



# NISARGA FOUNDATION

*.....A progressive future for indigenous communities*

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## Message from the President



It gives me an immense pleasure to present Nisarga Foundation's Annual Report of the year 2020-21. Nisarga Foundation has been working with indigenous communities in HD Kote taluk on various fronts, including health(eradication of malnutrition), innovative education(Chiguru Shale), agriculture, food security, sustainability, Forest Right Act, advocacy and women empowerment; impacting over 26,000 indigenous and marginalized people. Instead of cursing the devastating state caused by COVID pandemic Nisarga Foundation has never stopped helping the indigenous people who are more exposed to the vulnerability of COVID pandemic situation. This report shares the achievements and the endeavors that we made during the year 2020-21. The report also showcases what we were, what we are and what we will be. Much has been transpired between the previous years and the present, the epicenter of Nisarga Foundation's programs has expanded horizontally and has included many programs in its orbit. Just as a candle helps us to understand all the pervasive grouping darkness, a step forward in the direction with the help of valuable guidelines from the Board members and the committed executive team towards achieving its goal, drifted us towards new areas with promising results.

I congratulate the Director, board members and the staff for proving that best can also be bettered through their excellent involvement in all the activities of the organization during the year 2020-21. I thank all our board members and executive team for their untiring efforts in taking our mission forward. I sincerely thank all the donors for their selfless efforts and concern towards the betterment of indigenous community.

Thank you

MV Narasimha Rao

President

## Executive Director's Message



“Success is dependent on efforts, and success is the sum of small efforts.”

It is always a pleasure to write Nisarga Foundation's Annual Report when there is good news to convey. Since its inception Nisarga Foundation(NF) is striving hard towards the betterment of indigenous community. We started this year with new hopes and aspirations and all our efforts has yielded good results despite of COVID pandemic. Our programs continued to reach indigenous communities with special focus on health, education, child rights, livelihood, land rights, basic facilities, Govt schemes, legal training and other interventions.

Chiguru shale is another added milestone of Nisarga Foundation specially designed to reach Adivasi children who are deprived of education during the COVID pandemic. With the intervention of Chiguru shale 147 children are studying in 6 Hadis. Since Nisarga Foundations programs are expanded horizontally, NF has purchased a new technology "Nutra Chikki with added Spirulina" from CFTRI, Mysore with the aim of increasing immunity power among tribal children.

I am happy to share that we could help the indigenous communities during COVID pandemic situation. We have provided dry ration kits to 2700 indigenous families and created awareness on pandemic, helping them to get vaccination. As a result of our awareness programs, no positive cases were reported during the 1st wave of COVID. The out break of COVID was not a barrier to NF to reach its beneficiaries. We were able to complete the project activities in time. 236 children have been mainstreamed through our NCLP school so far. 80 children moved from malnourished to well nourishment under nutrition supplement program. We have given awareness programs on Childline-1098, Child Rights and Child marriage to more than 5000 people.

The new Board members inducted in this year were working very hard for the resource mobilization. The training that we have received from the Niranthara program, has helped us to reach the different sources of funding. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our partners and donors for their strong and consistent support, without which we would not have been able to achieve this milestone. I sincerely thank our Board members for their contribution, particularly when we need to find solutions to big development challenges.

Best wishes,

Nanjundaiah

Executive Director

## **ABOUT NISARGA FOUNDATION**

Nisarga Foundation a non-profit, voluntary and registered organisation was founded in the year 1997 under the Indian Trust Act has set its goal to ensure the positive, socio-economic change of the indigenous communities and underprivileged, downtrodden and marginalized communities by taking up various initiatives. The organisation is situated in tribal taluk of Heggadadevana Kote of Mysore district in Karnataka. The organisation is headed by a Governing Body which comprises of eight members of repute. Based on a firm decision of the Governing Body, Nisarga Foundation since its inception has been working towards enhancing quality and dignity of life in tribal community in and around Heggadadevana Kote.

Mr. Nanjundaiah, Secretary and Executive Director of Nisarga Foundation, who is conferred with the responsibility of leading the organisation, is a dedicated person working towards tribal issues. He has been working with the indigenous communities in the taluk since 27 years. His involvement with the communities, over a period of time, has helped him in attaining immense knowledge about the life of tribals, their socio economic problems and their culture. He has been part of several networks where tribals have got an opportunity to self-rule. They are Adivasi Solidarity Council, Tribal Joint Action-Karnataka, Federation of Voluntary Organisations for Rural Development- Karnataka (FEVORD-K) and Indian Social Action Forum (INSAF).

Moreover, various programs were implemented by Nisarga Foundation in collaboration with various government departments and voluntary organisations in the taluk and district. Currently focusing and running National Child Labour Project (NCLP), Childline-1098 sub center, Addressing Malnutrition through Spirulina nutrition supplement program, Nisarga Hadi Makkala Chiguru Shale (Community School) supported by Kluber Lubrication, Bangalore and Adivasi Susthira Abhivruddhi Yojane supported by Azim Premji Philanthropic Foundation (APPI). Nisarga Foundation's rapport with the Taluk and District Department officials has resulted in regular contact and involvement of officials in various programs of the organisation. This has resulted in enhancing the credibility of the organisation.

### **VISION**

An initiative towards enhancing quality of life with dignity in tribal communities.

### **MISSION**

Our mission is to ensure positive socio-economic cultural and political empowerment in the indigenous, while protecting environment and nurturing its bio-diversity.

## OBJECTIVES

Nisarga Foundation envisages overall development of Adivasis, Dalits and such of those socially and economically marginalized poor communities through measures of promotion of sustainable agriculture to ensure food security and livelihood, application of appropriate rural technologies, effective and judicious management of natural resources etc.

In the execution of these pro-poor projects, Nisarga Foundation embarks of action research-oriented projects of replaceable nature and builds the capacity of the communities to take charge of their own development through effective participation in the process of governance to be able to bring about changes in the policies suited to the well-being of themselves and their environment.

## ORGANISATION STRENGTHS

Nisarga Foundation has good records in maintaining Compliance and Governance. Human Resource (HR) policy, Prevention of Sexual Harassment(POSH) policy, Child Protection Policy (CPP) have been implemented and strictly followed in the organisation. We fortunately have an experienced board of trustee and staff members. Nisarga Foundation has depth understanding of the TRIBAL RIGHTS. We promote Tribal community organization Budakattu Krushikara Sangha(BKS), Vanavasi Mahila Sangha(VMS) to address sustainability. The way Nisarga Foundation approaching tribal issues, has been noticed by the print and electronic media and appreciate it. NF is using digital and print media like website, Facebook, Twitter, Linked-In, YouTube, Quarterly Newsletters, newspaper and constantly active in using all these digital and print media to promote its ideologies, goals in order to reach the un-reached. We were able to cater the day to day needs of tribal communities during the COVID pandemic lockdown and given awareness on the pandemic as well as vaccination. With the help of different donors we were able to distribute 2700 dry ration kits to needy indigenous communities of H D Kote.

## OUR BOARD MEMBERS & BOARD ACTIVITIES

In the year 2020-21, Nisarga Foundation was manned with strong Board of 08 members who were experienced in social works and dedicated professionals. They are truly the life-blood of the organisation, keep it invigorated and growing are driven by Nisarga Foundation's values and commitments to excel in the field of tribal development. During the year 2020-21 we had conducted 1 Emergency Board meeting and 3 Quarterly Board meetings. Board meetings has put the lights on Adivasi Susthira Abhivruddhi Yojana, Chiguru Shale, review of compliance documents, quarterly news letter, inducting new board members , Director's honorarium, Nisarga Corpus, resource mobilization from board members, financial reports etc.

## Our Board members,

1. Sri. M V Narasimha Rao, President
2. Smt. Dr. Indira M, Vice President
3. Sri. Nanjundaiah, Secretary
4. Smt. Devamma, Trustee
5. Smt. Dil Shad, Trustee
6. Sri. Baburaj P P, Trustee
7. Sri. Nagarajan Srinivasan, Trustee
8. Sri. Kishore Udiaver, Trustee



## STAFF DETAILS

1. Sri. Nanjundaiah, Executive Director
2. Smt. Dilshad, Program Co-ordinator, Spirulina nutrition Supplement program
3. Sri. Prabhu N, Program Co-ordinator, Childline-1098
4. Smt. Divya M R, Co-ordinator, Adivasi Susthira Abhivruddhi Yojane
5. Sri. Gurudevaradhya, Susthira Abhivruddhhi Yojane team member
6. Smt. Marcelin R Fernandez, Susthira Abhivruddhi Yojane team member
7. Sri. Chikkathimmanaika, Childline team member
8. Smt. Kanya Kumari H P, Childline team member
9. Kum. Shruthi N, Childline team member
10. Sri. Mahadeva, Susthira Abhivruddhhi Yojane team member
11. Kum. Kumari C, Susthira Abhivruddhhi Yojane team member

## **NISARGA CHILDLINE SUB CENTER-1098**

Child line program was established in H D Kote Taluk in the year 2010 . It works as a sub centre in Mysore and doing its work since 10 years.

The Childline-1098 programme was established in the year 2010 as a sub-centre for Childline India Foundation, to ensure the safety of children in H D Kote, Hunsur and Periyapatna Taluk supported by Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India. We conduct regular Open House programmes for children, teachers, SHGs and community members, to build awareness about child rights, child labour, child marriage, education, POCSO Act 2012 and Child Helpline 1098. Youth Committees are formed and trained to address social challenges like child marriage, while children are empowered through Bala Panchayat and School Awareness Programmes.



During the year 2020-21, due to COVID imposed restriction we were able to conduct 4 Mass Awareness programmes. More than 1,100 people of all the communities from all the taluk of Hunsur, Periyapatna and H D Kote were given awareness on CHILDLINE 1098, Child Rights, POCSO Act, Child Marriage, Child trafficking and Labour Act. The awareness program was scheduled at Auto Stands, Bus Stand, Allied Departments, Women group, Anganwadi, and also at Gram Panchayat level, SHG groups, Schools and Colleges. The awareness program was conducted through orientation programs, distributing handbills and distributing stickers and posters to the public. This program was received an overwhelming response from the public and they assured that they will support childline-1098 and its services during the case intervention.



02 Open house programmes were conducted in H D Kote taluk for School Children, Teacher, Anganwadi workers, SHG members, Police, ACDPO, WCD, DCPU, SJPU, PDO, Doctors of PHC, SDMC Members Panchayat President & Members, Corporator, Government Officers, Parents, VHSNC Members Auto & Tempo Drivers. As a result of the awareness programmes conducted children availed hygienic toilet in the school premises, cleanliness in and around the schools were given importance, in case of any problems children can expect an immediate response from the Police department. And many cases and problems were solved by the Police department.





**Awareness programs:**

During the year 2020-21 awareness on Childline-1098 were given to 6 SHGs, 18 schools, 6 Vidyagama, 15 Grama Panchayaths visit, 2 PHC's, 4 shops, and in 01 markets. 160 Asha workers, 20 police station consisting of 140 police staff. 95 Anganawadi workers took active participation in avoiding child marriages in and around the operational area of Childline. 20 tribal awareness consisting of 210 people. 3 community awareness consisting of 310 people. 3 mothers meeting, 3 youth groups and 10 Children group were formed during the year 2020-21.



**MYTHRI SAPTHAHA PROGRAM: (CHILDLINE SE DOSTHI WEEK)**

**Childline Se Dosti Week:** An awareness program on Child Line-1098 was given by Nisarga Foundation in association with Mysore Nodal and RLHP collab through Janadhvani Community radio 90.8 at Saraguru.

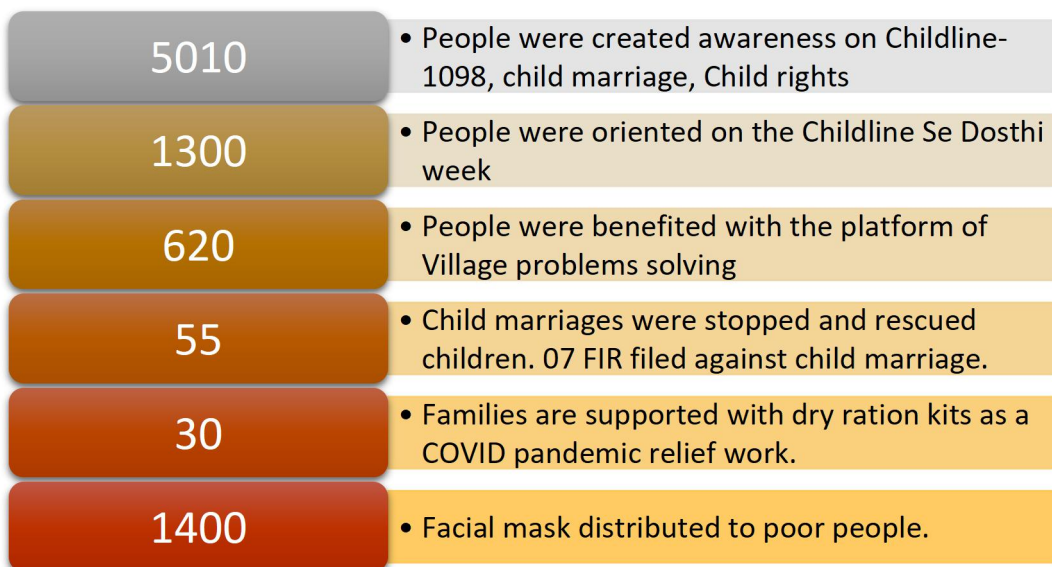


As a part of Childline Se dosti week activities, awareness on childline-1098 was conducted through Jana Dhvani radio program to reach the wide audience. Program was recorded on 13<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020 for 1 hour

30min at Janadhwani radio station, Sarguru. First part of the program was on understanding child line, its vision, mission, objectives, subjects and facilities available from childline was broadcasted on 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020. Second part of the program on child marriage, POCSO Act, begging, legal actions against child abuse, Community participation in protecting child rights was discussed and broad casted on 21<sup>st</sup> Nov 2020.

Child line sub center conducted Child friendly Abhiyan program and Child Rights Gramasabha at Hanchipura Grama Panchayath on 20<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020. During this program awareness on child labor was given to the participants by Prabhu N, Coordinator. In next 10 weeks Grama panchayath should implement all the child friendly activities. Such as Child friendly Grama Panchayath(GP), 100% Child marriage free GP, all the children of age group 6-14 year should be enrolled in school, child labor and begging should be prohibited.

### MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS AND OUTCOMES OF NISARGA CHILDLINE IN 2020-21:



During the reporting period there is an increased the number of volunteers who actively called Childline-1098 and supported Childline team members. Due to lot of awareness about Childline in many schools and Grama Panchayath of H D Kote, Hunsuru, Periyapatna CHILDLINE wall paintings was visible. Mission children were rescued and handed over to parents. CHILDLINE awareness is done in 60 Hadis.

## NATIONAL CHILD LABOUR REHABILITATION SCHOOL

In collaboration with National Child Labour Project Society, Sarva Siksha Abhiyana and Department of Labour, Nisarga Foundation has been running a centre for rehabilitation of child labour at Belaganahalli near H. D. Kote Town since 12 years. So far 236 children were trained in our rehabilitation center and mainstreamed into formal education through the centre.

Due to COVID pandemic lockdown and guidelines from Child Labour Department all the children from NCLP school were mainstreamed to formal education. As there is no new admission to NCLP school from April-2020 the school remained closed.

Instead of NCLP center at school we have started community schools(Chiguru Shale) at Hadi level.

**Visitors to NCLP School:** Mr. Diwakar, District Child Protection office and Mr. Srinivasa Raje Urs, Legal officer visited Nisarga to know about functionalities of NCLP School on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2020.



Mr. Revanna, BEO, H D Kote, Mrs. Pushpa, Child Labour Inspector, visited to Nisarga Foundation on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2020 to inspect the main streamed children list, studying children and to know about the basic facilities of National Child Labour Rehabilitation school.



Mr. Manjunath R, Taluk Administrator, H D Kote, Mr. Mahadevaiah, BRC, Mrs. Pushpa, Child labour Inspected visited to NCLP School on 28-09-2020 to inspect and report to DC of Mysore appreciated Nisarga for its good work.

## CHIGURU SHALE (COMMUNITY SCHOOL)

The COVID-19 outbreak significantly challenges indigenous children and families. Children have been facing challenges due to social, educational, and economic consequences that may have a negative impact on their future. Due to the school closures, children aren't able to access education. NF believes that through education, revolutionary change can be brought to eradicate many social evils. This time NF has witnessed many problems in Adivasi children's education. So the organization has come up with an innovative method of addressing the issue. NF has opened “**Chiguru Shale**” in 6 tribal hamlets.

**Program aim:** To enhance learning capabilities of tribal children through conducting regular classes (through trained tribal teachers) and to protect tribal culture & language through various modes of learning.

The goal of **Chiguru Shale** is to create an educational environment which provides value-based, quality education which will be available and accessible to tribal society . Every human being's main urge is to

think, learn, and act and express oneself freely and creatively. Keeping these objectives in mind Nisarga has stepped ahead in catering the needs of Adivasi children and aimed at providing them a place of transformation through value based education in collaboration with local Panchayath and Education Dept.

**Main program objectives:** It is the prime concern of Nisarga Foundation to involve Adivasi parents to join hands with us in this venture of educating children. Awareness on importance of education and the role of parents in sending their children to school, responsibilities of parents etc were discussed with Adivasi parents. Nisarga volunteers constantly motivated all Adivasi parents to send their children to school. This program is also aimed at using simple methodologies to teach children like, activities such as learning through nature, sports, story telling, poems, songs and drama. Reading and writing activities and other non scholastic programs. This program is also aimed at creating awareness on effects of COVID-19, the need for social distancing, regular hand wash, personal hygiene, drinking water, health and nutrition, protecting environment and basic facilities and to protect and promote rural games, Adivasi culture, folk and art.



**Program Highlights:** Nisarga Hadi Makkala Chiguru Shale presently functioning in 6 tribal hamlets(Hadi) where 6 tribal volunteer teachers are educating the children. From 6 Hadi 145 children are enrolled in our Chiguru shale and regularly attending the classes from December 2020 to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2021. School functions in all working days from 10am to 2pm.



During the reporting period we have conducted 4 tribal volunteer teachers training on teaching methodologies, skill training, theater activities, problem understanding. They were also trained to give

guidelines to parents about the importance of education and motivate parents to send their children to school. Education materials were provided to children.



**Impact of the program:** Learning ability of tribal children was comparatively low with other rural children. Motivating parents to send the children to school was a big challenge. We have adopted various steps to motivate the parents first to send their children to school. Now children have gained interest in learning and studies. Children can read and write spontaneously. Children are learning through their mother tongue with group activities. Awareness on COVID-19 and children came to know about the precautions measure to be taken. According to subject wise Kannada and English alphabets, children have learnt construction of words formation(2 words and 3 words). In mathematics children have learnt tables( 2-15) and simple addition, subtraction, multiplication. Drawing, preparing clay models, craft work using locally available materials. As a result of these activities have the ability to do all the activities on their own. Parents are showing personal interest and sending the children to Chiguru Shale and they are also actively participating in parent- teachers meeting. Children and parent Personal hygiene is maintained.



We thank Mr. Umesh Nooralakuppe, Jeevika organisation who is working as resource person of this project and training all our volunteer teachers in all the aspects of teaching and engaging the children in studies.



## ADDRESSING MALNUTRITION IN INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY



To address the "silent scream" of malnutrition amongst tribal communities, we launched the Spirulina Nutrition Programme in 2014, supported by Mission Inde, France. We provide Spirulina capsules, which boosts the growth of malnourished children and provides vital nutrients to pregnant women and lactating mothers. CFTRI, Mysore appreciated Nisarga Foundation for its achievements in H D Kote taluk. Mission Inde, France has supported this program and Dr Gerry Pais, Mysuru is the consultant and adviser of this program.

During the year 2020-21 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> phase of Spirulina Nutrition Supplement Program has been implemented in 10 Hadis consisting 100 beneficiaries. Selected children from each Hadis were given two Spirulina capsules/per day and one kg nutrition powder/per month. The food and health benefits from Anganwadi centre also are made available to them. It was ensured that the food given by PTG was given to the mothers and children.

The growth of children and improvements in the health of pregnant women has been documented every month. The weight and growth of every child is subjected to proper documentation in the beginning of every month and this has been done by the Nisarga staffs members and the growth of mothers & pregnant women also are recorded. If any health problem is found, they will be taken to the hospitals nearby. A mixed flour of nutritional cereals has been given to the parents every month to serve the children everyday.

### **SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

***Demo/training program on Nutra Chikki with added Spirulina :*** In order to promote tribal women livelihood skills, Nisarga has purchased a technology of "Spirulina Nutra Chikki with added Spirulina" from CFTRI Mysuru. Dr. Chetana, TTBD, CFRTI provided one day training/demo on the preparation of nutra chikki with added Spirulina on 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2020. Mr. Nanjundaiah, Secretary, Mrs. Dilshad, Nutrition program Co-ordinator, Dr. Pais, Medical consultant, Mrs. Divya M R, OM attended the training program.



### Poshan Abhiyan:

Poshan Abhiyaan, is the nutrition programme, aims to reduce stunting, underweight, and low birth weight and anaemia among young children, adolescents and women. With this objectives Nisarga Foundation conducted POSHAN ABHIYAN at Prabhanagara Hadi in association with the Govt health workers. In this program importance of using sprouted grams, green vegetables, fruits and nutrition food was explained to the tribal women and children.



We had conducted a **Seemantha program** at Kunteri Hadi in association with Anganawadi Teachers and Asha workers. In this program awareness on personal hygiene, nutrition food and health.



### Vitamin Angels capsules distribution to Asha workers from Taluk Health Officer:

We had received a Vitamin A, De-worming and multi-nutrient vitamin capsules from Vitamin Angles, Mumbai. These capsules usage was oriented and distributed capsules to Asha workers of H D Kote under the guidance of Dr. Ravikumar T, THO, H D Kote.

**Awareness on COVID-19:** As the COVID-19 pandemic entered in March-2020, we conducted awareness sessions on importance of frequent hand wash, use of facial mask, maintaining personal hygiene, Hadi sanitation and using medicinal herbs in day to day food. In all parents meeting(Poshakara Sabhe) lactation mothers, pregnant women were oriented on the above subjects.

### OUTCOMES OF THE PROGRAM:

52	• Lactating mothers benefited from Spirulina capsule supplement
36	• Children improved from their deficit weight to ideal weight
10	• Pregnant women received 6 months spirulina capsules
26	• Lactating mothers received Mathruporrjana Yojana
300	• Tribal women benefited awareness session on health, personal hygien, vaccination, Govt facilities.
25	• Tribal women trained on preparing nutrition food

Demonstration on preparing Nutritive foods with locally available raw materials. Nutritive food was distributed to each beneficiary every month.

**(Proportion of ingredients used to prepare 50 kg. Nutritive food)**

Pea nuts	7 ½Kgs.
Wheat	15 Kgs.
Green Gram	5 Kgs.
Bengal Gram	7 ½ Kgs.
Jaggery / sugar	15 Kgs.



**CASE STUDY**

**Name:** Yashoda

**Age:** 21 years

**Place:** Hirehalli Hadi



Yashoda 21years is a Jenukuruba from Hirehalli Hadi; when Yashoda joined the the 14<sup>th</sup> batch Spirulina programme on 10.9. 20, her child was 2 months old and was weighing 2.9 kgs (while the ideal weight for that age is 4kgs). At the end of the 6 month project the child attained 7.2 Kgs (the ideal weight at 8 months is 7 kgs). In this case Yashoda is the lactating mother and was receiving 2 capsule of Spirulina per day and we can see the effect of this in the increase in weight and improved health of the child.

**Feedback from mother:** I have been taking Spirulina since 6 months. This capsule has improved my health and appetite also, and I feel that I have enough milk to feed my child. It makes me happy to see my child in good health.

Nisarga is happy to have been able to complete this 13<sup>th</sup> and14<sup>th</sup> batch smoothly, despite the CORONA adversities. We are grateful to MISSION INDE, France for their support and to Dr. Pais for his guidance. Every month and 6months report for 2 days. Malnutrition discussion with staff, giving feedback for next month. Every 6 months preparing report, and helping in selection of beneficiaries.

We are also grateful to the Government departments of “Women and child welfare”, to the Social Welfare department and the child line team.

Mrs. Dilshad, Program Co-ordinator, Spirulina Nutrition Supplement Program took the lead of this program along with the assistance of other volunteers of the organisation and the able stewardship of Mr. Nanjundaiah.



## ADIVASI SUSTHIRA ABHIVRUDDHI YOJANE

**About the Project:** Adivasi Susthira Abhivruddi Yojana is a right based, community based project with duration of 3 years funded by Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives(APPI), Bangalore. The main aim of the project is to achieve 100% implementation of Forest Rights Act-2006, (Individual and Community rights) in 20 Hadis and make tribal people sustainable with the natural resources. To enable the tribals to understand their rights with awareness on Govt facilities, Schemes, Legal training, promoting sustainable harvest, enabling Grama Sabha and Forest Rights committee to function regularly, Capacity building of Grama Sabha, formation of Taluk Grama Sabha Vedike, followup and meeting with SDLC, DLC committee for obtaining IFR and CFR.

### **Objectives of the Project:**

- To organize tribal communities in 20 Hadis for the recognition of their forest rights (Individual and Community) and control the natural resources.
- To increase capacity and legal literacy among tribal communities in 20 Hadis
- To strengthen the Forest Rights committee network.

This project started from January 2021, during the reporting period 12 Grama Sabha was conducted and awareness on Govt Scheme orientation and basic facilities training was given in 3 Hadi. During the reporting period 1302 families household survey conducted to get data on IFR status, Govt schemes, basic facilities received from Government. Legal training for the FRC committee members was organized in 2 Hadi. One Gramasabha capacity building was organized at Prabhanagar and B R Katte Hadi.



### **Staff capacity building:**

Program Co-ordinator, 4 volunteers were trained on Forest Rights Act-2006 by Mr. Roy David, Executive Director, CORD organisation on 27-01-2021 at Nisarga Foundation. Mr. Roy David trained on the how tribal life existed, the reason behind the act. Act columns and committees was explained in detail.



### Legal training:

On 19-03-2021 legal training conducted at **Majjanakuppe Kalabhavana** for more than 80 Grama Sabha members of Bheemanahalli, Kunteri, Majjanakuppe Hadi. In this training, Mr. Savalaiah, President, Kunteri Hadi, Mr. Shivappa, President, Majjanakuppe Hadi, Mr. Annaiah, President, Bheemanahalli Hadi, Mr. Ramaswamy, Assistant Director, Social welfare Dept, H D Kote, Mr. Santhosh Shinde, Superintendent, Social welfare Dept, H D Kote, Mr. Umesh, Jeevika Organisation, Resource Person, Mr. Manjunath, PDO, Bheemanahalli Panchayath and Mr. Shivaiah, Secretary, Bheemanahalli Panchayath.



On 26-03-2021 legal training conducted at Prabhanagara Hadi. More than 80 Grama Sabha members of Prabhanagara, B R Katte Hadi were participated in this training. In this training, the following were the chief guest of the programs. Mr. Ravi, President, Prabhanagara Hadi, Mr. Annaiah, President, B R Katte Hadi, Mr. Ramaswamy, Assistant Director, Social welfare Dept, H D Kote., Mr. Umesh, Jeevika Organisation, Resource Person, Mr. Vijaya Kumar, BKS Leader, Resource person for FRA, Mr. Jayaraj, PDO, Annuru Panchayath, Mr. Mohan Raj, Secretary, Annuru Panchayath, Mr. Nagaraj, Accountant, Annuru Panchayath and Ms. Jasheela, Mahila Santhvana Kendra.

### Impact:

After the Govt scheme awareness program from 3 Hadi (Majjanakuppe, Kunteri, Bheemanahalli) FRC and Grama Sabha members have submitted a letter to DC requesting for resurvey of the issued land. After the Govt scheme awareness in 2 Hadi (Prabhanagara & B R Katte) collection of Rs. 251 for job card from 'Coolie Karmikara Sanga' has been stopped from Panchayath in Prabhanagara, Water problem was solved.

**Special Program:** Adivasi Susthira Abhivruddhi Yojane and Forest Rights Act-2006 workshop was conducted on 12-01-2021 at Nisarga Foundation. Tribal leaders from 20 Hadi were present on this occasion.



### Govt facilities received by Hadi:

- Kenchaiah s/o Late Deva, Anemala Hadi has received 4 goats worth of Rs. 48,000 under Jenukuruba special program.
- Raju S/o Muniya, Majjanakuppe Hadi was died in wild animal elephant attack and 7 lakh rupees relief cheque was issued to Raju's family from Mr. Anil Chikkamadu, MLA of H D Kote.
- In GM Halli Valmiki application has been submitted by 100 tribals.
- 9 beneficiaries from Heerehalli Hadi has been newly added to PTG ration and received PTG ration.

## COVID RELIEF WORK

Nisarga Foundation in association with AIFO Bangalore, had conducted three distribution trips by volunteers from Corona-care Bangalore - with 1600 Survival Kits covering the entire tribal population living in Nagarahole and Bandipur Forests of Karnataka. Ten kilos of provisions for every family meant a lot to them who had lost their only earning from forest honey for months due to COVID-19 pandemic. Books and clothes ensured students are cared for. Hygiene kits were given to all women.

Nisarga Board members and team appreciates AIFO, PROJECT VISION, GOOD QUEST FOUNDATION, BREADS, ECHO, GRACE EDUCARE FOUNDATION, BIG FAMILY, Bangalore team for their timely support.

Tribal welfare officer Mr. Chandrappa, Anthony Sebastine, President, Karnataka State Child Rights Protection Commission, Tribal leaders were present during the distribution of ration kits. Mr. Nanjundaiah urged the the education department to provide necessary education support for the tribal children living in and around forest area.



Nisarga Foundation with the support of **MISSION INDE, FRANCE** distributed dry ration kits and vegetables to 250 tribal families of very poor and genuine Hadi. The necessary groceries like pulses, tea powder, sugar, cooking oil, onion, garlic, spices and vegetables were provided for 250 tribal families.

### ***COVID-19 relief work with the help of and APPI, Bangalore:***

During emergency situations of COVID - 19 Nisarga Foundation helped the most vulnerable indigenous communities across H D Kote Taluk. Over **1000** families have been provided dry ration kit worth of Rs. 1000 ,500 women with sanitary in Seeguru Hadi, Kere Hadi, Marana Hadi, Magge Hadi, Dhammanakatte Hadi, Hunasekuppe A Hadi, K Yedathore Hadi, Heerehalli Hadi, Sonahalli Hadi, Bommalapura Hadi, Basavarajanakatte Hadi, Prabhanagara Hadi, Rajegowdana Hundi Hadi, Bheemanahalli Hadi, Kunteri Hadi, Majjanakuppe Hadi of H D Kote Taluk, Mysuru District.



## RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

- Dhwani Foundation, Bangalore, supported operations manager salary expenses for 3 months during the reporting period. With this supporting resource mobilization activities were performed efficiently to the organisation. With this support we had applied for different donors ad CSR projects.
- Nisarga has sent project proposal on Forest Rights Act, Education support, addressing malnutrition and livelihood based project to APPI Bangalore, Juniper Networks, Bell Foundation, Supreem Pharmaceuticals, Nanjangud, Kluber Lubrication, Bangalore, WIPRO education support, Rotary club, France, Kadhi & Village Industries Commission Bangalore, Good Share consultancy Company. Cold email to support COVID relief activities and education support for tribal children sent to 350 HNI list. We have published fund raising stories on Give India, Letz Change, Impact guru, India care etc.
- Among the attempt of resource mobilization we have received Adivasi Susthira Abhivruddhi project from APPI, Bangalore, Education support from Kluber Lubrication, Bangalore, Addressing malnutrition support from Supreem Pharmaceuticals, Nanjangud. For COVID relief we have received support from AIFO, Bangalore, APPI, Bangalore and Mission Inde, France. We are waiting for the positive response from Juniper Networks and Rotary Club, France.
- Prevention of Sexual Harassment (POSH) Committee and Child Protection Policy (CPP) Committee meetings were conducted quarterly and there is no complaint lodged during reporting period.

## TOTAL GRANTS & DONATIONS RECEIVED DURING 2020-21

Amount in Rs.	Donor
Rs. 2,86,800	Childline India Foundation
Rs. 7,03,275	Mission Inde, France
Rs. 45,000	Dhwani Foundation, Bangalore
Rs. 50,000	Mr. Kishore Udiaver, Trustee of Nisarga Foundation
Rs. 30,000	Dr. Gerry Pais, Senior consultant
Rs. 10,09,000	APPI, Bangalore for COVID relief work
Rs. 16,16,000	APPI, Bangalore for Susthira Abhivruddhi project
Rs. 20,000	Mr. M V N Rao, President of Nisarga Foundation
Rs. 5,00,000	Kluber Lubrication, Bangalore
Rs. 50,000	Supreem Pharmaceuticals, Nanjangud
Rs. 75,000	Titan Pvt Ltd, Bangalore
Rs, 13,201	Rathnam Enterprises, Surath
Rs. 40,000	Mr. Nanjundaiah, Secretary of Nisarga Foundation

## NETWORK ACTIVITIES

We have been actively involved in a number of forums, like Budakattu Krishikara Sanga, Vanavasi Mahila Sangha, Taluk Adivasi Grama Sabha Vedike, Rajya Moolanivasi Vedike, Adivasi Solidarity Council, Mythri, FEVORD-K and National Front Adivasi Self Rule, State Moola Nisavsi Forum, Disability NGOs Alliance (DNA) and National Adivasi Alliance (NAA), Mahaan Bharath Abhiyan, NACDIP etc.

Nisarga Foundation is actively participated in all the network meetings conducted online through Zoom and Google Meet, on the topics Right to Information, Tribal forest rights Act, Right to education, Domestic Violence Act, Child Labour, COVID relief work, Food Security and Sustainability.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS:**

Nisarga Foundation work anniversary was celebrated on 07-07-2020 at Nisarga Foundation office. Independence day , Varamahalakshmi, Ayuda Pooja festival, Gandhi Jayanthi, New Year 2021, Republic day was celebrated at NF office.



Nisarga Volunteer Teachers training was held on 29-09-2020 at Nisarga School. Nisarga selected 10 volunteers from 10 different Hadi to train them in Vidyagama Program in association with Education Dept, Karnataka Govt.



Nisarga Foundation in association with Dhvani Foundation **provided 5 tabs** for SSLC studying students for Balle, Bavali, Heerehalli and Annuru Chikkere Hadi students.

## VISITORS OF NISARGA

- Ms. Asavari Raj Sharma, Ms. Samita Vasudevan from Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives (APPI), Bangalore visited Nisarga Foundation on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2020 in order to know about the organisation activities and Forest Rights Act 2006 implemented areas. They were very happy about the organisation activities and work towards Adivasi land rights. They also visited project area Malada Hadi and Prabhanagar Hadi had a good amount of discussion with tribal leader to understand their views on land rights. Mrs. Aparna Choudhary, Grant Release Manager of APPI visited Nisarga Foundation for the due diligence in financial part on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020.
- Mr. Zulfiquar Haider, the Chief Strategy and Program Officer, APPI, Mrs. Surashree Shome, Senior manager, APPI, Mrs. Hyma Vadlamani, Head of the Land and Forest Dependent Communities cluster visited Nisarga Foundation on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2020 to know about the activities of the organisation on Forest Rights Act 2006.



## STAFF CAPACITY BUILDING

**Organisation vision building training:** Nisarga foundation organized two day training program on personal and professional development for the staff on 24-11-2020 & 25-11-2020 This training program was aimed at building a good relationship between the employee and the employer with special focus on inspiring and enriching the credibility of employees of Nisarga Foundation. Mr. Rajachar, consultant, Ex-Employee of MYRADA was the chief resource person of this training program. Twelve staff members from Nisarga Foundation and Sadhana were participated.

1. Mrs Divya M R, OM had participated in the “**NGO Donor management**” a Staff capacity building program through Netsquared meetup on 4th August 2020. She also attended online training program on “**Social Media best practices**”, **POSHAN Summit**, Wish Tree online workshop, Goonjan User Meet online training.

2. One day training on Forest Rights Act 2006 was organised, by Nisarga Foundation on 03-09-2020. Mr. Khirasagar and Mr.Somanna were the resource person.



3. Mr. Nanjundaiah, Director of Nisarga Foundation participated in the inauguration of **Labour India Helpline** program through online on 4th Sept 2020.



4. During the reporting period our Childline team members attended workshop on “**Disaster Management**” on 24-09-2020, “**Various Amendments made in child protection Act**” on 19-02-2021, online training on Child Marriage Act, Non violence communication was conducted by CIF on 18-02-2021, **Adoption** training conducted by Women and child development Dept on

03-02-2021. “**Tech assisted care**” training conducted by CIF on 29-09-2021.

### AWARDS AND ACCREDITATION

- Guide Star India Certification (GSN-11412)
- NF has been the Member of - Adivasi Solidarity Council; Tribal Joint Action, Karnataka; Federation of Voluntary Organisations for Rural Development, Karnataka (FEVORD-K); Indian Social Action Forum (INSAF); Disability NGO Alliance (DNA); National Adivasi Alliance (NAA); National Adivasi Council of Development Indigenous People (NAC-DIP)
- Mr.Nanjundaiah received Vijaya Karnataka Proud Kanndadiga from Vijaya Karnataka daily news paper.



### ವಿಜಯ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ

ಸೋಮವಾರ,9 ಸೆಪ್ಟೆಂಬರ್ 2020

#### ಗಿರಿಜನರ ಆಶಾಕಿರಣ ನಂಜುಂಡಯ್ಯ

ಕಾಡಿನಿಂದ ಹೊರಬಂದ ಅರಿಯಾಸಿ ಗಿರಿಜನರ ಬದುಕು, ಬದುಕು, ಕಷ್ಟ ಬದುಕುಗಳ ಹೋರಾಟ ಅವರ ನೆಲೆವಿಗೆ ಹೋಗಿದೆ. ಅದು ಅರಿಯಾಸಿ 36 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಬಂದ ಕಂದ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಮಂಚೇರಿಗೆ ಬಂದ ಅರಿಯಾಸಿ ಗಿರಿಜನರ ಪರ ಹೋರಾಟಕ್ಕೆ ಇಳಿದು ಬಂದ ನಂಬುಂಡಯ್ಯ ಮೂಲತಃ ಹೋರಾಟದ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ದೊಡ್ಡಪೇಟೆಯ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಇವರು. 1984ರಲ್ಲಿ, ಡಿ.ಎಸ್. ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಸೇರುವ ಮೂಲಕ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಪಟ್ಟಣದ ಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಶಾಲಾ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣದಾಗಿ ನೆಲೆ ಆರಂಭಿಸಿದರು. 1985ರಲ್ಲಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಫೆಡರೇಷನ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಕೈಜೋಡಿಸಿ, ಮಿಷನ್ ಅರಿಯಾಸಿ ಹೇರಲ್ಯದ ಬಳಿಗೆ ಹೋದರು. ಫೆಡರೇಷನ್ ಅರಿಯಾಸಿ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯನ್ನು ಎಚ್.ಡಿ.ಕೋಟೆ ಪ್ರಭುಗಳಿಗೆ ವಹಿಸಿ ವ್ಯಾಪಕವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಅ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ, ತಾಲೂಕಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲವು ಮಕ್ಕಳು ತಾಳಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿರುವಾಗ ಕಾರ್ಯ ಮಾಡಿದರು. 25ಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಮಕ್ಕಳು ಕಾಡಿನಿಂದ ಹೊರಬಂದರು. ಅವರಿಗೆ ನೆಲೆವಿಗೆ ದೊಡ್ಡಪೇಟೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾರ್ಯ ಮಾಡಿದರು. 380 ಮಕ್ಕಳನ್ನು ಕಾಡಿನಿಂದ ಹೊರಬಂದರು. ಅವರಿಗೆ ನೆಲೆವಿಗೆ ದೊಡ್ಡಪೇಟೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾರ್ಯ ಮಾಡಿದರು. 2500ಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಮಕ್ಕಳು ಕಾರ್ಯ ಮಾಡಿದರು. ಅವರಿಗೆ ನೆಲೆವಿಗೆ ದೊಡ್ಡಪೇಟೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾರ್ಯ ಮಾಡಿದರು.



### OUR DONORS



## LOOKING FORWARD

Nisarga Foundation has stepped ahead with the above mentioned programs in the year 2020-21 having the aim of achieving progress in providing joyful life for the tribal children who are deprived of the education and good health and in achieving the aim of protecting the life of indigenous people who are deprived of their own land rights. Various donors like Mission Inde, France, Childline India Foundation (Ministry of Women and Child Development), Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives, Bangalore, Titan, Bangalore, Kluber Lubrication, Bangalore, Supreem Pharmaceuticals, Nanjangud and government departments like Child Labour Project Society, Dept. of Labour, Education, Women and Child Development helped us in our journey towards providing better and sustainable life standards to the indigenous people and we sincerely thank Dhvani Foundation for having helped us and guiding us in undertaking and running all the projects in a systematic manner and have immensely helped the organisation to roll out the programs.

We are anticipating the progress of Nisarga Honey Bee Cluster project of KVIC, Bangalore, and resources support for women empowerment through skill training on Spirulina nutra Chikki project.

The Board of Directors of Nisarga Foundation sincerely thank all the partners for their continuous support and guidance all the time. The continuous support of media in the taluk and district is very encouraging and it has played an important role in taking our sincere works related to tribal issues to the public . Nisarga Foundation is actively in touch with various networks, organisations like earlier. If funds release on time from the district Child Labour Project Society, it would really help us in continuing our work with more effective manner thereby it would help us in achieving our aim of assuring better and dignified life to the tribal community.

**Nanjundaiah**



ಶ್ಲಾಘನೀಯ ಬಂಡೀಪುರ ಅಭಯಾರಣ್ಯ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿ ಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬರುವ 45 ಹಾಡಿಗೆಗೆ ಸಹಾಯಹಸ್ತ

# ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯಿಂದ 2,700 ಕುಟುಂಬಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್

• ಕನ್ನಡಪ್ರಭ ವಾರ್ತೆ ಎಸ್.ಡಿ. ಕೋಟೆ  
ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯಿಂದ 2,700 ಆದಿವಾಸಿ ಕುಟುಂಬಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್ ವಿತರಿಸಿ, ಕೊರೋನಾ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅರಿವು ಮತ್ತು ಜಾಗೃತಿ ಮೂಡಿಸಿದರು.  
ಎಸ್.ಡಿ. ಕೋಟೆತಾಲೂಕಿನ ನಾಗರಾಜನಗರದಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯಿಂದ 2,700 ಆದಿವಾಸಿ ಕುಟುಂಬಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್ ವಿತರಿಸಿದರು. ಒಂದು ಸಾವಿರಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಮಕ್ಕಳು ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್, ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಪುಸ್ತಕಗಳು, ಪೌಷ್ಟಿಕ ಆಹಾರ, ಮಾಸ್ಕ್, ಪ್ಲೆನ್ಟಿಫೇಶಿಯ ಸ್ಯಾ ನಿಸಿರಿಂಗ್ ಪ್ಯಾಕ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ವಿತರಿಸಿತು.  
ಪ್ರಭಾಸಗರ ಹಾಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದಲ್ಲಿ ತಹಶೀಲ್ದಾರ್ ಆರ್. ಮಂಜುನಾಥ್ ಅವರು ಸಾಂಕೇತಿಕವಾಗಿ 10 ಜನ ಆದಿವಾಸಿ ಪರಿವಾರದವರಿಗೆ ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್ ವಿತರಿಸುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ



ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯಿಂದ ಪ್ರಭಾಸಗರ ಹಾಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದಲ್ಲಿ ತಹಶೀಲ್ದಾರ್ ಆರ್. ಮಂಜುನಾಥ್ ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್ ವಿತರಿಸಿದರು. ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿದರು.  
ನಂತರ ಅವರು ಮಾತನಾಡಿ, ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ದೇಶದ ಮೂಲನಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಎಂದು ಕರೆಯಲು ಇಷ್ಟ ಪಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದೂ ಕೊರೋನಾ ಕೇಸ್ ವರದಿಯಾಗದಿರುವುದು ಸಂತೋಷದ ವಿಷಯವಾಗಿದೆ.  
ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಇದೇ ರೀತಿ ಹಾಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ಅಂತರ ಹಾಗೂ ಸ್ವಚ್ಛತೆಯನ್ನು ಕಾಪಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.  
ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಫೌಂಡೇಷನ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಈ ಕೊರೋನಾ ಸಂಕಷ್ಟದಲ್ಲಿ ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳಿಗೆ 2,700 ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ವಿತರಣೆ ಮಾಡಿರುವುದು ಶ್ಲಾಘನೀಯ ವಿಚಾರವಾಗಿದೆ. ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಸಿಗುವ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಂದು ಕೊರತೆ ಕಂಡು ಬಂದರೆ ಕೊರಡಲೆ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಮಗ್ರ ಬಗ್ಗಿಹರಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕೆಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.

ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಸಂಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ಜೆ. ನಂಜುಂಡಯ್ಯ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷತೆ ವಹಿಸಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ, ತಾಲೂಕಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಸುಮಾರು 6,800 ಆದಿವಾಸಿ ಕುಟುಂಬಗಳು, 12 ಪಂಚಾಯತ್‌ಗಳಿಂದ 22,000 ಜನಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಇದ್ದು ಇವರುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊರೋನಾ ಎಂಬ ಕಾಯಿಲೆ ಯಾರಿಗೂ ಇರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಕಾರಣ ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಆಹಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಜೀವನ, ಗಣನ ಸೇವೆ, ಅರಣಿ, ಕಲೆ, ವಿದಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಮೀನು ಬಳಸುತ್ತಾರೆ.  
ಇವುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ರೋಗ ನಿರೋಧಕ ಶಕ್ತಿಯು ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಇನ್ನು ಅನೇಕ ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಹಾರ ಮತ್ತು ಮೂಲಭೂತ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯಗಳ ಅನವಶ್ಯಕತೆ ಇದ್ದು, ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ದಾಖಲೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಗಳು ಸಹಕರಿಸುವಂತೆ ಕೋರಿದರು.  
ಕಂದಾಯ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ಮಹೇಶ್, ಗ್ರಾಮ ಲೆಕ್ಕಗಾರ, ಬುಡಕಟ್ಟು ಕೃಷಕರ ಸಂಘದ ಮುಖಂಡರು, ಆದಿವಾಸಿ ಮುಖಂಡರು, ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಸಿಬ್ಬಂದಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಹಾಡಿಯ ಜನರು ಪಾಲ್ಗೊಂಡಿದ್ದರು.

## ‘ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಬದ್ಧ’

ಪ್ರಜಾವಾಣಿ ವಾರ್ತೆ  
ಸರಗೂರು: ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಹಂಚೇಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಫೌಂಡೇಷನ್ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಹಾಯಾಣಿ-1098 ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಮೈತ್ರಿ ಸಜ್ಜಾಹ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದ ಅಂಗವಾಗಿ ಶುಕ್ರವಾರ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸ್ನೇಹಿ ಗ್ರಾಮಪಂಚಾಯತಿ ಅಧಿಯಾನ ಹಾಗೂ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹಂಚೇಪುರ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿ ಅಧಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ ಚನ್ನಪ್ಪ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ, ಗ್ರಾಮಪಂಚಾಯತಿ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ನವೆಂಬರ್ 14 ರಿಂದ ಜನವರಿ 24 ರ ವರೆಗೆ 5 ವಾರಗಳ ಕಾಲ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸ್ನೇಹಿ ಅಧಿಯಾನ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಹಮ್ಮಿಕೊಂಡು, ಹಂಚೇಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೇವಲ 100ರಷ್ಟು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಜನನ ಪ್ರಮಾಣಪತ್ರ ವಿತರಣೆ, ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಚುಮ್ಮಿ ಮತ್ತು ಹಾಕಿಸುವುದು, 3 ರಿಂದ 6 ವರ್ಷದ ಒಳಗಿನ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಮಕ್ಕಳನ್ನು ಅಂಗನವಾಡಿಗೆ ದಾಖಲು ಮಾಡಿ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಪೌಷ್ಟಿಕ ಆಹಾರ ಸಿಗುವಂತೆ ಮಾಡುವುದು, 6 ರಿಂದ 14 ವರ್ಷದವರನ್ನು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಮಕ್ಕಳನ್ನು ಶಾಲೆಗೆ ಕಡ್ಡಾಯವಾಗಿ ದಾಖಲು ಮಾಡುವುದು, ಬಾಲ ವಿವಾಹ ತಡೆಗಟ್ಟುವುದು, ವಾಕ್ಯೋಪಚಾರ, ಪಿಂಚಣಿ, ವಿವಾಹ



ಸರಗೂರು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಹಂಚೇಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಸಭೆ ನಡೆಯಿತು.  
ತಡೆಗಟ್ಟುವ ನಿಟ್ಟಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಹಮ್ಮಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಾಗಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.  
ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಂದು ಅಂಗನವಾಡಿಕೇಂದ್ರ ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ದೈನಿ ಪಟ್ಟಿಯನ್ನು ಹಾಕಲಾಗುವುದು. ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಸಮಗ್ರಗಿಲ್ಲದ ಈ ಪಟ್ಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಕಬಹುದೆಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.  
ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಪಂಚಾಯತಿ ಸದಸ್ಯ ಮಹದೇವಪ್ಪಾಜಿ, ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಹಾಯಾಣಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಸಂಯೋಜಕ ಎನ್.ಪ್ರಭು, ಗುರುದೇವಾರಾಜ್, ಚಿಕ್ಕ ತಿಮ್ಮನಾಯಕ, ಕೃಷಿ, ಶಾಲೆಯ ಶಿಕ್ಷಕರು, ಅಂಗನವಾಡಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಕರ್ತೆಯರು, ಗ್ರಾಮವಾಸಿ ಇದ್ದರು.

## ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್ ವಿತರಣೆ ಆನ್‌ಲೈನ್ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಜತೆ ಚರ್ಚೆ: ಆಂಥೋನಿ ಸೆಬಾಸ್ಟಿಯನ್



ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ಎಎಎಫ್‌ಒ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಫೌಂಡೇಷನ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಸಹಯೋಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಎಸ್.ಡಿ.ಕೋಟೆ ಕಾಕತೆ ಕೋಟೆ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದ ಕಾಡಿನ ಒಳಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಕಾಡಂಚಿನಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಸುಮಾರು 350ಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್ ಗಳ ವಿತರಣೆ, ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಪೌಷ್ಟಿಕ ಆಹಾರ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಸ್ವಚ್ಛತೆಯ ಕುರಿತು ಜಾಗೃತಿ ಮೂಡಿಸಲಾಯಿತು. ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಆರೋಗ್ಯದ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಆಂಥೋನಿ ಸೆಬಾಸ್ಟಿಯನ್, ಸದಸ್ಯರಾದ ಹೆಚ್‌ಬಿ.ಎಸ್. ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಸಂಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಂಜುಂಡಯ್ಯ ಚಿತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿದ್ದಾರೆ.  
ಎಸ್.ಡಿ.ಕೋಟೆ: ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ಎಎಎಫ್‌ಒ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಫೌಂಡೇಷನ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಸಹಯೋಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಹಾರ ಕಿಟ್‌ಗಳ ವಿತರಣೆ, ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಪೌಷ್ಟಿಕ ಆಹಾರ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಸ್ವಚ್ಛತೆಯ ಕುರಿತು ಜಾಗೃತಿ ಮೂಡಿಸಲಾಯಿತು.  
ಇಲ್ಲಿನ ಕಾಕತೆ ಕೋಟೆ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದ ಕಾಡಿನ ಒಳಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಕಾಡಂಚಿನಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಸುಮಾರು 350ಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಆರೋಗ್ಯದ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಆಂಥೋನಿ ಸೆಬಾಸ್ಟಿಯನ್, ಸದಸ್ಯರಾದ ಹೆಚ್‌ಬಿ.ಎಸ್. ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಸಂಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಂಜುಂಡಯ್ಯ ಅವರು ಆಹಾರ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಪೌಷ್ಟಿಕ ಆಹಾರ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಸ್ವಚ್ಛತೆಯ ಕುರಿತು ಜಾಗೃತಿ ಮೂಡಿಸಲಾಯಿತು.  
ಈ ವೇಳೆ ಗಿರಿಜನವರು, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಕಡಲೆಯ ತ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ ರಾಜ್, ವಿಶೇಷವಾಗಿ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ 7ನೇ ತರಗತಿ ಮೇಲ್ವಿಚಾರಣೆ ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಆನ್‌ಲೈನ್ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ನೀಡಲು ತೀರ್ಮಾನಿಸಿರುವುದು ಸಂಯುಕ್ತವಾಗಿ, ಅದರ, ಕಾಡಂಚಿನಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಸ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿರುವ ಆದಿವಾಸಿ ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಪ್ರಯೋಜನ

## ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಸ್ವಾವಲಂಬಿಗಳು: ನಂಜುಂಡಯ್ಯ ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಫೌಂಡೇಷನ್‌ನಿಂದ ಆದಿವಾಸಿ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಯೋಜನೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ



ಎಸ್.ಡಿ.ಕೋಟೆ: ಪ್ರಭಾಸಗರ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆದ ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಫೌಂಡೇಷನ್ ಕಡಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಆದಿವಾಸಿ ಸುಸ್ಥಿರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಯೋಜನೆಗಾಗಿ ಒಂದು ದಿನದ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ ನಡೆಯಿತು.  
ಈ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಸರ್ಗ ಫೌಂಡೇಷನ್ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ನಂಜುಂಡಯ್ಯ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ, ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಎಂದಿಗೂ ಪರಾವಲಂಬಿಗಳಲ್ಲ. ಬದಲಾಗಿ ಸ್ವಾವಲಂಬಿಗಳು. ಇಂದು ಪ್ರಭಾಸಗರ ನಾಗರಿಕ ಸಮಾಜ ರತ್ನ, ಮನೆ, ವಿದ್ಯುತ್, ವಾಹನ, ಆಹಾರ, ಹಾಲು, ಫೋನ್, ಕಿಟವುಗಳಿಲ್ಲದೇ ಬದುಕುವುದು ಬಲಶಕ್ತಿಯಾದರೆ ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಈ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಸೌಕರ್ಯಗಳು ಇಲ್ಲದೇ ಜೀವನ ನಡೆಸುವ ವಿಧಾನವನ್ನು ಕಲಿಯಬೇಕು. ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಅರಣ್ಯವನ್ನು ನೈಸರ್ಗಿಕ ಸಂಪತ್ತು ಎಂದು ಬದುಕುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆದರೆ, ಇಂದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ

ನೀತಿ ನಿಯಮಗಳು ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳ ಪರಿಣಾಮಕರಣ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳನ್ನು ಕುರಿತು ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದು, ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳ ಬದುಕನ್ನು ಉತ್ತಮಗೊಳಿಸುವ ವಿಧಾನ ದೊರೆಯಿತು.  
ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರವನ್ನು ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳ ಮುಖಂಡರಾದ ದೇವಪ್ಪ, ಕೆಂಚಯ್ಯ ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿದರು. ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಆದಿವಾಸಿಗಳ ಸುಸ್ಥಿರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ವಿಚಾರವಾಗಿ ಉಮೇಶ್ ನೋಡಲಸುಪ್ಪೆ, 2006ರ ಆದಿವಾಸಿ ಅರಣ್ಯವನ್ನು ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನ ಕುರಿತು ಸೆಬಾಸ್ಟಿಯನ್ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು. ಫೆಡರಲ್ ಬಸವರಾಜ್, ದೂರದ ಕುಮಾರ್, ದಿಲ್ ಕಾಡ್, ದಿವ್ಯ ಅರಣ್ಯ, ದಾಖಲೆ, ತಿಮ್ಮನಾಯಕ, ಮಾರ್ಕೊನ್, ಕಣ್ಣುಕುಮಾರ್, 20 ಹಾಡಿಗೆಗಳ ಅರಣ್ಯವನ್ನು ಸಮೀಪ ಮುಖಂಡರು, ಹಾಡಿಗೆವರು ಹಾಜರಿದ್ದರು.

