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.....A progressive future for indigenous communities

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Message from Managing Trustee



It is with great pleasure that I present Nisarga Foundation's Annual Report of the year 2019-20. This report shares the success story of Nisarga Foundation and the impact of our work on the communities we serve and our goals for the future. For over two decades, Nisarga Foundation has been working with indigenous communities in HD Kote taluk on various fronts, including health, education, agriculture, food security, sustainability, advocacy and women empowerment; impacting over 26,000 indigenous and marginalized people. I am happy to share that through our public advocacy interventions, over 9000 acres of land have been handed over to tribals for agricultural purpose. This apart, 218 child labourers in the taluk have been rehabilitated with programme support from National Child Labour Rehabilitation Society, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Labour Department since 2010. We have rescued 1485 children through our Child Helpline project, in partnership with Childline India Foundation and Women and Child Development Department, Government of India. Considering that malnutrition has long been a silent killer amongst indigenous communities, we have made significant progress through our Spirulina Supplement Programme by improving the health and nutrition levels of 600 malnourished children, pregnant women and lactating mothers with the help of Mission Inde, France. I also congratulate the director, board members and staff of the organisation for scoring 95% in Niranthara program assessment on organisation capacity building program. I thank all our board and executive team members for their untiring efforts in taking our mission forward. I sincerely thank all donors from the bottom of my heart for their valuable support.

Yours sincerely

MV Narasimha Rao

President

Executive Director's Message



It gives me an immense pleasure to present you Nisarga Foundation's Annual Report for the year 2019-20. Since its inception Nisarga Foundation(NF) is striving hard towards the betterment of indigenous community. This year, the activities of our organization has expanded horizontally with the same commitment of promising healthy and dignified life to the tribal communities and many innovative ideas , skills has also come under the orbit. We started this year with new hopes and aspirations which yielded good result for us. Our work focused on tribal communities in and around the H D Kote. Our programs continued to reach women, children of indigenous communities. This year we worked on health, education, child rights, livelihood and other interventions.

The new advisory members inducted by Dhvani Foundation through Upadeshak program now associated with NF and they have become part of our journey towards achieving the goal and helping in resource mobilisation in more effective way. Now, the governance has become very strong with these board advisory members who are specialized and experienced in various sectors . Much has transpired between the previous year activity and the present with lot of innovative ideas and tenacity. The activities of Nisarga Foundation has expanded horizontally and has included many activities like supporting Budakattu Krushikara Sangha to receive land rights of indigenous people, implementation of Rehabilitation project decision by High Court. The training that we have received from the Niranthara program, has helped us a lot in understanding the nuances, intricacies and the proper channel through which we can reach the source of funding. Thus, Niranthara training program has helped us in communicating with corporate sectors and it has guided us positively and strengthen our abilities to reach corporate sectors, funding agencies, individual donors, online funds, digital presence. Our Goonjan MIS and data capture systems have been strengthened to keep up all the beneficiary data and exhibit transparency to our donors. I am glad to share that our organisation has secured 95% in Niranthara assessment program. I also appreciate our staff for their undaunted spirit in reaching the goal. I sincerely thank all the staff members for this achievement.

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 six 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 26 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).

Nisarga Foundation has successfully implemented activities under the five-year project on Food Security and Livelihood issues of Tribes (FSLT) with the support of Terre des Hommes (TDH), Germany, during the year 2004 - 09. The FSLT Project has been implemented in 20 tribal hamlets of the taluk.

The organisation has implemented another project on 'Indigenous Jenukuruba Community empowerment and natural farming for sustainable livelihood in H D Kote taluk', funded by International Fund for Agriculture Development (IFAD), Italy during January–December 2008.

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, Spirulina nutrition supplement program, Niranthara program for organisation capacity building. 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.

OUR BOARD MEMBERS & BOARD ACTIVITIES

In the year 2019-20, Nisarga Foundation was manned with strong Board of 06 members, along with 2 advisory 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 2019-20 we had conducted 2 Emergency Board meeting and 3 Quarterly Board meetings. Board meetings has put the lights on Nisarga Honey Bee Cluster project proposal finalization, review on the strategic plans, release of quarterly news letter, inducting advisory members to board, resource mobilization from board members, Executive director salary, financial reports etc.

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

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. Children who never went to school or dropped out of school and found in hazardous and non-hazardous occupations have been rehabilitated in this centre. All the children are given an opportunity to continue their education through the intervention of Nisarga Foundation and they are successfully continuing their education in this rehabilitation center. So far 218 children were trained in our rehabilitation center and mainstreamed into formal education through the centre.

At present 23 children are rehabilitated in the school and 7 children have been enrolled to the main stream of education. 4 children are sent with their parents as the parents took responsibility of looking after the children and education. This rehabilitation has come up with its own strategic plans to provide education to these children. So based on the they were divided into groups according to their age and lessons will be taught according to their age. 3 academic groups have been made as per their level of learning. Five staffs have been recruited in the centre to facilitate these children and help them to imbibe knowledge based on their age. So far 13 children have been mainstreamed during the year 2019-20.

The syllabus/ curriculum is designed in such a way that it is very similar to that of main stream education. It has the syllabus for these children covers both co-lastic and co colastic programs. Under the co-colastic programs many Extra-curricular activities are conducted for the holistic and overall development of children. Student centric learning activities are given importance in this school activities such as story-telling, songs, drawing, theatre activities, games, drama and yoga are conducted as a part of the curriculum.

Academic year 2019-20	Mainstreamed children	Total no of admission	First Group	Second Group	Third Group	Total Strength
31	13	20	1	7	10	18

Children who are already mainstreamed to the Government schools are regularly monitored and they will be having bird eye view on their activities by the organisation. In order to keep the children updated and in order to build the confidence in those children to face the digital world, Tab and computer learning has been introduced to the students. Regular health check-up is also done. 3 times nutrition food is provided. Kitchen garden is also established.

NCLP SCHOOL CHILDREN'S SPECIAL PROGRAMS

NCLP School children took part in International Child help line Day celebrated at Nisarga Foundation. Independence Day, Republic day, Gandhi Jayanthi and Children's day celebrated at NCLP school. In order to build the spirit of competition in them, so many competition like Drawing, musical chair, sports activities were conducted during these occasion. Our children also participated in Grameena Dasara(Folk Dasara) in H D Kote.



Our NCLP School children took part in Bharath Adivasi Samanvay Munch 2019, a national level event which was held on 13th of Sept 2019 at Mysuru Maharaja College.



VISITOR TO NCLP SCHOOL

The members of Karnataka State Child Rights Commission, Mr. Parashuram M L and Mr. Girish visited NCLP school in order to verify NCLP School admissions and activities. They also appreciated School environment, administration, documentation, and the way children have been taught in the school. Our Children also participated in Yuva Spandana training program.



- The Director of UNICEF Mrs. Malleshwari, Mrs. Mamatha, CDPW, Mrs. Savitha Kumari and the committee members of KSICPS visited NCLP school on 22-01-2020 in order to assess the quality and maintenance of NCLP school.
- On 15-02-2020 Child labour inspector Mr. Shashidhar and NCLP project director Mr. Mallikarjun visited to check the admissions of children in our NCLP School.

ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING PROGRESS

Monthly once, we conduct Children forum and quick inspection will be held on learning progress, food and health, hygiene and tab learning.

Teachers meeting was conducted every month with the aim of analyzing the learning progress of the children, different topics like School garden, cultural programs, and maintain hygiene were discussed in the meeting. Parent-Teachers meeting was conducted by the NCLP school teachers every month. The meeting was aimed at to make the parents aware about children's academic growth, relationship, responsibility of parents and there was a discussion on providing healthy atmosphere to the children.

BRIDGE SCHOOL AND DORMITORY

The Bridge School helps school drop-out children return to mainstream education. After being identified by our field workers and admitted to the Bridge School, these children are brought up to speed with their respective class levels through customized lesson plans and tab-based digital learning. We then admit them to government schools and continue supporting them through parent meetings, health camps and regular assessments. A dormitory within our campus houses the Bridge School students. Dormitory has two floor building, ground floor is for girls and 1st floor is for boys. Our dormitory is fully furnished with all necessary facilities for children. The bridge school and dormitory have been supported by Areva/Mission Inde, France, and Denmark Lions Club.

Extra additional provisions are provided by Volunteers Mr. Alexander Browne and Mrs. Catherina Juel. This is much useful for children of our school to stay at Nisarga Foundation campus.



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 9 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 2019-20, 9 Mass Awareness and 5 Joint mass awareness programmes were conducted. More than 15,500 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 street plays, 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.



06 open house programmes were conducted in 3 taluks 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.



During the year 2019-20 awareness on Childline-1098 were given to 70 SHGs, 106 schools, 22 Grama Panchayaths, 3 PHC's, 40 shops, 5 colleges, 5 hostels and in 10 markets. 160 Asha workers, 5 police station consisting of 45 police staff. 105 Anganwadi workers took active participation in avoiding child marriages in and around the operational area of Childline. 15 mothers meeting, 18 youth groups were formed during the year 2019-20.

MYTHRI SAPTHAHA PROGRAM: (CHILDLINE SE DOSTHI WEEK)

Mythri Sapthaha Dosti Week was the major event of Childline. Nisarga foundation Sub-center ,H.D.Kote Child line members participated in the Press Meet on the 12th of November 2019, at Press Club, Mysuru. To explain about the purpose of CSD week programme and the agenda.

The 1st day of the program marked the Beginning of 'Childline Se Dosthi' with the inaugural program held at Maharani girls PU college, Mysuru. Around 1000 children participated in the program. On 16th November 2019 our Child line team conducted Auto Jatha programme at HD Kote. Awareness were given on 'online safety and drug abuse' to the 50 auto rickshaw drivers and around 370 other public.

On 17th November 2019 our Childline team visited marriage convention halls, Churches, Masjids in and around Mysore and met owners and managers of convention halls, Church priest, imams and the people who are incharge of maintaining the records of marriages that will be held in those places. This program was aimed at creating an awareness among those people regarding the Prohibition of Child Marriage and Laws/Acts. On 19th November 2019 Child line team conducted Makkala Hakkugala Grama Sabha, an initiation to strengthen the child rights at Savve village in H D Kote taluk. On 20th November 2019 Mass awareness program on child abuse and 'Photo frame' on child abuse were conducted at Piriapatna. On 21st November 2019 drawing competition was organized to the special children at Niriksha school in Mysuru.



NISARGA CHLDLINE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEAR 2019-20:

Since H D Kote has been made Childline sub center it has been an opportunity for Nisarga Childline team members to rescue the children who are in the threshold of so many social evils. Much has been transpired in conducting activities during the year 2019-20. As a result of hard working of the team the number of volunteers has tremendously increased from all the communities who aimed at complete abolition of all kinds of social evil against children. A short glimpses of the achievements of Childline as a sub center are 67 child marriages were stopped, and FIR filed against 2 child marriages. CHLDLINE awareness stickers were pasted on buses, autos and on shops. Wall painting on Childline were done in 150 School. The School authorities are instructed to form Child rights club. 03 children were rescued from Child Sexual Abuse and rehabilitated to Girls Home. Many school dropouts were re-enrolled to school. 8 Missing children were found and rehabilitated with parents. During the year 2019-20 Childline sub center has intervned 284 cases and rescued 10 children.

SPIRULINA NUTRITION SUPPLEMENT PROGRAMME



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 2019-20 12th and 13th 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 every day.



VISITORS TO NISARGA FOUNDATION FOR SPIRULINA PROJECT

Dr. Gerry Pais, the consultant of the Spirulina Nutrition Supplement project visited NF once in every 3 months and to check the progress of the project and gave necessary training to the staff for the effective outcome of the results.

Mr. Udaya Kumar, Taluk Block Health officer, H D Kote was invited to NF on 13-11-2019. This consultation meeting was aimed at to get information about the distribution of Vitamin A, de-worming tablet and Nutrition capsules to the Hadis. The weight checking of 13th Batch children was monitored by Dr. Gerry Pais at Heerehalli Hadi in the month of November 2019. Nisarga Staff members were also present.



PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES AS A PART OF SPIRULINA NUTRITION SUPPEMENT PROGRAM

Mothers Meet and Health camp:

Nisarga Foundation organized Mother's meet and Free Health camp on 21st June 2019 at Nisarga Foundation campus, H D Kote. Prestigious NH hospitals, Mysuru conducted free health camp. More than 100 Adivasis, mainly Pregnant women, lactating mothers, and children are benefited from this



program. Awareness on maintaining hygiene in home the importance of taking vaccination at the right time, awareness on breast cancer, co-ordination with health workers are the highlights of this health camp.

Nutrition awareness program was held at Heerehalli Hadi, Mrs.Dilshad, program co-ordinator, Spirulina project spoke about the importance of nutritional food and the usage of sprouted grams in daily food. More than 100 pregnant women were present in this program.



NISARGA also plays an important pivotal role between the Government and tribal communities and help the Tribal communities in reaching them the Government schemes such as Mathrupurna Yojana, Mathruvandana Yojana.

Indian Institute of Health Management Research (IIHMR), Bangalore conducted a capacity building workshop for tribal adolescent girls at Nisarga Foundation. The title of program was "Empowerment and Engagement of Community in Strengthening Child Health among Tribal Population".

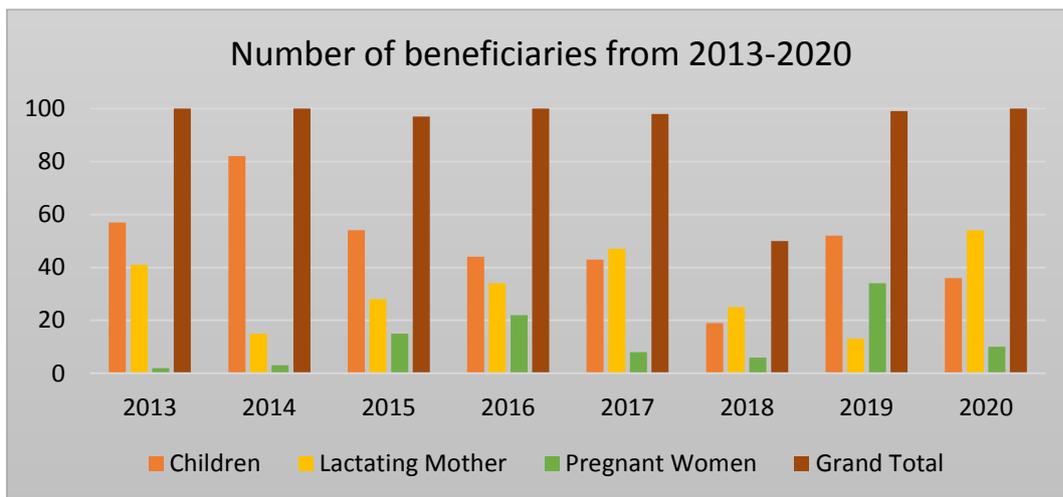
CASE STUDY

Name: Savitha, 22 years old from Hirehalli Hadi

Savitha was 9 month pregnant when she was included in the 12th batch of Spirulina programme on 10.01.19. Her child's birth weight was 2.1 kgs (400 grams less than the normal weight for a Tribal child). After six months of Spirulina to Savitha (lactating mother) on 10.07.19 the child had reached 4.2 kgs.(an increase of 2.1 kgs); all the same the child remains 1.3 kgs underweight compared to the ideal weight. Since the Birth weight was low the child has not been able to achieve the ideal weight. **Savitha herself feels that she is enjoying good health and is happy that her child is active and gay.**



This project was implemented between April-2019 and March-2020, during this time we have covered 100 beneficiaries, among 100, 99 children were well nourished. During this reporting period Satisfactory (increase 100gm) -00nos, Good(increase 200gm) -05nos, Very good (increase 300-500gm)-26nos and Exceptional (increase more than 500gm)-14nos are achieved for 12th batch & 13th batch is on-going.



In association with Health Department and with the Nisarga Foundation, CFTRI is doing a research on the issues of malnutrition among Adivasis.

Spirulina nutrition supplement program is aimed at giving adivasi children a promising physical and mental health and it intently contributing healthy children to the society. Mission Inde, France has been giving financial support and Dr. Gerry Pais has been working as the consultant to this program. We are really thankful for their support. 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.

NIRANTHARA PROGRAM

“Niranthara ” - an organisations capacity building training program by Dhvani Foundation, Bangalore. Nisarga Foundation had enrolled its name with Dhvani Foundation, Bangalore in order to get the benefits of this twenty four month training program from Dec 2017 to Dec 2019.

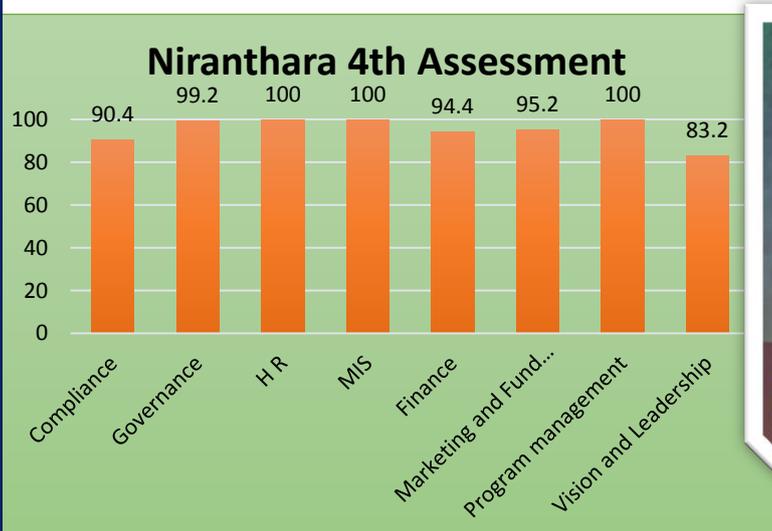
The objectives of the programme is to enable the NGOs to achieve higher organizational credibility, to help the organisations to meet the emerging requirements of Government, Corporate sector, Funding Agencies & Technology and in order to make a larger impact on Communities they serve. This 24 months program also included Training and Orientation on various organizational heads such as compliance, Governance, Human Resource Management, etc. And it was also an opportunity to our staff to have knowledge about Interactive Platforms, Templates, Field Support and Networking Opportunities at Organisation Leader and Operational manager level.

AREAS OF SUPPORT FROM NIRANTHARA PROGRAM DURING 2019-20

During the year 2019-20 Niranthara program focused on Communication with donors and corporate, Brand Building of the organisation, Marketing & Fund Raising, Leadership Development & Project/ Program Management.

OUTCOMES OF NIRANTHARA PROGRAM

As a result of this 24 month training program by Dhvani Foundation, Nisarga Foundation has secured 95% of the results during the 4th phase of Niranthara Assessment conducted by the volunteers of Niranthara program. The Board members of Nisarga Foundation appreciated the result. The overall percentages of 8 different heads is as follows.



Dhwani Foundation, Bangalore has given us 2 Advisory members **Mr. Nagarajan Srinivasan** and **Mr. Kishore Udiaver**, through Updeshak program. Both are from the corporate background. With this we do have a diverse and strong Board members of Nisarga Foundation.

TRAINING & EXPOSURE VISIT OF NIRANTHARA PROGRAM IN THE YEAR 2019-20

The Director, Program co-ordinator, Accountant & OM of NF attended training on Niranthara program which was conducted by Dhvani Foundation. The training was focused on leadership qualities, Program Management, Marketing & Fund raising and finance & accounts. Exposure visit to Rural Development Trust, Ananthpur and Aravind Eye Hospital, Chennai was conducted.



WORK DONE UNDER NIRANTHARA PROGRAM

- Annual plans and budgets were prepared and got approved by the board members.
- Marketing collateral material of Nisarga Foundation was prepared with the help of Dhvani Foundation, Bangalore. SRIKA Marketing team, of Bangalore took a major role in designing the logo, letterhead, visiting card, envelop cover, event banner, event standee, external signage, power point template, organisation two pager, corporate brochure, Annual report of 2018-19 and Strategic plan. Dhvani Foundation also helped us in providing printed copies of all the above mentioned marketing materials for fund raising.
- Program plan was prepared for each project and executed as per the plan. With the help of program plan we could execute the programs efficiently.

RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

- Nisarga has sent cold email to 674 CSR companies, registered with 10 fund raising platforms, 15 clubs were visited/contacted for resource mobilization. 60 LinkedIn contacts, 124 individual donors were contacted over telephone and through email. We have published fund raising stories on Give India, Letz Change, Impact guru, India care etc. Various project proposals on Adivasi land rights, livelihood, women empowerment, education and addressing malnutrition were submitted to different Companies like UTC, Tech Mahindra, Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives Bangalore, Aris Global Mysuru, Supreme Pharmaceuticals Nanjangud, Kluber Lubrication Limited Bangalore, Kadhi & Village Industries Commission Bangalore, Good Share consultancy Company, IFAD etc.



- Mr. Nanjundaiah, Director of NF participated in Karnataka CSR Summit-2020 in Bangalore International Center, Bangalore organized by Dhvani Foundation, Bangalore. A certificate for the participation of 24 month Niranthara program was awarded during this program. Mrs. Rohini Nilekani, a philanthropist and social activist addressed the gathering.



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.

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.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Mr. Nanjundaiah, Director of NF participated in the inauguration of Heerehalli Grama Sabha and Kunthuru Leaders group at Heerehalli Hadi.

He also participated in 25th International Tribal day workshop and he addressed the gathering about the Forest Rights Act 2006.



Nisarga Staff members and NCLP school children participated in National Adivasi Samanvay Munch 2019 held in Mysuru.

Mr. Nanjundaiah participated in the workshop on 'Minimum Wages' at Jeevika office. The Assistant Commissioner of Hunsur and Thahshildar of H.D Kote were present.

He had an interaction with M.N. Venkatachalaiah, Former Chief Justice of India, during Gramodaya Mission Workshop which was held at ISI, Bangalore on 9th Jan 2020.



He participated in Taluk level meeting on Child rights cases investigation and progress of implementation. He met Karnataka Child rights commission Chairman Mr. Antony Sabestine during this time. He also participated in Karnataka State Senior social workers meet which was held at Gandhi Bhavan, Bangalore to discuss about malnutrition in children and soil fertility on 17-02-2019.

VISITORS TO NISARGA

- Mrs. Parvathy, Network Manager of CDV Global visited NF on 4th June 2019 to understand the capacity building training requirement of Nisarga staff.
- NABARD District Chief officer Mr. Manikantha, Ex Nabard Chief officer Mr. Appanna, Mr. Anish, Freelancer and consultant visited Nisarga Foundation work area to study on women entrepreneurship activities.
- CDV Global Directors Mr. Paul Burgess, Mr. Steve Cullis, Mr. Janak Raj Hamel, Nepal Network Manager, Mrs. Parvathy, India Network Manager visited our organisation on August 4th 2019
- The students of Madras Christian College visited Nisarga Foundation as a part of Study tour on 26th January 2020. Prof. Thendral, Prof. Mohan Raj and Dr. Sankaranarayanan of Madras Christian College were present.
- In order to have a discussion on 'the tribal women skill development for their economic sustainability', an initial meeting was conducted by Mr. Nanjundaiah at NF office. Dr Indira M, Vice President and Mr. Ananth Pant, Development consultant was present during the discussion.
- In order to know the effective implementations of Niranthara program in the organisation Mr. Tharun, Genpact multinational company representative and Mr. Koushik and Mr. Pradeep, Dhvani representatives visited NF on 04-09-2019.
- Mr. Udaya Kumar, Taluk Block Health Officer participated in 'Vitamin Angels' discussion with Dr. Gerry Pais, Senior Social activist and shared his view on immunization and current status of H D Kote on 11-08-2019





STAFF CAPACITY BUILDING

Chamarajanagar on 05-06-2019, Honey rearing training 17-02-2019, Program management training on 16-09-2019, Childline team members attended training on POCSO Act-2012 training 26-09-2019, Adoption training on 23-09-2019 and Training on Gov. Health schemes for children on 10-02-2020. Operations manager attended the training on New OM orientation 05-08-2019, Organisation sustainability at RDT, Ananthpur on 21-08-2019, Fund raising 4-09-2019, Accounts/Tally, etc. It has been the mandatory and compulsory thing for all the staff members of NF to submit monthly report, quarterly report, half yearly report and annual report of each project. Weekly meeting, monthly meetings will be conducted to do the self-assessment and follow up the work according to action plan.

Training on POSH and HR policy were conducted to the newly inducted NCLP teachers and other staff of NF. Teachers meeting was conducted every month with the aim of analysing the learning progress of the children, different topics like School garden, cultural programs, and maintain hygiene were discussed in the meeting.

TOTAL GRANTS & DONATIONS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR 2019-20

Amount in Rs.	Donor
Rs. 9,03,000	Childline India Foundation
Rs. 4,92,289	Mission Inde, France
Rs. 2, 57, 681	Dhwani Foundation, Bangalore
Rs. 75,000	Titan India Pvt Ltd, Bangalore
Rs. 13,201	Rathnam Enterprises, Surat
Rs. 2300	Arti Verma, Faridabad
30 Writing desk for NCLP school children	Lions West Club, Mysuru
Educational materials	Mission Inde, France



AWARDS AND ACCREDIATION

- Nisarga Foundation has scored 95% in Niranthara Assessment program which was conducted by Dhvani Foundation, Bangalore.
- 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)

STAFF DETAILS

1. Nanjundaiah, Executive Director
2. Dilshad, Program Co-ordinator, Spirulina nutrition Supplement program
3. Prabhu N, Program Co-ordinator, Childline-1098
4. Divya M R, Operations Manager/ Resource mobilizer
5. Gurudevradhya, Childline team member
6. Chikkathimmanaika, Childline team member
7. Marcelin R Fernandez, Childline team member
8. Kanya Kumari H P, Childline team member
9. Shruthi N, NCLP School Teacher



CONCLUSION

Nisarga Foundation has stepped ahead with the above mentioned programs in the year 2019-20 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 agencies like Mission Inde, France, Childline India Foundation (Ministry of Women and Child Development), 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.

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

