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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 organization Centre for Development Services (CDS) is working hard to supplement the Govt. effort by contributing its bit for betterment of the society.

The organization has come a long way since its establishment in the late 1990s. During the year 2013-14 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, District Water & Sanitation Mission (Angul), State Institute of Rural Development (SIRD), BBSR / District Rural Development Agency, Angul, Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd., Angul for their assistance and support. Many charitable people provided their support for fulfilling the objectives of the organization. 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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- 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 environ 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 & Pattamundai Block of Kendrapada district.

**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
- Disaster Management
- Agriculture
- Women & Child Development
- Governance
- Capacity Building

**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
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 the 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

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

CDS undertook several programmes during the year 2013-14. 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 under taken during the reporting year are avenue plantation; farmer’s training on System of Rice Intensification (SRI) method of paddy cultivation & training of WSHG members on Mushroom Cultivation.

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 from the year 2007. 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 three (3) such training programs on capacity building for the above mentioned categories of people in Athmallik Block of Angul district at Deuljhari Guest House 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 person who visited the training programmes was the sub divisional panchayat officer Mr. Gajendra Barik.

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, Tamilnadu in 4 select Gram Panchayats (lowest governance unit) of Angul district, which happens to be one of the most industrialised districts of the state. A base line study has been conducted in order to have a deeper understanding into various dimensions of environmental degradation in the project region & an environmental issue profiling has been done. Formation of people’s committees on environment are facilitated in the villages of all 4 project GPs. Orientation meetings for the environment committee members were organized at the village levels, leaflets developed under the project were distributed for their basic awareness about the environment issues of the area. Village level camps were organized at different locations of the project area to test the water quality & create interest among the community to know the procedure which they can do independently.

4. **Plantation under CSR Activity**

Industrial technological revolution and speedy exploitation of every bit of natural resources have caused serious threat to ecosystem of Angul-Talcher region in Angul district of Odisha. Rapid industrialization and mining operations have left with polluted rivers, polluted air, natural calamities, contaminated soil, depleted wildlife and exhausted natural resources. The present scenario reflects an alarming situation of grave environmental crisis and ecological imbalance in the whole district.

In the above stated context CDS executed a plantation programme in Fulpada GP under Banarpal Block of Angul district, Odisha. The area is located in the vicinity of largest Power Grid
sub-station of Asia under construction. Nearly 3000 trees of different kind were planted in this area with the support of Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd under CSR activity.

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 organized through out the year.

In addition to this during the reporting year the organization also supported to a local govt. run primary school to organize its annual sports & cultural function in Banarpal block of Angul district.

6. Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan

The organization was selected from Angul district based on its previous works experience to supply its staffs on out sourcing basis for setting up block resource centres for implementation of Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) program.

Thus with the support from District Water & Sanitation Mission, Angul for setting up Block Resource Centres under Angul & Talcher RWSS Sub division 4 persons were appointed by CDS on contractual basis for a period of one year initially as Block Coordinator & Cluster Coordinator respectively and posted at Angul and Palahara Block for implementing Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan. Out of them 2 persons are continuing their work in Angul block & it is expected that their appointment will be renewed.

7. Health Programme
During the reporting year CDS conducted a free Health Check-up camp at Kukudang Village of Banarpal block under Angul district of Odisha in collaboration with the local gram panchayat. The camp was organised at the local GP office and about 200 persons attended the camp. Dr. Saraswat Mishra, Medicine Specialist of Dist HQ Hospital, Angul and four (4) technicians facilitated the camp. The persons attended the camp were provided facilities of free blood sugar testing, blood pressure check-up along with free medicines for various types of patients. Ex- sarpanch of the GP Mr. Amiya Tripathy helped the organization in smooth management of the programme.

8. Disaster Management Programme

During the reporting year CDS organized several programs related to formation of task forces and shelter management committees and to build their capacities to reduce the impact of disaster in Kendrapada District of Odisha in association with its affiliated CBO ‘Anwesan’ (the nodal agency of Odisha Disaster Management Authority (OSDMA) for Pattamundai, Rajknaika and Rajnagar blocks in Kendrapada district). While carrying out the above mentioned activities special thrust has been given for shelter based disaster risk reduction activities.

9. 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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10. **Guests of the Year**

The organisation feels privileged to have received 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. Names of them are described here under -

1. Mr. Huub Kistermann, Both Ends, Netherland
2. Mr. Bikash Rath, Sr. Program Officer, RCDC, BBSR
3. Mr. Gajendra Barik, SDPO, Athmallik, Angul
4. Dr. A. K. Sahoo, Ex. Scientist, RRL, BBSR
5. Mr. Pankaj Kumar Rath, VLW, Fulpada
6. Mr. Sachin Kumar Singh, FDO, Kalyani, Regional Office, Angul
7. Mr. Ashutosh Mishra, RP, SIRD
8. Ms. Anjali Pradhan, RP, SIRD
9. Mr. Anil Ku. Mishra, RP, SIRD
10. Mr. Sailendra Pradhan, RP, SIRD

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