

Kalahandi being considered as one of the disadvantaged and socio-economically backward district, millions of rupees are being spent through various Programme and schemes for poverty alleviation. But we can hardly notice any improvement in the situation. The food security issues are not been addressed properly, in spite of various Govt. schemes. Distressed migration still prevails at large and scheme like OREGS is unable to serve the purpose. In spite of the enactment of 73rd amendment, the local governance system has not attained the real sense of decentralization, which is evident from several cases in the print media.

KARRTABYA is working with the collaboration of Concern World Wide India in Budhidara and Bankpalash G.P. of Junagarh Block. Objective of the program is to strengthen the PRI & CBOs to establish accountable governance for implementation of NREGS and other food security schemes to reduce poverty and hunger in selected 17 villages since August-07.

Major Activities undertaken:

- Orientation programme were conducted for capacity building of PRIs, CBOs, local leaders and SHGs for strengthening their functioning for effective implementation of the NREGS and food security schemes.
- Sensitization programme of community people was organized through awareness, rally, wall painting, village meeting, village meeting with NREGS committee, Home visit, Focus Group Discussion and meeting on land shed issues.

Out Put

- 543 people get Job Card
- 6, 26,810.00 Rupees generated during the year
- 10,447 nos of person days created
- 664 People demanded work
- Good lessoning with the line with Government department
- Participation of women increased in NREGA work
- People learn about their right

With the support of PRIA / DFID, KARRTABYA is working in 6 GPs (Tipiguda, Deydara, Kuhura, Phupgaon, Mandal & Dhansuli) from 6 Blocks of Dharamgarh sub-division for the poorest community and strengthen good governance system having the below Objectives:

- To initiate a peoples' oriented planning process, taking the contextual in to account,
- Strengthening PRI through, capacitating the representatives and functionaries
- To facilitate the participatory planning with active involvement of community as well as PRI members
- To create awareness on food security schemes
- To gear up NREGS by generating demand for work through community mobilization.

To fulfill the above objectives we have done the following activities

Capacity building and orientation of PRI Members , CBO leaders and local youth

In order to create base for a participatory planning and a pro-active local governance system, we started capacity building of PRI members, SHG&CBO leaders and local youths on different thematic areas like- Micro plan Preparation, Common Property Resource Management, Functions of PRI, NREGS and RTI. Under this activity, 44 numbers of orientation & trainings have been conducted in 6 GPs of 6 Blocks.

Formation of village level monitoring committees

As a result of the orientation, with the initiative of the village volunteer and CBO leaders, several monitoring and facilitation centres were formed at village level. Where OREGS monitoring committee and NREGS facilitation centers were formed and are working actively.



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