

ANNUAL REPORT

2020-21

Bishnupriya Balashram

Matha, Chhenapadi, Keonjhar (Odisha)

1. INTRODUCTION

The Bishnupriya Balashram is a Regd. Voluntary Organization implementing various social welfare activities for down troddens of the society. Late Bishnupriya Das was a kind hearted lady of social minded who donated all her movable property for the welfare of the helpless, destitute, poverty stricken, schedule caste and schedule tribe children and children of leprosy patients irrespective of religion, caste and creed and as such the organization named as "Bishnupriya Balashram". The organization is situated in Hatadiha block in tribal belt of Keonjhar district and it is catering the needs of entire Keonjhar and its adjacents districts of Mayurbhanj, Bhadrak and Jajpur. The daily routine work is conducted on Gandhian concept and survodaya thoughts since its inception, 1985. Due to sincere efforts of the secretary other members of the Executive Body and staff members of the organization, its activities lighting beyond imagination within a short span of period. No doubt the organization has earned a good fame in the district and nearer to the general public of the locality.

2. GEOGRAPHICAL SITUATION

This Balashram is situated in Hatadihi Block, which is the most Tribal populated block of the District of Keonjhar in Anandapur Sub-Division. The place is situated at a distance of 100 kms from the district head quarters which is a back ward area inhabited with S.T. and S.C families and the families require special care nurishment to be the normal citizens of the society. A pitch road connected from Anandapur-Bhadrak and a branch road is connecting towards Hadgarh and Boula mines and the Balashram is situated at Chenapadi chhak which is very close to this road side. A number of hills and forest are there in front of the Balashram. Therefore this is very attractive lonely place, one can feel peace in mind and soul.

3. MANAGEMENT

11 (eleven) dedicated and respectable persons of different field are in the Executive Body of the organization and they are keeping close watch over the activities in every movement and attending the meeting as and when required.

ACTIVITIES DURING 2020-21

4. (a) ORPHANAGE

- Mainly the organization started an orphange in the year 1985 and enrolled 10 orphans, destitute, helpless children of the locality and the number gradually increased year by year and at present 120 such orphan children have taken shelter in the orphange wing of the organization. Among them 90% children are from ST and SC community families of Keonjhar, Districts. With the limited grants-in-aid provided by the State Govt, the organization is providing free fooding, clothing, soap, oil, medicine, General education and various vocational trainings (like arts, crafts, tailoring music and agriculture etc.), so as to rehabilitate the orphan children in the

society. Now the orphanage is functioning under the JJ act and Rules-2015 and regularly monitored by the District Child welfare committee and District Child Protection Unit .

➤ **(b) THE TOTAL STRENGTH :**

- The total enrollment of children in the orphanage is 152 and now this orphanage has grown as the 2nd largest orphanage in District of Konjhar. The inmates are provided with regular food, tiffin, clothings, education from Class One to High School level in the local educational institutions. Health check up are regularly monitored and free medicines are supplied at the time of illness. Besides the inmates are provided vocational trainings on tailoring, music, agriculture etc for rehabilitation in the society.

➤ **(c) ACCOMMODATION :**

- The building measuring 9000 sq.ft has already been constructed and provided to the inmates. Kitchen, store room etc. have also been constructed. Water facilities from Tubewell, open well and Borewell are available for the inmates of the Balashram. All the inmates have been provided with cots bed & beddings including mosquito net etc.

5. **EDUCATION :**

- (a) The motto of the Balashram is to make around development of the orphan children so as to make them fit as per the other citizens of the free India. To achieve this, education is most essential. Due to the sincere efforts of the organization, all the orphan children are being provided education starting from primary level to college level in the near by educational institutions. For small age children, one primary school from class I to II is running inside the Organization. Six students had passed matriculation exam during 2020-21.

(b) **VOCATIONAL EDUCATION :**

Keeping in view of the growing need of technical knowledge, vocational trainings in tailoring, music and agriculture etc., have been arranged in the campus of the organization. Trained master crafts man have been engaged to provide vocational education to the inmates.

Steps have already been taken to introduce T.V training, Computer training and mobile repairing training etc. in the campus of the Balashram for the grown up inmates who are passing high school certificate examination.

(c) **LIBRARY :**

To increase the out look of the inmates, news papers/Magazines and periodicals have been provided regularly. Besides various study books, dictionaries etc. are also available in the library for the use of the inmates. The library will be enrich with 460 numbers of books at present.

(d) HOLIDAY:

The holidays are utilized by taking the inmates to the nearby village institutes and places of public gatherings for social services like cleaning, supplying of water to needy persons, propagating for preservation of forest and environment, family planning and for eradication of illiteracy etc from the society.

(e) FOOD & NUTRITION :

To supply balance diet to the inmates, ration chart has been prepared and approved by the Managing Committee. Daily ration is supplied according to the chart by the superintendent in charge of the mess. In special cases, costly nutritious foods are also supplied for up keeping the good health of the inmates. Besides, green vegetables are also supplied to the inmates mess at free of cost produced in the Balashram premises.

(f) HEALTH

From very early stage, the inmates are taught about the basic thinking of 'HEALTH IS WEALTH'. All possible steps have been taken for maintaining good health of the inmates. Part time doctor has been engaged for regular health checkup of the inmates. The serious inmates are provided treatment in the sub-Divisional and District Head Quarters Hospitals. The inmates are also acquainted for use of first-aid medicines and sufficient quantities of medicines have been kept in the First Aid Box as per prescription of visiting physicians.

(g) GARDENING :

Gardening is a part of agricultural programme of the Balashram has been made compulsory for all the inmates to take part daily. Agriculture is a special subject for the inmates which is taught by experienced agriculture teacher. For this purpose, the land measuring A 3.50 dec is available at the disposal of Balashram. In addition to this, there are Kitchen garden where vegetables are grown by the inmates and consumed by them at free of cost. Over and above some space has been earmarked in the premises of Balashram to raise flower for beautification and preservation of the environment.

(h) OBSERVATION OF NATIONAL FESTIVALS :

To gear up the participation in the minds of the inmates, all the prescribed National Festivals are regularly observed in the premises of the Balashram. The religious festivals like Ganesh Puja and Swaraswati Puja are regularly celebrated by the inmates and staff of the organization every year irrespective of Caste, Creed, Colour and Religion.

(i) REHABILITATION :

Rehabilitation of the inmates through General Education and Vocational Education become compulsory. Like previous year, during the year 2020-21 Ten (23) inmates have been rehabilitated in the society through the sincere effort of the organization. Continuous efforts have been made to rehabilitate other inmates in the society in a gainful employment.

(j) SPORTS & GAMES :

To up keep the good health of the inmates, different types of out door games like Football, Volley ball, Badminton, Cricket etc are available in the campus of the Balashram. Indoor games such as carrom, Ludo etc are also available for the inmates. Required number of sports materials have been purchased and kept in charge of the game teacher to teach the inmates during leisure hours. Some time competitions are also arranged between the inmates on various plays .

6. FAMILY WELFARE :

a) Like previous year, The members and the staff of the Balashram started 'PADAYATRA' AND 'MASS AWARENESS' in Hatadihi Block area of Keonjhar district during Nov, 2020 to propagate the people about the small family norms which was accepted by all the people of the locality. The result is quite satisfactory as a good number of gents and ladies have undergone vasectomy and tubectomy operations in addition to use of various methods as introduced by the Ministry of Family Welfare and other Health organizations.

b) AFFORASTATION PROGRAMME :

Though our institution is situated in the forest area, the destruction of forest has drawn the attention of all. Like previous year, our organization have organized 12 (Twelve) nos. of awareness camp in Hatadihi block area of Keonjhar district during December, 2020 to motivate the people for preservation of forest and for plantation of new trees.

c) DRUG ADDITION :

Like previous year, the members and the staff of the organization conducted 'PADAYATRA AND MASS RALLY' on the bad effects of Drugs, Drinking of Alcohol, Smoking of Bidi and Cigarettes etc. during the month of January 2021 in the Tribal Belts and in other places of Anandapur, Sub-Division. The programme was accepted by all categories of people of the are

7. **PRIMARY SCHOOL:**

A primary School is running under the over all control of the Balashram having classes I to II

8. **OLD AGE HOME**

The organization is maintaining an Old Age Home at Village Chhanapadi in Hatadihi Block of Keonjhar District w.e.f 01.02.2000 with the financial assistance from the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, New Delhi.

Like previous year, this year, the organization managed the Old Age Home in a suitable rented building with all facilities and amenities, 25 senior citizens of both the sex above 60 years of age have been provided free food, lodging, health care, clothing and recreation facilities etc during the year and required staff as per the norms of the scheme have been engaged for the purpose.

For establishment of 2nd unit of OLD AGE HOME at Keonjhar, the state Govt. (W&C.D., Deptt.) have recommended the proposal of the organization to Govt. of India for sanction of funds during 2010-11, but the Govt. of India have not sanctioned the funds to open 2nd unit of OLD AGE HOME at the District Headquarter, Keonjhar, Odisha till now. In the meanwhile the scheme has been chaged. The organization proposed to apply again as per the revised scheme of Govt. of India during 2021-22

9. **PROBLEMS:**

This organization is situated in the hilly and forest side with full of ST and SC population has some vital problems which will depend on the sympathy and financial assistance from Govt and Public. The main problems are noted below.

- a) Construction of boundary wall around the Balashram for safe guard of the inmates from wild animals.

10. **VISITS AND INSPECTION:**

Since establishment of the organization from the year 1985, the offices from the State Govt, Dist Collector, Sub-Collector, Anandapur, Local B.D.O, Local Tahasildar, Local MP and MLA have visited the organization from time to time and share their valuable suggestions for all round development of the organization. Mainly after implementation of J.J.Act. District child protection officer, child welfare committee and the local child line and staff are visiting the organization and their valuble suggestions are implemented no doubt.

11. FUTURE PLANS AND PROGRAMMS:

We have decided to undertake following important programme for the benefit of the general public of the locality.

- i) Opening of 15 creche centers in Hatadihi Block.
- ii) Organization of Health camps and Eye camps in the remote areas of Keonjhar District.
- iii) Opening of computer training center for SC and ST students.
- iv) Opening of Two day Care center for the aged persons.
- v) Coir training programme for SC and ST students.
- vi) CBR programme for the Disabled persons.
- vii) SWADHAR HOME and Short stay Home for women and girls.
- viii) Such other programme as may be felt necessary and to be decided by the management to be taken up by the organization.

Before concluding the annual report, we extend our heartiest gratefulness to all Govt. Officials from top to bottom by whose kind co-operation and rightful advises this Bishnupriya Balashram become the 2nd Largest Organization in District of Keonjhar, I also extend my sincere grateful to all the donors, well wishers and to all members of the managing committee who have shared their valuable times and suggestions for the improvement of this organization.

Thanking all with kind regards.

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