

## Poorest Area Civil Society Programme- Project Details & Achievements

### Empowerment of Women through Capacity Building for Effective Decision Making In Local Self-Governance

<b>Duration of Project</b>	:	3 years (from 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct. 2004 to 30 <sup>th</sup> sep. 2007)
<b>Total Cost of Project</b>	:	Rs. 9,97,508/-
<b>Agreement No.</b>	:	82/04-5 dt. 22/09/2004
<b>Supplementary addition</b>	:	Rs. 1,52,421/- (literacy component)
<b>Duration</b>	:	11 Months (1 <sup>st</sup> April 2007 to 29 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2008)
<b>Project Objectives</b>	:	

1. To organize, promote and strengthen dalit and marginalized women organization for increased participation in local self governance.
2. To empower women organization for effective implementation of service delivery system and poverty alleviation schemes at local level.
3. To strengthen gram panchayat and gram sabhas through capacity building for effective local self-governance.
4. To link women organization with Income Generation Programme (IGP) and Food Security (for Landholders) activities.
5. To train illiterate 170 women folks in writing and reading skills

#### Project Coverage

Partners	Dist.	Block	GPs	Village	Hholds	SC	OBC	Gen
Self	Barabanki	Deva	10	15	2560	179	499	19

#### Activities Performed during the Project Period

1. **Community Member Mobilization:** Extensive meetings were organized to make people aware and to build community consciences about the programme. This resulted in large no. of SHG formation.
2. **SHG formation:** To give benefit to larger section of the society and cover the maximum area in the field more than 80 SHGs were formed, out of which majority were women SHGs.
3. **Capacity Building:** Capacity building programme for SHG members were also taken up on large scale so as to make every SHG self sustained and they could understand the working and importance of SHG institution.
4. **Linkage with Banks:** Soon after formation of SHGs side-by-side linkages with banks also started so as to make them financially strong and stable which in future would help in IGP activities too.
5. **IGP training:** Four to five IGP trainings were organized in the field for SHG members on demand. Training on Chiken craft, Agarbati making, Honey Bee keeping

and improved agricultural practices were organized so that maximum no. of women could supplement their income and support their families.

6. **Exposure Visit:** Two exposure visits were also organized in which around 100 women were taken for agarbati and bee keeping sites so that they can have live experience on the subjects.

7. **PRI training:** Two Orientation programme for newly elected Pradhans were organized so as to make them aware about their duties toward poor women and backward community.

8. **Meetings with PRI:** To accelerate the impact of programme meetings were also organized time to time with pradhans so that they could not forget their work which is required for the poor people.

9. **IEC Material:** Two calendars were produced, each with specific theme, Ist one was focusing Women empowerment and Iind focused on Govt. schemes in the area which were designed to extend benefits to poor. One pamphlet was also produced for PRIs mentioning their duties.

10. **Wall writing /nukad nataks:** Extensive wall writing was done in the area so that people could know about the programme and demand could be generated from the community.

11. **Network of SHGs:** To make the SHG movement stable and sustained efforts were initiated to make one network of all SHGs in the area so that after the withdrawal of IISD they could make their presence stable.

12. **Joint action plan of GP:** One Micro planning workshop was organized at Village Kesaruwa with the help of community, Pradhan and Village Secretary so as to list the priority of the area and make some developmental plans for near future.

13. **Block level Advocacy Camp:** One advocacy camp was organized at Block Deva to sensitize the govt. officials regarding problems of the women SHGs and to draw out some best possible solutions of the problems.

14. **Computer bas3ed literacy programme:** Under the supplementary addition IISD was given responsibility to train 170 illiterate women folks in writing and reading skills. This was a very innovative effort and first of its own kind to impart the skills of adult literacy among the rural women.

## Details of Capacity Building Programme

Name of CB	Who were participants	No of participants		Topics Covered
		Male	Female	
1. Chikan Craft	SHG Women		20	All Types of stitches
2. Agarbati Making	SHG women		50	Various stages of making and about the material
3. Bee Keeping	SHG women & men	11	6	All aspects on the commercial venture of honey production
4. Improved Agricultural Practice	SHG women & men	20	5	Low input agricultural practice with high yield

## Accomplishment of Outputs

Objective I	Output	Output Indicator
To organize, promote and strengthen dalit and marginalized women organization for increased participation in local self governance.	Formation of vibrant women organizations.	30% of women organization will analyze and solve their problems related to LSG.
	Increased participation of women in panchayat activities.	30% of total villages will have regular gram sabha meetings with 50% participation of dalit and poor women members.
Objective II	Output	Output Indicator
To empower women organization for effective implementation of service delivery system and poverty alleviation schemes at local level.	Effective implementation of government schemes and services at GP level.	30% of total GPs will have following situation with involvement of women organizations: 1. Optimum utilization of Govt. services (PDS, Health, education & ICDS). 2. Identification and benefits to the deserving families/ individuals under poverty alleviation schemes.

<b>Objective III</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>Output Indicator</b>
To strengthen gram panchayat and gram sabhas through capacity building for effective local self governance.	Capacity building of elected Panchayat representatives at GP level for effective discharge of their duties	In 30% of total GPs, elected representatives will discharge their duties with poor friendly approach by involving women.
		30% of total GPs will conduct regular gram sabha meetings with 50% participation of women org. members
<b>Objective IV</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>Output Indicator</b>
To link women organization with Income Generation Programme (IGP) and Food Security (for Landholders) activities	Network of women organization	One Block level Network formed
	Income generation (IG) activities in women organization	20% of the total members will be engaged in IG activities.
	Increase in family income.	30% increase in family income.
	Food security of women members having land.	30% of total members having land would involve in improved agricultural practices.

### **Knowledge Creation**

Sl. No.	Type of Document Prepared	Issue of Focus	Written by Whom
1.	Calendar	Women Empowerment	Designed by designer
2.	Calendar	Govt. Schemes for poor	--do--
3.	Pamphlet	Duties of PRI	Dr. Sunit Gupta

## THEMATIC LEVEL IMPACT ACHIEVED

### Women Empowerment

Particulars	Unit Type	During/After Project
<b>PROJECT LEVEL GENERAL INFORMATION</b>		
1. No. of total women benefited from the project. Also provide breakup of Marginalized, Disabled, Destitute, Widow, etc.	No. of Women	700 to 800
2. No. of Community women selected as project staff in any development scheme	No. of Women	6
3. No. & type of networks and alliances formed between CSOs to support women's issues & concerns	No. of Networks	1
4. No. of networks and no. of CSOs involved in working on the common issues in women empowerment	No. of Networks	1
5. CSOs that have gender policies reflecting gender sensitivity	CSOs	59
<b>SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES OF WOMEN</b>		
1. No. of atrocities on women, recorded	No. of Cases	Nil
2. No. of cases of movement /dharna /pressure building /organized against women atrocities	No. of cases	2
3. No. of women esp. dalit and marginalized, demanded their entitlements from their representatives and Govt.	Women No.	More than 2 dozen
4. No. of women esp. dalit and marginalized, have got their entitlements from their representatives and Govt.	Women no.	More than 700
5. No. of women developed their own resources	Women No.	70
6. No. of women made functionally literate under the project support	Women no.	170
7. No. of girl child enrolled to the schools during the proj. period	Girls no.	
<b>COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS AS MEANS OF WOMEN EMPOWERMENT</b>		
1. No. & type of women's institutions formed. Mention the type in the blank boxes, given below	No. of CBOs	80 (59 women SHGs, 14 SHGs of men & 7 mixed SHGs)
2.No. of women involved in individual level income generation activities	Women no.	45 (many more supported their

		family)
3. No. of women involved in collective income generation activities	Women no.	25
4. No. of women groups linked to their institutions for marketing and other support	No. of groups	30
5. No. of Federations formed	Network	1 (Mahila Ekta Vikas Manch-network)
6. No. of Federations registered under SRA 1860	Federation	Nil.
<b>CAPACITY BUILDING INITIATIVES FOR WOMEN</b>		
1. No. of women developed as master trainers	Women No.	6
2. No. of women has been provided leadership development, specific skill training	Women No	95
3. No. of women participated in district level planning forums	Women No	Nil
4. No. of awareness camps organized on health and hygiene, nutrition and other such issues.	Camp no.	No esp. camp org. but all such issues were discussed in all meetings
5. No. of training and sensitization programmes conducted	Training No.	Dozen
6. No. of gender sensitization trainings and gender policy	Training No.	2

### **Self Help Initiatives / Livelihoods**

Particulars	Unit type	During / After project
<b>GENERAL IMPACTS OF SELF HELP INITIATIVES / LIVELIHOODS</b>		
1. Total no. of households covered under the project	Households	2560
2. No. of households who are part of some formal group	Households	700
3. No. of households who are part of informal group	Households	1500
4. No. of households who are engaged in supplementary IGA	Households	136
5. No. of households who have increased their livestock no.	Households	15
6. No. of households whose livestock based production has increased	Households	15
7. No. of households performing better agriculture practices	Households	42

8. No. of households whose agriculture productivity has increased	Households	25
9. No. of households whom income have increased by at 0-25%	Households	130
10. No. of households whom income have increased by at 26-50%	Households	5
11. No. of households whom income have increased by > 50%	Households	N.A.
12. No. of villages in which about 75% households are attached to the major Govt. prog. And schemes	GPs.	Around 20 to 30 % HH attached to Govt. Schemes
13. No. of village which have instances of marginalized people demanding their entitlements collectively	Villages	2
14. List of 5 major govt. schemes which have the highest coverage ensured by the project intervention in the project villages, also give the no. of villages in which they are realized.	No. of Villages	
a. Widow pension	5	
b. Old age pension	4	
c. NREGA Job Cards	5	
d. BPL Cards	6	
e. Indra awas	2	
15. No. of villages witnessed reduction in distress migration	Villages	No such case were not present in the area
16. No. of cases of reduction in indebtedness	Persons	N.A.
17. No. & instances where villagers have applied for benefit under the govt. schemes	Villages	7
18. No. & instances where villagers have received the benefit for which they have applied	Villages	4
<b>COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS &amp; CBOs</b>		
1. No. of groups formed under the proj. having 100% marginalized members	Groups	41
2. No. of groups having 100% SC members	Groups	40
3. No. of villages in which at least one member of 75% HH, is member of any CBO formed under the proj.	Villages	3 Vill. Less than 50 %
4. No. of villages in which women and marginalized from 90% of the HH are involved in these institutions	Villages	4 vill. Less than 40%
5. No. & type of federation and apex	Federation	One network

bodies formed		established
6. No. of registered federation and apex bodies	Federation	N.A.
<b>CB, COMMUNICATION, MASS MEDIA INITIATIVES FOR SHI</b>		
1. No. of community members have been provided technology & skill based training	Persons	100
2. No. of CBOs having linkages for development of marketing	CBOs	4
3. No. of target gp leaders/change agents trained in advocacy, networking and motivation skills	Persons	40
4. No. of villages where Self Help initiatives have been replicated	Villages	1
<b>CAPACITY BUILDING</b>		
1. No. of CSOs trained on IGA/ Entitlement and related issues	CSOs	45
2. No. of CSOs staff trained on IGA / Entitlement and related issues	CSO staff	8
3. No. of community members trained on IGA / entitlement and related issues	Persons	100
4. No. of PRI members trained on IGA / Entitlement and related issues	PRI Members	35