

OPINION

Chetna Vikas is a commendable organization that has made a noteworthy contribution to the development and welfare of our community. I wholeheartedly endorse their commendable efforts and appreciate their steadfast commitment to constructing a better future for the community.

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Dear Reader,

A warm Greetings!



We are pleased to present the second edition of our bi-annual newsletter, showcasing our milestones and societal contributions.

Our commitment is rooted in the vision of universal upliftment, aimed at achieving a progressive and sustainable Jharkhand. Our mission focused on the transformation of rural communities, aligning with the principles of Sarvodaya and ensuring our impact reaches the last person in the community.

The past six months were aligned with our commitment towards child development, empowering the adolescents, foresting health, hygiene and Nutrition, enhancing the digital literacy and promoting waste management for a healthier environment. Strengthening our digital communication tools, capacitating the team and sensitizing the stakeholders has increased our effectiveness, ensuring a lasting impact for community holistic development beyond program timelines.

We are tremendously grateful to our fantastic team and our dedicated board, as well as our steadfast supporters.

As we move forward, we will focus on scaling our impact by striding more step towards the change...

Rani Kumari



On World Tribal Day at Kumaiitha Stadium, Deoghar, organized by the Deoghar District Sports Authority, Ajay Tudu won first place in the 400m race, and Namita Tudu secured second place in the 100m and 200m races. Both were awarded by the Deputy Commissioner and District Development Commissioner.



Religious leaders' Sensitization Workshop

As the initiative to empower the adolescents to decide if and when to marry in a supportive environment. We aimed to empower them with life skills education, provide alternatives to child marriage, enhance access to SRHR services, challenge harmful social norms, involving them in sports and influence legal frameworks.

SALIENT MILESTONES

Empowerment in Action: KISHLAY's Chronicle

- ☀ 375 meetings with 105 adolescent groups, reaching 1785 girls and 119 boys.
- ☀ Launched a School Enrolment Drive and Child Marriage Campaign, re-enrolling 427 children.
- ☀ Conducted training for 304 VLCPC meetings with 2224 participants.
- ☀ VLCPC members actively addressed child protection issues, identified and solved 34 cases, and reported 12 child marriages.
- ☀ 28 adolescents participated in a district-level sports competition, winning prizes.
- ☀ Organized workshops for religious, tribal, and opinion leaders to promote girls' formal education.
- ☀ Shifted the perspective of two dropout siblings, Vijay and Kabita Hansda with focused counselling and the gift of a bicycle, leading to improved regular attendance.



COMMUNITY-LED CHILD PROTECTION

Demonstrating our dedication to community-led child protection, we have accomplished notable milestones through the implementation of initiatives such as sensitization workshops and orientation programs.

SALIENT MILESTONES

Empowering Communities: CLCP in Action

- ☀ Oriented 17 natural leaders on Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) and their role in child protection.
- ☀ Conducted a 4-day orientation program with 208 members from Village Organizations (VO), Self-Help Groups (SHG) and taskforce members.
- ☀ Oriented 105 PRI members, ASHA workers and other stakeholders on CLCP processes, Mission Vatsalya and creating 'Child-Friendly Panchayats.'
- ☀ Oriented 165 Anganwadi workers on CLCP and Mission Vatsalya, along with sharing information on various government schemes for children.
- ☀ One-day orientation program engaging Panchayat Mukhiyas, CDPOs, Pramukhs, and Up-Pramukhs at both block and district levels.
- ☀ Conducted a three-day workshop in collaboration with Plan International and Praxis, involving natural leaders and ward members from three panchayats.
- ☀ Facilitated a two-day orientation program for 165 Anganwadi workers in collaboration with the District Child Protection Unit and District Social Welfare Office.
- ☀ Launch of the unique booklet- Child Protection: Journey of a Community-led Approach.



District and Block level orientation meeting



Natural Leader attending the VO and SHG meeting



Nukkad Natak by the Natural Leaders and Adolescent group



The Unique Booklet Child Protection: Journey of a Community-led Approach



Reached with Approx 2588 people

3930 House Holds in 114 villages

45 community sensitization workshops held with 1224 participants.

Social Media campaign for two months

Special Awareness camp in collaboration with Govt. District Child Protection department during the Shravani Mela.



21045 individuals' pledges - No to Child Marriage

13 PRI sensitization workshops held with 419

38 School Sensitization workshops held with 2136 participants.

Training of 80 Child Marriage Prohibition Officer

53 Child Sexual Abuse Cases



3 Child Labour Cases

2 Child Trafficking Cases

2 Child Marriage Cases

HEALTH, SANITATION

To address health-related challenges, dispel myths and promote essential practices for the well-being of women and infants, the World Menstrual Hygiene Day and World Breastfeeding Week were marked by impactful activities.

World Menstrual Hygiene Day: The event aimed to raise menstrual hygiene awareness through street plays, rallies, speeches, posters, and oath-taking ceremonies. 146 Adolescents shared initiatives, demanded SRHR services and effectively spread the message through street plays and rallies.



World Breastfeeding Week: The event highlighted breastfeeding's importance, with officials highlighting exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months. 24 Adolescent girls advocated for World Breastfeeding Day and maternal rights. 25 ICDS workers promoted breastfeeding, with active participation and increased awareness among lactating and pregnant women.



ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT



Strategic Planning of Chetna Vikas as VISION - 2030



Capacity Building of the Team on Child Protection & Documentation Skills

NUTRITION



230 PVTG children in 5 centers are getting nutrition support in the form of Milk, Biscuit, Pre-school education, Dresses & shoes.



DIGITAL LITERACY



30 trained VI students from our Tanya Computer Centre, Dumka received certificates from DDC Dumka Mr. Abhijeet Sinha, DSW Anita Kujur. They wished the children a bright future with warmth and affection.



Mr. Sudipto Mohanty, SPM and Mr. Jitendra Kumar, Area Manager of Sightsavers visited the Tanya Computer Centre and met the VI Student.



WASTE MANAGEMENT

Waste Management Campaign - Orientation & Implementation

THE IMPACT

"I'm delighted to share that, as part of the Chetna Vikas adolescent group, I secured the second prize in the district-level athletics competition, recognized by DC, Deoghar. The invaluable training in personality development and leadership from Chetna Vikas has been a guiding force in my journey."

Namita Tudu, Madhupur, Deoghar



Phuli Kumari (Imaginary Name) disappeared on September 5, 2023, from her uncle's house in Doomararth village. Chetna Vikas advised filing an FIR, leading to the discovery that Phuli had married the young man she left with.



Chetna Vikas urged police action under the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act. The police tracked and retrieved the couple on September 29, 2023. Phuli's statement was recorded, and a medical examination conducted. She is set to appear before the Child Welfare Committee. After that, the boy was jailed. This case emphasizes the vital role organizations like Chetna Vikas play in preventing child marriages and safeguarding children's rights. This case highlights the critical role that Chetna Vikas play in preventing child marriages and ensuring the protection of children's rights. It underscores the importance of timely legal action to safeguard the future of young girls like Phuli Kumari, who are at risk of early marriages.



Sumit Kumar Sharma, Dudhani Purva, Dumka

"Chetna Vikas transformed my life. Despite visual impairment and financial challenges, their support, along with the Tanya Computer Centre, empowered me. Now, I get job at the John South Eastern Railway, I'm grateful for the unwavering guidance and opportunities they provided, turning my aspirations into reality."

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