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From the Desk of the Executive Director ................

For some social work is a profession and for some it is a passion. For us at Centre for Development Service social work comes naturally to the people associated with it as the organization was originated at the grass-roots level. Since its establishment in the late 1990s the organization has been working to reach its long term objective of upliftment of the poor and the downtrodden and provide a better opportunity to the most marginalized section of the society.

During the year 2009-2010 Centre for Development Service undertook several programmes for the benefit of its target group. While implementing the programme, care was taken to cover the uncovered and the underserved area. There was both success and failures. We appreciated both as failure is the ladder of success and it was learning experience. Experience of participation in International workshop was truly excellent

Many people and organizations were associated with the organization during the year of reporting. I take the opportunity to thank all of these people and organizations who contributed positively in the implementation of the programmes. At the outset I sincerely thank the Local Administration for providing all necessary help to the organization. I am also thankful to the District and Block officials who encouraged us to work for the better. We are also obliged to ANSA – SAR, SANKALP (USA), BASAID (Switzerland), MoEF (GOI), PRIA (ORISSA), DWSM (Angul) who reposed their faith in us to be associated with them. In the time of crisis many people and organizations extended their helping hand by supporting in cash and kind. I am thankful to them. Last, but not least, the small staff of the organization deserves a special mention for without their active support it would not have been possible to achieve the spectacular results we were able to reach.

I expect that all these people and organization will continue to provide their support to the organization in the future also.

(Er. M. K. Tripathy)
Executive Director

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GENESIS OF THE ORGANISATION

Centre for Development Service (CDS) has come a long way since its establishment in the late 1990s by a group of like-minded people in the district of Angul who wanted to work for the poor and the downtrodden by pooling local resources together. It was started as a small movement specifically aimed at addressing the local needs of the poor and the marginalized section of the society. In the absence of much resources emphasis was given mainly to empower the people so that they can demand their just rights from the people. This small effort did not go unnoticed by the local people who not only urged but also encouraged to work more for them. Encouraged by this spontaneous response it was decided to give it a formal shape to make the intervention more effective and pooling the required resources. So all these people came under a single platform, christened it Centre for Development Service (CDS). Later in order to make the effort more effective it was decided to get a legal status for this small forum. Thus the organization was also registered under the relevant act as a voluntary organization. After the effort was formalized the organization has not looked back and it working for the reaching the broader objective of the organization.

LEGAL STATUS

- CDS is registered under the Indian Societies Registration Act, 1860 (Act of XXI) in the year 1998-99 with registration No. ANL 1604/75 at the district level & later registered at the state level in the year 2003-04 with valid registration No. 21586/21
- The organization is registered under the foreign contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 in the year 2003 with valid registration no. 104830124
- Registered u/s 12AA of income Tax 1961 bearing No. 117/2002-2003
- Registered u/s 80G of income Tax Act 1961 bearing No. 118 of 2006-07
- The organization has got permanent Account No. AAAAC1945R
- The organization is affiliated with Nehru Yuva Kendra, Khurda bearing No. NYK/BK/252 of 2005-06
Vision Statement
CDS environs a society which is based on an egalitarian principle in which the poorest of the poor is also assured the right to survival and a society in which all the people have access to equal opportunity without discrimination on grounds of caste, class, race, religion or region.

Mission Statement
To work for the empowerment of the people, especially the poor and marginalized so that they can undertake the development agenda on their own

OBJECTIVE OF THE ORGANISATION
To translate our goal into reality certain objectives has been set up by CDS and maximum efforts have been taken to bring out objectives into reality. The main objectives of the organization are to give education to the children below fourteen years, provide assistance to the weaker section, women, children, marginal & small labour, STs, SCs, work for water and sanitation in the rural areas, carry out livelihood activities for the welfare of the under privileged society & organise various awareness and capacity building programmes.

Some of the specific objectives that are close to the heart of the organization are –

- Promotion of education, training and awareness building.
- Imparting vocational trainings for the educated and unemployed youth and women.
- Building up skills and capacities of the rural youths, particularly of women, for taking up group based enterprising activities to improve standard of living of the poor and marginalized.
- Strengthening people’s organizations and helping the poor and the backward to voice against social and economic injustice.
- Enhancing community capacity to fight against exploitation and find out alternatives to make the people self-reliant.
- Afforestation and its management through community action.
- Ensuring the benefit of the governing facilities reaching to the people and participation of the community in their village development process.
- Formation of village level women’s organization and linking them to build up networks and fight against gender discrimination.
- Construction of IHL & School Toilet Blocks for healthy sanitation and better environment.
- Improvement in food productivity through small Irrigation system & use of scientific methods.

**STRATEGY**
Our strategy is to empower the people and make them aware regarding their rights and duties so that they take care of the development process on their own.

**STRENGTH**
The real strength of the organization is the people and stakeholders who have extended their unqualified support to the organization in every respect.

**GEOGRAPHICAL AREA OF OPERATION**
At present CDS is working in Banarpal, Angul, Talcher and Chhendipada Block of Angul District & Bhubaneswar Block of Khurda District. The activities of the organization are spread over in nearly 100 villages of these Blocks.

**CURRENT PRIORITY AREAS**
The organization has outlined the following activities as its priority areas for the next couple of years
- Primary Education
- Food Security
- Health & Sanitation
- Agriculture
- Women & Child Development
- Environment
- Natural resource management
- Income Generation
- Rural Development
- Training
- Capacity Building
- Awareness Generation
TARGET GROUP

- STs, SCs, OBCs
- Women and Children
- Small and Marginal Farmers
- PRI Representatives
- Grass-root level Institutions
- Civil Service Providers
- Poor & Marginalised
- Forest Right committee Members

STAFF

The organization is fortunate to have a dedicated band of professionals who implement all the programmes of the organization in a thorough professional manner. We have interdisciplinary professional staffs who are dedicated to achieve the long term objectives of the organization. The organization has 12 staff on full-time basis & in addition to that there are Volunteers associated with us who are working as per need.

MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE OF CDS

The organization is based on the democratic principle. The organization is managed by a General Body. The Executive Committee i.e. Governing Body of CDS is authorized by the General Body to take decisions for day-to-day functioning and is the apex Body which takes and approves all kinds of policy decisions when placed before the Body for its approval. Executive Director of the organization is the chief functionary and is authorized to carry out the decisions of the Governing Body and execute the development activities.
PROFILE OF ACTIVITIES DURING THE YEAR 2009-10

During the reporting period the organization undertook several programmes for reaching the long term objectives of the organization. While implementing the projects care was taken to put more emphasis on the process of empowerment. During the reporting period the organization has undertaken several programmes for the target group as described below.

District level workshop on Devolution of Power:

During the reporting period, a one day district level workshop on devolution of power was organized in collaboration with PRIA, Orissa on 17th July 2009 at DRDA Conference Hall, ANGUL. The workshop was inaugurated by Mr. Santosh Kumar Naik, President, Zilla Parisad, Angul. Among other dignitaries who participated included Mr. Ranjan Kumar Rout, State Coordinator, PRIA, Orissa, Mr. Bikash Ch. Rath, Sr. Programme Officer, PRIA, Orissa, Mr. Manas Ranjan Acharya, Chairman Talcher Panchayat Samiti and President of State Panchayat Samiti Mahasangha, Mr. Priyadarshi Pattnaik, Chairman Angul Panchayat Samiti, Mr. Sankarsana Hota, Secretary Orissa State Panchayat Parishad, Mr. Samir Routray, President Orissa Sarapancha Mahasangha, Mr. Pratap Chandra Pradhan, Vice Chairman, Talcher Municipality & Er. Mahendra
Kumar Tripathy, Executive Director, CDS, Banarpal, Angul. More than 68 Nos. of participants including PRI Representatives, NGO functionaries, Media people (both electronic & print media) attended the workshop.

**National Environment Awareness Camp:**
CDS participated in NEAC 2009-10 on combating Climate Change and conducted various programmes like public meeting-cum-awareness generation camp, drawing competition and plantation in school premises in Angul & Khurda district of Orissa. Mr. Bikash Chandra Rath (Researcher and managing trustee NIDDI, BBSR) & Dr. Bidyut Patra (Director Envotech, BBSR) were the resource persons in the programmes organized at Palasuni High School, BBSR where as Mr. Sisir Kumar Tripathy (Sr. Social Activist) & Dr. Debabrata Panigrahi (Scientist KVK, Angul) were the resource persons in the programmes organized at Panchayat High School Fulpada, Angul.
**Total Sanitation Campaign:**
CDS continued with its programme on Water and Sanitation during the reporting period. Providing safe drinking water and a good sanitary condition to the people is a prime focus area of CDS. The organization is associated with District Water and Sanitation Mission, Angul in the Total Sanitation Campaign that is being undertaken in the District. Till date 294 Individual Household Latrines were constructed for BPL categories of people in Fulpada GP of Angul district and in addition to that lot of sanitary materials were provided to the APL categories of people on cost of pay. The organization took care to provide quality hardware which is essential to motivate people to encourage them to use the latrines.

**Child Education Programme:**
CDS believes that education is the main weapon with which most of the ills affecting the society can be addressed in the proper perspective. The children belonging to the poor strata of society are devoid of quality education. In order to provide them an avenue for quality education the organization is running a school – *CDS Public School* at Palasuni in Bhubaneswar.
The main objective of this school is to provide quality education to the children from lower and medium income groups. Started from 2003-04 the school has facilities to teach six classes starting from lower nursery to Std- III. About 80 children are enrolled in this school who receive quality education by well qualified teachers. Apart from the regular curricula the children are engaged in various extra-curricular activities.

**Restoration of Livelihood**
In CDS operational area there are some poor Schedule Tribes (Kandhas) people living in a hamlet area of Talmul Pattana village. There main occupation of their survival is stitching Sal leaves (Khalis) and selling those in the near by areas and working as daily labourers. On 4\(^{th}\) March 2009 this hamlet was totally burnt and about 200 people of 40 house holds become homeless and lost their livelihood activities.
The poor community was facing much hardship for restoring their livelihoods. They had received some support from the local administration which is meant for their temporary survival and repair of the thatched roofing. No action had been initiated for restoration of their livelihood. The support which they got from the govt. sources could not restore their livelihoods. In this situation CDS wanted to intervene to restore their livelihood activities and contacted many donor agencies and finally it was SANKALP, the Indian Student Association in IOWA State university of USA who had came forward and supported CDS. The 1st installment was released on last week of March 2010 and the work will start soon

**Activities on Health**
During the reporting year a Voluntary Blood Donation camps was organized in Fulpada GP of Banarpal Block with the help of old students association of Fulpada UP School. More than 60 units of Blood were collected in this camp.

The organization deputed one of its staff Mr. Susant Tripathy to NRHM Angul as a trainer and he had trained nearly 200 ASHA workers in Banarpal, Hindol, Bhuban and Koshala PHC.

**District Action Plan:**
The Organisation has also conducted facilitation work for Chhendipada, Talcher & Kaniha Block for preparation of Angul District action plan with the support of PRIA, Orissa
International Workshop

(a) The organization was invited to participate in a proposal development workshop held at Pegasus Reef Hotel, Colombo from 23rd to 25th Nov. 2009 organized by Affiliated Network in Social Accountability (ANSA) –South Asia Region (SAR). Executive Director CDS Er. Mahendra Kumar Tripathy & Honorary Advisor Mr. Rana Roy participated in this programme. All expenses related to this programme were borne by the host organization.

(b) Another workshop was organized by ANSA-SAR at Hotel SARINA of Dhaka, Bangladesh on tools development for transparency and accountability from 7th to 11th March 2010. Executive Director CDS Er. Mahendra Kumar Tripathy & Honorary Advisor Mr. Rana Roy participated in this programme. All expenses related to this programme were borne by the host organization.
Prefunding Appraisal
The project proposal on Environment submitted by CDS to EEJP New Delhi was initially selected for prefunding appraisal and a representative namely Mr. Prasant Rajankar had visited the organization operational area and evaluated the organization. Similarly another project on restoration of livelihood was evaluated by Dr. Lamboodar Mishra representative of BASAID, Switzerland. Unluckily both projects could not be cleared.

Development of Organisation Website:
Looking to the need of donors and to raise the credibility of the organization it has been decided to develop and host a website for the organization. Accordingly it has been developed with the help of twin consultancy, BBSR and after finalization it will be hosted soon as www.cdsorissa.org.

Future Involvement
During the reporting year various project proposal were prepared and submitted to different donor agencies for financial assistance. Out of that a project on Transparency and Accountability in NREGA & FRA through use of RTI had been approved by ANSA-SAR and MOU had been signed in this regard. The work will start from 1\textsuperscript{st} April 2010 and will continue for a period of 2 years.

Visitors and Guests of the Year:
During the reporting period the prominent persons who had visited the organization or participated in different programmes on behalf of CDS are –

1. Mr. Santosh Kumar Naik, Chairman, Zilla Parisad, Angul
2. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Rout, State Coordinator, PRIA, Orissa
3. Mr. Bikash Rath, Senior Programme Officer, PRIA, Orissa
4. Mr. Gourahari Nath, Rtd. D.A.O. Talcher –cum- Chairman CDS
5. Mr. Debabrata Panigrahi, Scientist, KVK, Angul
6. Mr. Prasant Dash, Jurnalist, OTV & Convenor, Dist. RTI Forum, Angul
7. Mr. Sisir Kumar Tripathy, Sr. Social Activist, Angul
8. Dr. Bidyut Patra, Director, Envotech, BBSR
9. Mr. Prasant Rajankar, Representative from EEJP New Delhi
CONCLUSION

During the year 2009-10 the organization undertook several programmes for the benefit of the poor and down trodden. The main focus areas for intervention for the next few years have been set as Women Empowerment, Livelihood, Food Security, Primary Education, Capacity Building, Health & Sanitation and Environment etc.