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Message from the Executive Director

I'm honoured to present the arm report of Assam Centre for Rural Development (ACRD) for the fiscal year 2019-20. This year has undoubtedly been very exciting and productive for us.

Through the CBR project, ACRD has been able to reach out to 545 children and persons with disabilities (CwDs and PwDs) in the four Gram Panchayats of Rani Development Block, Kamrup district, by facilitating them in getting disability certificates, access to government schemes, assistive devices, and in enabling PwDs and CwDs to carry out their regular activities and improving their functional and locomotive abilities with the support and training provided by the CBR workers. Through our

constant efforts there has also been an improvement among the local communities in the social acceptance of persons with disabilities (PwDs) which has given them a voice of their own.

During the year, our CHILDLINE teams with the support of Police, District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) and the local communities rescued more than 400 children from the clutches of sexual abuse, child labour, child marriage, trafficking and restored them with their families after producing them before the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Kamrup. Those who couldn't be reunited with their families were provided a safe space in the state run institutions and our shelter home for women and girls -Navajeevan, located in Barihat, near Mirza in Kamrup district.

ACRD continues to rehabilitate the girls and women



Prerna Changkakati

ofNavajeevan who have either been rescued from trafficking, domestic violence, abuse, and socially ostracized. Some of these girls have been reintegrated with their families, while others continue to live a fulfilling life. They are enrolled in school, undergo regular counselling, and are given vocational training for a better life ahead.

The SBI Gram Sevaprogramme implemented in Baksa district with support from the State Bank of India Foundation, Mumbai, also achieved significant milestones during the year.A tailoring unit named SBI-Prerna was inaugurated by Shri Bhaskar Pegu, Deputy Commissioner of Baksa in the presence of around 150 people to give rural women in the area an opportunity to learn tailoring and earn a livelihood so that they can become self-reliant.

During the year, free health and eye screening camps were held in collaboration with Sri Shankerdev Netralaya, Guwahati, and GNRC Hospitals, Guwahati benefitting more than 500 people in the adopted villages.

Five Community Information Centres (CICs) with adequate facilities like a flat screen TV, internet connectivity, furniture, sanitation facilities, drinking water and a community kitchen etc were established in the five adopted villages for the usage of the community to conduct meetings, access information about government schemes, jobs, banking services, etc regularly. Digital classrooms, computer labs were set-up in the local schools for the children. The SBI Talent Scholarship was awarded to three talented and meritorious students from Below Poverty Line (BPL).

Regular remedial classes for children who need help with studies were conducted by local teachers appointed from the villages under the programme. Meeting with government officials of various departments such as the District Social Welfare Office, Directorate of Health Services, Public Health Engineering Department, Agriculture office, Deputy Commissioner's Office, Rural Self Employment Training Institute (RSETI) Irrigation Department, Forest Department, etc were held for converging government schemes to the local communities.

The villages under the Gram Sevaprogramme alsowitnessed positive changes with improved infrastructure and increased connectivity. This was only made possible through the constant hardwork by our team and cooperation of the village committees.

I am thankful to all our partners, government officials, patrons and well-wishes for helping us achieve our mission for a fair and just society for all. We pledge to continue working our way forward for the disadvantaged in all of our capabilities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Prerna Changkakati".

Prerna Changkakati
(Executive Director)

Background

Assam was plagued by socio-economic challenges such as poverty, illiteracy, and unemployment in the 1990s, leading to an sense of alienation and discontent among the younger population, and forcing them to resort to militant activities. Recognising the gravity of the situation, a group of like-minded individuals decided to form a voluntary organisation to bring about socio-economic development and reforms in the living conditions of the rural poor in Assam.

Assam Centre for Rural Development (ACRD) was thereby founded with this realisation and with a mission to create a fair and just society and to empower the disadvantaged backward and poor people of Assam. ACRD was founded and registered as a non-government organisation in 1995. Late Dr. Lily Mazinder Baruah, a well-known social worker of the North Eastern region and youngest daughter of Bharat Ratna Late Lokapriya Gopinath Bordoloi, Assam's first Chief Minister, was instrumental in the birth of ACRD.



Initiatives

1 DISABILITY

1.1 COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (CBR)

The differently abled are one of the most vulnerable sections of society. It is especially challenging for the differently abled to prosper in economically depressed places where the majority of people are unemployed and/or illiterate. Most of them lack even the most essentials of existence, let alone profit from government programmes designed for them. They are frequently discriminated against and left unattended.

Often, their own families abandon them in desperate situations. Because of their impairment, becoming financially independent is extremely difficult for them which leaves them in a disadvantageous position. In order to assist the differently abled, a community based rehabilitation programme for persons with disabilities (CBR) programme was initiated by ACRD with the support of Collective Action for Basic Rights Foundation, Bangalore in 2008. The programme focuses on identifying and rehabilitating Persons with Disabilities (PwDs). The fundamental purpose of the CBR initiative is to support PwDs and integrating themselves into the society and empowering them to participate in various aspects of social life such as education, employment, livelihood, and health. Its goal is to assist PwDs to exercise their rights and take advantage of government programmes.

ACRD first began the CBR programme in Chandrapur Block, Kamrup district, in 2008. After successful execution and phase-out, the project was handed over to the local community in 2017. The CBR model was replicated in 2015, this time in Rani Development block of Kamrup Metro district, where around 373 PwDs were identified from four Blocks namely Rani, Uttar Bholagaon, Dakshin Bholagaon and Kahikuchi in Kamrup district. The programme came to close in September 2020 after successfully enabling the PwDs to handle their own issues, demand their rights, and live with dignity and respect.

20 Village Level Disabled Persons Organizations (DPO) established

3 Panchayat Level DPOs established

1 Block Level DPO established

Disability Certificates provided to the Persons with Disabilities

Disability aids provided such as wheel chairs, hearing aids, mobility canes, etc

Children with Disabilities enrolled into formal schools

Rehabilitation provided to the PwDs

Employment opportunities provided for the.....

Major Highlights

- Children with disabilities (CwDs) were given regular home-based rehabilitation and education.
- Regular Block level Disabled Person's Organisation (DPO) meetings were held every month by the CBR workers in their respective villages.
- **Four** Mothers Group meetings were organised by the CBR workers at Bhalla, Sikarhati, Moiraour, and Gorgari villages under Rani Development Block.
- A facilitation programme was conducted from May 8-10, 2019, where Francis AngampuMaringmei, Programme Officer from the CBRF Office in Guwahati conducted field visits to Natun Rani, Moirapur, and Barpratima villages, and took sessions with the CBR team of ACRD on the following issues:
 - Inclusion of PWDs in Household activities as well as at the Community level.
 - The function of the Disabled Person's Organisations (DPOs).
 - Interface meeting with the government representatives.
 - Raising of different issues related to disabilities
 - Strengthening of DPOs
 - Role of Block Level Disabled People's Organisations (BDPOs)
- **Five** villages of KahikuchiGaon Panchayat were included in the CBR programme and 85 PwDs were identified for intervention.
- **Six** PwDs received aids and appliances beyond the CBR programme area.
- **Thirty Nine** CwDs and PwDs received disability certificates through the CBR programme.
- **Thirteen persons** with mental illness were provided with medical assistance and counselling.
- **Seven** PwDs received corrective surgery.
- **Two** CwDs were provided with special chairs.
- **Fifteen** PwDs/CwDs availed aids and appliances.
- **Seven** Mothers Groups acquired the knowledge and skills to meet the needs of CWDs.
- **Eleven** CwDs availed government scholarship.
- **Three** Gram Panchayats enrolled PwDs under theMGNREGAScheme during the year.
- **Thirty three** PwDs/CwD households availed the PradhanMantruAwajYojana (PMAY) scheme.
- **Forty three** PwDs availed old age pension and disability pension.

- **Ten** PwDs received vocational training on handloom, electrician, and wooden products through Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)
- The leaders of the Block level Disabled Person's Organisation (BDPO) formed under the CBR programme visited government offices and submitted memorandums to the State Disability Commissioner, the Directorate of Social Welfare and PRI offices on the needs of PwDs such as disability pension, reservation, accessibility, etc.
- The CBR team presented a memorandum to the local MLA demanding for conducting of a disability assessment camp in Rani Block. A camp was subsequently held.
- The CBR Coordinator, along with the BDPO leaders visited the office of the National Rural Health Mission (NRLM) to meet with the District Programme Manager (DPM) and submitted a memorandum to register the Village Level Disabled Persons Organisations (VDPOs) formed under the CBR programme under the NRLM scheme.
- The CBR team submitted a memorandum to the Zila Parishad demanding for a 5% reservation as per the Rights to Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 for PwDs in various Panchayat schemes.
- In August 2019, a workshop on capacity building for Block level DPO leaders was held. The workshop was attended by 17 Block Level DPO General Body members.
- In collaboration with Sri Shankar dev Netralaya, Guwahati, 13 PwDs had their eyes screened; four of them underwent cataract surgery later.
- On 2nd October 2019, on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, over 200 hundred saplings were distributed to PwDs under the CBR programme.
- From 4th to 6th November 2019, the CBR staff attended an early intervention training at SANCHAR, Kolkata.
- On 14th November 2019, Children's Day celebrations were held with CwDs at Bhalla LP School.
- On 21st November 2019, Shamil Orang, President of the National Level Disabled Persons Organisation (NRDPO), visited the Block Level DPO in Rani Block formed under the CBR programme. On 3rd December 2019, World Disability Day was observed at the Arunoday Cultural Club in Sikarhati.
- In collaboration with the National Career Service Centre (NCSC), the CBR team held a camp to provide PwDs with training and financial assistance.
- On 19th February 2020, a Panchayat Level DPO meeting of DakshinBholagoan GP was held at Bhalla village to discuss the inclusion of PwDs under the MNREGA scheme.
- Apurba Sarma, CBR Coordinator, attended the SAMARTHYA event in Bangalore held on 6th March 2020.



Glimpses of Block level DPO meetings organised by CBR team



World Disability Day 2019 celebrated by the CBR team



Home based rehabilitation provided by members of the CBR team



Francis Angampu Maringmei (4th from left), Programme Officer, CBR Office Guwahati with the CBR team of ACRD

1.2 STATE LEVEL FEDERATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

A State-level Federation of DPOs for Empowerment of PwDs – also known as SELF – an ACRD initiative, was founded in 2014 with DPO leaders from five NGO partners of CBRF in Assam. The federation seeks to address disabled people’s issues and bring them to the attention of the government apparatus. SDPO leaders were chosen from among CBR’s partner NGOs across four districts - Kamrup, Kamrup Metro, Cachar, and Bongaigaon. The SDPO has inducted 2,219 people with disabilities to date.

Major Highlights

- ❖ On the 7th and 8th May 2019, the North Eastern Regional Level DPO (NERDPO) meet was organised at Bosco Reach Out in Guwahati.
- ❖ From the 10th to the 11th July 2019, the annual DPO Partners meeting was held in Shiva Kendra, Kolkata.
- ❖ A coordinators training meeting was held in Karnataka Regional Organisation for Social Service (KROSS), Bangalore, from July 23rd to July 25th, 2019.

1.3 CBR FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

From November 2018, ACRD started implementing the Fellowship programme for persons with

disabilities covering four Gram Panchayats in Rani Development Block of Kamrup district- namely Mazirgaon, Garal, Azara, and Dharapur. Agriculture is the main economy of the population inhabiting the project area with paddy as their main source of cultivation.

They are also engaged in fishing, poultry, piggery, weaving, etc. But, other employment opportunities are very limited for the people of the area. In such a situation a PwD is most vulnerable to various types of abuse and discrimination. They are the ones who are most deprived of opportunities. Their abilities are not realised but instead are considered a burden. PwDs of this area have limited knowledge of their rights, and lack awareness of various government entitlements and schemes available in different government departments and agencies.

In order to address various issues and problems faced by them and to bring about a meaningful systematic change, the CBR fellowship programme was initiated after identifying four PwDs from each of the four Gram Panchayats.

The fellows were given capacity-building training and made aware of the different types of disabilities (as per the Rights to Persons with Disabilities Act 2016), the issues and challenges faced by PwDs in accessing government schemes and entitlements, and how they can work for their rights in collaboration with stakeholders at various levels. The Fellowship programme was concluded in 2019.

2.1 CHILDLINE 1098

CHILDLINE is India’s first 24-hours, free emergency phone service for children in need of aid and support. It is a phone number that represents hope for millions of children across the country. CHILDLINE advocates for the rights of all children in need of care and protection.

In January 2016, ACRD partnered with CHILDLINE India Foundation (CIF) to start two sub-centres of CHILDLINE covering Rani and Boko Block in Kamrup district. ACRD’s two CHILDLINE sub-centres regularly hold awareness programmes, village level meetings, children’s activities, outreach, and open house programmes, and observe important days (World Day Against Child Labour, Childline Se Dosti, Universal Children’s Day, etc) to raise awareness about various issues related to children and child protection. CHILDLINE 1098 also closely works with the Police, District Child Protection Unit, Child Welfare Committee, District Legal Services Authority, Juvenile Justice Board, Special Juvenile Police Unit, Labour Department, and other local level organisations.

Major Highlights

- ❖ Over 350 cases were reported to CHILDLINE Boko and Rani under the category of child marriage, sexual abuse, physical abuse, trafficking etc.
- ❖ Fifty seven awareness meetings and 21 open house programmes with various stakeholders like Village Development Party (VDP), student

unions, schools, village headmen, healthcare workers, women self-help groups, etc were held to discuss issues affecting children such as sexual abuse, child marriage, child labour, and so on.

- ❖ On 6th May 2019, a coordinator’s meeting was conducted at the office of the CHILDLINE Collaborative organisation (run by the NGO Indian Council for Child Welfare), Kamrup, located in Majgaon, North Guwahati. The meeting was attended by the coordinators and team members of Collab, Boko, and Rani (operated by ACRD). During the meeting, the CHILDLINE teams discussed about the CHILDLINE Advisory Board (CAB) meeting, holding an orientation programme with the District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) and the Child Welfare Committee (CWC) of Kamrup, and issues faced by CHILDLINE in rescuing and restoring children.
- ❖ On 12th June 2019, CHILDLINE sub-centres Rani and Boko, along with the UJJWALA team organised a programme to mark World Day Against Child Labour at Sikarhati Anchalik High School in Sikarhati, to raise awareness among students and teachers about the various provisions of the Child Labour (Protection and Regulation) Act, 1986, CHILDLINE 1098 helpline services, good touch and bad touch, and the importance of education.
- ❖ The same day, another event

commemorating World Day Against Child Labour was also held at Bhokhuradiya Holongapara High Madrassa in Bhokhuradiya, Nagarbera Circle, Kamrup district. The DCPU, Kamrup, organised the said event in collaboration with CHILDLINE Boko and NGO STEP.

- ❖ On 07th June 2019, the CHILDLINE team attended a programme organised by the Assam State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (ASCPCR) on the theme – “children shouldn’t work in fields but on their dreams” at Hotel Lily, Guwahati. During the programme Dr. Sunita Changkakati, Chairperson, ACSPCR, Rosy Taba, member, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), New Delhi; Satya Nath Sharma from the Assam State Legal Services Authority (SLSA), and stakeholders from various organisations were present.
- ❖ On 10th October 2019, the annual CHILDLINE Advisory Board (CAB) meeting was organised at the Kamrup Deputy Commissioner’s (DC) office in Amingaon. The meeting was presided by the DC who is also the Chairman of the CAB. Other members present during the meeting were – Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC), Officers from the Police, Health, Education, and Labour departments, members of the DCPU, Chairperson, CWC and member of the CWC Kamrup; Executive Director of ACRD, Director of ICCW, and coordinators from CHILDLINE Kamrup. The meeting was held to ensure the effective

functioning of CHILDLINE services in Kamrup district, and the role of various stakeholders in child protection and child safety.

- ❖ On 22nd October 2019, the District Child Labour Task Force and District Child Protection Committee meeting was conducted at Kamrup DC’s office in Amingaon. The meeting was presided by Shri Kamal Kumar Baishya, DC, Kamrup. Also in attendance were the ADC, Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP); Labour Inspector, DCPO, Chairperson, CWC; JJB members, Circle Officers, and Coordinators from CHILDLINE Kamrup, Boko and Rani respectively
- ❖ On 7th November 2019, CHILDLINE Boko conducted a resource meeting at 54 no. Baruah Gaon Panchayat, Boko. During the meeting, the Gaon Panchayat President, Panchayat Secretary, Chhamariya Block Officers, Circle Officer, Agriculture Officer, Irrigation Officer, Public Health Officer, Water Supply Officer, Public Health Centre representatives, and the village headman were present. Around 180 people participated in the programme held to discuss child protection issues such as child marriage, child labour, human trafficking, child sexual abuse, and child adoption.
- ❖ On 14th November 2019, the CHILDLINE teams of ACRD celebrated Children’s Day and the launch of the “CHILDLINE Se Dosti” programme at Haligaon High Madrasa School with

teachers, students, guardians, and the School Management Committee (SMC). The programme drew approximately 250 participants.

- ❖ The team of Rani CHILDLINE held an awareness programme and observed Republic Day on 26th January, 2019 at Loharghat High School in the presence of teachers and students. During the programme, the team discussed child-related issues such as child marriage, child labour, missing children, sexual abuse, and others.



**Open House Programme
organised by CHILDLINE
Boko at Sasthapur Anchalik
M.E School, Boko**



CHILDLINE awareness programme with the Block Level DPO leaders of CBR at ACRD's Vocational Training Centre, Behenapara



Open House programme organised by Boko Childline at Lampara Anchalik High School, Lampara, Boko.



Awareness programme organised by RaniCHILDLINE at Bahuwa LP School, Palashabari



Outreach programme with women's group conducted by BokoB CHILDLINE in Boko.



A Village Defence Party meeting organised by CHILDLINE team in Chhaygaon



Open House programme organised by CHILDLINE team at Bangaon Pantan Anchalik M.E School, Bagangaon



District Child Protection Committee and District Child Labour Task Force meeting at D.C office, Amingaon, Guwahati



Universal Children's Day and closing ceremony of "CHILDLINE Se Dosti" programme observed at Kasturba Gandhi Balika Bidyalaya, Goroimari



Open House programme at Parakuchi MV School organised by CHILDLINE team at Palashbari



World Day Against Child Labour held on 12th June 2019 at Bhokhuradiya Holongapara High Madrassa, Bhokhuradiya under Nagarbera Circle



Outreach and community programmes and activities of CHILDLINE held among children and community members

SUCCESS STORIES

1. On 22nd April 2019, CHILDLINE Rani received information from Palashabari Police Station about a child marriage case in Bamunparagaon. The CHILDLINE team reached the spot and spoke with the victim, a 15-year-old girl. She revealed that she eloped from her home on 21st April 2019 with a man named Dhiraj Kalita. The girl stayed at Dhiraj's place after eloping, but the CHILDLINE team found her and rescued her right away. The CHILDLINE team returned the girl to her parents, and they were asked to bring her before the Child Welfare Committee on 24th April 2019, who formally passed an order to return her to her family for further care and protection.
2. On 3rd December 2019, CHILDLINE Rani received information about a sexual abuse case from Bijohnagar police, Rani. The CHILDLINE team went to the victim's home after receiving the information and discovered that the girl had been sexually abused by someone. Her parents immediately filed a FIR at the Bijohnagar police station about the accused. The CHILDLINE team immediately brought the girl before the CWC. The CWC issued an order asking her parents to take care of her safety and directed the police to arrest the perpetrator.

2.2 NATIONAL CHILD LABOUR PROJECT (NCLP): NON FORMAL SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN WORKING AS CHILD LABOURER.

ACRD first implemented the National Child Labour Project (NCLP) in 2008, when four special non-formal schools for children working as child labourers were established in the following areas: Taltola, Singimari, Kalitakuchi, and Suwali Lukuwa in Chandrapur Block, Kamrupmetro district. The main goal was to target children aged 9 to 14 years who are engaged as child labourers and ensure these children are placed in Special Training Centres (STCs), where they are provided with bridge education, vocational training, mid-day meal, stipend, health care etc. before being mainstreamed into the formal education system. Eventually, the children in the age group of 5-8 years are directly linked to the formal education system through close coordination with the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan. During the project implementation period from 2008 to 2019, approximately 300 students were mainstreamed into formal schools.



Formal inauguration of “MoromAlay

2.3 SPECIALISED ADOPTION AGENCY (SAA)

In 2018, ACRD received recognition to set up a Specialised Adoption Home (SAA) for orphaned, abandoned, lost, or surrendered children up to the age of six years. Named 'MoromAlay' the newly recognised SAA, authorised by the Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) under the Ministry of Women and Child Development was set-up in Barihat, near Mirza, Kamrup district. The SAA was responsible for the care and protection of the children who were given up or surrendered, and for placing these children for adoption to prospective adoptive parents (PAPs) and facilitating the adoption process, including court process, registration, etc. Various awareness meetings in the community were also conducted by the SAA to sensitise people about the legal process of adoption. Through “MoromAlay”, six children were placed for adoption, before, it was formally withdrawn in December 2019.



A baby adopted from “MoromAlay” with her adoptive parents



3.1 UJJAWALA

In the past few years, Assam has become a hub of human trafficking. Realising the seriousness of the issue, and the fast pace at which it is growing in Assam, and consequently the urgent need for a safe space for those women and girls who have been victims of trafficking, abuse and violence, and are often rejected by their families or society, ACRD set up a shelter home for women and girls in 2009 named “*Navajeevan Rehabilitation Home for Women and Girls*” under the Ministry of Women and Child Development’s Comprehensive Scheme for Prevention of Trafficking and Rescue, Rehabilitation and Re-integration of Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation (Ujjawala).

ACRD has been tirelessly working towards the prevention and rehabilitation of vulnerable and trafficked girls, and women from various parts of Assam with special focus on districts like Kamrup Rural, Baksa and Udalguri. Through Navajeevan, ACRD assists victims of sexual abuse, physical and mental harassment, child marriage, fraud, etc. apart from victims of human trafficking by providing them counseling, enrolling them into formal education, teaching them yoga, games, sports, self defence, etc.

For the holistic well being of the residents, ACRD also gives them vocational training on tailoring, handloom, handicraft, etc. to help them generate a livelihood for themselves and live a life of dignity. During the year, awareness programmes were held with the community, police, student and youth

leaders, local organisations, teachers, PRI members, etc. Various programmes organised by stakeholders like Police, NGOs, etc were also attended by the programme team of Ujjawala.

Major Highlights

- ❖ Twelve awareness meetings on the issue of human trafficking were held throughout the year in several villages of Kamrup, Baksa and Udalguri districts like Oubari, Sikarhati, Bhutankhuti, Attrekhat, Nagrijuli, Goreswar, etc.
- ❖ On 5th and 6th April 2019, the Ujjawala programme team attended the State Level Consultative Workshop on Child Protection organised by the NGO Bachpan Bachao Andolan in collaboration with the State Child Protection Society at Bhabendra Alay, Guwahati. The Consultative Workshop was held for the implementation of the Juvenile Justice (care and protection) Act 2015 with a special focus on the provision of rehabilitation to children.
- ❖ On 9th April 2019, Navajeevan was invited to put up a stall at the pre- Bihu mela- cum exhibition organised by the NERIM Group of Institutions in Guwahati.
- ❖ On 3rd May 2019, a stress management programme was held at ACRD’s Vocational Training Centre in Barihat for the programme

team of ACRD. Lita Hazarika, a senior supervisor of psychology, and Binita Sharma Das, counsellor at Navajeevan took a day-long session and taught techniques and approaches to manage stress in our day-to-day lives.

- ❖ On 4th June 2019, a delegation of people from RENEW, an NGO established by her Majesty, the Queen of Bhutan, visited ACRD to understand the work of the organisation. The team comprising six members were taken to Navajeevan where they interacted with the residents and the staff.
- ❖ On 12th June 2019, the programme team of Ujjawala and CHILDLINE jointly organised an awareness programme to mark “World Day Against Child Labour” at Sikharhati Anchalik High School, Sikarhati. A small skit on child labour was presented by the programme teams of Ujjawala and CHILDLINE where the residents of Navajeevan also participated.
- ❖ On 8th August 2019, the Ujjawala team collaborated with the Seema Suraksha Bal (SSB), 37th Battalion, to organise a Human Trafficking awareness meeting in Goraijhar, Udalguri district.
- ❖ On 27th August 2019, the Ujjawala team collaborated with CHILDLINE Boko and organised an open house programme on human trafficking at Baghmara M.E School,

Boko. The programme was attended by the school headmaster, teachers, students, school management committee members and parents.

- ❖ On 14th November 2019, the Ujjawala team attended a programme for the launch of the Sishu Suraksha app for the protection of the rights of children organised by the ASCPCR in Guwahati.
- ❖ Navajeevan was selected to participate at the Jeevan Kite River Festival held from 7-9 February 2020, near ITA Machkhowa in Guwahati. A stall of exclusive handcrafted items (like woollen bags, table cloths, flowers, table mats, etc) made by the residents of Navajeevan were put on display for sale. The response received was warm and positive.
- ❖ On 3rd March 2020, a few residents of Navajeevan travelled to Jorhat to participate in a cultural programme hosted by the ASCPCR to commemorate their 10th Foundation Day as well as Child Protection Day.

SUCCESS STORIES

1. 19-year-old Moni is a daughter of a trafficked victim. She was just 11 years- old when her mother was trafficked and prostituted. Back then she was too young to understand what had happened to her mother. This deeply impacted and traumatised her. Moni was raised by her father alone. This came with great difficulty. Moni was brought to Navajeevan in 2012. As soon as she joined Navajeevan, she was counselled and then enrolled in a school.

Due to the continuous counselling and care provided to her in Navajeevan, she slowly started to forget the traumatic experiences she had faced in her life. Moni now goes to college. Her daily routine begins with her going to college, taking active part in the co-curricular activities held in Navajeevan like tailoring, cutting, beauty parlour training, dance, drama, art, craft, yoga, meditation, and games. Moni is a sincere, disciplined, responsible, and kind-hearted girl. She is the first girl from Navajeevan to have gone to college. She sets a great example in front of the other girls at Navajeevan. This encourages them to work hard towards their goals. Moni hopes to fulfill her dream of becoming a police officer someday .

couldn't do anything, but, silently bore the persistent mental and physical trauma.



2. Sneha joined the Navajeevan in February 2019. At a very tender age, she had to go through a lot of struggles. She is from a remote village in Boko, Assam. She used to live with her parents and her little brother. The family was poor and with a drunkard father and a mother with epilepsy, both illiterate, Sneha grew up on her own. She was continually abused by her drunkard father. She was helpless and

Her rescue story began when her teachers noticed her strange behaviour at school. She had also started refusing mid-day meals given at school. The teachers informed about her strange behaviour to her father, but, he blatantly ignored it and instead asked the teachers not to worry about her. The teachers weren't satisfied with the response they got from

Sneha's father, instead, they called up ACRD's CHILDLINE unit in Boko, and reported the issue. Our team immediately reached the spot and rescued her. As soon as she was brought to Navajeevan for care and protection, she was made to undergo a full medical check-up.

During her medical check-up, it was revealed that she was four months pregnant. Since it was too late to abort the baby, the safest way to keep her safe was to keep the baby. The news completely devastated her, but, with the support and care provided to her at Navajeevan during these difficult times, she managed to keep going. On 27th April 2019, she gave birth to a healthy baby boy at the Guwahati

Medical College Hospital, Guwahati. Her baby was immediately put up for adoption after consulting with the CWC. After six months of the baby's birth, the baby was legally adopted by a family in Kolkata. Since then, Sneha has shown good progress. She has completely recovered from her trauma. She is a good student.

She loves to write poems and is adept at reciting. She also enjoys participating in skits and plays. Sneha is an inspiration and her positivity and willpower made it possible for her to overcome her past. She studies in Class 7 and is growing up to be a fine young woman with dreams of becoming a college professor someday.



Visit to Navajeevan by senior members of the Rotary Club of Guwahati South , Guwahati



*Awareness meeting at organised
at Suagpur Milan L.P. School,
Baksadisrict by the Ujjawala
team*



*Handmade products made by the residents of
Navajeevan on display during theJeevan Kite River Festival, Guwahati*



*An awareness meeting held on
human trafficking by the Ujjawala
team in Bhergaon,
Udalguri district*



*Holi celebrations in
Navajeevan*



Christmas Day celebrations at Navajeevan with chief guest Himangshu Prasad Das, Assamese filmmaker



Children's Day celebrations in Navajeevan



The residents of Navajeevan on their way to school

HEALTH

4.1 MOBILE DISPENSARY PROJECT

ACRD implemented the Mobile Dispensary Project funded by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India, from 2003 to 2019. Under this programme, ACRD provided free regular health support services to people living in remote and unreached areas, including medicines and referrals to local health centres or hospitals in case of emergencies. 48 health camps have been conducted so far in the villages of ChayaniBorduar Block, Kamrup district, benefiting over 2,000 people.

SKILL AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT



5.1 VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT GRANT ASSISTANCE FOR GRASSROOTS PROJECT (GGP)

Unemployment has long been a source of concern for the people of Assam. The primary reasons behind this are illiteracy, lack of social and economic capital, poor connectivity, and so on. The situation is even worse for women, who are often confined to the household after dropping out of school. In order to empower women (mostly school dropouts) both socially and financially, ACRD established a vocational skill development and training centre in Barpratima village of Rani Block in Kamrup district with financial assistance from the Embassy of Japan.

The centre offers training courses in tailoring, computer, weaving and spoken English for six months. After the end of the training period, the girls/women are linked to financial and marketing agencies to sell their products. The training centre was formally inaugurated in April 2017. There are five sewing machines, 15 computers and two sets of loom in the institute. To date, around 50 beneficiaries have taken training on tailoring and basic computer.

5.2 SBI GRAM SEVA

The SBI Gram Seva project is a flagship programme of the State Bank of India Foundation, Mumbai. In 2017, ACRD partnered with SBI Foundation to adopt five remote, backward villages (Doomni, Dekadong, Arnibil, Ahopa and Sonapur) in Mushalpur Block, Baksa, for the overall holistic development through

an integrated and participatory approach. The duration of the programme is three years starting October 2017 – September 2020. The Gram Sevaprogramme focuses on integrated development through major intervention areas such as digitisation, connectivity, education, health, hygiene, sanitation, electricity, water conservation, environment, infrastructure and skill development. It also focuses on the convergence of government welfare schemes for the poor and bring about more awareness among the rural communities.

Major Highlights

- ❖ A day-long Kabaddi tournament was held in Doomnion 25th September 2019. The tournament was organised for the underprivileged and backward youth of Baksa district to encourage them to participate in sports, harness their talent and to give them a platform to showcase their calibre.
- ❖ To celebrate the spirit of rural women and their contribution towards society, four ordinary women were felicitated for their extraordinary achievement during a meeting held in Ahopa village under the SBI Gram Seva programme on the occasion of International Women’s Day on 8th March 2020. The meeting was attended by around 80 women from the villages nearby. Pinaki Sharma, an advocate from Guwahati High Court was the chief guest on the occasion.

- ❖ Free anaemia and blood grouping tests were organised on May 22, 27 and May 28, 2019, in Doomni, Dekadong and Arnibil villages in collaboration with the Mobile Medical Unit (MMU), Mushalpur, Baksa under National Rural Health Mission, Assam and Chief Minister’s Free Diagnostic Services, a joint initiative of NHM, Assam and Hill Lifecare Limited, a Government of India Enterprise. The free screenings were organised for the poor and backward tea garden communities who do not have access to basic health care facilities.
- ❖ A free health camp was organised in Dekadong on 9th April 2019. The camp was held in collaboration with GNRC Hospital, Guwahati.
- ❖ A digital Community Information Centre (CIC) was inaugurated in Sonapur village on 30th May, 2019. The CIC is equipped with a flat screen TV, internet connectivity, water purifier, a desktop computer and a community kitchen

for the local communities to hold meetings, and access government jobs, schemes, health, internet, banking services and so on.

- ❖ A stitching training centre SBI-Prerna was formally inaugurated in Sonapur village on 2nd October, 2019. It was set up to provide opportunity for local women in the area to acquire skills on tailoring and become financially independent.
- ❖ Joining hands with GNRC Hospital, Guwahati, and Dr. B. Barooah Cancer Institute, Guwahati, two health camps, a general health, and a cancer awareness cum screening camp was held on 25th January 2020 in Ahopa.
- ❖ A free eye screening camp was organised on 5th March, 2020 in the Community Information Centre set up in Doomni. The camp was held in collaboration with Sri Shankardeva Netralaya, Guwahati.



*Children's day celebrated
at Muslim ChupaS chool,
Ahopa*



*A mental health awareness
drive organised at Ahopa*



*A cleanliness driveorganised by
ACRD in collaboration with
SBI Gram Sevaat Arnibil*



*Women's group meeting
organised in Doomni*



*Youth group meeting
conducted in Arnibil*



Tailoring training at Arnibil



*Youth Group meeting
conducted at Ahopa*



*Open defecation awareness
meeting organised at Arnibil
Milan LP school*



Free Anemia and Blood Grouping camp conducted by ACRD in Arnibil Milan LP school



Kabaddi Tournament held at Doomni



Children's Day celebrations at Doomni LP school



SBI Prerna Stitching-Centre



Students in a digital classroom



Youth groups participating in International Yoga Day organised by ACRD



Remedial classes in Arnibil

SUCCESS STORIES

From school dropout to entrepreneur

Dekadong village, with a population of approx 3,025 residents, lies in Baksa district of Assam. It is one of the five villages, where the SBI Gram Seva project is being implemented. Around 90% of the population in the village live below the poverty line. Real Tirkey, 18, is an unemployed youth belonging to a poor family in Dekadong village. His parents work as daily wage labourers and the family of six, including his siblings, struggle to make ends meet. Since his childhood, Real has always aspired to do something with his life. Unfortunately, because of his difficult background, he had to drop out of school very early in life.

Through the SBI Gram Sevaprogramme, under the skill development component, numerous livelihood trainings such as tailoring, piggery, vermin-composting, goatery, jute, etc were given to the



members of the community by linking them to various skill training centres, to enhance their livelihood opportunities and to help them earn an income.

In October 2018, eight youth from Dekadong were identified, among which Real was one, who enrolled for the 10-day mobile repairing training under the Rural Self Employment Training Institute (RSETI) of State Bank of India located in Kumrikata, about 40 kms from Dekadong. Real was more than excited to have got this opportunity and he along with other youth from the village and packed his bags to leave for Kumrikata for the next 10 days.



*During practical classes
Repairing mobiles at his shop
First day of his training*

After completing the training programme on mobile repairing, he received a certificate and headed back to his village. Within the next few days, Real started repairing damaged and discarded mobile phones. Every month he repairs 10-12 phones and earns around Rs 3000 – Rs 4000 which helps him support his family. He had been saving some money so that he can start a mobile repairing shop and set-up a small business. In 2019, he started a small grocery shop where he also set-up his mobile repairing workshop. He earns a decent amount every month. His success has paved way by inspiring other youth in the village and has set an example to them that hard work and determination pays.

Hope in uncertain times

Forty-six-years old Godapani Kumar is speech and hearing impaired. He is a daily wage worker from Sonapur village, Baksa. He was working in a company at Guwahati which shut shop after the Covid - 19



pandemic leaving him with no income to support his family. His wife Gandhery Kumar, a homemaker, is also hearing impaired. The couple has three sons, one of whom recently passed away due to an illness. Their daughters are married. Both his sons also worked in the same company as Godapani, but, after the company was shut, they also lost their jobs and are now unemployed and struggling to sustain themselves. They are eager to find a job so that they can support their father.

Amidst this crisis, they found hope when the SBI team identified Godapani and decided to provide him support under the livelihood component of the SBI Gram Seva programme. Godapani was provided with a wooden pulling cart (thela) to help him earn an income. Now Godapani earns around Rs 200-250 per day by pulling the cart. On other days, his sons also help him so that he can take up other work elsewhere.



“I am thankful to SBI Foundation for extending support to me. Now, I can take care of my family with the income from pulling the cart, “ said Godapani.



**Godapani Kumar
receiving wooden cart
from the SBI team**

Gadapani Kumar is now self reliant.

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বিজ্ঞান, ১০ ডিসেম্বর ১৯৮১ এটি আর্থবিক বিজ্ঞানের অধ্যয়নে কালেক্টিবিস্টিক উপলব্ধিটি বিংশ শতাব্দীর অন্যতম গুরুত্বপূর্ণ ধারণা। এই উপলব্ধিটি হল যে কোন সমাজ বা মানুষ শারীরিক বাস্তবকে সমাজের প্রত্যেক প্রাচীনিকভাবে শ্রেণীবদ্ধ করে। অর্থবিক বিজ্ঞান অর্থের অর্থের প্রকাশকে প্রকাশ দিয়েছে যেখানে শ্রমের এটি ধারণা দ্বিতীয় সমাজের অর্থের বিজ্ঞানের অধ্যয়ন করে। এটি ধারণা অনুযায়ী, মানুষ একটি সামাজিক প্রাচীনিকভাবে অর্থবিক বিজ্ঞান অর্থের অর্থের প্রকাশকে প্রকাশ দিয়েছে যেখানে শ্রমের এটি ধারণা দ্বিতীয় সমাজের অর্থের বিজ্ঞানের অধ্যয়ন করে। এটি ধারণা অনুযায়ী, মানুষ একটি সামাজিক প্রাচীনিকভাবে অর্থবিক বিজ্ঞান অর্থের অর্থের প্রকাশকে প্রকাশ দিয়েছে যেখানে শ্রমের এটি ধারণা দ্বিতীয় সমাজের অর্থের বিজ্ঞানের অধ্যয়ন করে।



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GUWAHATI, July 25: In the wake of recent floods in Assam, Action Center for Rural Development (ACRD), a joint multi-organization working to restore, feed and care of Assam's organized food relief camps in Dibrugarh and Cachar, area of Chirang and Palabhoi in Kameng district, The NGO in collaboration with The Zame Seng, a secret society group of more than 60,000 members from all over India, collected essential commodities such as rice, dal, beans, vegetable, dry, medicines, cloth, cooking oil, bleaching powder, plastic, and clothes for those affected by the floods.

With the help of local people and village headmen, the NGO distributed 475 kg of rice, 400 kg dal, 14 kg tea, biscuits (three varieties),uffed rice (60 packets), biscuits (700 packets), mustard oil (three suitons), mosquito repellent (64 packets), machines, and clothes among the people in the affected villages of Chomendgar and Palabhoi. More than 500 people received relief materials, stated a press release.

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 Kamrup Metro District Child Welfare Samiti

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FINANCIAL REPORT 2019-20

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AUDITOR'S REPORT
ASSAM CENTRE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT
29 P.B. ROAD, P.O.REHABARI, GUWAHATI - 781 008
ACCOUNT: GENERAL FUND

- We have examined the Balance Sheet of Assam Centre for Rural Development, 29 P.B. Road, P.O.Rehabari, Guwahati - 781 008, Account - General Fund as on 31st March, 2020 and the Income and Expenditure Account and Receipt and Payment Account for the year ended on that date annexed thereto, which we have signed under reference to this report. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.
- We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- We have obtained all the information and explanations, which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of the audit.
- In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Organization so far as appears from our examination of the said books and the financial statements are in agreement with the books of account maintained by the said Organization.
- In our opinion and to the best of our information, and according to information given to us, the said accounts gives a true and fair view

- In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Organization, Account: General Fund as on 31st March, 2020
- In the case of the Income and Expenditure Account, of the surplus of the Organization, Account: General Fund for the year ended on that date, and
- In the case of the Receipt and Payment Account, of the transactions of the Organization, Account: General Fund for the year ended on that date.

For M. Saquei & Co.
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Guwahati, 11th September, 2020



ASSAM CENTRE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT
29 P.B. ROAD, P.O.REHABARI, GUWAHATI - 781 008

ACCOUNT: GENERAL FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2020

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT (₹)	ASSETS	AMOUNT (₹)
<u>Capital Fund:</u>		<u>Fixed Assets</u>	
As per last A/c	1,51,400.00	As per Schedule (A)	76,64,153.00
<u>Non-Recurring Grant Fund:</u>		<u>Loan to SHG:</u>	
As per last A/c	62,76,805.75	As per last A/c	6,23,736.00
Unspent Grant	33,01,453.00	<u>Grant-in-Aid Receivable</u>	
<u>Income & Expenditure A/c:</u>		From Govt. of India, Ministry	
As per last A/c	60,92,284.75	of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi	
Add: Surplus for the year	11,42,303.80	For Mobile Dispensary	6,85,350.00
		72,34,588.55 From Govt. of Assam,	
<u>Temporary Transferred</u>		Social Welfare Department	
<u>from other Fund:</u>		Guwahati	
As per last A/c	90,09,797.00	For Ujjawala	53,04,475.00
Since added	20,06,000.00		
	1,10,15,797.00	Accrued Interest	17,44,805.00
Less : Repaid	28,35,285.00	ITDS	1,27,032.00
	81,80,512.00	<u>Closing Balance:</u>	
		Cash in Hand	14,247.00
		Cash at Bank	35,18,650.30
		FD with SBI,	
		South Guwahati Branch	54,62,311.00
			89,95,208.30
Total	2,51,44,759.30	Total	2,51,44,759.30

In terms of our separate report of even date.

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Date: 11.09.2020

ASSAM CENTRE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT
29 P.B. ROAD, P.O. REHABARI, GUWAHATI - 781 008

ACCOUNT: GENERAL FUND

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March, 2020 (2019-20)

EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT (₹)	INCOME	AMOUNT (₹)
To Community Based Rehabilitation for		By Grant-in-Aid	
Persons with Disability Rani Block	8,87,190.00	From Asha for Education,	
Realization of Rights of PWDs through		340 S Lemon Ave,	
Strengthening DPOs in Assam State,		Ste 2742Walnut,	
Assam	6,09,932.00	CA 91789	5,42,000.00
Fellowship Programme	4,03,726.00	From CARITAS INDIA	
Ujjawala	24,08,500.00	For CBR Rani Block	7,49,380.00
Integrated Child Development		For DPO Federation	5,18,300.00
Scheme		For Fellowship Programme	3,77,300.00
Rani Block	6,10,176.00	From Govt. of Assam,	
Boko Block	6,10,057.00	Social Welfare Department	
		For Ujjawala	21,67,650.00
SBI Gram Seva	12,20,233.00	From CHILDLINE India,	
Specialised Adoption Agency (SAA)	68,93,220.00	Foundation, Mumbai	
ASHA for Education	5,75,500.00	For Boko Block	6,03,000.00
National Child Labour Project (NCLP)	5,42,000.00	For Rani Block	6,03,000.00
	23,03,663.76	From SBI Gram Seva,	
Celebration of National		Mumbai	48,76,500.00
& International Days		Add: Unutilised Grant	
International Women's Day	3,990.00	of previous year	53,18,173.00
Children Day	6,950.00		1,01,94,673.00
International Yoga Day	4,476.00	Less: Unutilised	
World Disability Day	4,100.00	Grant	33,01,453.00
World Environment Day	7,272.00		68,93,220.00
World Day against		From Kamrup Metro District	
Child Labour	7,585.00	Child Labour Welfare Samity	23,03,663.76
Child Protection Day	6,310.00	From State Child Protection	
		Society, Assam	4,82,952.00
Administrative Cost	40,683.00	Adoption Fees	2,16,000.00
Salary	10,92,000.00	Donation	3,19,610.00
House Rent	3,60,000.00	Organizational Contribution	5,56,565.00
Travelling expenses	54,796.00	Membership Fees	60,000.00
Telephone expenses	19,200.00	Bank interest	47,668.00
Audit & Accounting	51,500.00	Interest on Fixed Deposit	6,21,492.00
Planning & Review Meeting	12,244.00	Fixed Deposit Matured	21,15,350.00
Repairs & Maintenance	80,083.00	TDS Refund	74,646.00
Flood Relief	16,963.00	Interest on TDS Refund	9,870.00
Printing & Stationery	52,007.00		
News Paper & Magazine	3,062.00		
Electricity & Water	28,928.00		
Insurance (V)	18,826.00		
Internet	9,155.00		
Computer Repairing & Servicing	20,555.00		
Website maintenance	4,897.00		
Miscellaneous expenses	22,570.00		
	18,46,786.00		
C/F	1,77,31,433.76	C/F	1,92,61,666.76



ASSAM CENTRE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT
29 P.B. ROAD : P.O. REHABARI : GUWAHATI - 781 008

ACCOUNT: GENERAL FUND

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March, 2020 (2019-20)

EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT (₹)	INCOME	AMOUNT (₹)	
	B/F	1,77,31,433.76	B/F	1,92,61,666.76
To Subscription to CBR Forum	10,000.00			
„ Bank charges	6,649.20			
„ Grant-in-Aid receivable wtitten off	11,005.00			
„ Depreciation	3,60,275.00			
„ Balance being excess of Income over Expenditure transfer to Balance Sheet	11,42,303.80			
Total	<u>1,92,61,666.76</u>	Total	<u>1,92,61,666.76</u>	

In terms of our separate report of even date.

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ASSAM CENTRE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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ACCOUNT: GENERAL FUND

Statement of Receipt and Payment Account for the year ended 31st March, 2020 (2019-20)

RECEIPT	AMOUNT (₹)	PAYMENT	AMOUNT (₹)
<u>Opening Balance:</u>		Community Based Rehabilitation for	
Cash & Bank Balances	61,14,469.50	Persons with Disability Rani Block	8,87,190.00
FD with SBI, South Guwahati Branch	64,00,000.00	Realization of Rights of PWDs through	
		Strengthening DPOs in Assam State,	
		Assam	6,09,932.00
<u>Grant-in-Aid:</u>		Fellowship Programme	4,03,726.00
From Asha for Education,		Ujjawala Project	24,08,500.00
340 S Lemon Ave, Ste 2742		<u>Integrated Child Development Scheme</u>	
Walnut, CA 91789	5,42,000.00	Rani Block	6,10,176.00
From CARITAS INDIA		Boko Block	6,10,057.00
For CBR Rani Block	7,49,380.00		12,20,233.00
For DPO Federation	5,18,300.00	SBI Gram Seva	68,93,220.00
For Fellowship Programme	3,77,300.00	Specialised Adoption Agency (SAA)	5,75,500.00
From CHILDLINE India,		ASHA for Education	5,42,000.00
Foundation, Mumbai		National Child Labour Project (NCLP)	23,03,663.76
For Child Line			
For Rani Block			
For the year 2018-19	3,01,500.00	<u>Celebration of National & International Days</u>	
For the year 2019-20	6,03,000.00	International Women's Day	3,990.00
For Boko Block		Children Day	6,950.00
For the year 2018-19	3,01,500.00	International Yoga Day	4,476.00
For the year 2019-20	6,03,000.00	World Disability Day	4,100.00
From SBI Gram Seva, Mumbai	48,76,500.00	World Environment Day	7,272.00
From Kamrup Metro District		World Day against	
Child Labour Welfare Samity	23,03,663.76	Child Labour	7,585.00
From State Child Protection		Child Protection Day	6,310.00
Society, Assam	4,82,952.00		40,683.00
Adoption Fees	2,16,000.00	<u>Administrative Cost</u>	
		Salary	10,92,000.00
Donation	3,19,610.00	House Rent	3,60,000.00
Organizational Contribution	5,56,565.00	Travelling expenses	54,796.00
Membership Fees	60,000.00	Telephone expenses	19,200.00
Bank interest	47,668.00	Audit & Accounting	51,500.00
Interest on Fixed Deposit	4,536.00	Planning & Review Meeting	12,244.00
Fixed Deposit Matured	21,15,350.00	Repairs & Maintenance	80,083.00
TDS Refund	1,36,970.00	Flood Relief	16,963.00
Interest on TDS Refund	9,870.00	Printing & Stationery	52,007.00
Temporary Transfer from Other Fund	20,06,000.00	News Paper & Magazine	3,062.00
		Electricity & Water	28,928.00
		Insurance (V)	18,826.00
		Internet	9,155.00
		Computer Repairing & Servicing	20,555.00
		Website maintenance	4,897.00
		Miscellaneous expenses	22,570.00
			18,46,786.00
C/F	2,96,46,134.26	C/F	1,77,31,433.76



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ACCOUNT: GENERAL FUND

Statement of Receipt and Payment Account for the year ended 31st March, 2020 (2019-20)

RECEIPT	AMOUNT (₹)	PAYMENT	AMOUNT (₹)
B/F	2,96,46,134.26	B/F	1,77,31,433.76
		Subscription to CBR Forum	10,000.00
		AC Machine	33,800.00
		Inverter	33,758.00
		Bank charges	6,649.20
		Temporary Transfer to other Fund	28,35,285.00
		<u>Closing Balance:</u>	
		Cash in Hand	14,247.00
		Cash at Bank	35,18,650.30
		FD with SBI,	
		South Guwahati Branch	54,62,311.00
			89,95,208.30
Total	2,96,46,134.26	Total	2,96,46,134.26

In terms of our separate report of even date.

For M. Saquei & Co.
Chartered Accountants
FRN : 303126E



Reefat Saquei
Partner

M.No.058118
(UDIN-20058118AAAAKY8070)

Date: 11.09.2020

ACRD's Executive Committee List (2019-20)

ASSAM CENTRE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT
29 P.B. ROAD, P.O. REHABARI, GUWAHATI - 781 008

SCHEDULE: 'A'

Schedule of Fixed Assets as at 31st March, 2020

Sl. No.	Particulars	WDV as on 31.03.2019	Addition during the year	Sold/ disposed off	Total	Rate of Depn.	Depreciation	WDV as on 31.03.2020
1	Land	18,20,000.00	0.00	0.00	18,20,000.00	0%	0.00	18,20,000.00
2	Building	52,03,306.00	0.00	0.00	52,03,306.00	5%	2,60,165.00	49,43,141.00
3	Furniture & Fixtures	1,91,405.00	0.00	0.00	1,91,405.00	10%	19,140.00	1,72,265.00
4	Tools & Equipments	1,81,574.00	67,558.00	0.00	2,49,132.00	10%	24,913.00	2,24,219.00
5	Vehicle	5,12,882.00	0.00	0.00	5,12,882.00	10%	51,288.00	4,61,594.00
6	Xerox Machine	23,377.00	0.00	0.00	23,377.00	10%	2,337.00	21,040.00
7	Computer Set							
	& Accessories	24,326.00	0.00	0.00	24,326.00	10%	2,432.00	21,894.00
	Total	79,56,870.00	67,558.00	0.00	80,24,428.00		3,60,275.00	76,64,153.00



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Member | 13. Ms. Namita Haloi,
Member |
| 7. Mr. Nandeswar Kathar,
Member | |

Photo Gallery



Community Information Centre World Environment Day celebrated at Borkchi HIGH School



Plantation Drive organised by ACRD in collaboration with SBI



Flood Relief Camp organised by ACRD in Palashbari



Bohut Celebrations at Navajeevan.



26th Foundation Day of ACRD



Free blood grouping, anemia, diabetic tests conducted among school children and the community members in Doomni, Dekadong and Arnibil villages of Baksa district



Sensitization and awareness meeting on trafficking organised in Attrekhat Tea Estate community hall, Udalguri district.



On the occasion of National Girl Child Day, a programme was organised by the District Child Protection Unit, Kamrup and State Child Protection Society, Assam in Sishu Gram Children Village, North Guwahati.



CBR and CHILDLINE teams of ACRD with the members of RENEW, Bhutan



Team photo of ACRD



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