



North East Diocesan Social Service Society

Enhancing Human Potentials to Empower Communities

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ABOUT NORTH EAST DIOCESAN SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY

North East Diocesan Social Service Society or commonly known as North East Diocesan Social Forum (NEDSF) is registered as a voluntary non governmental organization in 1989-1990 under the Society's Registration Act of 1860 at Guwahati.

VISION

Vision envisages a Society where people live in Unity and Diversity Based on the Gospel Values of Justice and Love.

MISSION

To Enable Member Associations to Empower the Poor, Marginalized and Ethnic groups in the Region for Promotion of Peaceful, Just and Equitable Society through Participatory and Sustainable Development Process.

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Chairman's Message



It is my joy and privilege to write few lines for the annual report of North East Diocesan Social Service Society (NEDSSS) popularly known as Social Forum. The very name NEDSSS is suggestive of the nature of the work it does, a society for serving the people of the entire region. It is the social face of the Regional Bishops Council of North East India, an organization envisioned to render multidimensional services of animation, awareness creation, capacity building, professionalization of social initiatives and to provide platforms for creative thinking, dialogue and networking.

As the Chairman of the society for last six years I am closely associated with this institution in deliberating various policy decisions and guiding its programs for the realization of its goals.

Through the various projects being implemented, it reaches out to all the nook and corners of the region, helping people to be more self-reliant and involved in bettering their life situations. A progressive shift in its social interventions from charity/welfare approach to a people-centered approach with the blend of professionalism is very visible in the execution of all its programs whether it be peace initiatives, health intervention, educational inputs, gender sensitization or animation programs.

Improvement of facilities in the premises have enabled the organization to increase the number of in-house trainings as well as lend it out to like-minded NGOs and Government agencies for organizing various training programs. A glance through the program attendance register of the organization indicates the awesome number of people belonging to different age groups from different walks of life taking advantage of these affordable facilities. The centre is open to all those who aspire to "be a change" and "a maker of change" in the society. I am also happy to see that this institution is widely used by the differently abled to capacitate themselves.

A people-led approach has been a development mantra in all development circles and in the words of our Prime Minister it is "*subka sath, subka vikas*". NEDSSS too adopts the mantra to improve the health of women and children in all its programs. By improving the awareness on nutrition and hygiene, access to vaccinations and increased institutional deliveries through linkage of primary health centres and auxiliary health assistance, the NEDSS health program focuses on the reduction of MMR and IMR in the region.

The peace and conflict transformation programme beyond its project activities, engages people of good will to find solutions to the conflicts arising in the society involving all sections of people without any caste, creed or gender bias.

Advancement of the society, universal brotherhood and the care of the "Home earth" has been the universal aspiration and finds its expression in UN SDGs. Aligning an organization's activities to such goals increases its relevance and sustainability. NEDSSS' other programs like education of children of tea garden labourers, resource mobilization, professionalization of Social Actors and awareness creation on Human Rights and Earth day celebrations among school children are in line with some of these SDG goals.

Empowering the youth of the region and placing them in administrative stream of the nation with constitutional and human values is being realized through the INSIGHT Civil Service Academy an initiative of NEDSSS. Fifty seven aspirants of second year batch for Civil Services completed the 10 month coaching in the academic session of 2017-18. Addition of new infrastructure and inclusion of highly qualified faculties will add new impetus for the fresh batch of aspirants.

All these are possible because there is hardworking, committed and well-motivated leadership and administrative team with round the clock readiness to render Joyful Service with a spirit of *Diakonia*.

I take this opportunity to thank the Director, the sisters and the staff members of NEDSSS for their united efforts in keeping the organization ever relevant and vibrant.

May God bless you all

Most. Rev. John Moolachira
Chairman, NEDSSS



Director's Message

One month long international football tournament came to an end as France lifted the FIFA world cup on 15th July, 2018. This world event provides us many surprises. No one ever thought that the football giant and defending champion Germany would be knocked out in the league matches. German team was eliminated in the initial phase for the first time in 80 years. Contrary to our expectations, the greatest players C. Ronaldo of Portugal and Lionel Messi of Argentina failed to take their teams to quarter finals. These top goal scorers even missed penalty shots. Similarly former world champion Spain was defeated by Russia. Many unexpected teams from insignificant countries performed excellently and defeated the great teams in this tournament.

What went wrong with the German team? Answers are not very far to seek. Complacency, basking in past glory, lack of speed and stamina, failure of strategy to meet the challenges in adverse situations, lack of visionary leader/ coach and internal conflicts made German team crash out in the first phase itself. Many teams with great players failed because they did not prepare every player to perform equally. Over importance to some make the team weak.

The German defeat and dismal performance of world class players provide many valuable lessons for every community/organization that wants to make progress and sustain them.

In the communities and institutions, the leader should ensure that the work is a collective mission of every member. No one can be taken for granted. Anyone who leads an organisation needs to be a firebrand and be alert to keep stirring the spirit of every member of it, to achieve the common goal. In short, being relevant and updated to run the race to the finish.

In this context, an annual report is nothing but a yardstick to measure the performance of every stakeholder of an organization. An organization is relevant when every segment of an organization is engaged in realizing its common vision and mission.

The annual report of NEDSSS 2017-18 in its presentation is bit different from that of the yester years in its style, content, description and narration of stories. It has adopted a style of telling the stories from within the community for impact analysis rather than just reporting the project activities. Of course some use of data tables and figures are unavoidable to meet the technical requirement of programs in measuring the success level they expect.

Brevity of description of the thematic interventions of the organization like Peace and conflict, Health, Education, Capacity Building, Empowerment of Women and Youth, Disaster and Relief makes the reading pleasant.

I take this opportunity to thank the inspiring leadership of the organization, viz; Most. Rev. John Moolachira, the Chairman and Bishop Michael Akasius the vice Chairman and the vibrant Board members, ever enthusiastic Diocesan Directors of Social Service Societies, my dedicated team members at NEDSSS, the sisters and staff members for their hard work and the coordinated efforts in keeping up the spirit of the organization ever alive. May God bless us all.

Fr. Varghese Velickakam
Executive Director

PEACE BUILDING AND CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION IN NORTH EAST INDIA



During April 2017- March 2018, NEDSSS & NESRC Guwahati, JUST Agartala, DSSS Imphal, BGSS Bongaigaon, and DAN/Peace Channel, Kohima, the project partners, carried out activities like trainings, workshops, seminars, consultative meetings, dialogues, observation of important days, inter school peace meet, youth fest etc. in their respective areas. The following narrations highlight the activities and achievements of the Peace project in the past one year.

Training of staff on peace building and related skills

Participants gained clarity on concept, characteristics and prerequisites & importance of good governance, State and civil society sectors of governance and adverse effects of bad governance, obstacles to good governance meaning, types, effects and causes of corruption, methodologies and measures to facilitate good governance, and the relation between good governance and peace work.

Observation of Important Days

The Women peace club members enhanced their understanding of Human Rights particularly the UDHR, rights of pregnant women, angawadi centres, ration cards and primary health centre, empowerment of the weaker section in the society, Acts such as Child Labour Prohibition Act, National Food Security, Right to Free and Compulsory Education and peace building. They also understood the

“Peace and harmony prevails by bringing about change in policy and structure in favour of vulnerable sections and recognising the rights of every individual and group to live in dignity, safety and peace in North East India particularly Assam, Manipur, Nagaland and Tripura”.

importance of leadership, qualities of successful leaders and how to be good leaders. They also learned how to build good relationship with their group and work as a team in order to achieve their targets.

Seminar cum meeting of Heads of schools

The objective of the meeting was to encourage the participants to intervene and spend quality time in the schools which in turn will help develop students' interpersonal skills as well as capacitate them to perform better in all the parameters. During the meeting, goal and objectives of the project and the type of collaboration expected from the schools toward the project activities were also clarified.

Capacity Building Training for Teacher Animators

Teachers of 69 educational institutions were trained on peace building, conflict resolution & human rights. Teachers themselves made action plans for conducting peace celebrations and capacity building in their respective schools to capacitate and empower the students to be active peace builders. Intensive ToT for teacher animators has built the confidence of the teachers to carry out the activities in their schools.



Peace Club formation and Peace Celebrations

Students who participated in peace celebration have overcome their shyness and gained more confidence. Other members of Peace Club were of the opinion that they could develop their personality, learned to live together, understand each other's culture and religion, learn to be empathetic with others when they shared individual and family problems by being active members of Peace Club. .

The input sessions have enabled to change their mindset to build peace in the conflict situations in the family and in the community.

The peace club members are aware of the importance of peace building, conflict resolution





methods and human rights. Having learned the seven principles of peace and skills needed for peace building, the Peace club members are now able to respond to conflict and confidently enter into the process of peace building.

Inter-School peace meets

The capacity building sessions conducted during Inter-School Peace Meets developed life skills of the students and enabled them to engage in peace building activities.

The activities like essay writing competition, football match and training in leadership skills to enhance their knowledge about peace education and their capacity for building peace. It also helped them to build network with different tribes. The peace club members who were trained on leadership skills promised to share their learning on good leadership with their friends.

Training for women SHG leaders on conflict resolution, mediation & good governance

The training helped women leaders to identify the causes of different types of violence and respond to the conflicts in peaceful manner. Participants learnt ways in which they could participate and bring about good governance, learnt about their rights and the various schemes meant for them. Participants discussed in-depth about the concept and components of corruption & were enlightened

about the new knowledge gained. A new desire to end corruption at all levels was felt by the participants who understood the need of good governance for the development of the village and peace. SHGs also were exposed to the various schemes and entitlements operational in the States.

Training for youth leaders on conflict resolution, peace building, life skills & mediation

Participants learned about how to settle issues relating to social justice by themselves through mediation and conflict resolution method without involving outside forces. They also vowed to fight against social injustice in a non-violent manner.

The youth leaders learned about the strategies for responding to conflict. They also understood what positive and negative peace means and the important role of the youth in building peace in the society.

Annual Youth Peace and Cultural Festivals

Participants became aware of the need for unity and reconciliation among the youth for peace & development. Reflection on roles & responsibilities as peace messengers in the society made them aware of their own responsibilities as youth.

Consultative workshop/Seminar/dialogue for peace, conflict resolution and human rights for CBOs, intellectuals, academicians, bureaucrats & media

The peace project brought together different NGOs, religious leaders, CBOs, social activists and likeminded people for peace building. The participants learned about conflict resolution skills and the strategies for conflict resolution, Constitutional provisions for protection of minorities, positive and negative peace, and various issues of human rights violations. National seminar on “Human Trafficking from the Northeast” was organised by NESRC on November 10-11, 2017. It brought together scholars and activists from all the States of the Northeast, from Delhi, Mumbai, Bangalore and Thiruvananthapuram.

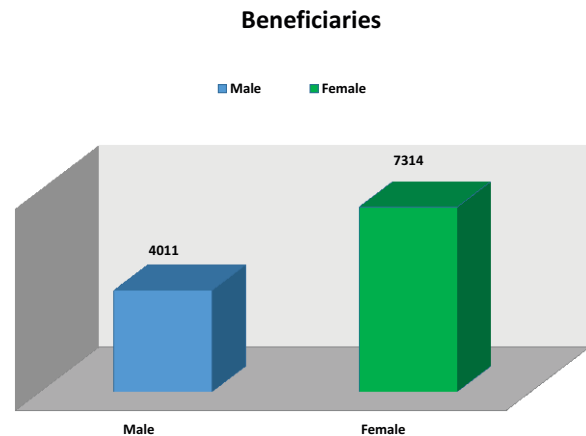
The modes of trafficking, their status in the major cities where they are trafficked and related issues were discussed by the 60 persons present at the seminar. The reflection that followed indicated possible measures to prevent human trafficking and to support rescue of people who are trapped in these situations. An Anti-trafficking whatsapp group is formed to make an effort to share information on these issues as a mode of prevention.

Training of religious and community leaders on conflict resolution, mediation and dialogue

The participants came to gain skills to promote better understanding and trust between different communities through exposure and interaction/confidence building events, collaboration and conscious efforts with the society/organizations working for the same cause etc. The participants planned strategies to bring all the communities, churches and youth under the banner of peace.

The participants have decided to conduct activities such as awareness program for communal harmony with the schools, teachers, hostels and

village area through movie or drama, Street play on Nationalism, National Unity and National Harmony, rallies etc. which can be conducted in their work places in order to promote peace.



Community Ushered Regional Effort in Health Care in North East India (CURE)

Community Ushered Regional Effort (CURE) in Health Care, North East India envisages reducing the Infant and Maternal Mortality and Malaria death in 254 remote villages in North East India. The project is implemented in 254 villages of 5 States namely Assam, Meghalaya, Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh and Mizoram. The target groups are pregnant women, mothers, children, adolescent girls and the people in general for malaria management.



Activities Implemented

Sl. No.	Activities	Place	Participants	Result
1	MCH cum nutrition camp at village or Health centre level(31) x 1 day x twice	Diphu GGSS Shillong Imphal Aizwal Silchar Miao	607 513 934 209 795 453 1396	Improved health of the mothers and children,enhanced knowledge on nutritious andbalanced diet. Villagers have began to go for regular ANC and PNC checkup,immunizationand institutional deliveries. Improved child care and hygiene is seen.
2.	Training/orientation on MCH and Maternity benefits to various stakeholders at HFC level	Diphu GGSS Shillong Imphal Aizawl Silchar Miao	301 326 318 282 570 271 210	Stakeholders received information about health schemes,JSY, health insurance, ambulance services and are able to access them.

Sl. No.	Activities	Place	Participants	Result
11	Training /Orientation on role of VHTFs/VHSNC/HCC and other groups in Health Care at HFC level	Diphu GGSS Shillong Imphal Aizwal Silchar Miao	101 481 330 377 972 136 230	The members were trained to take active role in malaria control, tap available schemes under NVBDCP, lead the community to maintain clean surroundings, water supply, support mother and child programmes, mobilization of the people for medical camps and other awareness programs, and to use herbal remedies for prevention of malaria.
12	Refresher Training on Monitoring and Evaluation/MIS and Documentation	NEDSSS	34	The participants gained more knowledge regarding planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, logical frame work analysis, the hierarchy of goals in a project and its connection to outcome/ objectives, monitoring indicators, and details of monitoring and evaluation process.
13	Training/Awareness program on Health Schemes at Diocesan Level	GGSS Shillong Diphu Imphal Aizwal Silchar Miao	38 x x x 27 25 x	Health personnel were trained on different health schemes like Janani Sureksha, Jyojana, MamtaKit, health insurances health cards.
14	Medical camp	Diphu Shillong Silchar Aizwal Miao	233 539 745 245 365	The common illnesses checked were body pain, fever, headache, cold, cough, weakness, vomiting, and diarrhea. skin diseases, hyper tension, UTI, Asthma, cut injury, bleeding, joint pain, blurred vision, scabies, gastritis, bronchitis and dandruff. People got opportunity to check their blood pressure and received effective medicines and vitamins for the sicknesses diagnosed.
15	Daily home visit	7 partners	2601 2	Prompt services given, early detection of sicknesses, improvement in lifestyle and eating habits, hygiene and sanitation, adopting preventive measures to control malaria, TB, improved PNC & ANC care and increased rate of immunization of children below the age of 2 years.

Outcome: Qualitative level:

A. Mother and child Health

1. Health of the mothers and children have improved through better hygiene and balanced food intake.
2. Pregnant women are going for regular Antenatal and post natal checkup.
3. Majority of the child births are taking place in hospitals or health institutions.
4. Mothers and family members voluntarily take their children for immunization at sub centers and hospitals
5. Women's knowledge to care for their health and children have shown marked improvement.
6. Women have begun to grow vegetables in their homesteads which in turn have improved the intake of nutritious food.
7. Mothers have the skill to prepare herbal medicines, vitamins, supplementary food and tonics at home.
8. Mothers and community are educated on maternal benefits, health schemes like JSY, health insurance, Mamta kit and have

accessed the schemes.

9. Adolescent girls and boys have enhanced knowledge on reproductive health, behavioral problems and are able to accept positively the physical changes at this stage of their life.
10. High risk pregnancies are referred to hospitals and community participates in transferring the patient to hospitals by arranging vehicles and calling ambulances provided by government or private agencies.

B. Management of Malaria

1. People participate effectively in awareness programmes organized by NGOs and GOs in the villages or health centers.
2. Government / NGOs provide the RDT kit for detection of malaria cases that leads to timely treatment.
3. Villagers have adopted preventive measures like sleeping under medicated mosquito nets, spraying DDT, using mosquito repellents, keeping surrounding clean from stagnated water and bushes, proper maintenance of drainages, water tanks, wearing long sleeved cloths in the evening and ventilating the rooms.

4. Government agencies distribute medicated mosquito nets to people occasionally.
5. VHSNCs (Village Health Nutrition and Sanitation Committee) are aware of the preventive measures of malaria and help to educate people on the same.

C. Strengthening of Health centers

1. Patients are given quality care at health centers through out patients and in patients care.
2. Health education and medical camps have helped the people become aware of health issues and access health facilities on time.
3. Health workers and ASHAs are capacitated with knowledge on health related topics and provided with First aid medicines to take care of the needy ones in the villages.
4. Patients are referred to bigger hospitals when required further treatment
5. Improved collaboration with private and government departments with medical and social development agencies, officers, doctors, ANMS, ASHAS and anganwadi teachers.

Challenges:

1. Bad roads, heavy rain falls, landslides and long distance to reach the target villages.
2. Non availability of ambulances and vehicles at health emergencies to approach hospitals.
3. Villagers lack sufficient income to meet expenses of treatment in hospitals.
4. Poor communication facilities in the village lead to delay in information dissemination and timely submission of reports.
5. Lack of motivation in the community to strengthen the people's organizations like youth club and women's groups.
6. Difficulties to learn new local languages to communicate with villagers by health personnel
7. Political events like election, strikes and blockade
8. Difficult to motivate some of the staff as they are not properly educated
9. Lack of health facilities in remote villages.



Data of Achievements

Sl. No.	Data	Aizawl	Imphal	GGSS	Miao	Diphu	Silchar	Shillong	Total
1	Total House hold	4052	3294	7470	3163	2976	2782	2275	26012
2	Total population	22118	15547	36806	20154	15863	14906	13396	138790
3	Children (0-2)yrs	1007	1191	2520	1393	1374	1082	1562	10129
4	Mother's availing ANC	200	689	1469	320	376	142	342	3538
5	High Risk pregnancies	5	502	501	6	4	0	9	1027
6	Total Delivery cases	162	195	1207	318	690	166	377	3115
7	Mothers availing PNC	136	83	940	195	690	88	260	2392
8	Patients treated at Health C	2510	2247	1260	584	11408	2837	26089	46935
9	First Aid treatment given at HC	348	904	1164	1138	281	148	5077	9060
10	Patients referred to Hospitals	126	79	1166	1259	592	1438	1032	5692
11	Number of children Immunized	348	556	1723	555	714	851	903	5650
12	Number of Adolescents SRH reached to Adolescents	1411	976	1697	1357	1124	878	1464	8907
13	Malaria cases positive	2	16	627	64	613	2	493	1817
14	People Using Mosquito Net	19217	10434	31840	16743	12165	14500	12715	117614
15	Number of children under 2 yrs treated at Health centre	334	306	822	560	834	148	827	3831



Success stories

Timely intervention saved the life of people.

Village Mawiong is situated under Nongkhrah health Centre in Ribhoi district, Meghalaya, about 65km away from Shillong. Social Service Centre Shillong has been implementing the project, "Community Ushered Regional Effort in Health Care" since October 2016 in the surrounding villages through the Health Facilitation Centre at Nongkhrah. This health programme has helped the villagers to form Village Health Task Forces (VHTF) or Village Health Nutrition and Sanitation Committees (VHSNC) in their

villages, which are actively involved in health related activities in the village like organizing health camps, cleaning village surroundings, disposing garbage and even approaching health care facilities for assistance. This locality has the history of people contracting malaria and skin diseases. A few months ago, a large number of people including children and adults, suddenly developed a strange skin disease in Mawiongi village. The village health task force and the village health worker of that village immediately informed the doctor in charge of Civil Hospital Nongpoh. A group of health personnel rushed to the village,

conducted sensitization programme on prevention of this sickness and treated the affected cases with the help of Shillong Social Service



Centre and the health supervisor of St. Mary's Health Facilitation Centre, Nongkhrach. People were grateful to everyone who rendered timely assistance to combat the disease at its early stage. The quick measures adopted by the VHTF and VHSNC were acknowledged and appreciated by all.

By **Sr. Lilly**, *St Mary's Health Centre, Nongkhrach*

A PEM Boy Regains Strength

Douminthang Mate is a 5 year old boy of Tegnoupal centre village in Chandel District, Manipur. His mother Mrs. Kikim Mate is mentally challenged and father, Mr. Papao, is deaf. They live in very poor condition, hardly managing their daily needs with the earning of the father. Douminthang was born on 25-03-2013. From his birth, he was very sickly child unlike his brother. He often got diarrhea, fever, cough and cold, dryness of conjunctiva, dryness of skin etc. One day, during the house visit, the Supervisor and village health worker Ms. Hoijanang Haokip, noticed the boy lying on the bed helplessly. He had no strength even to open his eyes. His father narrated to them about the different treatments given to him with no improvement and that they now had no hope of

him recovering.

Upon examination of the boy, the Supervisor diagnosed that the boy was suffering from Protein Energy Malnutrition (PEM). The parent was asked to take the boy to health Centre as fast as possible. The boy was taken to the centre on 04-03-18. The condition of the boy was critical. One could see only skin and bone and stomach was distended. The treatment given was protein contained diet, multi vitamins like Sep A-Z, Syrup Venom, Syrup Zincovit, Syrup Albendazole etc..

After a week, his condition changed and he started eating food. The boy regained his health within a month.

At present he is the most healthy and active boy in the boarding. He goes to school regularly and does his normal duties like any other children. The parents of the boy are very grateful for the service rendered to them.

Sr. Roseline Shomai, *Health Supervisor, Fernando HC, Tegnoupal, Manipur*



Capacity Building, Coordination and Advocacy (CCA) for CSOs in North East India

Capacity Building, Coordination and Advocacy for Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in North East India (CCA) is the collective intervention framework at regional level to synchronize the livelihood enhancement steps initiated by member partners and CSOs. Project activities under CCA facilitated Jirsong Asong, Tezpur Social Service Society, Diocesan Social Service Society, Imphal and AIDA to strengthen the Civil Society Organization (CSO) in order to achieve family level food security.

Activities conducted

Date	Name of the activities		Participants
6-Dec-17	Training on Social Auditing for Key staff (TOT)	DSSS, Imphal	13
27-Apr-17	Follow up Training on Barefoot Auditors	DSSS, Imphal	8
20-Jul-17	Business plan	TSSS	15
29-Nov-17	Cross interaction meeting for MIS officers	NEDSSS	8
29-Apr-17	Training on Participatory Monitoring & Evaluation	Imphal	18
16-May-17		Jirsong Asong	12
6-7 oct-17		AIDA	16
25-16 sept-17	Training on Resource Mobilization at partner level	DSSS, Imphal	15
2-Aug-17		Jirsong Asong	15
1-2 oct-17		TSSS	16
8-Dec-17	Consultation Meeting	NEDSSS	12
7-Dec-17	Seminar on Resource Mobilization at regional level	NEDSSS	13
6-7 oct-17	Training on Resource Mobilization	AIDA	16
8-10 aug-17	State level training on SHG management and function	TSSS	27

Outcome

- Capacity building has improved the effectiveness of organization at micro and macro level especially in project management and staff performance. CCA partners are capacitated on various thematic areas such as Resource Mobilization, writing project proposal, Monitoring, Evaluation and Result based management. Following are some of the achievements at partner level.
- TSSS got a Bridge School project sanctioned to mainstream the dropout students in tea gardens.
- DSSS Imphal is linked with NABARD and agriculture department of the Government and are getting benefits for the people.
- AIDA, JA, TSSS, and DSSS have developed SMART strategic plan document for their organizations.
- People in communities are organized under Self Help Groups and Organic Farmers Groups and they are federated as SHG Federations and Resource Centres.



- ♦ Staff in all the organisations have been motivated to mobilize resources using both conventional and non-conventional methods.
- ♦ There is regular update on the project's results by the MIS Officers.
- ♦ Consultation and interface meeting with different departments (Agriculture, Small Farmers Agri-business consortium, NABARD, NGOs, NRLM etc) increased the information available to them.
- ♦ Family related conflicts are resolved through peaceful means.

Publication of 'Synergy'

Synergy, the bi-annual newsletter of Caritas Denmark project partners was published every six months. The newsletters included activities, achievements, case studies and most significant stories.

Challenges:

- ♦ Partner organizations have number of their own

projects, plans and targets to meet which made participation in common trainings and workshops a great challenge. Many times activities were planned at regional level but few partners turned up.

- ♦ Some times when trainings are organized for Directors and project manager, other staff of the organization were sent to attend the training. It was difficult for the trainer to orient them and the staff also could not carry forward what they had learned from the training.
- ♦ High staff turnover causing delay in project implementation as the new staff needed orientation and training.



CAPACITY BUILDING OF 15 DSSSS FOR RESOURCE MOBILIZATION IN NORTH EAST

Capacity Building project of 15 DSSSSs in Northeast on Resource Mobilization and Succession Policy for a period of three years, supported by Caritas India, focuses on tapping existing government resources (*projects/schemes, benefits or trainings etc.*), and available resources from within the Church institutions and on implementation of succession policy at DSSS partners.

During the workshops, inputs were given on various ways to mobilize resources. Besides policy development, importance of mobilizing locally available resources was stressed. Inputs were also given on fund raising through online websites, digital and non-digital means such as social media, organization's websites, brochures, grand proposals, small business programme etc. Various Consultation meetings were organized for the DSSS directors with other departments to explore the possibility of mobilizing resources and maintaining organizational systems in place. Detergents making was introduced as income generation opportunities for the organizations.



Activities conducted

Date	Activities	Diocese
28-Apr-17	Workshop at Diocese	DSSS Imphal
16-May-17	Level for developing	JHDS, Jowai
14-Jul-17	Resource Mobilization	Seva Kendra Silchar
18-Jul-17	Policy and Succession	SSC, Shillong
2-Aug-17	plan at DSSS level	JirsongAsong
19-Aug-17		GGSS, Guwahati
4-Oct-17	Interface meeting at Diocese level on	Seva Kendra Dibrugarh
23-Oct-17	Resource Mobilization and Finalization of RM policy.	IDEA Itanagar
6-Mar-18		NSSS, Nongstoin
7-Mar-18		NSSS, Nongstoin
15-Mar-18	Project Review meeting of NEDSSS with DSSS at regional level	NEDSSS





Outcome of the project

- ♦ 13 DSSSs have drafted Resource Mobilization Policy and Succession plan.
- ♦ The staff and management learned various methods and strategies of resource mobilization. Partners are continuously looking for opportunities for resource mobilization from external and internal sources.
- ♦ Partners came to realize the importance of resource mobilization rather than depending on traditional funding/foreign aid which are diminishing in this current scenario.
- ♦ DSSS Imphal and Dibrugarh Seva Kendra have expressed the need of having policies on other thematic areas like Environment, Gender, disability etc.

Challenges:

- The activities of the project are all at the Diocese level. Most of them are fully engaged with their own regular project activities. Hence getting the management and staff together for workshops becomes difficult.
- Staff turnover at Diocese level slows down the pace in carrying forward the decisions and action plans as it takes time to make the new staff understand the project objectives.

Success story

The simplest acts of kindness are by far more powerful than a thousand heads bowing in prayer.” – Mahatma Gandhi

In line with the project objective and goal, North East Diocesan Social Service Society (NEDSSS), a collective framework at regional level to capacitate and coordinate the DSSSs, has given lots of inputs on resource mobilization to its partner organizations. The project on Resource Mobilization with specific objective of capacitating Diocesan partners to regularly mobilize resources from governments, foreign agencies and local institutions has had many positive responses. One of such responses is that Guwahati Gana Seva Society (GGSS), the development wing of the Archdiocese of Guwahati, with the support from the Archbishop John Moolachira was able to mobilize a sum of rupees 5,02,000 (five lakh and two thousand only) locally from various institutions in Guwahati (schools and churches, congregations, hospitals etc.) to help people affected due to flood in the state of Assam. The capacity building and the various trainings on resource mobilization by NEDSSS to DSSSs have enhanced the capacity for exploring and tapping local resources.

PROMOTING EDUCATION CULTURE AMONG THE CHILDREN



In the new phase of the Project, supported by Kindermissionswerk, Germany, We are scaling up the Bridge school model to other part of Assam i.e. in the newly created civil District of Biswanath which was earlier part of Sonitpur district. The rationale behind inclusion of new villages was the successes and experience we had in the first phase. The main aim of the bridge school is transforming the life of dropouts and neglected children of the 16 villages through educational support and Neighbourhood Children Parliament. The village school has become a dedicated learning centre where the children come to address their educational needs.

Project orientation meetings at Bengenabari-Khetri

On 15th and 17th May, orientation on the project activities was conducted for the members of the community at Bengenabari, Khetri, Assam. Director and staff from NEDSSS and leaders, animators and people from the community were present.

Outcome of the meeting

- ♦ Villagers understood the concept of Bridge school and are willing to take up the school as their own
- ♦ Namghar of the village was given for conducting

daily classes

- ♦ ASHA worker & Angawadi teacher supported the venture
- ♦ Students were enrolled



Village level Sensitization meeting on education

In order to provide a platform for the parents and other members to discuss issues with regard to education, a village level meeting was held on 8th May, 2017 at Ekra Bari, one of the project villages. 30 participants including village leaders & Church leaders attended the meeting. The parents were motivated to assist children in their education by affirming the interests and aptitudes of their children, setting aside time to read together, keeping TV to a minimum etc. The parents on their part committed themselves to do all in their power to provide an enhancing atmosphere in the homes.

World Environment Day 2017

Nartap Bridge School on 5th June, 2017, observed Environment Day with the theme “Plant trees, save mother earth”. 52 participants including students and youth planted trees along the road and embankment. Village President and Secretary participated in the programme and encouraged students and staff.

Village level Sensitization meeting on Education

As part of bringing awareness on importance of education for various stakeholders of the project especially the parents and local government like panchayat leaders and village leaders, there was a one day sensitization seminar in all the eight centres. The speakers stressed on the important role that parents and community leaders need to play to ensure quality education and conducive atmosphere in schools for learning which in turn can reduce drop outs.

Village	date	Total no of participants
AmsingJorabat	5 th August, 2017	30
Hathisila	22 nd August, 2017	35
Jitpur Tezpur	24 th August, 2017	65
Bengnabari	28 th August, 2017	26
Amchong TE	9 th September, 2017	45
Samukjuli Tezpur	10 th September, 2017	70
Bagmari Tezpur	10 th September, 2017	120
Nartap	12 th September, 2017	89
Total		480

Monitoring visits to Bridge School at Tezpur

The project Coordinator Mr. Tennyson Shaiphu visited all the 3 Bridge school namely Samukjuli, Jitpur and Bagmari on 1st and 2nd September, 2017 to monitor the functioning of the school and to give technical support to the animators cum teachers in the Bridge school.

Success stories

Learning to help oneself and others

Xavier Jatarma of Class V is a student of Bagmari Tea Estate Bridge school. He is one the many dropouts who enrolled himself in the Bridge School. After joining the bridge school he took extra interest to study and also help others. He comes to school before other students and helps the teacher. He keeps himself neat and clean and asks his fellow students to do the same. He tells them to come to school regularly. He is the role model for many students at Bagmari Tea Estate Bridge School.



Bridge School changed my life



“Hello , my name is Pinky Das Class V, from Amchong Tea Estate. I had dropped out of school in class II. But after

attending Amchong Bridge school for one year Mr. Dipak Karmakar has helped me get back to formal School. Now I have started my education again. I learned much in the Bridge School like solving sums and reading Assamese and English fluently. I have learned to deal with others respectfully. Now I have plans for my future i.e. I want to be a teacher and a good citizen of the country”.

Observations:

1. Bridge schools are functioning as per the project plan.
2. Improvement is seen in the academic performance of students, health and sanitation.
3. Formation of Children's parliament is in the process
4. More input on Neighborhood children's Parliament is needed
5. There is ownership of the school from the village authority and leaders

Teacher's Day celebration 2017

On 5th September Teacher's Day was celebrated by the children of Bridge School at Amsing, Jorabat, paying tribute to the teachers for their contribution made to the society through their teachings. Around 40 students were present for the celebration.

Leadership Training meeting cum Study Tour

On 6th and 7th of October 2017, Leadership Training



cum Study tour for Bridge School children was held at North East Diocesan Social Forum. Six leaders each of Neighborhood Children's Parliament from all the centres and eight animators participated in the training. There were 56 participants including the teachers. The training enhanced leadership skills of the participants. For study tour, children were taken to Guwahati Planetarium and Zoo cum Botanical Garden at Guwahati. Students learned much from this exposure.

Children's day Celebration

Children's Day was celebrated in five Bridge School Centres. The objectives of the celebration was to make the children aware of the importance of Children's day and the importance of education in their lives. Village and local leaders were invited and they were asked to address the children and encourage them in their studies. To mark the occasion children performed dances and recited poems. The celebration ended with distributions of snacks and sweets for the children. The celebration helped children to develop confidence in speaking on stage as well as to work as a team.

Human Rights Day Observation

On 10th & 15th December 2017, International Human Rights Day was observed at Amsing-Jorabat & Hathisila- Panikaiti organized by NEDSSS. Objective was to educate the people on the importance of respecting Human Rights. Speaking about Rights to Education, the facilitator told them that every child in the village have the right to go to school and that parents should ensure that their children are going to the school. If studying in the government school, they should get free education and uniform. People were also informed about rights related to health focusing on mother and Child.

Highlighting recent evictions that are taking place in some parts of Kamrup Metro district, the facilitator explained the concepts and importance of Human Rights to the people of Hathisila.



Orientation on Education for parents, village leaders and children

Parents play a vital role in the child's education. To orient the parents and village leaders an orientation meeting was conducted at Nartap Bridge School on 24th March, 2018. Mr. Tennyson Shaiphu the Project Coordinator was the resource person. He highlighted the following points to the participants.

- Parents should be a role model for learning
- Pay attention to what your child loves
- Set aside time to read together
- Help your child take charge of his learning
- Watch TV to a minimum
- Parents should also learn something new

Vice President of village Panchayat Mrs. Meghali Tanti and Headmaster of the L.P School were invited for the meeting. Speaking on the role of parents in children's education, Mrs. Meghali said that though the parents are uneducated, they should still try to take care of their children's education by ensuring regular attendance in school, studying at home etc. Around 59 participants including children participated in the meeting. Headmaster also appreciating the interventions of NEDSSS said that it was a God given opportunity and people should cooperate and attend meetings organized regularly by NEDSSS.

Neighborhood Children's Parliament

To identify, address and discuss the social issues of the villages, Neighborhood Children's Parliament are formed in all the Bridge schools. Monthly meetings are conducted and Minutes are maintained to showcase the process of the meeting and key decisions taken. Action plans are prepared and implemented.

Dropouts enrolled in the formal school

One of the objectives of Bridge school is to reduce dropouts. In line with the objectives, 13 students are admitted to regular school: 3 students from Hathisila Bridge School, 2 students from Nartap and 8 students from Amchong Tea estate in this

Success stories

Bridge School Builds Confidence



"I am Augustine Bag of Class VII from Samukjuli Bridge School. I attend Bridge School every evening. Before the Bridge school began in our village I was not doing well in my studies and I could not concentrate.

Most of the time I used to forget whatever the teacher's taught because of fear that I might be wrong or teacher might scold me and I never answered questions properly. After receiving coaching in the Bridge school, I have improved in my studies and have gained self confidence. Now I can answer the questions confidently and clearly, thanks to the Bridge school".

The Joy of Being in Bridge School



Both Arniush Jojowar and Lili Hemrom are from Bagmari Tea Estate. On being asked about the Bridge School they

said, "Before the bridge school began, we were just roaming around in our village. Now after joining this school we feel that we are school going children. We learn much in this school. Earlier when we returned home from school, we used to spend lot of time playing and not doing homework but now we play and study in the bridge school. Apart from our lessons, we have also learned how to remain clean and hygienic. We are glad to have this opportunity".

academic session.

Home based motivational visits by the Teachers cum Animators

To motivate the parents to send their children to schools, home visits are done to all the families by the Animators. They enquire about the progress of the children and quality of the services provided by the village schools.

Monitoring and Supervising visits by the Project Coordinators

Monitoring visit is carried out by the project coordinators from NEDSSS to supervise the progress of the projects. The coordinators visited Amchong Tea Estate on 16th March, interviewed the parents, CBO leaders and children to understand their level of understanding about the project objectives and progress. Coordinators reviewed the progress reports, teaching infrastructure, attendance register etc. in order to ensure that the project is running well as per the objectives.



Activities	Beneficiaries	Total
Bridge school	Children	748
Children's Day	Children	708
Leadership Training	Leaders of Children's Parliament	56
Orientation	Animators, Local Leaders, SHGs group, children	180
Staff orientation	Animators cum teachers	8
Human Rights Day	Children, parents, local leaders	107
Monitoring visits	Animators, children, parents and leaders	650
Meeting with animators	Animators	5

Achievements

Enrollment of 1494 children in the village school centre in the current reporting period.

- Through Sensitization seminar on education the parents have realized the importance of education.
- Children are regularly attending the school and their progress is being monitored through the attendance register maintained by the teacher.
- 22 school drop-out children have been admitted to formal school in the current academic session January 2018.
- Reduction in dropout rate and absenteeism of students due to coaching classes and regular family visit of animators
- Children are addressing local issues through Children's Parliaments.

Challenges

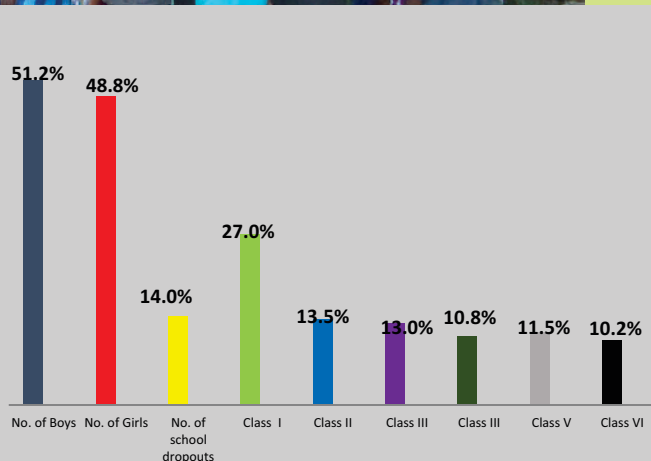
The Bridge schools are located in interior places and majority of the parents are tea garden laborers. Since they have to work in tea gardens from morning till evening, they are unable to pay attention to children's educational needs. Organizing meetings and awareness programme in these areas is a big challenge as the parents have very limited holidays.



Samukjuli, Bagmari Tea Estate and Jitpur, of Biswanath Chariali's district, Tezpur have new bridge schools. The schools are built with the people's support and contributions. The people have generously donated their resources and labour so that the children have a good tuition centre. Committees are formed to see the smooth functioning of the schools in their own places.



Total No. of Students	No. of Boys	No. of Girls	No. of school dropouts	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV	Class V
748	383	365	105	202	149	130	86	76
%	51.2%	48.8%	14.0%	27.0%	19.9%	17.4%	11.5%	10.2%



FOSTERING A CULTURE OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP AMONG THE UNEMPLOYED YOUTH IN EMPLOYMENT AND SAFETY, (YES) NORTH EAST INDIA

The overall objective of this project is to create an enabling environment for the youth of North East region so that they can be economically independent and contribute to the development and be active participants in the development efforts of the region as well as the nation.

Activities

1. Training for Mains-Cum-Prelims Course

Responding to the urgent need for training indigenous youth to enhance their knowledge and ability to compete in the Civil Service Examinations conducted by the State Governments as well as the Central Government, Insight Civil Service Academy was started by NEDSSS at its premises.

The first batch of 50 students completed their course in May 2017 and the second academic session began on July 3rd 2017 with 57 students.

The inaugural session of the second batch was held on July 12th. Apart from the regular classes, the students had capacity building training. Eminent personalities like Archbishop Emeritus Thomas Menamparambil of Guwahati Archdiocese, Mr. Romanus Horo IAS(Retd), Mr. Ramnganing Muivah IAS ,Secretary North Eastern Council; Prof. Richard Hay, at present Lok Sabha



Member representing Anglo Indian Community and Professor of Economics in different Universities in India and abroad; and Dr. Fr. Paul Puduserry HC from Agartala addressed and motivated the students to stay focused and strive hard to achieve their aim in life.

To promote entrepreneurial skill and to take up income generation activities about 200 youth are trained in Hospitality, Event management, Secretarial Training, Driving, Welding, Beauty and Spa, and plumbing in collaboration with various Training Institutes in the region.

Outcome

Unlike ever in the past, the youth from marginalized communities and localities in the region are getting the opportunity to prepare themselves for the competitive examinations. It is a matter of great happiness for us that in the first batch itself Mr.Dajen Basumatary of Assam passed the Assam Public Service Commission Examination and Mr.David Koyuo f Arunachal Pradesh passed the National Eligibility Test (NET) Exam. Many others are appearing for competitive exams in Army and Defense Departments.

The personality development workshops, interface meetings with the IAS and IPS officers timely spiritual and motivational seminars helped students to set goals, develop integrity and leadership skills.

The students who had lacked basic knowledge in various subjects, because of poor quality education in schools, were able to understand and get an overview of the subject matter.



MY EXPERIENCES IN ICSA

It is a great learning experience at Insight Civil Services Acedamy(ICSA) , with a heterogenous environment. The classes, the library, the regular test series are well planned keeping in mind the requirement of the students. I was able to get the utmost cooperation and motivation from the expert faculty members. They have explained every single topic in detail and very effectively. The diversified learning experience and resources have broadened my horizons of intellect. I would like to thank the ICAS team for helping me in every possible way.

~Ruokuonuo Glesilda Kesi
(2017-2018)



PROJECT ON PROMOTING INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN IN ASSAM

Objective

The project envisages promoting integrated development of children in ten villages under the Archdiocese of Guwahati.

Activities conducted

1. Formation of 'Children's Club'

10 'Children's Clubs' were formed in ten villages this year. The focus this year was on Bible study. The programme included reading of New Testament, action songs, one-act plays, video shows and quizzes. It has increased children's knowledge about Bible and has helped to deepen their faith in God. The resource persons were Catechists and Religious Sisters of the parishes.

2. Faith Formation Camps for Children



The Children living in an environment of inter religious atmosphere, needed to understand the Catholic faith and traditions. Hence camps were organised inculcate

gospel values and fraternity among the children for three days in every village. Through the camps, children exchanged their faith experiences. Videos and films on saints and gospel narratives were shown to the children. The camps were facilitated by religious sisters in respective parishes. The children of adjacent parishes came together for the camps.

3. Health Camps in Villages

Three medical camps were organized in villages



where children had medical check-up for various common ailments. NEDSSS organized those camps in collaboration with the local government health centres. Some medicines were distributed and referral cases were advised to go to different hospitals in the city and necessary linkages were provided.

4. Educational Sponsorship

During this year support was given to children with special needs; slow learners, those suffering from hearing difficulties, blindness, mental and physical retardation, stunting etc. The parents of these children are daily wage earners who couldn't send them to school. The children were neglected and most of them left to fend for themselves due to the poverty of parents. The grant from the project helped them to join school and receive appropriate education.

Some of the sponsored students who study in Alphonsa School, Salmara, Bongaigaon



1. Name –Monjit Ray

Date of birth -15/4/11

Monjit Ray is the eldest son in the family. He has a small sister. His parents are farmers. He belongs to Rajbongshi tribe. He has mild retardation. He is studying in LKG. At present he is learning daily living skills as well as improving his writing skills. Hobbies – Listening music



2. Name –GyandipRay

Date of birth -10/1/11

Gyandip is the second child in the family. He suffers from speech and hearing impairments .He is in LKG trying his best to learn alphabets. His parents are farmers living in rural village. Hobbies –Art, Games



3. Name: Regina

Age-13yrs

Regina is from a poor family. At the young age she lost her father. She is studying in class V. Due to some family problem she stopped her study for one year. She has an elder sister who is already married and settled. Mother is the bread winner in the family. She goes for work daily to run the family. Child is trying her best to study well and achieve good result. Hobbies- Dance and music.



4. Name -Agnes

Age-8

Agnes is from Manipur studying in LKG in Alphonsa School for the children with disabilities. She has speech problem. She is staying in boarding with other children. She is very active and her relationship with other friends is good. She is

able to communicate through few words though without much clarity. She has four sisters and two brothers. She is the fifth child. Parents are farmers, working day and night earning their livelihood.



5. Name: Bornita Das

Age-4

Bornita Das is a child with disability. She was born with one leg. She is studying in LKG in Alphonsa school for the children with disabilities. She is staying in the boarding. She is very active and she relates well with her companions. She is able to do certain things by herself. She moves around by herself. She has two sisters and she is the eldest in the family. Her parents are farmers working day and night for their livelihood .



6. Name: Jobamony Kasada

Jobamony Kasada is a hearing impaired child studying in class V. She is 13 years old. She has one sister and two small brothers. She lost her own father and she is looked after by her step father. She is the eldest in the family. Her parents are daily wage earners. She was in the village not going to school doing all the household activities and looking after the younger ones as her family is very poor. She is staying in the boarding. Hobbies of the child are drawing, making clay models and dancing. She communicates through sign language.



7. Name: Dipangkar Muchahary

Age-8

Dipangkarmuchahary is a hearing impaired child studying in class 1. He is 8 years old. He is the only son of the parents but due to some misunderstanding between the father and mother, he is with his father. Father has no job so he kept the child in

the hostel. Father loves the child and meets him every second Saturday. Child is good in studies. He has been staying in the boarding since three years. Hobbies of the child are drawing, games, playing with toys and dancing. He is improving his communication skills and is able to communicate through sign language.



8. Name –Jun Das

Age-6

Jun Das is a hearing impaired child. He is studying in class –LKG. He is 6 years old. He is the only child of his parents. His parents are daily wage earners and family is very poor. He is staying in the boarding since his home town is very far from the school. He is interested in drawing and making clay models. He is good in studies. He is the first in the class. He is improving his communication skills and is able to write and understand. He has very good social relationship with others.



9. Name: Tadar Kuniya

Age: 10yrs

TadarKuniya is a slow learner. She is from Arunachal Pradesh studying in class II at Alponsa School. She joined the school this year. She stays in the hostel. She has one sister and one brother. She is the youngest in the family. Her father passed away when she was very small. Mother looks after the family with her small business. She was attending the village school but nobody took care of her. So she lost interest to study. Now she is in class II striving hard to achieve her goal. Interest of the child is drawing and dancing.



10. Name – kabil Dev

Class-1

KabilDev is a slow learner studying in class I. He is 6 years old. He has one sister. He is the eldest in the family.

He was studying in other school but could not cope up with the studies there. So they shifted him to Alphonsa School. Now the child is improving with special care and attention. He is staying in the boarding since his home town is very far from the school. He is very slow to learn things. He is improving his communication skills and is able to write and understand.



11.Name –Binapani

Age-13yrs

Binapani Sigha is a hearing impaired child. She is studying in class V. she is 12 year old. She has one brother. Her parents are daily wage earners living in a rented house. Both of them have to work outside home for running their family. Binapani was not going to school, staying in the house doing all the household activities. Since her family is very poor and her home town is very far from the school, she is staying in the hostel. Interest of the child is drawing, making clay models and dancing. She is trying her best to do well studies. She communicates through sign language.



12. Name Pratab Rabha

Age-10

Pratab Rabha is a hearing impaired child studying in class II. He is 10 years old. He has one brother. He is the eldest in the family. His parents are daily wage earners. He is in the boarding since 3years continuing his studies. Hobbies of the child are drawing, making clay models and dancing. He is good in studies and he is the first in the class. He is improving his communication skills and is able to write and understand. He has very good social relation with others.

EMERGENCY FLOOD RESPONSE

Dibrugarh District of Assam



Sl. no	Village	Block	Beneficiaries
1	2 no Dewan Bori Patulla	Borboruah	123
2	Metekani	Borboruah	297
3	Sessa Kinar Moina Mirigaon	Borbaruah	293
4	Singi Bill Gaon	Borbaruah	205
5	Dewan Nogaon	Borbaruah	97
6	Sessanogaon	Borbaruah	143
7	Oakland 14 no line	Lahowal	191
8	Oakland 17, No C & D Line	Lahowal	151
Total			1500

Items Distributed per household

1. Rice 10 kilos
2. Dal 2 ½ kilos
3. Milk powder 1 Packet
4. WASH Kit

Sl no	Village	Block	No of beneficiaries
1	1 No Bahbari	Borboruah	191
2	2 No Bahbari	Borboruah	130
3	SessaNogaon	Borboruah	145
4	SessaKinarMoina Mirigaon	Borboruah	170
Total			636

MEDICAL CAMP



REGIONAL LEVELS TRAININGS AND WORKSHOPS



- Registration of Marginal Farmers Marketing Consortium Pvt. Ltd.
- Training on production of different types of detergents
- 105 persons comprising of religious and youth participated in the training

- Workshop on Accounting Practices and Legal Issues was organized by NEDSSS and CRI which was facilitated by **L. D' Souza & Co., Chartered Accountants of Guwahati, Assam**
- Workshop on Counseling and Psychosocial Support. 25 religious sisters from the region attended the workshop
- NEDSSS has entered into collaborative intervention for LGBT with Assam Baptist Convention on the project "**Love Guwahati**". The project is for Livelihood promotion of LGBT. The community has 200 individuals.



NEW INITIATIVES OF NEDSSS

Developments at the extension services centre in Benganabari, Khetri, Kamrup Guwahati, Assam

- ◆ Construction of Convent for Augustinian Sisters completed. Inauguration and Blessing was held on Feb.12th 2018.
- ◆ Alternate livelihood activities such as poultry farming, bee keeping and organic farming has begun within the campus.

Developments at the campus in Joypur:

- ◆ Rooms for accommodation and dining hall for the students of Insight Civil Service Academy.



INTERNSHIP OF MSW STUDENTS

1. Assam Don Bosco University
2. University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya

Activities conducted

- ◆ Survey
- ◆ Awareness programs
- ◆ Medical camps
- ◆ Livelihood activities



EARTH DAY 2017 ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE LITERACY

North East Diocesan Social Service Society (NEDSSS), in collaboration with Earth Day Network's a Global NGO working for Environmental issues with a mission to diversify, educate and activate the environmental movement worldwide had initiated in spreading Earth Day Message in the region of North East states of India. Activities that focuses to different target groups such as men, women, children, students, policy makers, educationist, researchers, environmentalist and civil society's organization.

Sl.no	State	Activities	Target groups	Number of Participants
1	Arunachal Pradesh	Round table conference, Assembly Pledge. Earth Day rally & poster campaign, Awareness program, cleanliness drive, drawing, planting trees, workshop etc.	Environment Educationist, policy makers, youth, men, women, children, students, Civil Society Organizations, men, shop keepers, teachers	700
2	Assam			6740
3	Mizoram			1510
4	Manipur			3380
5	Meghalaya			720
6	Tripura			750
TOTAL				13800



- Reached out to 25 schools in seven states of North East India
- 13800 population were reached out through different activities
- One of the school from Mizoram receives best assembly pledge award among top 10 schools all over India.
- Through Earth Day activities people are becoming more conscious about the environment.
- Steps are being taken forward by the schools authorities that children need to inculcate the spirit of caring for environment.
- Civil societies organization have incorporated their activities on environmental awareness
- Women groups have taken action banning of plastic and promoting paper bag in their own town or locality.
- Voluntarily services like cleanliness drive, planting of trees, keeping dustbin in their own locality have been observe.



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AUDIT REPORT

NORTH EAST DIOCESAN SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY, GUWAHATI

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2018

FUNDS AND LIABILITIES	RUPEES	RUPEES	PROPERTY AND ASSETS	RUPEES	RUPEES
CAPITAL ASSET FUND :			FIXED ASSETS :		
Balance as per last Balance Sheet	4,330,399.00		As per Schedule 'B' Annexed		38,930,559.00
Add : Assets acquired out of Earmarked Funds	2,371,514.00	6,701,913.00			
PROJECT EARMARKED FUNDS :			CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS AND ADVANCES :		
As per Schedule 'A' Annexed		11,768,736.02	Advance to Staff and Others	181,283.00	
			Tax Deducted at Source (Interest)	503,924.00	685,207.00
SECURED LOANS :			CASH AND BANK BALANCES :		
South Indian Bank		3,756,424.00	With The Federal Bank Ltd		
CAUTION DEPOSIT :			On Fixed Deposits	13,643,488.00	
Balance as per last Balance Sheet	155,000.00		On Savings Bank Account		
Add : Caution Deposit Received During the Year	81,650.00	236,650.00	Account No. 11820100093556	278,678.32	
			Account No. 11820100168879	197,674.00	
OTHER LIABILITIES :			Account No. 11820100168887	1,132,376.00	
Tax Deducted at Source		12,948.00	Account No. 11820100172145	24,433.00	
			Account No. 11820100082161	2,637,489.24	
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT :			Account No. 11820100165347	2,068.64	
Balance as per last Balance Sheet	41,023,310.56		Account No. 11820100129913	4,478.00	
Add : Surplus during the year	5,821,574.31	46,844,884.87	On Current Account		
			Account No. 11820200043766	200,864.74	
			With South Indian Bank		
			On Fixed Deposits	9,958,701.00	
			On Savings Bank Account		
			Account No. 0473053000003105	364,178.20	
			Account No. 0473053000003939	377,717.60	
			Account No. 0473053000005269	775,474.15	
			Cash in Hand :		
			Local Account	1,316.00	
			UNICEF Project	15,291.00	
			Foreign Contribution Account	91,562.00	29,705,789.89
TOTAL RUPEES ...		69,321,555.89	TOTAL RUPEES ...		69,321,555.89

For North East Diocesan Social Service Society, Guwahati

Fr. Varghese Velickakam
Secretary

Guwahati :
Dated : 2nd July, 2018



As per our report of even date



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Dipsha Mary D'Souza
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AUDIT REPORT

NORTH EAST DIOCESAN SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY, GUWAHATI

FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2018

RECEIPTS	RUPEES	RUPEES	PAYMENTS	RUPEES	RUPEES
To BALANCE ON 01.04.2017 :			By AWARENESS CAMP/SEMINAR/WORKSHOP		
With The Federal Bank Ltd.			MEETINGS/CONFERENCE EXPENSES :		
On Fixed Deposits	11,093,890.00		Capacity Enhancement of Educational Systems in North East India	963,500.00	
On Savings Bank Account			Co-ordinating, Capacity Building and Advocacy Programme Expenses	500,372.00	
Account No. 1182010082151	4,115,762.94		Community Ushered Regional Effort in Health Care in North East India (CURE) :		
Account No. 11820100172145(Utilisation)	32,022.00		Programme Expenses	1,813,116.00	
Account No. 11820100165347(Utilisation)	239,173.64		Disbursement of Grants		
With South Indian Bank Ltd.			Seva Kendra, Borduria (Id.No. 31054004)	1,666,000.00	
Account No. 0473053000003939(Utilisation)	40,495.60		Diocesan Social Service Society, Imphal (Id.No. 194130110)	2,288,214.00	
Cash in Hand	44,113.00	15,565,457.18	Jirsong Asong, Diphu (Id.No. 020800007)	2,095,000.00	
			Social Service Centre, Shillong (Id.No. 214730005)	1,962,000.00	
			Guwahati Gana Seva Society (Id.No. 020780064)	2,514,690.00	
			Seva Kendra Silchar (Id.No. 020720014)	1,810,000.00	
			Zoram Entu Pawl, Aizawl (Id.No. 304330039)	1,596,899.00	15,745,919.00
			Peace Initiatives in North East India :		
			Programme Expenses	1,466,130.00	
			Disbursement of Grants		
			Development Association of Nagaland, Dimapur (Id.No. 164730024)	1,800,000.00	
			Diocesan Social Service Society, Imphal (Id.No. 194130110)	2,046,000.00	
			Jana Unnayan Samiti Tripura, Agartala (Id.No. 206150024)	1,335,000.00	
			Bongaigaon Gana Seva Society (Id.No. 020730003)	1,420,000.00	
			North Eastern Social Research Centre, Guwahati (Id.No. 020780113)	820,000.00	8,887,130.00
			Professionalizing the Actors of Social Ministry	96,273.00	
			Youth in Employment and Safety in North East India	3,423,463.00	
			Resource Mobilisation Programme - Phase 3	609,317.00	30,227,974.00
			WELFARE OF CHILDREN :		
			Formation of Children	468,822.00	
			Children Education Programme	1,860.00	
			Promoting Education Culture Programme	1,335,762.00	1,806,444.00
			WELFARE/EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN :		
			Faith Formation of Women	131,931.00	
			Ushering Gender Equality Through Empowerment of Women in N.E. India	1,789,072.00	1,921,003.00
			SOCIAL WORK :		
			Relief Work in Dibrugarh	1,306,011.00	
			Relief Work - CRS	23,463.32	
			Relief Work - Notre Dame	62,965.00	
			Relief Programme at Manipur	3,951.84	
			Training for SHG on Income Generation Activities	44,500.00	1,440,891.16
			ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES :		
			Audit Fees	72,678.00	
			Stationery, Printing and Postage	132,530.00	
			Bank Charges and Commission	3,583.40	
			Office and Administration Expenses	17,336.50	
			Annual Reports, Newsletter, Planner, etc.	38,800.00	
			Travelling Expenses	86,831.00	
			Interest on Late Payment of TDS	473.00	352,231.90
			CAPITAL EXPENDITURE :		
			Buildings (Socio Pastoral Training)		2,946,754.00
			OTHER EXPENSES :		
			Project Advances for Socio - Pastoral Training cum Animator Centre	220,000.00	
			Project Advances for Capacity Enhancement of Education Systems in North East India	70,000.00	290,000.00
carried forward ...		50,146,061.54	carried forward ...		38,985,288.06



AUDIT REPORT

NORTH EAST DIOCESAN SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY, GUWAHATI

LOCAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2018

RECEIPTS	RUPEES	RUPEES	PAYMENTS	RUPEES	RUPEES
To BALANCE ON 01.04.2017 :			By SOCIAL WORK PROGRAMME EXPENSES :		
With The Federal Bank Ltd			Earth Day Celebration	17,400.00	
On Fixed Deposits	5,461,498.00		Gender Project Expenses	90,666.00	
On Savings Bank Account			Peace Initiates in North East India	17,496.00	
Account No. 11820100093556	1,036,448.40		Preventive and Curative Community Health Projec	32,616.00	
Account No. 11820100168879	190,447.00		Professionalism in Actors of Social Ministry	6,300.00	
Account No. 11820100168887	1,090,971.00		Youth in Employment and Safety in North East		
With South Indian Bank			India	1,676,995.00	
On Fixed Deposits	9,348,559.00		Donations and Charity	10,300.00	1,851,773.00
On Savings Bank Account					
Account No. 0473053000003105	1,109,593.80		ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES :		
Account No. 0473053000005269	626,346.00		Travelling Expenses	52,152.60	
Cash in Hand	39,860.00	18,902,722.20	Bank Charges and Commission	19,427.26	
			Electrical Maintenance	54,721.00	
INTEREST REALISED :			Electricity Charges	692,010.21	
On Fixed Deposits	1,135,051.00		Equipment Maintenance	27,865.00	
On Savings Bank Account	119,224.00	1,254,275.00	Newspapers and Periodicals	11,635.00	
			Office Maintenance	6,298.00	
DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS :			Postage	6,303.00	
Local Donations	623,500.00		Gifts and Prizes	42,465.00	
Local Donations for Earth Day Celebration	60,000.00		Telephone Charges	8,154.00	
Local Donations for Capacity Enhancement for			Staff Welfare Expenses	56,350.00	
Education System	276,000.00		Stationery and Printing	148,999.00	
Local Donations for Health Project	59,268.00	1,018,768.00	Interest on Term Loan	418,878.00	
			Administration Charges	54,190.00	
OTHER RECEIPTS :			Medical Expenses	9,005.00	
Programme Receipts	7,739,585.15		Professional Fees	7,089.00	
Training Centre Receipts	3,116,631.88		Management Contribution to Provident Fund	185,895.15	
Caution Deposit - Youth in Employment and Safety	81,650.00		Repairs and Maintenance	19,800.00	
Vehicle Hire Charges	108,394.00		Membership Fees	4,000.00	
Income Tax Refund A.Y. 2016-17	200,063.00		Salaries and Allowances to Staff	391,092.60	2,526,270.82
Interest on Income Tax Refund	13,997.00		Vehicle Maintenance	309,941.00	
Loans and Advances - Others	476,440.00				
Food and Accommodation Recoveries	168,720.00		CAPITAL EXPENDITURE :		
Use of Infrastructure Facilities	846,807.00	12,752,278.03	Buildings	7,613,947.00	
			Furnitures and Fixtures	18,766.00	
OTHER HEADS :			Furnitures and Fixtures (YES)	80,576.00	
Tax Deducted at Source		338.00	Equipments	144,074.00	7,857,363.00
			OTHER EXPENSES :		
			Poultry and Piggery Expenses	76,390.00	
			Loans and Advances - Others	376,709.00	
			Income Tax A.Y. 2018-19	252,486.00	705,585.00
			SECURED LOANS :		
			South Indian Bank		2,461,122.00
			BALANCE ON 31.03.2018 :		
			With The Federal Bank Ltd		
			On Fixed Deposits	5,617,005.00	
			On Current Account		
			Account No. 11820200043766	200,864.74	
			On Savings Bank Account		
			Account No. 11820100093556	278,678.32	
			Account No. 11820100168879	197,674.00	
			Account No. 11820100168887	1,132,376.00	
			With South Indian Bank		
			On Fixed Deposits	9,958,701.00	
			On Savings Bank Account		
			Account No. 0473053000003105	304,178.20	
			Account No. 0473053000005269	775,474.15	
				1,316.00	18,526,267.41
TOTAL RUPEES ...		33,928,361.23	TOTAL RUPEES ...		33,928,361.23


We have verified the above Receipts and Payments account with the books of account and the vouchers relating thereto and we hereby report that in our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept. The Receipts and Payments Account is in agreement with the books of account maintained. We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit. The Receipts and Payments Account gives a true and fair view receipts and disbursements of North East Diocesan Social Service Society - Local Account.

For North East Diocesan Social Service Society, Guwahati


Fr. Varghese Velickakam
Secretary

Guwahati :
Dated : 2nd July, 2018



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AUDIT REPORT

brought forward ... 50,145,051.54 brought forward ... 38,985,298.06

BALANCE ON 31.03.2018 :		
With The Federal Bank Ltd.		
On Fixed Deposits	8,026,483.00	
On Savings Bank Account		
Account No. 11820100082161	2,637,489.24	
Account No. 11820100172145(Utilisation)	24,433.00	
Account No. 11820100165347(Utilisation)	2,068.64	
With South Indian Bank Ltd.		
Account No. 0473053000003939(Utilisation)	377,717.60	
Cash in Hand	91,562.00	11,159,753.48

TOTAL RUPEES ... 50,145,051.54

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For North East Diocesan Social Service Society, Guwahati


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NORTH EAST DIOCESAN SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY, GUWAHATI

SCHEDULE 'A'

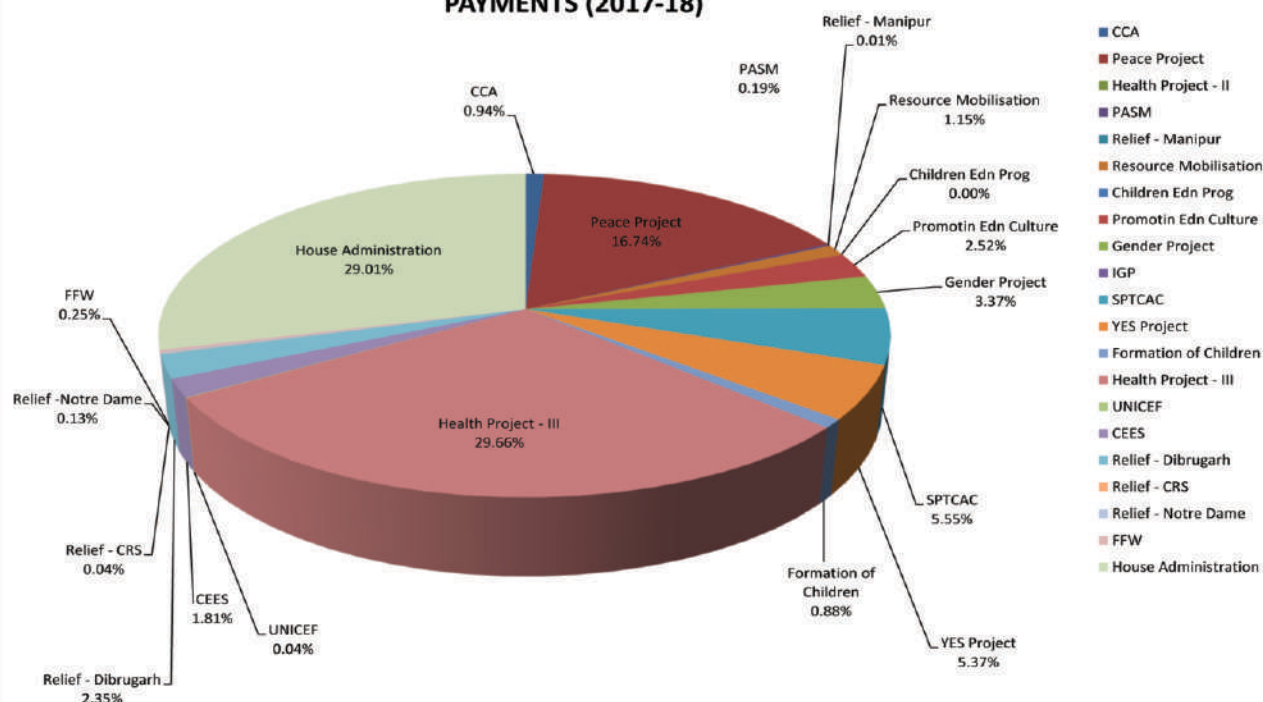
PROJECT EARMARKED FUNDS

Sr. No.	Particulars	Balance as on 01.04.2017	Receipts during the year	Interest Received during the year	Total	Utilisation during the year	Balance as on 31.03.2018
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
01	Co-ordinating, Capacity Building and Advocacy	395,852.64	100,107.00	5,017.00	500,976.64	500,372.00	604.64
02	Peace Initiative in North East India	-382,042.66	9,093,737.00	30,956.00	8,742,650.34	8,887,130.00	-144,479.66
03	Preventive and Curative Community Health Care in North East India	-1,151,476.40	1,233,185.04	0.00	81,708.64	0.00	81,708.64
04	Professionalizing the Actors of Social Ministry under the Aegis of Catholic Church	189,995.00	0.00	0.00	189,995.00	98,273.00	91,722.00
05	Relief Programme at Manipur	3,951.84	0.00	0.00	3,951.84	3,951.84	0.00
06	Resource Mobilisation Programme - Phase 3	348,579.00	691,888.00	854.00	1,041,321.00	609,317.00	432,004.00
07	Children Education Programme	1,860.00	0.00	0.00	1,860.00	1,860.00	0.00
08	Promoting Education Culture Programme	803,122.40	1,533,060.00	28,858.00	2,365,040.40	1,335,762.00	1,029,278.40
09	Ushering Gender Equality through Empowerment of Women in North East India	1,740,904.00	0.00	48,168.00	1,789,072.00	1,789,072.00	0.00
10	Income Generation Programme	-8,835.00	0.00	8,835.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	Socio - Pastoral Training cum Animator Centre	9,677,869.00	0.00	527,421.00	10,205,290.00	2,946,754.00	7,258,536.00
12	Youth in Employment and Safety in North East India	1,445,143.00	0.00	23,985.00	1,469,128.00	2,848,223.00	-1,379,095.00
13	Formation of Children	468,822.00	0.00	0.00	468,822.00	468,822.00	0.00
14	Community Ushered Regional Effort in Health Care in North East India (CURE)	1,333,189.00	15,716,762.00	39,959.00	17,089,910.00	15,745,919.00	1,343,991.00
15	Child Education and Nutrition Programme (UNICEF)	21,610.00	19,400.00	779.00	41,789.00	22,020.00	19,769.00
16	Capacity Enhancement of Education Systems in North East India	0.00	2,848,850.00	71,078.00	2,919,928.00	963,500.00	1,956,428.00
17	Relief Work in Dibrugarh	0.00	1,246,011.00	0.00	1,246,011.00	1,246,011.00	0.00
18	Relief Work - CRS	0.00	23,463.32	0.00	23,463.32	23,463.32	0.00
19	Relief Work - Notre Dame	0.00	62,965.00	0.00	62,965.00	62,965.00	0.00
20	Faith Formation of Women	0.00	1,198,478.00	11,722.00	1,210,200.00	131,931.00	1,078,269.00
GRANT TOTAL....		14,888,543.82	33,767,906.36	797,632.00	49,454,082.18	37,685,346.16	11,768,736.02

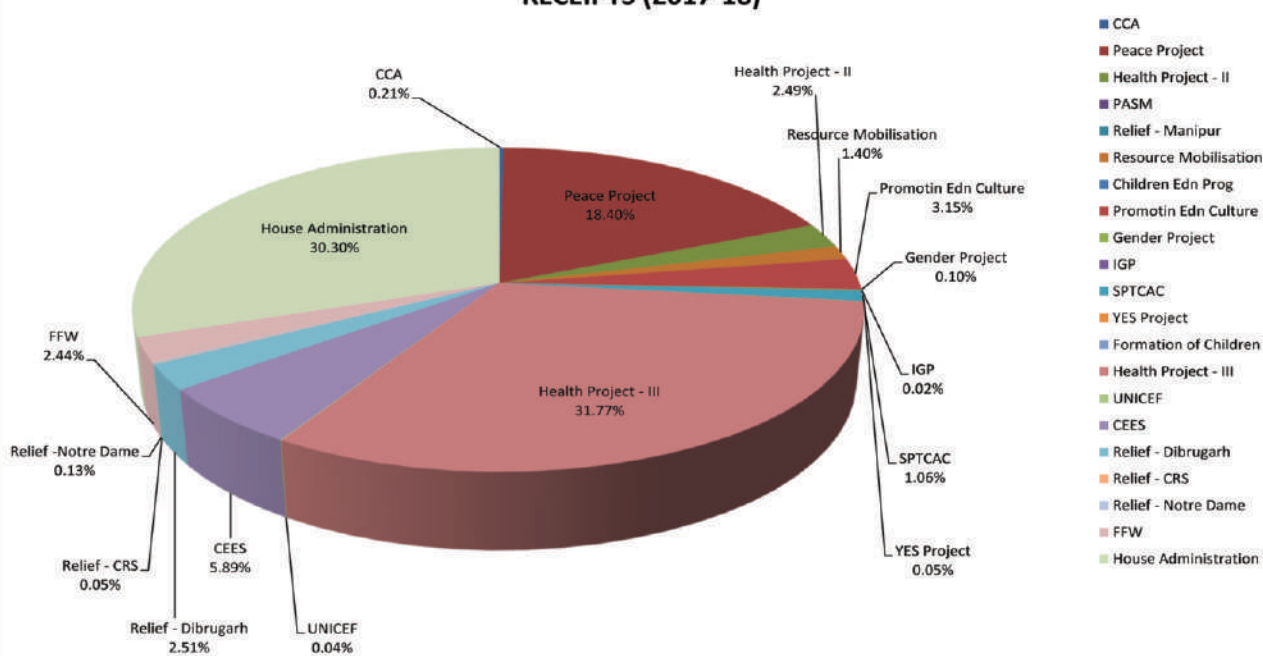


PAYMENT & RECEIPTS

PAYMENTS (2017-18)



RECEIPTS (2017-18)



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