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Baripada, Mayurbhani

**Introduction:**

**V**oluntary Association for Rural Development (VARD) is a leading Developmental Social Organisation, non-profit, non-political, non-religious, non-governmental organization and for the charitable purpose. VARD was established in 1<sup>st</sup> December 1998 with active leadership of **Subodha Kumar Mishra**, Founder-cum-Secretary; with view to livelihood security of the poor and forest dependent community, save precious human life, weaker section, women, free from poverty and hunger for sustainable development by the young mass, women, local people, environmentalists, researcher, policymakers, mass media, administration and wise user group of this State and particular South Asian Country; including the NGO's, Trust's, institutes, registered body, student, scholar, activist, environmentalist, community, youth, environmentalist leaders, teacher and professor of Schools, Colleges and Universities, and it was registered under the Societies Registration ACT XXI of 1860.

**Legal Status of VARD: -**

Voluntary Association for Rural Development (VARD) is registered under the Societies Registration ACT XXI of 1860 with a valid registration no. MBJ-6706-423/1998-99 on Dated 31/12/1998 at Baripada, Mayurbhanj, Orissa and register under section (6) of FCRA Act 1972, Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt of India, New Delhi.

**Current Status of VARD:-**

**Governance**


VARD is governed through its board members, which is chaired by the Chairman of the Voluntary Association for Rural Development (VARD), Baripada.

**Operation Area of VARD:**

Presently working in Odisha State of India, it may be extended to any other part of Country or any country and when required as per the scope of activities of the Association and decision of the Governing Body of VARD.

**Target Group:-**

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| (i) Agricultural labour                      | (ii) Land less labour            |
| (iii) Small and Marginal farmers             | (iv) Disabled                    |
| (v) Scheduled Cast                           | (vi) Tribals                     |
| (vii) Women                                  | (viii) Children                  |
| (ix) Artisans and forest dependent community | (x) Student/Teachers/Professors. |
| (xi) Others Va(s)                            |                                  |

**Vision of VARD: -**

VARD Vision is free from poverty and hunger, deprivation and marginalization, free from road Accident, Justice for women, self reliant and vibrant rural economy, ensure safe portable water in all village, gender equity and social equality, Empowered Society especially of the weaker sections, capable of self governance and Promote vocational Training programme for self employment and wise use of our natural resources towards global environment in a sustainable manner and protect the earth for future.

**Mission of VARD:**

The mission of VARD is to assemble and share knowledge about alternative source of livelihood in a systematically approach in order to improve quality education, health, agriculture, gender equity, human rights, economic development, Revitalizing rural communities, Promoting inclusive, harmonious sustainable development, Creating and sharing appropriate knowledge and enable individual and collective advancement in development research and study of complex environment and social issues facing society today throughout the world.

**Our values:-**


- We are a value-based organization.
- We seek to practice and promote the values of head, heart and hands – taking our inspiration from the Buddha and Mahatma Gandhi.

**Strategies of VARD: -**

These are the following strategies of Voluntary Association for Rural Development (VARD):

- VARD is a bridge between the people and Govt. programme.
- The Association prepares and implements self-project, Programme and conduct Action Research studies especially on the women and development related issues.
- Analyse, suggest and influence the Government in policy making

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- Identifying key entry points for different thrust areas and key target groups within those areas for initiating and consolidating gain to be derived from the effort.
- The Association promotes public awareness in the field of women empowerment, human rights, gender, Environment, Health, Education, Culture, Social assets managements and implement of Govt.Programme, etc.

The activities of **VARD** during the financial year 2015-16

The projects area mainly consists in the Mayurbhanj district of Odisha . The area is fully covered with tribal belt by the hamlets of different types of tribal communities like Ho, Ganda, Bhuiyan, Santals, Munda, Lodha, Gram, Karu, Dewar and Banol etc. The major sources of income of the inhabitants are daily wage agriculture returns and forest products. Agriculture is the backbone of the people. There is no source of irrigation facility but due to draft and the global climate change the situation is very complex. In other seasons they mostly depended upon the forest products and daily wages in the outside of District.



**A. Awareness Programme on Road Safety:**

VARD organised the various activities under the Road safety programme in the district of Mayurbhanj under the financial assistance and guidance from R.T.O, Mayurbhanj and State Transport Authority, Odisha, Cuttack. Most of the programmes are school programme with

involving the community member towards the importance of safety use of Road and it proper consciousness of the various rule and signals of the safety drive. The rally, hooding, poster, cultural programme, awareness camps also organised in different places of Mayurbhanj.

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**B. Eye Camps for Drivers:**

VARD organised the eye tasting camps for the community mainly maintained their livelihood by engaging them in the driving occupation. The programme is organised under the financial assistance and guidance from R.T.O, Mayurbhanj. Health checkups, eye tasting. Blood Pressure, Blood Groups etc were carried out by the qualified doctors to achieve the main object of the programme.

**C. Road Accident Help Line :**

VARD organised this programme on behalf of Odisha Road Safety Society,Cuttack under guidance by RTO,Mayurbhanj.



**D. Organic Agricultural Programme:**

Agriculture is one of the major activities where women were actively involved. In mountain agriculture is consider being a marginal activity as it pays back scarcity, but at the same time it is the most important activity as it is directly link with the sustenance of the village. Due to lake of opportunity the activity in the hills pays one-day food after three days labours. Thrust on the high productivity has never been attempted for next many decades. Appropriate technology intervention can play role for better output and can also reduce the drudgery of the women.

Agriculture is the backbone of our country. Most of the people were depend on agriculture. For increase in productivity the farmers use chemical pesticides, chemical fertiliser which cause loss

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of productivity, which is shortage of food grain yearend. Most of the agriculture land was washed up by flood and become unfertile soil, result is less agroproduct. VARD organised awareness, workshop and farmers training camp on use of biofertilizer and biopesticides in their agriculture land for better production in block area of Mayurbhanj district.

**E. Family Counselling:**

Controlling the family violence cases at community level it is one of the most challenging programme of VARD. VARD organising various village meetings, seminars motivating to women and men to use contraceptive and promotion of condom as a family planning procedure. Mobilising the Govt. and allied departments to work jointly to overcome the situation.

**F. Farmers Club:**

The Farmers club promoted by VARD at khasadiha during 2013-14 is functioning properly. The organisation as a regular contact with the club and provide various agricultural informations about Govt. Schemes .

**G. S.H.Groups :**

VARD organised 176 groups at Hatikote, Budhikhamari, Badjod & Bhagabatachandrapur G.P. under Baripada Block.



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### H. Women and Gender empowerment programme:

There is a need to generate self-employment among the venerable group women, tribal and disabled people. Instead of selling the raw products to traders at margin rates they can prepare finished or semi-finished products and sell them to the government marketing department, such as ORMAS, DSMS, ITDA and allied departments. VARD also provide technical support to preparation of finished product. The programmes mainly strengthen the activities like; capacity building, gender empowerment etc as a main object of VARD. The community now playing as catalysts for the village development plan and involve in various activities related to health and development.

### I.MAYURBHANJ SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME WITH HEIFER INTERNATIONAL:-



CONERSTONE TRAINING PROGRAMME ORGANISED BY VARD SUPPORTED BY HEIFER INTERNATIONAL INDIA :-The training programs are implemented in the fy 2015-16 with the participatory co-ordination of women SHG in 4 G.P( Hatikote ,B.c cpur ,Badjode &Budhikhamari ) under Baripada Block. 510 from OG(Orignal Group)& 1010 from POG(Pass on Group) family were participated in this training programme.

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**KITCHEN GARDEN TRAINING PROGRAMME:-** The training programs are implemented in the fy 2015-16 with the participatory co-ordination of women SHG in 4 G.P( Hatikote ,B.c epur ,Badjode & Budhikhamari ) under Baripada Block. 510 from OG(Original Group)& 1010 from POG(Pass on Group) family were participated in this training programme.



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