# ANNUAL REPORT For The Year-2024-25

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#### FOCUS OF THE PROGRAM 2024-25

- Identification of Pro-poor, ultra poor households and develop sustainable development plan for them and established linkages with different line departments.
- Organizing community-based people organization like, Producer Groups and Producer Company to address local developmental issues.
- Awareness generation and convergence with different schemes and programmes of govt.
- Community mobilization for preservation and better management of Natural Resource Development through Forest Conservation, plantation, Re-plantation, Rain Water Harvesting Structures, wells, improvement of land and its productivity through organic farming.
- Capacitate the farmers and promote model farming, Integrated farming, organic and NPM practices through crop demo and infrastructural facilities.
- Creation of irrigation structures and provision of water lifting devices to provide safe irrigation to the small and marginal farmers.
- Promotion of Integrated farming system in tribal dominated villages of Nuapada district.
- Improvement in community Health System through participatory approach.
- Eliminate child labour through Running of Learning Resource Centres, coaching classes to address the issues of deficit learners.
- Fostering partnership with Govt., PRIs and line departments for sustainable development.
- Promoting climate resilient crops and NPM practice.
- Organization of awareness Camps on RTE, Forest Act., MGNREGA and strengthening the target group (ST, SC and other Back ward community) to access and avail the provision of the Act.
- Formation and strengthening of Farmers Producer Organization, producers company and link them to OLM, Mission Shakti, ORMAS and others for financial linkages, enhancing productivity and marketing of products.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE DESK

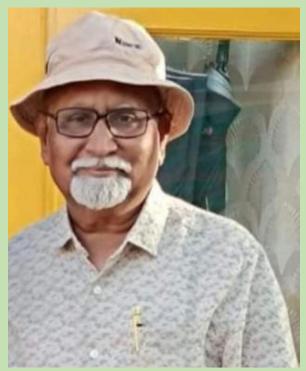
#### Dear Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to present our Annual Report for the year 2024-25. This report reflects on only the progress we have made but also the resilience, innovation and commitment that define our organisation.

Over the past year, we have navigated challenges with determination and seized new opportunities to create value for our stakeholders. Guided by our vision and core values, we strengthened our operations, deepened our community impact and laid strong foundations for sustainable growth.

Our achievement this year would-not have been possible without dedication of our employees, the trust of our partners and the continued support of our stakeholders. Together we have demonstrated what can be achieved through collaboration, accountability and purpose-driven action.

Looking ahead, we remain committed to driving excellence, embracing innovation and building on our success. With confidence in our strategy and faith in our people, we are well-positioned to deliver long-term impact and continued growth.



I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all who have been part of this journey and invite you to explore the highlights of the year in the page that follow.

Abani Mohan Panigrahi Member Secretary Lokadrusti

## 1. ABOUT LOKADRUSTI:

Lokadrusti came to exist at Nuapada in the late eighties during the drought situation at Kalahandi district and especially Nuapada came into limelight due to reasons like intensive drought, starvation death, child sale and underdevelopment. The prevailing situation attracted politicians, researcher, planners and media and compelled them to think for its development. Lokadrusti also took initiative of micro studies, village group discussion and interface with the people to understand the situation and find out certain solution to this drastic situation and gradually became Non-Governmental Organization which was registered under society registration act 1860 on dated 28<sup>th</sup> February 1988 and continued its effort to address the issues since then.

**Mission:** The Mission of Lokadrusti is to create an enabling environment for social change to empower the powerless/weaker section/down-trodden.

- ❖ **Vision:** Lokadrusti is a proactive organization that works:
- To promote participatory people centered process of development.
- To advance equitable social change and Distributive Justice.

#### 2. LOKADRUSTI OPERATIONAL AREA:

Lokadrusti has its establishment in Gadramunda village under Gadramunda Gram Panchayat of Nuapada district very close to Khariar town. The overall activities of the organization revolve round its Head Office operated through the field offices based at different districts and Block headquarters. In the initial stages Lokadrusti started its activities in 5 remote villages of Boden Block and now it is working in almost all the villages of Nuapada district and some part of Balangir, Bargarh and Kalahandi district (through direct / broad based approach).



#### 3. INTRODUCTION TO THE REPORT (2024–25)

We are pleased to present the Annual Report for our organization Lokadrusti for the year 2024-25. This report captures the milestones, challenges and collective impact of our journey over the past year. At Lokadrusti, our mission has always been "to create an enabling environment for social change to empower the powerless/weaker section/down-trodden". Guided by this vision, we have worked hand in hand with communities, partners and supporters to bring meaningful change where it matters most. The year 2024-25 was one of both challenges and progress i.e. financial crises, resource limitations and other local issues. We also witnessed the power of resilience, collaboration and inno2vation. Through the dedication of our team and the generosity of our donors and partners, we were able to reached 15000 Poor and marginalized households of the Nuapada district through different initiatives.

This report is not only an account of our activities but also reflection of the trust and support we continue to receive form our stakeholders. Every number, story and achievement shared here represents lives touched and futures transformed.

As we 2look ahead, we remain committed to deepening our impact, strengthening partnerships and creating sustainable solutions that empower communities for generations to come.

As the districts is prone to migration and drought Lokadrusti on its priority area emphasizes to intervene on the issues of livelihood and education. To retain the migrant households Lokadrusti in collaboration with different donors developed the productive assets like the wells, Ring wells, land leveling, compost pit, Indigenous Chick Production Untis(ICPU), Goatshed, Poultry Night Shelter, Plantation etc. and promote improved variety of organic and scientific method of cropping pattern with skill up-gradation, seeds and others supports like the trellis, sprinklers, weeder, Sprayer, Pump sets were provided to the needy small and marginal farmers. In connection to these numbers of SHGs, Producer Groups, Water User Society, Farmers Clubs and the Producer Company were established and strengthened to make the programme sustainable.

To create a conducive atmosphere for the children and continuation of education proper emphasis were given on awareness on Inter State Migration Act, strengthening of School Management Committees and establishing of Learning Resource Centres. To address the malnutrition among the mother and children proper measures were taken on promotion of backyard kitchen garden and sensitized on behavior and communication. We invite you to explore this report and join us in celebrating the progress we have made together.

# LOKADRUSTI PROJECTS AT A GLANCE

# 1. "Promotion of Agriculture Production Clusters in tribal Regions of Odisha"

**Location of the Project:** 24 Gram Panchayats in Boden & Khariar Block of Nuapada District.

Supported by: Bharat Rural Livelihood Foundation, New-Delhi

**Project Duration:** 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 to **Total Targeted Households:** 6150 HHs

#### **Project Objectives:**

- To promote intensive livelihood with the objective of sustainably doubling the income of 100000 small and marginal farmers in the backward highland regions of the state
- To establish the model of Agriculture Production Cluster (APC) in 40 backward blocks of the state as an effective method to organize production system and services of markets.

# 2. Socio Economic Development through Sustainable Agriculture & Allied activities.

**Project No-** G-2206-14076

**Supported by:** Azim Premji Foundation

**Project Period:** 1st Feb-2023 to 31st Jan-2026 (3 years)

**Total Beneficiaries:** 2000 Households of Khariar Block (1550 small &

Marginal Farmers + 450 Land Less households)

Project Objectives: Improved household income, food and nutrition security of

2000 poor families through sustainable agriculture practices, income generation activities and strengthening Farmers clubs &

water users committees in 15 villages of Nuapada district

## 3. LEARNING AND MIGRATION PROGRAMME (LAMP)

Supported by: American India Foundation (AIF) New-Delhi

Project Period-April-2022 to March-2023

Target Area: Balangir, Bargarh, Kalahandi & Nuapada District.

Target population: 0 to 14 years children, Parents and SMCs

#### **Objectives of the Programme:**

o Enrolled and retained minimum 90% of 06-14 years age group children in Govt.Schools.

- o Capacitated Teachers, SMCs and the AWWs on pedagogy expect to address deficit learning level.
- Established and run LRCs to address the deficit learning level of drop-out, never enrolled and poor performing students.
- o Facilitation on Community learning Audit & SDP in selected schools.
- O Support and guidance to the students for higher education.

# 4. Special Prograame for Promotion of integrated farming in tribal areas (SPPIF)

**Supported by:** Directorate of Agriculture & Food Production Dept. of Agriculture & Farmers Empowerment Govt. of Odisha through CDAO Nuapada

Project Period: April-2022 to March-2026

Operational Area: 10 Gram Panchayats of Sinapali Block of Nuapada district.

**Objective of the Programme:** Promotion of integrated farming in 10 Gram Panchayats of Sinapali Block.

# 5. Name of the Project: "Crop Diversification Programme in Mega Lift Irrigation Project" (CDP MLIP)

**Supported by:** Directorate of Agriculture & Food Production Dept. of Agriculture & Farmers Empowerment Govt. of Odisha through CDAO Nuapada

#### **Objective of the Programme:**

- 1. Diversification from paddy to non-paddy crops with focus on pulses & oil seeds and Horticultural crops in upland/medium land in kharif.
- 2. Improving soil health through promotion of crops with heavy biomass and less chemical input requirement.
- 3. Integration with livestock and fisheries.
- 4. Cluster based promotion of post-harvest, primary processing, value addition & marketing through CBOs like FPOs/W.SHGs/PPs and Agri-entrepreneur for higher income.
- 5. To create awareness, capacity building and community mobilization of farmers on sustainability of cropping pattern and diet diversification.
- 6. Inclusion of produce of non-paddy crops in different Government schemes such as ICDS, MDM, PDS and ST SC welfare hostels.

#### **6.NUAPADA NUTRI RICE CLUSTER: (NNRC)**

Supported by: Ministry of MSME, under SFURTI scheme.

**Nodal Agency:** Indian Micro Enterprises Development Foundation (IMEDF)

**Implementing Agency:** LOKADRUSTI

Technical Agency: Inquisit Consultants LLP

**Project Owner:** Unchin Foundation (SPV)

Location: Jhitridhoda of Khariar Block-6 Kms towards north of Khairar Block head

quarter.

#### **Objective of the schemes:**

• To organize the traditional industries and artisans into clusters to make them competitive and provide support for their long-term sustainability and economy scale.

- To provide sustained employment for traditional industry artisans and rural entrepreneurs.
- To enhance the marketability of products of such clusters by providing support for new products, design intervention and improved packaging and also the improvement of marketing infrastructures.
- To equip traditional artisans of the associated cluster with improved skills and capabilities through training and exposure visits.
- To make provision for common facilities and improved tools and equipment for artisans.
- To strengthen the cluster governance systems with the active participation of the stakeholders so that they are able to gauge the emerging challenges and opportunities and response to them in a coherent manner.
- To build up innovated and traditional skills, improved technologies, advanced processes, market intelligence and new models of public private partnerships, so as to gradually replicate similar models of cluster based regenerated traditional industries.

Total coverage area: 23 villages of Khariar & Boden block of Nuapada district.

# **COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION:**

Community mobilization is a vital process that brings people together to collectively identify

CAPACITY BUILIDNG OF CBO/FPO/FPC DURING 2024-25							
Sl.No.	Name of the Event	No. of	Venue/Block	Participants	Donors Support		
		Event					
1	Capacity building events	113	Boden/Khariar	5650	BRLF		
	conducted for PG promotion	113					
2	Capacity Building of PCs	28	Boden/Khariar	18	BRLF		
3	Capacity building events		Boden/Khariar	45	BRLF		
	conducted for building						
	community cadres like AE,	17					
	UM, Prani Mitra, Krushi						
	Mitra etc						
4	Thematic/technical capacity		Boden/Khariar	4530	BRLF		
	building events conducted for	151					
	community members						
5	Capacity building events	46	Boden/Khariar	18	BRLF		
	conducted for staff	-10					
6	Road shows	5	Sinapali	600	CDAO,		
					Nuapada		
	Sub-Total Institutional	360		10861			
	building	300					

challenges, voice their needs and actively participate in shaping solutions. During the reporting period Lokadrusti under took several initiatives to strengthen community participation and ownership development activities.

Awareness Campaign: During the year Lokadrusti in collaboration with different donors organized interactive sessions and door-todoor outreach to raise awareness on the issue of Migration, Right to Education, Sustainable Agriculture, Crop diversification, Sanitation, Nutrition and Health.

Formation/Strengthening of Community Groups: As Lokadrusti has already formed Water User Society, Farmers Clubs, SHGs. FPOs and FPC in previous years it emphasizes to strengthen them through peer learning and support. During the Process 484 SHGs and 71 Farmers Clubs, Water User Society, FPOs and FPC was involved from Sinapali, Boden and Khariar Block of Nuapada district.

Capacity Building: During the reporting period Lokadrusti conducted 360 numbers of events where 10861 community leaders were participated and trained on different issues where special focus was given to enhance leadership skills, decision making abilities and resource management within the community.

**Partnership building:** 60 numbers of events were organized at Block and District level to Engaged local leaders, government representatives and other stakeholders to ensure community concerns were integrated into broader development efforts.

#### Outcomes:

- Increased participation of community members in local decision-making forums.
- Strengthened networks of women, youths and marginalized groups who are now advocating for their rights.
- Improved owenership of programmes, leading to greater sustainability of inititaives.
- Enhanced collaboration between the community and service providers.
- Formed and strengthened 14 Farmers Club, 09 Water User Society, 47 Producer Group and 01 Producer Company by covering 6495 poor and marginalized Households.
- Promoted 48 Agri-Entrepreneur and they are active in enhancing agriculture production and marketing.
- 14 Producer Group received working capital of Rs.14,00,000/-for running their business from the Mission Shakti Department.
- The DBFCL (PC) has done a turnover of Rs.130.07 Lakhs as input and output business.
- Participation in Pallisabha, Gramsabha as well as in social issues improved by 75% by the women.
- Organized groups could generate funds from different sources like the Commercial Banks and the Govt. institutions and initiate different income generating activities which provide them additional income and helping them for improvement in their living conditions.
- Collective production and marketing help them a lot to enhance their income and address the issues of distress sale.
- Reduction in migration and employment in farm, off farm and wage sectors increased.
- Accessing to public information and different anti-poverty schemes and programs became easy.
- Indebtedness (private loan) decreased by 40% among the SHGs.

Conclusion: The community mobilization efforts during this reporting period have laid a strong foundation for long term community driven development going forward Lokadrusti aims to deepen these engagements, build stronger leadership at the grassroots level and ensure inclusive participation for sustainable impact.

## LIVELIHOOD INTERVENTION

Livelihood interventions are crucial for empowering communities, reducing poverty and ensuring sustainable development by enhancing skills, creating employment opportunities and promoting entrepreneurship which improve income, food security and resilience among vulnerable group.

#### Objectives:

- To enhance income generating opportunities for marginalized households.
- To promote skill development and capacity building.
- To strengthen community-based organization for sustainable livelihood practices.

Key activities undertaken:

### 1. Skill Development Training:

• A total of 75 Youths were trained on different skill like the organic farming, Tailoring, Plumbing, driving, electrician, Agri-entrepreneurship, Poultry,

Fisheries, Nursery raising, mushroom cultivation etc. and engaged as self-employed youths.

• A total of 72 nos. of Training programmes were organized at the Village level on sustainable agriculture, NPM, agronomic practices, package of practices etc where 2634 farmers trained and implement the activities.

	TRAINING & EVENTS DETAILS 1ST OF APRIL-2024 TO 31ST MARCH-2025							
Sl.No.	Name of the Event	No. of	Venue/Block Participants		Donors Support			
		Event						
1	Non-Residential Training on	12	Sinapali	240	CDAO,			
	Agronomic practices				Nuapada			
2	Non-Residential Training on	18	Sinapali	360	CDAO,			
	Vegetable Cutivation				Nuapada			
3	Training of Farmers on	19	Khariar Block	909	APF			
	Sustainable Agriculture							
4	Training of Farmers on	10	Khariar Block	435	APF			
	Vegetable Cultivation							
5	Training of Pacage of	12	Sinapali	600	CDAO,			
	Practice in Khariff crops				Nuapada			
6	District Level Workshop on	1	Sinapali	90	CDAO,			
	Crop Diversification.				Nuapada			
	Sub_total Agri/Horticulture	72		2634				
7	G.P.level Non Residential	6	Sinapali	120	CDAO,			
	Training on Fish Farming.				Nuapada			
8	G.P.level Non Residential	1	Sinapali	20	CDAO,			
	Training and capacity				Nuapada			
	builiding on Vaccination and							
	disease control							
9	Training of Farmers on	12	Sinapali	600	CDAO,			
	Value Addition.				Nuapada			
	Sub-Total Off Farm Sectors	19		740				

• A total of 19 nos. of Sub-Total Off Farm Sectors 19 740 training were organized at village and GP level on Fish farming, vaccination and deworming, value addition etc where 740 farmers participated and learn about promotion of off farm activities at the farmers level.

#### 2. Access to Resource & Finance:

- Established linkages with Government line departments and the social welfare schemes to make them self-reliant.
- Provide small grants to 200 poor and marginalized households to initiate goat rearing, poultry farming and other small business.

## 3. Agriculture Allied activities:

- 4702.8 Acres of land brought under high value crops like vegetables, oil seeds and pulses.
- Adopted crop diversification programme in 2007.50 hectors of land to promote paddy to nonpaddy products.
- Creation of permanent and durable assets like cluster bore well 16, Ring wells 20, Dug wells 16, Farm ponds -6, Micro-irrigation (Sprinkler & Drip) 74.5 acres were established and provide safe irrigation to 464.5 acres of land belonging to 196 small and marginal farmers.



- Constructed 154 nos. of compost pit to promote organic composting.
- 114.75 acres of land were brought under horticulture development benefitting 105 small and marginal farmers.
- 215 nos. of trellis were installed in 215 farmers field to promote creeper crops in 21.5 Acres of land.
- Constructed 425 nos. of low-cost goat shed benefitting 425 marginal households.









- Constructed 612 nos. of Poultry Night Shelter benefitting 612 households.
- Constructed 16 Indigenous Chick Production Units to promote Desi poultry in this region.
- Support 44 farmers with quality fish seeds to promote pisciculture activities.

### CONVERGENCE & COLLABORATION WITH GOVERNMENT:

Convergence plays a crucial role in any developmental activities. One activity or some of the activities having low-cost investment is not possible to uplift the poor from the debt trap or poverty. As Lokadrusti is a small grass root level organization it is not possible in our part to achieve the expected result at our own with a limited resource and manpower to handle such









a bigger issue of poverty eradication. The main hurdles and hindrances for development is the lack of proper assets and infrastructures at household's level. The smaller intervention with the support of donors neither satisfy the needs nor achieve the goal of the project/programme. Hence Lokadrusti in its operational area try to develop some durable and fixed assets for the

landless and the marginalized community which will provide perennial source of income to the targeted households in convergence with Govt. and other line departments/institutions. In addition to this we believe that instead of providing a bigger support it is essential to make the stake holders/beneficiaries aware to access different schemes and programmes of Govt. so that numbers of anti-poverty programme and schemes will reach to him/her and help them for their development. Hence Lokadrusti always try to converge with the entire departments to make the programme successful.

During the year 2024-25 convergence were made in the field of Horticulture Devt., Construction of Goat shed, Digging of Farm Pond and Dug wells, Establishing Lift Irrigation point etc. to help the poor farmers. During this year 9 nos. of CRLP point, 6 nos. of Farm Pond, 16 nos. of Dug wells were constructed/dug which benefited 129 HHs with a coverage of 210 acres irrigation area with a leveraging amount of Rs.464.06 Lakhs. 85.25 acres of orchard were developed for 82 small and marginal farmers (in collaboration with Horticulture Dept. Govt. of Odisha) with a leverage amount of Rs.162.81Lakhs, construction of NADEP/Vermi-compost-300 nos. (MGNREGS) with a leverage amount of Rs.1.71 Lakhs, Micro-irrigation-74.5 acres for 23 HHs (Sprinkler 32.5 acre & Drip 42 acres) with a leveraging amount of Rs.20.86 Lakhs etc. which ultimately help the farmers and landless households to increase their production in both farm and off farm sectors.

#### IMPACT OF LIVELIHOOD INTERVENTION:

- ❖ A Total of 2007.50 hectors of up and medium land were brought under crop diversification programme in Sinapali Block of Nuapada district with the support of CDAO, Nuapada in SPPIF and CDP-MLIP programme (Pulses, Oil seeds, millets, Maize, vegetables etc.) lead to increase in income of farmers up to Rs.15,000/- per annum.
- ❖ 215 numbers of Trellis for 215 farmers were installed to support farmers to raised creeper crops which lead to increase in income of farmers by Rs.10,000/- to Rs.12,000/- per Annum.
- ❖ A Total of 4702.8 acre of land has been brought under high value crop in 2 blocks (Boden & Khariar), where 2775.8 acres of hybrid vegetables crops,1927 acres of pulses and oil seeds has been cultivated.

- ❖ 184 acres of high value crops like potato, onion, spices, oil seeds & pulses were brought under cultivation in collaboration with Horticulture Dept with a subsidy amount of Rs.10.34 Lakhs.
- ❖ 85.25 acres of land were brought under horticulture plantation with the active involvement of 82 small and marginal farmers with a leverage amount of Rs.162.81 Lakhs and intercropping of 61 acres.
- ❖ 12 BRC unit has been promoted in both block with production capacity of 2000 Lts. Weekly due to which 2539 HH practicing NPM PoPs and cultivate 1870.5 acres.
- For intensive NPM Practice 300 compost unit has been constructed with leverage amount of Rs. 1.71lakhs. which will help us to shift from crop based to land based NPM practice.
- In this year 9 nos. of new CRLP point, 6 nos of. farm pond, 16 nos. of dug wells have been completely constructed with a potential irrigation area of 210 ac benefitting 129HH with a leverage amount of Rs. 464.06 lakhs.
- For proper water management 74.5 ac has been converted to micro irrigation system (Sprinkler 32.5 ac & Drip 42 ac) to 23 HH with leverage amount of Rs. 20.86 lakhs.
- 425 numbers of farmers were supported with low-cost goat shed lead to reduced mortality of goats due to infected disease.
- 612 numbers of low-cost poultry shed were constructed for 539 farmers for growing backyard poultry.
- Quality Fish seeds stocking was introduced with 44 farmers in 22 acres of water area.
- ❖ 75 youths trained on different skill based activities and working as self employed without migrating to other cities and town.
- 2634 nos. of farmers were trained through 72 events on Sustainable agriculture, NPM, Agronomic measures and practicing at their level.
- \* 740 farmers were trained on fish farming, vaccination and deworming of small ruminants and practicing at their level.
- ❖ Malnutrition among children below 6 years has reduced from the baseline data of 43% to 18% and in the case of malnourished/ anemic women it has reduced from 45% (baseline data) to 25% in 2024-25
- ❖ Migration has reduced from the baseline data to 20% in the targeted villages
- ❖ A tune of 130.07 Lakhs of Rupees was rooted through the Producer Company (Dukribudhi Farmers Producers Company Ltd.) both in input and output business.

#### LOW COST GOATSHED CHANGE THE LIFE OF POOR FARMERS.

- ❖ Beneficiaries: Nandaram Majhi S/o-Bansidhar Majhi , Aged about 40 belongs to ST category having AADHAR No-324960477156 of village Patielpada under Gorla Gram Panchayat of Sinapali Block is belongs to a marginal farmers family. He has cultivated land of 2.48 acre where he is able to arrange the food for the entire family of 6 members. His other source of income is the goat rearing which provide them the emergency need like cloths, medicines and other households requirement.
- ❖ Problems addressed: The main issues of the village community residing in the tribal pockets of Nuapada district is lack of awareness, lack of resource and poverty which lead them towards large scale family migration, malnutrition, anemic and hunger. The concept of the project and programme is to create awareness and provide them necessary productive assets to make them self-reliant. The major concern of the identified beneficiary was the construction of a goat-shed. Where he was keeping the goat was a dark

room having no any ventilators and space to accommodate the entire goat kept by him. This project activities addressed the issues through construction of a goat shed.

- ❖ Aims & Objectives: The aims and objectives of the activities is to Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger (MDG Goal-1), Good health and wellbeing (SDG-3), Decent work and economic growth (SDG-8).
- Responsible consumption and production (SDG-12) among the targeted family.
- Strategy: We have identified the beneficiary for establishment of Goat shed as per the prescribed designed guidelines of SPPIF and organized the joint verification process to validate the identified beneficiaries in the presence of AVAS/ Livestock Inspector. After verification a final list was developed and approved by the BTT, Sinapali and work order has been given to the concern beneficiaries. Proper layout was given by the Engineer, DPMU and Livestock coordinator for initiating the activities. After due completion of the Goat shed a training programme was organized for the beneficiaries in the subject of construction and management of GS including care and vaccination to the small ruminants (Goat/sheep).
- ❖ Cost- As per the budgetary provision of the project Udanti FPCL provided the materials like Asbestos sheet, wire max, cement and pipe to start the construction work and later on provided Rs.4,523/- as DBT towards labour and others components.
- ❖ Time Frame: The time frame of this activity was April-2023 to March-2024. But due to delay in process, it was completed in the month of June-2024.
- ❖ Out comes: Among selected farmers of that village Patielpada , Mr. Nandaram Majhi is one of the best farmers who shows interest and initiate the work first and completed it in time which was ultimately encourage others selected farmers to complete the same. After completion of the goat shelter, he kept his existing goats of 10



numbers and take proper care by vaccinating and supplying proper feeding.

While interviewing him on 23<sup>rd</sup> of September-2024 he expresses his gratitude to the SPPIF team for the regular support for his goat farming and said that he has now 23 numbers of goat including 10 smaller one. While asking on the loss and profit of the goat shelter, he said that he has sold 5 nos. of male goat (buck) in the nearby market and earn Rs.47,500/during NABARNA (the agrarian festival-2024) this year as net income and use for purchasing of 6 grams gold for her wife and other necessary equipment for their family. In addition to this he has also thanks to the team of Sinapali cluster for save them from the health hazard which was prevailed due to bad smell in the house while keeping goat in the bed room and Varanda.

# Increased income through adoption of Line Transplantation Method of cultivation.

Case Study of Namita Bhoi, Mahulkot

Smt. Namita Bhoi, W/o- Sobha Bhoi 42 years old, an illiterate farmer living with her family i.e husband and one son at Mahulkot Village, under Ranimunda GP of Khariar

block in Nuapada district. She has 1 acre of Land in a rice growing region but she left the land as barren field because it is located at slightly dry upland area.

After the intervention of Lokadrusti, APF Project she could be convinced by the Lokadrusti, APF Staffs and agreed to cultivate some small varieties of Paddy i.e. of 90-100 days crop.

Lokadrusti, APF provided Namita Bhoi 20 kg of Paddy (Tarangini) seeds, with proper training and guidance on line sowing. She learned to prepare the fields mark rows and use proper spacing which improved sunlight, exposure and air circulation for each plant.

On completion of the training Smt. Namita Bhoi and Sobha saw a significant increase in production due to line sowing the organised rows allowed better weed control and efficient use of water and organic fertilizers like Jeevamrit & Neemastra, reducing input costs. The improved spacing also led



to healthier plants and increased yield.

She reported that an average yield increase to 15-20% compared to traditional method (i.e broadcasting method) now she has cultivated paddy (Tarangni) by using line sowing method and received 26 quintals/Acre of paddy which she was lacking in the previous years. After looking to the total production her eyes filled into tears and she thanked to Lokadrusti APF for helping her.

# **EDUCATION:**

**Donor: American India Foundation (AIF)** 

MoU Period: July-24-June-2025

#### **Executive Summary:**

LAMP (Learning and Migration Program), was implemented with the support of AIF and the West Bridge Capital in 50 villages of 5 blocks in Nuapada districts of Odisha. There are 10 nos. of LRC in 10 LC (Learning Cluster). The core area of intervention is to improve education of under privileged children in three aspects i.e. the quality, access, and school

governance through the LRC (Learning Resource Centre). The centres (LRC) are used to run in both Hub and feeder villages in alternative days. A total of 885 children (328 from hub & 557 from feeder) villages were covered from School level. Two types of classes were taken to improve the educational level of children one is Learning Enrichment

Programme(LEP) for grade-3



to 5 and grade-1 to 2 to address the learning deficit. It focused on Foundational numeracy and literacy. Special classes were also taken for grade 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> on language, math and science. In addition to this the LRC facilitators assist government teachers in implementing the FLN methodology in which they were trained.

The Community Mobiliser appointed at community level organize the community especially the SMC and the migration households towards RTE, School governance, MDM, School children's retention. During this reporting period We formed and strengthened 50 nos. of CCG consist of 500 (M 198 F 302) members to enhance school governance. To capacitate them, numbers of training and events were organized where 360 SMC members participated and trained on RTE, School governance and new education policies. In addition to this 78 Govt. School Teachers were also trained on FLN. 50 Anganwadi Workers were trained on ECCE and FLN to make the AWC functional. During the Project year a total of 2686 children both from the Hub and Feeder villages were participated in LEP classes in different batches. In addition to this 1496 children from 50 AWCs were participated in FLN and ECCE classes.

#### **Coverage of the Programme:**

Total Coverage under LAMP Project for the Year 2024-25						
Sl.No.	Name of the Activities	No. of	Total	Remarks		
		event	Coverage			
1	No. of village Covered	50	50	Village		
2	No. of AWC covered	50	1496	Children (3-5 Years)		
3	No. of LRC	10	1368	Children(8-14)		
4	No. of SMC	30	30	SMCs		
5	No. of Feeder School	20	1318	Children (8-14)		
6	No. of Govt. Teachers Trained	2	78	Govt. School Teachers		
7	No. of AWW Trained	2	50	Anganwadi Workers		
8	No. of SMC Members Trained	12	360	SMC Members		
9	No. of Irregular Students Enrolled		679	Students		
10	No. of Out of School Children		10	Enrolled & Retained.		
	Total Coverage		5439			

- 1. **Program Goal:** To ensure that underserved children, especially those affected by distress or seasonal migration are retained in schools thereby ensuring continued access to education
  - 1. Percentage of students in intervention schools achieving grade-appropriate proficiency
  - 2. 30% increase in the percentage of students retained in hub and feeder schools.
  - 3. 30% increase in migration-prone families using Seasonal Hostels, Ashramshalas, KGBVs, and alternative caregivers for temporary stay of children during migration.
  - 4. Increased number of caregivers and community stakeholders actively supporting children to sustain their education amidst parents' migration (qualitative).

#### 2. Program Objectives:

- Enhance ECCE learning for pre-school children (3-5 years old) to facilitate a successful transition to primary schools
- Enhance quality of learning in schools (hub and feeder) through trained teachers delivering classroom sessions using LAMP pedagogy to improve student learning outcomes.
- Build an ecosystem to generate an increased value in education investment and developing alternate mechanism to retain children from migrant-prone families for continued education

#### Activities done during the reporting period:

- Setting up 50 numbers of ECCE corners in 50 Anganwadi Centre.
- Conducted Training of 50 AWWs on ECCE and FLN.
- Handholding support to AWWs in conducting the ECCE sessions
- Enrolment of children (3-5 years) in the ECCE sessions
- Establishment of 10 nos. of LRCs and provide LEP class to 328 children.
- Identification of 20 feeder schools and organised LEP class for 557 children.

- Identification of migration-prone children and their enrolment in hub and feeder schools.
- Foundational and LEP learning sessions by education facilitators in hub (grades 3-8) and feeder (grades 3-5) schools.
- Identification of remedial students in hub and feeder schools.
- Training of teachers from grades 1-2 in hub and feeder schools on language and logic using TLMs by shikshamitras.
- Demonstration session by education facilitators for grade 1 and 2 teachers on language and logic using TLMs
- Classroom transactions on language and logic by teachers of grades 1-2 in hub and feeder schools using TLMs
- Identification, readmission and tracking of out-of-school and irregular children.
- Identification of seasonal migration prone families.
- Awareness sessions with the caregivers to build their awareness regarding govt. schemes for seasonal-migration prone children.
- Facilitating seasonal-migration-prone families to find alternatives care givers.
- Support caregivers in accessing govt. schemes based on individual needs and support for the family/child

#### 10. New Initiatives: -

- I) CCG members participation and home visit with staff and they are working in villages to support the needy to access Govt. schemes in regular basis.
- II) CCG members are aware about the learning progress and follow-up of their children's and they dialoging with the concern Class Teachers about their children's study.
- III) LRC children are participated in art and craft class by the support of Edu. Facilitators. They are developing their creativity through art & craft.

#### 11. Challenges/ Lessons:

- i) 25 schools were closed due to lower strength (25 children's) which ultimately merged with the main revenue villages and it is little bit difficult to bring them due to various risk factors
- ii) We faced challenges to build care givers model for migration sensitive children's due to various risk factor.
- iii) Access to different anti-poverty schemes and programmes by the migrant's household was difficult due to delayed in governmental system & procedure.
- iv) Children with locked home were not interested to leave their children in relatives or care givers house.

# LOKADRUSTI COLLEGE OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

Nuapada district happens to be one of the 100 aspirational districts of India where the educational index is also very poor in comparison to others district of Odisha. The meritorious students use to get enrollment in other town and cities looking at their performance in +2 classes. But the lower middle level students and the low performer

students used become dropout having no option to continue the higher education. The low performers having financial ability also avail seat in different private colleges of nearby district or the state capital. In such situation the student from the creamy layers and the financially sound families got opportunities enroll in different schools and colleges the but low performer and the

#### Student Data 2024-25

Course Particulars	Sanctioned Strength	Enrollm ent status			No. of student appeared Exam	No.of student Passed
		Boys	Girls	Total		
BCA 1st Year	60	28	14	42	35	Not Publish
BCA 2 <sup>nd</sup> year	60	22	13	35	25	Not Publish
BCA 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	60	23	8	31	19	17
PGDCA	48	Nil				
BSC 1st year	128	36	38	74	64	Not Publish
BSC 2 <sup>nd</sup> year	128	22	25	47	37	Not Publish
BSC-3 <sup>rd</sup> year	128	46	35	81	70	35
Total	612	159	117	276	248	

financially week students remain either as unemployed drop out or use to migrate different town and cities in-search of job. It is also seen that those parents who are anyway want to continue the education of their children they are force to enroll their children near to their village in the so-called conventional courses where there are no such job opportunities. Though some jobs are available in the local areas still it is not for the non-technical persons and dominated by the out sider. At this backdrop Lokadrusti dared a modest beginning in the year 2007 and started a computer college namely Lokadrusti College of Advanced Technology (LCAT) with BCA and PGDCA. Later on this College opened one Degree College for completing the B.Sc course. Both the course is regular course duly recognized by the Department of Higher Education Govt. of Odisha and affiliated to Ma Manikeswari University, Bhawanipatana Kalahandi. To impart quality education, we had hired numbers of professionals and established well equipped Class room, Laboratory and Library.

Every year the Annual Function is being organized where in students exhibit their multi-faceted potential. Throughout the year different cultural, literary and sports events are organized which provide opportunity for the students to show their inherent quality. During 2024-25 a total of 276 students enrolled in different classes against the available sit of 612 both in BCA & BSc courses.

## **FINANCIAL OVERVIEW**

Lokadrusti has adopted proper financial management system within the organization and promptly comply with all the required legal procedures and policies, stipulated by the government and donor agencies.

Lokadrusti follows systematic procedure in procurement of goods, equipment and services required for the organization and its projects. As per the norms of the organization a marketing committee consists of 5 members has been set up for purchasing any items costing more than Rs. 10,000/- The members of the marketing committee include the Project Coordinator, Member Secretary, Treasurer, one senior staff of Lokadrusti and one of the Governing Body Members. The concerned Project Coordinator place requisition for the purchase of any items mentioning the budget head, and amount to the Member Secretary. On receipt of the request, the Member Secretary invites sealed quotations from 3 reputed vendors/firms. After receiving the quotations, the Marketing Committee goes through all the quotations and prepares a comparative statement. After discussion within the Committee, it approves the supplier who quoted lowest price with required quality and provide proper after sale service. Based on the decisions, required items are purchased locally or from the nearest market. In addition to this Lokadrusti always try to make its account system transparent for the entire staffs, Board Members, Donors, Auditors and Govt. Most of the payment above Rs.2000.00 is paid either through Account payee cheque or Bank Transfer.

During the reporting period of 2024-25 we had received an amount of Rs.2,70,72,232.40 from different donors/donation & fee from different persons and spent an amount of Rs.3,15,53,593.22 towards implementing different project activities.

# Conclusion

The past year has been a journey of growth, resilience and collective effort. Through the dedication of our team, the support of our partners and the active participation of communities, we have been able to make meaningful progress towards our mission. Our initiatives in community mobilization, livelihood, education, Nutrition, health & sanitation have not only created tangible outcomes but also strengthened the foundation for sustainable impact. As we look ahead, we remain committed to addressing emerging challenges with innovation and inclusiveness. The lessons learned this year will guide us in refining our strategies and expanding our reach. We express our sincere gratitude to our donors for their trust and collaboration. Together, we will continue to buildi a more equitable and empowered society.

