

# ANNUAL REPORT 2014 - 2015

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## **Acknowledgement**

AGRANEE has been maintaining transparency and accountability by publishing regular annual reports and maintaining a standard accounting procedure time to time suggested, verified and checked by our honourable members, statutory auditor, supporters and well-wishers. As a major towards transparency & accountability the annual & audit reports of Agranee are open and free to all. Hence we express our gratitude to all of our supporters, well-wishers, dedicated staff members and auditor for their continuous support and cooperation.

Srutidhar Jena  
Secretary

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## **Genesis**

AGRANEE was established in the year 1989 by a group of likeminded local youths. Though the geographical & programme area of the organization varies from time to time but never diluted from its aim & objectives. Presently serves a population of near about 28000 from Mayurbhanj districts of Orissa.

## **Vision**

A sustainable society with social justice & equity where people live in peace with dignity irrespective of caste, creed & sex.

## **Mission**

To promote sustainable development processes which are socially acceptable, culturally appropriate and gender equitable, to enable poorest of the poor to achieve a dignified quality of life.

## **Strategy**

- Field-level motivation and Mobilization
- Enable and legitimize participation
- Access and control over natural resources
- Capacity Building and skill development
- Engender Community Based Organizations

## **Experience**

AGRANEE has experience and expertise in implementing projects relating to Primary Education, Sustainable Livelihood, Community health & sanitation, Capacity Building and skill development of different stakeholders.

## Legal Status

1	Name of the organization		<b>AGRANEE</b>
2	Registered office		At/Po- Sarat-757 079 District-Mayurbhanj, Odisha, India Phone/Cell-09437534176 E.mail: <a href="mailto:agranee@yahoo.co.in">agranee@yahoo.co.in</a> website: www.agranee.org
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3	Registration details	Act-XXI of 1860	MBJ-2416-22 of 1989-1990 Date: 26.05.1989, Mayurbhanj, Orissa
		FCRA	104990020 Date: 09.04.1992, New Delhi
		IT Act-12A	Tech. /12A-54 / 2004-05
		PAN No.	AABTA0149F
4	Operational area		Mayurbhanj & Keonjhar Districts of Odisha
5	Contact Persons		1. Manmohan Pradhan, Executive Secretary 2. Srutidhar Jena, Secretary

## **Addressing Nutritional and Income Insecurity of Underprivileged Communities by Improving Access to Information on Relevant Government Schemes**

In collaboration with Agragamee & European Union Agranee is implementing the above mentioned project in Kaptipada block. Five GPs namely Nota, Saradiha, Sarat, Ranipokhari & Dewanbahali from Kaptipada block covered under this project in phase wise within a 5 year project period. This is basically on Information Sharing by Public Authorities under Section 4.1(b) of the Right to Information (RTI) Act.

### **Main objective of the Project:**

Improve quality of life of poor local communities in remote tribal pockets by enhancing participation in local governance, and improving information and access to Govt. schemes.

### **Major Activities Undertaken During the Period**

#### **Establishment of BIC:**

A BIC for Kaptipada block has been established in side Agranee's office premises at village Dileswar aiming at help the villagers link up with state and central decisions and help people become aware of the objectives, funds flow, targets, beneficiaries etc. and overall facilitate the local level monitoring system. Following materials/literatures available in the BIC:



#### **District Level Launching:**

The district level programme launching for Mayurbhanj was organized on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2014 in the Municipality Conference Hall at district headquarters Baripada. 72 people from different walk of life that includes ZP member, Sarapanch, PS members, Ward members, Govt. Officials, Media persons, lawyer, educationist, RTI activists, Village/SHG leaders and NGO representatives from different parts of the district gathered together for the purpose.



### **Formation of Citizen Action Forum:**

The Citizen Action Forum for Kaptipada block has been formed consisting of 39 people from different walk of life that includes PRI member, village leaders, women leaders, educationist, social activists and media persons from different villages participated and oriented about their role & responsibilities.



### **Baseline Survey & Major Findings:**

Baseline survey is one of the major activities planned for the first year, which has been completed and the major findings of the survey is yet to be shared.

## **Repair, Renovation and Restoration of water bodies (RR & R)**

This was the final & last year of the project accordingly all eight phases of work i.e. Benchmark Study, Formation of WUA, Formation of FIG, Farmers Capacity Building Training, Demonstration in Different Subjects, Supervision on Implementing the Project, Follow-up Action and Post Study & Submission of Documents has been successfully completed in line with the MOU for all eighteen MI projects spreading over six blocks of Mayurbhanj district.

## **Alternative Vaccine Delivery System**

This was the fourth continuation year of the project and activities undertaken similar to previous years. Under this assignment Agranee had taken the responsibility of delivering vaccine at 88 session sites of Karanjia block covering all 22 ANM sub-centres as part of routine immunization activities under NRHM. Giving necessary orientation, we have deployed six local boys dividing the entire block in six routes for

smooth implementation of the AVDS under the terms and conditions specified in the signed agreement by both the parties.

## **Solar Electrification for Domestic Lighting**

Solar energy programs will promote the empowerment of women by training illiterate and semi-literate women to become barefoot technicians who could install, operate, maintain and repair solar energy systems, and by freeing them from walking long distances to collect fuel wood and reduced health hazards associated with indoor burning of firewood. The use of solar energy will also be instrumental in reducing environmental pollution and degradation by reducing the use of fuel wood, diesel and coal. Community based ownership and management of the solar energy systems will ensure full participation of local people in all aspects of decision making including design and implementation.

Solar energy not only provides an appropriate solution for heating, cooking and lighting in rural areas, but also contributes significantly to progress in education, health, agriculture, rural industry and other income-generation activities that would result in poverty reduction. The opportunity for lighting provided by solar energy can be used to run literacy and other courses in the evening that would benefit children and adults working in the fields during the day.

Electricity networks are located around major urban centers. The remoteness of the rural locations and the topography of the country would make the expansion of electricity supply in these areas through a centralized grid system difficult, and may not be economically feasible. There is, therefore, an urgent need to explore renewable, sustainable alternative energy sources that can be maintained at a decentralized level and afforded by rural communities.

Realising the need of the situation AGRANEE identified three non-greed tribal villages/hamlets namely Saparamgutu under Debanbahali GP & Serengsahi under Saradiha GP of Kaptipada block and Mandaljhari village under Keshdiha GP of Thakurmunda block of Mayurbhanj district Odisha for household solar electrification in collaboration with SWRC/Manthan Rajasthan. After selection of villages three low literate tribal women (one from each villages) have been sent to Barefoot College at SWRC Tilonia for attending a six month duration training programme to make them barefoot technicians who could install, operate, maintain and repair solar energy systems in their respective villages. It is planned that initially 200 families will be provided with solar domestic lighting systems under this initiative.

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