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1. ABOUT THE ORGANISATION AND INSTITUTION

- 1.1 "Sri Dakshinya Bhava Samithi" a voluntary organization which sprang from the Abysmal agony experienced by Dr.T.V.Rao, on having two Mentally Retarded Children, made an informal and humble beginning in its inception in 1995 with a meager strength of 7 children and 2 teachers, has grown Exponentially and has completed Sixteen "Serviceful" years to mentally handicapped children of this state.
- **1.2** The year 2011-12 is yet an other year of great services rendered by Qualified and experienced staff reaching the best deserving Candidates.
- **1.3** "Dakshinya" continued all the projects of previous year with addition of some new projects.

2. RUNNING PROJECTS

A brief review of projects is given below:

2.1 DAKSHINYA EARLY INTERVENTION CENTRE (DEIC):

Dakshinya is extending Assessment and Early Intervention services to the needy children (0 to 6years) coming from different parts of the state. This project is supported by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, New Delhi. The present strength is 25 children with different disabilities, in the year 2011 -12.

2.2 DAKSHINYA SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR MR (DSS):

Dakshinya's Special School for MR is exclusively for the children (6 to 18 years) with mental retardation and multiple disabilities. The present strength is 119. They are from different parts of the state like Krishna, Prakasam, Nellore, Khammam, Nalgonda, warangal and Karim Nagar apart from Guntur District.

2.4 DAKSHINYA SAMARTH CBS (DSCBS):

This scheme is sanctioned by The National Trust clubbing the earlier service of Respite and Residential Care Services with some changes in the norms. Dakshinya is one of the few Centers sanctioned, in A.P. mainly based on its earlier dedicated service with very good results.

2.5 DAKSHINYA TRAINING AND RESEARCH CENTRE (DTRC):

This unit is organizing various Training Programmes of this organization.

2.6 DAKSHINYA HOME BASED REHABILITATION CENTRE (DHBRC):

Dakshinya is providing necessary training & rehabilitation to 25 children with mental retardation & multiple disabilities covering 5 villages situated in the Guntur district. This project has got the support from M/s. **HHH** (Heart and Hand for the Handicapped-**USA**)

2.7 DAKSHINYA INFORMATION CENTRES (DIC) & DISTRICT LOCAL LEVEL COMMITTEE ORGANISATIONAL MEMBER (LLC), GUNTUR:

Dakshinya has mobilized the persons with M.R. under "Niramaya" - Health Insurance Scheme, launched by The National Trust. This year 47 beneficiaries are renewed and 16 beneficiaries have applied for the new ID cards under this Niramaya health insurance Scheme.

2.9 DAKSHINYA COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION (DCBR):

Suiting to the needs of the Person With Disabilities, Dakshinya initiated the CBR project in the year 2005 and continuing so far. The Hans Foundation, Rural India Charitable Trust, New Delhi has supported this Project for the year 2009-10. This project is continued in the year 2011 October onwards with support of the Hans foundation, covering 10 villages in Guntur rural mandal, Guntur District.

3. INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES

3.1 BUILDINGS:-

The present building of about 23000Sft in a Spacious **Campus** of 4.5 Acres is Situated in the rural area of Adavithakkellapadu Village at Swarna Bharathi Colony, Guntur (Dist). – 522 006, A.P. Separate buildings for the Sheltered Workshops have also constructed.

3.2 TRANSPORTATION:-

The Institute is providing transport facility to Day care students by way of 2 schools Vans and Autos.

3.3. HUMAN RESOURCES:-

The children are being imparted Special Education, Speech therapy, and Physiotherapy, besides Vocational Training by professionally qualified staff. Numbering 62 – including sub staff, for the maintenance of existing projects.

During this year, Dakshinya has offered professional services for all the **Beneficiaries** under different projects and the process is going on zero rejection was made by extending services for all the beneficiaries irrespective of caste, gender and level of retardation.

4. ACTIVITIES OF THE INSTITUTE

"Dakshinya" is organizing various Training programs, Training classes, Awareness meetings etc. for the benefit of different Stake Holders.

Some such important programs organized during 2011-12 are

- On 1st April to 15th April **door to door survey and identification camps** at Guntur Town, slum areas and rural villages like Palakaluru, Mallavaram, Dosapalem, Thokavaripalem etc.
- On 22nd April 2011, Dakshinya has organized Parents meet at institute campus, around 55 parents attended this meet and discussed about their children's progress.

- On 10th May 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Mental Retardation at Palakaluru. Around 30 people benefited from the Programme.
- On 12th May 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on all disabilities at Thokavaripalem. Around 27 people benefited from the programme.
- On 10th June 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Mental Retardation at Mallavaram. Around 32 people benefited from the programme.
- On 20th June 2011 Dakshinya has organized **awareness camp** on **All Disabilities** at Dosapalem. Around 28 people benefited from the programme.
- On 4th July2011, Dakshinya organized parents training programme for Early Intervention Children, around 35 parents were benefited through this programme.
- On 7th July 2011, Dakshinya organized Parents Training Programme on Needs and Deeds for children with Multiple Disabilities, with the participation of professionals from NIEPMD, Chennai, around 91 parents were benefited through this programme.
- On 9th July 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Prevention of Mental Retardation at Palakaluru. Around 40 people benefited from the programme.
- On 23rd July 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Cerebral Palsy at Thokavariplaem. Around 30 people benefited from the programme.
- On 10th August 2011 Dakshinya has organized **awareness camp** on **Prevention of Mental Retardation** at Mallavaram. Around 20 people benefited from the programme.
- On 15th August 2011, Dakshinya has organized Independence Day celebrations at Dakshinya campus
- On 26th August 2011 Dakshinya has organized **awareness camp** on **Cerebral Palsy** at Dosapalem. Around 34 people benefited from the programme.
- On 10th September 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Special Education at Palakaluru. Around 35 people benefited from the programme.
- On 24th September 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Need of Physio therapy and Speech therapy at Thokavaripalem. Around 33 people benefited from the programme.

- On 27th September 2011, Dakshinya has organized Parents meet at institute campus, around 65 parents attended this meet and discussed about their children development.
- On 19th October 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Special Education at Palakaluru. Around 40 people benefited from the programme.
- On 29th October 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Need of Physio therapy and Speech therapy at Dosapalem. Around 23 people benefited from the programme.
- On 24th October 2011 Dakshinya has organized Exposure visit for HBR children at Manasa Sarovaram.
- On 12th November 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Benefits of Persons with Disabilities at Palakaluru. Around 45 people benefited from the programme.
- On November 2011, Dakshinya has organized **Parents Meet** at **Nallapadu** about 15 people were participated in this camp.
- On 6th November 2011 Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Benefits
 of Pesons with Disabilities at Thokavaripalem. Around 25 people benefited
 from the programme.
- On 6th November 2011, Dakshinya has organized **Awareness Camp** at **Perecharla.** About 54 people were participated in this camp.
- On 22nd November 2011, Dakshinya has organized **Awareness Camp** at **Etukuru**. About 57 people have participated in this camp.
- On 23rd November 2011, Dakshinya has organized orientation programme on Mental Retardation and associated Disabilities for Anganwadi Teachers from Durgabai Mahila Sisu Vikas kendram, Guntur
- On 26th November 2011 Dakshinya has organized **Parents Meet** at Thokavaripalem. Around 15 people benefited from the programme.
- On 29th November 2011, Dakshinya has organized **Parents Meet** at **Etukuru**. About 15 people have participated in this camp.
- On 3rd December 2011, Dakshinya children have participated in the games and won the prizes on **World Disabled Day** celebrations.
- On 8th December 2011, Dakshinya has organized Grand Parents Meet at Perecharla. About 16 people have participated in this camp.
- On 10th December 2011, Dakshinya has organized Awareness camp at Nallapadu. About 50 People have participated in this camp.
- On 17th December 2011, Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Benefits of Persons with Disabilities at Mallavaram. Around 27 people benefited from the programme.

- On 22nd December 2011, Dakshinya has organized **awareness camp** on **Benefits of Persons with Disabilities at Dosapalem.** Around 30 people benefited from the programme.
- On 28th December 2011, Dakshinya has organized Medical camp for Persons with Disabilities at Palakaluru. Medicines distributed to the needy disabled individuals and other persons of the village.
- On 5th January 2012, Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Need of Special Education for MR at Perecharla. About 54 people were participated in this camp.
- On 7th January 2012, Dakshinya has organized Parents meet at institute campus, around 63 parents attended this meet and discussed about their children development.
- On 9th January 2012, Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Need of Vocational Skills for Mentally Retarded Children at Palakaluru. Around 25 people benefited from the programme.
- On 11th January 2012, Dakshinya has organized **Parents Meet at Perecharla.**About 14 people have participated in this camp.
- On 20th January 2012, Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Causes and Remedies of MR at Etukuru. About 56 people have participated in this camp.
- On 21st January 2012, Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Need of Vocational Skills for the empowerment of persons with Disabilities at Thokavaripalem. Around 20 people benefited from the programme.
- On 24th January 2012, Dakshinya has organized orientation programme on Mental Retardation for nursing students in Sister Care College Guntur.
- On 1st February 2012, Dakshinya has organized **Medical Camp at Perecharla.**About 80 people have participated in this camp
- On 7th February 2012, Dakshinya has organized **Parents Meet at Etukuru.**About 15 people have participated in this camp
- On 10th February 2012, Dakshinya has organized Parents Meet at Nallapadu. About 16 people have participated in this meet
- On 29th February 2012, Dakshinya has organized awareness camp on Benefits and Schemes of MR at Nallapadu. About 45 people have participated in this camp.
- On 12th March 2012, Dakshinya has organized Medical Camp at Etukuru. Free
 medicines were distributed to the needy children & village people. About 60
 people have participated in this camp.
- On 28th March 2012, Dakshinya has organized Awareness Camp on Need of Speech and Physiotherapy at Etukuru. About 70 people have participated in this camp. Splints were given to the children with physical disability.

<u>Distribution of Splints:</u> Dr. T.V. Rao, Founder & Chairman of Dakshinya distributed various types of Splints to the 5 needy Cerebral Palsy children at Etukuru village. Village Secretary, Han's Project Supervisor, General Secretary and Principal of Dakshinya, People and Staff attended the programme.

5. <u>CELEBRATIONS OF NATIONAL AND INTERANATIONAL EVENTS & FESTIVALS</u>

During this year, Dakshinya celebrated several National, International events and festivals in its campus with Great Spirit irrespective of religion.

6. <u>DISTINGUISHED VISITORS</u>

Dakshinya has the pleasure of having the visits of distinguished delegates, people's representatives and representatives of renowned Organizations who came to see the facilities, services and to bless the special children. Some of the dignitaries who visited the institute, appreciated the efforts and blessed the children are:

6.1. Government Officials & Others:

- 1. Mega Star Sri K. Chiranjeevi, President, PRP.
- 2. Sri R. Kesava Reddy, A.D., Disabled Welfare, Guntur.
- 3. Smt K.Vijayamma, Chair person, Zilla parsath, Guntur Dt.
- 4. Sri I. Vekateswarlu, project officer, National Child Labour Project, Guntur.
- 5. Sri K.S.Lakshmana Rao, M.L.C, Guntur & Krishna
- 6. Sri Athukuri Anjeneyulu, President, Chamber of Commerce, Guntur.
- 7. Sri Manikyavelu, Propriter Bharathi Soaps
- 8. Sri M.Chaithanya, Project Officer, Sarva shiksha Abhiyan, Guntur.
- **9. Sri Y.P. Ranganayakulu,** Regional Deputy Director Town & Country planning, Guntur.
- 10. Sri Koteswara Rao, Dy.S.P., Guntur.
- 11. Smt. Anitha Rajendar, IAS, State Commissioner Disabled Welfare, A.P.
- 12. Dr.Vijaya Lakshmi, professor ,NIEPMD,Chennai.
- 13. Smt. Nandini Rawal, Project Director, Blind People's Association
- 14. Sri. Privatam Singh, Deputy Chief Commissioner, MSJ & E. New Delhi
- 15. Sri. Mirvani, Asst. Director, Disabled Welfare, Hyderabad
- 16. Sri. Kesava Reddy, Asst. Director, Guntur
- 17. Sri. K.T. Ajit, Dy. General Manager, State Bank of India, Guntur Zone
- 18. Sri. C.P. Vijay Kumar, Sr. Audit Officer, O/o. AG (Civil Audit), Hyderabad, A.P.,

6.2. Persons from other Institutions:

- 1. Smt. Yasoda , Professor, Nagarjuna University
- 2. Mrs. Muditha Badwar, Representative, Hans Foundation
- 3. Mr. Firoz, Representative, Hans Foundation
- 4. **Sri. Paul**, Professor, Nagarjuna University
- 5. Sri. P.V. R. Sambasiva Rao, Sr. Lecturer, Sister Care College, Guntur
- 6. Sri. S. Krishna Babu, Lecturer, R.V.R.R. College of Education, Guntur
- 7. Smt. Bhagya Lakshmi, Lecturer, R.V.R.R. College of Education, Guntur
- 8. **Smt. N. Bindu Madhavi**, Principal, Chaitanya Littles Talent School, Chilakaluripet, Guntur dist.

6.3. Representatives from Abroad:

1. Dr.Janaiah Kota, Columbus, USA

6.4 Medical Professionals:-

1. Dr. Sridhar, Professor, See bar Dental Collage, Guntur.

7. IMPACT OF SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY

In the last 17 years, about 2985 families and 2166 children got benefited with various services. At present about 377 children are getting the benefit of Training and rehabilitative services under various projects running under Dakshinya.

8. FUTURE VISION

8.1 Centres for Human Resource Development:

Based on the recent reports, with the efforts of Government and NGOs, we could reach only 5% of the disabled individuals leaving a mammoth task of 95% of unreached. To achieve this, the first effort should be to train more and more professional in the field of special education. As it is the need of the hour Dakshinya has already initiated the process of getting the sanction for the establishment of courses in the special education.

8.2 Other Projects in the pipe line:

- ➤ The "Sheltered Workshop" initiated in a small scale need to be enhanced into a full fledged Centre with the aim of providing employment to all the trainees of Dakshinya and others who needs employment for creating healthy environment so that their better sustainability with quality of life can be created.
- ➤ Based on the availability of Professionals & number of Institutes to train the professionals on one side and demand for the professionals Vs the targeted PWDs, Dakshinya is planning to establish **HRD Institutes**. B. Ed and D. Ed courses are two such Projects, which are under processing.

The management expresses its deep gratitude and expects to receive continued support & cooperation from all the sectors including **Government**, **Corporate**, **Charitable Trusts and Philanthropists**, who have supported, inspired, encouraged, guided and fortified our efforts in providing the services for persons with Mental Retardation and enabling us to **reach the dreams of Dakshinya**. Dakshinya expresses its sincere thanks to the people's representatives, Government officials, non officials, friends and Media persons for their cooperation extended to Dakshinya.

With all these activities, projects, achievements etc. Dakshinya's sole aim is to make the mentally challenged independent in their own community for better sustainability with quality of life.