



SRI MAHALAKSHMI SAMAJA SEVA HAGU SAMSKRUTHIKA SAMSTHE ®

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Introduction:

The Sri Mahalakshmi Samaja Seva Hagu Samskruthika Samsthe (SMSSHSS) is a registered society and actively working at Kudligi – Bellary district of Karnataka state. It intends to empower the marginalized and deprived for social, educational, cultural & economic self-reliance to combat acute poverty. Since 2005 it has been imparting services for core areas like education, health, empowerment, community development and skill development etc. And the action area is landless, illiteracy, unemployment, agricultural uncertainty and migration which lead adverse impact on children's education and also health. Therefore organization has been made intensive efforts by imparting various need & rights based services such as campaigns, capacity building, formation & promotion of SHGs, formal and non-formal educational activities, medical screening & skill development initiatives etc. The organization has been successfully initiated all the activities through Participatory Methodology for promotion of people's participation, development of ownership, attitude, leadership quality and sustainability of the activities.

Legal Status:

Sri Mahalakshmi Samaja Seva Hagu Samskruthika Samsthe has been registered under Karnataka Societies Registration Act. 1960. on Feb 28, 2005, No. DR/SOR/335/2004 - 05 at Bellary district, Karnataka.

Management:

SMSSHSS has office bearers and the management committee subject to its rules and regulations. The management committee has been consists eleven members with versatile backgrounds such as social, academic, administration and technical.

Operational area:

SMSSHSS has been implementing various developmental programs in Bellary, Haveri & Raichur districts of northern Karnataka and we focus thrust areas like acute poverty, migration, illiteracy, unemployment, malnutrition, gender, labour, health & educational issues etc.

Supporters:

SMSSHSS intends to serve inclusive development for the weaker sections of the society and we have raised funds from the general public/likeminded and Govt. as well and also it has been properly utilized for the accomplishment of organization aims & objectives.

- Zilla Panchayath – Bellary
- SSA - Education Dept.
- Agriculture Dept.

Activities:

SMSSHSS has been successfully conducted various developmental activities with the generous support of general public, Govt. & organization as well. The programs are as bellow.

- Food supply for KGVB schools.
- Residential bridge course for school drop-outs children.
- Free Tailoring & computer training program for SC, ST and backward students & women's.
- Health & hygiene education for school children.
- Sensitization of mothers on breastfeeding & birth registration.

- Celebration of national festivals.
- Celebration of world literacy day.
- Celebration of world women's day.
- Celebration of world disability day.
- Free tutorials for Govt. school children.
- Awareness campaign on children's rights.
- Man power supply to Horticulture department/office.

1. Food supply for KGBV schools.

Organisation has been providing well-nourished food for children of Bommagatta, Byrapura & Halkoda KGBV schools of Bellary, Raichur & Haveri districts.

2. Residential Bridge Course for school drop-outs children.

Education is the main source of behind the social & economic development of any nation. Let us learn – let us grow: Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is Government of India's flagship program for achievement of universalisation of elementary education (UEE) in a time bound manner, as mandated by 86th amendment to the constitution of India making free and compulsory education to the children of 6 – 14 years age group a fundamental right. In this regard we have successfully initiated six months residential bridge course programs for school drop-out children at Kudligi block with the valuable support of block education authority and villagers as well.



3. Free tailoring & computer training programs for SC, ST and backward students & women's.

India has come a long way since independence women's who constitute nearly half of the population, play a very significant role in the home and outside. The future of mankind is these linked to the development of women's potential. As per Nehruji "To awake people it is the women who must be awakened. Once she is on the move, the family moves, the village moves and nation moves." In this concerned GOs/NGOs/INGOs collective efforts has been initiated for education and empowerment of women. So organization has been successfully initiated free tailoring & computer training for SC, ST & backward women with the support of district administration.



4. Health & hygiene education for school children.

As we knew that the importance of health particularly in childhood, if we motivate children to adopt healthy life styles which will be benefited all round development as a physically, healthy, socially useful & economically productive. In this regard we have visited some the schools and found that children's are ill health they are facing preventable diseases. Hence we have organized health education programs in five Govt. schools of Kudligi block and nearly 840 children were educated.



5. Sensitization of mothers on breastfeeding & birth registration.

In worldwide breastfeeding week will be celebrated first week of August & its objectives is raise awareness to breastfeeding mothers to launch public actions & demand for the provision of mothers support. Whereas birth registration is concerned the history of civil registration in India is more than hundred years old. The enactment of the registration of births & deaths Act 1969 has made compulsory registration but lack of awareness, low utility of registration certification & the use of alternative documents for claiming the benefits. So considering these issues we have sensitized more than 320 mothers in two Gramapanchayths of Kudligi block.

6. Celebration of national festivals.

Every year we proudly celebrate national festivals with lots of enthusiasm and pleasures and festivals are 15th August - Independence Day and 26th Jan - Republic Day. In that we have organized several programs for children and nearly 440 children's were actively participated in different programs like speeches, essay writing, drawing, singing & dancing etc. and distributed prizes to the winners.



7. Celebration of world literacy day.

World Literacy Day will be celebrated on 8th September every year. In a view to raise the public awareness about the importance of the literacy and we must motivate the power of literacy to illiterate people and also encourage them to participate adult education programs which has been supported by government. In this regard we have celebrated world literacy day in five villages of Kudligi block and educated nearly 380 illiterates.

8. Celebration of world women's day.

'International Women's Day' will be celebrated on 8th March every year around the world. It is marked as general celebration of respect, appreciation and love towards women and it is customary for men to give the women in their lives – mothers, wives, girlfriends, daughters, and colleagues etc. In this related we have celebrated this event in two Gramapanchayths of Kudligi block & nearly 380 women's were took active participation.



9. Celebration of world disability day.

3rd December the observance of the day to promote, understand & mobilize support for the dignity, rights & well-being of the PWDs. It also raise awareness of gains to be derived from the integration of PWDs in every aspects of political, social, economical, & cultural life. The attitude of the family, community and societal systems did not allow the PWD's to enjoy the right to equal opportunity and a life of human dignity the predominates beliefs. Disability as a curse and fact it brought misfortune in the family and some even think it is a communicable & not curable disease. Hence we have created massive campaigns amongst the general public and also encouraged more than 310 PWDs to participate the taluka level event and most of the persons were actively participated & bagged the prizes.



10. Free tutorials for Govt. school children.

Many times it is observed that due to poverty, lack of proper resource materials they remain conceptually poor and incomplete in subjects this lacuna negatively affects their cognitive achievement levels. Hence we have conducted three months intensive free tutorials for needy students which results better improvement in all the subjects.

11. Awareness campaign on children's rights.

Children rights awareness observed promotion & protection of their rights. According to UN convention on the rights of the children that India ratified in 1992 all the children are born with fundamental rights such as survival, development, protection & participation. Even though India's children account for more than one-third of its population their interest has never been given priority & their rights have been violated every day. In this regard we have campaigned in Kudligi urban and also four Gramapanchyaths & it has been resulted increase in school enrollments & minimizes child labour as well.

12. Man power supply to Horticulture department/office.

Organization has been provided man power services to Horticulture department/office to Hagaribommanahalli and Kudligi.

Conclusion:

The SMSSHSS has been successfully initiated various developmental programs with the active participation of general public/targeted groups and also constant efforts by the team. In this regard we have found positive changes amongst the children, youth, women & community as well and also had strong rapport in the action area while working with the weaker sections/needly and it has been developed credibility, transparency and accountability which enable to mobilize sufficient funds for various activities. We do admit that much more needs to be done due to limited funds and resources we restricts the expansion of our services.