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PROLOGUE

Voluntary Health Association of Tripura(VHAT) enters into its thirty third year with a remarkable confidence and established itself as an organization committed towards welfare and empowerment of underprivileged & marginalized section of the society. VHAT has worked with multiple stakeholders: government bodies, private sectors, international and national support agencies, individuals and multilateral organizations. Taking impetus from its previous works, in 2020-2021, VHAT has taken few initiatives, like Homeless Survey under National Urban Livelihood Mission with Citiyano(based in Delhi), screening and onsite treatment of rural population with “ Lifeline Express” of Impact India Foundation, training of SHG members in Mohanpur Municipal Council and urgent COVID response initiatives.

The Annual Report of 2020-2021 provides a glimpse of what we did and achieved this year through our synergized effort and also the difficulties we faced.

The novel corona virus pandemic has impacted all aspects of our work from running programs, planning finances, coordinating staff to how they collaborate with partners and stakeholders situated in the remote areas. It is likely however that project work not related to COVID-19 may be put on hold or scaled back due to implementation constraints and financial limitations, e.g. we could not organize the community eye screening camps in remote rural areas, hence no collection of patients for cataract surgeries. The operation theater was closed. Again, our Ratanmani Vidyalay for tribal children remain closed for lockdown, but VHAT was to provide the salary for school staff. On the other hand , some support for the urgent response to combat COVID -19 was available.

For strengthening knowledge and skill of the staff, VHAT created the opportunity for attending many trainings/meetings for them throughout the year within and outside the state.

We are extremely grateful to the Donors, State & Central Government, Non-government Agencies and Individuals across the globe for the contributions to our endeavors to serve the people of Tripura. We express our special thanks to Voluntary Health Association of India, New Delhi, for continuous guidance in our activities. We are thankful to all the Member Organizations, Individual Members and Executive Committee Members for their sincere efforts and supports. We are grateful to local Media for providing the coverage of some of our activities.

We are hopeful that in the coming years the COVID pandemic will be controlled . We will be able to work with the focus on ensuring to reach to most needy section of the society as quickly as possible to make a positive difference in their lives.

Ms. Sikha Saha
President
Voluntary Health Association of Tripura

Dr.Sreelekha Ray
Executive Director
Voluntary Health Association of Tripura

ABOUT VOLUNTARY HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF TRIPURA (VHAT) – THE ORGANIZATION

VISION:

Creating excellence in Health and Socio Economic Development with priority to the less privileged section of the Society.

MISSION:

Our Mission is to :

Build capacity of Civil Society Organizations through trainings and IEC.

Promote social justice, equity and rights in the context of accessibility of health services with emphasis on under privileged sections.

Promote sustainable development, gender equity, inclusion and rehabilitation of PWDs, elementary education and right to education, implementation of child rights, elimination of all form of violence against children and women.

STRATEGIES:

- ☐ Empowerment of the human resource through trainings on health and other sectors.
- ☐ Working with other organizations, both governmental and non-governmental.
- ☐ Collection, documentation and dissemination of information.
- ☐ Peer education.
- ☐ Collection of opinion from people and grass-root organizations for advocacy.
- ☐ Working for promotion of community participation in development process.
- ☐ Conducting Vocational Training for employment and socio-economic empowerment through capacity building.
- ☐ Working directly and indirectly as service provider.

OBJECTIVES:

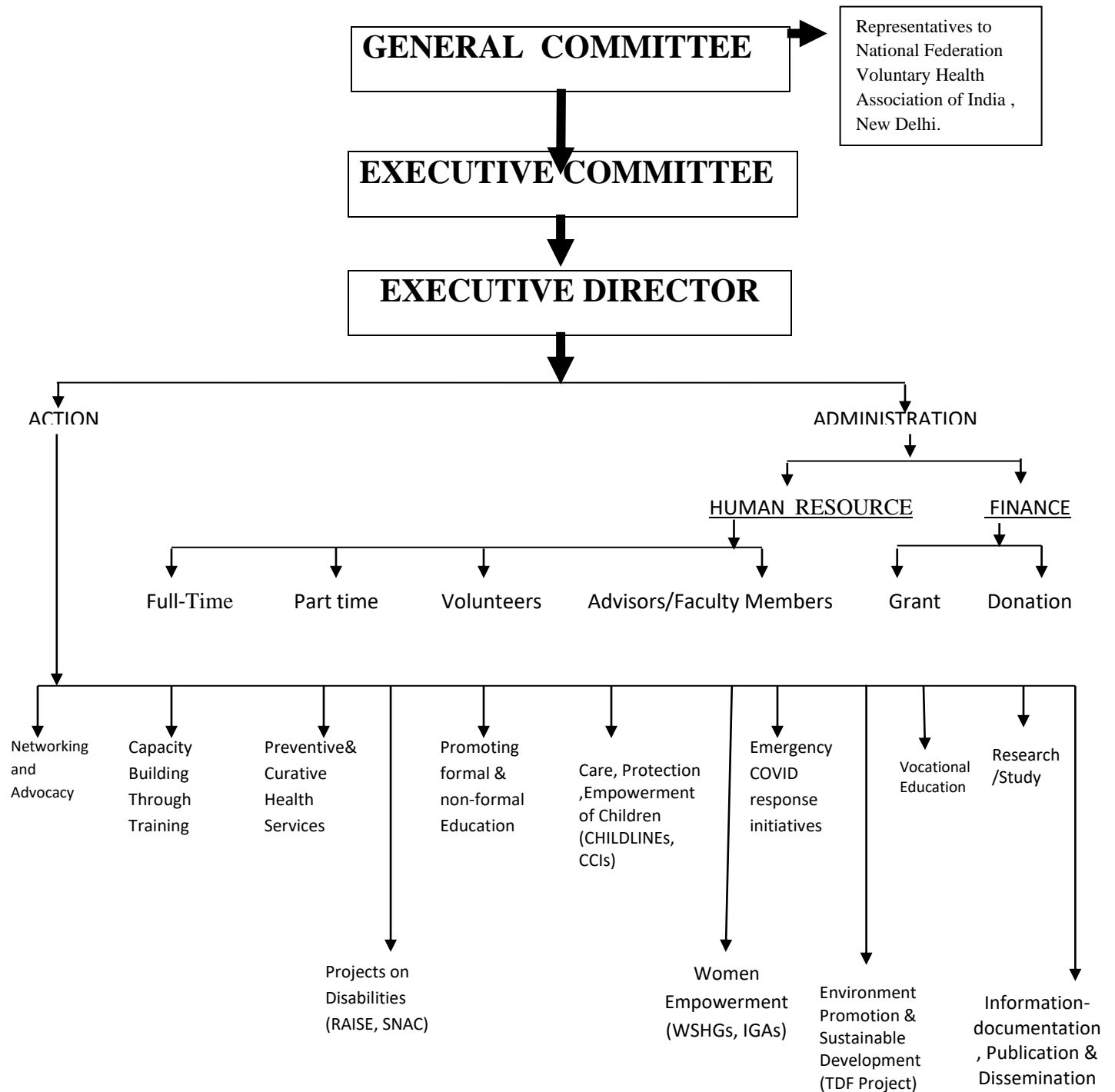
- ◇ Promotion of preventive & curative health service for the poor.
- ◇ Promotion of health, environment, gender issue, rights of children, women & PWDs, through IEC and technical support.
- ◇ Socio-economic empowerment of the women of the weaker sections and the youths through vocational trainings.
- ◇ Promotion of Elementary Education of underprivileged children
- ◇ Prevention of Child trafficking and violence against children & Women.
- ◇ Networking with government bodies, policy makers, Corporate Bodies & NGOs for improvement of health, environment & socio-economic status.
- ◇ Rehabilitation of persons with disability through integrated approaches.
- ◇ To undertake any other activities related to health promotion.

Legal Status of VHAT:

- a) Registered under Society Registration Act 1860
- b) Registered under 12A of Income Tax Act, 1961.
- c) Registered under 80G of Income Tax Act
- d) Registered under Section 11(1) of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010.
- e) Registered under NITI Aayog
- f) Registered under Sub-section-2 of Section 51 under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016
- g) Registered under section 12 (4) of the National Trust Act.

ORGANOGRAM

VOLUNTARY HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF TRIPURA (VHAT)



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF VHAT

Sl. No	Name	Address	Gender	Occupation with Qualification	Position in Executive Committee
1	Ms. Sikha Saha, DoB:30/05/1952	W/O: Dr.Tapan Kumar Das, Thakur Pally Road, Opposite to TVS Showroom, Krishna Nagar, Agartala-799001, Tripura State Cell-8974050319/9774015003	F	Principal, ILS Nursing Institute, Agartala	President
2	Mr. Partha sakha Debnath, DoB:15/11/1968	P.O-Dhaleshwar, Road No.1 Agartala, Cell-8794446069/9436581983	M	Pharmacist, Govt. of Tripura	Vice President
3	Ms. Banarani Choudhury DoB:16/11/1963	W/O:Mr. Rana Kumar Das, Usha Bazar Shanitala, Vill: Chhinaihani, PO: Airport-799009, Agartala, Tripura, Cell-9485146168	F	Govt. MPW, Diploma in ANM, National Florence Nightingale Awardee	Secretary
4	Mr. Sishuram Mahajan DoB:02/12/1976	S/O-Late Rajendra Kr. Mahajan, Krishnanagar, Belonia, South Tripura, Cell No: 9612091381, E-mail: netajiwelfare@gmail.com	M	B.SC in Life Science, Livelihood Coordinator, Tripura JICA Project, Forest Dept. Govt of Tripura	Assistant Secretary
5	Mr. Hari Bhusan Das DoB:04/03/1958	S/O- Late Ramesh Ch. Das PO-R.K.Pur, Chanban, Udaipur, Gumati District, Tripura Cell: 9862188952	M	BA, Bed, Retired Deputy IS, Govt of Tripura	Treasurer
6	Dr. Dilip Kumar Ray DoB:16/06/1946	S/o- Late Umesh Chandra Ray Asahram Chowmohani, Agartala, West Tripura, Cell-9436583220	M	Ex. Professor of Medical Colleges (Ph.D in Physiology)	Member (Founder Member)
7	Mr. Uttam Kumar Das, DoB:01/11/1965	Secretary: Prachesta Social Welfare Society, Vill: Howaibari, PO: Howaibari, Pin -799205, Teliamura, District : Khowai, Ph.- 9774931911, Email:Uttambee1@gmail.com / psws.tlm@gmail.com	M	B.A. Teacher- Anandamarg Primary School	Member
8	Md. Mokbul Ali DoB:02/01/1962	S/o-Late Hazi Mahamud Ali Babur Bazar, Kailashahar, Unakoty District, Tripura, Cell No: 9436469090	M	Pharmacist (Govt) (BA and Bachelor in Pharmacy)	Member
9	Ms. Niyati Das DoB:29/11/1957	President, Adarsa Sangha P.O-Dewanpasha, Dharmanagar, North District, Tripura, Cell No: 9862619502	F	B.A., Social Worker	Member
10	Mr. Biswajit Bhowmik, DoB:07/06/1967	President, Vivekananda Library, Vill : Hapania, Near Hapania Bazar P.O - O.N.G.C., Pin: 799014, West Tripura District, Ph.9366376362	M	B.A., service in Public Health Department, Gov of Tripura	Member
11	Dr. Sreelekha Ray, DoB:07/01/1954	Asahram Chowmohani, PO: Agartala College, Agartala, Tripura-799004. Cell-9436129317	F	Executive Director, (B.Sc & DMS-Diploma in Medicine and Surgery)	Ex. Officio (Executive Director)

“All over the world, independent and strong civil society - NGOs, faith leaders, and other community advocates - help governments solve problems and better serve their people better by shining a light on the issues that matter most - like education standards, access to healthcare, the rule of law, and economic opportunity”.

--Ben Rhodes

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Michelle Obama

“You may not always have a comfortable life. And you will not always be able to solve all the world’s problems all at once. But don’t ever underestimate the impact you can have, because history has shown us that courage can be contagious, and hope can take on a life of its own.”

VHAT ACTIVITIES

NETWORKING AND ADVOCACY

From its inception, networking has been one of the most priority activities of VHAT to facilitate linkages with other organizations in other sectors including the government agencies. Networking is also an important means to disseminate knowledge and information.

The networking feature of VHAT:-

A. Within the state of Tripura-

- ☐ Federation with CSOs through membership:
The membership of VHAT creates opportunity for sharing, co-operating, exchanging information, experiences and activities in the areas of functioning.
- ☐ Support Services for member organizations:
 - Creating awareness about the government policies.
 - Guidance for project formulation, monitoring and evaluation of the developmental projects in the grass-root.
 - Information dissemination for availability of fund from various sources.
 - Advise to overcome problems of registration, accounting and report preparation.
- ☐ Capacity Building through trainings to CSOs, members of SHGs & CBOs.
- ☐ Anti- Human Trafficking Activities:
To combat human trafficking and violence against children & women VHAT closely works with the member organizations to sensitize law enforcement agency and allied systems. Hence, law enforcement agencies, administration, Child Welfare Committees, non-government organizations, local institutes and PRIs are involved in sharing information, rescue, and restoration and cross border repatriation.
- ☐ Networking with Local Government Departments:
VHAT gives priority in networking with government departments and advocacy for orientation of the government policy for giving maximum benefit to the under privileged as well as underserved population.

B. Networking in Regional and National Level

- ☐ VHAT is federated in national level as state member with Voluntary Health Association of India (VHAI), New Delhi.
- ☐ Associated nationally with CHILDLINE network through CHILDLINE project under CHILDLINE India Foundation, Mumbai.
- ☐ Associated with National Trust network, under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India for promotion of rehabilitation of persons with disabilities (PWDs)
- ☐ Give India Network connecting VHAT with different individuals nationally and internationally to know about VHAT activities and supporting the programs to serve the under privileged section of the society.

C. Advocacy:

- ☐ Policy level advocacy through the network is a priority activity of VHAT. Since its inception in 1988 as state level network of NGOs and CBOs, it had been conducted many advocacy campaigns.
- ☐ Presently the most important advocacy is launched on the Inclusive Education to include children with disabilities in the main education system with empowerment of the teachers through training.
- ☐ VHAT is regularly publishing RNI registered monthly magazine Loka Swasthya Sambad and distributing to the people's representatives, policy makers and implementing departmental leaders of the state which advocates scientific facts on healthcare, mental health, adolescence and family life education, traditional practice of medicine, social health and environmental health.

EMPOWERING COMMUNITY BASED INSTITUTIONS TO INCREASE VACCINE CONFIDENCE AND ROUTINE IMMUNIZATION DEMAND IN HAILAKANDI DISTRICT, ASSAM

Globally, immunization prevents 2-3 million deaths each year. The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that the remaining under-5 deaths, approximately 1.5 million deaths annually could be prevented with existing vaccines. Success in reducing vaccine-preventable mortality has been dramatic, but it cannot be taken for granted. Routine Immunization is an important healthcare services across the world including India. In India government has targeted to bring all the districts under 90% coverage categories towards 100% achievement. A country wise road has been prepared of categories districts on the basis of their last evaluated full immunization. In Assam there are seven districts where the immunization coverage was less which need proper and specific strategy on the ground to get success. Hailakandi district is one of the low coverage districts of Assam.

Voluntary Health Association of Tripura has been working in this district as partner of VHAI-Immunization project. Under the project our prime aim was to build the capacity of the CSO/CBO members and linked them into the immunization process for better result. We have conducted sensitization cum capacity building activities for them time to time, monitored their work and coordinated with related allied department within the district as well as local health authorities. We have also engaged the community influencers i.e. faith leaders, teachers, media persons to make an impact on the community for more strengthening the immunization process in the selected villages.

The identification of LODOR (Left out, Drop out, Resistant's) in the community was one of the most important task with other project components.

Achievements of the year:

Identification of CBO/CSOs	Community Consultation	VHND	Handwashing demonstration	Household visit	LODOR identified & Immunized
41	15	45	16	73	38



Monitoring & Review Meeting in November
2020 in Hilakandi



Demonstration of hand washing by a member of
CBO

CHILDLINE AGARTALA

As collaborative organization VHAT initiated CHILDLINE Agartala project in 2003 .

Activities during the FY 2020-2021

- A) **Case Intervention-** Due to COVID lockdown , this year the number of intervention cases decreased to 260 numbers of cases, which were as below:-
► Medical help: 02 , ► Shelter : 51 , ► Restoration: 27 , ► Protection from abuse (Rescue): 131, ► Missing Child: 04 , ► Emotional support and Guidance: 04,
► Others: 40, ► Sponsorship: 01

- B) **Dry ration kits & PPE distribution during COVID-19 pandemic situation-** CHILDLINE Agartala (Collab) in collaboration with VHAT extended its helping hand towards distressed families during lockdown period. CHILDLINE provided them food materials, masks, sanitizers.



Distribution of dry ration ,masks & sanitizers



Poshan Abhiyan in West Chanmari ICDS Centre.

- C) **Observation of World Environment Day :-** On 05-06-2020 with Green Partner by distribution of saplings for plantation at different Blocks under West Tripura District .
- D) **Observation of World Day against Child Labour on 12-06-2020-** Observed at Gowala Basti Slum area under West Tripura District. CHILDLINE distributed pens & writing pads to 30 children of that area as a measure to encourage them for studies.
- E) **Participating in World Yoga Day on 21-06-2020-** Organized with Roti Bank Foundation at Campus Hall of Hindi Higher Secondary School . MP of West Tripura Pratima Bhowmik inaugurated the programme .
- F) **Initiating POSHAN Abhiyan on 15th & 18th September, 2020-** Saplings distribution among children of Anwesha Child Protection Centre and food packets distribution among the children of West Chanmari ICDS Centre.
- G) **Celebrating CHILDLINE Se Dosti Week (14th -20th November, 2020):** The week long CHILDLINE Se Dosti Programme was inaugurated at Mahabir Club of Dashami Ghat area on 14/11/20 in collaboration with the club authority. The team members of Child Line tied Child Line Se Dosti Band on wrists of children and other participants. Then a special awareness event on CHILDLINE Se Dosti and felicitation to Children at Radhanagar Bus Stand was organized on 17/11/20. Mrs Niti Deb General Secretary of "PURVAUDAYA" Social organization attended the programme as chief guest while DCPO from DISE Sudip Debbarma, TCPCR Chairperson Nilima Ghosh , Assistant Director of VHAT Sujit Ghosh and Executive Director of VHAT Dr. Sreelekha Ray remained present on the dais as Special Guest. Besides 3 children including Junior National Champion and Khelo India Champion Gymnast from Tripura Priyanka Dasgupta, two girls from Anwesha Home were felicitated.

- H) **MHPSS Training : CHILDLINE Agartala (Collab)** initiated programmes on Mental Health & Psycho Social Support as per manual designed by UNICEF. Through structured activities like playing games, identifying objects, drawing, exercise, we have helped communities & families to vent out their irritations. CHILDLINE Agartala (Collab) conducted these trainings with children, parents & caregivers in following areas: -Lankamura, Ranirbazar, Mohanpur, Hezamara, Barkathal HS School, Aralia Hrishhi Colony JB School, Indranagar High School, Ranirbazar Vidyamandir & Prachyabharati HS School from 20-01-2021 to 27-02-2021



Inauguration of
CSD Van in
presence of
Respected
Dignitaries

- I) **Conducting Resource Organizations meeting-** Mrs Antara Deb, Zilla Sabhadhipati of West Tripura district inaugurated the meeting. She congratulated CHILDLINE staff in her inaugural speech for their tremendous hard work for a better child friendly nation. Both Mrs Pinki Paul- Labour Inspector & Adv. Sudipta Shekhar Debnath stressed on coordination among allied systems. Speaking on the occasion Executive Director of VHAT Dr. Sreelekha Ray shared her journey with CHILDLINE till now. Referring CHILDLINE 1098 as the largest network in India she said, other countries like Bangladesh, Malaysia, and Indonesia have also started CHILDLINE observing the success of our country.



Resource Organizations Meeting on 21st November 2020

- J) **Mass Rescue Operation-** CHILDLINE Agartala (Collab) along with East Women PS rescued 10 girl children from Chandrapur ISBT on 3rd February 2021. They were all belong to Reang community of Reang Refugee Camp located at Dasda, Kanchanpur. A perpetrator took them here for allocating them as domestic help in different households of West Tripura. CHILDLINE with the help of allied system could sent them back to their family safely.

CHILDLINE SEPAHIJALA

VHAT launched the CHILDLINE Sepahijala (Collab) project on 26th March 2019 with support from CHILDLINE INDIA Foundation.

Activities in 2020-2021:

A) Case Intervention- Total number of intervention cases were 198 , which were as below:-

► Medical help: 13 , ► Shelter : 25 , ► Restoration: 46 , ► Protection from abuse(Rescue) 90 , ► Sponsorship: 03, ► Other intervention 21

B) Other activities-

- CHILDLINE Sepahijala (Collab) conducted 13 Open House events in different schools & communities.
- Team Members attended 6 SMC meeting in 6 schools to exchange the information on care and protection of the children.
- 14 special awareness meetings were organized with ASHA/Anganwadi workers.
- 8 hoardings and 10 wall paintings with CHILDLINE messages were displayed in PHCs, Community Hall, Tourist place, Children's Homes and Schools.
- Total outreach period was 1797 hours in 2020-21. Outreach is one of the major activity of the Team Members to spread the messages in both urban & rural areas.

C) Innovative activities by CHILDLINE Sepahijala-

→ **Swami Vivekananda's birthday**

On 12-01-2021 fruit and books distribution to 30 children ,jointly with Swami Vivekananda Seba sangha in Harishnagar to celebrate Yuva Diwas.

→ **World Environment Day, 5th June, 2020**

- This was observed in Adharsha gram area of Purba Gokulnagar with local community with discussion on the various environment pollution in details. After that saplings were planted by the children in that area.

→ **World Day Against Child Labour on 12th June 2020**

This day was observed in Champamura panchayat premises through discussion about the ill effects on the children being engaged as child labours.

After that food kits including milk,Maggie, cake, soap, soya noodles and face mask were given to 20 children.

→ **Poshan Abhiyaan on 23rd September, 2020**

In Bhabanipur panchayat under Sonamura block , CHILDLINE discussed about the age-wise developmental parameters of the children with the parents. Then height and weight of children were measured to show the practical example. After that food kits were distributed to 40 children.

→ **CHILDLINE Se Dosti -Week long programme activities , celebrated with the following**

Events from 15th to 21st November, 2020-

- **15th Nov, Sports by children** in the ground of NDRF at Gokulnagar, Bishalghar which was inaugurated by Zila Sabhadipati Smt. Supriya Das in presence of Commander of NDRF Sri Ranajit Koloi
About 30 children participated in the sports. Prizes were given to first, second and third winners. Rest the participants were given pen and chocolates.

- **16th Nov and 18th Nov 2020: Awareness & Tying Dosti Band to the staff of Allied Systems:** The awareness campaign was held in the community hall of Thakurpara School, Melaghar. The local children, their parents and community people were present as audience. The SI of Melaghar PS, Chairman of Melaghar Municipal Council, MPW and Anganwadi Worker were invited as guests.
- **Dosti Caravan(17th Nov) –Tour of Sepahijala District of CHILDLINE SE DOSTI van and Tying of CSD band to the Officials of Bishalgarh PS, Bishalgarh Women PS, Melaghar PS, Sonamura PS, Bishranganja PS, SP Office Sepahijala, DISE-Sepahijala,, SDPO-Bishalgarsh, SDPO Sonamura, SDM-Bishalgarh, Sonamura CDPO Office.** Got assurance of extending their support to CHILDLINE activities.
- **Mass awareness program on Child right and CHILDLINE through mobile van(18th Nov):** The van then travelled the whole Sepahijala district and pasted flex banners on wall of important locations of the district, distributed leaflets to people at market places. Assistant DM, Sri Subhasis Bandopadhyay, Addition SP Sri Jyotish Mohan Das Choudhury, Zila Sabhadhipati Smt Supriya Das, DCPO Smt Chandrani Biswas and Assistant Director of VHAT were the guests in the program.
- **19th Nov 2020: Celebration of Creative Day with children-**

It was held from 12 pm to 2 pm in the community hall premises of Champamura, Bishalgarh. About 20 children participated in the competition. Children were asked to draw anything on COVID 19 pandemic situation. During the program chocolates, information leaflets regarding CHILDLINE and child right were distributed.

- **21stNOV, 2020: Swatch Bharat Abhiyaan-**

CHILDLINE Staff made Swatch Bharat Abhiyaan by Sweeping and cleaning the premises of Madhupur Primary Health Care Center. The team sent the message to people about the importance of cleanliness of the locality around them.

→**CHILDLINE's participation in COVID 19 response initiatives:-** Targeted group was children of the age group 6-18 years of age. Stakeholders such as Panchayet prodhan, Panchayet members, Anganwadi workers & villagers were involved. We also distributed 45 food packages , sanitizers and masks to the children in COVID -19 pandemic situation with demonstration of proper steps of hand washing technique, do's and don'ts to children, myths and mis-conception about COVID 19.

→**MHPSS Services:-** Sepahijala CHILDLINE organized the Awareness program on Mental Health & Psychological support service for three months from January,2021 to March,21 with DCPO staff, CCI staff, Care givers, CHILDLINE Staff and NGO volunteers



Mass awareness program on Child rights and CHILDLINE through mobile van

ANWESHA CHILD PROTECTION CENTRE-OPEN SHELTER FOR CHILDREN

Anweshha Child Protection Centre, an Open Shelter for children in need of emergency shelter, run by Voluntary Health Association of Tripura since 2005. There are two sections-Open Shelter for Girls (for 25 girls) and Open Shelter for Boys (for 25 boys) which have been registered under Social Welfare Department as per Juvenile Justice Act, under Ministry of Women & Child Development. This shelter home is on six acres of land and surrounded by fruit trees, vegetable gardens, and a banana plantation. In 2020-2021, picturesque campus was home to 32 beautiful children in Open Shelter Girls and 27 boys in Open Shelter for Boys.

The Open Shelter provides an enriched platform for learning that empowers the children not only to get education but also develop their self-confidence and self-esteem. It provides services such as education, nutrition, knowledge of computer and vocational training.

Target Groups :

Children of 5-18 year age group of the following categories were the beneficiaries of this project.

- ☐ Orphaned Children.
- ☐ Street children (rag pickers, baggers, etc), victims of any drug addictions.
- ☐ Abandoned Children.
- ☐ Victims of violence/abuse.
- ☐ AIDS victim
- ☐ Any child eligible for getting emergency services.

Due to COVID pandemic the schools were closed, but the children were attending the online classes. They were guided by House Parents, In-charge, GNM nurse and two Social Workers. The children were supported with extra coaching teachers. Apart from educational support, the children were provided with computer lab to enhance their computer knowledge in extracurricular activities which was being supported by Miracle Foundation India (MFI). All the children were attending the computer classes on a regular basis. Life Skill Education training also organized for the children based on their appropriate age.

Medical Care and services provided for children :

- ☐ Monthly height-weight measurement and record maintenance.
- ☐ Quarterly detail health check-up and treatment.
- ☐ Quarterly hemoglobin test.
- ☐ Regular Dental check-up and treatment. ☐ Hearing test.
- ☐ Vision test. ☐ Emergency medical care.

Apart from providing emergency care and protection, the Open Shelters were linked with a specialized adoption agency, through which the home can give the children for adoption who were registered under CARA.



Dental checkup in Anweshha Home



Celebration of Independence Day

ANWESHA CHILDREN HOME FOR GIRLS

Anwesha Children Home for Girls run by Voluntary Health Association of Tripura was registered in November 2016 as per J.J. Act under Ministry of Women & Child Development for 50 girl children. It provides long term shelter for orphaned and underprivileged girls till completion of 18 years of age. Children were provided shelter, nutrition, education, basic computer knowledge, recreation, medical support and life skill education.

❖ Children were involved in following activities:

- **Education** – Good quality education through joining age appropriate class in Government school
- **Household chores** – daily routine wise
- **Counseling** – both peer group and individual
- **Training & Capacity building** – Participating in Pickle making.
- **Life Skill training** – Self-defense training.
- **Co-curricular activities**-dance, yoga, meditation, participation in painting competitions as well as other recreational activities
- **Pre-Vocational Training** – in stitching and handicrafts, Agriculture and animal rearing
- **Computer Education** with NIIT certificates through Miracle Foundation.
- **Making them aware** and imbibe some good habits in the children, such as cleanliness, hygiene

There are Children Committees guided by care givers and other supporting staffs. The Children Committee was divided into four groups i.e. Discipline Committee, Health & Hygiene Committee, Recreational Committee and Food Committee.

❖ Medical Care and Services provided: Individual medical file was maintained for all the children. Following were the medical services provided to the children.

- Monthly height-weight and BMI record keeping.
- Immunization: Hepatitis B, Tetanus Toxoid, MMR.
- Quarterly Hemoglobin test.
- Monthly Health Check-up and treatment.
- Vision Test.
- Annual Dental and ENT check-up.
- Emergency medical care.

In the year 2020-2021, most of the time schools remained closed due to COVID –lockdown, but inside the Home the children of Anwesha Children Home and Anwesha Open Shelters together Celebrated and enjoyed following occasions :-

April 14, 2020 (Tuesday)- Bengali New year

8th May, 2020 (Friday)- Rabindra Jayanti

10th May, 2020 (Sunday)-Mothers Day



Children of Anwesha Home on World Environment Day

May 12, 2020 (Tuesday)- International Nurses day
 June 5, 2020 (Friday)- World Environment Day
 June 20, 2020 (Sunday)- Father's day
 June 21, 2020 (Sunday)- International Yoga Day
 August 3, 2020 (Monday)- Rakshabandhan
 August 15, 2020 (Saturday)- Independence Day
 September 1, 2021 (Tuesday)- Mahalaya
 October 23-26, 2020 (Friday)- Durga Puja
 October 10, 2020 (Saturday)- World Mental Health Day
 November 14, 2021 (Saturday)- Diwali & Children's day
 November 16, 2021 (Monday)- Bhai Dooj
 December 25, 2020 (Friday)- Christmas day
 31st December, 2020 (Thursday)- Annual Program Celebration at Anwesha Child Protection Centre
 January 1, 2021 (Friday)- English New Year Celebration
 January 12, 2021 (Tuesday)- Vivekananda Jayanti/ Yuva Diwas/ National Youth Day
 January 14, 2021 (Thursday)- Makara Sankranti
 January 23, 2021 (Saturday)- Subhas Chandra Bose Jayanti
 January 26, 2021 (Tuesday)- Republic Day
 14th February (Sunday), 2021- Saraswati Puja
 March 8, 2021 (Monday)- International Women's Day
 March 16, 2021 (Tuesday)- Social Workers Day

This year nine children completed the Madhyamik final examination and one child passed the Higher Secondary (Class-XII) examination. Out of them eight children passed in first division.

This year, with permission of CWC, 16 children were reintegrated to the families or extended families after the social investigation of the family situation and counseling of both children and family members.



"Importance of good mental health tips during covid-19 Situation" was made by kids

UNMESH CHILDREN HOME FOR BOYS

Unmesh Children Home for Boys is a child care institute (CCI) run by Voluntary Health Association of Tripura at East Gokulnagar, Sepahijala District. The home was started from September 2018 and registered under Juvenile Justices Act-2015, under Ministry of Women and Child Development on November 2018.

During the 2020-2021, 43 children were staying in the home who came with the order from CWC of different districts of Tripura. 36 Children admitted in PurbaGokulnagar HS School . 3 children did not completed 6 years within 31st march 2021 . In the Home , their education was guided by House Parents, two Coaching Teachers , Social Worker and Superintendent. Children were engaged in different co-curricular activities like yoga, sports, gardening, music, drama.

Class wise number of the children:-Class-I: 2, Class-II: 11, Class-III: 5, Class-IV: 4, Class-V: 3, Class-VI: 2, Class-VII: 3, Class-VIII: 4, Class-IX: 1, Class-X : 1

The Children in the Home celebrated Independence Day, Republic Day, Yoga Day, Constitution Day, World Disability Day .

Individual medical check-up and treatment were given to the children by Medical team of Bishalgarh Hospital. One residential GNM (Nurse) were taking care of the health of the children.

This year, 18 children were exited from Unmesh Home: one child went to Foster Parents, one to After Care Home and 16 children were reintegrated to the families or extended families after the social investigation of the family situation and counseling of both children and family members.



Health checkup of children in Unmesh Home on 13 June,2020



RTPCR Test for COVID 19 on 10th September 2020



Nothing in life is to be feared, it is only to be understood. Now is the time to understand more, so that we may fear less. ~ Marie Curie

RATANMANI VIDYALAY : A RESIDENTIAL PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR TRIBAL CHILDREN IN REMOTE AREA


Ratanmani Vidyalay was started as a component of KHOJ project of VHAT in 1994 to promote primary education among tribal children living in the remote hilly areas of Rupaichari block of South Tripura district. The year 2020-2021 was most difficult period for this project as the lock down was started from end of March 2020. The school was closed as per government order. Online classes started but for the children of poor tribal families in hilly rural Tripura, it was impossible to avail that facility. Therefore, we arranged for the annual examination of the children in April 2020 for one class at a time maintaining the physical distance and other safety measures for COVID -19.

As the support for one hundred hostel children from State Tribal Welfare Department and hostel fees from the guardians were not available, we were facing problems for providing the remunerations for school staff.

In 2020-2021, 306 children from various panchayats of Rupaichari Block under the Tripura Tribal Area Autonomous District Council (TTAADC) were admitted and studied in Ratanmani Vidyalay.

Status of the students in Ratanmani Vidyalay :

The following data shows the status of the children in 2020-2021:

Class	Boys	Girls	Total Students	
I	36	23	59	
II	35	33	68	
III	29	45	74	
IV	34	19	53	
V	30	22	52	
Total	164	142	306	Children of RV during morning prayer

- ☐ The human resource of the project was competent for catalyzing the formal education as well the extracurricular activities for development of the children.
- ☐ This school played effective role in promoting primary education, sports and extracurricular activities, environmental orientation, awareness on health & hygiene.
- ☐ All the eight teachers and five non-teaching staff were residential and giving extra effort to improve the quality of the education.

Education in the School:

- ☐ There are 8(eight) well trained teachers in the school of which 2 are female and 6 are male teachers.
- ☐ The formal education is based on the curriculum of the Tripura Board of Secondary Education and the books are supplied from the State Government Education Department under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA).
- ☐ The students get training and exposure to vocational activities, viz animal husbandry, environmental education and plant nursery.
- ☐ The students from class I-V receive health education classes once in a week on prevention of malaria and diarrhea, fever management and first aids as their villages are included in malaria and diarrhea prone area of the state. Moreover, education on sanitation, hygiene – both personal and environmental, as well as on safe drinking water are emphasized in health education classes.
- ☐ All the students attending Yoga class after the morning prayer
- ☐ During vacation days, the students receive free coaching from the school teachers for quality development.

VHAT EYE HOSPITAL

VHAT Eye Hospital was initiated in 2002 in collaboration with DBCS West Tripura District and support from CBM . In the year 2003, the project was shifted to its own building in West Bhubanbon village, near Agartala Airport.

Objective of the project : Prevention of blindness among elderly rural population of Tripura through cataract surgery and eye care services.

Target Group : Poor underprivileged elderly population of rural Tripura, especially of hilly areas.

Area of coverage for Eye Hospital was whole of the West Tripura & Sepahijala district , less accessible rural areas of Gomati and South Tripura Districts.

Activities of VHAT Eye Hospital in 2020-2021 :

Since its inception, VHAT Eye Hospital has been providing its services to the poor elderly persons in rural hilly areas of Tripura . Due to COVID pandemic and complete lockdown, we could not organize the Community Eye Screening camps as per the plan. So far , in this year, we could organize the following activities:-

- i) Community Eye Screening Camps in five areas in West District, Sehahijala District & South Tripura District.
- ii) Total OPD patients-425
- iii) Total cataract surgery-126



Eye patients after the surgery in VHAT Eye Hospital



In a rural Eye Camp of VHAT Eye Hospital

“The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.”

— Martin Luther King, Jr.

REGIONAL ACTION ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

NORTH EAST PROJECT (R A I S E - N E)

The RAISE North East project initiated in January 2016 to compliment the program of Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan(SMSA) on inclusive education to improve the quality education for children with disabilities in government and government supported schools in selected districts of Tripura. The project is supported by Christian Blind Mission (CBM). Voluntary Health Association of Tripura (VHAT) is the leading partner of implementing in West Tripura District in collaboration with Ferrendo Rehabilitation Centre (FRC), Nandannagar, and Montfort H. S. School, Champaknagar. Here Inclusion denotes that a student with a disability unconditionally belongs to and has full membership of a regular classroom in a regular school and in the community.

Inclusion something is---

- ☐ Being part of things: Not being excluded.
- ☐ Focusing on similarities between disabled and non-disabled children (rather than differences).
- ☐ Acceptance of children with differences.
- ☐ Providing regular (normalized) experiences with peers of the same chronological age.
- ☐ Being close to non-disabled age peers to learn from them. Having same privileges as others. Being treated with respect.
- ☐ Providing an opportunity for children with disabilities to learn to live with their disability in everyday society.
- ☐ Not being labeled unnecessarily, and never in a devaluing fashion.
- ☐ Meeting individual differences over a wide range of variance.
- ☐ Providing for the disabled child's educational requirements on the basis of that child's skills and needs

Objectives:

- 1) To improve the quality of education for children with disabilities in selected (government) elementary Schools, 2) Capacity building of the teachers on inclusive education, 3) Development of material for implementation of inclusive education (TLMs), 4) Formation of inclusive children parliament, 5) Co-teachings, 6) Enabling inclusion in classroom in school environment, 7) Welcoming the diverse learners, 8) Encouraging and assisting in formative assessment & evaluation, 9) Implementing UNIVERSAL DESIGN FOR LEARNING.

During the period (April 2020 to March 2021), following activities were implemented under RAISE NE project.

- **Awareness programme on COVID -19 :** On 30th April 2020 we visited Pratapgarh Slam area (nearby Sadhutila CMS Girls English Medium school) and small discussion with the 10 children on prevention of COVID - 19. We also provided one TLM kitbag to child who has Intellectual Disability.
- **Orientation meeting on AfA with the teachers:** On 3rd July we conducted orientation meeting on 'Assessment for All' (AfA) at Dr. BR Ambedkar HS School. 13 SSA teachers participated.
- **Relief programme at Nandannagar Primary school, SDO Chowmuhuni:** On 25th August 2020 we provided relief kits among 50 children at Nandannagar Primary School, Nandannagar
- **Relief given to 20 children on 18-9-2020 East Chandmari Anganwadi Centre, Chandmari, Agartala. West Tripura District**
- **Awareness on Child Safeguarding, Reproductive health and post COVID School Reopening:** On 14th November 2020 we conducted an Awareness Programme on Child Safeguarding, Reproductive health and post COVID School Reopening at Unmesh Children Home for Boys. 34 children, 6 Home staffs were present.
- **Awareness Programme on Child Safeguarding, Reproductive health and post COVID School Reopening:** On 17th November 2020 at Sadhutila CMS Girls English Medium High School. 15 children, 10 teachers were present during the programme.

- **Observance of ‘International Day of Persons with Disabilities’-2020:** On 4th December 2020 in Anwesha child protection centre, Usha bazar, Agartala. 65 participants including 50 children and 5 CWDs were present.
- **Inclusive programme on children with & without Disabilities:** On 18th December 2020, Inclusive drawing and speech competition among the student of Dr. BR Ambedkar High School in collaboration with FRSD.
- **Award Distribution among the children for Drawing (Poster) competition on Climate change and Positive and Negative effect of online class and restrictions of COVID 19 Pandemic:** On 30th December 2020 .
- **Meeting with community people of DukliPanchayat area for starting a Community Education Centre:** On 12 January 2021 , meeting with community people of Dukli panchayat areas. Meeting venue was conference hall of Dr. BR Ambedkar High School
- **Orientation on child protection, child mirage, and Child labour and gender sensitization:** On 18th February 2021 conducted at Montfort HS School.
- **Awareness on Child Safeguarding:**On 10th march 2021 conducted at Sadhutila CMS Girls English Medium high School. During the programme.
- **Child and Adult safeguarding meeting with Teachers, SMC and PRI body:** On 12th march 2021 with Teachers, SMC, PRI body at Dr. BR Ambedkar High School.
- **Awareness on Child Safeguarding:** On 20th march 2021 conducted at Purba Gokulnagar HS School, Bishalgarh.
- **Awareness on DDR:** On 24th March 2021 at PurbaGokulnagar HS School.
- **Inclusive Indigenous Sports and cultural programme:** On 25th March 2021, we conducted ‘INCLUSIVE INDEGENOUS SPORTS AND CULTURAL PROGRAM’ at Dr. BR Ambedkar High School. The main objective of the event was to spread awareness among the community about the ‘Inclusion of Children with Disabilities’ and education for them. Around 800 children, parents, teachers, community members and SMC members gathered for this event, Total 15 schools participated in this event .



Executive Director of VHAT during her speech in Inclusive Indigenous Sports and cultural programme: On 25th March 2021



Children during the Inclusive Indigenous Sports and cultural programme: On 25th March 2021

E-SHAKTI DIGITIZATION OF SHGS

VHAT has been working for the E-Shakti Digitisation project under National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) in West Tripura and Gomati District.

The prime objectives of the projects:

- ✓ Integrating SHG members with the National Financial Inclusion agenda.
- ✓ Improving the quality of interface between SHG members and Banks for efficient and hassle free banking services.
- ✓ Facilitate convergence of delivery system with SHG using Aadhaar linked identity.
- **Components of the Projects:**
- ✓ Mapping of the existing SHGs in the district bank wise, branch wise.
- ✓ Training of volunteers to collect SHG wise/ individual member's data.
- ✓ Data feeding through customized software in central server.
- **Advantages of Digitisation:**
- ✓ Mainstreaming of SHG members with financial inclusion agenda enabling accesses to wide range of financial services.
- ✓ Digitisation of SHG accounts would increase credit linkage facility
- ✓ Automatic and accurate rating of SHGs would be available online for banks.
- ✓ Mapping of persons not covered under AADHAAR platform and bringing them under AADHAAR fold.
- ✓ Comprehensive information base and robust MIS can be developed about poor community covered which may facilitate suitable interventions and convergence of other programme for social and financial empowerment.
- ✓ It would help in identifying suitable interventions and support for proper nurturing and strengthening of SHGs.

Activities conducted:

- Refresher Training of the Animators was conducted in both West Tripura and Gomati District
- Spot data updating verification was done by the project management
- Monthly data updating was carried out in each month.
- Project Implementation and Monitoring Committee (PIMC) meeting was held for both of the districts
- Data correction exercise was also carried out by the Animators
- Regular meeting of the Animators was done



Review meeting of Animators of E-Shakti project

VHAT VOCATIONAL EDUCATION CENTRE UNDER NIOS

Since 2007, VHAT has been running a Vocational Training Centre accredited by National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India. Vocational Training Centre of VHAT intends to create employment opportunity for the youths. The following courses are offered by VHAT Vocational Education Centre: (AVI-700001).

In 2020-2021, due lockdown for COVID pandemic no new admission was possible. This year only 18 students of Yoga appeared in the examination. The candidates would be issued certificates from the NIOS, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India. The candidates may utilize the certificates to start their own income generating activity or they can find a better job.

Two new courses were approved by the NIOS for AVI-700001:-

- i) Teachers' Training Programme in Yoga – one year duration.
- ii) Certificate course in Ayurvedic Therapy - one year duration.

The students appeared in the examination in the following courses-

Sl.No.	Name of the Course	Course Period	Minimum qualification	Number of student appeared in exam
1	Certificate in Yoga	Six Months	Class-VIII passed	18



Practical demonstration during the examination on 9th January 2021



Student during practical examination (viva) on 9th January 2021

INTEGRATED TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT UNDER TDF OF NABARD

Tribal Development is one of the core areas of NABARD's interventions in rural India. For the specific development of the tribal community, NABARD created one fund as "Tribal Development Fund". In Tripura, VHAT has initiated one project Integrated Tribal Development Project with the support from NABARD Tripura Regional Office commenced in April 2018, in Laljuri Block of North Tripura District. Three ADC villages-Chandipur, Kanchanchara and Joymonipara were covered under this project.

Major Components under the projects are:

- Horticultural Orchard Development (WADI)
- Health Camps (General/ Special on Eye & RCH)
- Training (WADI Development/ Mushroom/ Backyard Poultry)
- Water Development(Small Ponds/ Water Tank with Lifting Facility)
- Awareness Programme(Anti Drug and Tobacco Control/ Digital Financial Literacy/ Legal Awareness)

The cumulative progress of the project:

- 180 Horticulture WADI developed in all the 3 project villages
- Farm Water Reservoir cum Storage Tank: 150 nos
- Legal Awareness Campaign, Gender Sensitization, Health and Nutrition (one programme in every village) – 6programmes
- Awareness Campaign on dFLAP & Anti-Drug and Tobacco Awareness Camp-3 programme
- Training on WADI Management- 6 programmes
- Training on Backyard Poultry Mngt- 5 programmes
- 9 General and 4 Special health camps were organized in the project areas

This year, due to lockdown for COVID pandemic, our movement was restricted. No fund was released by NABARD. Progress of activities was minimum.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND PREVENTION OF ANTIBIOTICS RESISTANCE-PREVENT IT

European Commission has approved one project named "ERASMUS+ , "Risk Management and Prevention of Antibiotic Resistance – PREVENT IT". The three year project Erasmus+ offers innovative perspective in addressing antibiotic resistance implementing in India and Europe. PREVENT IT is the fourth Erasmus+ project involving Chitkara University. There are twelve partners of the project- five Indian Universities, four European Universities, one Hospital and Two NGOs. The Chitkara University of Chandigarh, Punjab is the leading agency of the project. Voluntary Health Association of Tripura is one of the NGO partners of the project.

The objectives of this project :

- Establishment of the first Indian-European team for risk management and prevention of antibiotics resistance.
- Development of tailored-fit modules at consortium's Indian Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)
- Implementation of the interdisciplinary curricula at consortium's Indian HEIs
- Creating awareness to general public through dissemination activities by consortium's Non-Government Organizations

- Organizing awareness campaigns at HEIs (via workshops, symposium and conferences) to influence academicians, health care professionals, students, doctors etc.
- To develop sustainable online freely accessible e-course (MOOC) to enlarge target audience
- To train and empower the young talents, creating Indian super experts on Antibiotics Resistance (ABR)
- Publication in scientific journals in order to sustainability and maximize the reach to on ABR risk management and prevention

Voluntary Health Association of Tripura (VHAT) has conducted the 1st dissemination workshop at Press Club, Agartala on 30th November 2019. In the Inaugural session Dr. Kiranjit Kaur, Assistant Professor of Chitkara University, Chandigarh was the Special Guest and other dignitaries present were- Ms. Antara Deb, Hon.bleSabbadhipati, Paschim Tripura ZillaParishad, Dr. Deep Kumar Debbarma, OSD, Directorate of Family Welfare & Preventive Medicine, Govt. of Tripura and Dr. Sreelekha Ray, Executive Director of VHAT.

**** Though some fund was with us, but due to COVID lockdown we could not organize any training or any visit within the country or abroad . Hence the project activities were almost halted.**

BLOOMBERG INITIATIVE -THE UNION TOBACCO CONTROL PROJECT

This Bi-The Union tobacco control project aimed to assist state government of Tripura to strengthen the mechanism within existing system for implementation of National tobacco Control programme and effective enforcement of National Tobacco Control Law i.e. Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products (Prohibition of Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 2003 (COTPA). The project focused the intervention for Smoke free, TAPS ban and protecting the minors in 4 focused districts- Khowai, West Tripura, Gomati & South Tripura. The project was started in the month of February 2020.

The project would also support state tobacco control cell for protection of tobacco control intervention and advancement from tobacco industry interference (TII). It would assist the state government to consider and adopting state specific guideline to manage existing and emerging challenges aligned with WHO-FCTC and other national good practices in tobacco control.

Strategies:

- Institutionalization of implementation system and its strengthening for NTCP
- Sensitization of policy makers, senior officials
- Capacity building of law enforcers and others stakeholder
- Support for implementation of various activities of NTCP and enforcement of COTPA
- Support to STCC to develop, adopt and implement new or revised guiding documents to counter existing and emerging threats for Tobacco Control.
- Monitoring evaluation of the project.

Specific objectives:

1. To advance tobacco control in state of Tripura by developing and strengthening institutional mechanism for implementing tobacco control programme and COTPA in all the districts.
2. To build capacity of Programme Managers, Law Enforcers and Stakeholder to implement National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) and to enforce policy provisions of tobacco control legislation (COTPA).
3. To make at least half of districts (04 districts) high compliant to the provisions of COTPA with focus on smoke free and TAPS free policies.

4. To support state government in development of state specific guideline to manage existing and emerging challenges aligned with WHO-FCTC and other national good practices in tobacco control and to protect tobacco control advancement in the states and assist effective monitoring and implementation guidelines.
5. To conduct strategic policy focused research, monitoring and evaluation

Key activities in 2020-2021

Observation of World No Tobacco day 2020: This day was observed on 31st May, 2020 in four districts i.e. West Tripura, Khowai, Gomati and South Tripura. The theme of this year was 'Protecting youth from industry manipulation and preventing them from tobacco and nicotine Use'. An awareness on wheel and community advocacy meeting was conducted at various places of all four districts. The flag off was done by Ms. Pratima Bhowmik, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, West Tripura. The objective of the on wheel awareness were - to aware the tobacco related issues, COTPA law and the dangerous diseases due to the consumption of tobacco products. The District Coordinator and Project Manager conducted miking to aware the people not to smoke in public places and also not to spit in public after chewing the smokeless tobacco as it increases to spread the chances of COVID.



Flag off by MP on World No Tobacco Day



Advocacy with Government Officials on World No Tobacco Day 2020

Mapping and Listing of Stakeholders: As per the work plan the mapping of various stakeholders has completed. The status of mapping and listing : Government officials - 508 no's, NGOs - 89 no's, Educational Institution - 338 no's, Public places - 286 no's and Tobacco Vendors/Traders – 229 no's. The activity will continue in future also.

In person meeting with Various Stakeholders: In persons meeting was held with the various gov. officials and other stakeholders i.e. Health & Family welfare department, District Administration, Rural Development Department, Police Department, Social Welfare Department, Education Department, Labour Department, PRI Members, Civil Society organizations, Motor Unions Representatives Marker Committee Representatives etc



District Level Multi Stakeholder Workshop, West Tripura, on 23-10-2020



District Level Multi Stakeholder Orientation Workshop, Khowai District on 19-12-2020

District Level Multi-stakeholders orientation workshop: One day district level multi stakeholder's orientation workshop were organised in four districts-South Tripura on 28-12-2020, West District on 19-01-2021, Gomati district on 05-02-2021, Khowai district on 19-02-2021. The objective of the district level multi-stakeholder orientation workshop was to organize & sensitize different stakeholders, e.g. policy makers, senior officials from various departments, other stakeholders including civil society, public health institutions and Media.

Advocacy Meetings with different stakeholders: Advocacy meeting was conducted by Project Manager and District Coordinator with various stakeholders like District Magistrate & Collector, Chief Medical Officer, ADM & Collector, SDM, NTCP Officials Block Development Officer, District Education Officer, Panchayat Officer, District Labour officer, ICDS officials and public representatives like Zilla Sobhadhipathi, Municipal Councilor, Block Chairman, Panchayat Pradhan.

District Level Trainings of Law-Enforcement Personnel on Tobacco Control: Enforcement Personnel from various departments especially police officials participated in these trainings. These were conducted in coordination with the District Tobacco Control Cell of West Tripura, Gomati, South Tripura and Khowai District. The main objective of the training was to build the capacity about the COTPA 2003 Act and its implementation strategies.

Special awareness activity during Durga Puja Festival: Postering in different pandals was done to create awareness generation during Durga Puja festival from October 23-26, 2020. The awareness contents were not to use tobacco products on public places showing various harmful effects of tobacco consumption in human body. This special activity was conducted also to give messages to control the COVID transmission among the mass gathering during puja festival.

VHAT -STATE NODAL AGENCY CENTRE TRIPURA UNDER THE NATIONAL TRUST

This year VHAT was selected as the SNAC Tripura (VHAT) from 1st January 2021, under National Trust, a statutory body of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India (Under section 12 (4) of the Act), Registration No. TVOL17519675538.

Since then, Voluntary Health Association of Tripura has been implementing various activities for welfare of the person with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities in Tripura. The National Trust works for these four type of persons with disabilities. VHAT is the member of Local Level Committee (LLC) in three districts of Tripura. Those are South Tripura District, North Tripura District and Unokoti District.

As per National Trust norms, VHAT implemented following activities in 2020-21:

△ BadhteKadam (Awareness on Schemes of National Trust):

On 28th June 2020 Voluntary Health Association of Tripura organised "BADHTE KADAM" an 'Orientation Programme on Schemes of National Trust' at Chhanban, Udaipur in collaboration with Pratibandhi Kalyan Samity. 60 (sixty) people from different Blocks of Gomati District, PWDs and their family members were participated in this awareness event.

Mr. Jyotirmoy Majumder, Coordinator VHAT, discussed in details about all schemes of national trust. Mr. Bijan Debroy, President, Pratibandhi Kalyan Samity, Mr. Bishnupada Bhowmik, Secretary, Lions Club, Udaipur, Ms. Shipra Sarkar, Vice-president, Pratibandhi Kalyan Samity, Mr. Shyamal Sarkar (Journalist), Mr. Notan Das (journalist), Mr. Arabinda Biswas (Social Worker) and Dr. Sudip Kumar Biswas were present during the event. The aim was to create awareness among the community regarding facilities which were available under National Trust.

Again, from 25th February to 6th March, 2021, we organized “BADHTE KADAM” for communities in West Tripura District, regarding the schemes of National Trust for the welfare of PWDs (autism, mental retardation, cerebral palsy and multiple disability) by printing and distribution of Leaflets. VHAT also arranged Small focus group discussion by maintaining social distance. Communication with parents and other stakeholders for providing facilities to the PWDs under National Trust Act, 1999.



Distribution of leaflets under “Badhte kadam” to the Deputy Commissioner of Disability, Govt. of Tripura

🏠 **Observation of World Down Syndrome Day, 2021:**

This was organized on 26th March 2021 in District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (west Tripura) for Creating awareness among the community. Member Secretary of DDRC (W) and SRC, DR. S.K. Chakma was present as the Chief Guest in the event. Mr Litan Bhowmik, Councillor, Rehabilitation Psychologist of NIT and Assistant Director of VHAT , Mr. Sujit Ghosh was also present in the event as Special Guests. 65 persons from Municipal Council, DDRC(W), staff of VHAT, PWDs and their family members participated in it.

Entire event was coordinated by the Coordinator of SNAC-Tripura, Mr. Joydeep Bhusan.



DR. S.K. Chakma -Member Secretary of DDRC (W) and SRC, addressing the participants during observation of World Down Syndrome Day, 2021

☐ **Niramaya Health Insurance under the National Trust** : As SNAC- Tripura, from 1st January 2021, VHAT was enrolling PWDs come under National Trust for Niramaya Health Insurance which was completely free of cost. General feature of the scheme:-

→Affordable Health Insurance to PwDs.

→Health insurance cover of up to Rs. 1.0 lakh.

→Facility for OPD treatment including the medicines, pathology, diagnostic tests, etc, Regular

→Medical checkup for non-ailing disabled, Dental Preventive Dentistry, Surgery to prevent further aggravation of disability, Non- Surgical/ Hospitalization, Corrective Surgeries for existing Disability including congenital disability, Ongoing Therapies to reduce impact of disability and disability related complications, Alternative Medicine.

→Transportation costs.

→No pre-insurance medical tests required.

LOKASWASTHYA SAMBAD

This monthly Periodical “Loka Swasthya Samad” is registered by the Registrar of Newspaper of India (RNI) under the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and Postal Department, Government of India. This is one of the advocacy tools of VHAT to reach to the policy makers and to create awareness among the mass on different health, environment and social issues.

The Loka Swasthya Sambad has different segments which are as follows:

- ☐ To the readers-critics on health and development policies-national and international.
- ☐ Health & Medical treatment.
- ☐ Mental Health.
- ☐ Adolescence and family life education.
- ☐ Traditional System of Medicine.
- ☐ Health News.
- ☐ Social Health.
- ☐ Health and environment.
- ☐ Letters to the Editor: feedback from the readers.

The salient features of the periodical :

- ☐ This monthly periodical on health and environment issues is being published by Voluntary Health Association of Tripura during last 12 years on regular basis. It has drawn the attention of the policy makers, politician, and functionaries of the health service providing institutions of the state of Tripura.
- ☐ Current burning issues on physical and mental health, environmental and social health issues are highlighted in the periodical.
- ☐ New issues like COVID 19 pandemic is also covered .
- ☐ To enrich the contents, the experts are consulted and some contents are also driven from the web based resource centre / internet.
- ☐ It has the monthly circulation of 1200 copies.
- ☐ Feedback from the readers is given emphasis for giving more high lights on specific issues and taking corrective measures for upgrading the periodical.



SPECIAL INITIATIVES

📌 **Book Keeping & Financial Management Training for Members of Women Self Help Groups under NULM** : National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) was launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation (MHUPA), Government of India in 23rd September, 2013 by replacing the existing Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY).

In collaboration with the Mohanpur Municipal Council, West Tripura District, VHAT organized “Book Keeping & Financial Management Training for Members of Women Self Help Groups under NULM”. Mohanpur Municipal Council helped us in selecting 75 participants from 25 Women Self Help Groups of Mohanpur area. The training was conducted in three batches from February 04 2021 to March 30, 2021.

Objectives of the training :-

- To facilitate SHG Members to recognize and understand their resources (individual and common)
- To record all the transactions of the SHG in a continuous manner for enabling the members to understand them.
- To help in assessing the financial status of the group like member's savings, loans, attendance, group fund, recovery percentage etc.
- To promote institutional development by increasing the credit worthiness of the group.
- To arrange good process for book keeping for the scope of the group to attract outside resources like Bank and other agencies.
- Promotion of transparency and accountability in CBOs
- Reducing their dependence on external support agencies.
- To motivate members through book keeping to progress on the way towards economic and social empowerment.

Outcome of the Training :

After completion the training the SHG members were able to understand-

- ✓ 5 principle of SHGs
- ✓ Importance of BY- law in SHG and process of conduct SHG meeting
- ✓ Roles and responsibility of all designated members of SHG
- ✓ Importance of maintain books of record, 11 types of books and process to maintain in SHG
- ✓ Maintain accountability between all the group members
- ✓ Process of Inter- landing, importance of ALF & CLF
- ✓ Importance of bank linkage and the process.
- ✓ Importance of Social issues discussing in SHG meeting and process to solve.
- ✓ To know the process / try to resolve the social issues in local area



Book Keeping & Financial Management Training for Members of Women Self Help Groups under NULM

☛ **Participation in SARAS Fair:** 16th Regional SARAS fair was organized by TRLM at Agartala International ground at Hapania. This 12 days fair was inaugurated by Shri Jishnu Debbarma, Deputy Chief Minister of Tripura on 19-02-2021. Three Women SHGs, formed by VHAT, took part in this fair with support from NABARD. In this fair NABARD also participated and promoted 3 nos. of SHG from Jirania & Bamutia R.D. Block, which was organized and monitored by VHAT. These SHGs were Rupali, Shabuj, Jay Ganga. They sold their own products in fair, like bamboo products (jewelry box, show pieces), pickle, hand made cloth bags, bhujia, handi craft (woolen material), handmade fans, doormats, table lamp (bamboo). Our SHG's stall received 2nd award in the fair in terms of best selling.



SHGs participated in Saras Fair 2021

☛ **Outreach Activity of Lifeline Express by VHAT:** Impact India Foundation's Lifeline Express in partnership with the Indian Railways, has provided medical care to more than 10,00,000 poor people in rural India, restoring sight, movement, hearing and correction of cleft lips with dental and neurological treatment and more, completely free of cost. VHAT has partnered with Impact India Foundation for implementation of outreach activities of Lifeline express in Dhalai and South Tripura District. The outreach activities were awareness creation, door to door visit, patient screening, mobilize the patient for the treatment, follow up, support patients to attend the doctors during the camp at Railway Station. Total 6914 households were visited by VHAT volunteers by door to door survey and covered 11 (eleven) healthcare establishments of South Tripura and Dhalai. Patients identified as Eye/Cataract 1978, Ear/Hearing 543, Dental issue 526, Cleft lip 9, Epilepsy 19, Gynecological issue 79 and other 228.



VHAT received appreciation memento from Impact India Foundation

☛ **World Forestry Day 2021:** This was observed with the Forest Research Centre and Livelihood Extension of 21st March 2021. The theme of this day for 2021 was "Forest restoration: a path to recovery and well-being". 40 children of Anwesha Home participated in it.



During observation of World Forestry Day 2021

☐ **COVID Response Initiatives:** With the support from RCRC, Voluntary Health Association of Tripura (VHAT) had conducted COVID19 response services in Sepehijala District and West Tripura District.

- Under this initiative various awareness on COVID prevention was organized in selected locations of both districts through poster campaign
- 6(six) Community Consultations were also organized by VHAT volunteers
- VHAT distributed leaflets, conducted miking for creation of mass awareness on prevention of COVID 19
- Under the support of RCRC we provided dry ration with preventive kits to 251 poor families in consultation with the local panchayats
- We also provided various preventive kits i.e Mask, soap, sanitizers to the 413 families

☐ **32st Annual General Meeting of Voluntary Health Association of Tripura :**

The 32nd Annual General Meeting of Voluntary Health Association of Tripura organized at VHAT Training Hall on August 23, 2020. Total number of members participated in the 32nd AGM was 46 out of 65. Some of the members participated online due to COVID -19 pandemic situations.

During welcome address Executive Director expressed mentioned about three new projects initiated in 2019-2020. These were UNICEF Immunization Project for vaccination with VHAI in Hilakandi District of Assam, Risk Management and Antibiotic Resistance with assistance of Chitkara University for stopping unscientific use of antibiotic medicine and BI – The Union Tobacco Central Project. Expressing her concern about COVID-19 pandemic situation Dr. Ray apprehended huge number of people in Tripura could be affected by this disease. She stressed on abiding by all precautions instead of being influenced by rumor. Referring selling of Gutka, Khaini stopped in Tripura she stressed on leaving all kinds of drugs and liquor to grow immunity against the dreaded viral disease.

Meanwhile prizes were distributed among the School students who were occupied place in online Essay Competition on COVID-19. The guests distributed prizes among the winners. One of the winner delivered speech revealing her feeling after participation in the competition.

On the occasion a video show was presented on activities of Anwesha Child Protection Centre run by VHAT . This film was made by Indian Social Responsibility Network (ISRN), with support from Ministry of Culture , Government of India.

After lunch the Bussiness session was conducted where Executive Director of VHAT Dr Sreelekha Ray discussed on new Child Safe Guarding policy of VHAT , the draft of which was circulated to the Members 15 days before. After detailed discussion on the Guiding Principles, scope , commitment to safeguard children through awareness, prevention , reporting and code of conduct, the Member of VHAT General Body approved the VHAT Child Safe Guarding policy. This policy would come in force from 23rd August 2020.

Then the Chief Advisor Dr. D.K. Ray discussed on Internal Monitoring and Evaluation Report stressing on capacity building of staffs.

Later Finance Officer Bipul Kanti Majumder presented tentative Budget of VHAT amounting Rs. 2,90,92,000 for the Financial Year 2020-21 which was received and approved.

Selection of Auditor for FY 2020-2021: The issue was discussed in the house and the letter of Mr. T.K.Saha expressing his willingness to continue as the Auditor was read out by the Finance Officer. After the discussion in the house it was decided that M/S T.K.Saha & Co (Chartered Accountants) , Sukantala Road, Agartala, Pin -799001 will continue as auditor of VHAT for the year 2020-2021. Executive Director was requested to communicate with the Auditor regarding this matter.

The 32nd AGM was ended with valedictory address by President of VHAT .

ABRIDGED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF

2020-21

The following tables were filled in based on duly audited accounts of VHAT for the financial year ending on 31st March 2021

1. BALANCE SHEET

All figures are Rs. In Lacs

Assets as on	03/31/2020	03/31/2021
Fixed Assets	205.8066375	205.8732729
Investments	169.1239374	177.7967115
Loans & Advances	2.268309	3.646199
Cash and Bank balances	96.4288883	101.4192531
Other Current Assets,	0	0
Excess of expenditure over income (if any)	0	0
Total Assets	473.6277722	488.7354365
All figures are Rs. In Lacs		
Liabilities as on	03/31/2020	03/31/2021
Trust/Society/Share-holder funds	0	0
General Fund (unrestricted fund)	258.9888076	252.3625762
Corpus and endowment fund (s)	0.0275	0.0275
Restricted/Earmarked funds	202.56742	218.84282
Grant balances	4.751766	7.6813849
Loans and borrowings	0	0
Current Liabilities and provisions	5.90311	3.00964
Excess of income over expenditure (if any)	1.3891686	6.8115154
Total Liabilities	473.6277722	488.7354365

2. INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

All figures are Rs. In Lacs

Income for the year ended on	03/31/2020	03/31/2021
Self generated income	20.068682	19.0707941
Donations from Indian sources	27.61802	25.4621395
Grants from Indian sources	167.1623548	150.942207
Donations from International sources	0	0.0106659
Grants from International sources	5.4603	42.7670841
Other Income	29.5945226	24.8222036
Excess of expenditure over income (if any)	0	0
Total Income	249.9038794	263.0750942
All figures are Rs. In Lacs		
Expenditure for the year ended on	03/31/2020	03/31/2021
Programme	207.25958	169.788638
Public education and fundraising	4.3655	4.31188
Management and administration	10.889671	12.5434262
Payments to Beneficiaries	14.24555	57.78002
Other expenses	11.7544098	11.8396146
Total Expenditure	248.5147108	256.2635788
Surplus	1.3891686	6.8115154
	249.9038794	263.0750942

3. RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

All figures are Rs. In Lacs

Receipts for the year ended on	03/31/2020	03/31/2021
Opening Cash and Bank Balance	80.0773547	96.4288883
Self generated income	9.722742	10.39802
Donations from Indian sources	27.76102	25.4621395
Grants from Indian sources	184.50732	161.66874
Donations from International sources	0	0.0106659
Grants from International sources	13.94133	43.23017
Sale of investment /assets	11.92354	0
Loans	0	0
Other receipts	29.6613226	24.9561536
Total Receipts	357.5946293	362.1547773

All figures are Rs. In Lacs

Payment for the year ended on	03/31/2020	03/31/2021
Capital items / assets purchased for the organisation	1.21	0
Capital items / assets purchased for the beneficiaries	13.21557	12.38625
Purchase of investment	4.9	0
Grants / Donations to other Organisations	0	0
Loans and advances	0.678	1.19
Other payments	241.162171	247.1592742
Total Payments	261.165741	260.7355242
Closing Cash and Bank Balance	96.4288883	101.4192531
Total payments	357.5946293	362.1547773

4. Major Projects/ Donors of the year (2020-2021)	Expenditure (Rs.)
1)CCIs, Dept. of SW & SE,GoT	1,02,84,000.00
2) Bi The Union Tobacco Control Project (FCRA)	25,97,300.00
3)GIVE India	21,18,425.09
4) Miracle Foundation	20,99,898.00
5) E-Shakti, West & Gomati, NABARD	20,55,334.00
6)CHILDLINE INDIA FOUNDATION, MoWCD	14,70,406.00
7) RAISE-North East,Bethany Society	6,14,357.00
8) Lifeline Express Project (Dhalai & South) (IIF)	4,35,650.00
9) VHAI- UNICEF Immunization Project	4,05,220.00
10) Rapid Rural Community Response to COVID -19(RCRC)	2,50,000.00
11) Tripura Urban Livelihood Mission, Mohanpur	1,11,375.00
12) State Nodal Agency Centre (SNAC), Tripura	97,500.00
TOTAL (Rs.)	2,25,39,465.09

Template for Transparency & Accountability Disclosures for the Financial year 2020-21

Details of Board Members as on 31-03-2021

Name	Position on Board	No- of meeting attended	Remuneration and reimbursements in Rs.	Remarks
Ms. Shikha Saha	President	5	Zero	
Mr. Partha Sakha Debnath	Vice President	5	Zero	
Ms. Banarani Choudhury	Secretary	5	Zero	
Mr. Sishuram Mahajan	Assistant Secretary	4	Zero	
Mr. Hari Bhusan Das	Treasurer	5	Zero	
Prof.(Dr.) Dilip Kumar Ray	Member	5	Zero	
Mr. Uttam Kumar Das	Member	5	Zero	
Md.Mokbul Ali	Member	5	Zero	
Ms. Niyati Das (Deb)	Member	3	Zero	
Mr. Biswajit Bhowmik	Member	5	Zero	
Dr. Sreelekha Ray	Ex Officio (Executive Director)	5	3,72,000.00	

Total cost of international travel by all personnel (including volunteers) and Board members

Name	Designation	Destination	Purpose	Expenditure (Rs.)
	0	0	0	0

Total cost of national travel by all personnel (including volunteers) and Board members which was spent from VHAT accounts.

Name	Designation	Destination	Purpose	Expenditure (Rs.)
	0	0	0	0

The distribution of staff according to salary levels as on 31-03-2021

Slab of gross salary plus benefits (Rs. Per month)	Male staff	Female staff	Total staff
Staff (per month)			
Less then 5000	2	12	14
5000-10000	22	20	42
10000-25000	12	8	20
25000-50000	3	2	5
50000-100000	0	0	0
Greater than100000	0	0	0
Total	39	42	81

Particulars	Name	Designation	Remuneration (in Rs.) per year
Operational Head of the Organisation (including honorarium)	Dr. Sreelekha Ray	Executive Director	3,72,000.00
Highest paid person in the organisation Staff :	Mr. Sujit Ghosh	Asst. Director	5,01,636.00
Lowest paid person in the organisation (Staff or consultant):	Ms. Sanjita Tripura	Cook, Ratanmani Vidyalaya	36,000.00

INTERNAL MONITORING, EVALUATION AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT 2020 – 2021

VHAT has its **Internal Evaluation and Monitoring Committee** for guidance to proper implementation of the projects. This committee is headed by Prof. (Dr) Dilip Kumar Ray, one of the founder members and **Chief Advisor** to the organization. This committee has done the internal evaluation of the organization with the following dimensions:-

Purposes:

- ☐ Accountability to the donors.
- ☐ Accountability to the beneficiaries.
- ☐ Quantitative and qualitative contributions by staff and volunteers.
- ☐ Improvement of performance.
- ☐ Any gap in management of the projects.
- ☐ Measuring impact of the performance.
- ☐ Resource allocation and feedback on implementation.
- ☐ Public relations and fundraising supports for sustainability.

Methodology followed :

1. Review of the project activities and financial supports to achieve sustainable impacts.
2. Interactions with the staff of the Projects.
3. Interaction with the community / project beneficiaries.

Observations :

- ☐ The records and books of accounts were maintained as per requirements.
 - ☐ In case of all the projects VHAT tried to maintain the guideline for operation of the projects. As every project sanctioned by different funding agencies and respective funding agency has got its own plan of action, monitoring and reporting system to achieve targeted goals and achievements within set time, so the documentation of activities was as per requirement of respective funding agency.
 - ☐ For all the projects, monthly meetings of the staff were organized in presence of Executive Director for understanding the mode of operation and achievement.
 - ☐ The management of the organization give much importance on practicing ‘transparency and accountability’ which influenced all staff members for better contribution as much as they can.
 - ☐ Sustained supports from GiveIndia helped VHAT to continue the midday meal in Ratanmani Vidyalay, providing quality services for children of Anwesha Home and eye patients in VHAT Eye Hospital.
 - ☐ Support from Miracle Foundation in addition to the grants from other sources helped to improve the health, education and nutritional condition of the children in Anwesha Child Protection Centre.
 - ☐ Boys Children Home and CHILDLINE in Se pahijala District successfully extended the VHAT activities to the children in need of remote areas of state.
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- ☐ The sustained activities with NABARD projects in different areas of the state made good impact on development of social health and economic development in the rural areas.
 - ☐ Loka Swasthya Sambad was published and disseminated regularly on monthly basis. The quality writings on holistic health were very much attractive.
 - ☐ The organization has given much importance to enhance the capacity of the staff for better performance through trainings in regional and national level.
 - ☐ The projects undertaken by the organization were as per requirement of the community and the beneficiaries of focused groups were found very much confident to continue the activities by themselves in future.

- Capacity building of persons for income generation by community service through courses of NIOS under Ministry of Human Resource Development running by VHAT as AVI-700001, during last 20years could become very much attractive to the people of the state.
- New FCRA Registration opened the foreign support for many of the projects.

Gaps and Challenges :

- Some less capacitated grass root staff in the organization sometimes caused hurdles to get expected outcomes in some activities which require more trainings and monitoring.
- The organization has insufficient supports against staff salary in the approved budget of some of the present projects. So it is difficult to manage the salary of some of the core staff.
- Lockdown due to COVID 19 pandemic effected some of the project activities regarding timely implementation

Recommendations:

- There should be regular monthly and intense quarterly meetings of each project for better understanding of the progress which was lacking in case of some projects.
- Some of the core staff should be equipped for using more and more modern information technology for better monitoring and documentation of activities keeping space with the flying time.
- More effective endeavor was to be taken to find out the local support for Eye Hospital and other activities.
- Management of infrastructure and immovable properties to generate regular and enhancing income to ensure good future of the organization.
- More emphasis should be given for developing the competent second line leadership for the organization at least for sustained projects.



Inauguration of 32nd Annual General Meeting of VHAT



32nd Annual General Meeting of VHAT



Donation of dresses by VHAT for psychiatric patients of Modern Psychiatric Hospital

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- ☐ Directorate of Social Welfare and Social Education, Govt. of Tripura.
- ☐ Miracle Foundation.
- ☐ National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), Govt. of India.
- ☐ CHILDLINE India Foundation, Mumbai.
- ☐ Bloomberg Initiative
- ☐ Rapid Rural Community Response to COVID 19
- ☐ Impact India foundation
- ☐ The Union, New Delhi
- ☐ Chitkara University, Chandigarh, Punjab.
- ☐ Give India Foundation, Mumbai.
- ☐ Indian Social Responsibility Network (ISRN), New Delhi
- ☐ CBM, Bangalore.
- ☐ National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.
- ☐ The National Trust, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Gov of India
- ☐ All local Individual Donors.
- ☐ Department of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of Tripura.
- ☐ Department of Tribal Welfare, Govt. of Tripura.
- ☐ Department of School Education, Govt. of Tripura.
- ☐ Department of Urban Development, Gov of Tripura
- ☐ District Administration - West, Sepahijala, Khowai, South , Gomati , Dhalai, Unokoti & North Districts of Tripura.
- ☐ VHAT Board Members.
- ☐ VHAT General & Associate Members.
- ☐ VHAT Staffs and Volunteers.