

CELEBRATING 15 YEARS ...



# ANNUAL REPORT: 2017-2018



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**VISION**

**A society free from inequalities and a society with a culture of philanthropy**

**MISSION**

**Building a just and humane society**

**Creating enabling conditions for total realisation of human potential**

**Practising & popularising development measures that are sustainable for future generations**

# THE YEAR IN BRIEF

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# ACTION PROJECTS

## Targeted Intervention for Injecting Drug Users

The targeted intervention (TI) project, which has been going on since July 2010, entered its eighth year of implementation in 2017. Supported by the Delhi State AIDS Control Society (DSACS), Government of the National Capital Territory (NCT) of Delhi, under India's National AIDS Control Programme (NACP) IV, the aim of the project is to intensify and consolidate prevention services with focus on injecting drug users (IDUs) who form a part of high-risk population vulnerable to HIV/AIDS. The key objectives of TI project are to:

- Ensure quality health services to High Risk Group (HRG)
- Increase use of condoms
- Ensure proactive screening for HIV at least once in six months
- Ensure registration of all HIV positive people at ART centre.
- Strengthen community participation in programme operations
- Ensure total coverage with new needles and syringes and treatment of abscess
- Increase the number of HRG beneficiaries on OST

During the year 2017-18, DSACS increased the coverage of project to 600 IDUs and added three new areas to the list. Accordingly, the project covered 11 areas of West Delhi viz. Raghbir Nagar, Madipur, Khayala, Nihal Vihar, Basai Dhara, Shadipur, Vikas Puri, Uttam Nagar, Janakpuri A Block, Mohan Garden and Santgarh/Guru Nanak Nagar. The activities performed during the year included, inter alia, demand generation meetings, community event, and advocacy, counseling for harm reduction and care, and condom programming. A drop-in-centre (DIC) under the supervision of a project manager, and support staff including a physician, an auxiliary nurse midwife (ANM) and a counsellor remained operational for providing clinical and recreational services to the beneficiaries. The table below contains the highlights of activities and achievements of the project during the financial year 2017-18.

**Table 1: Coverage of HRG under different project components during year**

<b>Project component</b>	<b>Coverage (in number)</b>	<b>Project component</b>	<b>Coverage (in number)</b>
HRG registered	5672	Counseling	2180
Routine medical checkup	1903	No. of syringes distributed	195558
Testing for HIV infection	994	No. of needles distributed	391164
HRGs found HIV positive	8	No. of condom distributed	7653
ART linkages	7	HRGs linked with OST	295
Syphilis screening	580	No. of spouses identified	210

An independent external evaluation was conducted in February 2018 by NACO which recommended the project's continuation. The sections below contain salient particulars of important events organized during the year.

**Community Events:** Two community events covering Madipur, Raghbir Nagar and Nihal Vihar were organised on 28 September 2017 and 31 March 2018. While first event witnessed participation of 171 HRG people, the second one had 75 participants. As part of the events, street plays by a professional group, prize distribution and other recreational activities were enacted. The purposes of the events were to make people aware of HIV/AIDS, safe healthcare practices, benefits of opioid substitution therapy (OST) and services available under the TI project.

**Health check-up camps:** HDS organized a health check-up camp on 28 September 2017 in Raghbir Nagar, in which 171 HRGs participated. Besides health checkup, a round of discussion on TI services, HIV/AIDS, safe healthcare practices and benefits of OST was held.

**HIV/AIDS campaign through folk media:** Two street plays were organised in Gujarati Basti and Ghoda Temple in Raghbir Nagar, in which over 60 people participated.

**Community-based Testing:** Four community based testing camps were organised for HIV testing and counselling in Madipur, Raghbir Nagar, Vikaspuri and Khayala on 25 November 2017, 9 December 2017, 28 February 2018 and 28 March 2018, in which 39, 27, 32 and 34 IDUs availed HIV testing and counselling facilities respectively.

**Campaign for Swach Bharat Abhiyan:** A campaign under Swach Bharat Abhiyan was organised on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017, which witnessed participation of HRG people and peer educators. All 11 hot spots of the project were cleaned by participants.

**Mehendi Festival:** During Karva Chauth festival, HDS organized a Mehendi programme for two days in Raghbir Nagar and Khayala on 6 and 7 October 2017 in which services of IDUs and their family members, who are mehendi experts, were utilised. Seven HRG people, with the help of their family members, earned around ₹3000 per person by drawing *mehendi* art.

### **Project Aditi**

Project Aditi, which means boundless, free, safety and security in Sanskrit and many other Indian languages, is a new intervention of HDS for empowerment of women living in slums, unauthorized colonies and areas known for habitation of low income group people. Giving credence to evidence-based intervention, HDS conducted two baseline studies in certain areas of West Delhi and designed action components of the project. Keeping in view the findings of the study, HDS designed project Aditi as a bouquet of services that include, inter alia, pre-marital counselling, awareness of healthcare and hygiene practices, career counselling and awareness of rights and equality. Following activities were performed by HDS for providing services to adolescent girls and women

- ✓ A baseline study conducted in two *jhuggi jhopri* clusters of West Delhi district i.e. Madipur and Raghbir Nagar to understand health and hygiene conditions of adolescent girls and women in October 2017. The study covered 283 households and found that out of 675 girls and women, 579 were not using sanitary napkins.
- ✓ A social marketing platform was created in December 2017 to make available sanitary napkins at affordable prices.
- ✓ In December 2017, second baseline study was conducted in nine locations viz. Madipur, Raghbir Nagar, Khyala, Nangloi, Multan Nagar, Mangolpuri, Sultanpuri, Uttam Nagar and Basai Dhara. The sample included 158 girls and women in the age group of 15 years and above. The findings of study showed that 83% unmarried women were not aware of post-marital physical changes and challenges faced by women, 73% women were not aware of anemia, breast cancer, cervical cancer and sexually transmitted infections (STI), 43% women were not using sanitary pads and 37% reported irregular use of sanitary pads. Also, 51% women expressed their desire for skill development training on stitching, fashion designing, computer application, beauty culture and *mehndi* art.
- ✓ During the year, 1136 sanitary napkins were distributed at very affordable prices among the adolescent girls and women. Special focus was attached to coverage of female injecting drug users (FIDU) under the intervention.
- ✓ Three training programmes on benefits and usage of sanitary pads were organised in Raghbir Nagar, Madipur and Vikaspuri on 8 December 2017, 2 January 2018 and 30 January 2018 respectively.
- ✓ During February and March 2018, a stakeholders' network was created for spreading awareness about sanitary napkins. This resulted in establishment of three community based outlets in Nangloi and Multan Nagar areas for distributing sanitary pads under social marketing platform. The in-charges of community based outlets are earning one rupees on each packet.

## **Promotion of Sustainable Agriculture and Livelihood**

HDS has been working in the domain of sustainable agriculture and livelihood since 2005 with primary focus on promotion of organic farming in villages. During 2017-18, our activities under the initiative covered Haryana and Himachal Pradesh, as noted below.

### **Promotion of Organic Farming in Faridabad, Haryana**

In **Haryana**, the farmers of five villages in Faridabad district continued to practice organic farming, and HDS provided handholding and monitoring support as a Facilitation Council under the Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) of certification. The PGS certificates issued to five organic farmers' groups by the Organic Farming Association of India (OFAI) would remain valid till September 2018. While over a hundred farmers remained under the PGS certification regime, some of the resourceful farmers could venture into marketing their organic produce in the local market.

### **Volunteer Programme for German Students in Himachal Pradesh**

HDS hosted four student volunteers from Germany, who were stationed in village Baag in Mandi district of Himachal Pradesh. The initiative was supported by Welthungerhilfe (WHH) - a prominent development organization of Germany- under the Weltwärts programme of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). Besides continuing the activities of previous year namely improvement of existing short supply chain, assistance for PGS certification, training on organic farming and biodynamic agriculture, development of website of Muskaan Jaivik Self Help Group (MJ SHG); the volunteers were engaged in the following activities during the year under reference:

- ✓ Sustainable building systems with local masons and craftsman
- ✓ Sustainable rural toilet system for farmers' training centre of MJ SHG
- ✓ Cultural interaction
- ✓ Media interaction

### **Promotion of organic farming in Himachal Pradesh**

**Partnership with MJ SHG:** HDS joined hands with MJ SHG for promotion of organic farming and Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) in Mandi district of Himachal Pradesh. Under the arrangement, HDS and KJ SHG engaged in building an organic model farm and other allied activities like soil management, water management, biomass management, PGS and marketing of organic produce.

**Workshop on Zero Budget Natural Farming and Apple Cultivation:** A two-day workshop on zero budget natural farming and apple cultivation was organized in Baag village in Mandi district of Himachal Pradesh on 24-25 March 2018. Over 60 farmers and resource persons of the State participated in the event. The workshop provided opportunity to HDS and MJ SHG to showcase the activities of organic model farm to the participants.

## SPECIAL PROJECT

### **Contribution to a practitioners guide for innovation intermediaries in sustainable food systems**

HDS organized workshops in two phases to finalize a practitioners guide for innovation intermediaries in sustainable food systems with support of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). The main objectives of the workshops were to finalize the contents of the guide and establish the work programme for its dissemination. During 14 to 16 November 2017, first phase of the workshop was organized with participants from the fraternity of researchers and practitioners of 20 different organizations of 15 countries along with FAO representatives. The issues discussed during the roundtable sessions included knowledge sharing of agro-ecological system, synergistic partnership, guarantee system, packaging, consumers, managing and accessing inputs, marketing and price. Besides roundtable discussions, the participants visited a Noida-based organization called “Beejom” and an Aya Nagar-based organization named ‘Edible Routes’ for field exposure.

The second phase of the workshop titled ‘Navigation of the Indian Sustainable Food System’ was held on 18 March 2018, in which main focus was on-field testing of the guide by analysing it in the Indian context. Participants of the event included intermediaries, practitioners, researchers, representatives of 17 civil society organisations, private bodies, academics from across the country. Final report of the workshop was submitted to FAO in March 2018.

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

### **Impact Assessment of CSR Activities**

HDS evaluated CSR projects of the National Fertilizers Limited (NFL)- India’s largest Central Public Sector Enterprise in fertilizer sector, which were implemented during 2014-17 in nine states namely Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Uttarakhand, Arunachal Pradesh, and Tamil Nadu. In all, 23 CSR projects falling under four categories viz. development of physical infrastructure and facilities in villages, development of physical infrastructure and facilities in institutions, training and awareness programmes for the needy population, and services in the form of physical tools and relief given directly to the beneficiaries were evaluated during June to December 2017. HDS organized focus group discussions, and interviewed villagers, representatives of NFL field units and corporate office, beneficiary institutions and implementing partners, users of physical infrastructure, devices and artificial limbs, and beneficiaries of training and awareness programmes. The final assessment report of CSR activities was submitted to NFL in December 2017.

### **Baseline Studies for CSR Interventions**

HDS conducted five baseline studies in Faridabad district of Haryana for the R&D Centre, Indian Oil Corporation Limited for the latter’s intervention under corporate social responsibility programme in June 2017. The baseline studies covered five NGOs namely Arya Samaj Central, Tender Heart Educational Society, Chetna Welfare Society, The Earth Saviours Foundation and Shirdi Sai Baba Temple for identifying six CSR projects for R&D center, IOCL.

## **Study of the Problems and Status of Muslim Graveyards in Delhi**

HDS had submitted the draft report of the study on ‘problems and status of Muslim graveyards in Delhi’ to the Delhi Minorities Commission in February 2017. Following receipt of comments of the Commission, the final study report was submitted in December 2017. The study covered all the 11 districts of National Capital Territory of Delhi, as the purpose was to identify and study each graveyard of the city. This was an exploratory study modeled on research-cum-documentation format. The main findings of the report were published in *The Tribune* (<http://www.tribuneindia.com/news/delhi/dmc-report-flags-scarcity-of-graveyards/503039.html> dated 30 November 2017), and *The Indian Express* (<http://indianexpress.com/article/delhi/dmc-report-flags-scarcity-of-graveyards-cemeteries-in-delhi-4953151/>, dated 24 November 2017) on the occasion of release of annual report of DMC.

## **Deciphering Economic Violence: A Study of its Dynamics and Impact on Women**

In the last month of the financial year 2017-18, HDS received the sanction of the National Commission for Women (NCW) for conducting a study on economic violence against women. The key objectives of the study are to explore the nature of economic violence committed against women in their families and other places like offices, and suggest measures that would address the not-so-visible challenge and promote gender equality. The field work for the study would be conducted in Haryana. During March 2018, the research team engaged in reviewing literature on economic violence in particular and domestic violence in general.

## **IN-HOUSE MEETINGS**

During 2017-18, the meeting of General Body was held on 19 August 2017 in the office of the organization in Mayur Vihar. The minutes were documented and circulated amongst the members.

## **LEGAL COMPLIANCES**

HDS submitted the Annual Report and Annual Audit Report for the year 2016-17 and particulars of members of Executive Body & office bearers to the Registrar of Societies, Delhi vide its letter no. 01/2003-HDS/1093 dated 6 December 2017. A letter intimating the change of office address was also submitted to the Registrar of Societies, Delhi (No. 03/2003-HDS/1097 dated 9 January 2018). HDS complied with statutory requirements of the Income Tax Department and the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), Government of India by filing the annual returns of income and expenditure.

## **SPIRIT OF CELEBRATION**

The Foundation Day of HDS was celebrated on 6 February 2018 in the organisation’s Head Office with a small get together of staff, members and friends. HDS also celebrated the New Year 2018 with our staff members in head office and TI project office in Tagore Garden.



## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

<b>Income</b>	<b>Amount (Rs.)</b>
Grants-in-aid	6176465
Grants-in-aid (foreign)	128895
Donations received- Voluntary	22500
Bank interest	26678
<b>Total (A)</b>	<b>6354538</b>

<b>B. Expenditure</b>	<b>Amount (Rs.)</b>
Advertisement and Recruitment charges	-
Recurring cost for STI Clinic	7306
Salary and Honorarium	2461837
Conference, Seminar, Meetings & Events	1879097
Office maintenance	85939
Travelling & Conveyance/ Boarding & Lodging	471507
Misc Expenses(Documentation cost etc)	12282
Needles & Syringes	577662
Medicines and Clinical Services for STI Care	-
Abscess Management	32.772
Disposal of Biowaste	10800
Office cum DIC Rent	301846
Development of Infographics and Design of Report	-
Community based Activities	-
Computer maintenance/ AMC	550
Telephone expenses	10755
Bank charges	13282
Books & periodicals	1040
Misc Exp	-
Courier & Postage	5126
Electricity & Water charges	4568
Internet/Website charges	10881
Printing & Stationery/Photostat	30945
Promotion of Organic Farming	8000
Staff Welfare	9147
Legal & Professional charges	19500
Audit Fees	17500
Depreciation W/off	19031
<b>Total (B)</b>	<b>5991373</b>

Excess of expenditure over income (A-B)	363165
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**Donations to Human Development Society are eligible for tax relief under Section 80 G of the Income Tax Act.**

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## **MEMBERS**

Dr. Anil Kumar Das, Development Practitioner, Chairperson  
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## **KEY COLLABORATORS (Past & Present)**

National Human Rights Commission, India  
National Commission for Women, India  
Food and Agriculture organization of the United Nations, Rome, Italy  
SOS Children's Villages of India, New Delhi  
Delhi Commission for Women, Government of NCT of Delhi  
Delhi State AIDS Control Society, Government of NCT of Delhi  
Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India  
National Centre of Organic Farming, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India  
Concern India Foundation, New Delhi  
Krishi Vigyan Kendra: Balasore (Orissa University of Agriculture & Technology)  
Bureau of Police Research & Development, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India  
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Department of Science & Technology, Government of India  
Institute of Social Sciences, New Delhi  
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Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Faridabad  
PMU, Sweden  
New Education Group- Foundation for Innovation and Research in Education, New Delhi  
The Asia Foundation, USA  
Udayan Care, New Delhi  
Welthungerhilfe, Germany  
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Glimpses of our journey since  
**2003**



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