 girls are participated from 5 gram panchayat and the training was done in 2-3 groups in each panchayats.

Mobile Repairing is also been identified.



Prawasi Pariwar Samuha

Regular monthly meeting of existing Pravasi Parivar Samooh is organized. In the meeting update their regular maintainnace and also disseminate information regarding project services. In the Migrant rights campaign the the members were took part and shared their experience with other. A new Pravasi Parivar Samooh namely 'Sangini' has been formed in Kanayatpur. The already formed Samuha of Umapurva, of Pakariya Gram Panchayat is also want to involve with the Shabhagi Sikshan Kendra. One round mobilization meeting has been conducted with this group to give information about the project activities.



Legal Counseling

Legal counseling has been organized with the migrant. In the counseling the legal cases has been documented by federation. Around 15 people visited legal counseling session regarding payment of MNREGA. Liaison is in process between ex pradhan and new pradhan for the purpose of reimbursement of payment. Samajik Vikas Prerak Sangh intervenes on legal cases and started to document of the cases.

Exposure visit for Khairabad Vikas Prerak Samiti

SSK Sitapur organized exposure visit of Khairabad Samajik Vikas Prerak Samiti for the purpose of develop understanding on legal counseling to the migrant's workers. All the members of KSVPS visited BPVSS (Bhattha Parivar Vikas Seva Samiti) office Lal Gopalganj Allahabad and develop understanding on legal counseling, IKRARNAMA and advocacy.

guidance with the background of each girls. Through this process the teacher handover the responsibilities and classes to the new one and girls comfortably accepted the old one. These five teachers are carrying on from the May, 2011.

Progress Evaluation for Coaching Girls

After one year of coaching classes as the session ended an evolution of the progress of students have done on 22nd and 23rd April, 2011 at Cholapur and Dhaurahara Nyay Panchayat. After evaluation of test performance of girls 70 % student have good and achieved 60% marks in the test. Most of the girls of 8th standard students want to continue her study with science stream. Their confidence, learning capability and eagerness of learning have increased.



PRE ELECTION VOTERS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN (PEVAC)

PRI strengthening and Women Empowerment Programme

Gram Sabha Meeting

On 30th April, 2011 meeting with Gram sabha members was organized at Udaipur Gram panchayat of Harahua block. The agenda of the meeting was to understand the roles and responsibility of gram sabha members in the village development and enhance their awareness by active participation of women in the village development by discussing their rights. In the meeting there are 69 gram sabha members were actively participated in which 90% were women. The developmental schemes related to women like Janni suraksha Yojna etc.



Reducing Vulnerability of Migrants Workers, Ghaziabad (Destination End)

Health Camp

Health camp has been organized at destination end, Ghaziabad. The camp has been organized collaboratively with Lohamandi Vikreta Mandal, Jan Kalyan and Gramudyog Samity and ITS Dental College, Muradnagar and also district hospital Ghaziabad. In this camp 232 migrants took participate and get their basic treatment. Among this 40 women and 35 children also get the treatment and took medicines. In the camp basic health problem, dental problem, Chiken pox, Diabetes check up etc has been done.



PRE ELECTION VOTERS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN (PEVAC)

Capacity Building and training of Elected Representative and Functionaries of PRIs

Training for Master Trainers

Training of Master trainer on PRIs at institutional level is organizing at Mirzapur, Bhadohi and Jaunpur district from 18th April, 2011 to the partner organization in their respective districts. The TOT for these master trainers is organizing at unit wise in each unit 8 participants in are participating. From the each partners organization the training is conduction at in 3 units. The objective of the training are:

- ◆ To prepare a team of master trainer for capacity building of women representatives of panchayats.
- ◆ To sensitizing the master trainers by improving their skill and knowledge on PRIs and related issues.

One day orientation of Health and Education Committee at Panchayat level

One day orientation of PRI member's especiallt helth and education committee was carried for 12 gram panchayats of Cholapur and Harahua Block. The orientation was done with the integration of two gram panchayats. In this orientation ANM, Aganwadi and ASHA and school teachers also participated. To objective of the orientation was to explain the roles and responsibilities of these committees for better planning of village development and enhance their awareness level by demonstrating government developmental schemes. About 105 PRI members of health and education committee participated in this orientation in which 45% were women.

Resource Group

Contact has been made with the resource group. In the ongoing activities the group members has been associated. Strategy has been made for the next month health camp program in other place for the migrants.

Mobilization meeting with Migrants

Mobilization meeting with the migrants of bhopura-sitapur group, shastrinagar-riksapullar. The information regarding Sharamik Sahayata Kendra has been shared with them. The information regarding health camp has been disseminating with them. Discussion has been held on trade based group formation at destination end with the target group.

Networking and Liaison

Networking and Liaison have been made up with the stakeholders and also with the resource group. The strategy for further activity regarding health camp and trade based group formation has been in discussion.



A module on Panchayati Raj in Uttar Pradesh



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