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CEO's Message

Dear Stakeholders,

I am delighted to share with you our Annual Report 2020-2021, which summarizes YCDA's performance, preparedness, and handling of the pandemic.

2021 proved to be a year that tested our true resilience and determination in striving for excellence, amidst the unprecedented COVID-19 global pandemic that created very challenging conditions across the civil society sector.

When confronted with unprecedented challenges, YCDA finds a way to persevere through. We do it by constantly challenging the status quo and striving for reaching to the people with whom we are working. We never stop learning, instead of asking the hard questions and adapting. They are constantly in motion, anticipating the next challenge or opportunity, staying nimble even as they scale.

Throughout FY21, even before the pandemic crisis, YCDA always applied these principles to strategically position itself for long-term, sustainable development. We engaged with various stakeholders to develop solutions that address various challenges. YCDA has always demonstrated its ability to remain aligned with macro trends. We've continuously breathed life into our vibrant ecosystem of innovation, ensuring customers find meaningful solutions to their challenges.

We were proud to announce 30 years of service in the year 2022-23 with a new skill set, technology integration, and future readiness.

In a year characterized by extraordinary global and financial challenges, I am extremely proud of what we were able to accomplish as YCDA, with our dedicated and passionate team.

Lastly, I take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all our stakeholders, Council Members, dedicated project team, and community members for their wholehearted support and commitment to YCDA.

Yours Sincerely,



Rajendra Meher
Secretary-cum-CEO





About YCDA

Youth Council for Development Alternatives (YCDA) is a non-governmental organization established in the year 1993 by a team of experienced social workers with a vision to bring sustainable change in socio-economic conditions of the disadvantaged and oppressed masses in the community.

Its focus areas are driven by our mission to facilitate a sustainable society. We aim to support various vulnerable groups/individuals seeking services and gain access to basic services. Our focus here is on the areas of Child protection, Family based care, Children education, Adolescent Health & Livelihood promotion where communities facing prejustice, social & economical deprivation, discrimination & exclusion.

The major thrust of the organization is to initiate field-based intervention for sustainable changes in the socio-economic conditions. From the inception, YCDA has been active in the Odisha region in demonstrating various scalable models and reached around 50,000 households. Over the period of time YCDA has developed its core competency on Child rights, protection & livelihood enhancement intervention and working closely with government authorities. At present Organization is working in four districts directly (Boudh, Bolangir, Nuapada, Anugul, Puri and Khordha) in the state and indirectly working with few other partners in network mode.

Vision

“Sustainable improvement in the socio-economic status and self reliance of disadvantaged community.”

Mission

To address causes and symptoms of deprivation among marginalized and weaker sections of the society through community mobilization and expansion of livelihood base for entitlement of their rights and improvement in socio-economic well-being.

Objectives

To work for the Social, Economical and Educational development of the weaker sections with a view to enable them to take their legitimate place in the mainstream by the national and social life.

To educate and assist the weaker section population to realize their creative faculties for their economic, social and cultural, and physical improvements by implementing action projects in collaboration with Government and Non-Governmental Agencies.

Strategies

Direct Action

Working with vulnerable families of Small farmers, migrant workers, women and children in rural areas in the community and reduce their sufferings by addressing critical needs.

Community Based Organisation (CBO)

Build capacity of Panchayat, Self Help Groups (SHGs), Farmers Producers Organizations (FPOs) and School Management Committees (SMCs) and develop their capacity through training and exposures.



Working with Government Bodies

Coordinate and work closely with Government Departments and influence authorities to translate various policies into actions.

Geographical Operational areas of YCDA



I. Adolescent Health & Development

YCDA focuses on the model of professional knowledge in adolescent health and the evidence-based principles in design and delivery of effective education programmes for them as adolescence marks the developmental transition from childhood to adulthood; a time when many important social, economic, biological, and demographic measures established the stage for adult life.

1. Change Maker

To identify and facilitate 100 young change makers in the region to ensure children's rights are respected and protected in 11 GPs of Boudh district.

Key Activities undertaken during the year

- Awareness meetings and change makers Identification, Individual Profile creation.
- Training on leadership and advocacy (understanding child rights & proposal development)
- Uploading and individual agreement with change makers and individual activities of 100 change makers.

Outcome

- As an outcome 59 girls and 66 boys could be identified as change makers.
- Based on the area of interest and expertise the change makers have identified the local issues and the training and the learning have made them capable of planning and preparing their individual projects to deal with the same. 100 small grant individual projects have been uploaded for activity interventions.

Success Story: Building the Change makers

Rakhi Bhukta, of Tatarkila of Dungripali in Boudh district is living with her mother and elder brother. Her family was abandoned by her father when she was a kid. Her mother was her only support for her basic needs like food, education and shelter. She was also a victim of the societal stigma of being a girl child. She



was not supported by any of her relatives. Now she is a young girl of 17. Despite of being a daily paid labourer, her mother supports her. She has accepted and adopted herself to her situation and is determined to follow her dreams to make a change in the society. Girls like Rakhi can contribute her experience in adolescent empowerment and is real change maker.

She is a change-maker of Youth Council for Development Alternatives (YCDA), in Kamalpur, Boudh, where she took the lead role of drawing the attention of dropout & irregular child by the process of awareness meeting and counseling.

Due to her active role in awareness and counseling activities in her village to decrease the level of dropouts and irregular child, the villagers realized importance of education and started sending their kids to school and collages.

“Most children want to change at least one thing in their life. But it can be challenging to find motivation just to make a start. It helps to understand what motivation will help you finding your own way. YCDA Organisation is responsible to teach and train me how to do these activities for the children's rights and i can do by myself and I achieved





a lot in Dropout & Irregular Kids Project.” says Rakhi Bhukta.

2. Adolescent Health and Development Programme

YCDA has implemented the adolescent health and development program with the support of APF from July 2019, having coverage of 10,000 in and out of school adolescents, 300 teachers, 20,000 parents and community stakeholders in 300 villages (20 GPs) of Boudh district with following objectives:

- All Adolescents boys and girls in the age group of 11 to 19 within and outside of the school system are accessing life skill based Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) through a well-developed curriculum.
- Parents, community leaders, school management committees and service providers are sensitized and engaged to reduce barriers and create an

enabling environment for adolescents.

- Wider dissemination of CSE learning's/models with various stakeholders for up scaling and replications.

Key activities undertaken during the year

- 218 (Male – 171 + Female – 46 + Tg -1) teachers were trained on life skilled based comprehensive sexuality education.
- 162 UDAAN club formed with 2208 girls and 1368 boys as members and 373 peer educators (Boys-113, Girls-260) have been trained and have been conducting CSE sessions in the villages.
- 442 community carders were trained on adolescent health and development issues and their role in creating supportive environment in the community.
- 16 CRCC & BRCC and 10 YCDA staff members were trained on Life skills based CSE and class room observation in the month of Jan 2021.
- Session rollout at village level was conducted in 228 points. Where in school and out of school adolescent, were covered together. An average of 25- to 30 adolescent participated in the session and improved their understanding on different subjects. Community module, two thematic broacher and other IEC materials finalized and provided to the adolescent.





- 119 adolescent's girls identified different SRHR issues, they have been facilitated to access to various government facilities, 26 adolescent identified with issues and provided treatment & 16 are cured.
- GP level workshop organized in 10 GPs with the participation of 361 key community level stakeholder from different walk of life.
- Half yearly learning exhibition organized in 86 strategic cluster locations where 7338 stakeholders participated and the adolescent exhibited and shared their learning

Outcome

- Improved learning on CSE is visible among the adolescent, around 50% of adolescent have a good understanding on human sexuality and reproductive health. It can be seen that practice level change like the use of sanitary napkin with good menstruation practices, dietary diversity, intake of the iron tablet, personal health and hygiene, etc.
- Improved awareness among adolescent boys and girls on various services like SRADHA CLINIC, Adolescent friendly health day, etc. resulted in identifying 119 SRHR issues, 26 adolescents gone for treatment, and 16 are cured.
- Girl's attendance to school, their participation in various activities substantially increased. Regular engagement, oath-taking campaign with community members, and various front-line

workers to stop child marriage enhanced knowledge and actions among the adolescents, resulted in stopping many child marriage cases (28) in the locality in the initial phase.

- Parents' support and approval helped the adolescent to participate in various CSE activities, it has been observed that girls are much more proactive than boys and their participation is visible.

Success Story: Towards an adolescent friendly village:-

Kampara village is situated under Telibandh GP of Block Block, more than 200 households residing in the village with diversified caste groups. Before our intervention discussion over adolescent health issues, menstrual hygiene and other emerging issues related to sexual health was considered to be a sin and strictly prohibited. We stepped in with mobilization with parents, village meeting, formation





of adolescent club, peer training, GP level consultation workshop with various stakeholders, training of teachers and class room session transaction, regular meeting with UDAAN club on various issues, learning exhibition, continuous engagement with front line service providers from July 2019 changed the situation.

At present the existence of UDAAN group recognized in the village. They are setting classic examples with trained and active peer support, organizing their monthly meeting and discussing various topics as per the developed modules. Identifying various SRHR issues among the adolescent and connecting them with SRADHA clinic, organizing oath taking meeting among villagers to stop child marriage etc. Further it has been observed that since last one year there is no child marriage observed. Some cases are resolved and the child is rescued by the active involvement of UDAAN group. We can proudly say presently 100% adolescent girls are using sanitary napkin and practicing safe disposal. There is not a single case of school drop –out within the age group of 16. Parents are supporting the programme and sending their children to various activities organized by YCDA.

3. “my Future My Dream”

YCDA with support from SKN Netherland has implemented “My Future My Dream” on Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) for rural adolescents of Western Odisha region for addressing the Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

(SRHR) of adolescents between the age group of 15 to 18+ years in 8 villages of 1 GP of Bolangir district. This project will focus on

- Adolescents in the age group of 15 to 18 within and outside of the school system are accessing Sexual and Reproductive and Health Rights (SRHR) through a well-developed curriculum.
- Parents, community leaders, and service providers are sensitized and engaged to reduce barriers and create an enabling environment for adolescents. Dissemination of Peer learning module with various stakeholders for up scaling and replications

Key activities undertaken during the year

- Rapid assessment & field analysis and community sensitization meetings.
- Organize children & adolescent clubs and capacity building on SRHR for team & training on curriculum development.
- Knowledge, Attitude & Practice (KAP) Assessment.
- Capacity Building /TOT of peer leaders.
- Rolling out of the sessions in adolescent clubs.
- Organize Quarterly Learning harvest and Knowledge Sharing Workshop

Outcome

- The community have realised the need of knowing adolescents rights, emerging issues & comprehensive sexuality education of their children & adolescents.
- The caregivers/parents have started sharing with children to adopt menstrual hygiene practice.
- The ASHAs & AWWs have sensitized the peer leaders & adolescent groups about various components of adolescent issues & their responsibility towards family as well as society.
- With a life skill based peer module, adolescents have got a common platform to discuss, share their issues, learn from peers, gain knowledge, and learn their role and responsibilities towards their rights. The knowledge has been increased among the adolescents will reflect in their attitude





and practice in day to day life.

- Peer leaders along with adolescents created awareness on maintaining Covid protocols, organise small groups meetings for children and engaged them in drawing, songs ,creative writings to meet the psychosocial need, counseling to children /peer on child marriage, child dropout etc..
- With career counseling, 80 Dropout adolescents' boys & girls have been linked in skill training program.

Success Story: Ganga –The Change agent

YCDA believes in making examples like Ganga who is a very active Peer Educator of Balangir district. She was selected as a Peer Educator for My Future My Dream Project. "I wanted to be a Peer Educator to educate and prevent other girls from adversity and thus persisting adolescent issues related to it." This is

her understanding towards her community and peer group. Now she is an active member of adolescent club and secretary in Udaan club. She facilitates the meetings, enrolls adolescents in club, and identifies issues like the child education during COVID, child marriage issues and building awareness on maintaining Covid protocols among the peers and community.

With the support of YCDA she learnt the techniques to address the issues and opportunity for the advocacy through peer groups and how to motivate to the other children for addressing the above issues. Gradually she stepped forward to motivate children and act as a change makers. She was also linked with sewing operator training to become a professional sewing master and can train other adolescent girls of the village. Now she is the role model for others and she has expressed her gratitude to YCDA for giving her the opportunity.





II. Child Protection

In a year that has brought the whole world to a standstill, the impact of the virus continues to be unbalanced. The children have been the hardest hit. Every community has been cut off from education and vital services. But, we kept going, and continue our effort to renovate each child's situations through our determination. No doubt it is very inspiring that what the children and communities that we work with have achieved over the last 12 months. In YCDA We are dedicatedly giving our effort in transforming the lives of children by creating protective environments where they can safely live, play, learn and grow.

1. Alternative Family Based Care

The entire project is design keeping the need and best interest of the Child with focused principles of Every Child has a Right to Family. Promote the After Care/Foster care programme in both Boudh and Bolangir districts through enabling such children to adapt to the society and to encourage them to move away from an institution based life to the community based rehabilitation/ independent living with the support of Kinderpostzegels, Netherlands.

Key activities undertaken during the year

- Family Grant Support to families & children with approval of Child Welfare Committees and Family strengthening support through linkage with Govt. Schemes & Provisions, mental wellbeing, psychosocial counseling and educational support to the children and families during COVID-19 were primary activities undertaken.

- Restoration of children in family based care arrangement and develops individual care plan & career plan and capacity building of care givers on good parenting skills were also key focused areas. Revolving fund support for Income Generation activities were organized.
- TOT on Mental Health & Psychosocial Support and capacity building of District Caregiver Associations and training to PLCPC & Caste Committees on child protection issues (Child marriage, dropout, abuse etc.) were conducted.

Outcome

- We could reach total 418 families and 792 children(direct), 478 parents(direct), 5293 children and adolescents(indirect), 2578 professional (teachers, VCPC, Village leaders) during this year.
- Total 22 numbers of CNCP children have been placed in Foster Care in convergence with govt. and living in safe & protected environment. 28 care givers have been linked with vocational & higher education and 12 have been reintegrated in society.
- Cumulatively 326 children have been rehabilitated & self-sustained in life through self-

employed, job, marriage, family restoration & reunification. As an outcome of our activities 400 families have been oriented on parental skills & developed their capacity on child caring & nurturing and Psychosocial First Aid Therapy has been initiated to meet the mental wellbeing of children through Art, Drawing, Creative writing & story telling in COVID Pandemic. 400 families have got access to at least 6 govt. sponsorship social security schemes & availed the benefits.

- Cumulatively 25 children are getting the rehabilitative sponsorship support under the ICPS/YCDA Individual sponsorship program “Surakshya” and 1569 adolescents both boys & girls have been trained on SRHR & gained knowledge on physical growth, behavioral practices & practicing health, hygiene in their daily life. District Child Protection Mechanism are actively work for alternative care options for children in addressing protection issues in both Boudh and Bolangir.
- 1065 PLCPC & caste committees’ members have improved their skills and knowledge on reporting systems against the child marriage cases.

Success Story: Life Changing Intervention

“I have always dreamt for supporting children who are unable to pursue their higher education due to financial reasons. Someday I am definitely going to achieve my dream” Says Anjali. She lost her father in

a gas accident and started staying with her maternal family. When she was in 8th grade, her grandparents decided to send the child to a Child Care institution expecting her to have a good life. When this matter came to the knowledge of some local volunteers, they immediately informed the coordinators of YCDA who later enrolled them under ICPS sponsorship program and retained the child with her kin. Youth Council for Development Alternatives (YCDA) supported the child for 3 years till she completed her matriculation. Simultaneous the family was also linked with various income generation programs of YCDA for financially strengthening the family. Anjali’s grandfather is an active member of District Caregivers Association, Bolangir and from there he was facilitated with short-term-rotational loans for 3 years for the purpose farming. Presently the family has become financially self-sustained and Anjali is voluntarily assisting YCDA in implementing various activities in her village. Anjali is also linked with YCDA’s financial support to help her pursue her higher education as she has scored 1st division marks in her 12th grade.

2. Family Reintegration Programme (FRP)

YCDA in collaboration with CAFO started an initiation through the COVID response research program in Both Khordha and Puri districts. The project has covered 20 children who have been reintegrated in their family from the child care institutions from Khordha and Puri district during the COVID pandemic situation.

Key activities undertaken during the year:-

- Provide an introduction to child-centered case management, including gate keeping



mechanisms to ensure appropriate family placements, key steps in determining placements, developing individual care plans, and preparing children and families for the Transition.

- Make engaged the State & District level Child Protection authorities in the gradual De-institutionalization process and facilitate them to offer alternative care options promoting the inclusive reintegration of children into local communities.
- Publication of brochure and IEC materials for dissemination and common awareness among the child protection mechanisms were also carried out.

Outcome

- Front line Child Protection functionaries have adopted the Transition and Gate Keeping practioners manual in their work during taking decision on family reintegration.
- De-institutionalization & Transition principles are established at CWC and DCPU level with appropriate Government Orders and the CWC and DCPU is screening well before going for the deinstitutionalization.
- More number of children is placed under appropriate family placements Kinship care, foster care, family reintegration etc.
- Child Protection functionaries are developed with appropriate knowledge and skills to carry forward the reintegration process. Vulnerable families are covered under various livelihood schemes and social security measures.
- Reduced number of Orphan & Other Vulnerable (OVCs) children entering in to Child Care Institutions and unnecessary separation has been reduced so far.

Success Story: Each life is important

Mitanjali, a 16 years old girl lost her mother at the age of 9. As



her mother committed suicide, her father was in custody related to the suicidal cases. The child was abandoned from parental care and was put in the orphanage and there she spent around 7 years. When she could not pass 10th standard, the orphanage wanted her father to take the responsibility of Mitanjali. Fortunately, her father had been released from the imprisonment. She was denied of any kind of assistance from the orphanage during the time of pandemic. After YCDA taken over the case, prepared her care plan and gregarious counseling was conducted. She was enrolled in six-month course of hotel management as hospitality trade. In course of time, she completed the course and after attaining 18 years of age she got offered from the CARE hospital for serving in the food unit for a minimum salary Rs.6000 per month and could manage her livelihood. We are intervening as each life is important and has the right to live with dignity.

3. Integrated Child Protection Project (ICPP)

YCDA is working with cooperation of CIAI on the Integrated Child Protection Project for 5000 vulnerable children from 100 villages in 8 Gram Panchyat in the Boudh and Kantamal block of Boudh district of the state of Odisha, India. The main objective of the programme to contribute to create a protective environment for all children in Orissa by reducing their vulnerability and enhancing their development possibilities according to the principles established in the Indian National Plan of Action for Children, 2016.

Key activities undertaken during the year

- Village children group leaders (VCG) training, quarterly interface with stake holder and quarterly Gram Panchyat Level Child Protection (GPCPC) meeting at GP level have been conducted.
- Annual children festival was organised. The issue of child marriage and tracking the incidence

of child marriage are major focused activities.

- We have dedicatedly motivated our work area for vulnerable child tracking and follow up of vulnerable children.

Outcome

- We have conducted 16 VCG leaders training and covered 560 children, 430 stakeholders are covered under 16 quarterly interfaces across our operational areas. 350 children have been distributed learning kit in 8 Gram Panchyat.
- In small group reading 456 children could be associated. GPCPC member's representatives are sensitized on their role for ensuring child protection and more focusing on reduce of child labour and child marriage.
- Our network reported 65 child vulnerable cases and referred them to Child line 1098. 45 child marriage cases have been tracked and through our intervention these marriages could be cancelled.
- 30 vulnerable children have been produced before CWC. 94 Schools have been developed their SDP sitting with the SMC member's collaboration with PTA and teacher's.

Success Story: little light in the darkness

The story of Pradeep behera of Khamar revenue village in Gundulia Gram Panchyat under Boudh districts has a tragic scene. He has two sons. After the birth of his second son, his wife Rina died in 2020. Pradeep is left hopeless with two kids. During this period, YCDA through its child protection project was carrying out activities like formation of village children group and village child protection committee at village level. As suggested by YCDA Staff Mr Duryadhan Purohit and VCPC, Pradeep seeked help from Childline. Child line team visited the new born baby and provided small food packet within 24 hours. Now there is no problem for food for Pradeep's children with the help of VCPC and YCDA. The YCDA team regularly visited the new born baby and arranged whatever required for the kids.

4. Care Leavers -No one left behind

YCDA Resource Centre has been focused on educational achievement and employment opportunities of young care leavers who are highly dependent on what happened before they came into care.

Key activities undertaken during the year

- Life skill training to children living in different care arrangements, preparation of ICP and personalized career plan for the children living in alternative care arrangements, psycho social and

counseling support to the children and young adults have been provided.

- Introduction of the structured module on life skill education and support for vocational training and technical education to the aftercare youths are included in the activities.
- Job placement and social security scheme linkages are established. Training to care leavers on CSE and child marriage issues has been also conducted.

Outcome

- 200 children attaining 18 years of age from different care arrangements have got the life skill training. 150 Care leavers /Young adults are under gone appropriate training on psycho social counseling support and gain Knowledge.
- 100 Children/Care leavers are under gone through the career mapping and career plan prepared. 200 Care leavers got enrolled in the technical education and vocational education.
- 10 Care leavers got placement after completion of the technical education or vocational education. 200 Children/Care leavers are under gone through the training on CSE and child marriage.

Success Stories: We create assets

Mini and Itishree were brought up in child care institution for long period. They both continued their career there. Both the girls were interested to study more. During counseling they came into the YCDA's Aftercare programme. YCDA shifted them to Aftercare group living home by order of Child Welfare Committee (CWC). They got training of life skills, health, hygiene and psychosocial support to manage effectively and the challenges of everyday life. Itishree did a course on web & graphic design from Escort Skill Development Centre, Bhubaneswar and Mini did vocational course in hospitality in ASD Education Pvt. Ltd





At this pandemic situation two young adults Mini Badra and Itishri Mohanty interested and step out to work for the people in this situation. They both got the chance to work in call center, OCAC, Government of Odisha State to keep a track of persons under home quarantine or in isolation way. There is a help line number 104 in call centre and that works for COVID-19 helpline to handle health queries, corona related enquiries and travel registration and also tracking people who are in quarantine. This is a great achievement for them and gave morale boosting to their confidence level. Now they are performing well and become an independent young adult.

"I had a dream to work for the people in difficult circumstances, I am very happy to work for the people in my State in this Covid-19 pandemic"- Itishree

5. CHILDLINE - 1098

CHILDLINE 1098 is a phone number that spells hope

for millions of children across India. It is a 24-hour a day, 365 days a year, free and emergency phone service for children in need of aid and assistance. We not only respond to the emergency needs of children but also link them to relevant services for their long-term care and rehabilitation.

Key activities undertaken during the year

- Outreach and phone testing, psychosocial support for children, special Celebration for Children, capacity Building of stakeholders and CHILDLINE Staff were among the major activities of CHILDLINE 1098.
- Covid 19 situation analysis and emergency support during the period are provided.
- We also carried out Kiosk Melas through 78 small groups.
- This is a group consisting of 2 to three members. 52 night outreach were done by CHILDLINE, mostly at hospital premises, auto stands, market areas, bus stop and hotels.

Outcome

- We could covered 330 villages, identified 251 volunteers, phone testing of 511 through our activities. Individually we could reach 8187 adults and 11516 children.
- We have intervened through medical help, providing shelter, tracking child labour/stopping child marriage/ keeping an eye on child trafficking or kidnapping.



Success Stories: We change lives

Mamata Mirdha is a 17 years old girl from Balasinga, Mursundhi, Boudh. The child was promoted to class 10th studying in Badhigaon High School, Badhigaon. Her father is a daily labour who was working as a migrant. Before six years he arranged her elder daughter's marriage by borrowing money. He has not sufficient money to look after Mamata's education because whatever he earned he had to pay interest every month. Mamata's parent did not allow the child to go to school for study due to financial issues. They decided to get her married on 20th March 2021. This issue was reported to the school by a friend of Mamata. The CHILDLINE centre coordinator informed the matter to the CMPO Minati Deo, CWC, Boudh, DCPO and DSWO. The team with the help of 3 supervisors, AWW and Police of Boudh went to cancel the marriage. On the spot DOB of the child was collected from AWW and parent were counseled regarding negative factors associated with child marriage and we have collected the undertaking from the parent in the presence of VLCPC Committee. The team rescued and produced the child before CWC, Boudh in the presence of DCPO Rahul Pradhan. The Committee further counseled the parent and the child. The committee asked the CHILDLINE Team to do the S.I.R and submit within 3 days. After submission of S.I.R the child is provided with sponsorship support. With the sponsorship she continued her education and has secured E Grade in the BSE Examination.

There is many more life changing story like Anjali, Mitanjali, Jyotsna Rout, Sampad Kumar Ray, and YCDA made a dedicated intervention in changing the lives.

III. Early Childhood & Primary Education

1. STAR School

YCDA working with cooperation of EDUKANs Foundation, Netherlands we are successfully working on the Enhancement of Quality and Relevance of Primary Education for Rural Children with following the five indicators such as Learning Environment, Learning, Teaching and School Management & Community Involvement in Boudh district of Odisha with the brand name Star School.

Key activities undertaken the year

- Major activities were centered on Awareness Campaign on COVID prevention in collaboration with the children and adolescent clubs, COVID Support (Emergency response/distribution of dry food ration Kit, Distribution of Cooked food to the

needy and vulnerable and distribution of face masks) and facilitation of GO/NGO coordination meeting.

- Community learning programme have been facilitated across all 100 schools and small group reading and e-learning and capacity building of volunteers and teachers for using e-learning systems have been conducted as well as Teacher's trainings on Active Classroom Transaction.
- Through peer educators 2756 Students have been enrolled in CSE programme and 378 children in Class-1 through Enrollment Drive and could reach out 2239 children through Community learning programme. 250 volunteers and 147 teachers were trained to use Google Meet and Zoom.

Outcomes

- Effective awareness and developed attitude to fight against Corona Virus Disease could be generated among our beneficiaries, stakeholders.
- Across our operational areas hand washing techniques, social distancing and proper procedure to use of face masks among 1541 Children (6-11 years) and 1647 adolescents has been demonstrated.
- 3780 children have been identified with improved learning outcomes in all subjects of regular curriculum and learning environment upgraded (50 school learning materials have been ensured and in 17 schools school boundary and building are constructed).
- SMC and Community member's representatives are sensitized on their role for ensuring quality education and more focusing on achieving learning competency. 100 Schools have been developed their SDP sitting with the SMC member's collaboration with PTA and teacher's.

Success stories

The lockdown hampered education, entertainment and progress of children to a great extent. The same happened with Guora Pradhan who completely





deviated from studies and his parents could not give priority to his education. As a result, the child's score in school exams decreased. YCDA stated an initiative to make the children learn and understand the school curriculum. Volunteers are engaged to teach these community students in "Small Group reading" in that villages. This initiative helped vulnerable children who are not going to any private tuition, not having any smart phone of their parents and slow learners. We focused on improving reading, speaking and learning skills of many children like Gaura. He attended our educational program weekly thrice and improved his learning level very smartly. During the tenure he was given rewards for every good attempt in learning as a token of encouragement.

2. Back to Basics

With 'BACK TO BASICS' we focus on Fostering Continuum in Early and Primary Education of 3- 14 years old Children.' This project will enable us to empower boys and girls by creating a learning environment where all boys and girls feel valued and will have equal access to quality learning. Child Rights Situational Analysis (CRSA) was the basis for the development of programme strategy.

Key activities undertaken during the year

- Capacity building programme of AWWs have been conducted and a quarterly activity plan has been developed in YCDA Training hall for Boudh office.
- Capacity building programme for AWWs of Kantamal project on Developmentally

Appropriate Learning Experiences have been conducted.

- YCDA Facilitated "Ghare Ghare Arunima" & "Mo Ghare Mo Anganwadi".
- Among our other activities preparation of low cost or no cost TLM, implementation of Gulmohar Programme in parent's whatsapp group, movement of Mobile Caravan, inauguration of Hand wash platform in ICDS campus, Kantamal, building capacity of various stakeholders for de-institutionalization & transition planning, including the steps in transitioning to family care by provides a framework for understanding the transition to family care, life skill training to children living in different care arrangement.

Outcome

- 916 preschool children have been covered under "Ghare Ghare Arunima" during the year.
- Capacity building programme for 233 AWWs of Kantamal project on Developmentally Appropriate Learning Experiences and capacity building of 90 AWWs for development of quarterly activity plan in Boudh project have been organised.
- 1112 parents have actively participated in implementing & posting the pictures of houses, utensils, different transports etc. in "Mo Ghara Mo Anganwadi" wall paper and 940 parents has been participated in quiz competition, storytelling, songs which means the programme is effectively



implemented.

- 4108 pre-School and 4224 primary School students were covered under Mobile Carvan.
- 51 display boards for “Mo ghara Mo Aanganwadi” have been developed by parents for their children at home which involves children and parents’ excitement on learning.
- 24 Watsaap groups of 973 parents have been created for sharing of new ideas to the parents for development of children through video during the Covid 19 period.
- Hand washing Platform have been inaugurated with the collaboration of Save the Children, RIST at Kantamal ICDS office
- 300 Dry food packets were distributed to marginalized family in Boudh and Kantamal Block during the COVID-19 Pandemic period with the support of Save the Children India.

Success Story: Early learning can be joyful

Mrs. Sushma Mishra has been working as an AWW since 20 years at Dangajhul AWC of Kantamal project. She has been associated with multiple works of govt. in the village; she could not focus properly on preschool education. She always been thinking that only capture and send the photos of children to her supervisor will complete the task of preschool activity,



but she was not aware that she has hampering the most valuable time of a child life.

After regular intervention of our ASF Mrs. Sobhangini Rjahansa and guidance from supervisor of respective Sector, now she has able to understand the important of early age learning in development process of a child. She has been doing the month specific activities with active participation of children in Ghare Ghare Arunima. She has also bought her own new smart phone to capture all the activities of children and with the guidance of our ASF she has learned that how to shoot a video and capture photos during preschool activities. Now she has been regularly involve with children and put all the effort to strengthen preschool activities which will help to make learning joyful in AWC.



IV. Livelihood and Family Strengthening

YCDA through its livelihood programmes in the last decades has had a significant positive impact on the lives of the rural population. Focus on capacity building; fostering community links and promotion of small businesses are some few ways through which YCDA has helped the rural population to build sustainable livelihood options for them. Inclusion of women in economic activities and encouraging women-owned entrepreneurial ventures in rural India has proved to be successful in eradicating livelihood issues for rural people.

1. Agriculture Production Cluster

It is a collaborative project among Department of Agriculture and Farmers Empowerment, Department of Panchayati Raj and Drinking Water, Government of Odisha and Bharat Rural Livelihood Foundation (BRLF) Government of Odisha for promotion of Agriculture Production Cluster. YCDA is the implementing Partner of APC project in Kantamal block of Boudh District.

Key activities Undertaken in the year

- 24 Producer Groups (PGs) have been formed as per OLM guideline covering 3171 HHs from 55 villages of 6 GPs.
- 1 Producer Company Formed in the Name “Matrushakti Women Farmer Producer Company Limited” under Companies Act 2013 to support the farmers of APC project area.
- 16 Udyog Mitras trained to facilitate agricultural activities around 24 PGs.

- 2110 Household involves in High Value Crop Production in 1286.32 acres of Land. Fruits plantation in 122.25 acres of land is being covered by 75 farmers under MGNREGA and State Plan.
- 1352 HHs use NPM for crop cultivation in 420 acres of land. 2 pack house and 2 sorting and Grading Unit have been established with the support of Department of Horticulture.
- 466 Irrigation Potential areas have been created to cater 417 families.
- 3 MRLP installed with the support of OAIC, 28 farm pond and 14 dug well, 20 Check Dam established with the support of MGNREGA, 15 acres land covered through Drip and Sprinkler irrigation in APC project area of Kantamal block.
- 16 Prani Mitra trained to cater 1142 HH of Livestock Intensive PG for deworming and Vaccination. 883 HHs have adopted package of practice for goat & poultry rearing in 8 livestock intensive PGs.

Outcome

- Income range has been enhanced from Rs.5000/- to Rs.15000/- of 566 HHs due to intensive engagement in livestock and Kharif high value crop intervention.
- Income range enhanced from Rs.15000/- to Rs.25000/- of 682 HHs due to intensive engagement in both Kharif & Rabi high value crop intervention





- Income range enhanced from Rs. 25000/- and above of 1052 HHs due to intensive engagement in Kharif, Rabi & summer high value crop.

Subhashree SHG group of Kurukupa under Ambagaon GP bearing 10 members started with a small unit at the beginning in the month of January 2021. In this group all member were belonging SC category. In the first phase group members were able to complete 100 mushroom beds and earned marginal profit. Before going to mushroom cultivation by SHG members shed net, polythene and spawn cost bear by horticulture department and labour cost bear by self-help group members. Taking this challenge with the financial support of Horticulture department and technical guidance by YCDA, Boudh. Now this group earns 5000-6000 net income and has set an example for all those interested Self-help group members nearby their village. Now mushroom cultivation is a common part of their agri-business.

2. E-Shakti

The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) initiated the digitizing of Self Help Groups (SHGs) in India through their pilot project, E-Shakti.

Key activities undertaken in the year 2020-21

- Mapping of existing SHGs in terms of Bank and Branch in the District. Training Animators to obtain SHG and their Members' data.

- Feeding data through a customised software on the central server.
- Hosting data online under a dedicated website.
- Maintaining data and data recovery centers.
- Updating transactional data regularly.
- Generating Management Information System (MIS) for different users.

Outcomes

- In March 2021 the number of Go Live app users has increased from 49.79% to 75.61%.
- The exact figure in Mar 2020 was 1892, but in Mar 2021 it has increased significantly to 2873.
- This app could significantly reduce Saving-Credit linkage gap, track credit history of members.
- This app could promote transparency through real time SMS alerts to members.
- This can work as a medium of convergence of SHGs with other government programmes. This app also has system generated SHG loan application.

Success Story: Facing the challenges

Though we don't have any individual success story, we can call it a successful process of implementing this project. We have faced many challenges like sourcing of information from poor database and records, Capturing field level information from SHGs in a limited time and periodic upload of savings and credit details of SHGs. GPRS connectivity has been a major obstacle while implementing this project. We



can proudly say that we could overcome every challenge and could produce desired outcome.

3. Special programme for promotion of Millets in tribal areas of Odisha”

This is an initiative of Odisha Millets Mission (OMM), supported by Directorate of Food and Agriculture, Odisha. In Khaprakhol block of Bolangir district the program is facilitating by YCDA since FY 2018-19 with the support of ATMA, Bolangir and technical guidance of WASSAN. The Project aims to sustainably double the income of the small and marginalize families by establishing a model of Agriculture Production Cluster in 40 backward blocks of the state Odisha.

Key activities undertaken in the year

- Focus on Millets cultivation by farmers in Khariff & Rabi season
- Cultivated 1 hector Khunta Mandia for seed production purpose
- Conducted 29 CCE sample of Ragi and Non Ragi crops
- Facilitated procurement 2692 quintals of Ragi maintaining FAQ standard
- Established 4 numbers of Millets Shakti Tiffin Centre involving SHGs
- Established 1 solar energy based millets processing unit
- Provided 5 numbers of Ragi thrasher to SHGs

Outcomes

- 1634 numbers of small, marginal, tribal and women farmers cultivated Ragi and other millets crop in 790 hectares of land with following agronomics practice like SMI, LT, LS & Intercrop in Khariff & Rabi season
- 2 quintals of pure line Khunta Mandia seed has been harvested for mass seed production purpose
- The average yield of Ragi is 11.13 qntl/per hector in SMI practice through CCE
- 1634 numbers of farmers have received incentive of amount Rs 29, 15,530/-from ATMA, Bolangir
- 6199 quintals of Ragi has been harvested and 2692 quintals of FAQ standard Ragi has been sold to TDCC with MSP Rs 3295/ per quintal. The total amount is Rs 88, 04,240/-.

The success stories: Livelihood Matters

Balkrishna Behera is a small farmer of Nandupala village having 1 hector of upland where he cultivates cotton since last 8 years. Millets programme of YCDA extended to his village Nandupala for the Khariff crop. Balkrishna Behera was identified as seed production farmer; he has been trained and supported by the project for seed production. Balkrishna harvested 2 quintals of seed grain and 13 quintal normal grain. The total earning is Rs 49835/- with the net profit of Rs 27835/- in a period of 4 months. Briefing of Balakrishna's success story does not end here. It involves his labour and step by step guidance and support of YCDA to provide him a sustainable livelihood.

4. Livelihood Entrepreneurship Development Programme (LEDP)

YCDA with the support of NABARD, started the Livelihood Entrepreneurship Development Programme (LEDP) in Rural Non-Farm Livelihoods for rural women from SHGs with an intention to promote entrepreneurship by enabling them to avail the opportunities within rural areas, particularly in non-farm livelihoods. 120 members of 20 SHGs are identified for the Back Yard poultry bird rearing in village like Dhekalmunda, Phatamunda, Barahkalu, Sankalarakotha, Bandhagora, Sindhigora, Kachermal with following objective:

To ensure an additional income of Rs. 10000-12000 in a cycle for landless and marginal farmers mostly dependent upon subsistence agriculture and livestock rearing. The project will promote as well as upscale BYP rearing with all the required value chain initiated in the APC project and intervene in the total value chain starting from production to marketing.

Key Activities undertaken in the year

- Orientation regarding incentives, facilities and to empower SHG members through LEDP training on Back Yard poultry Bird Farming "so that they will be able to generate income from backyard poultry rearing and extended support to other poor households.
- Activities undertaken to create a pool of skilled manpower to perform non-farm operations in their respective locality and build a long term association and linkage with the line department for mutual benefits.

Outcome

- At present 250 families has been benefitted and

earning additional Rs 10000/- annually by rearing poultry birds in 4 batches

- 3 mother units of 2500 chick capacity have been established in Dhekalmunda, Chhapara & Sukhamunda.
- 3 trained LE has been take care of poultry rearing and provide healthy chicks to members.
- Two solar based vaccination units have been established at Dhekalmunda and Fashed to provide regular vaccination to Birds & Goats.
- Day old chicks have been dropping by respective LE I their mother unit in regular interval and provide healthy and vaccinated chicks to selected PG members.
- Regular vaccination camps have been organized by LE in livestock dominated village with the support of SEBA BHARAT.
- Collective marketing through LE have been made where SHG/PG members were directly involved and sold their birds to vendors at their door step with satisfactory rate.
- Exposure visit of Reliance Foundation Bolangir and PRADAN Baliguda team have been made to Dhekalmunda Mother Unit.

Success Stories: Potentiality of BYP

Dhekalmunda is a tribal village of Kantamal block of Boudh District and all the 60 households of the village belong to Ganda & Kandha tribe. The major livelihood of the villagers is vegetable cultivation through NPM and Desi Poultry bird rearing. In order to enhance the income of the households in a sustainable manner, YCDA submitted a proposal to NABARD for establishing a Poultry Mother Bird unit to provide



grower chicks to the members on regular basis from the mother unit. NABARD sanction Rs.3, 86,980.00 for establishment of two mother units and intensive training of 120 SHGs members of two livestock PGs formed under APC Project. With technical support of PRADAN, two youths of the locality received 5 days intensive training on Poultry Management Practices as livestock Entrepreneur. Presently desi Poultry Mother Bird unit ensured sustainable income of 60 tribal families.

V. Community Health

1. Strengthening community based integrative care of people with mental illness.

The major objective of the project is to ensure identified PWMIs have access to regular Mental Health Care and reintegration services.

Key activities undertaken during this year

- Identification of PWMIs, ensure treatment and provide Psycho- education to family to involve the PWMIs in Income Generating Activities
- Organize community-level awareness meeting for identification of new PWMIs for sensitization & orientation to Community health functionaries
- Conducting FSG meetings and allay the superstitious belief of people about mental health problems
- Organize Re-integration camps
- Quarterly Review & half yearly review By MHC and monthly volunteer Review cum planning Meeting
- Sensitization of faith healers on Mental Health Issues with wall painting & writing about mental health related and sensitization programme for community, PRI and other stakeholders on linkage process of the PWMIs with govt. schemes
- Provide psycho-education training to families of PWMIs Supervise loan repayment process of PWMIs & provide livelihood support to them from the recovered amount.

Outcome

- The Volunteer and staff, in collaboration with key stakeholders of the village and family members, have identified 520nos of PWMIs.
- Out of 458 nos. of PWMIs 355 has been regularly treatment our health camp and other medical availed required treatment and medicine facilities.
- 82 PWMIs have been already Recover they linkage their productivity activity that's like mason work, cultivation, Vegetable farming etc.
- 105 recovered PWMIs has been linkage with SHG Group & Youth club at their village. 78nos. of Awareness meeting have organized in different village at respective GP. At this meeting we have broadly discussed about mental health related issue, identification of new PWMIs.
- During this year 111 ASHA, 23 AWWs, 3 AWWs supervisors, 35 local functionaries such as ASHA, ICDS workers and GP representatives are





sensitized on mental health and identify PWMI, ensure treatment and follow up visit.

- In this period 193 PWMI have been linked with local level livelihood activities that are like daily wage labor, hardware shop, and construction work.
- We have provided 04nos. of livelihood support to Stable with treatment PWMI from the BNI funds. 223 out of 355 PWMI have treated at Govt. Hospital at Boudh, sonapur, Burla, Bolangir.

Success stories: Rebirth of Life

Sidheswar Chowhan developed suffered from schizophrenia when he was merely 08 years old. He is a native of Podapadar village of Ghantapada panchayat of Boudh district. When he was around 37 years old, his wife marked all the symptoms of a mad person in his behavior like sitting alone and whispering to himself, would keep laughing without reason. He was wandering from place to place. This created so much grief and agony for family that they resorted to witchcraft to cure him, doing rituals by a number of priests. But his behavioral condition started deteriorating. YCDA came to know about this matter in the year 2018 and suggested his wife to

handle this case with patience. We told them that it is only a mental illness and it is absolutely curable if proper treatment is provided. We came to know that he started taking medicine since last 2 years from Bolangir but could not afford regular medication due to lack of money. After that we persuaded her wife to bring him to the health camps organized by YCDA at regular intervals. As per our suggestion they brought him to the camps. Thus he attended about 5 to 6 health camps where he got free check-up and medicines. From that day onwards his medication started and gradually positive changes started to occur in his mental state. As a result he was completely free from his mental illness. To bring quality to his living standard and to enable him earn a sustainable living, YCDA planned to provide him financial support for income generation activity. After identification and thorough analysis of his capacity, it was decided that a sum of Rs. 5000/- will be given to him for opening of a Tea stall which will bring him a regular income and out of the profit he will repay the loan amount of YCDA by paying Rs. 500/- per month and no interest will be charged on the principal amount.

This is not the end. But to sum up with our success stories, we are privileged to support hundreds of economically marginalised communities and trying to ensure that they are recognized as active contributor to a growing economy.



VI. COVID-19 Response

Towards the Children, Adolescents & Families

The catastrophic corona virus has wreaked havoc across the planet. Communities across the globe are rising to the challenge. In this situation, YCDA has identified several Child Care Institutions who have gone through a terrible crisis across 10 districts of Odisha and had extra miles to reach out to the children who have been placed in several Alternative care setups like Foster care/ Kinship care/ community care. Apart from them over 3000 children residing in those CCI's are at the risk of getting malnourished and are much vulnerable to the Corona Virus due to lack of nutritional food and sanitation materials. Looking into the situation YCDA with the support of various agencies has been able to reach out to the children, adolescents and families who have been victimized particularly during the Covid situation.



10000 beneficiaries got benefited by the meal and sanitation kits distribution

YCDA in collaboration with Panchayat Institution (PRIs) and the district child protection Unit of Bolangir and Boudh has been able to identify families of poor suffering from chronic diseases during the emergency period and delivered the relief materials at their doors steps distributed Meals and sanitation kits to 10000 most vulnerable families during the lock down situation.

YCDA identified 2 volunteers from each targeted village and trained them on sanitation and COVID protocols essential during COVID 19 who further could trained and ensure the villagers to follow them as a regular practice with a demonstration & awareness among their communities.



40000 community have got aware on COVID protocol

YCDA has been reached out to around Forty Thousand people across Boudh & Balangir Districts and created awareness on Essential Sanitation protocols, Importance of Social Distancing and Good Parenting Skills during lockdown period through limited resources such as laptops and mobiles. 10000 families cross Balangir & Boudh. The Village Level Child Protection Committees of Boudh & Balangir have taken up different innovative activities to raise awareness among the community about the COVID-19 & its prevention measures. Handwashing camps have been organized in 15 different daily markets across Boudh and Balangir. Enabling people right way to wash their hands and when to wash hands along with importance and tips on practicing social distancing methods in families and communities.

On line Capacity Building training benefited to Frontline Child Protection Functionaries, Stakeholders and Partners

The rapid spread of the Corona virus disease has clearly produced a challenging situation in the entire world. YCDA recognized the importance of access to learning of the frontline social workers protecting the children at the grounds, organized Virtual capacity development program & webinars taking the eminent experts cum speakers on different subjects & topics i.e

- Psychosocial Counselling and support for front line CP workers
- Webinars on Interpretation and effective use of Supreme Court Order on Child Protection
- Safety and security of children living in different care setting during COVID 19 lockdown
- Stay Focused & Productive During COVID 19 Lockdown

The waves of disruption to daily and working life and triggering strong feelings of uncertainty, stress, and anxiety was felt among the YCDAns. This webinar helped us to sail through this tough time while being more efficient!

- Child & Family Wellbeing during COVID-19

Partners e-meeting - Stories and lessons learned from the field during the fight against COVID-19 (The organizations are engaged in the protection and well- being of children in different care settings. Their sharing focused on their practices and human impact stories from the field)

- Support to care leavers during COVID-19

We received an overwhelming participation of child protection functionaries such as the DCPOs, members of the CWCs, CSOs working in the fields of Child Protection, staffers of the CCIs from across Odisha, Jharkhand and Bihar. The participants got a chance to put forward their queries regarding the issues that they are facing typically during this situation of COVID-19 lockdown. Looking into the success we are planning to organize more such Webinars in the future so that the learning never stops!



Psychosocial Support to Children Living in Families & CCIs

The children who are placed in alternative care arrangements were being constantly in touch by our CEO and outreach staff remotely and their psychosocial needs are being taken care up through counselling!

Organized various activities such as painting and story writing competition remotely among our children every week and given out e-certificates of participation to boost their interests' have been reached out across 10 districts of Odisha. Although it has been difficult to physically reach out to all the CCIs during this pandemic, YCDA has been remotely supporting all the CCIs present across all our areas of operations and being providing with psychosocial support, career counselling and awareness on maintaining personal hygiene to win over corona. 5360 children have been benefited by this initiative.

The Support Could Reach to the Subsequent Affected 560 Adolescents Careleavers

We identified the immediate need for counselling and awareness among the adolescents hence we trained 257 groups through 572 peer leaders across Boudh & Balangir who further trained 5180 members through hand-made charts and practical demonstration on handwashing and social distancing.

Lockdown caused inaccessibility and scarcity of sanitary products such as sanitary pads, soaps and shampoo for the adolescent girls. In order to mitigate the inaccessibility and scarcity of sanitary napkins, YCDA initiated the social marketing of Sanitary napkins by Udaan club (Adolescent club) girls. Peer leaders and adolescent groups who handled the products under YCDA's supervision. This was also catered to the need of other age group females. Adolescents in the families are helping their youngsters & caregivers to understand on the diseases. Our adolescent Aftercare children supported to the community peoples by preparing masks & make people aware on the importance of use of mask. They are in a mission to prepare as many masks as people and reach out to as many people as possible across communities.

Care Leavers are the young adults having left the Child Care Institutions or any other alternative care arrangement after attaining the age of 18 yrs. They face many challenges after leaving a cocooned environment and start living on their own without a mentor or a caregiver. During COVID-19 pandemic, most of the care leavers lost jobs, some did not get salaries from their employers, and some were stuck in other states being jobless. In an immediate move,



YCDA mobilized and supported these innocent souls with cash, provided them psychosocial counselling, facilitated few new jobs wherever possible and linked the new entrants for online vocational trainings.

It's a widely known fact that children are one of those who are worst hit during such times of crisis. Considering such unprecedented situations, YCDA organized virtual career counselling sessions for the children who are putting their steps ahead towards adulthood while leaving the childcare institutions.

We supported over 63 young adults across 10 districts of Odisha preparing them to live an independent life from prejudice.

7500 Returnee Migrants Got Support of Covid Packages

Boudh & Bolangir Districts of Odisha have a history of acute migration. Looking into the surge in jobless migrant laborers in the areas YCDA reached out to 10000 Individuals of migrant laborer's, daily wage earners and single parents across the district and provided relief packages consisting of Dry Ration and Sanitation kits i.e Soaps, Masks, Sanitary Pad and Antiseptic liquid. These families are mostly return migrant, women headed households/widow, destitute, person with disabilities and ultra poor household/daily wage earners. They were identified with the help of elected ward representatives, Anganwadi workers, ASHA and endorsed by local Sarapanch. The dry food packets includes (Rice, Dal, Oil, Onion, Patato ,Sugar, Flaked Rice, Detergent Powder, Soap, Biscuit etc.) and This packets supplemented their food requirements during this pandemic situation, they were happy and convey their gratitude to the YCDA.



YCDA supported to CHILDREN IN FAMILY BASED CARE & CCIs:

Children in Family Based Care

YCDA is currently supporting 217 children and their families who are placed in family-based care arrangements (FOSTER CARE & KINSHIP CARE) in the state of Odisha.

It is quite that, all our caregivers in family-based care arrangements are people having little income with a golden heart! Due to the pandemic situation most of them have lost their livelihoods but they never gave up on shouldering the responsibilities of taking care of the children.

YCDA supported such families with dry ration, Sanitation kits & educational kits and facilitated with tuitions and ensured that the books from the Govt schools to reach out to the kids.



Restoration of 40 CNCP children in families who were at risk of getting institutionalized

CWC Bolangir & Boudh took suo motu cognizance and reached out to 40 numbers of children and their families. The court sat in panchayat where CNCP children were produced and approved for family sponsorship support in collaboration with YCDA.

Publications:

YCDA's Resource Centre on Alternative Care has published Two nos. of literatures - Practitioners Manual on COVID-19 for children living in Child Care Institutions and for children in family-based care.

Fun & Activities Book for Children- Distributed 5000 copies of the fun & activities book among children living in CCIs and family-based care arrangements

YCDA has published a fun and learn book “ଆସ ଆମେ ଜାଣବା କମିଟିନା କୁ କିଣବା” for children in Odia language. The book contents do and don'ts during COVID 19 and several activities which children can be kept engaged during the lockdown



Stories During COVID-19

We are proud to announce that 2 of our care leavers “Minni Bhadra and Itishree Mohanty” have got the opportunity to serve the nation at this time of crisis and have been featured in UNICEF India's page for their tremendous contribution towards fighting



COVID-19. Please follow this link to know more about them.

<https://www.unicef.org/india/stories/young-women-overcome-obstacles-help-others>

“Our women warriors have been serving over 300 meals everyday at the moment!”

Initiatives by SHG members: provide cooked food to the destitute while creating awareness on sanitation protocols and social distancing

- They list out the vulnerable persons for cooked food program in consultation with the PRI.
- Ensure handwashing of each person before taking food
- Maintain sanitation and social distancing during serving of food
- Deliver cooked food at the doorstep of persons with disability or extremely old people who cannot walk down to the centres.
- Spread awareness on handwashing, sanitation, home quarantine and isolation and social distancing.
- They also supervise free community kitchen run by the Government along with the YCDA team.

“Self Help Groups (SHGs) Fight against COVID-19”

Padmalaya Sethy, a Care giver of a child in Family based care of YCDA, Rugudipali village of Boudh district expresses her pleasure to be involved in the fighting against COVID-19. “After her husband's death, her family had gone through irreparable loss and hardships which motivates her to work on those issues so that she could save more lives. Ever since she came to know from YCDA & Health workers



PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT

I. Organizational Affairs

Council Meeting

The General Council meeting of YCDA, was held on 14th March 2021 to transact various organizational affairs as per the mandate of the bye-law of the organization. The following are the key agenda discussed in the meeting and appropriate resolution taken;

- Approval of Annual Report
- Approval of Audit Report
- Approval of Annual Action Plan and Budget
- Approval of Auditor
- Inclusion of new member in the Council

The Executive Council sat for four times during the year for discussion and taking appropriate action in regards to various operational issues. The council approved the partnership agreement with various donors and decision to approach potential donors was also approved. Board decided to explore partnership with corporate bodies for availing CSR funds and various Government funding was also approved unanimously.

Name and Address of the Banker

Different Accounts	Address	Account No.
Indian Accounts	State Bank of India, Baunsuni Branch, At/Po.-Baunsuni, District Boudh-762015, Odisha	11831574694
FCRA Account	State Bank of India New Delhi, Main Branch FCRA Division-11, Parliament Street, New Delhi -00691	40083000925
Utilization Account	Axis Bank, Boudhgarh Branch, Ground Floor, NAC Chhak, Near LIC Office, Boudh, District Boudh-762014	913010019717999
Project Account	SDTT Project	31039512175
Project Account	BRLF Project	35324952884
Project Account	APF Project	38487809516
Project Account	CIAI Project	913010038480573
Project Account	Millet Mission, Project	39719504641
Project Account	ChildLine Project	39719497757

Governance : Details of Executive Council Members (As on 31st March 2021)

Name	Sex	Position on Board	Expertise	Meeting Attend
Sandhyarani Pattnaik	F	President	Development Consultant	4/4
Manoj Kumar Mohapatra	M	Vice-President	Social Work	4/4
Rajendra Meher	M	Secretary	CEO, YCDA	4/4
Gouranga Ch. Pradhan	M	Treasurer	Financial Consultant	3/4
Sarita Choudhury	F	EC Member	Gender Expert	3/4
Mitali Mohanty	M	EC Member	Social Export SRHR	2/2
Bidyutlata Mohanty	F	EC Member	Social Worker	3/4

Name and Address of Auditors

S. Sahoo & Co, Chartered Accountants
107, Laxman Singh Complex-1, Munirka, New Delhi,
Ph. : 011-41090039, Email : s.sahoo.co@gmail.com

Accountability and Transparency

- No remuneration or any other form of compensation has been paid to the Council members.
- Remuneration of highest paid staff members (per month) ₹ 70,000/-.
- Remuneration of lowest paid staff member (per month) ₹ 12,500/-.
- Council members are paid only sitting fees during the meeting along with travel expenses.

Annual Review and Planning Workshop

Due to COVID physical Annual review and planning exercise was not organized, however remote meeting was organized on 10th & 11th April 2021. All the staff working in different project joined for reflection on their progress against annual plan. The concern project leader of the project presented their achievements and planned for the coming year. Apart from this, the staff member also reviewed various policy of the organization and other administrative issues and take appropriate action.

II. Credibility Alliance Norm Compliance Report

Identity

1. Societies Registration Act. 1860, Regd. No. PBN-1525/90 of 93-94 Dt. 31st December 1993.
2. Foreign Contribution Regulation Act- 1976, Regd. No. 105010025, Dt. 18th December 2021
3. Income Tax Act. 1961 (12 A), Regd.No. AAATY0312PE19973, Dt. 24th September 2021
4. Income Tax Act. 1962 (80G), Regd. No. AAATY0312PF20219 Dt. 24th September 2021
5. NITI Aayog ID: OR/2009/0009668, Date: 10/08/2021
6. CSR Registration Number: CSR00016873, Date: 26.10.2021

Staff Details

Gender	Full Time
Male	64
Female	46
Total	110

Distribution of Staff according to the salary level

Gross Salary (RS)	Male	Female	Total
7500/- to 10000/-	18	6	24
11000/- to 20000/-	29	36	65
21000/- to 30000/-	8	8	16
31000/- to 40000/-	0	1	1
40000 Above	3	1	4
Total	58	52	110

YOUTHCOUNCILFORDEVELOPMENTALTERNATIVES

Schedules forming parts of the Foreign Financial Statements for the Financials Year 2020-21

Notes to Financial Statements

1. Background

YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES is incorporated as a society and has a sit's office in Boudh, Odisha registered under Societies Registration Act, 1960.

YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES is registered under Section 12A of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

Further, YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES has been granted registration/renewal from the Ministry of Home Affairs under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 to accept specified foreign contributions bearing registration No. 105010025.

YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES receives funds for development of oppressed masses in the society with a group of experienced and trained social workers. The Head Office of the organization is situated at Baunsuni village of Boudh district and regional and state office respectively at Bolangir and Bhubaneswar.

The major thrust of the organization is to implement various demonstration projects for its target group in the area for bring change in the situation and initiate actions to replicate the best practices in other areas. We work in collaboration with Government, various statutory bodies and INGOs in reaching to the desired result.

2. Basis of Preparation

The financial statements of YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES have been prepared under the historical cost convention on the cash basis of accounting in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") in India. These financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards notified by the Central Government to the extent applicable.

2.1 Summary of Significant accounting policies

(a) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the accounting policies described below requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent liabilities on the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of expenses and related incomes. Actual results could differ from those estimated. Any revision to accounting estimates is recognized prospectively in current and future periods. As such there is no event which requires such disclosure or presentation.

(b) Tangible Fixed assets

Fixed assets are stated at historical cost. The cost of fixed assets includes taxes, duties, freight and other incidental expenditure related to acquisition and installation.



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(c) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all fixed assets at the rates applicable to arrive at the Written Down Value so as to present the Fixed Assets to give a True and Fair view of the Fixed Assets.

(d) Provisions and contingent liabilities and contingent assets

A provision is created when there is a present obligation as a result of a past event that probably requires an outflow of resources and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. A disclosure for a contingent liability is made when there is a possible obligation or a present obligation that may, but probably will not, require an outflow of resources. When there is a possible obligation or a present obligation in respect of which the likelihood of outflow of resources is remote, no provision or disclosure is made. Contingent assets are neither recognized or disclosed in the financial statements. However, contingent assets are assessed continually and if it is virtually certain that an inflow of economic benefits will arise, the asset and related income are recognised in the period in which the change occurs.

(e) Contributions received and income recognition.

Grants are contributions received from Foreign and Indian sources. It collectively assists the projects in meeting their program goals and objectives.

(f) Expenditure

YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENTAL ALTERNATIVES implements its programmes for strengthening marginalized communities through creative activities.

(g) Depreciation: Depreciation on the depreciable assets is charged on written down value method as per the rates and manner prescribed under Appendix-I to the Income Tax Rule 1962.

Item	Rate of Depreciation
Furniture & Fixture	10%
Computer	40%
Other Office Equipment	15%

(h) Bank Interest: Interest earned on savings bank is reflected under the Income & Expenditure Account. The interest received is accounted under the Receipts & Payment Account as the total interest received during the period from 01.04.2020 to 31.03.2021 in the savings bank account.

(i) Project Fund: Project fund has been shown in the financial statement for the year 2020-21 due to which there was regrouping.

(j) Payment to Board Members: Payment was made from FC funds to Rajendra Meher (Board Member) of a sum of Rs. 7,20,000/- during the financial year 2020-21.



**YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES(YCDA)
BAUNSUNI,BOUDH,ODISHA,INDIA**

YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES(YCDA)

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2021

	Amount (Rs)
SCHEDULE	F.Y.2020-21

I. INCOME

Grants	[06]	4,07,39,601.69
Donation		-
Bank Interest		4,40,851.00
Other Receipts-General Fund		11,78,510.00
Reimbursement -General Fund		11,140.00
TOTAL Rs.		4,23,70,102.69

II. EXPENDITURE

Relief to the Poor

Programme Expenditures	[08]	2,69,80,292.00
Administrative Expenditures		53,74,237.98

Education

Programme Expenditures	[08]	27,41,732.00
Administrative Expenditures		12,22,156.00

Medical Relief

Programme Expenditures	[08]	62,13,866.00
Administrative Expenditures		11,74,867.00

Non-Recurring Cost

Depreciation	[03]	3,09,274.85
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TOTAL Rs. 4,60,07,084.83

III. EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE [I - II] (36,36,982.14)

**IV. EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE
TRANSFERRED TO GENERAL FUND (36,36,982.14)**

Significant Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts [15]

The schedules referred to above form an Integral part of the Income & Expenditure Account.

For & on behalf of:

S. Sahoo & Co.
Chartered Accountants
FR No. 322952E



CA Subhajit Sahoo, FCA, LLB
Partner
M No. 057426
Place : New Delhi
Date : 20.11.2021

For and On Behalf of:

Youth Council for Development Alternatives
(YCDA)

Gouranga Charan Pradhan
Treasurer
Rajendra Meher
Secretary

Youth Council For Development Alternatives
Baunsuni, Boudh

Secretary
Youth Council for Dev. Alternatives
Baunsuni, Boudh, Odisha

* Bank Interest earned on Grant Funds has been allocated to the grants funds (Refer - Schedule-7)

**YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES(YCDA)
BAUNSUNI,BOUDH,ODISHA,INDIA**

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST,MARCH,2021		
		Amount (Rs)
	SCHEDULE	F.Y.2020-21
<u>SOURCES OF FUND</u>		
I.FUND BALANCES:		
a.General Fund	[01]	26,01,898.67
b.Corporus Fund	[02]	1,71,892.00
c.Asset Fund	[03]	35,09,278.54
TOTAL Rs.		62,83,069.21
<u>APPLICATIONS OF FUND</u>		
I.FIXED ASSETS		
WDV (Opening)	[03]	74,45,384.79
Less: Depreciation		14,68,880.73
Net Block		59,76,504.05
II.CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS & ADVANCES:		
a.Other Current assets	[04]	32,93,703.00
b.Cash & Bank Balance	[05]	1,11,11,799.46
	A	1,44,05,502.46
Less:CURRENT LIABILITIES & PROVISIONS:		
a.Unspent Grant Balance	[06]	1,02,31,654.31
b.Other Current Liabilities	[07]	38,67,283.00
	B	1,40,98,937.31
NET CURRENT ASSETS	[A - B]	3,06,565.15
TOTAL Rs.	[I+II]	62,83,069.20

Significant Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts

The schedules referred to above form an Integral part of the Balance Sheet.

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Treasurer Secretary

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**YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES(YCDA)
BAUNSUNI,BOUDH,ODISHA,INDIA**

YOUTH COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES(YCDA)

RECEIPTS & PAYMENT ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2021

	Amount(Rs.)
SCHEDULE	F.Y.2020-21

RECEIPT :-

Opening Balance

Cash in Hand	16,340.00
Cash at Bank	1,09,70,880.42
Tax Deducted at Source	7,840.00
Grants	4,37,26,405.52
Bank Interest	4,40,851.00
Donation	15,000.00
Other Receipts - General Fund	11,63,510.00
Reimbursement - General Fund	11,140.00
Sale of Vehicle	15,000.00
TDS Refund Received	76,860.00
Loans & Advances	31,03,550.00
TOTAL Rs.	5,95,47,376.94

PAYMENT :-

Relief to the Poor

Programme Expenditures	2,63,62,580.00
Administrative Expenditures	53,74,237.98

Education

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Medical Relief

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Administrative Expenditures	11,74,867.00

Non-Recurring Cost	19,90,659.00
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Previous Year Liabilities Paid	
Loans & Advances Paid	25,34,297.00
Refund of Unspent Grant	1,81,717.50
TDS deducted by the Agency	13,913.00
Sub Granting	6,17,712.00

Cash & Bank Balance c/d

Cash in Hand	6,601.00
Cash at Bank :	1,11,05,198.46
TDS Deducted at Source	7,840.00

TOTAL Rs.	5,95,47,376.94
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Significant Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts

The schedules referred to above form an Integral part of the Receipts & Payment Account.

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Community Mental Health

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Alternative Forms of Child Care

Subhrata Jena - 9438286121
Anandini Rath - 9777911143
Mamata Parida - 9437770111

STAR School Project

Manguli Nayak - 8249141124

Early Childhood Care

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Managing Migration Initiative

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Suresh Pradhan - 9439804876
Rupam Mahapatra - 9437232254
Rajlaxmi Dash - 9776765555
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Integrated Child Protection Project (ICPP)

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