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LEGAL RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND RPWD ACT 2016

Under the Constitution of India and RPWD Act 2016, persons with disability have been guaranteed the fundamental rights. The Constitution secures to the citizens, including persons with disability, the rights of justice, liberty of thought, and expression, belief, faith and worship, equality of status and of opportunity. Realizing the need, JVS organized four training programs on Legal Rights of Persons with Disabilities for 18 organizations working in the field of disability in the states of Assam, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan. Through these trainings, 63 participants were capacitated on disability rights and the various other provisions and entitlements under the Act. The participants felt confident to carry on their work for the rights of persons with disabilities in their respective working areas as the result of these trainings.



TRAINING ON NEWLY ADDED 14 DISABILITIES (IDENTIFICATION AND INTERVENTION)

The Government of India has added 14 more disabilities to the list of disabilities and amended the PWD Act 1995 to the RPWDs Act 2016. JVS organized three training programs on the RPWD Act 2016 for 14 organizations from the states of Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan, working in the field of disability. The focus of the training was highlighting the need and the context of new disabilities and how to identify those disabilities. The trainings enhanced the knowledge of 38 participants on the causes and symptoms as well as timely management of the newly added disabilities.



TRAINING ON EARLY IDENTIFICATION & THERAPEUTIC MANAGEMENT OF DISABILITIES

JVS organized three capacity building programs on Early Identification and Therapeutic Management of Disabilities for 60 community based rehabilitation (CBR) workers from 25 organizations working in the field of disability in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Assam. The trainings exclusively focused on early identification and therapeutic management of common disabilities, such as, cerebral palsy, spina bifida, hydrocephalus, down syndrome, muscular dystrophy, etc. The participants were also introduced to various types of disabilities, and the basic exercise and therapy for the management of these physical conditions.



WORKSHOP ON EARLY INTERVENTION OF CHILDREN WITH HIGH SUPPORT NEEDS

Early Intervention Services are effective ways to address the needs of children with developmental delays or disabilities. Any deviation from the normal development of a child should be dealt with at the earliest as it may lead to a developmental delay or disability. To enhance the knowledge and skills of CBR facilitators for quality intervention at community level, JVS organized three training programs for 13 organizations working in the disability sector in the states of Rajasthan, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh. The training programs enhanced the knowledge and skills of 37 participants on early intervention of children with high support needs.



WHEELCHAIR MODIFICATION CUM MOBILITY TRAININGS

An appropriate wheelchair benefits the physical health and quality of life of a person with a locomotor disability by helping reduce common problems, such as, pressure sores, progression of deformities, improve respiration, etc. JVS organized a three-day hands-on workshop on Modification of Wheelchairs for 12 GO workers of five organizations working on disability in Uttar Pradesh. The workshop enabled the participants to understand the WHO guidelines for wheelchair service and safety norms and enhanced their skills for modifying wheelchairs as per the need of users. Participants also learnt about the techniques to manage pressure sore as well as the importance of pressure relief cushion for the spinal cord injured persons.



CAPACITY BUILDING TRAINING ON DPO & INCLUSIVE CHILDREN'S PARLIAMENT

Enhancement of the knowledge and skills of organizations working for rehabilitation and inclusive development of persons with disabilities at the grassroots level is one of the major thrust of JVS. JVS organized two capacity building programs on Advocacy for Disability Rights through DPOs and Formation and Strengthening of Inclusive Children's Parliament to improve the organizations' performance and enhance its ability to function effectively within a rapidly changing environment in the field of disability. Ninety-five staff of 21 organizations working in Bihar, Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh participated and benefitted from these trainings.



LIVELIHOOD EXPOSURE TO MARGDARSHAK SEVA SANSTHAN

Sometimes it is a life-time experience to see and learn from another's experience, especially for rural women engaged in small scale income generation activities. 'Seeing is believing'. This came true in the case of a group of 45 women leaders who travelled from Varanasi to Margdarshak Seva Sansthan in Ambikapur, Chhattisgarh. The visiting leaders learnt about mushroom cultivation along with its packaging and marketing. The leaders also participated in CBO meetings and witnessed their high level of leadership and self-confidence. After returning 12 women from the group have started their preparation for mushroom cultivation in Pindra development block of Varanasi district.



JVS STAFF CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT ON CBID & ICP

A well capacitated team is the strength of any organization to realize its goals and objectives. JVS enables its team members to develop competencies and skills that make more effective and sustainable programs at the grassroots level. The program implementation team had a couple of capacity building trainings, namely, Inclusive Children's Parliament (ICP) and Community Based Inclusive Development (CBID). The enhanced knowledge will further strengthen the team to execute the programs more effectively at the community level.



PROSTHETICS & ORTHOTICS ASSESSMENT CAMP

The provision of assistive devices at the early stage of life does not only minimize the effect of disability but also helps the children with disabilities in the activities of daily life and early education. In this connection, JVS organized assessment & measurement camp for the children and youngsters with disabilities in Bettiah, West Champaran (Bihar) in collaboration with four local organizations in November 2020. Thirty-one out of sixty-nine children and youngsters with disabilities were prescribed for various types of assistive devices including Ankle foot orthosis, Knee Ankle Foot Orthosis, Hand splint and prosthesis.

MASS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



It is a proven fact that alcohol abuse by an individual leads to domestic violence. Reports suggest that the number of domestic violence cases doubled during the pandemic Covid-19. JVS with its over 10000 members of Self Help Groups launched a mass awareness campaign against substance abuse and domestic violence in Pindra and Harahua blocks of Varanasi on November 13, 2020. The campaign was well received by the people, including men and youth as a total of 59,484 people were covered until December 29, 2020. The leaders of SHGs and CBOs want the campaign to continue in every village and are willing to share their stories of struggle against Nasha Mukti and Domestic Violence, which is very encouraging and motivating to keep the campaign going and expand to other developmental blocks as well.

CAPACITY BUILDING TRAININGS FOR LEADERS OF SHGS AND CBOs

Empowering women to participate fully in the socio-economic and political aspects of life is essential to build a stronger and effective society. Empowered women are not only able to control and benefit from resources, assets, income and their own time, but also able to manage risk and improve their economic status and wellbeing. JVS, with Women Empowerment as one of its major themes, conducts regular capacity building programs for leaders of SHGs and CBOs. During this quarter, trainings were organized on varied topics so as to improve and enhance their skills in leadership.



Name of the Training	No.of Participants	Name of the Training	No.of Participants
Leadership Development	158	Problem Solving & Decision Making	93
Communication Skills	69	Gender Rights and Justice	31
Market Analysis and Account Keeping	71	Health & Hygiene of Adolescent Girls	371
Financial Literacy & SHG Management	271		



SKILL DEVELOPMENT FOR LIVELIHOOD PROMOTION

It is essential for women to be skilled in order to be able to better serve their families and the society. Skill development not only creates employment opportunities but also empowers them. Skill development is not just to prepare them for jobs, but also to boost their performance by improving the quality of work in which they are involved. JVS with its focus on livelihood and skill development for members of SHGs organized a number of IGA trainings during this quarter to upgrade their skills. Many trained women are engaged in production and sales activities.

Name of the Training	No. of participants	No of women engaged in IGA activities
Detergent Powder and Liquid Floor Cleaner Making	40	30
Leggings & Kurti Making	57	30
Supplementary Nutrition	30	17
Marketing of Sanitary Pad	40	39

HEALTH CAMPS FOR SAFE MOTHERHOOD

Lack of awareness and proper care during pre- and postnatal periods cause a lot of damage to the health and life of both children as well as young mothers. The risk is on a higher level during the pandemic situation. JVS launched a special project 'Community Mobilization for Safe Motherhood' on October 1, 2020 to address the health concerns of pregnant and young mothers as well as to ensure safe delivery of children through the government health care institutions. During this quarter, 14 health check-up camps were organized in different gram panchayats of Harahua and Pindra blocks in Varanasi, through which 1,139 patients benefitted. Apart from health camps, formation of Village Health Committees, peer group meetings, training on care of the new born baby, distribution of nutritional supplement and Alfa Alfa tonic were carried out to improve the health and immunity of the young mothers.



IGA OUTLETS & BOUTIQUE

Financial independence is one of the major goals of JVS efforts in the field. The trained leaders are regularly motivated to initiate their own small IGA activities and enterprises. During this quarter 55 women came forward and set up their own outlets, including products from the Mahila Vikas Cooperative Society. A group of 11 trained women engaged in production of leggings and kurtis also set up a boutique in Kerakat in December 2020.



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