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NEW INITIATIVES...

- Slum Computer **Education Center**
- New Batches for **Garment Making**

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- Mahila Mandal meeting with Chief Minister.
- Meeting on Developmental Work
- Seed Exhibition
- Health Camp
- Financial Literacy Program
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- Release of Annual Report & Vikas Chakra
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COMPUTER EDUCATION in Slums of Sagar

New initiative on starting Computer Education Center (CEC) for children and youths of Slum was inaugurated at Child line office, Sagar, with an intention to ensure computer literacy at free of cost. The main objective of MVSS through this initiative is to avail computer literacy and enable slum children to step towards their future development.

The Center was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Robin Devassy, Vicar General of the Diocese of Sagar, in the presence of Fr. Thomas Philip, Director of MVSS and staffs of Child Line. Initially 12 slum students are registered. These students are learning fundamentals of computer and its application.

NEW BATCHES OF TAILORING COURSE BEGAN

Two new batches of tailoring training began in MVSS and at our Field office in Barodia, Kherikhata (Guna District), Banda villages in the months of June and July 2015. It has triggered new passion and enthusiasm among rural drop out girls. 56 rural youth drop out girls have been enrolled for this intensive training course of three months.

Prior to these four batches of 108 students had successfully completed vocational trainings and are earning livelihood for their families. Introspecting and

analyzing the success of this tailoring training, MVSS is interested in investing the monitory aids of its own for the enhancement of the uneducated and unemployed rural youth girls.









CACKLING OF EMPOWERED WOMEN AROUNDS THE CHIEF **MINISTER**

One of the prominent projects of MVSS, named People Led Development (PLDP) is operational in Raisen district. Inspired under the motivation of PLDP team the women of the villages in Baadi block of Raisen District met Chief Minister Shri. Shivraj Singh Chouhan, during public interaction. Around 24 Women under the PLDP spoke to CM and submitted a written memorandum against existing problems like lack of Drinking water, issue of no Electricity,

improper Toilets and also issues regarding clearing long awaited *Land Patta*. Approximately 56 *Mahila Mandal* women took part in this endeavor including PLDP Project Coordinator Mr. Saju Thankachan.

AN INITIATIVE FOR DEVELOPMENT WORK on 17th June 2015 unique community gathering was conducted at Shampura village in Sagar Block, especially targeting unemployed women and vulnerable children of the area. Main Objective of the meeting was to discuss, how to employ household women who can use their superfluous hours with additional works so that women can contribute additional income to enhance family and reduce poverty. Further to enrich the children with his new and motivational thoughts. Child Line also showcased their Nukad Natak on Child labor.



SEED EXHIBITION

MVSS in its ambitious SOUL Project with IGSSS organized *Seed Mela* (Seed Fair) on 19th June 2015 at Kherikheta Village in Guna District; the *Mela* witnessed 62 varieties of traditional seeds of different crops. The main objective of the seed *mela* was to make farmers self dependent through collection of varieties of seeds, and conservation of traditional seeds. Through this Seed *Mela* the farmers were motivated not to completely depend upon hybrid seeds because the traditional seed has more nutrients than hybrid seeds. Around 350 farmers registered their presence in the Mela. Rev. Fr. Thomas Philip, Director of MVSS, Center In charge Rev. Fr. Siljo, Projector Coordinator Mr. Meet Kumar Patel, Mr. Kapil Mourya and Mr.Dinesh Kumar Namdev inspired the people with their experiences and folk songs.



MULTISPECIALITY FREE HEALTH CAMP HELD AT MVSS HEAD OFFICE

Catholic Health Association of India (CHAI) and Manav Vikas Seva Sangh jointly organized a multispecialty health camp on June 27th, 2015. The camp was inaugurated with words of welcome to the entire team of Doctors and Pharmacists present. Approximately 790 people benefited from this camp including women, men and children. 179 patients with severe therapeutic problems were referred to district hospitals and other special hospitals for additional checkups. Dr. Rajesh Shukla (Chairperson Madhya Pradesh council for Homeopathy), Dr. B.D. Utker (Chairperson NEEMA), Dr. Tola Singh (District Pediatric Officer), Dr. Monika Sharma (Gynecologist), and Dr. Olive Tirumalai rendered their noble services in the health camp. People from around villages Jinda, Bararu, Patkui, Bacchalon, Badkua, Shampura, Richoda and other nearby villages were diagnosed and provided medicines at free of cost. This was the first medical camp held in Manav Vikas premises.



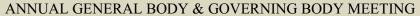


NABARD FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAM (FLP)

Manav Vikas Seva Sangh, Sagar with the help of NABARD on July 10, 2015 organized a Financial Literacy Program in the village of Bararu, Sagar. The aim was to educate and motivate villagers for practicing habit of regular saving, loaning, investing and banking purposes. This program was witnessed by around 102 villagers ensuring high number of women than men folk. Director MVSS, DDM NABARD, Financial literacy

Counselor, Lead Bank District Manager, Director RSETI, District Project Coordinator, Cooperative Bank officials and Project Coordinator MVSS were present for the program that introduced new insurance schemes, investment policies and ensured all support from Lead Bank Manager with regards to any issues.

Main objective of the program was to sensitize the villagers for regular savings, "Prime Ministers Jan Dhan Yojana, Bima Yojana", "Atal Pension Yojana" and various other schemes of the government concerning to the livelihood, security and assistance schemes.



On July 16th, 2015, GBM and AGBM meetings were held in MVSS Headquarters. These meetings were presided by Rt. Rev. Anthony Chirayath, the president. In the meeting, Annual Report of MVSS named "Pehchan" and "Social Apostolate Policy of Diocese of Sagar" was released. New Governing body members were also elected in the same meeting. Fr. Thomas Philip as the Secretary and Fr. Joshy E.P. as the Treasurer were confirmed. Major concerns with regards to society functioning, development were discussed and resolutions were proposed for the future enhancement of the society.





AWARENESS COMBINE AMONG PRISONERS AT KHURAI SUB- JAIL

Under the guidance of MVSS, in the sub-Jail of Khurai_with the collaborative effort of Holy Family Sr.Sec.School, child line (Sagar) team organized an awareness program for prisoners. Prisoners were made aware about consensuses of addiction, and need of child protection through the media of short drama.

DISTRIBUTION OF NUTRITION KIT UNDER MOTHER & CHILD PROGRAM

In Rehli, MVSS with CHAI is jointly working on a Maternal and Child Care project, in which 150 pregnant women are being monitored, at every stage of pregnancy and nutrition kits are being provided. Pregnant Women are being monitored in terms of blood count; diseases, antenatal care, postnatal care and follow-up. This programme is under taken at Matha Maria Health Center by Dr. Jisa SJ and team.



POSITIVE CHANGES IN AGRICULTURE PRACTICE

Efforts are always positive if they are practiced sensibly. MVSS is witnessing that kind of positive changes among the farming community under the efficient leadership of Mr. Meet Kumar in SOUL project. 37 Farmers started to use natural vermin-compost for faming and got their soil tested. In return they are provided with Soil Health Card with an advice to use manure for better soil health. Under this project farmers also tested their seed germination resulting in 75-80% germination result and then they are advised to sow 5% extra seed than required quantity so that they may recover the productivity.





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