



GUWAHATI GANA SEVA SOCIETY

To Communicate To Empower To Sustain



Annual Report 2019-2020

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GGSS PROFILE

The Guwahati Gana Seva Society is the social work wing of the Archdiocese of Guwahati having its principal office at Peace Centre, G.N.B. Road, Ambari, Guwahati. The society was formed in 1992 with the aim of supporting and empowering the poor and marginalized section of people irrespective of their caste, creed or religion living in the operational areas of the Archdiocese.

The Society lays its focus on livelihood promotional activities among rural farmers with sustainable farming practices and initiating Agri product marketing, group wise viable income generation activities among the rural SHG women and vocational trainings for school dropout and unemployed tribal youth. It also tries to tap various Govt. schemes and benefits for the target groups.

LEGAL STATUS

GGSS is registered under Societies Registration Act 1860, with registration number 2163/1992-93 obtained on 9th September 1992. It is also registered with the Ministry of Home Affairs under FCRA 1976 vide FCRA No., 020780064. It has also 12 (A) registration for tax exemption vide Registration No.12A/38/2001-02/1272-74, The Society's PAN No is AAATG5227D.

VISION

A Self-Reliant Society based on Love, Justice, Unity and Peace.

MISSION

To empower the poor and marginalized ethnic groups by promoting self-reliance among them through awareness creation and people's Organization

OBJECTIVES

- * To create awareness and mobilize the less privileged groups of the society and help them to improve their conditions and find solutions to their problems.
- * To assist and train the Animators to integrate, mobilize and develop human resources.
- * To formulate and undertake different developmental projects on education, health and agriculture for improving the socio-economic status of the people.
- * To collaborate with government and other secular organizations to promote development for humanitarian activities.
- * To undertake relief, rehabilitation and welfare services for the victims of flood, ethnic violence, fire etc. as the situation demands.
- * To initiate and undertake research, field study and documentation for the better planning, monitoring, and evaluation of our developmental activities.



Message from the President

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Guwahati Gana Seva Society, as the Social Work Entity of Archdiocese of Guwahati has benevolently contributed towards the growth and empowerment of the poor and marginalized sections of the society. GGSS has always stuck to its firm conviction to bring up the socio-economic conditions of the poor people of the Archdiocese through its various action orientated developmental activities. The Annual Report gives a gist of the various areas of significant development which GGSS has brought about through its commitment.

I am happy to note that GGSS had undertaken a great risk to assist the suffering needy brothers and sisters with its substantial contributions during the Covid-19 Pandemic Lockdown period. The contributions of GGSS towards the better health condition of mothers and children through health project activities among the inhabitants of rural areas are noteworthy in the health sector. Moreover, the sharing of practical knowledge on organic farming with the young minds of school going children, and reviving the traditional methods of farming activities among the farmers have contributed enormously to the people of the region. GGSS also has extended its assistance to improve and enhance the socio-economic conditions of poor widows by initiating a separate project for widows. It continues to provide a platform for learning various life skill activities to dropout youths and give scholarship to economically disadvantaged school going students.

I take this opportunity to request all the General and Governing Body Members of the Society and all the well wishers to continue their support to GGSS team in their commitment and effort to create a better homeland for everyone where every member of the society is regarded with dignity irrespective of caste, race, creed and religion etc.

Archbishop John Moolachira
President
Guwahati Gana Seva Society





Message from the Director

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A sustainable support and help can always build a better socio-economic life in any society. Guwahati Gana Seva Society, abiding by its vision and mission implemented various developmental projects to cater a sustainable empowerment to the poor and marginalized people of the society who are living within the jurisdiction of the Archdiocese of Guwahati. I am very glad to present the Annual Report of GGSS for the year 2019-2020. This year GGSS has initiated a significant project for widows who are belonging to BPL groups to assist them in their socio-economic life. It continues to provide a health care service for the children under five years and mothers through its health mission.

Another important area where GGSS is working with great effort is the empowerment of rural farmers. Sharing of knowledge on organic farming with men and women farmers has empowered them to produce organic food and to resume their traditional methods of farming activities along with various income generation activities. The organic farming activities among the hostel children have also become a source of learning for the students. School Dropout Youths are given opportunities to acquire sustainable vocational life skills. Inclusion of Persons with differently abled people is part of GGSS' developmental activities thereby the maximum care has been taken to support these group of people. The Lockdown Period announced by the Central Govt. due to Covid-19 Deadly Pandemic had created a great economic crisis amongst the poor people. Realizing the need of this pandemic situation, GGSS came forward to assist those suffering brothers and sisters of both rural and urban areas with dry ration kits, other hygienic and sanitizing materials. Thus, GGSS keeps alive its vision and mission by implementing various action oriented developmental activities amongst the neglected and marginalized sections of the society.

I thank the General and Governing Body Members, different funding agencies and well-wishers for their constant support and guidance, and working staff for their dedication and willingness which enabled GGSS to render its best services to the needy people of the region.

With Regards

Fr. Maya Martin Muchahary
Director
Guwahati Gana Seva Society



ENHANCED COMMUNITY ACTION FOR WATER, SANITATION AND NUTRITION IN NORTH EAST INDIA (Phase -IV)

Supported by NEDSSS

GGSS has implemented the Health Project, “Enhanced Community Action for Water, Sanitation and Nutrition in North East India (Phase – IV)”, supported by Northeast Diocesan Social Service Society (NEDSSS). Its aim is to provide a healthcare to needy population of the targeted 46 villages spread across the Assam districts of Baksa, Kamrup (Rural) and Goalpara.

The significant goal of the project is to enhance better health of children under five years through community efforts; to reduce occurrence of diarrhea through various initiatives; to improve maternal and child health; to provide healthy/quality service for reducing under weight of children under 5 years; to improve maternal nutrition and breast-feeding practice; and to enable communities/beneficiaries to lead a healthier life by availing primary health care services.

PROJECT LOCATION

S.L NO.	HEALTH FACILITATION CENTRE	DISTRICT	NO. OF VILLAGE	NO. OF HOUSEHOLD	POPULATION
1	St. Joseph’s HFC, Mariampur	Goalpara	12	1612	7902
2.	Ferrando HFC, Panishali	Goalpara	6	728	3365
3.	Santhome HFC, Malang	Kamrup (Rural)	6	541	2930
4.	Ozanam HFC, Nagrijuli	Baksa	12	1983	8592
5.	Shanti Niwas HFC, Kumarikatta	Baksa	10	1769	8711
Total	5	3	46	6633	31,500

ACTIVITIES

PROJECT ORIENTATION

North Eastern Diocesan Social Service Society (NEDSSS) organized a Project Orientation Programme at partner level at North East Diocese Social Forum, Joypur from 17th to 19th October 2019. The 42 participants, consisting of coordinators, Health Supervisors, Accountants and ASHAS, participated the programme. The



members were acquainted with the basic knowledge of the project implementation, documentation, data collection, use of tools for baseline survey and the importance of monthly reporting. Dr. Lincon Choudury, the main resource person spoke on the importance of enhancing the community

action for clean water, sanitation, nutrition and promotion of primary health care, focusing on women and children under the age of 5 years.

DIOCESAN LEVEL REVIEW MEETING

Diocesan level review meetings were held at GGSS Conference Hall which involved the discussion and sharing of opinions based on the project activities to be carried forward for the proper implementation of project. The meetings were facilitated by the presence of GGSS Director, Project Coordinator, Accountant and Health Supervisors. The participants made a detailed examination for action plan to reach out the beneficiaries with the expected results.



CAPACITY BUILDING

The Project Coordinator and Health Supervisors along with the Director assembled in GGSS conference hall on 16th November 2019 for the Capacity Building Session. Dr. Lukose P. J., the professor and the Head of the Department of Social Work at Don Bosco University, animated the Capacity Building Session. The participants were familiarized with the clear knowledge of Logical Frame Work and Result Based Management which require a completely different



approach from the traditional method. It was a new and enriching insight that enabled the participants to learn the necessity of being focused on the result of the project implementation and to have a better understanding of different aspects of the project.

DEMONSTRATION AND PRACTICAL TRAINING ON HAND WASHING, TOILET USE AND CLEANLINESS

A clean hygienic habit can enrich a healthy life. Guwahati Gana Seva Society focused on the poor inhabitants of backward rural area to provide a better health education. Focusing on its objective,



the health supervisors conducted demonstration and practical training on hand washing, toilet use and cleanliness in different locations of 46 villages under five health centers, Mariampur, Panishali, Mallang, Nagrijuli and Kumarikata. The end beneficiary groups included mothers, children under five, adolescents (girls and boys), pregnant and lactating mothers, village leaders, VHSNC, family members and communities. The health



supervisors along with ASHAS also carried out this practical demonstration in different school campuses with the proper permission of the school authority in order to inculcate in the minds of young children a good habit of cleanliness and toilet use. They were educated on the importance of hygienic and cleanliness, using toilets and hand washing, wiping hands with clean towel, etc. The focused groups were communicated with a message of cultivating a good habit of hygienic and cleanliness for maintaining a good health.

NUTRITIOUS FOOD PREPARATION, WEANING AND COMPLEMENTARY FOOD

Consuming energetic nutritious food and balanced diet for better health condition of mother and child was another area where the health project activities aimed to concentrate. A practical demonstration on nutritious food preparation was done to educate the target groups such as mothers, adolescent girls/boys, pregnant and lactating mothers and the village leaders. Video clips were shown to the participants in order to highlight the main aspects of practical learning on preparing balanced energy diet for mothers and weaning/complementary food for Children.



The participants were imbued with the knowledge of consuming balanced energy diet for good health. They were educated on the quality health care through balanced diet. They also learned to prepare complementary food for the children following the hygienic methods to improve better health conditions of the children and mothers.

DETECTION OF SKIN DISEASE AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

A medical assistance and general health checkup were conducted at village level under five health centers. The medical health camp helped to detect various skin diseases. The ailing individuals were given medical assistance. The doctors also provided proper instructions on how to take care of their health. There were around 654 patients who came for general medical checkup and out of which 266 were detected with various types of skin diseases. Dr. Jelur Rahaman Ahmad, Dr. Samuel Sarkar, Dr. Ganesh Deka, Dr. Manoranjan Talukdar and Dr. Mollai rendered their service for the medical camp.



CAMPAIGN ON NUTRITION, SANITATION AND WATER

Sharing knowledge on nutrition, sanitation and water with the inhabitants of backward villages brought awareness among them. The health project supervisors organised a mass rally campaign along the streets to share this knowledge. The participants were mothers, young adolescents, children, community leaders and others. The visible play cards were being carried out by the participants while conducting a mass rally campaign on the streets to generate awareness on nutrition, sanitation, environmental hygiene issues etc.



WOMEN LEADERSHIP: KITCHEN GARDEN / ANIMAL REARING/ HERBAL PLANTS

The empowerment of women to take a lead in the family economic life was focused through the



training of women leadership. The expert resource persons were invited to educate the women participants on kitchen garden, animal rearing and herbal plants. The participants acquired knowledge on nutrition, nutritional plants, food values, herbal plants and animal rearing to improve economic conditions for purchasing food materials.



ADVOCACY AND NETWORKING

Workshop on advocacy and networking meeting with govt officials was conducted at GGSS conference hall for 22 participants including ASHAs and health workers as well as health supervisors. The resource person, Mr. Pavan Kumar was invited from the Composite Regional Center for PwDs who is a vocational skill trainer. He shared knowledge on various government schemes, nutrition, water, and sanitation services for children.



ACHIEVEMENT

The activities of the project that aimed to enhance better health care for mothers and children have imbued the beneficiary mothers and children with the knowledge of hygiene and cleanliness. Women and girls are able to learn to prepare nutritious food and balanced diet. The village health camp provided opportunity for beneficiaries to be treated from various infected skin diseases. 266 patients who were detected with various types of skin diseases have been given medical assistance. The beneficiary mothers have been acquainted with the knowledge on nutrition, nutritional plants, food values, herbal plants and animal rearing to improve economic conditions of their families. A mass rally campaign on nutrition, sanitation, environmental hygiene issues etc. along the streets by mothers, young adolescents, children, community leaders and others have brought awareness among the inhabitants of backward villages.

FACILATATING AGRICULTURAL REGENERATION

MEASURE(FARM) NORTH EAST (Phase – II)

Supported by CARITAS INDIA

GGSS implemented FARM Northeast – Phase - II for 39 months supported by Caritas India since August 2016. The programme ended by October 2019. The project focused on promotion of traditional practices of agriculture, traditional governance, collective action for socio-economic development and promotion of traditional health practices. Select experts conducted an assessment on the impact of the programme implementation in community and organization level. The overall assessment of the project revealed that a certain degree of transformation had occurred in the key focus areas.

PROJECT LOCATION

State	Districts	PRI/Councils	Villages	Families	Population
Assam	Kamrup Metro	Tetelia	Lum-Sum Gaon	111	544
		Tetelia	Mitani	96	442
		Tetelia	Namgaon	84	426
		Khetri	Ulubam	104	565
		Khetri	Salana	99	486
		Khetri	Khaloibari	105	491
		Khetri	Bhugpur	64	279
		Khetri	Bhadaikuchi	63	308
		Dhupguri	Palasong	76	329
		Dhupguri	Nibira	57	303
		Dhupguri	Taloni	121	545
		Malaibari	1 No. Oujari	75	333
		Malaibari	GaonDimoria	126	617
		Topatali	2 No. Oujari	129	649
		Hahara	Amarapathar	84	453
1	1	6	15	1298	6770

ACTIVITIES

PROMOTION & AWARENESS ON INDIGENOUS SEEDS

Seed exchange programs conducted in the project villages encouraged 259 farmers for the promotion and preservation of indigenous seed. They exchanged their indigenous seeds as well as shared their knowledge of indigenous seeds



cultivation and process of preservation of seeds. The exchanged seeds are preserved for the next seasonal cultivation. The farmers have increased the quantity of seed preservation. They have set up indigenous seed banks at family and community level.



PROMOTION OF ORGANIC MANURE

Practical demonstrations on the process of composting organic manure through weed composting method by constructing weed compost chambers were displayed whereby the farmers gained knowledge of composting organic manure for the organic farming. Most of the chambers were constructed with bamboo which is locally available to make it affordable for every farmer.



PROMOTION OF TRADITIONAL AND CONVENTIONAL STORAGE TECHNIQUES

Farmers were trained how to store their agricultural products for longer duration through practical demonstrations on making clay pot fridge with the use of clay pots and on making zero energy cooling chambers with the use of bricks, sand and cement. This traditional knowledge enabled the marginal farmers to prepare an affordable clay pot fridge as zero energy cooling chamber. Both clay pot fridge and zero energy cooling chambers made out of bricks, sand and cement maintain similar temperature to preserve agricultural product for many days.



PLANTATION DRIVE OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

Promotion on environmental conservation and climate change adaptation awareness was created among the youths, children, male & female farmers belonging to the larger community. Plantation drive to utilize waste lands and community lands was a community initiative who realized the needs of environmental preservation for future generation. Each of the 15-village received around 240 – 250 tree saplings along with medicinal plants. These saplings were planted in the community place, along the road side, village schools and also in the backyards of family house-hold.



FACILITATING TRAININGS ON LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT

Enhancing knowledge on livestock management especially on pig farming through facilitating trainings was done with the support of State Veterinary, Khetri. The resource person, Dr. Sasanka Bora shared inputs on a systematic way of pig rearing and making it more profitable. The participants learned on construction of pigsty and the size of the room with proper ventilation system through evocative discussions.



KISAN MELA: INDIGENOUS AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND HANDICRAFTS

A Kisan Mela was held for three days in Khetri Community Hall near national highway and the market place. The farmers from 15 project villages took part in the mela and contributed with different kinds of seasonal agricultural products that were grown organically with indigenous seeds. They also added colour to the



mela with their handicraft items, traditional clothes and gamosa that were woven by women locally. The products from livestock management such as local chickens, ducks and eggs were made available. Medicinal plants, indigenous seeds and organic manure made out of weed and vermin compost were being sold by the farmers. At the end of each day, each farmer could make a profit of Rs. 400/- to Rs. 700/-. This Kisan Mela was an opportunity for the farmers to introduce their organic products and livestock product.



CELEBRATION OF WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS) celebrated World Environment Day on 5th June 2019 under FARM N.E. – II with the theme, “We can’t stop breathing but we can do something about the quality of air that we breathe”. Men and women, elderly, youths and children took part and planted 500 tree saplings along the road side on this particular day. Another 500 tree saplings were distributed to the community of 15 project villages in Khetri near national highway. At the end of the celebration a resolution was made to replant and replace if any of the planted tree sapling dies due to any reason in order to ensure the growth of tree saplings in visible structure. The celebration enhanced the promotion of clay cups instead of use of plastic cups in the local tea stalls.



ACHIEVEMENTS

80 men and women farmers from 8 project villages gathered 16 tons of turmeric & 4 tons of ginger seedlings from Dept. of Horticulture to increase income generation. 8000 tree saplings have been planted by the communities of project area along the road side and in the community places with the support of Dept. of Forest Nursery. 600 varieties of tree saplings and medicinal plants have

been planted in the village schools of Ulubam, Khaloibari, Salana, Palasung, Lumsum & No. 2 Oujari with the involvement of school children, parents, guardians and school management authority. Taloni Village Community together with school management authority of Robingaon Taloni L.P. School could avail school bags, water bottles, school uniforms, construction of floor and toilet facilities, 4 black boards, 2 almiras, 5 desks and 5 benches for 40 students from 1st to 5th Standard. The women farmers group of 4 villages have used different innovative methods to increase their farming activities and further they were linked with NRLM. They also have received a support of Rs. 25000/- each to continue and strengthen their ongoing activities.

The farmers from 7 project villages initiated a weekly market in Khetri near National Highway to promote a market value of organic agricultural products. 36 women farmers regularly sell their organic products in this weekly market without any middle men and make a good reasonable profit. 5 new women farmers' groups have emerged with the aim of mutual help and support. The first women farmers group started piggery business with 4 piglets. 50 women farmers engaged in income generation activities by rearing piglets, local chickens & ducks. The Youths of Bhodaikuchi Village Youth Clubs are trained on developing saplings and initiated a nursery with 10,000 betel nut saplings for commercial cultivation. The women farmers of Nangaon have set up a Local Nursery to produce papaya, chilly, oranges, betel nut and lemon saplings. They have developed 5,000 saplings which can be sold at the whole rate of Rs. 8 - 10. The community of Palasung village has planted 50 medicinal plants of 12 varieties in the campus of School. The farmers of 15 project villages have identified 50 varieties of indigenous seeds of cereal, millets and vegetables etc. A booklet is published on these indigenous seeds.

Booklet Printed on Indigenous Seeds



EMPOWERING COMMUNITY FOR NUTRITIONAL FOOD INTAKE THROUGH IMPROVING STATUS OF FOOD SOVEREIGNTY IN 1 DISTRICT OF NORTHEAST INDIA (FARM Phase – III)

Supported by CARITAS INDIA

Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS) has implemented three years interventions of 3rd Phase FARM North East – III supported by Caritas India, focusing on increase of food production and nutritional intake of the families, promotion of indigenous seeds for cultivation and consumption and control over the local market for the sale of excess organic products. The second phase project was implemented successfully and ended in October 2019. The 3rd Phase is being implemented in 13 villages of Mayong Block in Morigaon district. The kernel of the project is “People Led Development Approach (PLDA)”, giving people the power to take charge of their own transformational development.

PROJECT LOCATION

State	Districts	Block	PRI/Councils	Villages	Families	Population
Assam	Morigaon	Mayong	Guva	Puronigaonliya	78	434
			Guva	Notungaonliya	75	418
			Guva	Garangkuchi	29	161
			Guva	Kumarkuchi	62	345
			Guva	Daborghat	84	467
			Guva	1 No. Kuthori	70	389
			Guva	2 No. Kuthori	79	440
			Guva	3 No. Kuthori	48	267
			Guva	4 No. Kuthori	89	496
			Guva	Sunaikuchi	75	417
			Nellie	Mokoria	88	490
			Silchang	Gurigaon	116	550
			Silchang	Kolbari	43	245
1	1	1	3	13	936	5119

ACTIVITIES

LAUNCHING AND ORIENTTION

Third Phase FARM North East – III project was launched officially on 12 February, 2020 in Kumarkuchi village involving the communities of 13 project villages. Mr. Jonas Lakra, the Zonal Manager of Caritas India, Fr. Maya Martin



Muchahary, the Director of GGSS, Dr. D. N Dutta, the Consultant of GGSS were part of the launching program. The participant communities were oriented towards the project goal. The main concept of increasing food security and sovereignty, organic farming and promoting indigenous seeds were shared. At the end, the launching of 3rd Phase FARM N. E. – III project was marked by the plantation of tree saplings in community common ground.



CONCEPT SHARING AND COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION

Farmers and Communities of the project location were put on the right perspective through a series of concept sharing & community mobilization meetings held on the main goal of FARM Northeast Phase – III. Both male and female farmers of different age group were given opportunity to join in concept sharing sessions. During the sessions, the farmers discussed on the main issues of food sovereignty, increasing the production of nutritional crops, preservation & conservation of indigenous seeds, selling of surplus production in the local market, mobilizing local resources and govt. schemes, and People Led Development Approach (PLDA) & its process.



PROMOTION OF GOOD TRADITIONAL FARMING METHODS

A Farmer's Conference was organized by Caritas India in Bhopal from 2nd to 4th March 2020. It was a common platform for the farmers from different states of the country to share their traditional farming methods and techniques. Lalu Terang a lead farmer of the project village joined



the team of 16 farmers from entire northeast to represent Assam in the Farmer's Conference. During the program, he demonstrated the variety of indigenous agricultural products and their benefits.

FARMERS AND KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRA OFFICIALS

Farmers of the project villages took initiative to visit Krishi Vigyan Kendra in Morigaon. 28 farmers who visited KVK had an interaction session with KVK officials namely Dr. Riju Smita Sarma Deka, the Program Coordinator & Mr. Moonmoon Basumatary, the Plant Protection Specialist. The farmers returned back with the knowledge of various schemes and the process of organic certification.



SENSITIZATION ON OPTIMUM USE OF AVAILABLE LAND

Farmers were conscientized on the importance of using available little plot of fertile land for various agricultural practices. Sensitization program helped them to be aware of the growing demand for land due to population growth and its subsequent consequences of conflicts among the inhabitants. Use of land for different purposes such as recreational, transport, agricultural, residential & commercial were made known. They also discussed on identification of resources for cultivation of paddy crops, vegetables, fruit bearing trees, fishery, livestock management, floriculture, mixed farming, multi-cropping and use of water resource for irrigation facilities.



DEMONSTRATION AND PROMOTION OF SEASONAL AND MULTI-CROPPING

Input session on companion plants – plants that support each other and can be used for multi-cropping was given to farmers. Demonstrations on weed compost, vermicomposting, bio-pest repellent, bamboo propagation, clay pot fridge and SRI cultivation enhanced the farmers to use locally available resources as affordable for every economically weak farmer. The farming techniques for seasonal and multi-cropping with the use of local seed, compost manure and bio-pest repellent have become useful instruments for agricultural products.



ACHIEVEMENTS

300 farmers have identified 5 to 6 variety of indigenous seeds and preserved them to use for seasonal cropping. 28 Farmers visited Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) for inter face meeting with the officials for availing schemes for organic certification. As a result, 50 farmers are identified and registered under KVK for various schemes. 36 farmers from two different villages have prepared 84 bigha of land to cultivate different crops (Dancha, Paddy with indigenous seeds & mustard) on rotational basis for organic cultivation and certification. 14 farmers of two villages have prepared 70 bigha of land to grow Malbhog banana, Assam Lemon & Papaya on large scale.



PROMOTION OF FOOD SECURITY AND ORGANIC FARMING AT HOSTELS UNDER ARCHDIOCESE OF GUWAHATI

Supported by KINDERMISSION

Promotion of food security and organic farming among hostel children is a project that aims in promoting awareness on organic vegetable produce and its benefits amongst growing children. The project venture is a pioneering role taken up by GGSS under the support of Kindermission, Germany. The project implementation has been able to provide learning opportunities to the children on the method of organic farming and its benefits, and to provide ready access to fresh home-grown chemical free vegetables in order to ensure a good health and immunity. The project is currently being implemented in twenty-six hostels under the Archdiocese of Guwahati. The following are the main focus areas of the project.

1. To reduce the dependence on external market of vegetables and fruits needed for daily consumption of hostel inmates.
2. To impart skills-oriented training on sustainable agriculture and other allied subjects to the targeted school children.
3. To equip the targeted schools' children with knowledge in organic farming including soil fertility and land productivity, making bio-pesticides and other such agricultural related inputs.
4. To add to income through production of quality produce and reducing purchase cost of vegetables and fruits from external markets.

PROJECT LOCATION

SL. No.	Names of the Hostels	District	No. of Children
1	1. St. Thomas Boys Hostel, Kaki	Nagaon	30
2	2. St. Thomas Girls Hostel, Kaki	Nagaon	29
3	3. St. Thomas Boys Hostel, Khatiatoli	Hojai	40
4	4. Venerineri Girls Hostel, Khatiatoli	Hojai	38
5	5. St. Basil Girls Hostel, Chapramukh	Nagaon	31
6	6. St. Vincent Boys Hostel, Amsoi	Morigaon	38
7	7. Holy Cross Girls Hostel, Amsoi	Morigaon	28
8	8. Christ Joyti Boys Hostel, Silchang	Morigaon	33
9	9. Christ Jyoti Girls Hostel, Silchang	Morigaon	18
10	10. DBS Boys Hostel, Sonaiguli	Kamrup	33
11	11. Resurrection Girls Hostel, Sonaiguli	Kamrup	18
12	12. DBS Seminary Hostel, Sonaiguli	Kamrup	42
13	13. St. Francis Boys Hostel, Rangjuli	Goalpara	53
14	14. Little Flower Girls Hostel, Rangjuli	Goalpara	50
15	15. St. Ursuline girls Hostel, Goalpara	Goalpara	47
16	16. St. Thomas Boys Hostel, Goalpara	Goalpara	40
17	17. St. Paul's Boys Hostel, Panishali	Goalpara	18
18	18. Ferrando Girls Hostel, Panishali	Goalpara	30
19	19. DBS Boys Hostel, Chandrapur	Kamrup	31
20	20. DBS Girls Hostel, Chandrapur	Kamrup	33
21	21. St. Clement Boys Hostel, Sonapur	Kamrup	33
22	22. Little Flower Girls Hostel, Sonapur	Kamrup	28
23	23. St. Jude's Boys Hostel, Nagirijui	Baksa	23
24	24. St. Jude's Girls Hostel, Nagirijui	Baksa	14
25	25. St. Xavier's Boys Home, Tamulpur	Baksa	30
26	26. St. Xavier's Girls Boarding, Tamulpur	Baksa	29
TOTAL			837

ACTIVITIES

ORIENTATION ON ORGANIC FARMING

One-day project orientation on Ecological Hostel and Kitchen Garden was conducted for 26 hostels in-charges by which various inputs were given by the project staff. The participant hostel in-charges were animated based on the project goal and objectives and their important role and responsibilities towards successful implementation of project.

WORKSHOP ON PROMOTION OF ORGANIC FARMING

Knowledge on organic farming and chemical free consumption of food produce was shared amongst the students by conducting ‘**One Day School Level Awareness Workshop on Promotion of Organic Farming**’. The workshop aimed to introduce the young minds into the concept of organic farming and its allied relevance towards producing chemical free fruits and vegetables for better health condition. The students were sensitized on urgency of organic farming, differences between chemical farming and organic farming, importance of small organic kitchen garden, benefit of consuming chemical free organic vegetables and health effect of consuming non-organic vegetables produced by chemical farming. The resource persons Dr. D. N. Dutta and Project staff who shared their knowledge on producing vegetables, pulses and fruits organically facilitated the awareness workshop amongst the school children of the targeted hotels.



TRAINING CUM DEMONSTRATION ON ORGANIC FARMING

Education through practical demonstration can have a longer learning effect in the mind of a learner. Therefore, two days practical demonstrations on organic farming amongst the



targeted children of 26 hostels were conducted to train them on organic farming and to make more effective in its learning. Dr. D. N. Dutta, the Consultant-Agri and other project staff animated various sessions thereby demonstrated amongst the target children a practical preparation of bio inputs and pest preparation, seed preservation etc. with locally available resources. The practical



sessions effectively enabled the target children to have a better understanding on organic pest preparation and its alternative use in the place of chemically produced pesticides.

DISTRIBUTION OF SEEDLINGS

The project target hostels were facilitated on organic farming by providing 20 varieties of vegetable seeds and 9 varieties of fruit saplings for summer seasons. The distribution of seeds supporting the target hostels was done for the winter season as well. The availability of seeds for organic farming encouraged the children to engage themselves along with the farm support staff in preparations of nurseries, transplantation, irrigation, manure as well as seeds preservation.



FIELD MONITORING VISITS

Monthly field monitoring visits were conducted by the Director, GGSS and Agri Consultant along with project coordinator and field coordinators to check the progress of project implementation. The field monitoring visits helped the project staff to carry out the farming operations towards its expected goal.



STAFF CAPACITY BUILDING

Two days staff capacity building programme was held on 24th & 25th May 2019 for project staff and 26 farm support staff at St. Paul Pastoral Centre, Rangia, Assam. The programme aimed to provide a more clarity on the concept of Ecological Hostel Kitchen Garden, project operational strategy,

difference between chemical farming and organic farming, nutritious garden, preparation of organic manure and bio pesticide, production of chemical free vegetables, pulse and fruits. The resource persons Dr. Bongshidhar Kalita, the Ex-Joint Director of Department of Agriculture, Assam and Dr. D. N Dutta, the Agri-consultant, GGSS facilitated the staff capacity building programme.



TRAINING ON PLASTIC MULCHING /VERMICOMPOSTING

Children from 26 target hostels participated in hostel level training on plastic mulching and vermicomposting. This visible and practical demonstration programme for training on plastic mulching and vermicomposting enabled 832 children to involve actively and to have better understanding on vermin compost making and use of plastic in agriculture. D. N Dutta, the Agri-Consultant and the project staff conducted the practical sessions to make the learning more effective amongst the target children.



HOSTEL LEVEL QUIZ COMPETITION

Hostel level quiz competition was conducted for the hostel children to enhance and monitor the level of learning and understanding on food security and organic farming. 617 hostel children who actively participated in the programme were enriched with various agricultural terms and organic practices. The winners were awarded with the different prizes.



PRIZES FOR 5 BEST HOSTEL FARMS

Five best hostel farms were awarded for the efforts put in towards fruitful implementation of farming activities by the hostel children, farm support staff and the hostel warden. The selection of the best hostel was done with set criteria by Dr. D. N. Dutta, the Agri Consultant of GGSS. The prizes were handed over during the Annual General Body Meeting of Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS).



ACHIEVEMENTS

The project implementation has enhanced the knowledge on the importance and need of organic farming amongst the target hostel children. They have become aware about the necessity of organic farming and consuming chemical free agricultural products, and showing their keen interests to participate in organic farming activities along with farm support staff.

The target children have improved their skill in making and using of various organic pest repellents and their application during farming as an alternative use of chemical pesticides. They are now familiar with 20 varieties of vegetable seeds and 9 varieties of fruit saplings which are being grown by them in their residential hostel kitchen garden. As a result, the children are showing interest to know more on the process of growing various vegetables, fruits and tubers etc.

832 Children of 26 target hostels have improved the knowledge and skill on various processes and techniques involved in preparation and usage of vermin compost, vermin wash and plastic mulching. The children continue to refer the reading materials on organic farming while actively participating in organic farming.



SHELTER: TRIBAL WIDOWS' PROGRAMME FOR GOALPARA DISTRICT OF ASSAM

Supported by MANOS UNIDAS

Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS) has taken an empowering initiative to enhance the socio-economic life of poor widows by implementing a developmental project titled 'Shelter: Tribal Widows Programme' supported by Manos Unidas, Spain. The main focus point of the project is an integrated development of 103 targeted beneficiary widows belonging to BPL families. It aims in creating awareness, capacitating on need based and viable economic activities, imparting knowledge on the various government schemes available, bringing about social and economic sufficiency and supporting the tribal widows to run their families with dignity. It aims to equip and empower them to live a dignified life through various set training programmes and income generation activities.

PROJECT LOCATION

State	Districts	Block	Villages	Widow Families
Assam	Goalpara	Balijana	Mariam Nagar	9
			Bapuji Nagar	2
			Tilapara	3
			Bhalukdubi	9
			Bhaglamari	7
			Jyoti Nagar	2
			Matia Gorapara	9
			Bengkanda	6
			Bardomal	4
			Matia Majorburi	7
			Rampur	6
			Gojapara	6
		Matia	Garokhuta	9
			Millonpara	11
			Maijonga	13
1	1	2	15	103

ACTIVITIES

PROJECT ORIENTATION

The beneficiary 103 widows and project staff participated in the project orientation programme held on 28th & 29th October 2019 at SCJM Women Development Centre, Mariam Nagar, Goalpara. The participants were put into right



perspectives of the project implementation and its goals. The orientation programme helped to impart relevant information on the project and its objectives and goals. The roles and responsibilities of the support staff and beneficiaries were made clear.



TRAINING ON MENTAL HEALTH AND STRESS MANAGEMENT

The experience of different negative emotion can imprison a man into depression. A life of a poor widow living in the society may have various negative emotional experiences based on economic and social life. In such a juncture, the importance of external support to deal with such negative emotional experiences is necessary. Realizing this fact, GGSS conducted two days training on mental health and stress management programme providing knowledge of certain simple relieving techniques and tips to deal with everyday life stress. Miss Purnima Pegu (MSc. Psychology, Phd research scholar) shared her knowledge in this field with the widows.



IMPORTANT EVENTS CELEBRATION

The initiative was taken to mark the important international events by celebrating *Hunman Rights Day*, *Girl Child Day* and *International Women's Day* along with the project beneficiaries, thereby providing them the knowledge of their rights & dignity, equality of men and women, equal opportunity for both boy and girl child etc. These significant occasions were celebrated at SCJM Women Development Centre, Mariamnagar, Goalpara. Women and girl children were the main participants of the events.



HOUSEHOLD & FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The struggle of poor widows can also be attributed to lack of basic knowledge on economic management and resource mobilization. A learning platform was arranged to educate the beneficiary widows with basic knowledge on household and financial management, and resource mobilization by

conducting three days training programme. Fr. Mathew Kisku, Sr. Sangeeta Kujur, Miss Joyrita, the Accountant, Mr. Hitishmandal and Sr. Ajita Majhi animated the 103 widow participants.



CAPACITY BUILDING

Four Days Capacity Building Training was held for the field animating staff by facilitating them with the knowledge of self-confidence, self-esteem, SWOT, Panchayat Raj, leadership & relationship, time management, communication skill, financial management, laws & rights of widows etc. Sr. Ruby Scjm, Sr. Sangeeta and Sr. Ajita animated the programme.



DEVELOPING HOMESTEAD NUTRITION KITCHEN GARDEN

103 target widows were given a training on developing homestead nutrition kitchen garden enabling them to learn how to grow a nutrition kitchen garden, to make vermi compost, herbal insecticide and manure with locally available resources. They were enriched with knowledge of the harmful effect of non-organic farming and its chemical fertilizers. These two days training programme empowered the widows to appreciate the importance of organic farming and homestead nutrition kitchen garden.



SMALL WIDOW GROUPS

Guwahati Gana Seva Society formed 21 Small Widow Groups through this Shelter project focusing on the need of creating a common platform for the 103 target widows to come together to share their common problems, to find opportunity and possible solutions to the needs of their families and to develop a mutual support for living a dignified life like any other members of the society.



FAMILY VISIT

The project staff made regular field visit capacitating themselves to build up a good rapport with the poor 103 widows and their family members, and to understand family level economic conditions and social life of the poor widows.



MONTHLY STAFF REVIEW MEETING

Progress of the project implementation has been reviewed by the staff in regular monthly staff review meeting. The review meeting helped the staff to monitor the project activities as well as to make appropriate action plans for the next.



ACHIEVEMENT

The implementation of Shelter project for BPL tribal widows in support of enhancing their socio-economic life in the society as wells as formation of 21 Small Widows Groups have become a common platform for the widows to come forward to share their problems and sufferings, struggle to lead family life, solutions to common economic problems etc. The widows are realizing their potentials and capacity to build up alternative ways of earning for better livelihood. A positive attitudinal and behavioral changes are seen among them. The beneficiary 103 widows are empowered with the knowledge of financial management, of good mental health and leading a life of stress free, of developing a homestead nutrition kitchen garden etc.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR DROPOUTS AND UNEMPLOYED YOUTH UNDER GUWAHATI, ASSAM

Support by FVTRS, Bangalore

Vocational Training for dropouts and Unemployed Youth is a project on vocational training for school dropouts and unemployed youth. This project is designed to provide livelihood opportunities for the selected school dropout girls/boys in the targeted areas who could not proceed in formal education due to poor economic condition of the families. The financial backwardness of the tribal families forces many of the children to discontinue their formal education and join the family members to work as daily labourers to support in everyday living. Self-employment opportunities can be created for them by providing vocational trainings on viable trades.

ACTIVITIES

GARMENT MAKING AND EMBROIDERY

Training on tailoring helped 30 youths to develop the skill of garment making and embroidery. Some of them are able to initiate a home-based tailoring shop. A few trainees are working in tailoring shops and others are self-employed.



HOUSEKEEPING TRAINING PROGRAMME

15 women were trained on housekeeping and hospitality and educated with the basic knowledge of cleanliness and maintenance, eco-friendly surrounding relationship, modern use of technology and equipment, skills in language efficiency and communication, etiquette etc.



BAG MAKING

Practical knowledge on bag making was imparted to 15 dropout girls enabling them to learn the basic techniques on bag making and providing them an opportunity to produce products for market value with locally available resources. As a result, these girls could support themselves with their small earnings.



Skill Net Group and EDP Training



CASE STUDY

Mrs. Jiuti Sangma, 29 years old, physically challenged tribal girl lives in Mariam Nagar, Goalpara. She is the eldest daughter of a family whose economic life solely depends on mother of the family. Due to poor economic condition, mother runs a small tea stall in the village and her father involves in irregular daily wage labour work. The poor economic condition of the family, negative result in tenth standard and difficulties in reaching the school premise forced her to discontinue from her formal education. In spite of



her challenging physical condition, she renders her service for household works in the family. Being a differently abled person, she is not less in learning certain life skills for livelihood. She has enrolled herself to be trained in Garment Making and Embroidery in SCJM Women Development Center, Goalpara. Training on life skill and EDP also helped her to develop her skills and build up self-confidence and self-esteem. Later, she begun to use her skills to stitch variety of purse on contract basis. She also bought a sewing machine with her little saving. She works in her cousin's garment shop providing her service through stitching various type of garments. Gradually, she is able to earn Rs. 300/- per day. At present, she is also appointed as an instructor of Garment Making in SCJM Women Development center with monthly payment of Rs. 8000/-. Now she is capable to support her family economically and at the same time she gained more confidence to lead her life like any other ordinary people. As a skilled individual, she is able to share her knowledge as well as be a source of inspirations to others. Now, she lives a dignified life with her son and husband.

ACHIEVEMENT

The vocational training sessions have become a platform for the school dropout girls/boys from the villages where they can be motivated and engaged in meaningful activities and also re-enter into the world of education like joining NIOS schemes and getting certificates and able to go for higher education. The youths trained through this vocational training sessions were employed in various income generation activities. They are able to support themselves and as well as their families.

INCLUSION OF DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS IN THE DISASTER RISK REDUCTION (DIDRR) PROGRAMMES IN 21 VILLAGES OF CHANDRAPUR AND DEMORIA BLOCKS OF KAMRUP METRO DISTRICT OF ASSAM

Supported by CBRF, Bangalore

Guwahati Gana Seva Society implemented the project Inclusion of Differently Abled Persons in the Disaster Risk Reduction Program creating an environment in the society whereby the local community takes responsibility for the growth and development of its members who have disabilities as it does for its other members making use of all available resources and opportunities. Especially, it is important that, in times of calamities the physically challenged people are able to take care of themselves.

PROJECT LOCATION

State	Districts	Block	Panchayat	Village			
Assam	Kamrup Metro	Chandrapur	Pachim Mayong	Nalini			
				Guvali			
				Bherberi			
				Dipuji			
				Dipujipathar			
				Dighalhathi			
				Malobasti			
				Purnashali			
				Kalangparbasti			
				Amarapathar			
				Dewshal			
				Dumdang			
				Demoria		Barua Bari	Digarupar
							NonKparakuma
	Digaru	Juboi					
		Dhangiri					
		Ghoguwa					
		Jarikuchi					
		Tapangtali					
	Belguri						
	Kurkuri						
1	1	2	3	21			

ACTIVITIES

RBM WORKSHOP

Result Based Management Workshop (RBM) programme was conducted at Bosco Reach Out (BRO) from 19th to 22nd September 2019 facilitating the participants with the knowledge on Situation Analysis, Results Based Planning and Management, Field Reporting, Rights



perspective on problem tree situation analysis and solution tree situation analysis. They also learned about different types of results, levels of results and outcome of results.

CAPACITY BUILDING

The village taskforce team, parents of PWDs and a few PWDs were given opportunity to partake in capacity building programme organized at St. Paul's Pastoral Centre, Rangia from 30th Sept. to 2nd Oct. 2019. The programme aimed to enlighten the minds of the participants with proper understanding of the concept of PWDs, inclusion and mainstreaming of PWDs. It also highlighted the necessity of village taskforce team and concretization of it with a few groups. Mr. Francis Maringmei from CBR Forum facilitated the programme.



MOCK EXERCISE

Knowledge on life saving skills during emergency situation especially during natural calamities such as flood are utmost important skills whereby the persons with differently abled people can be supported. Based on this concept, Mock Drill Exercise was conducted on 31st Oct. 2019 with the available three resource persons from civil defense. 65 participants including PWDs, taskforce group members, ASHAs and Anganwadi workers could learn certain basic life-saving skills from this Mock Drill Exercise.



REFLECTION WORKSHOP

Md. Enakshi Datta from CBRF visited Guwahati Gana Seva Society for reflection workshop. Prior to actual reflection workshop on 23rd November 2019, she visited three project villages; Ghogowa, Topangtuli and Jarikushi of Demoria Block. The



reflection workshop analyzed both positive and negative aspects of project implementation especially emphasizing the major problems of safe drinking water, disturbance of wild animals in project location, facilitating disability certificate and other aids and appliances.

WORLD DISABLE DAY

International Day of Persons with Disabilities was celebrated on 3rd December 2019 in the project location to mark the day with due consideration of differently abled people in the society like any other members. The celebration provided a common platform for the PWDs to show their talents, ability and skills in various fields, thereby the message was communicated that the persons with differently abled are also useful members of the society in which he/she lives.



PARTNERS' MEETING AT NATIONAL LEVEL

A four-days national level partners' meeting was held in Bangalore from 7th to 9th January 2020 for the training of Partner Staff in use of Manual (TOT). It was attended by 3 members of GGSS (The applicant, the programme organizer and the field organizer). The training provided ample knowledge on national and international legal framework on disability & disaster risk reduction, inclusive vulnerability capacity assessment, making early warning disability inclusive, making search rescue & evacuation disability inclusive, making shelter management disability inclusive, making livelihood disability inclusive and advocacy and networking.



TRAINING & FIELD TESTING

An integrated program of training of community members, differently abled persons and Field Testing was conducted on 21st & 22nd February 2020 in Naloni, Topantoli and Belpuri villages under Chandrapur and Demoria blocks of Kamrup Metro district of Assam. Mr. Luis Loithas and the project staff actively involved in the programme analyzing the inclusion of person with differently abled in the flood prone areas, identification of different problems of vulnerabilities, early warning systems, livelihood, advocacy, mock drills etc. The programme also provided training for task force group and understanding on the inclusion of person with disabilities in the society like any other member of the society is given equal rights and dignity as human being.



WORKSHOP

One day Workshop on Situation Analysis was conducted on 5th March 2020 at Guwahati Gana Seva Society conference hall for GGSS core staff members providing basic knowledge on situation analysis, inclusion of PwDs in various activities of organization and society at large. There were 21 participants for this workshop.



ACHIEVEMENTS

The implementation of Inclusion of Differently Abled Persons in the Disaster Risk Reduction (DIDRR) programmes in Chandrapur and Demoria blocks has enabled the Guwahati Gana Seva Society to come out with informative picture of CwDs & PwDs living in 21 villages of project location. According to survey report identification there are 121 PwDs out of which 65 PwDs have disability certificates. The formation of 18 village taskforce group has enhanced the villagers to understand the need & support of the PwDs at time of disaster. 13 PwDs accessed to social security and other entitlements of aid and appliances. The community and task force groups have taken initiative to build up a positive attitude towards CwDs & PwDs and extend their helps and supports in acquiring disability certificates, aids and appliance and other rights and entitlements.

PROMOTION OF FARMERS PRODUCER ORGANISATION (FPO)s On PIGGERY IN TAMULPUR BLOCK, BASKSA DISTRICT (BASUNDHARA)

Supported by NABARD

Enhancing the economic condition of the rural farmers, GGSS continues to follow up Farmers Producer Organization (FPO) 'BASUNDHARA' even after the successful completion of the project implementation supported by NABARD. The staff members carried out various activities to support and improve livelihood of poor farmers.

ACTIVITIES

MOBILIZATION OF FARMERS

In support of Basundhara Producer Organization, GGSS conducted awareness programmes to mobilize the local farmers to create interests on scientific pig farming. The members of Basundhara Producer Organization also shared their experience and knowledge with neighbouring farmers. The farmers were given information of the aims & objectives and responsibilities of FPO, GGSS & NABARD and how the producer organization can become Producer Company and have maximum benefits. Through regular mobilization meetings FPO members increased from 50 to 250 women shareholders to work as a group.



TRAINING & EXPOSURE VISIT

Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS) supported the FPO members by conducting training on Scientific Pig Farming in collaboration with Dep. of Veterinary & Animal Husbandry at Tamulpur. It also provided certain basic knowledge of scientific way of rearing animals. The members were given opportunities to have an exposure visit to National Research Centre on Pig. In order to strengthen the capacity of FPO members, the GGSS networked with Rural Self Employment



Training Institute, Baksa and State Veterinary Hospital, Tamulpur. As a result of networking with other govt. institutes 87 FPO members were given chance to participate in the training programme on scientific pig farming, goat rearing and sales & marketing which was organized by Rural Self Employment Training Institute. The participants received eligible certificates to apply for bank support to continue their pig farming.



LIVESTOCK INSURANCE

The support of Veterinary Hospital, Tamulpur helped the FPO members to know the importance of livestock insurance and many have registered for livestock insurance.



MONITORING VISIT

GGSS staff made regular monitoring field visit in order to evaluate and follow up the progress of FPO. This helped the FPO members to strengthen their activities toward greater achievements.



MONTHLY FPO MEETING

Monthly Meeting of the FPO were organized every month at registered office. The meeting created a common platform for FPO members to discuss common problems faced by them in progress and functioning of FPO especially income earned and status of revolving fund and establishing credit linkage with banks and other institutes etc.



POHAR – THE EDUCATION AID

By Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS)

Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS) has taken an endeavor to bring up the children belonging to backward section of the society through its mission of *POHAR* – The Education Aid. The objective of its mission is to provide a minimum basic need of financial aid to the poor children who are finding difficult to afford themselves. Every year the organization selects neediest students from different Institutions and supports them with Rs. 5000/- per student to meet the cost of admission and tuition fee. In the academic year 2020 GGSS extended its financial support to 30 students from 14 parishes of the Archdiocese of Guwahati.

STUDENTS OF THE YEAR 2020

S/no	District	Parish	Name of the School	Name of the Student	
1	Baksa	Tamulpur	St Xavier's High School,	Regena Besera	
2				Sabitry Kisku	
3		Nagrijuli	St. Jude's English Medium School,	Patras Hembrom	
4				Willma Mardi	
5		Goreswar	St. Ambrose School	Payal Boro	
6				Silmita Sangma	
7	Goalpara	Rangjuli,	St. Francis of Assisi School,	Preniash Monin	
8				Acnasiush Sangma	
9				Francis Marak	
10		Matia	St. Sebastian's School	Salnora Sangma	
11				Alphonsa Momin	
12				Rittime Sangma	
13		Panishali	St. Paul's High School	Grikna Saniti Ch. Marak	
14				Nukanchi K. Sangma	
15				Jonitha Sangma	
16				Aibyora R. Marak	
17		Bhalukdubi	St. Thomas School	Tenus Sangma	
18				Serobina Marak	
19		Kamrup Rural	Chaygaon	St. Louis School	Silchi Ch. Sangma
20		Kamrup Metro	Sonapur	St. Patrick's High School,	Rishma Toppo
21					Marcus Balen Nag
22			Chandrapur	Don Bosco School	Wednes Marak
23					Anushka Marak
24		Nagaon	Chaparmuk	St. Basil's Academy,	Manisha Topno
25	Amsoi		St. Vincent's high School	Anysia Beypi	
26				George Angtuk Kro	
27	Kathiaroli		St. Thomas English School	Bijoy Rongpi	
28				Gloria Horo	
29	Morigaon	Sankardev Nagar,	St. Teresa's School,	Teresa Anushmita Minj	
30				Riyan Kindo	

VISIT OF FUNDING AGENCY, TAMULPUR

Mrs. Carmen Angulo and Mr. Antonio Casla, the representatives of Funding Agency Manos Unidas, Spain visited the organization and project location Tamulpur in Baksa district on 18th August 2019. The delegates of the Funding Agency came to assess the effect of project implementation based on the completion report submitted, project titled, “SUPPORTING TRIBAL ADOLESCENT GIRLS TOWARDS EMOPWERMMENT, AMITY AND DEVELOPMENT (STEAD)”. A short felicitation programme was conducted in project location with the presence of 150 adolescent girl students thereby the representatives could have interactions with them regarding the benefits of the project completion. They were satisfied with the positive responses that were given by the project beneficiary themselves. The programme ended with a few cultural dances and the photo session.



EMERGENCY RELIEF RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC & FLOOD 2019-2020

By Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS)

God created man instilling the power of reason whereby man is able to develop intellectual power to create a better and a comfortable living world with lots of modern technologies. This speaks volumes of intellectual power of man in the world. God also left the man with certain limitations which the reason and man's intellectual power can not suffice them. Therefore, man remains helpless when unpredictable natural calamities and other forms of pandemic occur in human history. The limitation of man is experienced in all over the world when the normal human life situation is put into stand still by the Deadly Pandemic Covid-19. The power of reason and the intellectual power of man proved to be insufficient to deal with the reality but to submit before the Creator accepting the tremendous effects of the pandemic. The rich and poor all over the world are called to stand unitedly to cope up with the reality of pandemic.

Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS), realizing the need of the people affected by natural calamities and lockdown period of Covid-19 pandemic came forward with its staff and volunteers to extend its help to the helpless sections of the society during this pandemic and crisis period. The organization carried out Emergency Relief Response in different phases/intervals during the lockdown period of Covid-19 Pandemic as well as flood with the support of various men and women religious institutes, parishes and Caritas India within the Archdiocese of Guwahati. During these deadly pandemic Covid – 19 and flood, GGSS supported 4147 families with dry ration kits and 300 families with unconditional Rs. 3800/- cash transfer to each beneficiary's bank account figuring total population of 19720. The Emergency Relief Response was carried out in six districts Kamrup Metro, Kamrup Rural, Baska, Goalpara, Hogaia and Morigaon of Assam. The organization along with the Archdiocese of Guwahati also donated Rs. 300000/ lakhs to Assam Chief Minister's Relief Fund in support of fighting the calamities of lockdown period of Covid-19. Guwahati Gana Seva Society reached out the worse sufferers of lockdown period of Covid-19 Pandemic and the flood both in urban and rural areas.

Phase – I: Flood Relief

4th August 2019 Demoria & Chandrapur,
648 Families



Phase – II: Flood Relief

18th August 2019 Bangalipara, Oubari &
Balahati, 115 Families



Phase – III

29th December 2019

Distribution of 200 Blankets to Prisoners, Goalpara District Jail

Phase – IV

Covid – 19 Relief Response
During Lockdown Period
2140 Families

Donation to Assam Chief Minister's Fund



St. Michel the Archangel's Parish, Damra



St. Thomas Parish, Balukdubi &
St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Majerburi
112 widows



Guwahati City
Chanmari & Gita-Nagar



St. Alphonsa Parish, Tillapara



St. Francis of Assisi, Rangjuli



St. Ambrose Parish, Goreswar



St. Sebastian Church, Matia



St. Louis Parish, Chhoygaon



Phase - V

Emergency Relief Response COVID -19 Kamrup Metro – City, 744 Families

Maligaon



Sonaiguli



North Gitanagar



Kusal Nagar Nizarapur



City Slum Area



Door to Door Relief Distribution: Guwahati City



Phase - VI

Emergency Flood Relief: Morigaon District

11 September 2020

Wash Kits – 500 Families & Rs. 3800 Cash Transfer – 300 families



GUWAHATI GANA SEVA SOCIETY,
G.N.B. ROAD, AMBARI, GUWAHATI: ASSAM

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 2020

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT (Rs.)	PAYMENTS	AMOUNT (Rs.)
To Opening Balance		By Project Expenses (Sch A)	1,24,12,380.60
Cash in Hand	15,996.00	" Programme Expenses	
Cash at Bank	56,80,636.99	Capacity Building Training on Food Processing	28,010.00
Fixed Deposit	10,64,167.00	Project Orientation on CST	6,500.00
Advances	2,09,950.00	Resource Mobilization Training(NEDSS)	29,106.00
		Training of Caritas Volunteers (Caritas India)	32,600.00
" Project Receipts (Sch- A)	99,06,507.00	" Other Activity Expenses	
" General Donation	4,25,006.00	Salary & Wages	70,500.00
" Income Tax Refund	1,489.00	Telephone & Internet Expenses	10,428.00
" Program Receipt		Duty, Taxes & professional Fees	47,990.00
Training of Caritas Volunteers (Caritas India)	32,965.00	Electricity Expenses	34,187.00
Project Orientation on CST (NEDSS)	6,500.00	Refreshment Expenses	16,225.00
	39,465.00	Travelling Expenses	3,000.00
" Interest Received		Vehicle Running & Maintenance	1,14,889.00
SB Interest	1,94,414.00	Computer Maintenance	22,498.00
FD Interest	81,135.00	Printing & Stationery	40,976.00
Interest on TDS Refund	101.00	Postage & Courier	1,132.00
	2,75,650.00	Newspaper & periodicals	2,306.00
		Bank Charges	2,344.88
		Functions & celebration	37,760.00
		General Expenses	25,445.00
		Website Expenses	19,506.00
		" Capital Expenditure	
		Equipment	1,43,820.00
		CC TV	52,140.00
		Computer & Accessories	54,300.00
		" TDS Receivable	8,773.00
		" Closing Balance	
		Cash in Hand	18,699.00
		Cash at Bank	30,43,401.51
		Fixed Deposit	11,37,188.00
		Advances	2,02,762.00
			44,02,050.51
Total (Rs.)	1,76,18,866.99	Total (Rs.)	1,76,18,866.99

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF
GUWAHATI GANA SEVA SOCIETY,

PLACE: GUWAHATI
DATE: 03.08.2020

AS PER OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE
FOR: H.K. AGRAWALA & ASSOCIATES
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
FRN-319293E

CA. SUDIPA ACHARJEE
PARTNER
MEMBERSHIP NO.: 305209



GUWAHATI GANA SEVA SOCIETY,
G.N.B. ROAD, AMBARI, GUWAHATI: ASSAM

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH, 2020

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT (Rs.)	ASSETS	AMOUNT (Rs.)
GENERAL FUND		FIXED ASSETS	
Opening Balance	19,56,781.99	(As per Schedule 'B')	7,81,406.00
Less: Net Deficit Transferred to General Fund	49,738.88	INVESTMENT	
	19,07,043.11	Fixed Deposit	11,37,188.00
PROJECT FUND		LOANS & ADVANCES	
(As per Schedule A)	32,90,827.40	Advances	2,02,762.00
		TDS Receivable	14,414.00
		CURRENT ASSETS	
		Cash-in-hand	18,699.00
		Cash-at-Bank	30,43,401.51
Total (Rs.)	51,97,870.51	Total (Rs.)	51,97,870.51

SCHEDULE 'C' OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES & NOTES ON ACCOUNTS

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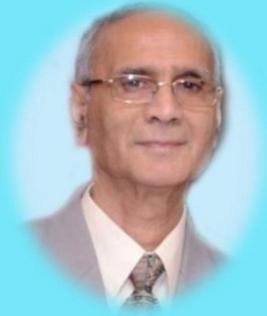




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