



DEEPALAYA

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MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER & MD

It is my honor to share with you the annual report for the year 2020; a year that has put every living soul on the planet earth to test. The pandemic created a sense of fear and crisis among every being. Loss of lives of near and dear ones was a tragic moment for all of us together. Hundreds and thousands of lives were lost as a outcome of the virus outbreak.



Yet we fought back; broke the transmission chain by choosing to stay indoors and follow the norms. We stood collectively as one and empowered our sense of belief trust and hope for life to exist. Various individuals and organizations stood upfront to assist the poor displaced and migrated men women and children of all ages and gender, alike.

Deepalaya stood in accord with the community and its stakeholders by way of adapting and accepting. Despite all odds we have been able to ensure ideal sanitation and meal security for vulnerable families and protected rights of children against human trafficking. We have been blessed with support from friends, families, and our partner- civil society organisations, individual and institutional donors. Your constant support through all ups and downs have helped us pilot our way through unprecedented challenges. I extend my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to each for their support and hope for a better year ahead packed with learnings and experiences with each one of you.

DR. Ashish Kr. Raman
Founder & Managing Secretary

INTRODUCTION

Deepalaya is a grassroots organization working to empower women and children in and around district of Purnea, Bihar. Since its inception in 1999, Deepalaya has been relentlessly reaching out to the most marginalized groups of women at various locations including women from the red light areas and slums. Deepalaya, mounted with a cause to serve mainly the specially abled individuals of the society, is one of the first rehab facilities to have been established in the eastern area of Purnia, Bihar. We acquired our shape of society under the SR ACT IXX 1860 in the year 1999 .

Deepalaya designed and operated tasks with a stern believe in uplifting the civil repute of the Persons with disability, the ordinary public mainly the ladies and children. The COVID-19 pandemic has presented an unparalleled scenario throughout the world. As the organization and its target agencies the PwD's, adolescent and women, their stakeholders, had been severely impacted, we proceed to tirelessly work toward the recognition of our vision to acquire a society that respects the rights of adolescent children and women.



VISION

To actively contribute towards the social and economical development of the communities through constant professional endeavors, empowering the person with differential ability, downtrodden people, disadvantaged group towards development of sustainable society that promote and protects equality, social justice and Human Rights for all.

MISSION

The quality of life of every person with differential ability, downtrodden people, women, children minorities are equal to other citizens in the country. Every such individual should live independently to the maximum extent possible. Deepalaya accomplishes its vision of protecting and nurturing the needy and unprivileged groups by:

- Advocacy
- Livelihood Training Program
- Training session to enable skill development in our individuals
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- Organizing meeting at block level and panchayat level for formulation of committees to promote child rights, prevent child labor and child trafficking



SBI RURAL SELF EMPLOYMENT TRAINING INSTITUTES (RSETI)



Upskilling women to make them better fit for job opportunities is what we prioritize. RSETI i.e; Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs) are established with of identifying, training, motivating & facilitating unemployed youth to take up self-employment. This is considered as an effective model for creation of sustainable livelihoods through Self Employment. SBI is managing 152 RSETIs in 26 States and 3 UTs out of 589 functional RSETIs in the country. RSETIs transform unemployed rural youth in the districts into

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Counselling session 23rd January



REPUBLIC DAY

26th January, Republic Day Celebration. People have laid down their lives so that we could have a sovereign, republic and a democratic country. Lots of effort was put into framing the laws that govern our nation, and 26th January marks the day of effectiveness and acceptance of the Constitution of India. India transitioned from British Monarch to a fully Sovereign Republic with The President of India as the nominal head of the Indian Union.



WOMEN'S DAY



Deepalaya has always promoted women empowerment and education at grassroot levels. Spreading the importance about the rights of women and girl child, we have managed to spread our reach in the most remote areas of Purnia district. March 8 commemorates the cultural, political, and socioeconomic achievements of women.



We honor our trainees who have executed commendable success on finishing their complete training schedule and opting for employment opportunities. We honor their courage and success to send a message of appreciation and commitment that we have towards them.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH CAMPAIGN



To spread a message on the importance of sanitization and vaccination amongst the crowd a Community Outreach Campaign was carried out .

With the help 49 Community outreach Workers (COW's) we escalated our campaign amongst 7000 households spread over 3 blocks in close proximity. We restricted the perimeter to make it easy for our COW's to operate without much hassle. The campaign was carried out in phases; **May 2020 - October 2020 & May 2021 - July 2021**. Surveys were done to

counter the migrations in and out of Purnia district. Proper trainings for self care and sanitization were taught to each file worker for better safety cautions. It was a commendable effort and an act of bravery that our filed workers displayed taking up this tasks in such difficult times. Each COW was given a smartphone with the help of which the workers virtually, with the help of videos, demonstrated the correct way to use sanitizers according to WHO guidelines. They also brought to light various misconception about COVID-19 vaccines.



EARTH DAY



Earth Day is an annual event on **April 22** to demonstrate support for environmental protection. Forest ecosystems are a critical component of the world's biodiversity as many forests are more biodiverse than other ecosystems. Forests cover 31 percent of the global land area. Deforestation and forest degradation continue to take place at alarming rates, which contributes significantly to the ongoing loss of biodiversity. On this occasion we **planted around 100 trees** in open areas. This trees included varieties of Ashok , Sisam, Mahogany, Sagwan, Jackfruit, lemon, Java Plum.

INDEPENDENCE DAY



15th August. Promoting cultural heritage is a social responsibility of every individual. Invoking selflessness among the youth towards the nation should be the duty of every organization imparting support and service towards the society. We have by no means left a chance to promote our cultural



and heritage. It is our duty and we consider in invoking a experience of love and patriotism amongst each and every man or woman and family throughout the country.



DISABILITY AWARENESS



The Disability Awareness Program was organized with the aim of promoting understanding, empathy, and inclusivity towards individuals with disabilities. The program sought to raise awareness about the challenges faced by people with disabilities and foster an environment of respect and support. The Disability Awareness Program successfully achieved its objectives of promoting awareness, challenging stereotypes, and fostering inclusion. Moving forward, continued efforts are needed to sustain momentum and drive further progress towards a more inclusive society for individuals with disabilities.

ADOLESCENT AND FAMILY HEALTH PLANNING



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RATION DISTRIBUTION



On 31st August 2020, Deepalaya with support of its partner Nomi Network Inc. organized a Relief Distribution program among the marginalized and affected people of the community.

The objectives of this program included:

- To spread awareness on following the Covid-19 mandatory guidelines of the government.
- To improve the safety health practices of wearing masks, using hand sanitizers and maintaining 2ft minimal distance in crowded areas.
- Distributing rations among the needy to help them cope with the situations.



- To spread knowledge about humanitarian services for the needy in hard times.

We knew about the ongoing situation then, it had started to become worst as the days passed. Government had organized complete lockdowns throughout the country. COVID-19 prevention guidelines were imposed stating right measures to keep one safe from getting infected. The most vulnerable section of our society, the labor class was the most affected section during this period. Mostly including the daily wage workers lost their jobs. Migrant labors returned to their homes, jobless.

FLOOD is another major disaster that affects regions of Bihar, creating great havoc and loss of lives, homes and life-stock. This year flood was an added calamity with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. This had left people in great distress as there was lack of support facilities due to the worldwide pandemic.

It was a great achievement for all of us. We helped nearly 62 households by distributing dry rations: Wheat flour/Ashirwad aata(5kgs), Rice(10kgs), Dal(3kgs), Sugar/Chini(3Kgs), Tea leaves/Chai patti(2.5kgs), Soyabean chunks(250gms), Fortune Mustard oil(1kgs), 50 masks, 20 pcs 50 ml Hand sanitizers.

Our Community Outreach Workers put forward a praiseworthy outcome of their awareness program. They were praised by the family members from among the 69 households we helped. It was indeed a very noble step towards helping the marginalized sections of the community. Reaching this section of society and helping their way out with ration and basic safety gears gave us an immense feeling of joyfulness and motivated us to carry on our journey towards our goal of making our society a better place for the unprivileged.



LEGAL STATUS

If you or someone you know requires assistance, call our free legal helpline:

☎ 94-300-59-260



DEEPALAYA IMHR is registered as a Non-profit Voluntary organization under the **Society Registration Act XXI of 1860** with the GOVT. OF BIHAR in India. We are registered in **NGO Darpan** as Income Tax exempted organization under the **Income Tax Act 1961 of 12 A and 80G**. Deepalaya is registered under the **Foreign Contribution Regulation (FCRA) Act 1976**, to accept foreign contributions through the designated bank.

* Deepalaya is the networking member of – National commission for Women, New Delhi, Govt. of India. D.O. No: – 16(80) 98 NCW.

* Department of Women & Child Development, Ministry of H. R. D. Govt. of India. D. O. NSO: – 7-2/94-TR.

* Deepalaya is registered organization of the **National Trust** for the welfare of persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India in service of persons with developmental disabilities.

* Recognized institution to run various courses under **ANGANBADI TRAINING CENTRE of ICDS DIRECTORATE**, Government of Bihar, Patna. .

* Certified by the International Standard Service and QMS(Quality management Systems on the **ISO 9001:2015** standard. This is certified by the **AQcert**, London, UK .



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