

ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING OF SUCHI

HELD ON 02/09/08 AT ICSA, CHENNAI.

Dear Members

I deem it a great privilege to present this annual report of SUCHI, before this august body. It has been a great experience during this reporting period and I thank GOD for guiding us the way we should walk along with SUCHI in empowering the communities that we work with.

Our principle strategy for this reporting period focuses towards empowering the marginalized, through their involvement and leadership. The various that we addressed for promoting Empowered and quality life among our target communities are – quality healthy living, quality education, improved social status and Improved economic of the women and children ,through them their families and their communities at large.

AREA COVERED : During this reporting period SUCHI covered the following area

Dist. & State	:	Chittoor Dist. in A.P and Tamil Nadu.
Mandals	:	14 mandals
Panchayath	:	53
Villages	:	72

Women 7945, children 1782, Men 7945

SUCHI FIELD BASE :



Registered Office at the Rural Women Training centre, Jodichinthala, Chittoor Dist.

Rural Resource Center & Vocational training centre, Rangampeta cross, Chittoor.(**Photo**)

PROGRAMME STRATEGIES:

The following were the strategies adopted during the reporting period.

- ❖ Promoting CBOs (Women, Youth, Village Advisory and Dalith sangam)
- ❖ Capacity Building (Community level, Community cadres, village level workers and Middle Managers of SUCHI).

- ❖ Sector approach – Health, Education Social and Economic.
- ❖ Promoting models to educate and ensure involvement of the community for quality in health, Education, Vocation and Economic development.
- ❖ Ensuring safe Drinking water /Environment / Sanitation.
- ❖ Community's Responsibility in their development /Resource Mobilization.
- ❖ Coordination with other stake holders.

COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS:

In every target community/village that we enter, the prime effort that we take to ensure community's participation is promoting CBOs like women group, youth group, and village's advisory committee and Dalith sangams.



S. No:	Type of CBO	No of Group	Total members
1.	Women group	369	4290
2.	Youth	31	376
3.	Village Advisory(women, Men & Youth)	47	638
4.	Dalith sangam (men & women)	20	538

Outcome:

- ◆ Visible women leadership emerged at various levels.
- ◆ Dalit sangam is a new initiative for collective responsibility towards the development the marginalized communities.
- ◆ Women have become capable of solving problems within their family, group, village and also associate with other groups for taking up issues towards the village welfare.
- ◆ The organized youth have taken initiatives for their development in self employment and for the community welfare.
- ◆ The Village Advisory Committees are able to mobilize the village for participation and initiate the collective decision at the village level.
- ◆ The VAC Represents the village needs and problems to various departments for their immediate attention and action.

- ◆ Both the VAC and the Dalith sangam have provided a common platform for men and women to work together and take decision for their village welfare.
- ◆ Local leadership promoted –

LEADERSHIP STATISTICS – By Samson

Sarpanch	- 1 woman
MPTCs	- 1 woman
ZPTCs	- 1 woman
Ward member	- 40 (24 women & 16 men)
Panchayat level SHG-Supervisor-	60 women

CAPACITY BUILDING:



Capacity building for the community through trainings, both within and outside SUCHI to the village cadres, sangam leaders, village level workers, middle level staff and the admin staff. These trainings are organized to provide knowledge to ensure quality input in our effort to bring about change with the communities, to help them acquire skills / enhance their abilities to ensure quality in their effort to address issues/problems and thus the communities make collective decisions with dynamic leadership at the local level.

Type of cadres	No. of Trg.	Trainee			Organized by	No of village covered
		M	F	Total		
Community level:						
Women cadres	4		60	60	SUCHI	20
Youth cadres	4	40	-	4	SUCHI	20
VAC – Village Advisory committee	4	103	144	247	SUCHI	41
Part time village level workers						
Pre-primary teachers	12	-	7	7	MEC, SUCHI	21
Support teachers for primary	14	6	4	10	MEC, SUCHI	21
Multipurpose health workers	24	4	43	47	SUCHI	47
Staff						

Project staff	6	7	7	14	TDH, SCINDeA & MEC	41
Admin staff	3	1	3	4	TDH, SCINDeA	4

OUTCOME:

- Potential change agents available within every village that we work
- Trained person act as Liaison between Community – Govt. – Institutions - Organization for coordination work
- Inputs and dissemination of information to educate the larger community becomes easy.
- Initiation and follow up of collective effort, addressing issue /problem at village level, mandal level and cluster level is much.

SECTOR APPROACH:

HEALTH :



Ensuring quality life through healthy living with community participation is the main focus. This is promoted through a set of activities to reach to women,



children, chronic and high risk cases in the villages.

Activities	No of Prog	No. of Participants				No of villages covered
		Male	Female	Children	Total	
Training of village level health workers & MPWs			41		41	41
Health education	716	2936	3311	665	6912	41
Mobile Medical Camp	8	820	994	701	2515	41
School Health	2	-	-	611	611	20
Nutrition supplement						
U/5		-	-	357	357	21
ANC		-	148	-	148	21

PNC		-	126	-	126	21
Deliveries		-	135		135	41
Eye screening camp	12	427	361	37	825	43
Eye screening camp: - Free screening camp -247 - Free spectacles – 207 - Eye Transplant – 01 - Infected eye treated - 05						
Sanitation and kitchen garden.	727 families / 41 villages					

OUTCOME:

- Preventable common sickness like cold, diarrhoea, fever, scabies etc incidence minimized due to the preventive measures taken by the families.
- MCH care both at home and at the community level is improved.
- All deliveries take place either in PHC or in Govt Hospital.
- Personal Hygiene with every men, women and school going children improved.
- Families have promoted kitchen garden by using the waste water.
- Early identification of STI cases & prompt treatment has become the practice in the villages.



EDUCATION, LITERACY & VOCATION:

Education, literacy and vocation programme focus towards promoting total development among the under five children, quality education to the primary, children and functional literacy to the women through SHG. Secondary education to the deserving children by admitting at the Mathagondapalli Model School, Hosur.



Vocation training in carpentry Tailoring & coir making for to the jobless youth for self employment. Given both through SUCHI and by mobilizing local resources activities are carried with community participation by the community cadres/ trained village level workers.

Type of Prog	No of centres	No of children covered			No of villages covered
		Male	Female	Total	
Pre primary	21	133	129	262	21
Primary	10	249	276	525	21
Secondary	-	18	16	34	-
Evening coaching class	Regular	449	376	825	41
Literacy for SHG	20	-	446	446	20
Vocational training:	Regular	10	-	10	10
♦ Carpentry.					
♦ Driving	-	28	-	28	26
♦ Tailoring	-	-	20	20	20
♦ Coir making.	-	-	20	20	20
♦ ANM Trg.	-	-	01	01	02
♦ Electrician.	-	02	-	02	02
♦ TV mechanic	-	01	-	01	01
Children club	20	118	249	367	20
Summer camp	5	242	319	561	48
Children Mela	5	-	-	862	48

OUTCOME:

- ❖ In 21 villages the villagers and the parents of 357 children below 5 years, participate in the effective utilization of the pre primary prog.
- ❖ All children in the age group of 6 to 13 years attend school and no school drop outs in 48 villages.
- ❖ Through evening coaching children are motivated for self and group study



are from tribal village and 9 are girls.)

- ❖ Children in the 48 villages are active and are in forefront in extra curricula and academic areas.

- ❖ Children are active and make use of all opportunities provided without shyness or hesitation.

- ❖ Children studying at the model school in Mathakonda palli inspired other children, parents and many tribal villages. (Out of 38 children studying at MEC 30

- ❖ Out of 21 primary centers 5 supported by the local ICDS Departments mobilized by communities
- ❖ 63 Youth have become self employed.

SOCIAL & ECONOMIC APPROACH:



Empowering the women through socio economic development, providing opportunity for the jobless youth who depend on their mothers' and family income for their living to become supportive for the family. Apart from our



direct intervention, efforts were made to mobilizing schemes from other sources to achieve this goal.

- Motivational training to women and youth
- Providing revolving fund for
- Starting small business
- Increasing their Income
- Asset building
- Regular repayment
- Sustainability in their business.
- Promoting saving with individual members and SHG

Activity	No of women group	No of village	No of women	Savings with the group
Promoting savings	372	48	4320	52,28,937.00
Motivational training to women	42	18	210	-
Live stock asset promoted	34	12	107	88 cow, 19 goat

Details on Small Business Promoted with women & Youth

No. of small business promoted	-	14
No. of women clients with small business	-	137
No. of SHGs Involved	-	08
Total revolving amount		Rs.
24, 70, 000/-		



OUTCOME:

- Women have started to see an increase in their income and handle money.
- Women have started to involve in decision making.
- Women identity in the family and in the community is increased.
- Youth have started to take new direction in their self employment.
- Youth have become positive in forming SHG.
- Debts /loan from money lender with high interest minimized.

DRINKING WATER / ENVIRONMENT / SANITATION.

Ensuring safe drinking water, educating the communities on improving the ground water level and judicious use of the available water is the main focus. Villagers were given motivation and guidance in these area and as well as to mobilize matching programme from the local Govt .

Activity	No of village		
	By Govt	By SUCHI	Total
Follow up of bore wells drilled		48	4
Matching Grant mobilized	400000	10000	410000
- Redrilling - Water tank - Pipe line connection with taps - Electric motor connected to the drilled bore well.			

OUTCOME :

- Out of 48 villages in the reporting period all villages have safe drinking water system.
- No water stagnation
- Villages participate in the bore well maintenance collectively.

COMMUNITY'S INVOLVEMENT IN THEIR DEVELOPMENT / RESOURCE MOBILIZATION:

One of the main strategies to empower the marginalized is bringing them together to collectively bring about changes with the communities with dignity and identity.



The positive result that is very much visible in this regard is the community's collective responsibility in their development by maximum utilization of the resources/schemes that are meant for their welfare and addressing their issues.

Following are the collective effort taken by the community in mobilizing resources

S. No:	Scheme/ type of Prog	No villages	No of families/ Beneficiaries	Value of the scheme(Rs)		
				Community contribution	Govt	Total
1.	Rural Housing (Indira Prabha)	24	312	158000.00	2340000.00	2498000.00
2.	Bank Loan for Live Stock	07	110	90000.00	1830000.00	1920000.00
3.	Cement Road Formation 2km – 7 km	03	-vill-	3000.00	155000.00	158000.00
4.	SHGs Group Loan	04	48	---	530000.00	530000.00
5.	Drinking water tank	1	35 families	20000	450000.00	470000.00
6.	Electric Motor Facilitate for Water	4	-vill-	10000.00	207000.00	217000.00
7	School building	1	150 children	10000.00	250000.00	350000.00
8	Drinking water pipeline service (with taps)	3	Vill	10000.00	400000.00	410000.00
Total				271000.00	5522000.00	5793000.00

HIV AIDS



The main focus in HIV/AIDS is to create awareness among the communities on the HIV/AIDS with the community participation

.Following are the activities carried out to ensure this with our target villages

S.No	Activity	No of village covered	No participated			
			Youth	Men	Women	Total
1	Awareness education	41	723	255	886	1864
2	Peer educators	46	82	33	42	157
3	Medical camps	2	-	142	255	397
4	IGP FOE PLHAs	5	-1	4	5	
5	World AIDs day	35	175	246	124	545

Out come

- Villager aware of the HIV/AIDS , the cause
Spread and the preventive measure
- Villagers attend the awareness programme
Without hesitation when compared to the
Earlier programme
- STI cases go for partner treatment



Promoting model at village level to educate the community towards quality life with self respect:

SUCHI apart from reaching the marginalized communities with above mentioned strategies one other major empowering area that we cover is creating model for communities to learn, reflect, and adapt the core value to lead life with quality and self respect. Each sector as we implement in the field ensures a participatory model –

In Health the following has been promoted

First contact health care promoters

With people participation identifying a person ,training in providing basis health kid thus preventive measure ,promoting a first contact health care promoters at the village level for providing basic health care referral & follow up linking with the local health department. Thus the communities become aware of ways to lead healthy life and as well the best utilization of the service from the local health department

Nutritional supplement to ANC/PNC

The pregnant women and the delivered mothers comes together weekly once ,learn on relevant health topic ,share their experience and the problem and at the end they are given nutritional supplement like ragi, roti ,sadal milk or egg. The mother see the changes in them as the result of this ,feel healthy ,anemia is taken care and these villagers learn to adapt in their family and also educate others

In Education the following models have promoted

ELC-Pre primary model:



This model has made the villagers witness the total Development with their under five children .this programmed is run by the village level trained person at MEC hosur .community has learned to contribute collectively as well as individual family . parents and villagers learned their responsibility in running their center.

After seeing /experiencing this model the villages when they mobilize this programme from govt .insist to run in the way they have seen experienced .the model also inspired the ICDS to adapt in their programme .the neighbor village who

witness this center ,request the villagers to guide them in starting this center thei children

Support teacher for Primary Education :

This model has been promoted to ensure quality primary education the primary school children . the teacher is a trained person from the village trained by MEC hosur. Village witness this innovative model and also extend their support. The programme involves parents participation and regular meeting with quality in put and involvement of the parents

After seeing the performance of the support teacher and quality education with the primary, children ,the primary teacher simultaneously start to follow this model.in some villages the parents and the villagers insist this model from the school as its result are visible .villagers area able to identify the difference in the teachers their involvement in quality education

Evening coaching class model:

This also run by the village volunteer /the support teacher .Children motivated to do their studies individually or in groups. Children a directed to use their evening free times for the play/ group work and for the study .Aimless wandering and getting into unwanted problems is minimized children are nurtured to grow in their group in their pee group.villagees also extend their support .when the children are in the coaching class in the village ,the elders automatically maintain silence with at getting into fight

Mela:



Community meal ,women mela ,children mela and summer camp for the children are unique in SUCHI these are carried out at the village level; cluster level, at the organization level and as well as with other organization .community participation ensured in all level

Through this there is a collective participation ,joyful time of expressing their traditional expression /talents also learn to be in groups. An opportunity for exhibiting their talents and culture expression .Contributes for their well being (physical , physiological and social) conflicts among the community ,families and individuals eventually resolves .It add value and strength to the community's unity

Revolving fund for the economic development

Through providing revolving funds ,the women /youth are given training to handle money, learn to make business plan and the repayment method

Through this programme they are motivated and guided to-

Starting small business ,increases in the income ,building asset, regular repayment
Sustainability in the business and saving

The system followed in this programmed at various level has become a model to many other revolving schemes run by local women SGH by the rural development departments

These model have contributed a lot in the empowerment of our target communities the children women youth ,the elders and all other stake holders who are involved in the empowerment process of marginalized .All credit goes to our partner who have been the inspiring force behind these effort

COMPLETION OF TSUNAMI REHABILITATION PROJECT

During this reporting period TSUMANI rehabilitation project with the support of MCC india came to an end by march2008 .it was such a great learning experience for us during the past 3 years

The following activites were carried out during this report period .through the original paln with MCC was for past two years as mention in the last year, we completed it this year .due to various change with the target communities we had to make a change in the paln with approval from MCC

Asset promoted and handed over the community during this reporting period in the rehabilitation project area



• Eco San Toilet	-305
• Community halls	-3
• Transportation boat	-2
• Electric motor & pump room	- 4
• Shallow tube wells	-16
• Drinking water bore well	- 4
• Water recharging structure	- 3
• Community play park	-7
• School bags to children	-310
• Pouch for family document	-305
• IGP given to 26 women and 2 handicapped	

With this Tsunami rehabilitation project came to end ,MCC-india who as been our long term partner as their policy ,their financial support to SUCHI came to an end by march2008

However ,the partners would continue for sharing & learning

We thanks MCC for their kind coordination and partnership in the past and we forward to having their support in the future

Peace Mela

A term of 9 member from SUCHI participated in the peace mela organized by MCC india HMI.hyderabad .SUCHI had opportunity to share the experience and learning during this mela

Visitors:

During this reporting period all our patners from india office and overseas office visited SUCHI

NEW INITIATIVES:

NELINIDO:

As share in the pervious meeting NELINDCO a registered non profit company promoted by TDH-NL ,india office for extending its support to improve the social and economic status of its target communities especially with women has given a loan as revolving funding which need to be paid with service charge as per agreement with NELINIDO

CONER STONE

One other extended programme that we is empowerment the marginalized by enhancing their capacity with the kind coordination of “corner stone “ .through this effort the various marginalized communities are brought together for capacitation and for effective participation in their development process

VISIT TO COADY & HAVE Canada

Our associate directory Mrs. glory had an opportunity to participate in the community based conflict transformation and peace building programme at coady institute ,Canada ,following which she also visited our partner HAVE and share with sponsors SUCHI ‘s work

OUR FUNDING PARTNERS:

All these effort through SUCHI were possible not only by us but also by the selfless service & support of our funding partners

We are grateful to all our funding partners for their kind guidance & all training input to capacitate us to fit to the changing scenario both at local & gobal .our funding partner are

- 1. Terre Des Hommes NL & India Programme office**
- 2. SCINDeA Network – EED Germany, Christian Aid & BFH**
- 3. MCC –Mennonite Central Committee, USA & Kolkata**
- 4. INDIENHILIFE ,Germany & India office**
- 5. HAVE ,Canada**

LOCAL INSTITUTION ‘COORDINATION:

We thanks the institution who have extended their coordination to SUCHI during this reporting period .we look forward their kind coordination in the future too.

- 1. IMCE Mathagondapalli Eduction Center at RICE –Rural Institute for Community Education**
- 2. CMC Shell Eye Hospital**
- 3. CMC Hospital Emergency Department**
- 4. CWSS- Chittoor Water and sanitation society**
- 5. Sankaranethralaya –Eye Hospital Chennai**
- 6. Gurukul Chennai ,UTC Bangalore & TTS Madurai**

CONCLUSION

Our sincere thanks to all institution organization and well –wishers for their encouragement . we express our sincere thanks to our funding partners and sponsors for their meaningful support during the period .I thank all our member for their support and encouragement .above all I thank God for guiding us during the past