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

The state of Odisha is known for its poverty and impoverishment where about half of its population lives under the poverty line and in a state of impoverishment. The Govt. of the day is doing its best to address several issues concerning the poor and the marginalized. But still the results are yet to show at the ground level. As a responsible civil society organisation Centre for Development Services (CDS) is working hard to supplement the Govt. effort by contributing its bit for betterment of the society.

The organisation has come a long way since its establishment in the late 1990s. During the year 2012-13 it undertook several programmes and new partnerships were forged. CDS tried to undertake the programme in the unserved and under-served areas and took care to ensure that poor and marginalized are benefited out of the programmes of the organisation.

While implementing the programmes many organisations and people provided moral support to the organisation in implementing various programmes of the organisation. Our supporters and donors reposed their faith on the organisation for which I am thankful to them. I am thankful to BASAID (Switzerland), Keystone Foundation, Kothagiri, Tamilnadu, DWSM (Angul), State institute of Rural Development (SIRD), BBSR & District Rural Development Agency, Angul for their assistance and support. Many charitable people provided their support for fulfilling the objectives of the organisation. 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  
Centre for Development Service (CDS)
Centre for Development Service (CDS) - A Brief Profile -

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 people deeply concerned about widespread poverty in the district of Angul who wanted to work for the poor and the marginalized groups by pooling local resources together. It started as a small movement specifically aimed at addressing the local needs of the poor and the socio-economically backward section of the society. In the absence of resources, the organization focused on empowering people through awareness generation so that they could demand and exercise their just rights. Later these initiatives assumed formal shape and became more organized when the organization was registered under Society Registration Act, 1860 and FCRA.

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 1962 bearing No. 235 of 2009-10
- 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

The organization has a vibrant executive committee consisting of board members from social sciences, engineering, education background who play a supportive role. Our board has laid down the principles of democracy, equity and social justice as the guiding principles of the organization.

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

The detailed objectives are enumerated in the Memorandum of Association of the organisation. However some of the important objectives which are dear to the heart of CDS are –

- To empower the poor and the marginalized to enable them to look after their own development
- To work for increasing livelihood options for the poor and marginalized
- To ensure rights of the dalits & adivasis through a process of empowerment
- To make the women aware regarding their due rights
- To work for the welfare of the children and ensure their rights
- To provide quality affordable education to the poor children

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.

CORE VALUES

- Honesty
- Thorough Professionalism
- Secular
- Gender-sensitive
- Sincere to the cause
- Committed to the values

GEOGRAPHICAL AREA OF OPERATION

The organisation is working primarily in Angul district of Odisha. Besides that it is also working actively in the capital city of Bhubaneswar in the district of Khurda.
CURRENT PRIORITY AREAS

The organization has outlined the following activities as its priority areas for the next couple of years

- Livelihood
- Health & Sanitation
- Education
- Environment
- Agriculture
- Women & Child Development
- Food Security
- Income Generation
- Capacity Building
- Social Security

TARGET GROUP

- STs, SCs, OBCs
- Women and Children
- Small and Marginal Farmers
- PRI Representatives
- Grass-root level Institutions
- Poor & Marginalised
- Below Poverty Lines

HUMAN RESOURCES

CDS has a small but dedicated band of professionals who are implementing all the activities of the organisation efficiently. From time to time the staffs of the organisation are provided training both inside and outside the organisation to enable them to contribute more positively. At present the organisation employs 20 no. of full time professionals. Besides, there are some volunteers who are also working for the organisation as per need.

WE ARE PROUD TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH

- Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India
- State Social Welfare Advisory Board, BBSR, Odisha
- BASAID, Switzerland
- District Water & Sanitation Mission (DWSM), Angul
- SANKALP, USA
- Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India
**MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE OF CDS**

CDS is a democratically governed institution which is based on democratic principles of equality and accountability. The General Body is the supreme decision-making body of the organisation which meets at least once a year and major policy decisions are taken at this forum. For day-to-day functioning of the organisation a Governing Body is elected by the General Body for a fixed term. Besides, the Governing Body also elects various office bearers who are accountable to the General Body. Executive Director is the Chief Functionary of the organisation who manages the affairs of the organisation in good faith in the best interest of the organisation. A broad outline of the organisation structure is given below.

**ORGANOGRAM OF CDS**

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General Body
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Governing Body
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Executive Director  Chairman
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Supporting Staff  Consultants / Advisors
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 SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

CDS undertook several programmes during the year 2012-13. While implementing the programme care was taken to ensure that poor and marginalized were covered under the various programmes of the organisation. A brief profile of activities is given below.

1. Programme on Livelihood

CDS, an association of a group of committed and professional social workers, has been working in the field of integrated rural development. The focus of the organization is empowerment of poor and marginalized section of the society through intervention with active involvement of the community.

In course of its intervention BASAID, Switzerland has supported this social organisation to implement a project for socio economic development of the people of Durgaprasadpur village in Talmul GP under Banarpal Block of Angul district. Activities supported under the project are construction of village community centre, avenue plantation, farmer’s training & training of WSHG members on IGP. The work of village community centre is completed during the reporting year and opened for multiple usage of the community after inauguration by the local MLA-cum-Minister of state (steel and mines) Mr. Rajanikant Singh on 8th February 2013.

2. Training of elected PR Representatives

To reach out wider community and disseminate information relating to progressive legislation CDS has adopted the strategy to build up the capacity of the elected PR members. The organization over the period of time has been focusing on building the capacity of them with adequate knowledge and skill on progressive legislations, particularly on rights and entitlements of poor and marginalized. The objectives of such initiative are to generate awareness about the provisions of progressive legislation and other entitlement programmes among masses, build adequate capacities within communities to effectively use these laws/schemes and initiate dialogue with government and other stakeholders on emergent issues.
In this context, during the reporting year CDS conducted Nine (9) training programs on capacity building for the above mentioned categories of people of Banarpal Block at the district head quarter Angul supported by SIRD, BBSR / DRDA, Angul. Various entitlement programmes, the procedures to avail the same were discussed in these training programmes. The training resulted in building up the understanding of the participants and increasing their confidence to work for their communities to access their rights and entitlements. The participants also discussed about the actions to be taken up at the community level towards mass awareness. In addition to various resource persons from SIRD pool the eminent personalities who visited the training programmes include Project Director DRDA, Angul Mr. Udhab Ch. Kar & BDO, Banarpal Ms. Subhadarsinee Swain

3. Community Based Environmental Governance

Empowerment of marginalised communities for protecting their basic rights to life and livelihood which is being increasingly threatened and adversely affected by a growing environmental degradation in the CDS operational area in Angul district of Odisha owing to unmindful industrial growth and absence of proper environmental governance.

A project is being implemented with the support of Keystone Foundation in select Gram Panchayats (lowest governance unit) of Angul district, which happens to be one of the most industrialised districts of the state. The state has also been known to be one of the least developed one in the country. The said gram panchayat areas happen to be the worst affected from unplanned industrial growth and mounting pollution resulting in serious livelihood threats for communities living in the region. The project is focusing on setting up community based environmental governance models which would contribute in protecting basic human rights pertaining to life and livelihood of the communities.
4. Development of IEC Materials

As a part of information dissemination, organisation publications in local odia language were distributed to all the participants/stake holders during various training programmes organized. Several community education materials were also circulated for benefit of the community. Quarterly news letters were also published & distributed to a wide range of local stakeholders including government agencies and departments.

5. Primary Education Programme

CDS is working on primary education since 2003. In order to provide quality education to the children belonging to the poor and the marginalized class the organisation running a public school from own sources at Palasuni, Bhubaneswar. In this school more than 80 children from pre-nursery to class IV are provided quality education through trained teachers and care givers. Extra curricular activities were also organised.

6. Training and Capacity Building

From time to time the organisation sends its professionals to various organisations and agencies to undergo training and capacity-building programmes. The members of the organisation attended the following seminars and workshops which helped them strengthening their inner-self to work more efficiently.

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7. Guests of the Year

The organisation feels privileged to have received many famous dignitaries and officials during the year who have taken time off their busy schedule and visited the organization / participated in different activities. In the course of their visit they have given many words of
advice which have worked as elixir to achieve the goals and have determined us to work even harder.
A detailed list of them is described here under -

1. Mr. Rajanikant Singh, Minister of State, Steel & Mines, Govt. of Odisha
2. Mr. Nirmala Garnaik, Chairman, Banarpal Block
3. Mr. Uddhab Kar, PD, DRDA, Angul
4. Mr. Nigamananda Panda, APD, DRDA, Angul
5. Ms. Subhadarshinee Swain, BDO, Banarpal Block
6. Mr. Subrat Mishra, Nodal Officer, SIRD,BBSR
7. Mr. Subash Ch. Das , ABDO, Banarpal Block
8. Ms. Pranati Nibedita, APD Training, DRDA, Angul
9. Mr. Rajanikant Sahoo, RP,SIRD
10. Mr. Ashutosh Mishra, RP,SIRD
11. Mr. Bibhuti Bhusan Pattnaik, RP,SIRD
12. Ms. Pritimanjari Pradhan, RP,SIRD
13. Mr. Jayant kumar Jena, RP,SIRD
14. Ms. Snehalata, Keystone Foundation, Kothgiri, Tamilnadu
15. Mr. Madhu Ramnath, Keystone Foundation, Kothgiri, Tamilnadu
16. Prof. Dr. Prafulla Kumar Mishra, Chairman, PG Council, Utkal University, BBSR
17. Ms. Bishnupriya Otta, Prof., Dept of Odia, Utkal University, BBSR

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