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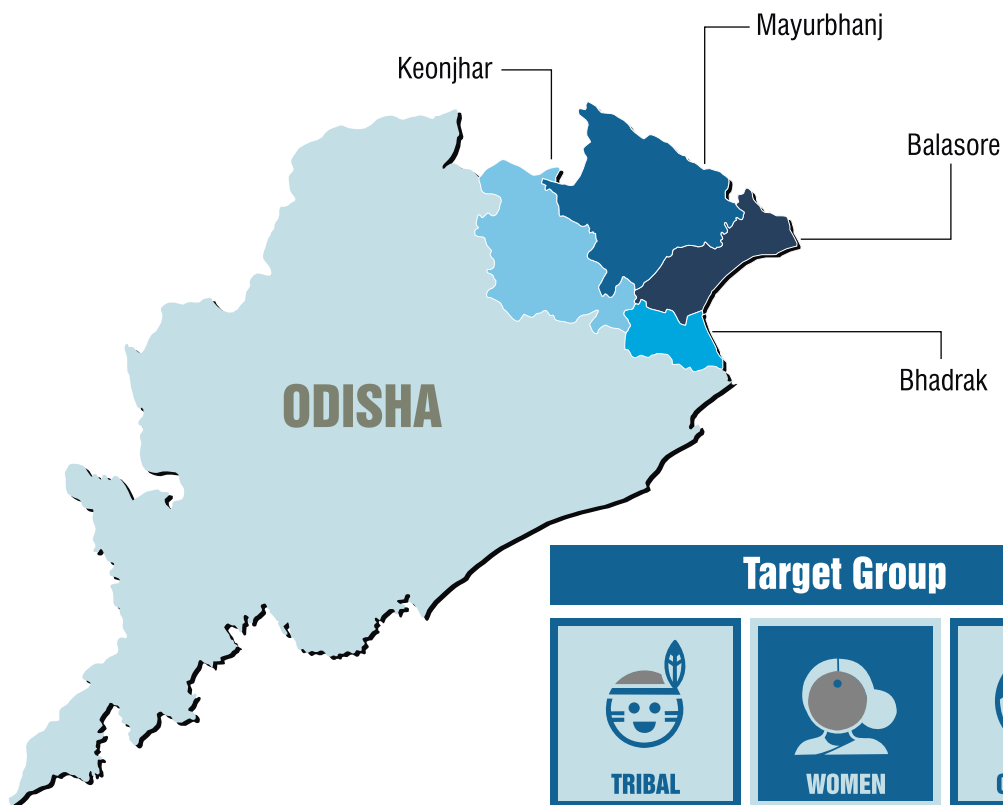
"We envisage a transformed society where love, peace and Justice prevail".



"We undertake the mandate of promoting, facilitating and enabling sustainable human development of all, especially the poor and the marginalized by fighting poverty, diseases, enhancing quality education, ensuring livelihood, food security and addressing emergencies".

BSSS Operational Area

Balasore Social Service Society is the social service wing of the Catholic Diocese of Balasore. Between 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020, it has touched the lives of 47,250 people in these four district.



Target Group



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Message

from the President



Balasore Social Service Society has achieved another milestone in the year 2019 - 2020 in reaching out to the needy, peasants, women, youth and children especially from the backward villages of 4 districts of Mayurbhanj, Keonjhar, Bhadrak and Balasore to long for endless immensity of livelihood in their villages in the midst of their traditional and well acquainted agricultural activities.

I am glad to present this annual report of BSSS 2019- 2020 and invoke God's blessings on all those that were part of BSSS to make it effective and successful in reaching its goals.

BSSS, the social wing of the Catholic Diocese of Balasore, stands up for all the vulnerable, irrespective of caste, creed and religion especially the poor, marginalized, needy and neglected. The savour tasted by the people around and outcome of the service rendered speaks volumes of the team work of BSSS among the hundreds of tribal villages through CBO's in the area of livelihood, agriculture and education. This intervention has ensured food security for all and qualitative education to the children. The tireless effort put in by the BSSS members is praiseworthy. BSSS in the domain of Disaster management in the cyclone and flood prone area has won laurels from the district administration. With the special focus on protection of rights of children and women awareness programs are conducted. The special campaign to alleviate hunger, the "sharing to care" by mobilizing the local contribution and feeding 20-30 people daily on the street is indeed a great achievement in reaching out to the most needy. Networking with the government and collaboration with likeminded people for the cause of the most vulnerable has gained appreciation from various sectors.

I appreciate the team of BSSS for marching forward focusing on the thematic areas and reaching its goals through systematic and creative planning. I am grateful to all our partners, funding agencies, government officials and well-wishers who have been part of the journey of BSSS and look forward to the same collaboration in the coming years towards achieving a transformed society where love, peace and justice prevail.

Wishing you all the best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Fr. Isaac Puthenangady".

Fr. Isaac Puthenangady
Administrator of the Diocese of Balasore

Message

from the Director

In ensuring development to the most vulnerable through sustainable agriculture and quality education Balasore Social Service Society set yet another landmark as it completes one more year. It's a moment of pride to be part of the 27 years of untiring journey of service to the humanity. At this juncture BSSS has many success stories and achievements to share. May God be glorified for all that is accomplished! I express my gratitude to all the people who travelled along with us in terms of sharing resources, networking, providing various ways of handholding support and reaching out with care and concern at different point of time and at various forms.

BSSS continues to serve thousands of most vulnerable in the remote areas of districts of Balasore, Mayurbhanj, Bhadrak and Keonjhar. BSSS was ray of hope to 9450 families in 251 villages with multiple developmental and educational activities in the year 2019-2020. Each year, new programs and opportunities to serve others are introduced that are collaborative and creative. Most of BSSS ventures are centred on the lives of marginal farmers within the organization's functional boundaries, imparting them knowledge on improved agricultural practices, resilient models, integrated farming and linking them with different Govt. departments and their programs. In every program and activities, the welfare of women and children are primarily considered. Each of these interventions was also marked by participation and initiatives of community based organizations to ensure the sustainability of the programs through community participation and initiatives. At present, there are 112 Farmers' Clubs, 240 SHGs, and 43 Education Committees, who are part of the program both in planning as well as implementation. Today they are the strength of BSSS and it is they who keep the flame burning at grass root level towards its sustainability. Education to the underprivileged tribal students in the villages took a special momentum when the centres



were strengthened with the introduction of Children's Club and Children's Parliament. The future of more than 650 tribal children who are deprived of basic facilities to develop and be mainstreamed are now being catered by a vibrant team of BSSS staff and 43 young teachers in different parts of our operational areas.

BSSS, cherishes the meaningful and effective collaboration with District administration, specifically the Emergency Department and NABARD, Balasore; KrishiVygyan Kendra (KVK) and Agricultural department, Mayurbhanj and Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Bhadrak.

We are indebted to the esteemed funding agencies whose love for humanity made it possible for BSSS to intervene effectively in the lives of thousands and thousands who can stand on their feet today with dignity and self-worth. I am sure as we embark on the new year of service the vibrant team of BSSS under the efficient leadership of its Governing body will continue to be a powerful catalyst of change to the neediest and a voice for the voiceless.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Lijo'.

Fr. Lijo George
BSSS

Message

from the Assistant Director



Dear friends,

I am indeed delighted to pen down my experience of working with BSSS, in serving the people and the society. Balasore Social Service Society is one of the leading NGOs in the district of Balasore that has spread its roots to three other districts namely Bhadrak, Keonjhar and Mayurbhanj in Northern Odisha. Food security, sustainable livelihood, quality education and dignified life are some of the key concerns of BSSS in its journey to build a just society.

BSSS strives to transform the society at the grassroots

by breaking down the divisions of gender, caste, tribe and social position. Every opportunity for cooperation with district authorities and other governmental departments for the economic and social development of the people are implemented and linked the people directly with the line departments.

During past years of its service and existence BSSS has constantly worked for diminution of inequalities in the remote areas of different project areas in four districts. BSSS primarily undertook activities to raise the income source of the people, to increase the capacity building of the farmers, to have proper knowledge on agriculture and other income generation activities. BSSS has developed different ideas, methods and process to increase the living standard of the people it served.

BSSS with the support of donor agencies and Government line departments on agriculture and education has formed many community based organizations like farmer's club, SHG groups, youth groups and farmer's federation to enhance their status economically and socially as a group and as individuals. Apart from those activities, it has formed 35 BuCs (Bridge up Centre) and education centres to educate dropouts, low performing and poor students in the area of operation.

I gratefully congratulate BSSS staff and thank all the donor agencies and govt. line department for their incredible support and help in different time, context and occasion to our organisation.

Fr. Eric Soreng
BSSS

A Catalyst of Transformation



BSSS, in its drive for human development of the poor and the marginalized, implemented the major projects like Sustainable Transformation of Tribals through Empowerment, Education and Economic Reforms (STEER), Social Welfare through Agriculture & Allied Development (SWAAD), Sustainable & Participatory Rural Empowerment through Agri-based livelihood Development (SPREAD), Build Resilient Communities in the Floodplains of Brahmaputra and Mahanadi Delta- Assam and Odisha (MAHANADI), Development of Real Empowerment through Agricultural Mission (DREAM), Mainstreaming the low performing tribal students through Bridge up Centre (BuC), Village Disaster Management Plan (VDMP), Micro Entrepreneurship Developed Program (MEDP) and Grass root level Training Program (GRLTP).

The sole aim of these major projects is to reduce poverty, food insecurity, enhance livelihood for a dignified living and integrate joyful learning for the tribal children who are weak in studies. It was made possible with the support of national and international organisations whose humanitarian aid enable us to serve better. BSSS focused on community centred development hence created and strengthened SHGs to strengthen the capacity of communities to have a voice in decisions, planning and design effective methods of agriculture and livelihood to alleviate unemployment and malnutrition. BSSS trained the communities to develop forms of

food production that are economically viable, ecologically sound, socially just and supportive of rural culture. In total 112 FCs and 151 SHG's and two Farmers Producer Company (FPC) were created and capacitated in 3 districts Balasore, Bhadrak and Mayurbhanj.

BSSS in the path of Sustainable Agriculture

Livelihood is the Key

BSSS considers growing food through better ways is need of the hour, for it is interlinked with the rural livelihoods. Therefore a holistic view in supporting rural livelihoods considering the full range of livelihood options that can support people are carefully studied and people are trained to optimise the use of available resources and contribute to social and economic sustainability.

Productivity Enhancement

BSSS emphasised the traditional way of farming with a creative outlook thus to appeal to the farmers. The fertility of the soil, proper way of treating the crop and systematic harvesting were deliberated with the farmer's club and SHG's a variety of input sessions. Suitable and quality seeds were made available in due season with the intervention of the BSSS.

An analysis of baseline survey at the end of the crop period marked the impact of the improved methods used in agriculture. Every farmer who was part of the program reaped a rich harvest. Out of 2993 farmers who gained knowledge through varieties of training, 673 were supported with good quality paddy seeds suitable to their area, either high yielding or stress tolerant, covering more than 678 acres. Thousands of farmers continued to cultivate with their own seeds from the earlier years of BSSS intervention. They all are happy now, with a better harvest.



Strengthening of the local institutions for sustainability

BSSS ignites the spark of opportunities and possibilities through the local institutions motivating them with locally-determined agricultural experimentation to reach out to the large sections of the people in the village. These local institutions were persuaded with different capacity building training, income generation and marketing, leadership and management along with training for accurate bookkeeping, for the effective functioning of the groups.

Farmers' Club (FC): BSSS facilitated the formation of a Farmers' club in each village in each village, where the farmers come together to decide the matters concerning their livelihood and sustainability. The small-scale farmers learn low-cost resource conservation techniques to preserve biodiversity, regenerate soil fertility, manage water and increase their production while reducing dependence on externally purchased inputs. They were introduced with varieties of agricultural options towards a sustainable farming leading towards a better income. Their group effort attracts younger generations towards farming. They mobilise local funds for their sustainability. Farmers sharing their experimentation with simple techniques and success stories have attracted many people to participate in the sustainable livelihood and farming.

Women Self Help Group (SHG): BSSS with an aim to empower women and improve their livelihood encouraged them to form groups in every village and



"BSSS taught us to be positive, grounded, focused and productive. The seed that sown has reached its maturity. Today we are a registered body of FPC under the Company Act. We owe it all to BSSS"
Akshya Ku. Dhir, Secretary, Marang Buru Farmers Producer Company, Mayurbhanj.



Strengthening of the local institutions for sustainability

revived the existing dormant groups. The SHG groups are engaged in Pickle making, phenyl making, incense stick making, mushroom cultivation, floriculture, chicks rearing, pig and goat rearing. The group cultivation of cash crops, pulses and paddy in the common leased land has provided self sufficiency and economical freedom.

Farmers Producer Company: Over the years the active Farmers' Clubs at the village level have outgrown to be the federation at the Panchayat level and then later they were legally registered under the company act as Farmers Producer Company. The two federations of Gramya Unnayan Krushak Mahasangha- Keutunimari and Anchalik Gosthi Unnayan Mahasangha-Betna have risen to the status of Registered company and this enables the FPO to receive grants and loan facilities from NABARD and other financial institutions to implement their business plan. They have been registered as Marang Buru Farmers Producer Company Limited (MBFPC Ltd)-Keutunimari and Anchalik Gosthi Unnayan Farmers Producer Company Limited (AGUFPC Ltd) -Betna. The following Activities have been proposed to be implemented under business plan (i) to provide quality paddy seeds by doing seed village program (ii) to supply potatoes and onions in the local area by procuring the same from West Bengal (iii) collect vegetables from different individual cultivators and supply it to the vendors and (iv) procure raw materials for SHGs and take the responsibility of marketing their products.





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[Pursuant to sub-section (2) of section 7 and sub-section (1) of section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) and rule 18 of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014]

I hereby certify that ANCHALIK GOSTHI UNNAYAN FARMERS PRODUCER COMPANY LIMITED is incorporated on this Twentieth day of April Two thousand twenty under the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) and that the company is limited by shares.

The Corporate Identity Number of the company is U01100OR2020PTC032928.

The Permanent Account Number (PAN) of the company is AATCA4417F *

The Tax Deduction and Collection Account Number (TAN) of the company is BBNA04335C *

Given under my hand at Manesar this Twentieth day of April Two thousand twenty.



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Seed support for start-ups



BSSS ensured timely assistance with the quality high yielding seeds to the farmers as it is the most important and vital input for agricultural production. In fact, it is the most cost efficient means of increasing agricultural production and productivity. Quality of seed accounts for better productivity. Accordingly varieties of quality seeds of paddy, pulses, cash crops and vegetables were made available to the farmers in due season of kharif and rabi. 661 Farmers from 80 villages were given paddy support, cash crop support was given to 750 farmers in 31 villages, backyard garden support was given to 1,172 farmers in 93 villages, pulses support was given to 500 farmers of 52 villages.



Integrated Farming Models

BSSS grabs every opportunity for innovative ideas and models suitable for the enhancement of livelihood security of the target people thus produce more food, improve the quality of the farmland and earn more money. Integrated farming system (IFS), which is the combination of variety of livelihood options - crop-livestock-aquaculture provided sustainability to 40 to 50 % of the beneficiaries who were unaware and ignorant that the land could be used for other crops than paddy. It raised the economic status of the people and the people were engaged throughout the year thus reduced unemployment and deviant behaviour.



Vegetables

Chicks



Fish

Integrated Farming Model



"Today I am a respectful man living with dignity, BSSS taught me integrated farming system and my land produces in hundred fold. I own a house, a vehicle and prosperity has visited my house. I acknowledge the contribution made by BSSS"
Gopal Naik, farmer, Chokulia.

Marshal Krushak Farmer's Club

Shiban Soren, a farmer from the Marshal Krushak Sangha, Biripal, District of Mayurbhanj, is tongue tied seeing the outcome of his efforts and the way BSSS made difference in his life. He owned an acre of land which produced 7 quintals of paddy per year and he was unable to feed his own family. Little did he know that his land is capable of producing more until he joined the Farmers club which was initiated by BSSS, where regular input sessions, orientation on Package of Practices (POP) - seed treatment, seedbed preparation, timely plantation of the seedlings, line transplantation, roughing, putting T stand, proper use of manure and pesticides and quality paddy seed support - high yielding and drought tolerance like Sahabhagi dhan, DRR-42, DRR-44 and Rani dhan at the right time turned his grief into joy as he produced four folds more paddy. This paddy was enough for consumption of the family for the whole year and he sold out 15 quintals of surplus paddy and the money he obtained is used to educate his kids and renovate his house.



Shiban Soren at his paddy field

His joy knew no bounds and he acclaimed “BSSS brought joy to my family, there is a treasure hidden in my land which I had not discovered, all thanks to BSSS.

Case Story

We stand with the people and ensure security

Rajesh Murmu (40) lives with his wife Malati (38), daughter Mamata (13), son Shubhankar (10) and daughter Madhusmita (6) at Hatibari village of Saragchhida GP of Kuliana Block of Mayurbhanj districts of Odisha.

He has 1.38 acres of upland area in which he used to grow ASHU paddy crops during the rainy season. ASHU is a local variety of paddy sown in uplands. If rain favors the farmer gets yield otherwise not. Five years back Rajesh had sown ASHU in his land but could not grow a single amount of production as the rain did not support him.

Since that day Rajesh being disappointed stopped cultivation and his land remained barren for 4 years.

Since BSSS has been implementing SWAAD project focusing on livelihood enrichment a new type of stress tolerant paddy was initiated for upland areas. Rajesh was not interested to adopt

the cultivation. After regular interaction he took a risk to cultivate SAHABHAGI, (drought tolerant variety with 105 days duration) in his one acre of land. He attended the training on improved agriculture practices and followed all the instructions. From time to time guidance was provided by BSSS field staffs.

At last the harvesting time came. Crop cutting was done and the result was attractive. Rajesh got 10.50 quintals paddy from his one acre of land. Where he used to get 3-4 quintals of paddy from his field

He says he is fortunate to solve the food insecurity of his family and he will not go to buy rice from the daily market.

He has moved from food insecurity to food security, thanks to God and to BSSS for providing such an opportunity to be self-dependent in food.

Rajesh Murmu before harvesting his paddy



Organic farming need of the hour



Vermin



Bio-Composting



Azola



Nadep

BSSS, to make the land fertile, increase the soil productivity by recycling the waste generated from different crops, to reduce Chemical fertilizers and enhance their income, introduced Organic Farming. It was disseminated through trainings on how to make bio fertilizer like Nadep, Azolla and vermin compost by recycling of waste, encouraging them to use bio fertilizer than the chemicals in their fields, soil health management, production and supply of quality indigenous seeds, maintenance of bio-diversity in crop systems, post-harvest management of organic produces and market development. Farmers learnt that healthier soil along with an eco-friendly approach will reduce input costs of farming.

1,832 farmers produced bio fertilizers of 9128 quintals and reduced the use of chemical fertilizers by 35%.

“BSSS, helped us with ecological based farming. What I was fascinated is the Vermi composting. I learnt to care for the nature and increased the yield of quality crop in my land.”
Ramjit Murmu, Saragchhida



Linking farmers to the technology: Agro Advisory and Machinery Hub

BSSS in its endeavours to enhance productivity and retain youth in the agriculture created opportunities for farmers through input trainings on various techniques that are apt for the agriculture and the marketing. KVK which transfers information to the farmers is directly in contact with the farmers and the farmers get regular updates on their mobiles on crops, seeds, fertilizer consumption, bio-culture, agri-subsidy, seed procurement, agri-budget, Agriculture forms, animal husbandry forms, and seed certification forms. There are 267 farmers who are linked and get agro advisory at different intervals.

BSSS, along with providing inputs on sustainable practises and new techniques extends support of machinery to the farmers clubs and FPOs and felicitates supply of machinery from KVK too. Machinery hubs increase the productivity by making available the needed machinery to the farmers, at right time. 25 farmers'

machinery Hubs are being managed by their respective farmers' clubs and FPOs which contains Single row seed driller, Five - row seed Driller, Paddler, MB Plough, Pump set (Small), Manual Weeder, Sprayer, water pump set, Paddy Thresher, Delivery pipes, Drum Seeder and power tillers, which are supported by BSSS as well as KVK.



Hard work and perseverance brings success

Kishun Murmu a farmer hails from the village Baskitala, of Mayurbhanj district and his family completely dependent on the cultivation for their livelihood and sustenance. Four acres of land with two crops in a year, Kishun was unable to meet the expenses of entire family. BSSS in its commitment to reduce hunger, poverty and other human deprivations introduced Improved Agriculture Practices (IAP) in the village to enhance the productivity of the land thus ensure nutrition to the family.

Kishun Murmu was convinced of the IAP, joined the Farmers Club (FC), regularly attended the orientation program on POP and adapted the process. He received the quality seed support as the member of the FC, regular updates and living experiences of the other members of the FC felicitated by BSSS. The land which was producing 10-12 quintals of paddy per acre produced 17 quintals of paddy. His interest and hard work qualified him to be the beneficiary of IFS. The dynamic approach of converging the schemes of various crops, fisheries, livestock and horticulture gave a new direction to his livelihood. Through FC he established a strong rapport with Government line departments and received different benefits from the departments. He reaped a harvest in a hundred fold.

Today he is a proud farmer of the village, owns a weeder, a pump set and a power tiller and a power tiller; an example of hard work and commitment.



Kishun Murmu at his farm

Increase and diversification of income through different Cash Crops & Pulses

BSSS, played a vital role in introducing the cash crops and pulses in addition to the traditional paddy cultivation and converted acres of barren and fallow land which became a significant source of income and employment, among the smallholder farmers, who are unorganised, illiterate and whose livelihood depends on the agriculture. Input sessions were conducted to sensitize farmers who lack access to agricultural inputs and finance, and do not have enough knowledge on good agricultural and business practices, on the vitality of cash crops which would raise their living





standards. SGHs, Farmers clubs and individual farmers took up the cash crop cultivation like ginger, turmeric and arum. Barren and fallow land of many farmers was cultivated across the district. Cash crop seeds were provided to the 750 farmers in 31 villages in the district of Mayurbhanj and the net profit was Rs. 168,750.00 for ginger, Rs. 144,105.00 for turmeric, Rs. 64,626.00 for arum.

Cultivation of different Pulses

BSSS when learnt that the farmers left their land uncultivated and ignorant of the package of practises in Rabi season went ahead to introduce Cereals and pulses. Farmers were trained on the cultivation of pulses and seed support was given for Black Gram, Green Gram, Groundnut, Maize, Green Peas (Mottar), Bengal Gram, Lentils, Mustard, Wheat and vegetables. For the first time more than 500 farmers from Mayurbhanj District cultivated the pulses and reaped a rich harvest which supported them with nutritious food for consumption as well as to sell in the market.



Innovative Income Generation Programmes (IGP)

Type of IGP in different project	No. of SHGs/ FCs	Net profit (Rs)
Mango Pickle	3	2,760
Mushroom Pickle	5	25,500
Tomato Pickle	2	2,100
Ambada (hog plum)Pickle	2	2,482
Tamarind Pickle	1	200
Mushroom cultivation	31	90,725
Phenyl making	2	164,540
Chicks rearing	10	259,005
Incense sticks	11	116,280
Goats rearing	13	505,200
Pigs rearing	50	71,500
Turmeric	20	9,690
Fish	26	40,000
	176	1,289,982

SHGs and FCs were trained for different Income Generating Activities (IGA) like Phenyl making, Incense stick making, pickle making, pisciculture, chicks rearing, procuring Turmeric powder and packing, goat and pigs rearing. These are the other activities taken up collectively and individually which had huge profit and improved the economical situation of the people.



Combat malnutrition through the kitchen garden

BSSS, an initiative for one kitchen garden for every household for nutrition of the family and economic freedom of the woman drew the attention of SHG groups. The required seed support was provided for all interested. Grey water was reused by directing it to the kitchen garden and solving the issue of scarcity of water for the cultivation. Availability of vegetables around the year reduced malnutrition and other diseases. It also became a source of income to the women folk thus giving them a sense of security. Kitchen garden seed support was provided for 1347 farmers in 74 villages, which produced a net profit amounting to Rs. 3,20,000.00 after the family consumption.

Today many SHGs and FCs are taking vegetable cultivation in a group mode in due season which adds to their income enhancement.



Environment Friendly Approach - Crop Rotation & Inter Crop

BSSS comprehended that growing the same crop year after year on the same land produced a minimal return and that it was possible to increase productivity dramatically through farming a series of crops over a number of seasons. Farmers were conscientized how crop rotations in conjunction with green manures and cover crops, improved soil organic matter, tilth and fertility. The rationale behind crop rotation is when the same crop is grown at the same place for several years the soil is depleted of certain nutrients.

Multiple cropping systems such as companion planting or intercropping offer more complexity and diversity within the same rotation or season. It helped in Improvement in Pest and Disease Control.



Animal husbandry

BSSS encouraged rearing of cattle, goats, pigs and chicks by the rural poor household in order to earn income out of the same, through trainings and input supports. Livestock support was given to the SGHs, FCs and individuals to rear the animal. It was an added income to the families. BSSS facilitated nine periodical Government vaccination camps in different villages and made aware of the diseases and the care that they need to take. The Farmers clubs took the lead role in organising the vaccination camps in the villages. The continues training and vaccination helped the community to take care efficiently their livestock reducing the mortality and earning a good income for their family.



Improved Agricultural Practices



Soil Testing



Summer ploughing



Seed treatment



Seed bed preparation



Seedling bed



Land preparation



Seedling treatment



Line transplanting



Integrated Nutrient Management (INM) & Integrated Pest Management (IPM)



Weed management



Crop cutting

Education

Including the excluded and ensuring the education of all

Poverty has infringed the right to education of many children in rural India. Through the interventions of BSSS hundreds of children were brought back to school. The forgotten childhood of many was returned to them by returning to them the joy of learning. A ray of hope was lit in the hundreds of children otherwise who had taken to working in the fields.

Enlightenment of the parents



BSSS perceived that parents hold the key to the education of their children. Right to Education Act, which ensures universal education as enshrined in the Constitution of India, Importance of education and its benefits were discussed in detail. The people in 43 villages recognizing the vital role of education for the development of their village came forward to initiate learning centres in collaboration with BSSS, with all the support required and made it a point to send their children without fail.

Committee to lead forward

BSSS targets continuity and sustainability in all its programs for the people in the villages. Education Committee (EC) in each village was constituted who would monitor functions of these centres. Committee consists of village leader, ward member, instructor, SMC members, Anganwadi worker, and parents (both women and men). These members monitor the day to day functioning of the center regarding the admission, timings, place, payments and sustainability of the centers. Review meetings are conducted on a regular basis with the parents.



Training of the trainer



BSSS, recruited the local trainers with the help of the PRI, keeping in mind the goal of the BuC. 43 trainers were selected and an orientation program was organized to introduce them the purpose of the BuC and their role as the educators in the village. Frequent trainings were imparted to them, who didn't have any teaching experience, to capacitate them with good qualities of a teacher. Detailed schedule and syllabus were explained to them keeping in mind type of students enrolled. This opportunity gave them a sense of responsibility towards their village and a means of occupation.

Joyful teaching & learning added tool in the hand of instructor

BSSS discovered that students came to the centers when the learning was a joyful experience. To make the learning joyful, trainings were organized for the teachers. Child friendly process of teaching and discovering the talents of the students were introduced. The sole aim of this input session was to impart quality education to children in the scheduled area, to lessen the dropouts from the school and stop child labor.



- 35 out of 785 students have secured the position in their studies in different schools
- 60 % of the students in the centers have improved their performance in the class as well as in the extracurricular activities
- 85% children of the centers are becoming active and jovial which is a sign of their mental and psychological health



Well-equipped Centres

BSSS, to promote integral growth of the Students created Education Resource centers, (ERCs) or Bridge up Centers BuCs at the cluster level to support best learning process. Varieties of teaching learning materials (TLMs), like geographical Maps of Odisha and India, Pictorials (Human body parts, Numerical, Alphabets, Animals, Birds, Vehicles, Mathematics Chart, freedom fighters' chart etc.), Locally made TLM (Vegetables, animals, shapes etc. using clay), Storybooks, ward books, essay books and quiz books, and Blackboard with chalk. There are 43 such centres in the district of Mayurbhanj imparting qualitative education to 785 students.



Enrolments drive for non-school going dropout children

Home to home survey was conducted to encourage the parents to enroll their dropout children. Through the constant awareness programme and capacity building, the CBOs like education committee, FC and SHG members were given the responsibility to tackle with the drop out children in their villages. 3 dropout children have re-joined the school, 57 irregular children have regularized their school attendance.



"BSSS reached us as a ray of hope and bright future, our children secure good marks in academics and they want to study further. The study center is boon for our village and the number of dropouts have reduced. We Salute the efforts of BSSS" Tungu Hansda, Teacher Saraswati Shikhya Kendra, (ERC) Dulkisahi



Talent search

BSSS, was successful to enrol weaker students in ERC's & BuC's in all its centres. These centres soon became vibrant and epicentre for

learning cultural and social activities. Every week competitions and cultural programs were organized on different topics which boosted their hidden talents. This motivated the students to attend the classes regularly and the standard of their learning was raised.

Childers's Clubs way forward to unity and leadership

BSSS encouraged the formation of children's groups to inculcate a sense of unity and responsibility. Children's Clubs organised regular meetings to motivate and encourage each other, besides discussions and debates on current topics kept them updated. Leadership and life coping skills were encouraged. The young minds were alerted towards their right to education, Right to Survival, Right to protection, Right to participation and Right to development.



Children's Parliament (CP)



BSSS, in the pursuit of creating leaders for the society initiated CP, which was a step forward in creating sense of responsibility in the minds of children towards the society. In-depth capacities of children like analytical ability, decision-making capacity, and process of solving problems were tapped. The CPs have identified certain issues of their concern like lack of road connectivity to schools, poverty, malnutrition, child labour, irregular attendance in the class and dropouts. There are 7 children's parliaments with 125 ministers selected by the children themselves.

Children's Fair and interface meetings



The Children's fair cum interface meeting with officials was conducted at Khuntapal of Rasagovindapur. It was a step towards inter learning and sharing between the children of different centres. They were also given a chance to get to know different officials of the line department and the officials would come to know about the children and their performance in the village.

During the fair children also had opportunities to showcase their abilities and talents. In the fair there were 8 different stalls where they displayed their creative ideas in relation with (i) road safety (ii) no plastic please (iii) go green (iv) daily routine of children

(v) environment sanitation (vi) use of toilet (vii) alcohol and its impact in life and (viii) Malaria. There were 332 children who participated in the fair and they went through the different stalls and gathered new knowledge on the above subjects. Besides that there was a cultural program displayed by the children before the audience. The guests from government offices like Asst. Block Education Officer, personnel from child helpline, PRI members and school teachers also encouraged the children for their participation and performances.

Strengthening the SMC of village schools



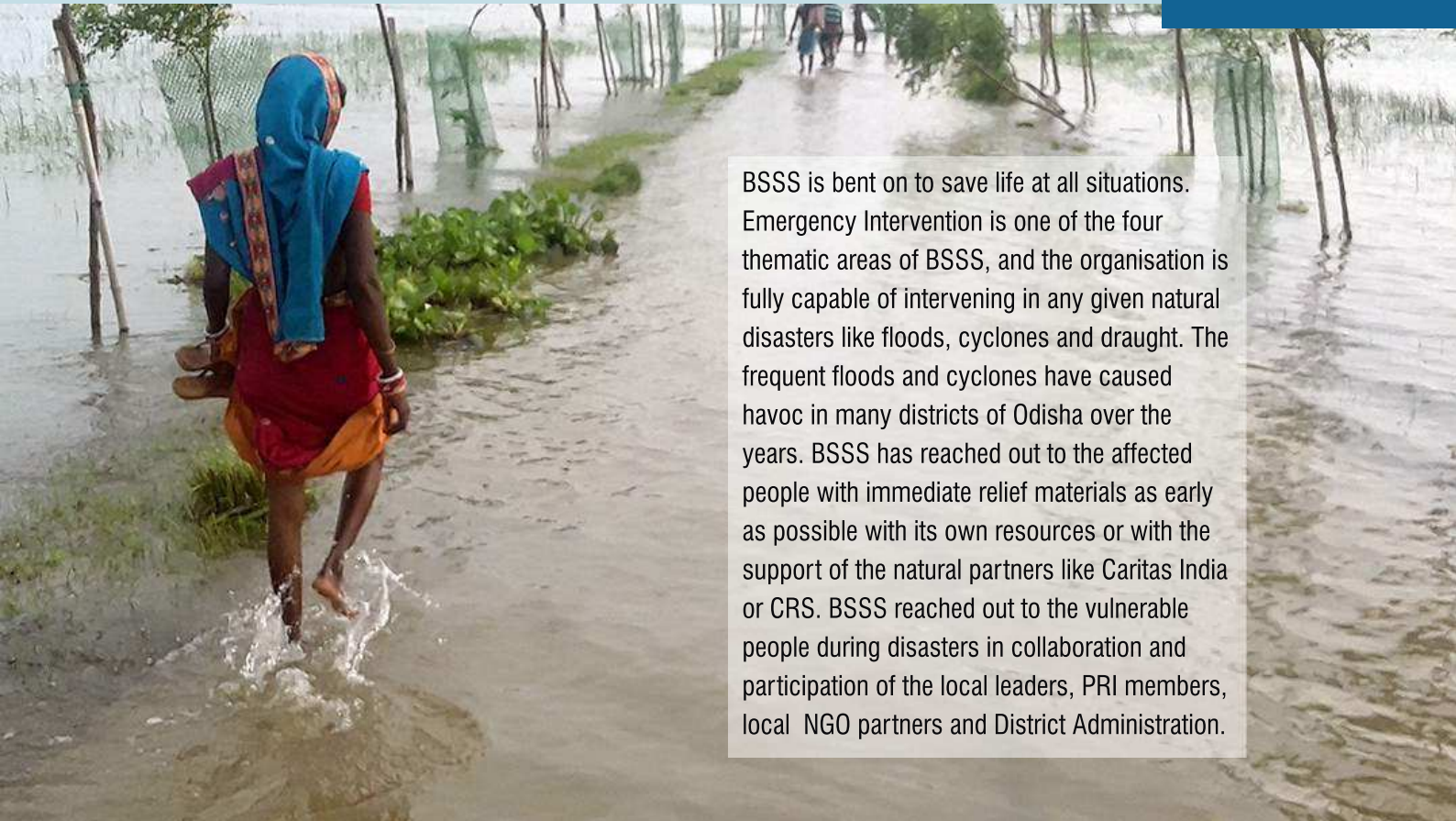
BSSS, is ever vigilant and proactive in its approach. It takes all the institutions of the village together for the holistic growth of the village. The school managing committee has a vital role in the proper functioning of the Village schools. BSSS expanded its work to different schools especially with SMC members of 13 schools in Rasgobindpur block. BSSS team tried to encourage and strengthen the participation of the SMC towards the growth of the school, maintenance of the building and campus and quality education. This intervention awakened the members towards their role for the smooth and systematic running of the school. The SMCs were empowered to avail necessary and rightful benefits from the concerned authority.



Khandikhal U.P. School
ceiling and the boundary
wall raised with the
constant intervention of
SMC assisted by BSSS

Disaster Management

We are the Champions



BSSS is bent on to save life at all situations. Emergency Intervention is one of the four thematic areas of BSSS, and the organisation is fully capable of intervening in any given natural disasters like floods, cyclones and draught. The frequent floods and cyclones have caused havoc in many districts of Odisha over the years. BSSS has reached out to the affected people with immediate relief materials as early as possible with its own resources or with the support of the natural partners like Caritas India or CRS. BSSS reached out to the vulnerable people during disasters in collaboration and participation of the local leaders, PRI members, local NGO partners and District Administration.



FANI Intervention

Cyclonic storm 'FANI' adversely affected the normal life in the district of Khurdha, Puri and some parts of Balasore and Bhadrak too in the month of May 2019. BSSS had its planning and preparation at organisation level to tackle the situation at its best.

Accordingly BSSS staff and the volunteers were divided into different groups for early warning, rapid assessment, verification, procurement, logistic, relief distribution, monitoring, documentation etc.

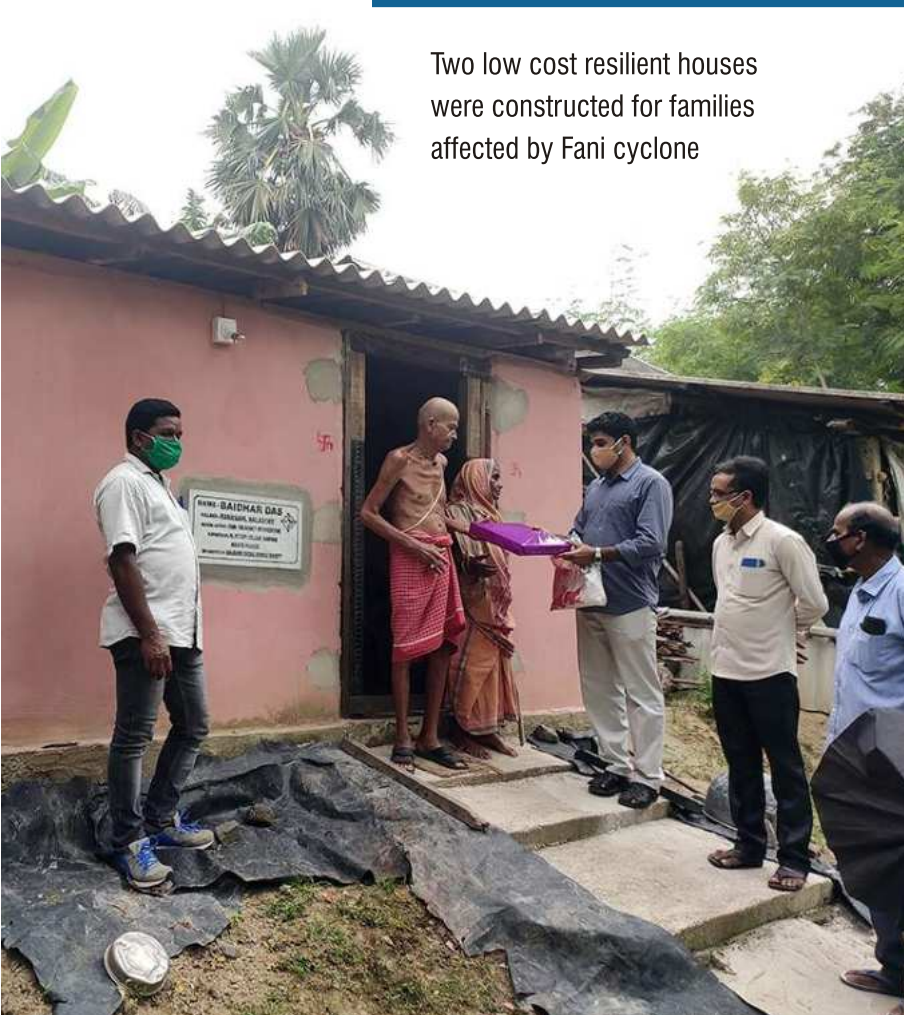
Early warning was given to the most vulnerable communities in Balasore and Bhadrak by BSSS team prior to the cyclone to prepare them to meet the emergency situation. Soon after the landfall of the Cyclone, teams set out to different areas to take the stock of the situation for the rapid assessment .

Many families in Ransahi Panchayat of Balasore were helped with immediate relief material like tarpaulin, rope, buckets, soaps, aqua tab and mats. BSSS constructed two low cost resilient houses, one for an aged lone widow, struggling for sustenance, and another one for an aged couple who lost their house during the cyclone FANI.

BSSS extended its support to Catholic Charities and Caritas India in Bhubaneswar and Puri, who ran out of stock by procuring food and non-food materials from Balasore and transporting them to Bhubaneswar. BSSS was lauded for its contribution by the state administration and was honoured for its noble gesture.



Two low cost resilient houses were constructed for families affected by Fani cyclone



Pre-positioning materials at BSSS

BSSS with the support of CRS, prepositioned the Non Food Items (NFI) like tarpaulin, rope, buckets, soaps, aqua tabs at the warehouse in Balasore to meet any emergency situations across India. This venture is supported by CRS and at their request BSSS dispenses the items to other organisations or anyone as per the need.

Pre-positioning Non Food items supported by CRS

Sl.	Items	Quantity
1	20 liter bucket with lid	3,960 pcs
2	2 meter sanitary cloth	3,638 mtrs
3	1 meter cotton cloth for baby diapers	1,533 mtrs
4	1 meter filter cloth	2,080 mtrs
5	Plastic mats	10 pcs
6	Aqua tabs	54,800 tabs
7	Washing soaps	15,900 pcs
8	Bathing soaps	12,264 pcs



Village Disaster Management Plan



BSSS, known for its role in disaster management, OSDMA appointed BSSS as the partner for implementation of Village Disaster Management Plan (VDMP) through Village Disaster Management Committee (VDMC) in 100 villages of Baliapal block in the district of Balasore. Villagers were briefed about the necessity of VDMP as it is beneficial to tap human and material resources in the aftermath of a disaster; as it lists down a details of the villages along with a disaster mitigation plan at various levels. The contact details of important administrative officials ensuring quick communication with the administrative officials also included in the plan. Various roles and responsibilities of the

concerned officials and teams in the wake of a disaster were explained. Developing a village disaster management plan in every unit in the village can play a vital role in mitigating the risks or recognize hidden opportunities, can make various facets of disaster preparedness, response and enhance capacity to meet the emergencies. To minimize the impact of a disaster and reduce the loss of life and property a plan is drawn in each village, documented it and the full fledged plan in the form of a book is submitted to the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) for the future reference.



Mock drill



Village Disaster Management Plan

Village Disaster Management Committee (VDMC) & Task Force (TF)

BSSS, with a resolve to empower the communities towards effectively managing the disaster, facilitated to create committees and task forces in each of the operational villages. A list of activities which a village can follow is derived through the constant discussions and input sessions to prevent loss of life, livelihoods and property, in case a disaster strikes. Every committee was furnished with a planning book on disaster management and a Task Force which includes nine groups with 5 members each, of whom two are women. The nine groups are Early Warning and Dissemination, Search and Rescue, First Aid and Primary Health Care, Shelter Management, Water and Sanitation, Relief Distribution and Coordination, Loss and Damage Assessment, Psychosocial Counselling and Carcass Disposal.



BSSS facilitated 95 VDMPs through 95 VDMCs in Baliapal block in the districts of Balasore by March 2020, and all are linked with the government institutions.

Weather based Agro-Advisories

BSSS in collaboration with Caritas India organised an input session by Mr. Kailash Pandey, eminent meteorology scientist from Gorakhpur Environment Action Groups (GEAG). Emphasis was given on weather and climate, EL-NINO, climate adaptive agriculture practices and weather based agro-advisories and its process for farmers. Formation of farmers' group for agro-advisories were created in 11 target villages of Bhadrak and they are linked with KVK with a request for agriculture practices and need of advisories for weather based management of crops. Farmers from the operation villages of Mayurbhanj districts too, are linked to KVK and receive timely messages of weather based agro advisories in the local language Odia which are explained to others by the farmers clubs and displayed in public. The farmers regularly receive advisory information from the KVK, Bhadrak and OUAT, Bhubaneswar.



Agriculture Contingency Plan

BSSS, to manage various weather aberrations such as floods and cyclones on agriculture including horticulture, livestock, poultry, fisheries deliberated contingency plans with the people for preparedness and real time implementation towards sustainable agriculture production system. This plan includes information on resource endowments such as rainfall, soil types, land use, irrigation sources, more dominant crops and cropping systems along with their sowing windows; livestock, poultry and fisheries information; production and productivity statistics; major contingencies faced by the people and digital soil and rainfall maps. These contingency plans contain information on alternate crop varieties/ crops to be chosen, strategies for contingency situations in livestock, poultry and fisheries have also been included. These plans are prepared under the guidance of IRRI and KVK.

Flood resilient models

BSSS, having learnt that the flood is recurrent phenomena in the district of Bhadrak and continuous high rainfall in a short span leading to water logging and heavy rainfall with high speed winds in a short span due to cyclonic storms cause huge losses to the farmers, introduced flood resilient models for cultivation. In all the 11 target villages at least 70% to 80% farmers are cultivating flood resilient crops like SS-1 and Kalachampa the locally accepted resilient variety. Besides that the villages linked with District Authorities, DDMA, NABARD and KVK to receive knowledge in resilient cultivation and timely livelihood support.



Resilient backyard vegetable models

BSSS innovatively introduced growing vegetables on bamboo shelf raised above to produce vegetables, mainly for their consumption in the areas where there is constant menace by the frequent rising of sea water in Monsoon. Using grow bags for vegetable cultivation was one of the successfully types succeeded since it can be shifted during the flood or high tide to higher places. The frequent force of sea water washes away crops and houses leaving people in constant fear. Families which would have gone hungry and experienced malnutrition were encouraged to adapt the resilient way of cultivating vegetables thus provide for their sustenance.



Strengthening women participation in all spheres



Women play a pivotal role in the family and society and form 50% of the population of the world. Most often their contribution in the building of the human community is ignored. In the rural area women play a vibrant role both in caring for the domestic affairs and the economic welfare. BSSS, with a vision to promote gender justice in all its programs emphasized the involvement of women at all levels. BSSS, convinced that an empowered woman can have a tremendous impact in the family and society, encouraged women and prioritised their involvement in livelihood programs. Economic independence and their rights to live a dignified life was ensured by availing them the alternative means of livelihood.

Appealing measures for women leadership at grass root



BSSS organised input sessions on leadership and requisite skills and strengthened existing Women groups in the villages and encouraged them for their economic independence. Women as individuals and groups took up sustainable agriculture practices and gained economic independence. Women have gained self- confidence with the regular intervention of the BSSS, and have begun cash crop cultivation and every house owns a kitchen garden which sustains the family.

"We dared to take a leap in the darkness as BSSS was there at the back and call to guide us and this has proven a blessing for us. Today we can stand by our own; we are women power in our village. We are indebted to BSSS."

MAA Mangala SHG Khuntapal

Case Story

Women on the path of success

Bir Mali is a Women SHG group in the village of Rangamatia under Bangiriposi block of project SPREAD, with 10 women members who had formed the group with an intention to earn their livelihood. But the said SHG remained dormant for whatever reasons, gained life with the intervention of BSSS. The Participatory Learning Appraisal (PLA) at the onset helped to conscientise the people within the communities to analyse their own situation and understand the causes and effects of their underdevelopment. The SHG members were briefed and imparted capacity building training on leadership, books and account keeping as well as trade specific training for income generation. The group was introduced to different skills of earning their livelihood like pickle making, rearing the chicks and mushroom cultivation. The SHG was interlinked with KVK and was supported with the chicks and goat. The earning of money through the sale gave them the taste of financial independence. BSSS trained the SHG for mushroom cultivation during the winter season. The SHG began with 20 beds and harvested 30 kg of mushroom, they increased the number of beds to 40 in the second round and 50 in the next. The increase in the profit gave them a high and were ready for the challenge. Utilizing the profit received and the help of the BSSS the SHG built a bigger structure to accommodate more beds. The structure of size 40'x20' which accommodated 80 beds was completed. The production was quite encouraging and they harvested the 1st round of mushroom. The total income received from mushroom cultivation was Rs. 25,625.00 from 170 beds (205 kgs). The expense against the gross income was Rs. 5,100.00 (Rs. 3400.00 for mushroom seeds and Rs. 1700.00 for paddy straw). So the net profit was Rs. 20,525.00.

The cyclone Amphan destroyed the structure along with the mushroom beds, yet they are determined to rebuild the structure again and to continue the venture. They are quite sure that the cultivation will bring them income without fail.



Valuing women and their capacities

BSSS impelled the women as individuals and groups for saving their income. They were oriented time and again for collection of savings at regular intervals, deposit the same in the bank, repayment of bank loans, updating of books and accounts, carry out different income generation activities both individually and in group. They are involved in income generation activities like dairy farming, detergent powder making, cultivation of marigold, operating rice huller, phenyl making, fish cultivation, leaf plate making, sabai grass ropes, pickle making, chicks rearing, grocery shop, snacks making and paddy cultivation.



“BSSS raised our financial position, we have food for our stomach and cash in our hands. Seed support to cultivate ginger made the difference. Thanks to BSSS and Caritas France”.
Maa Jashoda SHG, Bholbeda



Tailoring Centers



BSSS came to the aid of the tribal young girls and the married women who do not have access to higher education, skill development and employment due to social inhibitions, by opening two tailoring centers in the villages of Khuntapal and Sarat of Mayurbhanj District. This opportunity in the village was appreciated and many girls and women joined the training. A center was chosen, tailoring machines were installed and a trainer was provided. These centers trained 45 young women and young girls in tailoring who now are self employed and fetch daily income for their personal needs, paying the school fees for their children and other errands. This opportunity has raised the confidence of the young girls and given a meaning to their life.



**Enhancing citizens' participation in governance,
advance equitable economic development,
reduces poverty and fights corruption**



Empowerment through providing opportunity

BSSS empowered the farmers, women and men in their quest for accessing various government resources by sensitizing them and organizing inter-face programs inviting departmental personnel to them, which not only enhanced their knowledge but made them avail resources for their livelihoods from KVK, NABARD, agriculture department, irrigation division, horticulture and exposures.

Linkages with Govt. Line Departments

BSSS understands the fact that sustainability of all our programs can be well assured only when the communities or the groups whom we work with are well connected with the government line departments. BSSS as a facilitator is committed to make a good rapport between the individuals, communities, Community Based organisations and the government departments. BSSS maintains working relationship with all the government departments with regard to livelihood and agriculture in the districts of Mayurbhanj and Bhadrak, while it is closely collaborating with Balasore district administration especially the District Emergency cell, Balasore, as the district is highly prone to the natural calamities.

Today, with the interventions of BSSS, members of farmer's clubs and SHGs, approach different Govt. departments with confidence to claim their rights and facilities under different schemes introduced by the government.



District Level NGO Coordination Committee (DLNCC)

District Level NGO Coordination Committee (DLNCC), in the District of Balasore is being constituted every year with Collector and District Emergency Officer as Chairman and convener respectfully in the month of January to intervene in emergency situation. Balasore Social Service Society was chosen as the NGO to be a member of DLNCC and it commits its full collaboration with district administration especially in emergencies.



BSSS staff and lead farmers with KVK Scientist



Green Gram crop cutting - Agricultural dept.



DDM NBARD, Balasore with SHG members at Ransahi GP

Major support received from KVK & Agricultural Department, Mayurbhanj

Sl.	Department	Type of support received	Quantity received	No. of beneficiary	Economic benefit in value/Rs.	Training support received
1	KVK	Mushroom Groundnuts Tomato seedling Chicks Pig	160 bottles 300 kgs 3,400 pcs 935 pcs 6	95 28 25 160 20	57,500 132,300 24,000 121,600 54,000	613
2	AAO	Matar Mustard seed Green gram Groundnut Moong dal Pesticide Paddy	250 kgs 150 kgs 496 kgs 280 kgs 2 qntls 80 pkts 440 kgs	64 60 100 28 40 100 22	76,250 76,200 60,826 16,800 28,000 8,000 15,400	

Right to Protection: Girls Rights are Human Rights

BSSS, knowing well that Human trafficking or modern day slavery is widespread in tribal areas and it infringes fundamental human rights of the person. 24 Adolescent Girl Groups (AGG) were created in their respective villages to combat human trafficking. With growing poverty, human trafficking has become rampant and trafficked for commercial sexual exploitation, slavery, for organs, forced marriages, labour and adoption. BSSS had extended this drive to high schools, created awareness and formed School Vigilance Committee (SVC) to contain human trafficking and child marriage. This has led to girl children claiming their rightful places and dignified position in the family.



**Salge's untold dream
fulfilled with awards**

Salge Kisku a girl from small village of Keutunimari loved school, which was unusual as it goes against the normal trend that existed in the village. She was rescued from child marriage with the intervention of BSSS against wishes of her parents. BSSS as guardian shouldered the responsibility of educating the girl as the parents declined to bear the expenses. BSSS got her admission to St. Mary's School, K.C.Pur, for class VIII and in the hostel of the school. The principal of the school is proud to have her in the school as she outshines both in academics and behavior. She received several accolades from various sectors for her courage and determination to swim against the currents. The district administration - District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) of Mayurbhanj has assured to duly recognize her braveness. Many girls in her village and around are inspired by her to say no to child marriage.

Awareness through Caravan



BSSS actively participated in the launch of caravan by the District Administration to raise awareness among the people on Child Marriage, Child labour and human trafficking. Child Development Project Officer (CDPO) flanked by SHG members, ASHA workers, AWW workers and ANMs took an active part in organising the program. The Caravan program covered 17 GPs and 235 Villages sensitizing people against the above social issues where Salge (rescued by BSSS) has been example for others. The district administration recognized her bravery for walking out of her marriage and BSSS enrolled her back to the school and all her expenses are taken care of.



Special Days & Programmes

BSSS Day- Blood Donation Camp

Balasore Social Service Society celebrates its Annual Day on the feast of its patron saint Mother Teresa of Kolkata, following her selfless service to the poorest of the poor, on 5th of December, every year. It was decided to mark the day in a meaningful and creative way instead of making it yet another day for celebration with cultural programs. The theme of the celebration in 2018 “My Environment My Home” inspired by the Encyclical of Pope Francis ‘Laudato Si’ and BSSS family set out with plantation drive to the schools and campaigned against the use of plastic. The theme “Give life, Nurture the nature” was selected to commemorate the day in the present year and various programs were meticulously planned. Blood donation camp in collaboration with the District Blood bank, on 5th September was a big success. Mr. K. Sudarshan Chakraborty, IAS, District Collector cum Magistrate, Balasore inaugurated the event and was witnessed by the governing body of BSSS, staff, and the well-wishers. Teachers from the nearby schools joined the blood donation camp and came forward to donate the blood symbolically to emphasise that their life is poured out to nurture life, on a day that is dedicated to them in India. Friends, well-wishers, beneficiaries of BSSS and people from all walks of life, walked into the campus of BSSS to donate blood. 111 units of blood was collected by the Odisha Blood Bank, Balasore. A list of the donors with their blood group is maintained in the office for future reference.

All the blood donors were presented with a memento of mango saplings giving out the message that we are caretakers of this earth too and we have an added responsibility to nurture the nature with love and respect. The Odisha Blood Bank, handed over the certificate of appreciation at the end of the event.



International Women's Day

Women play a vital role in the society, yet society fails to give them rightful place. International Women's Day is an opportunity to conscientize the society of her rights and recognise her. In line with the UN theme for the international women's day this year "I am generation equality: Realizing Women's Rights" BSSS commemorated the day in different operational areas. The women of SHGs and communities were part of the celebrations. They were appreciated for their contribution to the society and exhorted to empower men in their family to respect women. The women acknowledged the contribution of BSSS in making them confident and independent earning women.



Children's Day

India celebrates children's day on 14th November, to mark the birth anniversary of Shri Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India. BSSS in all its Bridge up Centres and Children's Club celebrated the day with various events for the children. Parents of the children were given an input on the rights of children. Parents expressed their gratitude for the opportunity given to their children to learn and were contented to see their children performing in different activities



Special Days & Programs



"Light up the Flame" joining hands with Manos Unidas on the Campaign against Hunger



Chandipur Beach cleaning under the guidance of District Collector in collaboration with a number of Schools



Christmas Celebration



**Interns from Assam
Don Bosco university**



**"Light up the Flame"
Campaign against Hunger**



August 15th - Independence Day

Special Days & Programs

Appreciation & Awards



Appreciation from the Odisha State Disaster Management Authority through District Disaster Management Authority, Balasore



Appreciation Award from Odisha Blood Bank, Balasore



Seminar on Key Strategic Pillars of Caritas India by OROSA



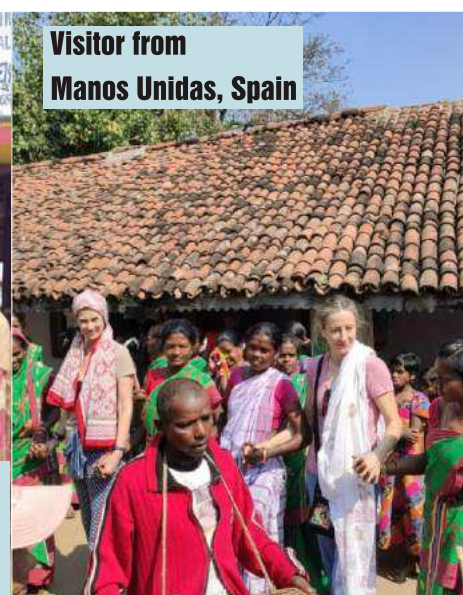
Appreciation of the farmers by Minister Sudahm Marandi



Training on Child Rights organised by Orosa



Caritas India, Caritas Germany & BSSS team at District Emergency Office, Balasore



Visitor from Manos Unidas, Spain

Special Days & Programs



BSSS Annual Picnic



Interns from CRS



Lenten Campaign 2020 - Sustain Life, Sustainable Livelihood



Ray of hope to the Stark Housing community



The 47 families living in the housing complex built and maintained by Diocese of Balasore, in collaboration with BSSS, at Stark Colony slum in Balasore, were introduced to development and awareness programs. Fr. Jose Thundiyl has been the backbone of this project from its initiation. The inhabitants of this colony numbering to 170 are mostly tribals and are a migrant community. A baseline survey was conducted to gather information regarding their economical, educational, social, and health status. Three issues identified were (i) repairing of houses (ii) cleanliness of the complex surrounding and (iii) education of children. Accordingly repairing of 15 houses is in progress, regular cleaning is made mandatory under the supervision of the management committee of the slum, and continued intervention of the diocese is sought by the management committee to keep away the evil practices from the colony.

Mother's group took up the responsibility of educating the children of the colony by regularizing tuition classes in the colony. They will also take stringent action against the people who create social disturbance due to heavy drinking. The mothers' group will be upgraded into a SHG and will be linked to government in order to benefit from the government Schemes. Children were oriented to form clubs; regular programs are conducted and monitored by the coordinators from BSSS.

Hostel Support

BSSS caters to the educational needs of the tribal children in 3 hostels namely Marshal Dahar Girls Hostel, K.C. Pur Boys hostel and Vikas Sadan Hostel in the two districts of Mayurbhanj and Balasore of Odisha.

People Led Development Process



Farmer led Approach which began in 2005 with four NGO partners in Odisha, had later extended to the states of Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh. It was then termed as People Led Development Process and is supported by Misereor.

BSSS has been a part of the PLDP along with other NGOs in India and is adopting the concept of working with the people and for the people. All the development program of BSSS have a sustainable livelihood approach and have a long term effect. They are wellplanned, inclusive and equitable. The programs are carried out with the support of the community members for their benefit.

All the interventions of the BSSS promote the active participation of the people concerned. Community-based organizations are formed or strengthened at the onset of any project in the area to unite people for their cause and to have a say in the development work planned for the community. Regular monthly meetings with the concerned CBO's are conducted to plan and implement the programs. Every program of BSSS is focused to reduce poverty, malnutrition, and to create a sustainable livelihood. The POP explained in the agriculture section, IFS, IGP, kitchen garden formation of FC's and SHG's are to achieve social and economical benefits of the people. Many of the farmers who had no employment and left their land uncultivated were motivated to cultivate the land in Kharif season which employed the farmers and earned extra income for the education of their children and a dignified living. BSSS always

motivated an eco-friendly approach in all its measures for development. The farmers and BSSS staff gain significant knowledge on the sustainability of the good traditional living style and practices through attending different program of exchange of ideas and melas conducted in clustel level and state level.

Sharing To Care - A Campaign Against Hunger

It is estimated that 740 million people are starving in the world today. There are about 7.2 billion people in the world, so the hungry population accounts for 12.7% of the population.

70% of the starving population are women and children. In India alone there are about 195.9 million undernourished people. Majority of them remaining in slums, wandering in the streets or living by the railway stations. Hunger can be just as bad as AIDS or malaria but yet is solvable. It is possible to feed every person in the world if there are more networks of people who are sensitive toward the sufferings of our fellow beings.

BSSS, in the footsteps of Caritas India's Strategic Goals & Action Volunteering & Sharing Communities, through "SHARING TO CARE"



BSSS came to understand that there is a real need for intervention to eradicate hunger in its operational areas as the management and staff came across many cases of rag pickers and roadside beggars while working.

The heart moving encounters of little ones starving in the streets eagerly digging into the garbage piles to satisfy their hunger in the city of Balasore compelled BSSS to think a way out to reach out to them at least once in a day with a proper meal.

Thus as a result of collective feeling and unanimous efforts of BSSS family members a campaign

against Hunger came into being under the tagline of “sharing to care” on 21st December 2019. This campaign is strategized under the Key Strategic Pillars of Voluntarism & Sharing communities of Caritas India, a valued partner to BSSS initiatives. As a result what initially began as a humanitarian gesture of BSSS family rippled out and became a network of likeminded volunteers from the local communities and out. Today the campaign caters to the most

vulnerable in our city and around as our volunteers set out to the street with food that is self-cooked, like puri and potato smash or Meals ensuring that there is no compromise on hygiene and nutrition. They also take care that their generous reach out with a packet of onetime meal does not end without few words of loving concern and love. And most testimonials from our volunteers suggest that there is no better reward and satisfaction for the little time spared than witnessing the bright smiles on the cheeks of our brethren at the reception of the food.

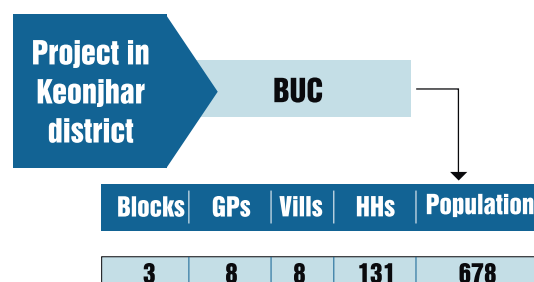
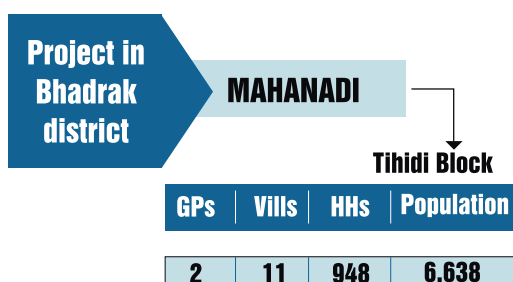
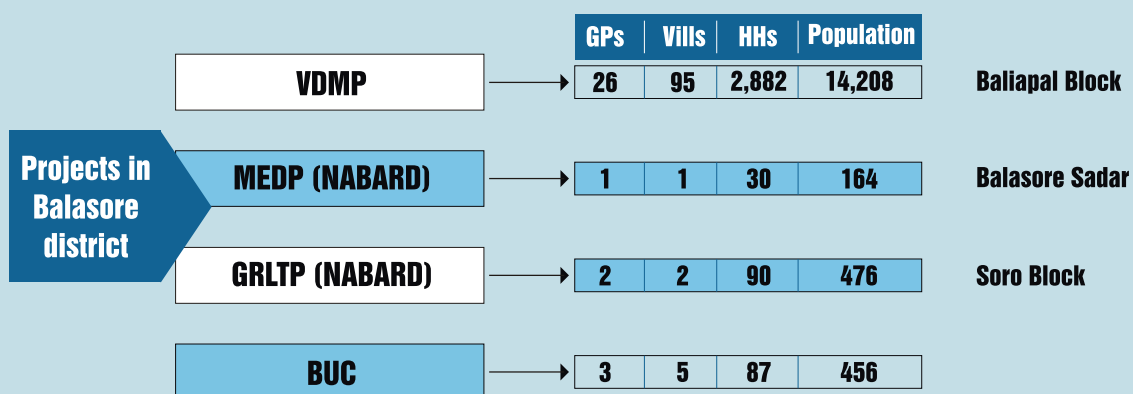
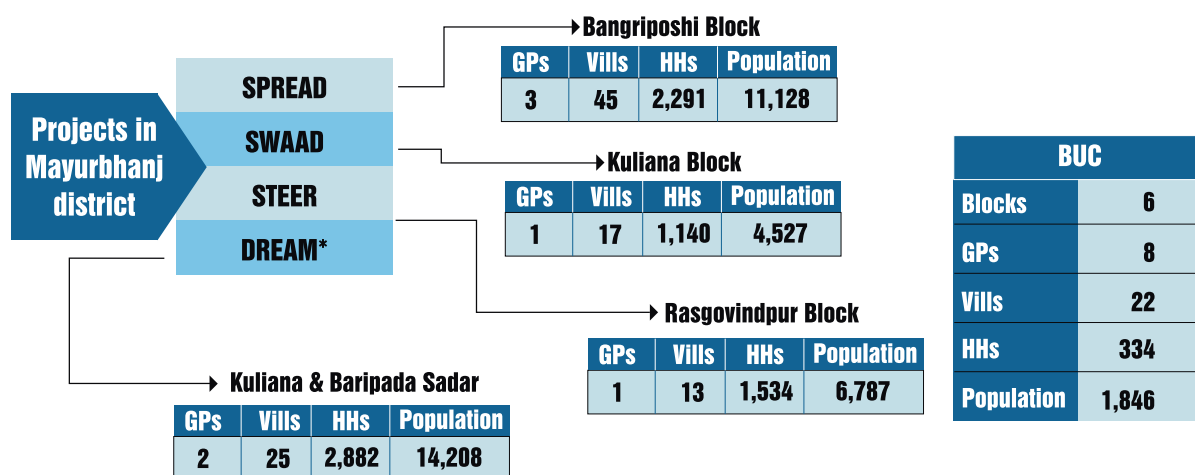


Today BSSS feeds 20 to 30 Street dwellers every day with the support of the people willing to share their meals with some one who is hungry. We look forward to you, joining in this venture to reach out more and more, so that they too have a meal in a day.

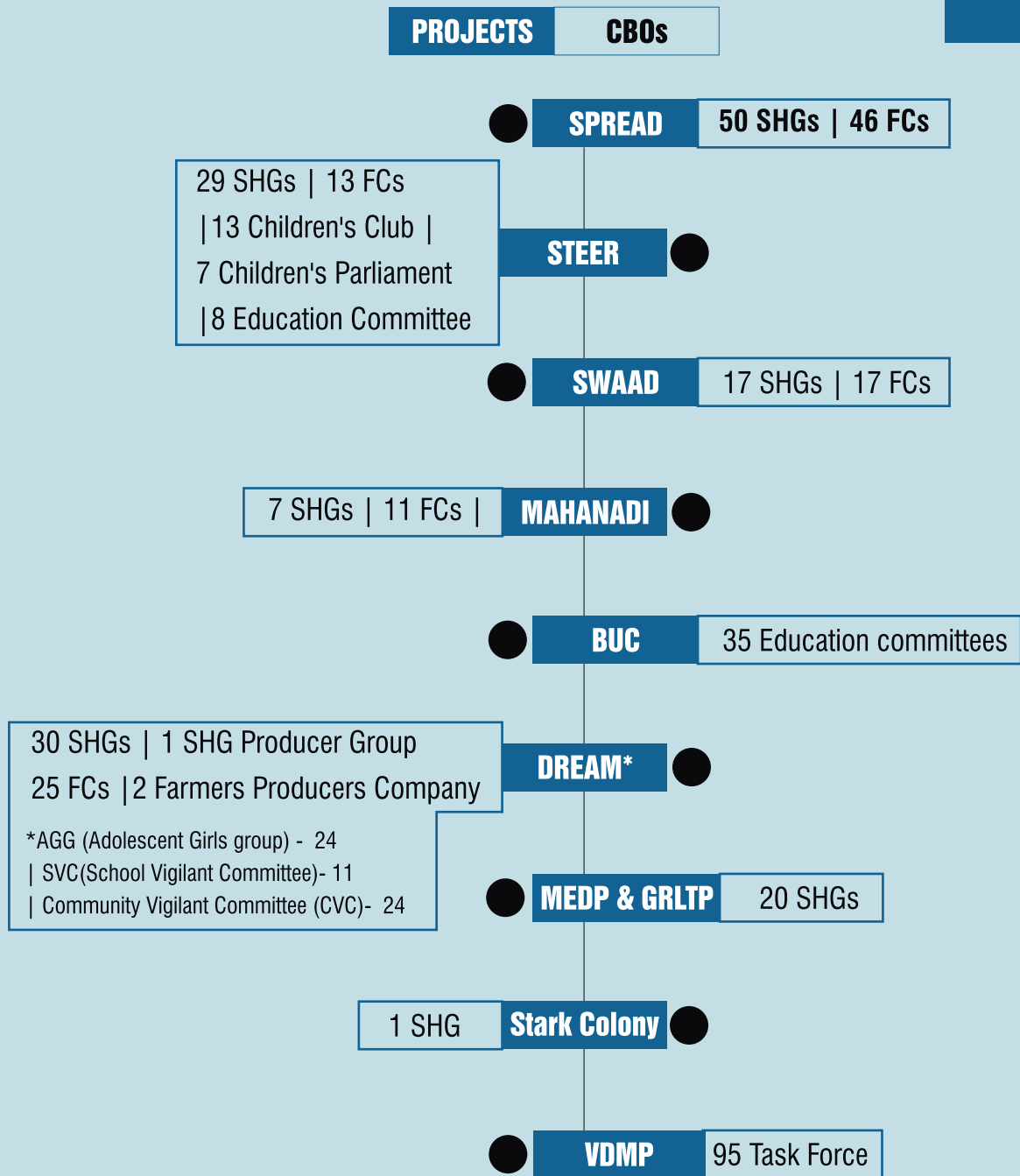


BSSS at a Glance

Detail status of District/GP/village/HHs of each project



Projects and CBOs



Self Help Groups (SHG) - 154
Farmers' Club (FC) - 112
Farmers' Producers Company - 2
Education Committee - 43
Task Force - 95

Accounts

BALASORE SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY

AT- V.N. Marg, Po./ Dist:- Balasore, Odisha, India.

Name of the Accounts :- Consolidated A/C (Local & Foreign)

Receipts & Payments Account for the period from 01.04.2019 to 31.03.2020
relating to the F.Y. 2019 - 2020

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	PAYMENTS	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
To Opening Balance					
Cash in Hand	49,723.15	49,723.15	By Expenses for Projects (Foreign A/C)		
Cash at Banks			" Social Development Exp.	1326743.06	
Vijaya Bank A/C No.4228	63,71,282.75		" Educational Development exp.	1358864.50	
Vijaya Bank A/C No.9896	3,24,264.23	66,95,546.98	" Economic Development Exp.	12779918.50	
			" Bank charges/Salary/Admn	98639.82	
			" Fixed Deposit Exp.	1000000.00	1,65,64,165.88
To Voluntary contributions(Foreign A/c)			By Other Expenses		
"Assoc Namaskar, France	525352.50		By Office Level Admn. Exp	137812.00	
" Secours Catholique, Caritas France	3063438.00		By Office Conveyance(Travel/Mobility/Transport)	47508.00	
" Manos Unidas, Spain	3871382.00		By Training & Seminar Expenses	15708.00	
" FDNF Switzerland	2861887.50		By Audit Fees	13200.00	
" Catholic Relief Services	25041.44		By Bank Charges	646.80	
" Caritas India	988960.00		By Blood Donation Camp Exp.	6420.00	
" Stichting Wilde Ganzen, The Netherlands	1448227.26		By Boarding & Lodging Exp(CI Guest)	39413.00	
" Church of the Holy Family, USA	1131554.00				
" IRRI, Singapore	1031473.00		By Capacity Building of Women Farmers(CIWA-IRRI)	68500.00	
" SWAD, Puri, Odisha	36300.00	14983615.70	By Donation Missionaries of Charities	20000.00	
To Local Contribution from the Projects	873427		By Food Exp.(CI Guest)	3150.00	
		873427.00	By Project Report Writing Cost	3000.00	
			By Shelter Construction Exp(fani Support)	123602.00	
To Received Under 80 G Donations	1093663.00	10,93,663.00	By Training Programme for Youth India Campus Crusade	98186.00	
To Recieved as Local Donations/Grants/Funds			By BSSS Annual Report Preparation Cost	24000.00	
* From Well Wisher/Institutions/Donors	703974.00		By BSSS Project Development Cost	22500.00	
* Caritas India, Delhi	78378.00		By GRLTP Training programme Exp. (Nabard Support)	14550.00	
* District Medical Officer, Balasore(Blood Bank)	6420.00		By MEDP Training programme Exp. (Nabard Support)	20350.00	
* India Campus Crusade for Jesus, Cuttack	98186.00		By Staff Salary Exp.	170500.00	
			By Village Disaster Management Programme(BPL)	120740.00	

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* IRRI DoA Project Kharif 2017-18	807990.00		By Loan Refunded to Roman Catholic Diocese of Balasore	650000.00	
* NABARD, Bhubaneswar	19200.00		By Sharing to Care Campaign (Food, Fuel & Mobile Recharge Exp)	18155.00	16,17,940.80
* Refund of Finnovation project Amount-IFA Pvt Ltd	880000.00				
* Room Maintenance Charges	4997.64				
* VDMP Project - Balasore Collector Office	60000.00	2659145.64			
By Income Tax Refund	20740.00	20740.00			
By Other Income	6140.00	6,140.00			
By Local Donation for Sharing to Care Campaign	23000.00	23,000.00			
To Bank Interest			By Closing Balance		
" A/C No.9896	34157.00		Cash in hand	59802.59	
"A/C No.4228	272625.00	3,06,782.00	Cash at Banks		
			Vijaya BankA/Cno.4228	5931564.13	
			Vijaya BankA/Cno.9896	2538310.07	85,29,676.79
TOTAL		2,67,11,783.47	TOTAL		2,67,11,783.47

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the books and accounts of BSSS, Balasore, maintained and are in agreement there with.

We have obtained all the information's and explanations which were necessary for the purpose of our audit. In our opinion proper books of accounts have been kept by the administrative office of the aforesaid organization and visited by us so far appears from an examination of accounts and proper adequate documents for the purpose of our Audit.

In our opinion and the information's given to us, the said accounts give a true and fair view:-
in case of Receipts and Payments account till 31.03.2020

Unit No. 403, 4th Floor, Shantiniketan Building
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Dated : 30.11.2020

(Signature)

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BSSS Family - Our Staff

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| 1. Chakradhar Rout | 13. Silu Saha |
| 2. Dinesh Kumar Giri | 14. Binita Singh |
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| 6. Sangram Murmu | 18. Jayasmita Das |
| 7. Anirudha Patra | 19. Suprava Das |
| 8. Sambid Kumar Giri | 20. Madhu Chhandita Nayak |
| 9. Binsen Joseph | 21. Pranati Patra |
| 10. Surendra Singh | 22. 35 Animators |
| 11. Chandrasekhar Panda | 23. 43 Education instructors |
| 12. Lulu Soren | 24. 120 volunteers |

Appeal For Support

BSSS is a non- profitable organization that continues to render its services with passion in society through financial support of individual donors, national & international organizations that shares a common mission of working for the marginalized. Without their support we would have not been able to transform the lives of thousands of people and enable them with the decent living conditions.

To remain committed & keep continued its services to community; BSSS seeks the help of people like you. You too can bring smile to the little faces of the vulnerable children, empower the women, reduce the food insecurity in the region and above all prepare the community for natural calamities. We assure you your little actions, in whatever form will be taken note of and appreciated. BSSS promises to account your smallest of the donations and utilize it positively for the improvement of the lives of the poor.

You can send your donations infavour of "Balasore Social Service Society" through cheque or demand draft at this address:

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Vivekananda Marg, Balasore 756001,
Phone: + + 91 - 6782 296540
Email: talk2bsss@gmail.com
Web address: [www.bsssodisha .org](http://www.bsssodisha.org)

All your donations would be exempted from Income Tax under 80G.

Our Donors



Heartfelt gratitude to all our well wishers who donated generously for a meaningful intervention in the four districts of Odisha during the year 2019 to 2020



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