## ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL RESEARCH IN ORISSA ANNUAL REPORT - 2013-14

#### 1. BACKGROUND :

Association for Social Work and Social Research in Orissa, in short:"ASWASRO" was established in the year 1979 as Association for Social Work & Social Research in Orissa- in short "ASWO", in 1993 "Social Research" is added in the name and it became ASWASRO. It was formed by some eminent educationists, officers, social workers to promote and facilitate social works and research in a dedicated way.

#### II. CHARACTER :

ASWASRO, is a non-governmental, non-profitable, non-political, non-sectarian and non-prejudicial voluntary Organization for the social awareness, benefit, welfare and development, to activate justice, moral, democracy, humanity and philanthropy in society.

It is for the awareness, welfare, development of weaker, neglected, oppressed, vulnerable selections of society.

## **III. LEGAL STATUS:**

"ASWASRO", was registered under the Societies Registration act of 1860 in the year 1979-80 as Association for Social Work in Orissa and reregistered as Association for Social Works and Social Research in Orissa in year 1993 bearing Registration No.1593/77 of 1979-80 and 19400/14/93-91.

#### IV. GOALS:

a) To bring sustainable growth and development of the society and especially of the weaker Neglected and oppressed persons.

b) To give importance for the welfare of Disabled persons and distressed women in difficult circumstances.

c) To promote and strengthen peoples organizations and Panchayat Institutions to bring out social justice and cordial relationship in society.

d) To develop skills, knowledge and personality and build up their leadership from the grass-root level to fell the Felt-needs of the community and to solve it by their perfect stamina.

e) To facilities and act as an agency between Government and people for successful planning, implementation and evaluation of all developmental and welfare programme.

f) To shape on the need-base the healthily educational and economical development of the community and needy.

ASWASRO'S VISION :- A society based on profound human values and respect for each individual life whatever his /her own physical, mental & Social abilities.

**ASWASRO'S MISSION** :- Working with Disabled and weaker section of the Society in a mutual sharing of strength and to build a more equitable and human Society.

**ASWASRO'S PHILOSOPHY** :- The commitment of 'ASWASRO' is its Vision and mission flows from the firm belief in the irreplaceable value of every human person. In view of this intrinsic human dignity 'ASWASRO' works so that every person may be accorded respect a due place in society.

## **ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION :**

## 1. AWARENESS PROGRAMME FOR MALARIA

#### A) Heath

The very essential of health are usually most neglected. The majority rural people are below poverty line and eats less food they need, the worst suffers being pregnant women, acting mothers and young children. They are ignorant about the essentials of the childcare, malnutrition, nutritional need of children deficiency diseases, infections imponization, land health nutrition education. ASWASRO has activity monitored these things and organized awareness programme on Health & Family Welfare development for a partial solution of the above. On occasion of World Health Day 7th April,2004 this Organization has arranged a seminar on Health and Family Welfare at Town Hall ,Boudh. About 300 School children had joined in the programme. A debate competition of "Health Awareness in our Society " was organized among the School children of the above stated School. The following objectives were discussed in the seminar.

- To keep the village and surrounding areas clean.
- To create awareness among the people for proper sanitation & public hygiene.
- To educate the people to use safe drinking water and to protect drinking water sources from contamination.
- To encourage the households to practice proper disposal of garbage, solid wastes, waste water etc.

Education is the backbone of our society, Every body should know about reading writing counting & measuring through proper education. In rural areas & Tribal belt of our state, education from primary level is very poor. In our society the school going children are deleted on field of education due to different causes facing by he parents,. To increase the literacy percentage Govt. of Orissa & Non Government Organization activities should create an awareness for proper in our society. A workshop was organized at Town Hall of Boudh.

- To create 100 percent literacy in the society.
- To facilitate Proper primary education in the society.
- To increase percentage of girls education in the society.
- To create awareness among parents for creating well educated family.

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C. Protect Violence against Women : on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2004 our Organization have celebrated the International Day of Protect Violence against Women, the premises of U.G.M.E...School, Butupali, Boudh. A Seminar was organized for this purpose on the following topics.

- To root out the violence against women in the society.
- To increase the person & ability of women comparing with men in the society.
- To provide support on all fields, for the women to protect violence.
- To educate the women to increase their confidence to fight against violence.

#### RUNNING SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR BLIND & DEAF CHILDREN.

"ASWASRO" Continued its work in this discipline and after duly assessing the Blind & Deaf children at early stage, got them admitted in the special school for the Blind & Deaf running at Seva Vihar, Boudh and to ensure maximum physical and intellectual development of the children. The School is running with the Grant-in-aid from the Ministry of Social Justice& Empowerment Govt. of India, New Delhi.

#### PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL DISABLE DAY :-

The students of our school had participated in the celebration of international day held at Bhubaneswar organized by W & CD Dept Govt. of

Orissa, Bhubaneswar. The students enjoyed the programmes and events very much. The school had observed the national days like Independence Day, Republic Day, birth day of Mahatma Gandhi like 2nd October, and Disabled Day on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. The Disabled students had participated in all the functions, the national chares and stages cultural programmers.

. All the programmes of D.P.E.P. concerning for the welfare of disabled students had been held in the school premises. The D.P.E.P. Boudh had organized a workshop and the students had participated in the function. Teaching materials of different models were exhibited in the function to arouse consciousness among the public and parents.

# PARTICIPATED IN STATE LEVEL SPORTS & CULTURAL MEET COMPETITION :

The student of this institution participated in State Level Sports & Cultural meet competition organized by Dept. women & Child Development from  $1^{st}$  December to  $3^{rd}$  December 2007 at Exhibition ground, Bhubaneswar.

#### **EXCURSION FOR TOUR PROGRAMME:**

The students of the Special School had gone a excursion tour programme on the New Years day 1<sup>st</sup> January 2008 visiting place. The students had danced started merry making among themselves along with the teachers.

#### **SWADHAR SHELTER HOME:**

The organization is running a Swadhar shelter home for the Women in difficult circumstances under the Swadhar Project. The windows, Divorcee, un-wed mother, & other category of distressed by their family members and women deserted other destitute in different circumstances are staying in the Home. The women without any family support are rehabilitated in the home. The beneficiaries belong to different parts of Boudh District. The beneficiaries of the home are imparted different vocational education Making of plate and tray out of Sal and Siali leaves. Some beneficiaries are engaged in farming mushroom culture, others are engaged in tailoring .Different educational programmes are shown them in video and CD

Programmes. The women are encouraged to be reliant and economic development So that they could stand on their own feet. The Collector on behalf of District Administration of Boudh , is recommending distressed women to the Swadhar Shelter Home . The local Police administration is also recommending the unwed distressed women to the Swadhar Shelter Home . Different distinguished guest are visiting the Swadhar Shelter Home and recommended their views for the welfare of the residence of the Swadhar Shelter Home. The distressed women who have completed their vocational education or who have reconciled with their husband or family members are discharged from the Swadhar Shelter Home. The residence of the Swadhar Shelter Home are encouraged to be independent and self sustained in their life.

#### **HELP LINE PROGRAMME :-**

The Organization is running Help line programme at – Seva Vihar Boudh, supported by the financial assistance of W & CD Dept., Govt. of India ,New Delhi . To provide support the distressed women and their relatives for contact with the Swadhar Shelter Home the Help Line is working in this regard . The near and far of distressed women are coming contact with the Swadhar Shelter Home by this Help Line programme. The operators are keeping contact with the distressed women by this Help Line Programme. It is helping a lot to this distressed women to reach the Swadhar Shelter Home very easily and supporting a lot by rehabilitant the distressed women . Our Organization has appointed three operators for this Help Line Programme.

## **OLD AGE HOME :**

We are running an Old Age Home at Kotagarh in Knadhamal District. The elder men of the kotagarh Block area and it is periphery area are staying in the home. We have made and survey in the Kotagarh Block area and found the Destitute old persons in the area.

We had arranged an Eye Camp fore the inmates of the Old Age Home. The Doctor of Kotagarh Hospital had examined the health of every inmates of the home. Free medicines and Biscuits were supplied to other old age persons who had attend the camp.

The organization is trying to give more comfort to the aged persons who have suffered physical and mental Agony in their past life.

The Old Age Home At-Kotagarh is running without any financial support either from the Govt. of Orissa or Govt. of India . The Organization is managing the Old Age Home with much financial difficulties . If the Government of India will support financial assistance to this Old Age Home it will help a lot the tribal people of Kotagarh Block in Phulbani District.

#### YOGA AND ORIENTATION ENVIRONMENT EDUCATION PROGRAMME :-

The Organization 'ASWASRO' had emphasized to implement on the programme of Yoga and Orientation Environment Programme in different schools of Boudh District. Performing of Yoga will lead a blissful of life . It will create a healthy environment in the society. Concentration of life is essentially required in a man's life. For this the Organization 'ASWASRO' had arranged a workshop in Boudh Town Hall.

#### **LEGAL SERVICES FOR WOMEN :-**

The poor women are given unequal treatment in the society. They are exploited by some vested interest groups. Since the illiterate women are poor, unconscious about their rights and responsibilities and duties. They are being victimized. To aware these women, to awake for their self development, a rally was organization in the Boudh Town. The rally was encouraged by the public & was demanding free legal services to be provided to the victimized women. The District Administration of Boudh was appraised by the volunteers about the demands of the public and to make arrangements for providing legal support to the distressed women.

#### ANIMAL WELFARE PROGRAME :-

In today's life man has concentrated on his own development, disregarding wanton destruction of nature and animals. Man has used animals for his selfish purposes. So cruelty to animals has been an unwritten law. It is creating an imbalance in the society.

To publicize this horror theory, among the public, an awareness camp was organized at-Boudh Town Hall.

The speakers from different walks of society were invited and put emphasizes on keeping balance in the society and to show sympathy to the animals, otherwise civilization will be end.