Gandhi Vichar Parisad, Bankura

Work Experience

Gandhi Vichar Parisad, an N.G.O.was established in 1956 in Bankura District. It is absolutely non-political, non-religious, volunteer organization believes in Gandhian philosophies and ideology.

Organization always works for the most downtrodden people specially for depressed and helpless women and children. Gandhi Vichar Parisad started its field based village community development work since 1962. At the beginning organization started with Natural Resources Development including Human resource, focused on Village Constructive Work through agriculture, land reclamation, water management and social forestry. G.V.P is so lucky that organization had got opportunity to work with **CASA, Bread for the World, CAPART, CARE, EZE/EED, Germany. The work gradually spread over Bihar and Jharkhand. It was great success that we had covered 2200 villages and out of those 700 villages were self sustained and self reliant.**

Gandhi Vichar Parisad has been awarded with the great prestigious "Jamnalal Bajaj Award" in 2001 for the village constructive work, and Gandhi Peace Award in the financial year 2015 -16by Gandhi Smarak Sangrahalaya , Barrackpore

Women's Empowerment and Capacity Building is a most important working area of Gandhi Vichar Parisad. Organization has vast experience in this field and done so many activities through, livelihood income generating programme. Training on Capacity building, Health awareness programme, Mother & Child Health Care, Youth Development and got financial help and guide line from CINI, Children International SAHAY, India. Nehru Yuba Kendra (NYK), Consumer Forum, West Bengal Swarojgar Corporation Limited, Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany, Kolkata.

Organization had been attached with NABARD. as an Anchor NGO in Bankura for promoting and nurturing 2000 Women Self Help Group (WSHG) for the period of 2012 to 2018. Nearly 25000 women members were involved in this project, above 75% women groups were involved in small trade and other income generation activities with the Bank loan. Gandhi Vichar Parisad had organized so many trainings on livelihood, leadership and Books of Accounts for the group members, still there is felt need type of trainings for women members for further income generating activities.

Presently G.V.P. was engaged with **West Bengal Accelerated Development of Minor Irrigation Project (WBADMIP)** supported by World Bank and within one and half year G.V.P. had done 23 hectare orchard/horticulture, plantation and nos. of M.W.S. 22 at the Block, Chhatna, Indpur, Khatra, Mejia , block 1, block 11 in Bankura district.

Parisad has organized a 96 days training course on cotton & leather hand gloves making for the inmates of Bankura District Correctional Home of Nos. 30 inmates. The training was started on 21st December, 2018 and ended on 30th March, 2019, in collaboration with West Bengal Swarojgar Corporation Ltd., Kolkata.

G.V.P. is attached with Bankura Municipality and the members of District Level Committee of National Tobacco Control Programme (N.T.C.P.)

Gandhi Vichar Parisad has a strong unit of dedicated skilled workers and all structural facilities and modern information and communication technology.