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Towards equality

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Child Rights: AID organization is working for the educational cause of downtrodden communities. The major activities of AID includes identifying disadvantaged children and extending help to them in the form of providing educational materials, follow-up and form child committees and organize meetings, strive to create awareness among the people about child rights through these meetings and instill self-respect among the children and helping them to get a dignified life by availing the constitutionally available benefits meant for them. (involved in preventing child marriages, child labour, juvenile justice act, bonded labour).



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During the year 2015-16, the organization has helped four children to get admission in prestigious educational institutions in Davangere, under the Right to Education Act. Efforts are made to follow-up the status of all these children post admission in these schools and based on the information collected by the school about the learning capabilities of these children, the organization is striving to encourage the parents of these children to support their wards in getting quality education. Efforts are also made to provide necessary information and support to the parents to get income certificate and caste certificates.

The organization has been successful in helping two children to get Rs. 1,000 allowance every month under the needy children scheme, sponsored by the Women and Child Development Department of Government of Karnataka.

A one-day workshop on prevention of child rights was organized for the benefit of private school managers, private school heads and government school headmasters, on dt: 13/03/2015, in association with the Child Protection Commission, Government of Karnataka, at the Navachetana School in Jagluru.



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Rights of exploited people: We are regularly in contact with the government and advocating with the government, to provide residential sites and houses for the dalits who are living in slums and gradually progressing towards achieving this endeavor. Efforts are made to contact the officials concerned and elected representatives and discuss with them with respect to this and also letter writing campaign to the government has also been held. The 'Nagara Vanchitara Vedike' and slum residents organizations had organized a workshop in which leaders from the Neelamma Thota, Avaregere Dalit Colony, Yaragunta Dalit Colony and Basapura Dalit Colony, Davangere, community leaders participated.

On dt: 25/08/2015, an awareness programme was held on Untouchability Prevention Act, at the Taluk Panchayat auditorium in Jagalur taluk. More than 500 dalit youth, students, dalit youth conveners and officials from across the taluk participated in this workshop. AID organization Secretary Babanna D S provided information about special unit scheme. MLA H.P. Rajesh, Tahasildar Sri Ravi, Taluk Social Welfare Officer Parameshwarappa and others participated in this workshop.



Along with the community, discussions have been held with the government, regarding reservation and allocation of funds in various local body budgets in urban areas. Letters have been written in this regard to the Chief Minister, Urban Development Minister and Social Welfare Minister. Request has been made to reserve funds in the State budget, as per the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes population according to 2011 census and changes are being noticed in this regard.

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Children Gram sabha was held at Vadaganal village in Koppal taluk, with assessment of the status of children as major agenda. Majority of the families here migrate to other cities like Goa, Hyderabad and Bengaluru in search of jobs and even children follow them and thus get deprived of education and go to jobs. Many children are presently working as child labourers and when their parents migrate to other places in search of jobs, they become helpless without protection. Thus the children are losing their childhood, without getting protection and care.



Community ,children meetings at Vadaganal Koppal District-Karnataka state, India.

Clothes and notebooks were provided to two children named Geetha and Prajwal of Dalit colony in Nituvalli village, with monetary help from the Global Giving Organization. These children are basically from very poor families and we are regularly following-up the educational progress of these children and also we are providing necessary suggestions to their parents.

With support from the same organization, nutritious food packets were distributed to children who are suffering from malnutrition in Harihar taluk of Davangere district and

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one child who was suffering from tuberculosis in one of the slum in Davangere city. Through counseling this boy was taught yoga and convinced the mother to provide him nutritious food. Presently this boy has recovered and going to school. The family has been provided help in availing Rs.1000/- every month for nutrition, from the Women and Child Development Department and a programme sponsored by the Child Welfare Committee.

The Global Giving organization is a worldwide organization which has stood by AID and we extend our heartfelt thanks. Likewise, AID also requests more help from Global Giving organization in the future.

AID organization is basically working for the upliftment of disadvantaged children, especially girl children and women. It is striving to provide them education and striving for social awareness in the region. Counseling is provided to prevent child marriages and efforts are made to create awareness among the people. Likewise efforts are also made to help the children to get free educational material with support from philanthropists and involving in other similar activities.

During the year 2015-16 study has been undertaken to know the status of pourakarmikas who are engaged in the local body and to know the status of the education of their children. Advocacy is made with the government to provide them facilities and educational material to the children and conduct child rights awareness workshops regularly. Other major activities of the organization include registering of cases of exploitation against dalits and revise the Prevention of exploitation of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes and demand for suitable amendment.



