



SRI MAHALAKSHMI SAMAJA SEVA HAGU SAMSKRUTHIKA SAMSTHE ®

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Introduction:

The Sri Mahalakshmi Samaja Seva Hagu Samskruthika Samsthe (SMSSHSS) is a registered society and actively working at Kudligi – Bellary district of Karnataka state. It intends to empower the marginalized and deprived for social, educational, cultural & economic self-reliance to combat acute poverty. Since 2005 it has been imparting services for core areas like education, health, empowerment, community development and skill development etc. And the action area is landless, illiteracy, unemployment, agricultural uncertainty and migration which lead adverse impact on children's education and also health. Therefore organization has been made intensive efforts by imparting various need & rights based services such as campaigns, capacity building, formation & promotion of SHGs, formal and non-formal educational activities, medical screening & skill development initiatives etc. The organization has been successfully initiated all the activities through Participatory Methodology for promotion of people's participation, development of ownership, attitude, leadership quality and sustainability of the activities.

Legal Status:

Sri Mahalakshmi Samaja Seva Hagu Samskruthika Samsthe has been registered under Karnataka Societies Registration Act. 1960. on Feb 28, 2005, No. DR/SOR/335/2004 - 05 at Bellary district, Karnataka.

Management:

SMSSHSS has office bearers and the management committee subject to its rules and regulations. The management committee has been consists eleven members with versatile backgrounds such as social, academic, administration and technical.

Operational area:

SMSSHSS has been implementing various developmental programs in Bellary, Haveri & Raichur districts of northern Karnataka and we focus thrust areas like acute poverty, migration, illiteracy, unemployment, malnutrition, gender, labour, health & educational issues etc.

Supporters:

SMSSHSS intends to serve inclusive development for the weaker sections of the society and we have raised funds from the general public/likeminded and Govt. as well and also it has been properly utilized for the accomplishment of organization aims & objectives.

- SSA - Education Dept.
- Zilla Panchayath – Bellary
- Agriculture Dept.

Activities:

SMSSHSS has been successfully conducted various developmental activities with the generous support of general public, Govt. & organization as well. The programs are as bellow.

- Healthy baby shows.
- Awareness campaigns on children's rights.
- Celebration of World Yoga Day.
- Spoken English coaching for unemployed youths.
- Medical screening for general public.
- Tailoring training program for poor women.

- Child labour campaigns.
- Celebration of national festivals.
- Orientation of farmers on organic farming.
- Celebration of world disability day.
- Free computer training for unemployed youths.
- Capacity building for SHG groups.
- Celebration of world women's day.
- Food supply for KGVB schools.

1. Healthy baby shows.

Children represent the richest resource of any country and they are the future of the nation. Hence every parent must think and practice towards proper care and development of the children. In this regard we have found in our action area there is a low enrollment and poor health & hygiene amongst children in some Anganwadi centers. Therefore we have organized healthy baby shows in three ICDS centers in Kudligi taluka with the support of Dept. of WCD and nearly 210 children and mothers were benefitted.

2. Awareness campaigns on children's rights.

Children rights awareness observed promotion & protection of their rights. According to UN convention on the rights of the children that India ratified in 1992 all the children are born with fundamental rights such as survival, development, protection & participation. Even though India's children account for more than one-third of its population their interest has never been given priority & their rights have been violated every day. In this regard we have campaigned in three Gram Panchayths of Kudligi & Sandur taluks it has been resulted increase in school enrollments & minimizes child labour as well.

3. Celebration of World Yoga Day.

The "World Yoga Day" (WYD) will be celebrated on 21st June every year around the world which enables the unity of mind, body and soul. Different forms of yoga benefit our physical and mental health in different ways. Yoga is the most favorable method to connect to the nature by balancing the mind-body connection and also useful to control over mind and body as well as getting proper health of body and mind by reducing the stress and anxiety. Therefore we have celebrated World Yoga Day in Kudligi and in that nearly 70 persons were actively participated.

4. Spoken English coaching for unemployed youths.

In today's global world, the importance of English cannot be denied and ignored since English is the most common language spoken everywhere. With the help of developing technology, English has been playing a major role in many sectors however it is of supreme necessity for a good quality job and to flourish in one's career. Hence we have successfully conducted one month free spoken English coaching for 25 unemployed youths in Hospet.



5. Medical screening for general public.

Even after decades of freedom, India is struggling to provide basic health services to its people and health care services to meet the immediate health care needs of the marginalized community in the remote rural areas and slums through standalone camps. A general health check-up camp has been conducted in Sandur with the support of noted physicians and in that nearly 140 parents & children were diagnosed and also provided necessary medicines.



6. Tailoring training program for poor women.

India has come a long way since independence women's who constitute nearly half of the population and play a very significant role in the home and outside and collective efforts have been initiated for education and empowerment of women particularly SC & ST in rural areas to learn at their own pace & set their own priorities to seek knowledge and information. Keeping in mind we have conducted free tailoring training program in Hospet with the support of ZP – Bellary and in that 50 girls & women's were trained.



7. Child labour campaigns.

Child labour has become a biggest issue in any under developing countries due to acute poverty and poor schooling opportunities for the children. The highest incidence rate of the child labour is still more than 50% in which children of age group 5 to 14 are working in the agriculture and domestic sectors which is mostly found in the rural and informal urban economy. Healthy children are the bright future and power of any nation thus child labour is damaging, spoiling and destroying the future of the children and finally the country. Therefore we have organized massive public awareness programs in four Gram Panchayaths of Kudligi & Hospet taluks to overcome the issue.



8. Celebration of national festivals.

Every year we proudly celebrate national festivals with lots of enthusiasm and pleasures and festivals are 15th August - Independence Day and 26th Jan - Republic Day. In that we have organized several programs for children and nearly 110 children's were actively participated in different programs like speeches, essay writing, drawing, singing & dancing etc. and distributed prizes to the winners.



9. Orientation of farmers on organic farming.

The organic farming is a way of farming, which excludes the use of chemical fertilizers, insecticides, etc. It is primarily based on the principles of use of natural organic inputs and biological plant protection measures. The purpose of organic farming is not to go back to primitive form of indigenous knowledge and skills using the vast potential of various kinds of residues and water. Therefore we have organized one day training program for farmers on organic farming in Hagaribommanalli with the support of noted agriculturist.



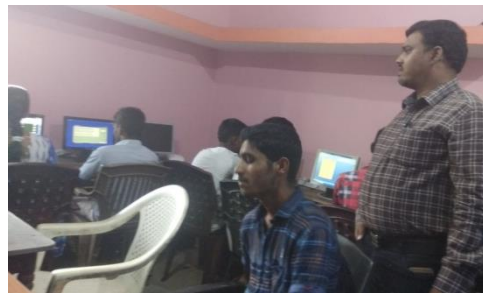
10. Celebration of world disability day.

3rd December the observance of the day to promote, understand & mobilize support for the dignity, rights & well-being of the PWDs. Disability as a curse and fact it brought misfortune in the family and some even think it is a communicable & not curable disease. Hence we have campaigned amongst the general public and also encouraged more than 40 PWDs to participate the district level event and most of the persons were actively participated & bagged the many prizes



11. Free computer training for unemployed youths.

Computer is playing vital role in modern life and it has great importance because use of computer has reached almost all spheres of life. The modern life of today includes information and contacts with people all over the world. But due to poverty some of the students specially collage drop-outs unable to access the facilities. Hence we have been successfully conducted free computer training program in Kudligi with the support ZP Bellary & in that 50 candidates were enrolled for the course.



12. Capacity building for SHG groups.

Self Help Groups represent a unique approach to financial intermediation. The approach combines access to low-cost financial services with a process of self management and the development of the women. Groups can also be community platforms who become active in village affairs, participation in election and to address social or community issues like abuse of women, alcohol, dowry system, schools and water supply etc. Hence we have provided necessary inputs to 20 SHG groups in our office.



13. Celebration of world women's day.

'International Women's Day' will be celebrated on 8th March every year around the world. It is marked as general celebration of respect, appreciation and love towards women and it is customary for men to give the women in their lives – mothers, wives, girlfriends, daughters, and colleagues etc. In this related we have celebrated this event in Kudligi and nearly 60 women's were took active participation.



14. Food supply for KGBV schools.

Organization has been providing well-nourished food for children of Bommagatta KGBV school of Bellary district.

Conclusion:

The SMSSHSS has been successfully initiated various developmental programs with the active participation of general public/targeted groups and also constant efforts by the team. In this regard we have found positive changes amongst the children, youth, women & community as well and also had strong rapport in the action area while working with the weaker sections/needly and it has been developed credibility, transparency and accountability which enable to mobilize sufficient funds for various activities. We do admit that much more needs to be done due to limited funds and resources we restricts the expansion of our services.