

FIELD VISIT REPORT-VOORKADY CDS

Visited Voorkady Panchayat. Its located in Manjeswar block of Kasargod district. This CDS has Kannada and Tulu speaking population. The CDS has 155 NHGs. There is no special NHGs. 5 Elder NHGs are under registration. 41 JLGS are engaged in Paddy and Vegetables. Value addition reports are not there. 145 Ashraya members are there. Funds for Ashraya is completed. DFK not yet started. In snehitha calling bell , 52 persons are there and they conducted a medical camp.

Learnings

The CDS is 100% in MIS. The CDS office visit revealed that the participation of CDS committee is low. The members are from Poor background and they are going for some agriculture works. The area is very remote and CDS members have to travel in auto for reaching the office. They have to pay from hand the auto fare. So members are not coming for meetings. There are restrictions from male members of family to come to CDS office.

- The CDS and Member secretary is very cooperative and wish to learn about the activities. It will be better if we can give them an exposure to good performing CDS.
- The account keeping is good.
- The knowledge about various ME activities is very little. The Awareness regarding ARISE, Pratyasa, Swantham etc is minimal. Haritha Karma sena is functioning with Rs 20 userfee.
- CDS meeting is conducted two times a month.
- NHG members are taking loan from Dharmasthala and they are paying 2 lakhs for taking 1.5 lakhs.
- GRC is not started.
- Not getting KSSBY scholarship and death claim
- JLG activities are good. Name Board has to be kept mandatorily.
- CEF is not distributed.
- Visited tailoring unit- it started 19 years back. It is an individual unit. It is giving tailoring training to members. The fee for tailoring training is Rs 250/candidate.
- Visited broiler farm.
- Visited Avani Elderly NHG- Registation process started.

- DDUGKY Trainings not yet started.
- Visited Ashraya member Annu Naik. He is paralysed and not getting pension or any other grants. Got a house under ST fund. He don't have biometric Adhaar card. Due to face configuration issue, he is not able to take BIOMETRIC Adhaar card. He is lying in bed since 1991. He is not getting any medical help. His wife is involved in beedi making. She will get Rs 130 for making 1000 beedis. It normally takes more than 2 days work for making 1000 beedis.

Action needed

- Training needed for JLG members in value addition of Paddy and Vegetables.
- Funds are needed for Balasabha activities.
- Gender Activities need to be strengthened.
- There are bedridden poor patients. It will be good if we can start food /medicine Sponsorship programme with the support of NRIs funding or any other institutional sponsorships.
- Starts medical camps with the support of certain medical colleges /private hospitals for bedridden patients as part of Corporate Social Responsibility.
- Compulsory House visits of Health officials/doctors to ashraya families has to be made with the convergence of Health department.
- Some funds are lying idle in CDS. Eg CEF fund/SCA funds. Efforts to ensure that all funds given to CDS are utilised efficiently within the stipulated time frame.
- Trainings to member secretaries is needed to teach them various livelihood interventions and clearing doubts regarding fund guidelines.
- Special intervention/focus is needed to backward CDS especially to CDS which have linguistic issues.

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