



Mercy and Grace

“ For all he world’s children whose lives are lived with hunger....and can’t understand why AND for all beings who are dedicated to doing something about it.”

- The project is to be implemented is famous for agricultural operations, and agriculture is the primary occupation of the people as irrigation facility is provided with canals of the river. However despite these irrigation facilities the economic standards of the people in these areas are very low, especially among the vulnerable sections of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.



- The main reason for this disparity is high concentration of with a small group of 18%, belonging to the upper strata of the society. Even small and marginal farmers have to struggle a lot to bring their lands under cultivation, as they do not possess any, assets or financial ability. Ultimately they have to struggle a lot to bring their lands under cultivation, as they do not possess any, assets or financial ability. Ultimately they have to depend on money lenders, naturally these money lending and land owing class take advantage of this situation, render loans with exorbitant rate of interest and expect payments in kind by fixing low price to the farmer's produce, usually the paddy.



In this situation another victim is woman, the exploitation on backward communities is a common feature in the society and the same is meted on women. Though she plays a major role in family maintenance, economy, child development etc., the due recognition is not given to her from any corner of the society. She starts her life in the small hours of the day to arrange comforts to others and works in the fields on par with men.



Despite all these jobs she is neither regarded nor paid wages on par with men. The exploitative system is meted on women from the very beginning of her childhood. She is not sent to school and she has to take care of younger siblings and to assist her mother in household work. With regard to the field of Education there is a lot to be seen critically especially in the context of the micro realities. Though there are primary schools in most of the villages, the drop rate is very high, about 45% of the children drop out themselves before they could complete their 5th standard, while another 35% before reaching the middle school. The residuary percentage of the children reach school final with great difficulty. Even this section of the children comes from the middle class families or the families with economic support, but certainly not from the poor. The poor consider children as economic value and sending children to school would mean economic loss to them.

Problem Statement

- Children Education is the very serious problem, which we are aiming at. As children are considered as economic value they are not sent to school and find placements in agriculture, cattle grassing and household work etc. As a result they are deprived of their basic right to Education and thereby losing chances of having better life in future. This situation will pave the way to crop up many social problems, as there are chances of these children becoming antisocial elements when they reach cities and towns in search of work. Therefore the plight of the poor children is in expressible, unless those children are educated and/or trained in vocational courses their families cannot be developed in any manner. Though they are in the school going age it is rather unfortunate to know these children are 100% illiterate and no chance of Further to the surprise of every body there are more orphans in this area. Education is a myth and fulfillment of basic needs is a serious problem to going to school in life. A majority of such children are working with landlords, struggling very hard for their Master's Development by not leaving any thing behind for them for their self-reliance. In a way one cannot blame the presents for their indifferent attitude, as they are busy in struggling for their livelihood, hardly they have only hand to mouth living.

Therefore the future of these children is left to their fate and to the mercy of the land- lords (rich people). When a survey was conducted it is very strange to note that there are many child labor, street children, neglected, and abandoned-orphans and poorest of the poor in the below poverty line who cannot afford to have education and are engaged in other fields.



Inspiration

- Mr. Madhava and his wife Nirmala both are the board of trustees and key persons to share their time, skills, knowledge, money and possessions with much love, care and concern towards children, which has driven them to initiate this mission. Unfortunately they were childless and adopted boy and this has further increased their dedication and commitment for the welfare and development of the children who are child labor, restitutes children, neglected, abandoned orphans. Many people around know there concerned towards the well being of the children. Many children and families have been experiencing their tender service.



Proposed Program

- Proposed programmed aims at holistic for development of the children in a holistic way Self-reliance of the Children has been stressed, because Education is not the only program proposed. "Vocational Courses" have also been incorporate in the program. Because as far as Indian situation is concern, it is not worth depending upon government employment. Therefore, Skill Development Programmed is proposed for Self-Employment and Self-reliance.



Education

- All the proposed children will be brought to the MERCY AND GRACE and compulsory Education will be provided up to class VII (Upper Primary) within the campus. After completion of Class VII Children those who are interested will be sent to High School and for vocational trainings will be given. Children attending school will be kept in the Mercy and Grace till they complete school final and thereafter will be sent out for College Education.



After successful completion will take the responsibility of finding placements for them. It has been planned to assist children to start a production units on co-operative basis. Some of the trained children may be engaged in the Mercy and Grace itself in its "training cum production center". For initial investment if necessary local assistance will be mobilized from Banks and other sources to start income and employment generation units. However by keeping "self reliance" in view the program and placements will be planned. In this process it will be ensured that a minimum of 35% will be reserved for girls. During their stay in the Home all their needs will be met food, clothing, shelter, education and all other necessities including medical aid and health care.



Vocational Training

- Trades: Tailoring and Embroidery, Typewriting, Motor Winding and Rural Electrification are presently identified as suitable and feasible in this area and children can have some assurance of having regular work. Tailoring and Typewriting are primarily meant for girls, however boys will also be trained. For typewriting students need to complete school final at least to find a better placement. For Motor Winding there is much scope as we find bore wells in agricultural fields of every farmer. Therefore this trade has got much demand. Presently Rural Electrification is picking up very fast, everybody is electrifying their houses and boys can find enough work. Therefore Motor Winding and Electrification will go hand in hand very well to boys. In further it has been planned to start carpentry, general engineering, and computer education. We also wish to start diary and sheep rearing on an experimental basis within the campus.

Self Reliance- Our Ideology

- Depending on donor agencies for years together is not the real development; rather it is making people more and more dependants. Therefore a serious thought has been given to self-reliance of the project and finally decided to procure assets to the organization in order to generate income. In addition to income from the Agricultural land the Training Cum Production Units will also contribute their share. Therefore it is easy and possible to maintain the School and Home without depending on any external help. Therefore initially Project needs to be supported for some years at least and therefore become self-sustainable and project will be continued with its own resources. Please do support to help the children who are hopeless, homeless, helpless and hungry.

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