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AGENDA

- ❖ Opening Prayer.
- ❖ Welcome.
- ❖ Notice Calling Of The Meeting.
- ❖ Approval of the minutes of previous meeting.
- ❖ Annual Report.
- ❖ Approval of Audited Statement of Accounts.
- ❖ Any Other Matter.
- ❖ Vote Of Thanks.
- ❖ Closing Prayer.

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ANNUAL REPORT BY THE SECRETARY PRESENTED IN THE ANNUAL GENERAL BODY HELD ON THE 18TH JULY 2002 FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 2001 TO MARCH 2002, at ICSA, Chennai.

Dear Friends

I am extremely happy to present this **Annual report of SUCHI** before this august body. At the outset I thank God for guiding us during the year. I also thank our partner organizations for their coordination and support in all our effort towards building a just society. Following are the brief report of the activities carried out during the reporting period.

towards quality life
Peoples' participation and collective efforts by them were our main thrust during this period.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION & COLLECTIVE ACTIONS:

SUCHI continues to **educate and capacitate the community** through awareness programme, trainings and exposure to other organization. Opportunities are given to the villagers to collectively plan, decide and implement activities to address their needs and problems. Listed below are the details of the organized groups at the village level who take collective responsibility for the development of their village:
There are totally 1755 women members actively involved in different organized group at the village level.

Type of Group Organised	Total No. of Groups	Total members in the group
SHGs	103	1755
Youth Sangam	27	815
Children Association	50	1350
VAC	300	Men-166 Women-164 Youth- 30

These groups were given various trainings and motivation to ensure their participation in the implementation of the programme at all levels. These organized groups are being encouraged to take up the responsibilities of the village welfare program. Furnished below are the activities carried out by these groups.

Local Mobilisation:

Name of the Program	No. Of the Person benefited	Contribution		Outcome
		Comm.	Govt.	
Rural Poor Housing Scheme	39	Rs.85,000/-	Rs.7,87,000/-	Through this 39 houses were built for the villages.
Mud Road	5 Villages	Rs.3,000/- & Labour	Rs.2,14,000/-	Mud roads for a distance of 10 Kms were laid in 5 different villages.
Drainage	1 Villages	Rs.3,450/-	Rs.70,000/-	Drainage ditches were constructed in 1 street.
Lake Construction	2 Villages	Rs.10,000/-	Rs.1,00,000/-	Lakes were deepened to collect the excess water.

Collective Efforts:

Name of the village	No of persons attended	Name of the Program	Outcome
Guttapai	-	Building of CC center	A center worth Rs.35,000 was built.
Yadamari Mandal (17 villages)	VACs and Staff Collectively	Requesting the Govt. to take over the ECE centers run by SUCHI.	5 centers have been taken over and discussions are going on to take over the remaining centres
23 Villages	278	Food for Work	Through this digging of drainages, laying of mud roads, Supply channels and broadening of roads were carried out.

INCOME GENERATION PROGRAMME:

There are totally 103 SHGs promoted who are **involved in income generation programme** both individually and collectively. Both women and youth were motivated to mobilize programme for their economic development. The following are the data pertaining to the IGP mobilised:

Name of the Group	No. Of the Persons benefited	Contribution		Outcome
		Comm	Govt.	
Women - Individual loan.	88	Rs.6320/-	Rs.2,90,000/-	Through these loans goats were reared which provided a source for their supplementary income..
Women - Best Group Loan	12	Rs.12000/-	Rs.96,000/-	Through these loans cow were purchased and diary development was carried on for their individual income.
Youth Group - CMEY	5	Rs.3000/-	Rs.125000/-	A Sugarcane crusher unit was purchased and given for rent to the villagers as well as among them. Through this they earn for their livelihood.
SHG	106 group	Rs.12000/-	Rs.1160000/-	Through these various skills like Thaduku making, basket making, leaf plate making, mats were made & are sold to generate their income.

Issue based program - E.PALAKOOR:

Mrs.M.Kalpana, W/o. Annaswamy was taken to the Govt. PHC at Puthalapattu for her 2nd delivery, her first child is a boy 2 years old. She had a normal delivery at the PHC a girl baby, she was attended properly by the PHC staff and no one took care of her immediate postnatal condition. She developed severe pain and started bleeding excessively for which her relatives approached the concern nurses on duty. But they neglected her saying she is alright. The lady finally died of postpartum hemorrhage. The family and the villagers recognized the cause of her death as the negligence of the nurses at the PHC and they demanded answer from the District Health Officer, it was the first

time in the history of the district the DM&HO being called by the people, the DM&HO attended the call and listened to the people's grievances and finally he agreed to bring new rules in order to provide good care at the PHC and the nurses were made to realize their mistake and agreed to give Rs. 10,000/- to the newly born girl baby to be put in fixed deposit for its future. Earlier such cases used to be very ignorant and never used to take responsibility to address the issues but now the villagers are very much capable of identifying such problems and addressing them very systematically. The Villagers made the whole district officials to come to the spot to listen to them.

HEALTH PROGRAMME:

MCH and Health education are the main focus of our health programme. It includes Antenatal care, postnatal care immunization, health education and care of under five children.

The Trained Traditional Birth attendants (TBAs) play key role at the village level to provide MCH care, identifying early the high risk cases for referral, follow up of all MCH cases and conducting home deliveries. **54 TBAs have been trained** during this year. Through Day Care Center the children below 5 Years are given care, Supplementary nutrition and growth monitoring. The following are the details of the MCH Programme:

S.No	Total Deliveries		Deliveries		Family Planning	Others
	TBAs	Hospitals	Normal	Abnormal		
1.	72	85	149	8	20	1- Infant death

EDUCATION & VOCATION:

The education programme is carried out at different levels to promote quality education among the rural children.

Early Childhood Education & Child Care Center:

For the U/5 children - **Early Childhood Education (ECE) & Day Care Center.**

For school going children - **Coaching classes** for 7th and 10th classes. (as they are appearing for the Government examination).

For senior schoolchildren **career guidance** and **counseling** are given.

The rural children due to poor nutrition, poor living condition struggle to survive. Children lack safety, love & care. Most of the time they are left on their own either in a sari cradle or in the hands of the older child who is still due for care. Though there are extended families in the villages they are also on the same ladder to earn for their daily bread. Children are often deprived of the care, prone to accident. Above all their growth

and development is affected and they become timid, shy & afraid to face others and are unable to cope up with the school environment. In order to overcome this problem and to promote healthy future generation the ECE programme paves way. The ECE focuses on promoting total development in the rural children namely the:

- Language development
- Physical and Motor development
- Cognitive development
- Creativity
- Social and Emotional development.

During the reporting period, **423 number of U/5 children were enrolled for the ECE programme.** This was started in the year 2000 with the aim to sustain this programme with the community. The teachers are all from the local villages. The villagers contributed the center, firewood for preparing the nutritional supplement; center, maintenance and now they provide salary for the Ayah who helps in preparing the nutritional food, cleanliness of the center and the children.

The first batch of the ECE children are studying 4th std in the formal school and they are doing their studies well and also participate in the extracurricular activities. The formal school teachers appreciate the children's improvement. Now the villagers realize the need for such center and they expressed their willingness to continue except the training and follow up by **SUCHI**.

The ECE teachers in the beginning with hesitation joined the programme, with all social and family problems pressing them. During the 3 years period they were motivated, trained and were brought to a system. Now these teachers give training to the Govt ECE teachers. They are well recognized and respected in the village, at the mandal level. They are able to represent the village to the mandal offices and bring in lot of programme from the mandal and District.

Coaching Classes For The 7th And 10th Classes:

The children who appear for the 7th and 10th class Govt exam in the rural villages find it very difficult to get through the exam as they have to compete with the urban children who have access to the coaching centers in the town and cities. The rural children neither have such center nor their parents are educated to guide them in their studies. These children need to complete the basic education successfully, only then they are eligible for any kind of Govt schemes or programme or for the reservation quota. Therefore to help them to get through the exam, **SUCHI** during the period had conducted **11 coaching centers.**

In 7th class, 104 attended out of this 99 passed which is 95% In 10th class 74 children attended coaching class out of this 72 passed in the Govt exam that is 99%.

Career Guidance:

During the reporting period **5 new students were sponsored to Nursing course** and totally for this period **8 of them have received minimal scholarship**.

Residential Vocational Training:

The **residential vocational carpentry training** is going on well. During this period 10 students have passed out and 10 new students have joined the course this year. Totally 20 are studying. **So far 8 batches of students have completed and out of the 80 trained students except 2 ,all others are employed earning Rs. 50 to 125/day.**

Admission TO JCEC School: (Johaneruff Educational Centre)

In order to identify the right children for the admission to JCEC, we screened 105 children from all 3 mandals and sent 35 children's application to JCEC, 16 were called for interview, out of this only 5 were selected and got admission to JCEC this year. **Totally 16 children are studying at present from our target villages.** These children during their vacation contributed a lot to the other children in their respective villages.

PEACE & JUSTICE PROGRAMME:

As per the previous years, the conflict resolution & mediation programme was conducted for SUCHI target villages and for the other NGOs. This year **5 other new NGOs have added to the list for conducting trainers training.** The training team travel to different places to conduct the training at the NGO level including schools.

DRINKING WATER PROGRAMME:

During this period 22 villages were provided drinking water facility thorough drilling of bore wells. People contributed to their labour , construction of the platform. They have also mobilized from the Govt pipe connection from this water source.

SPECIAL PROGRAMME :

Mass campaign :

As part of SCINDeA network's collective programme, **a mass campaign on Overcoming violence was organized**. This year it was conducted in chittoor , **SUCHI** was given the responsibility to be the convening organization. The campaign was conducted for 2 days first day was a seminar for the member NGOs to report and discuss about the pre campaign programme carried out in their respective organization.. During the 2nd day, a rally was conducted followed by a public meeting ,nearly 7000 men , women and children participated in this campaign from all member NGOs including few local NGOs. From **SUCHI** target villages 950 women and men participated. Few of our EC members were also present for the programme.

Participation In the MPI:

This year MCC has sponsored Mr. Samson, one of our coordinator to participate in the Summer Peace Institute for a 3 weeks course on conflict resolution in Manila from 1st to 19th of May 2002.

Mrs. Glory vijayakumar, our associate Director was selected to be the co facilitator for the same summer course in Manila for one session on Initiating community based Peace programme.

Maaneeru(Water & Sanitation)

Through CWSS- Chittoor water and sanitation service society 20 villages were identified. Community organizing and awareness education was carried out in all 20 villages. Through peoples' participation share capitals were paid to the bank to **mobilize drinking water programme**. Now this programme is handed over to the RWS for further implementation.

Women Exposure Programme:

Women members of our target villages were taken to RWDS- Rural Women Development Society in Thiruvanamalai for exposure, nearly 60 women and 10 staffs participated in the programme.

Visitors ;

All our partners have been visiting SUCHI periodically once in 3 months to monitor, guide and to be involved in the programme implementation.

During this period distinguished guests also visited SUCHI:

Mr. Jamal Saghir - Director , Energy & water The World Bank.

Mr. Jeyashranjan - Project Director DRDA, Chittoor.

Mr. Ishwarlal - Executive Secretary , HAVE, Canada.

PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS WITH SUCHI:

Our partners have been with us in all effort, motivating , guiding and extending their support not only monetarily but also in human resource.

TDH-NL - Netherlands, Bangalore

MCC - USA. Calcutta

EZE - Germany- SCINDeA

INDIENHILFE - Germany, Bangalore

Dr. Glen Miller &

Mrs. Merlyn Miller - USA

HAVE - Canada

We thank our funding partners who have been extending their support to carryout the programme during the period. I thank the members for their valuable guidance in the effective & smooth running of the organization .

THANK YOU.