# **ANNUAL REPORT**

# VOLUNTARY EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT AND INTEGRATED CULTURAL SOCIETY (VEDIC SOCIETY)

**2022-2023** 









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# **MESSAGES**

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

I am happy to share the Annual Report of the VEDIC Society for FY 2022-23 which provides an overview of the work that we have undertaken during the year. Over the years – consistency and steadfast efforts toward the wholesome development of the targeted community and its environment have been an ever-alarming challenge for us.



While working for the marginalized and excluded populations of the society we are more concerned about the necessity of support, guidance, and care, the marginalized deserve to enable them to understand the incredible contribution that we want to ensure their dignified survival.

We want to pursue a process that can enable citizens to aspire and commit to "Dignity for all". Relevantly, all efforts of VEDIC Society are as yet viable but naïve to walk forward to undo prejudice walking over hindrances and to prepare people to develop basic background to the marginalized with scope to inspire their present generation and supporters to avail necessary feedback and ascertain coordinating VEDIC Society for wholesome development.

However, despite fund constraints and other obvious limitations we are still working towards the ultimate goal of removing all the natural and attitudinal barriers and those that would hinder the full participation of marginalized people in educational, vocational, economic, social, cultural, sports and recreational life by facilitating necessary opportunity to live in a congenial environment. I hope, we will get support from all corners for the cause.

Ashok Kumar Singh President VEDIC Society

# FROM THE SECRETARY

I am happy to present the "Annual Report" for FY 2022-23 of the VEDIC Society. The year threw many challenges, prompted us to push ourselves to new limits and emerges with a new innovation and zeal to create a society free of hunger and poverty and making the people of the lowest segments of society to progress towards a better future. The path for this work has never been smooth and we have faltered, learned, and evolved into being more rooted and compassionate. We



are delighted to have exceeded our targets across all of our programs. We have also strengthened and streamlined our interventions through regular monitoring, evaluation, and timely strategic decision making within the organization. In a time of crisis and pain, what has helped us stay the course is the faith that has been bestowed on us by our beneficiaries, partners, funders, and well-wishers.

During the year, we successfully implemented various community-based development programs like- Wash and COVID- 19 Emergency Responses, Strengthening Gram Sabha to ensure Community Forest Right (CFR) and other Social Welfare Scheme, Child Protection Program (Prevention of Trafficking and Re-Integration) with an aspiration to see our target groups grow as sensitized and empowered communities as per our aims and objects.

I took this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to our donors- UNICEF, Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives Pvt. Ltd, and Terre des hommes Foundation, Switzerland and above all to the local community, govt. Officials, staff, print media, and individuals whose support and timely advice helped us to move forward with success.

Chandrashekhar Singh Secretary VEDIC Society

# **VEDIC SOCIETY- AN INTRODUCTION**

# **► GENESIS**

Voluntary Education Development and Integrated Cultural Society (VEDIC Society) is a non-government, non-profit, democratic, secular, and social organization dedicated to the holistic development of the marginalized rural and urban communities in Jharkhand. VEDIC Society is registered under the Indian Society Registration Act 21, 1860 on 15.03.1991 (Registration No. 659) in Bihar and on 30.01.2006 (Registration No. 222) in Jharkhand. It is also registered under Section 12(A) & 80 (G) of the Income Tax Act and the FCRA in 1995¹. Since its inception, VEDIC Society has been working to reduce the vulnerabilities of the poor and marginalized communities concerning various issues. The organization is presently operating in Palamu and Latehar districts in Jharkhand. With our good work over the years, we have achieved special recognition among the poor and marginalized communities for whom we are working.

# **VISION**

Creation of a just, equal, and vibrant society where people of all communities live with dignity in peace and harmony.

# **► MISSION**

Making the society free from exploitation and discrimination by empowering people who belong to the tribal communities and underprivileged sections of the society, especially children, adolescents, and women by ensuring their rights and promoting inclusive development.

## **► CORE VALUES**

- Empathy with marginalized people, especially women and children of tribal & backward communities.
- Democracy, pluralism, and secularism.
- Commitment for sustainable holistic development of the society.
- Quality and excellence in service.

# **► GOVERNING BOARD**

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Track Record
1.	Mr. Ashok Kumar Singh	President	He is the Founder Director of Sahbhagi Shikshan Kendra, Lucknow popular for his work for institution building in the domain of civil society at the national and regional level. Mr. Singh has served as a member in several committees formed by the World Bank-supported by Govt. of U.P., Forestry Project Committee, U.P., and Task Force Committee for Training Strategy and others. At present, he is a member of CIVICUS, ASPBAE, PRAXIS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Certificate Valid 31.07.2027

			CATALYST Group, INTRC UK, and in the working committee of VANI, New Delhi.
2.	Mr. Chandrapati Yadav	Vice-President	He is the founder Secretary of Lohardaga Gram Swarajya Sansthan (LGSS).Under his able leadership, VEDIC Society has carved a special niche in the development sector in the region and promoted the development ethos of the community.
3.	Mr. Chandrasekhar Singh	Secretary	He is a founding member and secretary of the VEDIC Company and a dedicated social worker. Mr. Chandrasekhar has vast experience of working at the local level in the districts of Palamu and Latehar in Jharkhand. He is an efficient community mobilizer too with deep knowledge of the social and developmental issues of Jharkhand.
4.	Mr. Nagendra Kumar Singh	Treasurer	He is a development professional with more than 35 years of experience in rural development projects across different states in India. At present, he is associated with SRLM, Jharkhand as a consultant.
5.	Mr. Arvind	Member	He has been working in the development sector for 25 years. He is a firm believer of Gandhian philosophy currently active in promoting knowledge and skills in youths and social activists at the grassroots level.
6.	Mrs. Kunti Sahoo	Member	She has vast experience in women- related issues and working for their empowerment and rights.

# **► GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE**



### **► TARGETED POPULATION**

- Tribals and Extremely Backward Communities.
- Women, Adolescents & Children at Risk.
- Small and Marginal Farmers.

# **► THEMATIC INTERVENTION AREA**

- Child Protection and Child Development.
- Quality Education.
- Health & Hygiene.
- Livelihood Agriculture and Natural Resource Management.
- Women Rights and Development.
- Good Governance and People's Participation.
- Strengthening Gram Sabha for Community Forest Right (CFR) and Other Social Welfare Schemes.

# **OUR RESOURCES**

Human resource is the most valued asset in VEDIC Society. We have a dedicated team of around 60 project staff and volunteers with a good team of specialists and consultants also who provide periodic support to spearhead our different socio-economic initiatives. We have a very well-managed campus in Latehar town and Tumbagara in Palamu district. The campus has office buildings and training centers that are well-equipped for training and accommodation. A fleet of motorcycles and 02 jeeps are available with us to facilitate our field work and undertake periodic monitoring of work at the field level.

## **► OUR DONORS SO FAR**

- Child Fund India
- Trickle Up Program, USA
- NEG Fire, New Delhi
- UNICEF, Jharkhand
- KKS-BMZ, Germany
- TDH, Switzerland.
- Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives Pvt. Ltd.

# PROGRAMS IMPLEMENTED DURING THE YEAR

# (I) <u>Strengthening gram sabha to ensure community forerst right (CFR) and</u> <u>Other social welfare schemes</u>

The Forest Rights Act (FRA), 2006 recognizes the rights of the forest dwelling tribal communities and other traditional forest dwellers to forest resources, on which these communities were dependent for a variety of needs, including livelihood, habitation, and other socio-cultural needs. This Act, recognizes the symbiotic relationship of the STs with the forests, reflected in their dependence on the forest as well as in their traditional wisdom regarding conservation of the forests.

The Act further enjoins upon the Gram Sabha and rights holders the responsibility of conservation and protection of bio-diversity, wildlife, forests, adjoining catchment areas, water sources, and other ecologically sensitive areas as well as to stop any destructive practices affecting these resources or cultural and natural heritage of the tribals. The Gram Sabha is also

a highly empowered body under the Act, enabling the tribal population to have a decisive say in the determination of local policies and schemes impacting them.

Thus, the Act protects forest dwellers from unlawful evictions and also provides for basic development facilities for the community of forest dwellers to access facilities of education, health, nutrition, infrastructure, etc.

Supported by Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives Pvt. Ltd., Vedic Society has implemented a project namely "Strengthening Gram Sabha to ensure Community Forest Right (CFR) and Other Social Welfare Scheme." The project covered 15 panchayats and 100 villages of Garu, Sarju and Barwadih blocks in Latehar district in Jharkhand.

#### **Objectives**

- (1) To strengthen local self-governance and traditional system by empowering gram sabha.
- (2) To strengthen tribal culture & traditions and supporting PVTG families in emergency needs.
- (3) To claim for Community Forest Right (CFR) and Individual Forest Right (IFR) in 105 villages.
- (4) To ensure ration, pension and employment through Social Security Schemes and MNREGA in 105 villages.

#### **Activities Implemented**

- Conducted training for 100 Gram Pradhans and 50 traditional leaders to raise awareness among them for the empowerment of the Gram Sabha and strengthening of local selfgovernance.
- Conducted training for PRI members in 15 GPs about their roles and responsibilities in local selfgovernance and how they can be an effective force in the empowerment of Gram Sabha.
- Conducted socio-economic survey of 40 PVTG villages.
- Established Gram Sabha Secretariats through Gram Sabha in 100 villages.
- Identified and selected traditional knowledge sharing resource persons as well as 1,500 children in all planned 40 villages. Conducted practice of traditional knowledge sharing sessions for 650 children in 13 villages.
- Provided Emergency Medical Fund support to 2 PVTG families.
- Formed Forest Right Committees in 60 villages.
- Completed CFR claim process in 13 villages and submitted these claims to SDLC.
- Conducted a two-day Exposure Visit for 21 participants in two blocks of Gumla district for the CFR process and its management.
- Provided training to 50 Caders on entitlement and welfare schemes such as MNREGA, NFSA, NFAP, etc.
- Successfully linked 1734 eligible families to welfare schemes from 15 Gram Panchayats.
- Provided nutritional support to 647 PVTG families.
- Formed 8 committees of Gram Sabha in 25 villages.

#### **Major Achievements**

- Gram Sabha is now being held in all 100 villages every month.
- Gram Sabha Secretariat has been formed in all 100 villages.
- 08 Committees of Gram Sabha have been constituted. All these committees are now well appraised about their roles and responsibilities.
- Distributed nutritional food support kits to 647 PVTGs household families.
- 60 Forest Right Committees formed in Garu, Sarju and Barwadih blocks.
- CFR claims of 12 villages have been submitted.
- 2000 families in 15 Panchayats benefitted under the Ration Pension Scheme and MNREGA.
- O2 PVTG households are provided emergency medical support.
- A Survey of Tribal families was conducted in 40 villages and information about their social, economic, and political issues was obtained.

• Traditional knowledge sharing classes started in 40 villages and knowledge about traditional farming, herbs, and traditional customs was obtained.









#### **CASE STUDIES**

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Madhuban Tola is one of the remotest hamlets of village Pokhari Kala in Latehar district. It has 60 households and faces many challenges due to lack of road, drainage, etc. Therefore, the children are facing difficulties in going to school and people also suffer from diseases like malaria, diarrhea, asthma, etc. Some efforts were made in the past in the construction of a drainage system aside the road but due to the interferences by middlemen, the work was never completed.

Under the "Gram Swashashan Campaign" regular meetings were conducted in Madhuban Tola by VEDIC society and villagers were informed about the bad condition of the village road and sewage. They were told that their children are facing inconvenience in going to school and that their hard-earned money is being spent on illness as the bad condition of the road may lead to lost life. The villagers were told to remain organized and encouraged to participate in the meetings of the gram Sabha to express their opinions and contribute to village development.

Now, with the concerted efforts put in by VEDIC society, people of Madhuban Tola are regularly participating in the meetings of Gram Sabha and have started presenting the problems of road and drainage received by the gram pradhan, ward members, mukhiya, and all other members in an urgent manner.

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Rukmini Devi W/O late Nilambar Singh is 33 years old and a mother of three children resides in Tad Tola (vill. Kechki), Panchayat: Kechki, Block: Barwadih in Latehar district.

She belongs to the tribal (Cairo) caste. Her husband was a govt. employee and the pension she received after his death gave her some financial support. The primary sources of income for her were the pension and agriculture products (affected by irregular rain). As a result, she had to rely on the assistance of her family members but their support was very limited.

Unfortunately, the pension of her husband was abruptly stopped after some years. She encountered difficulties in resuming pension as middlemen demanded money to do the work dome. As a result, she was unable to receive her pension.

Under the Gram Swashashan Campaign, a meeting was organized by VEDIC Society in the village Kechki in which a discussion was made about Rukmini Devi and her pension situation. An application was made by the staff of VEDIC Society for Rukmini Devi with a recommendation by Mukhiya and submitted to the panchayat secretariat. Subsequently, it was presented in the Janata Darbar in Barwadih and to the BDO, Barwadih for consideration. After considering all the facts, the pension of Rukmini Devi was finally resumed by BDO.

Now, Rukmini Devi is receiving a regular pension. She is also cultivating her share of land and taking care of her three children. Today, she is in good health and living happily with her children.

#### (II) WASH & COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRAM

Safely managed water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) services are an essential part of preventing and protecting human health during infectious disease outbreaks, including COVID-19 pandemic. One of the most cost-effective strategies for increasing pandemic preparedness, especially in resource-constrained settings, is investing in core public health infrastructure, including water and sanitation systems. Good WASH and waste management practices, that are consistently applied, serve as barriers to human-to-human transmission of the COVID-19 virus in homes, communities, health care facilities, schools, and other public spaces.

Supported by UNICEF (Jharkhand), the program was implemented in Palamu and Latehar districts in Jharkhand with an aim to-

(1) Provision of critical WASH supplies and facilities with health service providers by reaching out to 62 health facilities (PHCs, CHCs/HWC/HSC), COVID vaccination centres and schools having access to hand washing facilities and adequate information on hand washing practices.

#### **Results Achieved**

- 54 health centres and 8 schools including COVID vaccination centres have access to hand washing facilities.
- Improved know-how on WASH developed.
- Regular habits of hand washing developed.
- Practicing appropriate COVID-19 behaviour.

The details of established hand washing units in Hospitals and Health Wellness Centers are as follows:

\$I. No.	Name of Facility	Type \$adar/ CHC/PHC/ H\$C/ Health wellness centre	No of taps in Hand washing unit	Estimated number of persons benefitted every day	Estimated number of persons benefitted every day (male)	Estimated number of persons benefitted every day (female)
Distri	District: Latehar					
1.	Hand Wash Unit	Mission Hospital Chandandih Block: Latehar	4	150	70	80
2.		HSC Nindir Block: Latehar	4	70	20	50

3.		HWC Patratu Block: Latehar	4	80	45	35
4.		HWC Temki Block: Latehar	4	100	40	60
5.		CHC Balumath Block: Latehar	4	300	170	130
6.		PHC Herhanj Block: Balumath	4	150	70	80
7.		HSC Chiru Block: Balumath	4	50	30	20
8.		HSC Ichak Block: Balumath	4	60	35	25
9.		HSC Bariatu Block: Balumath	4	100	40	60
10.		HSC Aan Block: Chandwa	4	70	40	30
11.		HWC Bari Block: Chandwa	4	50	20	30
12.		HSC Senha Block: Chandwa	4	80	30	50
13.		HWC Rud Block: Balumath	4	120	70	50
14.	Hand Wash Unit	CHC-Barwadih Block: Latehar	4	500	200	300
15.		HSC Kechki Block: Barwadih	4	100	60	40
16.		HSC Betla Block: Barwadih	4	70	30	40
17.		PHC Chhipadohar Block: Barwadih	4	120	50	70
18.		HWC Mundu Block: Garu	4	60	20	40
19.		HSC Baresarh Block: Garu	4	40	20	20
20.		HSC Rud (Sarju ) Block: Garu	4	55	25	30
District	District: Palamu					
21.	Hand Wash Unit	PMCH (Medninagar) Block: Daltonganj	4	735	405	330
22.		PHC Daltonganj Block: Daltonganj	4	368	208	160
23.		HWC Koriya, Block: Daltonganj	4	65	20	45

24.		PHC Jamune Block: Daltonganj	4	77	20	57
25.		HWC Polpol Block: Daltonganj	4	85	40	46
26.		HSC Singra Block: Daltonganj	4	33	11	22
27.		CHC Panki Block: Palamu	4	436	150	286
28.		HWC Dub Panki Block: Palamu	4	40	10	30
29.		HWC Asehar, Block: Panki	4	45	15	30
30.	Hand wash Unit	HSC Konwai Block: Panki	4	69	29	40
31.		HWC Loharsi Block: Panki	4	37	15	22
32.		CHC Tarhasi, Block: Tarhasi	4	175	76	99
33.		HSC Padma Block: Tarhasi	4	38	08	30
34.		HSC Manatu Block: Tarhasi	4	82	30	52
35.		HWC Garigav Block: Purwa	4	46	16	30
36.		CHC Patan Block: Palamu	4	250	100	150
37.		HSC Barwadih Sisra Block: Patan	4	35	17	18
38.		HSC Pachkeriya Block: Patan	4	28	08	20
39.		PHC Kisunpur Block Patan	4	133	43	90
40.		HSC Dipuwa Block: Patan	4	57	20	37
41.		PHC Nawabazar Block: Patan	4	143	43	100
42.		CHC Chainpur Block: Palamu	4	450	150	300
43.		PHC Pathara Block: Chainper	4	185	65	120
44.		PHSC Ramgarh Block: Chainpur	4	65	25	40
45.		HSC Hutar, Chainpur Block: Palamu	4	70	20	50
46.		CHC Bishrampur Block: Palamu	4	378	170	208
		Total	184	6450	2799	3651

(2) <u>Promotion of hand washing for OPD</u> by reaching out to 2500 OPD patients with 3,172 OPD patients and his/her family members of 3,172 households in Palamu and Latehar districts are aware of the hand washing steps and the critical time of hand washing and practicing it.

#### **Results Achieved**

- Soap distribution to 3172 OPD patients.
- Enhanced awareness of regular hand washing with hygiene promotion messages. The practice of hand washing has increased in daily life.
- Enhanced awareness of appropriate COVID-19 behaviour like wearing of face mask and maintaining physical distancing.
- (3) <u>Capacity building of FLWs</u>: Provided training to FLWs on preventive aspects of COVID with a focus on importance of WASH. Total 302 FLWs (146 FLWs in Latehar District and 156 FLWs in Palamu district) were trained. The training helped in enhancing knowledge of FLWs on the importance and different steps of hand washing. The trained FLWs are now helping in promoting WASH among others.









# (III) CHILD PROTECTION PROGRAM

Jharkhand has today emerged as a major source area for intra-country trafficking in India. Most of the trafficking from Jharkhand is of tribals for domestic labour to metropolitan cities where there is a demand for such work. In cities like Delhi, several illegal placement agencies have cropped up. These agencies take advantage of legal loopholes to traffic mostly innocent

children in the name of providing employment but instead are put into extreme conditions of forced labour. 12-14 hours of work every day is a routine practice for these children. Several cases of sexual slavery have also been reported from the victims.

VEDIC Society has been representing the voice of the deprived, excluded, and vulnerable children in Latehar & Palamu districts in Jharkhand since 1991, regardless of their race, creed and gender. We work in the remotest locations of the district through our child-centered interventions aiming to influence and bring about lasting changes in the lives of our children.

VEDIC Society has been working tirelessly to overcome and eliminate child trafficking in Jharkhand and helping children realize their rights to be healthy, educated, protected, and valued.

VEDIC Society is successfully implementing the project supported by TDH Foundation in which we are working in the area of child protection to strengthen their existing practices of working with survivors and support their mental health and well-being. The current phase of the project aimed at



developing institutionalized practice related to child protection and assisting sustainable reintegration of survivors, mainstreaming learning, establishing community-level safety nets, and building resilience of children and young people to challenge harmful social norms.

TDH, Switzerland Project Coverage Area			
District	Palamu		
Block	Satbarwa		
Number of Panchayats	Bakoriya, Rabda, Dulsulma, Ponchi & Bohita		
Number of Villages	28		

#### **Activities Implemented**

(1) **Leadership Training of Child Youth Person**: 5 units of leadership training of child youth person were conducted to help them have control of their lives and the ability to make things happen. Leadership training instills confidence and helps them solve problems creatively, work in a team, and work collaboratively with others.



#### **Topics Covered**

- ♦ Knowledge of effective leadership qualities.
- ♦ How to develop positive thinking?
- ◆ Self-confidence developed in Child Youth Person (CYP).
- ♦ Decision-making ability developed in CYP.
- ♦ Unity developed in CYP.
- ♦ How to develop the spirit of cooperation and honesty in CYP.
- (2) <u>Training of Child Youth Person on Gender and Sexuality</u>: 20 units of training on gender and sexuality were conducted to explore social and developmental experiences of gender and sexually diverse youth, and show helpers affirming ways to support youth in these situations and within their identities.

#### **Topics Covered**

- ♦ Difference between sex and gender.
- ♦ Child rights in CYP.
- ♦ Remedy for gender discrimination in CYP.
- ♦ Information about maintaining personal hygiene in CYP.



(3) Workshops and Reflection Sessions on Gender Rights, Psychosocial Wellbeing, Equality with Child Youth Person at Community Spaces (schools, clubs, offices) with Girls: 64 units of workshops and reflection sessions were conducted to sensitize CYP and girls on the above themes making them improve their understanding on Gender Rights, Psychosocial Wellbeing, Equality with Child Youth Person at Community Spaces (schools, clubs, offices) with girls in a comprehensive manner.

#### **Topics Covered**

- ♦ Difference between sex and gender.
- ♦ Child rights in CYP.
- ♦ Remedy for gender discrimination in CYP.
- ♦ Promoting girl child education.
- ♦ Parent's awareness of gender.
- ♦ Positive relationship with CYP.



(4) <u>Meetings and Discussions with Community Leaders</u>: We live in a society where perceptions play a huge role in determining a situation that is often influenced by the vocal people in it. A community leader is a designation that is bestowed upon a person or a group who is considered to be a representative of a community. They are often seen as an influencer who works for the welfare of people by solving problems and raising important issues to highlight a sort of change that is required. They focus on keeping their people together to work towards a common goal in their community.

22 units of such meetings and discussions were held to promote community safe spaces for the community influencers.

#### **Topics Covered**

- ♦ Discussion on gender discrimination with the influencer persons of the village.
- ♦ Promoting girl child education.
- ♦ Discussion on prevention of child marriage.
- ♦ Promoting sports at the village level.
- ♦ Organizing awareness sessions on adolescent health.
- (5) <u>Consultations with Stakeholders and Social Workers</u>: 20 units of consultations with stakeholders and social workers were organized to discuss gender issues and promote their role in addressing stigma.

#### **Topics Covered**

- ◆ Sensitizing stakeholders on gender.
- ♦ Promotion of sports at the village level.
- Prevention of child marriage.
- Give equal rights to boys and girls.
- Promoting girl child education.



(6) <u>Meetings with Fathers, Male Members and Community Influencers</u>: 20 units of meetings with fathers, male members and community influencers were organized to discuss social taboos and negative norms perpetuating violence and stigma.

#### **Topics Covered**

- ♦ Sensitizing stakeholders on gender.
- ♦ Promoting girl's child education.
- ♦ Promoting sports at the village level.
- ♦ Child marriage prevention.
- Giving equal rights to boys and girls.
- Developing a positive attitude towards girls.

#### **MEDIA COVRAGE**

## ग्राम स्वशासन अभियान के तहत धांगरटोला पंचायत में आदिम जनजाति समुदाय के गर्भवती महिलाओं ,धात्री महिलाओ एवं किशोरियों के बीच पोषण आहार वितरण किया गया



ब्यरो बब्ल खान/गारू रामदयाल यादव

सदस्य जीरा देवी,पंचायत समिति सदस्य वरखा तेल 2 लीटर वितरण किया गया। देवी,धांगर टोला मुखिया,एवं संस्था से एम आई एस

लातेहार गारू वैदिक सोसाइटी संस्था की ओर से ऑफिसर प्रेम प्रकाश,पंचायत सहयोगी मुनी ग्राम स्वशासन अभियान के तहत धांगरटोला देवी,ग्राम सहयोगी विनोद ब्रिजिया,रानी देवी,आदिम पंचायत में आदिम जनजाति समुदाय के गर्भवती जनजाति कैडर इभा ठीठियो के बीच कुल 36 महिलाओं, धात्री महिलाओं एवं किशोरियों के बीच आदिम जनजाति मिर्चया ,मरोमार, सुरकुर्मी गांव के पोषण आहार का वितरण किया गया,जिससे क्षेत्र में लोगो के बीच चना 10 किलो,अरहर दाल 5 कुपोषण को दूर किया जा सकता है।जिला परिषद किलो,गुड़ 5 किलो,सोयाबीन 2 किलो,और सरसों

# आदिम जनजाति गर्भवती महिलाओं के बीच पोषाहार का वितरण

फ्रीडम फाइटर संवाददाता बरवाडीह/लातेहार : वैदिक सोसाइटी के द्वारा शनिवार को प्रखंड के मंगरा पंचायत सचिवालय में आदिम जनजाति गर्भवती महिलाओं के बीच पोषाहार वितरण कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया गया जहां इस कार्यक्रम में जिला परिषद के सदस्य संतोषी शेखर के साथ-साथ पंचायत के मुखिया बिपिन बिहारी सिंह ने शिरकत करते हुए चयनित आदिम जनजाति परिवार के 130 लाभार्थियों के बीच पोषाहार वितरण करने का काम किया। संस्था के माध्यम से महिलाओं के बीच 10 किलो चना 5 किलो गुड़ 5 किलो अरहर दाल 2 किलो सोयाबीन और 2 किलो सरसों का तेल देने का काम किया गया। संस्था के ओम प्रकाश तिवारी ने बताया कि आदिम जनजाति परिवार



की गर्भवतीमहिलाओं को उचित मात्रा में पोषाहार नहीं मिलने के कारण उनके होने वाले बच्चे कपोषण का शिकार होते हैं और इस समस्या को दूर करने को लेकर संस्था के माध्यम से पोषाहार की वितरण करने का काम आदिम जनजाति गांव में किया जा रहा है । वही जिला परिषद के सदस्य संतोषी शेखर ने कहा कि आदिम जनजाति परिवारों के बीच जागरूकता का कार्यक्रम चलाना अति आवश्यक है जहां

संस्था के माध्यम से कुपोषण को रोकने को लेकर पोषाहार की वितरण करने का काम किया जा रहा है वहीं उनके बीच जागरूकता को लेकर भी विशेष अभियान चलाने की जरूरत है ताकि कुपोषण या किसी अन्य बीमारी के कारण आदिम जनजाति परिवार के लोगों को परेशानी का सामना ना करना पड़े। मौके पर वार्ड सदस्य भागवत सिंह संगीता कुमारी रंजीत कुमार समेत काफी संख्या में ग्रामीण मौजूद थे।