

Annual Report

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NAROTTAM LALBHAI RURAL DEVELOPMENT FUND **(N.L.R.D.F.)**

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Narottam Lalbhai Rural Development Fund

INTRODUCTION:

Narottam Lalbhai Rural Development Fund (**NLRDF**) is a Public Charitable Trust, created by **The Arvind Mills Ltd.** Ahmedabad for the express task of directly intervening in the development process at the village level through specifically designed programmes. Established in 1978, NLRDF started work by 1979 in the Khedbrahma taluka of the Sabarkantha district, of Gujarat State predominantly a tribal area. The present operational area covers 17 districts i.e Gandhinagar, Rajkot, Jamnagar, Surendranagar, Panchmahals, Mehsana, Patan, Sabarkantha, Banaskantha, Ahmedabad, Bhavnagar, Kheda, Surat, Dang, Bharuch, Narmada, Tapi of Gujarat state.

OBJECTIVES:

The broad basic objectives of NLRDF in rural development can be summed up in the following words:“Stimulating, initiating and setting into motion a process of development which within a specific span of time would become self-sustaining and self perpetuating, whilst monotonically reducing the relative disparities between various levels of the society”.

STRATEGY:

In order to evolve a strategy for the fulfillment of the objective, it was decided to copy nature as far as possible. Since in nature, the various facets of life are all inter related and inter-dependent. It was accepted that NLRDF would take an overall integrated, total-view point in development intervention, at the same time, taking care of the various components that together from the whole.

ROLE DIMENSIONS:

In the light of the above strategy for development intervention the trust carried out operations in various sectoral areas, like agriculture, social and farm forestry, horticulture, fodder development, animal husbandry, minor irrigation, rural electrification (street and agriculture related), roads, biogas, medical services, health care, nutrition, sanitation and disease control, non formal education, vocational training of handicapped persons, watershed development, aids awareness, women and child development etc.

STAFFING:

The trust has a total strength of more than 25 persons, most of whom are in rural areas. Most of them are post graduates in various disciplines related to rural life.

MANAGEMENT:

NLRDF is structurally working under a Board of Trustees, the Chairman of which is directly responsible for the overall policy direction and guidelines for the trust. **The present Chairman is Mr. Samveg A. Lalbhai.**

Reporting directly to the Chairman and the Board of Trustees is the Executive Director of the trust, who has the responsibility of guiding policy formulation and providing necessary feedback for the same. He is also responsible for the strategic and operational planning of the trust's programme. **The present Executive Director is Mr. B.M.Shah.**

FUNDS:

NLRDF has so far been funded by the Arvind Mills Ltd. Ahmedabad, to the tune of Rs.10.5 million. NLRDF has also been mobilizing government and banking funds directly for the beneficiaries of its programme as well as for certain infrastructural activities and other purposes of rural interest.

Field Offices

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| 1. Behind Gayatri Temple, | Khedbrahma Dist. Sabarkantha |
| 2. N.A.C.P.Behind City Survey office, | Idar Dist. Sabarkantha |
| 3. N.A.C.P.,Sangh Bldg. | Himmatnagar, Dist. Sabarkantha |
| 4. IRHAP Project, 2, Oghadnath Society, | Diodar, Dist. Banaskantha |

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Activities being conducted during the year.

(1) Economic Assistance to unsupported Widow for their Rehabilitation:

More than 40,000 widows between age group of 18 to 40 years are registered with Social Defense Department, Gandhinagar, who are getting Rs. 500/- p.m. as pension from Government. They want to start some income generation activities for their families as the pension amount is not sufficient for survival, but due to lack of funds and skill they are unable to start any economic activity. Government of Gujarat, Department of Women and Child, Gandhinagar, through Director, Social Defense Department, prepared a very good scheme of economic assistance to unsupported widows for their livelihood and to provide a kit worth Rs. 3000/- to each widow according to their selected trade/business. Under this programme widows were imparted training to enhance their self confidence, quality assurance, management of trades, marketing etc.

During the year 2008-09 total 2500 widows of 11 districts were trained in 99 batches and motivated for their own small business or service oriented skills to earn more for their livelihood.

Highlights of training programme:

Sr. No.	District	Taluka	Center	No. of Trainees (Widows)	Duration of Training
1	Sabarkantha	Pratij	Pratij-1	25	Two Weeks
2	"	Pratij	Pratij-2	25	Two Weeks
3	"	Dhansura	Dhansura-1	20	Two Weeks
4	"	Dhansura	Dhansura-2	21	Two Weeks
5	"	Idar	Idar-1	20	Four Weeks
6	"	Idar	Idar-2	25	Two Weeks
7	"	Himatnagar	Himatnagar-1	32	Two Weeks
8	"	Himatnagar	Himatnagar-2	32	Two Weeks
9	"	Himatnagar	Himatnagar-3	25	Two Weeks
10	"	Himatnagar	Himatnagar-4	24	Two Weeks
11	"	Khedbrham	Khedbham	27	Two Weeks
12	"	Vadali	Vadali	30	Two Weeks
13	"	Bhiloda	Bhiloda-1	25	Two Weeks
14	"	Bhiloda	Bhiloda-2	25	Two Weeks
15	"	Bhiloda	Bhiloda-3	25	Two Weeks
16	"	Bayad	Bayad-1	25	Four Weeks
17	"	Bayad	Bayad-1	25	Four Weeks

18	"	Modasa	Modasa-1	29	Two Weeks
19	"	Modasa	Modasa-2	25	Two Weeks
20	"	Talod	Talod-1	25	Two Weeks
21	"	Talod	Talod-1	25	Two Weeks
22	"	Himatnagar	Madhasan	30	Two Weeks
23	"	Himatnagar	Virpur	30	Two Weeks
24	"	Himatnagar	Titoli	25	Two Weeks
25	"	Himatnagar	Vadagam-1	15	Two Weeks
26	"	Himatnagar	Vadagam	15	Two Weeks
Subtotal				650	
27	Ahmedabad	Ahmedabad	Bapunagar-1	25	Two Weeks
28	"	Ahmedabad	Naroda-1	25	Two Weeks
29	"	Ahmedabad	Sanad	25	Two Weeks
30	"	Ahmedabad	Bapunagar-2	25	Two Weeks
31	"	Ahmedabad	Naroda-2	25	Two Weeks
32	"	Ahmedabad	Bapunagar-3	25	Two Weeks
33	"	Ahmedabad	Naroda-3	25	Two Weeks
34	"	Ahmedabad	Asharva	25	Two Weeks
35	"	Ahmedabad	Naroda-4	25	Two Weeks
36	"	Ahmedabad	Vatva-1	23	Two Weeks
37	"	Ahmedabad	Naroda-5	25	Four Weeks
38	"	Ahmedabad	Naroda-6	30	Four Weeks
39	"	Ahmedabad	Naroda-7	22	Four Weeks
40	"	Ahmedabad	Vatva-2	27	Four Weeks
41	"	Ahmedabad	Vatva-3	25	Two Weeks
42	"	Ahmedabad	Vatva-4	23	Four Weeks
Subtotal				400	
43	Gandhinagar	Kalol	Kalol-1	25	Two Weeks
44	"	Kalol	Kalol-2	35	Four Weeks
45	"	Kalol	Kalol-3	21	Two Weeks
46	"	Kalol	Kalol-4	21	Two Weeks
47	"	Kalol	Kalol-5	22	Two Weeks
48	"	Kalol	Kalol-6	28	Two Weeks
49	"	Kalol	Kalol-7	22	Two Weeks
50	"	Gandhinagr	Chiloda	25	Two Weeks
51	"	Gandhinagr	Chandkheda	19	Two Weeks
52	"	Mansa	Mansa-1	28	Two Weeks
53	"	Mansa	Mansa-2	27	Two Weeks
54	"	Mansa	Mansa-3	31	Four Weeks
55	"	Mansa	Mansa-4	25	Two Weeks
56	"	Mansa	Mansa-5	25	Two Weeks
57	"	Mansa	Mansa-6	25	Two Weeks
58	"	Mansa	Mansa-7	25	Two Weeks
59	"	Palaj	Palaj	27	Two Weeks
60	"	Gandhinagar	Gandhinagar	29	Two Weeks
61	"	Dehgam	Dharisana	20	Two Weeks
62	"	Dehgam	Chorvadodara	25	Four Weeks
63	"	Dehgam	Pratiya	25	Four Weeks
64	"	Dehgam	Salki	25	Two Weeks

65	"	Dehgam	Nadol-1	25	Two Weeks
66	"	Dehgam	Nadol-2	20	Two Weeks
Sub Total -600					
67	Jamnagar	Jamnagar	Jamnagar-1	25	Four Weeks
68	Jamnagar	Jamnagar	Jamnagar-2	25	Four Weeks
Sub Total 50					
69	Dang	Ahwa	Ahwa	25	Two Weeks
Subtotal				25	
70	Surat	Choraci	Chokbazar-1	21	Two Weeks
71	"	Choraci	Chokbazar-2	33	Four Weeks
72	"	Kamraj	Navagam-1	31	Four Weeks
73	"	Kamraj	Navagam-2	26	Two Weeks
74	"	Kamraj	Navagam-3	26	Two Weeks
75	"	Choraci	Patelnagar-1	26	Two Weeks
76	"	Choraci	Patelnagar-2	27	Two Weeks
77	"	Udhana	Udhana-1	30	Four Weeks
78	"	Udhana	Udhana-2	31	Two Weeks
79	"	Bardoli	Bardoli-1	39	Four Weeks
80	"	Bardoli	Bardoli-2	19	Two Weeks
81	"	Athavalins	Athavalins-1	22	Four Weeks
82	"	Athavalins	Athavalins-2	25	Four Weeks
83	"	Bhimpur	Bhimpur	20	Four Weeks
84	"	Bhastan	Bhastan	24	Two Weeks
Subtotal				400	
85	Tapi	Songadha	Songasha-1	25	Two Weeks
86	"	Songadha	Songasha-2	25	Two Weeks
87	"	Songadha	Songasha-3	25	Two Weeks
88	"	Songadha	Songasha-4	25	Two Weeks
Subtotal				100	
89	Surendranagar	Vadhavan	Vadhavan	25	Two Weeks
90	"	Surendranagr	Surendranagr	25	Two Weeks
91	"	Vadhavan	Chuda	28	Two Weeks
92	"	Dhangadhara	Dhangadhara	22	Two Weeks
Subtotal				100	
96	Patan	Patan	Patan-1	25	Two Weeks
97	"	Patan	Patan-2	25	Four Weeks
98	"	Patan	Patan-3	20	Two Weeks
99	"	Sidhapur	Sidhapur	30	Four Weeks
Subtotal				100	
Total.....>>>>>>>>>				2500	

After completion of their training, they are eager to start their own small business/service but their economic situation is very poor and their sources of loan are limited so they are unable to purchase any equipment/machinery for income generation. Looking to this situation, the department has provided kit of their choice to the maximum limit of Rs. 3000/- so that they

can start their income generation activities. On receipt of these kits, they are able to earn Rs. 500 to 1500 per month from it. In case of more requirement of working capital, they are linked with banks for this purpose. Total kit worth Rs. 75,0000 were distributed through out the year each costing Rs. 3000.



Inaugural session of certificate distribution to trainee widow



Function of kit distribution to widow by Mrs. Anamika Lalbhai Trustee, NLRDF



Kit distribution to widow by Ms. Snehal Lalbhai



Function of kit distribution to widow by guests at Bapunagar, Ahmedabad.



Kit distribution by Mr. B.M. Shah Executive Director



Group Photo of widows with Director, SDD, Gandhinagar



Session on Micro lab in progress.



Technical Training in progress

(2) Training to Below Poverty Line members for Livelihood:

Conducted training for skill up gradation of the people who are poorest of the poor families with the help of District Rural Development Agency- DRDA (Swarna Jayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana) Himmatnagar. Training were provided by trained professionals of particular skill. Food, conveyance, stipend, raw material to make products have been provided to beneficiaries. After successful completion of training, necessary tool kit were being provided to beneficiaries. To get market of their skill tie ups are being made with diffrent government as well as private parties. To avail loan facilities, credit linkage through banks have been arranged.

No.	District	Centre	Trade	No. of Trainees	Duration
1.	Sabarkantha	Bhiloda	Readymade Garment	30 women	29.09.08 to 24.11.08
2.	Sabarkantha	Prantij	Readymade Garment	30 women	02.02.09 to 20.03.09



Inaugural session of certificate and stipend distribution to participants at Bhiloda



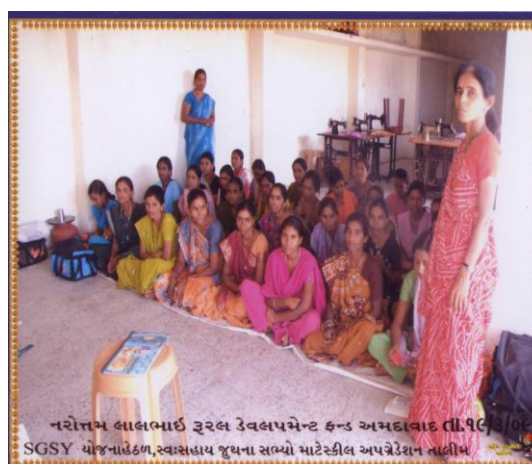
Certificate distribution by T.D.O. Bhiloda



Certificate distribution by Officers of NLRDF & Taluka Panchayat Prantij.



Certificate Distribution



Group Photo of Trainees, Prantij

(3) Training to Members of Self Help Groups for Income Generation :

Awareness Camps :

The NLRDF has arranged the Awareness Camp of 100 beneficiaries on 15th and 16th May, 2008 at Khedbrahma. Leaders (Sarpanch) of all villages of project area, officials of Block level were invited along with 100 beneficiaries. Information regarding training in five trades namely 1. Mason, 2. Ferro Cement Technology, 3. Carpenter 4. Plumber, and 5. Electrician. The Executive Director of the Institute was present and gave information on the Institute and its contribution for social services during last 25 years. The Sr. Consultant Mr. M.M.Joshi explained in details regarding the training methodology and its future opportunities in the respective trades.

First Training (Mason Trade) :

The first training of 20 beneficiaries of four villages in the trade of MASON took place between 1.7.2008 to 8.8.2008 (for 30 days) at Laxmipura village, Panchayat Building, Laxmipura. The Panchayat has offered the land of Panchayat for construction of one room house during training in five trades. A stress was given to implement technology by which earthquake resistant structure can be built. The people of Laxmipura as well as nearby villages took keen interest in the new technology. Beneficiaries carried out different activities like excavation of foundation, masonry up to plinth. Mason up to roof level, earthquake resistant reinforcement, plastering.

The list of kit required for the Mason trade was prepared during the training programme and accordingly a kit was prepared and was delivered to Beneficiaries on 8.8.2008 in presence of Representative of Tribal Sub Plan Office, Khedbrahma Mr. Dhirubhai Patel, Sarpanch of Laxmipura Gram Panchayat, Delegate of Taluka Panchayat, Talati of Laxmipura Gram Panchayat, Chief Manager of NLRDF Mr. K.P.Patel, Sr. Consultant of CAPART Project Mr. M.M.Joshi, and local bankers etc. On receipt of the kit, the beneficiaries will start immediately working for self employment. After training tool kit were provided to beneficiaries which helps them to generate income by doing that skilled or semi skilled activity. Liaison has been done with government bodies as well as contractors who may provide work to these trainees.

Second Training (Ferro Cement Technology) :

Due to season of farming the concerned selected candidates were not available. The revised list of only 15 beneficiaries was prepared and training was carried out. The training programme started on 26.8.2008 and completed on 30.9.2008. This is an emerging technology and useful for rural areas. Under the able guidance of Senior Consultant Shri M.M.Joshi, Ferro Cement Technology is being given training in Ferro Cement Roof, Ferro Cement Water tank and other useful items, which is useful in daily life. In the training programme, Entrepreneurship Development skill programme for two days was also included. The programme is completed on 30.09.2008.

As usual, the list of required kit was prepared during the training period by beneficiaries and accordingly the item in kit was included. Finally the programme of kit distribution was organised on 15.10.2008 i.e. immediately after the training. During the kit distribution, TDO Mr. S.M.Patel, Khedbrahma, Mr. Gopalbhai Patel, Extension Officer, Taluka Panchayat, Khedbrahma, Principal, Laxmipura High School, Sarpanch of Laxmipura Gram Panchayat, Talati of Gram Panchayat, Dena Bank Manager, Laxmipura Branch, Chief Manager of NLRDF, Sr. Consultant Mr. M.M.Joshi were present and delivered their speech for encouraging the trainees as well as the scope of work in the respective field.



Valedictory Function of Mason Training at Laxmipura



Feedback from Trainee



Kit Distribution to mason trainees

(4) Bio Gas Plants:

The most promising and easily available source of alternative energy is bio gas. As 70% of Indian population is in rural area, biogas can be most feasible source of energy for rural sector. Moreover the raw materials i.e. cow dung and cellulosed agricultural waster is abundantly available in villages. So it is at the side energy production and better quality of farm yard manure for fields for individual families.

Village meetings are conducted to make farmers aware of the benefit of the plant and motivate them to go for it. Bio gas plants activities are carried out through Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation and government provide subsidies to the beneficiaries as per their category.

During the year the progress of installation of bio gas plants are as under :

Sr. No.	District	Taluka	Village	No. of plants
1.	Sabarkantha	Khedbrahma	Matoda	13
2.			Vartol	02
3.			Khedbrahma	09
4.			Kalol Kampa	06
5.			Laxmipura Kampa	02
6.			Damavas	01
7.			Shilvad Kampa	01
8.			Galodia	04
9.			Kalleka	07
10		Vijaynagar	Vireswar	01
11			Amodara	04
12			Itavadi	05
13			Laxmanpura	08
14			Dadhvav	03
			Total	66

(5) National Aids Control Programme (NACP):

The Goal of the project:

To minimize the prevalence of HIV/AIDS among the vulnerable population in the community and to provide quality services for their sexual health needs.

Objectives:

1. Prevention of new infections (saturation of HRG coverage and scale interventions for general population.
2. To increase proportion of PLHA (People living with HIV/AIDS) receiving care, support and treatment.
3. Strengthening capacities at district, state and national levels.
4. Building strategic information management system.
5. To reduce prevalence rate of HIV/AIDS.
6. To reduce prevalence rate of STD.
7. To promote safe sex behavior among HRB population.
8. Developing treatment seeking behavior of community regarding STD.

Target Groups:

Female Sex Workers (FSWs) and Men having sex with Men (MSM).

Target Areas:

Himmatnagar, Idar, Vadali and Khedbrahma Talukas of Sabarkantha District.

Major Activities undertaken

No.	Activity	Achievement
	Services	
1.	No. of individual visited STI Clinic	416
2.	No. of HRGs given presumptive treatment	136
3.	No. of HRGs screened for syphilis	106
4.	No. of partners treated	12
5.	No. of individual counselled	597
	Linkages or referral	
6.	No. of individual referred to ICTC	232
7.	No. of individual referred to PLHA/DIC	9
8.	No. of individual referred to ART	9
	Community Mobilisation	
9.	No. of SHGs formed	4
	Enabling Environment	
10.	Meeting with lawyers	1
11.	Get to gather	1
12.	World Women Day celebration	1
13.	World Aid Day celebration	1
14.	Guest House Managers meeting	2
15.	Focus Group discussion	3
16.	Posters Exhibitions	6
17.	Blood Donation Camp	1
	Capacity Bilding	
18.	PE. Training	3
19.	Volunteers Training	2
	Programme Management	
20.	Staff Meeting	12
21.	Peer Educator meet.	12



Ex. Director B.M. Shah discussing during the meeting



Participants keenly listening to the trainer



Rally on world Aids Day at Idar



Visit of Dy. Collector at exhibition, Idar.



Cultural program in progress

(6) Integrated Rural HIV/AIDS Programme (IRHAP):

Integrated Rural HIV/AIDS Programme is designed to address the alarming spread of HIV/AIDS in the rural areas. The goal of IRHAP is reaching to the rural population in integrated manner and building capacity of the institutions in planned manner so that the villages can effectively respond to the HIV/AIDS.

IRHAP is an integrated approach to respond to HIV/AIDS in rural areas. It involves generating awareness and help in developing safe behavior on HIV/AIDS in general and village women and youth in particular. It also involves advocacy and sensitization of

important stakeholders and linkages with Govt. Health services for RTI/STI care, HIV testing and condom promotion. Building capacity of the village level institutions like Panchayat, SHGs, Milk Cooperatives and Agricultural cooperatives is also one of the important objectives of the programme. People with high risk behavior will be identified and behavior change communication will be carried out with them. All activities of the programme revolve around Communication, Advocacy and Social Mobilization approach.

In Gujarat there are around 1 lakh people living with HIV and more than 5600 are registered having AIDS. Further among the total registered cases of HIV, 2/3 cases are in the rural areas. Gujarat state is one of the most industrialized states in India. The developmental pace of Gujarat has brought the villages very close to the urban areas. Many people from the rural area migrate to the urban and semi urban areas mainly for employment. Addressing the rural people in transit is one of the demands of the current time and increasing rural urban mix also increase the vulnerability of HIV among rural population. The studies indicate low awareness among rural population about HIV/AIDS in Gujarat. Now the HIV awareness programme needs to be addressed in the remote areas.

The Gujarat State Aids Control Society, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Gandhinagar, has sanctioned this programme for 3 blocks i.e. Bhabhar, Diodar and Kankarej of Banaskantha district which is high prevalence district.

Objectives:

1. To advocate and sensitize important stakeholders.
2. To build capacity of the village level institution like Panchayat, SHG, Dairy cooperatives and Agriculture cooperative for HIV/AIDS awareness.
3. To generate awareness and help in developing safe behaviour on HIV/AIDS in general and village women and youth in particular.
4. To mobilize community for HIV/AIDS prevention.
5. To increase the availability and accessibility of condoms in the villages.
6. To build linkages with Govt. Health services for RTI/STI care, HIV testing and condom promotion.
7. To identify High Risk Behaviour people and carry out Behaviour Change communication with them.

List of activities carried out in 3 Talukas of Banaskantha district.

No.	Name of Activity	Achievements		
		Deodar Taluka	Kankarej Taluka	Bhavhar Taluka
	Total villages covered	25	25	25
1.	Sensitization Advocacy Meeting	12	13	13
2.	Small Meetings	281	307	309
3.	Big Meetings	155	212	236
4.	Village Health Comm. formed	25	25	25
5.	Video Shows	53	69	58
6.	Wall Paintings	35	35	30
7.	Exhibition	52	55	53
9.	Folk Media Shows	29	29	29
8.	IEC distribution	29000	50200	31500
9	No. of Volunteers identified and trained	54	50	50

11	No. of Link worker ident. /trained	05	05	05
12	No. of rally arranged	02	04	02
13	No. of Yuvak/Yuvati Melas	05	05	05
14	Non Traditional Condom depots	50	50	51
15	No. of STD patients referred to health service	14	23	22
16	No. of HIV persons referd to related service	04	10	03



Ex.Director Mr. B.M. Shah delivering speech at college, Thara



Rally



Group photo of link workers at Diodar



Prize distribution after competition

(7) Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) :

The goal of the programme is to improve the health status of women, adolescent and children in the selected unserved and underserved areas of Derol PHC of Khedbrahma block of Sabarkantha district. Total population covered under this programme is 10543.

Objectives:

- To increase the coverage of complete ANC among the pregnant women.
- To enhance acceptance of family planning methods and increase the male participation in using family planning methods for spacing.
- To increase the coverage of complete immunization among children.
- To enhance awareness among adolescent about reproductive and sexual health.

Name of the villages covered:

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|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1. Galodia | 2. Damavas | 3. Kalol |
| 4. Khergadh | 5. Naka | 6. Karunda |
| 7. Tandalia | 8. Sangrampura | 9. Kherivav |

The following key activities have been carried out during the year in the 9 villages through 9 volunteers appointed for this project.

Block level meetings are being conducted every month at Health Centre, Khedbrahma in which various information regarding government circulars are being informed to the link workers.

Efforts are being made to reduce mortality ratio of born child as well as pregnant mother.

Celebration of Mamata Day: This activity is being conducted in 9 villages of the Khedbrahma taluka i.e. Galodia, Karunda, Damavas, Tandaliya, Kalol, Naka, Sangrampura, Khergarh and Kherivav. Any Wednesday of the month is being fixed for Mamata day in these 9 villages. On that fixed day different activities are being carried out in that particular village like immunization, health check up of pregnant women, information regarding healthcare and health awareness. One day prior information is being provided by volunteers to the target group.

Chiranjivi Yojana: There are some selected maternity hospitals in which delivery of a pregnant woman are being made free of cost. Harijan, tribal caste and below poverty line family may avail benefit of it. Information of this scheme are being provided to target group on regular basis. This scheme benefiting in reduction of mortality rate.

Janani Suraksha Yojana: Under this scheme Rs. 500 are being paid to mother for live birth up to 2 child. If delivery would be in hospital, then additional Rs. 200 are being paid for vehicle fare. From January 2009 onwards SCs and STs are eligible to get Rs. 500 for end number of live birth. This scheme are being informed to rural target beneficiaries.

A 3 days training was being conducted at Ambaji Mata Mandir Dharmashala, Khedbrahma from 06/11/2008 to 08/11/2008 in which RCH volunteers and coordinators were being participated. A visit of 24X7 operated Primary Health Centre, Kheroj was being made and acquainted with their role. A services of mobile Van 108 also being observed.

Bhavai Show (Folk Show): A Bhavai Shows were being held for 3 days 25/12/2008 to 27/12/2008 at Damavas, Karunda, Kalol, Kherivav, Naka and Tandalia villages in which information on awareness of health were being provided by different means like Bhavai show, songs, comic, street play etc.

For a couple of days, 16 & 17 January 2009, an NGO namely Cohesion has visited village Kherivav, Karunda and Naka as a part of exposure visit on RCH where NLRDF are implementing RCH activities. Information on RCH activities were being provided to that group.

A one day medical camp was organized on 18/03/2009 at K L Hospital, Laxmipura, Khedbrahma in which 72 women have benefited. The children came along with women also been checked. Necessary medicines were provided to beneficiaries. Sonography, blood test and urine test, weight check were made available for pregnant women in this camp.

A 3 days exposure visit for a period 24/03/2009 to 26/03/2009 was being conducted for link workers and coordinators at Shroff Foundation, Kalali, Vadodara. In which, RCH activities were being observed of villages of Chhota Udepur.

Every month street meetings are being conducted on RCH activities at 9 villages of Khedbrahma block. Information on health is being provided to pregnant women, children and parents.



Participants attending the session



Participants keenly lending their ears



Training course on Health in progress



session in progress

(8) Experiment:

Agriculture and animal husbandry are two major sources of income generation in rural areas. Still, more than 70 % of our country's population lives in villages. To upgrade the life style of the rural, it is necessary to increase their income through various income generation activities. In this case, to increase income through some interventions in animal husbandry,

an awareness meeting of farmers of Chhala village of Gandhinagar district was made on 14/12/2008. Information and importance on Effective Microorganism were provided to farmers. How EM would be effective has been informed to the farmers. Then after on experiment basis 10 progressive farmers were being selected to implement EM on their cattle. Experiment was made for a period of one month on cattle. After a month it is observed there is a 10 % increase of milk given by cattle. And directly 10 % more income by selling that milk. It was also found that organic manure also helps farmers to increase their crop productivity in terms of quality as well as quantity.



Demo of EM by representative



Farmers attending the session at Chhala



K.P.Patel Chief Manager Giving Details on Gobar Gas



Demo of compost Manure

(9) Awareness Camp on Forest Act :

To reduce the bad effects of Global Warming, it is must to maintain environment clean and green. Forest plays a crucial role to keep environment healthy. Government has made several acts to save forest. To make aware about forest act and conservation of forest, several shibirs /camps were organised for the benefit of the habitat living in and around forest. The details are given below:

Sr.No.	Date of Shibir	Name of village	Beneficiaries
1.	05-05-2008	Damavas	32
2.	06-05-2008	Naka	32
3.	10-05-2008	Kalol	30
4.	13-05-2008	Tandalia	32
5.	19-05-2008	Kherivav	39
6.	20-05-2008	Khergadh	32
7.	22-05-2008	Sangrampura	39
8.	27-05-2008	Tuvar	31
9.	28-05-2008	Vikharan	32
10	29-05-2008	Dholi	31



Session in progress



Participant attending the session

(10) Training to Leaders of Sakhi Mandals :

On request of Department of women and child development, Government of Gujarat, a trainings were being conducted for leaders of Self Help Groups. Information were provided on SHG, its role in eradicating poverty, making SHGs, strengthening of groups, importance of savings, role and qualities of leaders, book keeping for SHG, credit linkages through bank and other government schemes like SGSY and various income generation activities for the groups. 8 nos. of training were conducted benefiting 800 women leaders. The details of the dated of training and place is given below.

No.	Dates	Place	Beneficiaries
1.	15.9.2008 to 16.9.2008	Himmatnagar	100
2.	22.9.2008 to 23.9.2008		100
3.	26.9.2008 to 27.9.2008		100
4.	29.9.2008 to 30.9.2008		100
5.	4.10.2008 to 4.10.2008		100
6.	6.10.2008 to 7.10.2008		100
7.	13.10.200 to 14.10.2008		100
8.	16.10.2008 to 17.10.2008		100

(11) Block Placement of M.S.W. students :

As part of its endeavor to prepare the youth for developmental action, block field work training was provided to the following two students. During their placement besides being provided with information, their skills were enhanced for undertaking developmental activities. They were geared for organising training programme and report writing. Their exposure to community development was enhanced substantially by their continuous involvement with local community at field. The students took part in the regular activities of the NLRDF They also acquainted with the documentation work and different aspects of office management.

No.	Name of student	Course	Name of College	Duration
1.	Nayak Paresh V.	M.S.W.	Shri Z N Patel College of Social Studies	09-06-2008 to 12-07-2008
2.	Parmar Dharmesh D.	M.S.W.	Shri Z N Patel College of Social Studies	09-06-2008 to 12-07-2008

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