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## **Organization Background**

Koshish is a Non-Govt. organization, working for social, political and economic empowerment of poor people, protection of human rights, gender issues, right to food and environment conservation in rural and urban areas. Koshish was registered as a charitable trust on 4th August 1997.

The founders of Koshish are young and devoted activists to bring revolutionary changes in the social and economic order of the society. All of them have been active in social transformation of the society since their student days. They have participated in students' movement for the rights of students, and better education environment. After youth movement they joined movements for social, political and economic changes at provincial level. In the course of the movement, they gathered vast experiences and ideas which converged into the shape of 'Koshish'.

Our objective is ***Total development of the society starting from grassroots level.*** The brief profile of persons shows that Koshish has talents to explore and correct contradictions affecting the masses in the course of development.

As a human rights organization based in Patna for the last 15 years, Koshish coordinates with a large network of organizations working for community to highlight human rights violations across the state. Koshish also works directly with the community in a few districts.

KOSHISH has campaigned and lobbied on issues such as right to information, NREGA, Panchayati Raj System, Right To Education, Dalit, Minority and Women's Rights etc. KOSHISH has a group of experts to train activist to enable them to create awareness amongst the poor and marginalized communities on these issues. KOSHISH strength lies in its sustained interactions with downtrodden people at grassroots level on a variety of issues across urban and rural communities.

### **The goal of Koshish:**

- The goal of Koshish is to make full efforts at local level for social reform.
- To create a peaceful, need based and people centered society based on equality of both sex and community.
- To make society responsive and alert to co-ordinate with different available governmental and non-governmental institution of development.

## **The vision of Koshish**

*To establish a progressive, peaceful, democratic, just and environment friendly society based on the values of equality and fraternity.*

### **The mission of Koshish:**

*The mission is to educate, aware and empower the rural people and to get them a respectful status, social and economical freedom as well as to make a peaceful and pure environment.*

### **Working Area:**

- a) **Subject:** Human Rights, Women and Children Rights, Legal education, Education, Health, Environment, Panchayati Raj, Right to information, Agriculture and Sustainable Development, Right to food, Peace Building.
- b) **Districts of Activities:** 25 Districts of Bihar - Araria, Purnea, Kisanganj, Saharsa, West Chapara, East Champaran, Begusarai, Gaya, Nalanda, Nawada, Samastipur, Darbhanga, Madhubani, Sitamarhi, Siwan, Patna.
- c) **Network:** Entire Bihar and Jharkhand

### **Areas of Activities**

- ☞ Strengthening of Right to Food Campaign.
- ☞ Support to Advisor office to the Supreme Court Commissioners.
- ☞ Research and advocacy for urban homeless
- ☞ Develop model of Community monitoring for food security schemes.
- ☞ Research on various social issues.
- ☞ Protest against various social challenges.
- ☞ Social audit of welfare schemes.
- ☞ Training and study material.
- ☞ Dolphin Conservation Programme.

### **Outcomes**

Capacity of people to demand from service provider and local authority in increased and implementation of various food security schemes has become regular to larger extent. Right to food campaign is strengthen and political agenda on food and other related issues has been

made. Media, network of various organization, activist, academicians and I-NGOs are sensitized and become sensitive to the rights of poor people.

## Areas of Activities

### Strengthening of Right to Food Campaign

Right to Food Campaign (Bihar) is a Part of National Right to Food Campaign which aims to achieve food security for one and all through a comprehensive Food Security Act.

- **Dharna and rally:** On 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2012, Dharna and rally were organized in Mohanpur and Barachatti respectively, attended by around 50 men and women of targeted villages. All voiced their concern about non distribution of grains in PDS according to the quota in the coupon, irregularities & corruption in Anganwadi centres, poor quality of cooked food in MDM and non –functioning of Schemes such as NFBS, NREGA, NRHM.

- **22<sup>nd</sup> Aug. State Consultation on RTF Campaign:** Prevailing food insecurity, malnutrition in the society, especially in vulnerable and marginalized communities, for many years and government's slow initiatives to mitigate these problems have been the concern of activists, NGOs and CBOs for a long time. In this context, one day consultation on *Malnutrition, food security and strengthening of community monitoring* was organized in A.N. Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Gandhi Maidan, Patna, on 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug. 2012.



All participants representing INGOs and NGOs, intellectuals and activists and around 100 representatives of 40 organizations from 30 districts of Bihar voiced their concern over impending food insecurity, shortcomings in the present Food Security Bill, non implementation of land reforms, non availability of livelihood sources, rising corruption in delivery system of food, health and work schemes and government's dilly-dally in implementation of the Supreme Court orders regarding food security schemes.

Therefore, need was felt to revive the Right to Food Campaign starting from panchayat level with focus on issues relating to “Right to life” i.e universalization of nutrition and other health schemes, food schemes with not less than 50 kg grains and other food articles on subsidized rate, land reform and equitable distribution of livelihood sources and so on.

- 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Aug. Dharna in New Delhi:** The *Dharna* organised by National Right to Food Campaign was attended by around 200 people from Right to Food Campaign (Bihar). The objective of the *Dharna* was to put pressure on the government to include the demands of the campaign in the National Food Security Bill in the winter session of Parliament. On the last of the *Dharana*, Pension Parishad demanded the introduction of Pension Bill and to provide for Rs.2,000/- on universalized basis. The participants, among others, were Ritwij, Prabhakar, Pawan, Badri, Vinod and other volunteers from different parts of our working areas.



- 3<sup>rd</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> October Samvad Yatra on RTF:** *Yatra* was organized by Right to Food Campaign in the Eastern Region; Bihar, W. Bengal, Jharkhand, Orissa and Chhatisgarh from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> October. It virtually covered all districts and culminated into *Aam-Sabha* on 17<sup>th</sup> of the month in Jamshedpur. The objective of this *yatra* was to highlight malnutrition, government’s indifferent attitude towards the implementation food-security schemes meant for mitigating malnutrition, call for universalization of health, food and work schemes, demand 50 kg grains and other food articles at subsidized rate and robust grievance redressal mechanism. Unanimous demand was made for the enactment of a comprehensive Food Security Law. Moreover, community monitoring and issues relating to livelihood and land distribution were highlighted during this *yatra*.



During the *Samvad Yatra*, 1.5 lakh people of 27 districts were interacted. The members of the *yatra* team came to know about the different problems faced by the marginalized and small agriculture labours. All in unison said that the schemes were not reaching targeted beneficiaries. It was lamented that the decrease in agriculture production was forcing the migration of agriculture labours from villages to cities, thus, leading to several social economic problem. The team expressed concerns regarding the increase in price of inputs for agriculture, thereby further aggravating the problem. The team strongly opposed the grant of two licenses for liquor shops in every panchayat.

Community leader, Badri paswan, participated in Right to Food Campaign Yatra that started on 3<sup>rd</sup> from Gaya and ended on 16<sup>th</sup> in Jamshedpur in the month of October. He visited 26 districts- Madhubani, Araria, Munger, Khagaria, Samastipur, Vaishali., Nawada, Nalanda, Buxar, Saran, East- champaran and Sitamarhi. He also visited Bagula, Dangra and Musarsabda and villages on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> October to mobilize people for inauguration function of Yatra programme held on 3<sup>rd</sup> in Barachatti block High School compound.

- In October Right to Food Campaign Yatra, led by Rupesh, traversing 26 districts from 3<sup>rd</sup> and ended on 14<sup>th</sup> in Patna. From Patna it reached Jamshedpur and transformed into an Aam-Sabha on 16<sup>th</sup>.

- **24<sup>th</sup> November Magadh Commissioner Meeting on RTF:** At the meeting with the Magadh Commissioner on Right to Food Campaign, the demand for a comprehensive Food Security Bill was reiterated by all the attendees. The meeting was attended by members of organizations such as Koshish Charitable Trust, Jeevan Sangam, Grameen Vikaas Sansthan, Triveni Darpan, Avidya Vimukti Sansthan, Magadh Parivar kalyan Parsihad, Jan Jagran and others. The members called for the strengthening of the RTF Campaign so that it can put pressure on the government for the better implementation of all the food security schemes so that they reach the targeted beneficiaries and implemented in letter and spirit.



- **27<sup>th</sup> November Koshi Commissioner Meeting on RTF:**

The meeting was attended by organizations named, Gramshilya, Deviki Neeta Kalyan Vikas Samiti, Kosi Prahari, Kos Grameen Vikaas Sansthan, Pahuch Foundation, Madhepura Christen Hospital among others. The members called for the enactment of a comprehensive Food Security Bill and its



universal coverage. The members agreed that this can be achieved by strengthening the RTF campaign so that it can exert more pressure on the government in order to ensure proper implementation of the schemes and its universal coverage. They further said that the absence of a grievance redressal system is impeding the implementation of the schemes. They said that schemes should be used to improve the condition of the marginal and small farmers.

- **8<sup>th</sup> December Candlelight against Cash Transfer in the Right to Food:**

A candlelight march was organized in order to create awareness against the government's effort to introduce cash transfer in food security schemes. The march took place near Patna High Court. It was organized by Right to Food Campaign, Bihar and Lok Parishad, Bihar. The demands included not to exchange the food grains provided under



Targeted Public Distribution with the cash transfer. It also called for the enactment of the Food Security Bill and the universalisation of the scheme so that all the poor and malnourished are covered and benefitted. The participants in the march cautioned that the Cash transfer should never be allowed to take place of the public schemes for food security and should also be dissociated with Adhaar Cards. The cash transfer should be run as a individual scheme and should be implemented in a better way.

- **13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> December Dharna (Sit-in) in front of Parliament:**

A Dharna was organized by National Right to Food Campaign in front of the Parliament. The purpose of the Dharna

was to stop the government from introducing cash transfer for food grains and to mount pressure on the government to include the amendments proposed by the National Right to Food Campaign. Badri Paswan and Ramdeo mobilized around 500 people from Gaya on behalf of Right to Food Campaign, Bihar.

- **10<sup>th</sup> January Meeting on Right to Food Campaign in Samastipur:** Koshish Charitable Trust organized a meeting with the help of SEWA. Representatives of different organizations of samastipur participated. The objective of the meeting was to discuss on National Food Security Bill, the issue of Cash transfer and on the status of the implementation of other Food Security Schemes such ICDS, TPDS, MDMS, NMBS, NFBS etc. Three resolutions were passed in the meeting. Firstly, it was resolved to strengthen Right to Food Campaign and decide its course of action. Secondly, in order to put pressure on the government against introducing cash transfer, write post cards to the Prime Minister. And thirdly, to extend cooperation to the survey conducted by the Office of the Advisor to Supreme Court Commissioners.
- **16<sup>th</sup> January Meeting of Darbhanga Commissioner:** A meeting was held between 11a.m. to 3 p.m. at the office of Help Age India office and organized by different organizations and activists of Darbhanga Commissioner and attended by the representatives of organizations of Darbhanga and Mahdubani. The meeting was held in the wake of the possibility of the enactment of National Food Security Bill in the months of January or February. The objective was to constitute a Joint Action Group in order to put pressure on the government to include the demands of the Right to Food Campaign in the proposed food security bill and not to provide cash transfer as alternative to food grains. Ritwij Kumar of Right to Food, Patna coordinated the meeting.
- **18<sup>th</sup> January Meeting on RTF in Munger:** In order to prevent the government from providing cash transfer as an alternative for food security in the Food Security Bill and persuade it to include the amendments sought by the Right to Food Campaign a meeting was held Munger. The meeting was held in the office of Dihsa Vihar, Lalupokhar, Kankadghat Road in Munger. It was organized and attended by different organizations of Munger district.
- **18<sup>TH</sup> February Meeting of MLAs and MPs on Right to Food:** The Right to Food Campaign organized a meeting of Ministers, MLAs, MPs, members of different political

parties, representatives of various social organizations, President of Bihar State Farmer's Commission, Panchayat representatives, Academicians and social workers of Bihar in A.N. Sinha Institute. The meeting was presided over by Father Philip Manthra and coordinated by Pravind Kumar Praveen of Oxfam India. The objective of the meeting was to suggest amendments in the proposed National Food Security Bill, keep in mind the requirements of the poor and the marginalized, and send the same to the Prime Minister through a joint letter prepared by the attendants of the meeting. . The meeting was attended by Minister of Food and Consumer Protection Department, Government of Bihar, Dr. D.M. Diwakar, Director, A.N. Sinha Institute, Rupesh, Right to Food Campaign, C.P. Sinha, President, Bihar State Farmer's Commission, Jyoti Manjhi, MLA, JD(U), Vinoy Ohdar, Action Aid among others.



- **15<sup>TH</sup> March Annual State Level Convention on Right to Food Campaign:** Organized by Koshish Charitable Trust. The convention was attended by around 200 people. the main speakers at the convention were Dr. Shakeel from CHARM, D.M. Diwakar, Director, A.N. Sinha Institute, Pravind Kumar Praveen and Praksh Gardiya from Oxfam, Prdadep Priyadarshi from Ekta Parihsad, Ramesh Pankaj, Kapileshwar from Dalit Adhikar Manch among others. The object of the convention was to make the Food Security Bill more comprehensive.



Dr. Shakeel dealing with the health issues said that Public Private Partnership (PPP) was not a viable option for providing health security to the poor and marginalized. He criticized the government schemes of providing iron and other tablets in place of other nutrients. D.M. Diwakar said that the problem of poverty and hunger can be addressed not by food security but by food sovereignty. Pravind Kumar Praveen called for the Bill to be more comprehensive so that all the poor and the marginalized, who are on the brink of starvation or are starving, should get benefitted. Mr. Rupesh talked on multiple aspects of the Bill. He reiterated the demand for a comprehensive food security bill with a robust

grievance redressal system. He cautioned against the provision for cash transfer against food grains. The convention was concluded with calls for a joint platform for all the like-minded organization and people so that they can jointly put pressure on the government for a better and comprehensive Food Security Bill which targets hunger and poverty of our nation.

### Support to Advisor office to the Supreme Court

- 21<sup>st</sup> Aug. Eastern Regional Consultation on RTF:** One day consultation on linking initiatives for food security was held on 21 August, 2012. The meeting was attended by advisors of five eastern states, various organizations, activists, intellectuals and likeminded people who came together to protest cash transfer instead of grains in PDS, oppose Food- security Bill in present form, begin *yatra* in each five states to highlight malnutrition and for a comprehensive Food-Security Bill, consultation on food security at district level, meeting with People's representative etc. Participants, among others, were Biraj Patnaik, Principal advisor, Rupesh, Bihar's advisor, Anuradha Talwar, West Bengal's advisor, Ganga, Chattisgarh's advisor, Rajkishore Mishra, Odissa's advisor, Balram, Jharkhand's advisor, Pravind Kumar Praveen, Prakash Gardia and Vipin from Oxfam, D.M. Diwakar from A.N.Sinha Institute, Dr. Mahendra Naryan Karna, and Rajpal from PACS.



The objective of the consultation was to bring together Advisors to the Right to Food Commissioners of Supreme Court of five Eastern States – Bihar Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Orissa, W. Bengal and the activists and concerned people working on issues of right to food to discuss and debate and come up with some coordinated actions in the eastern states of the country to improve food and nutritional security.

### Research and advocacy for urban homeless

- Consultation on Homeless Shelters in Bihar:** A consultation dated 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2012, was held to take stock of the status on the implementation of the orders given by the

Supreme Court for the construction of homeless shelters in context of Bihar and it found a depressing reality. Among others, **Sandeep Chachra** (National Advisor Commissioner Office of the Supreme Court, National Head Action Aid) and Rupesh attended the consultation.

**The main agendas of the meeting were as follows:**

1. A brief overview of the state and central running schemes for the homeless and slums.
2. Lights on the role of government regarding the ineffective and improper implementation of schemes and funds.
3. Conditions of home shelters in selected cities of Bihar by different researchers.
4. Advocacy on the improvement of home shelters and effective policies on the concerned issues.
5. A case study of Hyderabad model on home shelters.
6. A concluding session by the national advisor on the issues discussed.



Sandeep Chachra, spoke about the Supreme Court directives regarding homeless shelters and said that all state government are required to implement the directives in letter and spirit without failing. However, while sharing his experience with the audiences he informed that states like Bihar, U.P., Rajasthan, etc., do not have the homeless shelters as per Supreme Court directives, while state like Andhra Pradesh have implemented substantially. He stated that with our initiatives President of India suggested that National Policy for urban homeless would very soon become a reality.

Mr. Rupesh, as a State Advisor (Bihar) to commissioners of the Supreme Court, describe about the poor condition in several homeless shelters in Bihar. Some of the problems such as broken floor, lack of sanitation, safe drinking water, non-appointment of watchmen, he discussed.

- **21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> December Survey on Homeless in Patna:** Koshish Charitable Trust conducted a survey of homeless in Patna. The areas surveyed were of PMCH, GPO Golumber, Radio Station, Fraser Road, Patna Junction, Gandhi Maidan, R Block and other such areas where pavement dwellers were found sleeping on the streets in the

chilling winter nights. The findings of the survey provided the real picture of the lives of these pavement dwellers that fight bone-chilling winters of night in open sky. Elders, women, children adults, people of all age groups are forced to live under such challenging condition due to homelessness. Around 1500 people were surveyed in the above-mentioned areas who were found to be homeless.



- 27<sup>TH</sup> December Press Conference on Homeless in Patna:** Mr. Rupesh, advisor to Supreme Court Commissioner organized a press conference and released a report on the status of homeless shelters and the plight of homeless in the Patna. The report discussed the condition of homeless in Bihar. It brought to light the pitiable conditions of the homeless shelters and its residents. The team of researchers visited the areas of PMCH, GPO Golumber, Radio Station, Patna Junction, Gandhi Maidan, R Block and other such areas where pavement dwellers were found sleeping on the streets in the chilling winter nights. The team found that the destitute of all age groups were forced to sleep on the roadside, pavements etc in the open sky. The shelters were without any proper sanitation system.



The status of these homeless people who have been prevented the right to dignified life was highlighted in the press conference. The report of the survey was released by Mr. Rupesh. It called for the immediate construction of new homeless shelters and the renovation of the old ones. He said that this was a sheer violation of the Fundamental Right under Article 21 of the Constitution of India, *i.e.*, right to life and Supreme Court orders.

- 31<sup>st</sup> December Distribution of Cloths and Blankets:** The distribution of clothes and blankets was done by Oxfam in collaboration with Koshish Charitable Trust. The areas where the distribution took place were PMCH, GPO Golumber, Radio Station, Patna Junction, Gandhi Maidan, R Block and few other areas. Around 500 people were benefitted by this effort of Oxfam and Koshish. The cloths and blankets were arranged by the local contribution from youth mainly from Maner block and Patna, who had collected them by visiting door to door. Those who collected them were Tulsi, Pawan, Chandan, Ravi, Rajeev and Ranjit from Maner and Priyanka, Somya and Anuradha from Patna.



#### **Develop model of Community monitoring for food security**

- Training Workshop:** On 8<sup>th</sup> April, one day training workshop for all members of Nyay Dal of Panchayat was organized in Kanya Uchch Vidyalaya Barachctti and second training program was organized on 9<sup>th</sup> April in Uchch Vidyalaya, Dangara, Mohanpur and third training programme was organized in Panchayat Bhawan, Bhetgaon, Badh and fourth was organized on 22<sup>nd</sup> April Uchch Vidyalaya Maner. Nyay Dal, composed of 9 members, in every Panchayat of targeted 12 panchayats in 4 blocks of two districts- Patna & Gaya were trained regarding Food Security schemes, grievance redress mechanism and monitoring activities.
- Community leaders held meetings with village, vigilance and to discuss problems relating to non-delivery of entitlements. In April, community leader, Badri paswan held 9 village committee meetings, 6 vigilance committee meetings and 2 Nayaya Dal meetings, Ramdev Prasad, community leader of Mohanpur held 7 vigilance committee. Meetings, 7 village committee meetings and 2 Nayaya Dal meetings, Community leader Pawan Kumar of Maner block, held 9village committee meetings, 6 vigilance committee meetings and meeting and Vinod Kumar, community leader held 9 village committee meetings, 9 vigilance committee meetings and 2 Nayaya dal meetings.

- On 28<sup>th</sup> May 2012, Mr. Sanjay Kumar Sinha, research associate, visited four AWCs in Gayaspur Panchayat of Maner block, Patna district for monitoring them. He along with Pawan Kumar community leader went to the AWC – 36, village-Ahiyapur at 9.30 am. Seeing us, some local people came at the centre and starting complaining about the late coming of Sevika, improper functioning of the centre, irregularity in cooking of SNP, distribution of little quantity of SNP to children and Take Home Ration( THR). According to Mr Samik Ahmad, Harendra Yadav, Jagpato Devi and Manju Devi living in the locality and beneficiaries of the scheme complained that nexus of CDPO and Sevika is looting fund meant for children, girls, Pregnant & lactating mother. In the meantime, Sevika came with a bag carrying grains- rice mixed with dal & grams to cook Khichari for children. Asked Sevika, Rita sinha, to respond regarding complaints of beneficiaries, she replied that they always complained against her. But she could not do anything as she was an asthma patient. Even then, She said that she manages to come on time most of the days. Regarding distribution of less quantity of THR she said that amount made available to her did not match the price of rice & dal in the market. For example, dal's current price is RS 46 per kg, while the government allocates only RS 39 per kg. Beneficiaries were not happy with her response and said that only in the last two- three months following intensive monitoring by government and regular meetings of villagers conducted by our community leader THR contents quantity have been increased; rice is raised from 1kg to 2kg & dal from 500 gm to 1kg. She also said that she was in hurry to go to CDPO's office as meeting of all Sevikas was called there.

### Research on various social issues

- October, A Study Report of Socio-Economic Impact of Society on Increasing Consumption of Liquor:** The study report was undertaken by Bihar Women Network with the help National Alliance of Women's Organisation. Monetary support was extended by Action-Aid. The survey was undertaken in 15 villages of twelve districts of Bihar. The purpose of the study was to determine the consumption of liquor in the society with the introduction of new "Liquor Sourcing Policy-2007-2008". Through the facts revealed in this study report, it was impressed upon the Government of Bihar to retrospect its decision of allowing two liquor shops in each Panchayat.

- **Identify possible interventions for economic upliftment and enhanced civic participation of SHG members:** The project was supported by CASA to identify possible interventions for economic upliftment and enhanced civic participation of SHG members through SHG formations in four districts: Supaul, Khagria, Madhubani and Sitamarhi. The study took place in the month of August. The report of the study was formally submitted on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

The study revealed economic and social activities of economically weak women SHG. They were found to have undertaken petty business to support their family with extra income. Apart from leading traditional life of living in the house, doing small household works, bringing up children and helping husbands and elders, they are more exposed to the world in the course of business transaction.

This improved their social identity and their perceptions regarding children's education, family planning, marriage and savings. They are in favor of educating their children, small family and self reliance. Thus they are on the way of empowerment despite some cultural hindrances still existing.

### **Protest against various social challenges**

- **18<sup>th</sup> December March against the incident of gang-rape in Delhi on 16<sup>th</sup> December:** A march was organized by the Citizen's Group including Koshish and Bihar Women's Network against the gory incident of gang-rape of 16<sup>th</sup> December in Delhi which claimed the life of the victim. The march was attended by more than 300 people, mostly students. It started from Kali Das Rangalaya and ended at Buddha Smriti Park, near Patna Junction. Demands were for enactment of stringent laws for dealing with such offences. They called for speedy trial of cases of violence against women. Need was felt to change the mentality of the citizens of the nation who mostly considered women as inferior gender and always attempted to subdue them. They said that women should not be treated like a commodity.
- **21<sup>st</sup> December Candlelight on Violence against Women:** The candlelight march was organized by Bihar Women's Network and Koshish Charitable Trust near Children park, Gandhi Maidan to District Magistrate's residence. The objective was to create awareness for violence against women and sensitize the people to respect women. More than 200

people participated including children. India lies very low in the rankings when it comes to the status of women in the world. Despite having such rich culture of the status of women the country has witnessed rising incidents of violence including against foreign female tourists.

### Social audit of welfare schemes

- **4<sup>th</sup> March Training for Social Audit:** A training programme on Social Audit was organized by State Ultra Poor Society, Department of Social Welfare. It was attended by around 100 representatives from 50 organizations and activists. Ritwij Kumar from Koshish Charitable Trust and Ashish Ranjan Jha from Jan Jagran Abhiyan imparted a comprehensive training on the whole process of social audit and data collation.
- **11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> March Social Audit in Khagariya District:** A Social Audit of ICDS was undertaken by Koshish Charitable Trust in three blocks of Khagariya District namely, Khagariya Sadar, Chautham and Parvatta. The Government of Bihar provided administrative support by providing data and protection to the members of the audit team during People's Hearing. Several volunteers from different organizations and students helped in collation of data. We gave recommendations to the Government of Bihar for an effective social audit.

### Training and study material

We impart training on field survey, data tabulation and analysis, case study to staffs and volunteers of organizations working on Right based issues. In 2012-13, Oxfam's partners and other organizations were benefited by our efforts. Training materials on right based government schemes, constitutional rights and human rights are also developed by our experts.

Study materials like folders, booklets, posters relating to food security schemes and other right based schemes are developed by us.

### Dolphin Conservation Programme

- **13<sup>th</sup> April Rally for Ganges River Dolphin Conservation:** A rally of school children was organized on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2012. It started from Rajkiya Madhya Vidyalaya, Ramjichak,

Bata Ganj, Digha, Patna and passed through fisher's community at the bank of River Ganga and culminated in the same school. Around 100 students along with youth and teachers participated in this rally. Students while passing through the dwellings of fisher's community went to their houses and suggested them against killing dolphins for food, fish-bait and fat.



They also told them to participate in conservation programme for dolphins as it was an endangered species and if these are killed, the culprits would be punished under law.

- Dolphin Mela:** On 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2012 Dolphin Mela was organized at Gandhi Ghat, Patna, for cluster of schools by Koshish Charitable Trust. From 17 schools, more than 300 students, teachers, activist and youth participated in this programme. Chief Guest was Dr. R.K. Sinha, Professor in Central Bihar University; he is the first person to research on Ganges dolphin, its habitat and its importance in eco-system.



Sharing his experience, he said that dolphin's conservation was necessary for ecological balance and its presence in the river is evidence of no pollution in the river. Mr. Sanjay Tiwari and Dr. Abdul Kalam from CEE, North inspired students to work for awareness about dolphin's conservation.

Posters prepared by students were exhibited, students performed *Nukad Natak*, gave speeches, recited poems, slogans etc. Mr. Sanjay Tiwari entertained children through game and also provided them with a lot of information on dolphin and the need for its conservation. Quiz contest concerning dolphin was also organized.

- Dolphin Mela:** On 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2012 Dolphin Mela was organized at G.A. Inter School, for cluster of schools by Koshish Charitable Trust. From 14 schools, more than 150 students, teachers, activist and youth participated in this programme. Chief Guest was Mr.

Ravindra Prasad Singh, Master Trainer, National Green Crop, Programme and Dr. Abdul Kalam, CEE, North. Mr. Ravindra Prasad Singh said that industrial waste, human waste and transportation in the river were damaging the eco-system and habitat of living things.



Activities such as poster competition, slogan competition and quiz contest were carried out on the day and winners were rewarded with Dolphin caps and t-shirts. Students gave speeches and performed plays.

## **Agenda**

- ☞ Hunger and Malnutrition
- ☞ Right based approach against inequality
- ☞ Participation, accountability and grievance redressal
- ☞ Peace building

## Organizational Profile

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### Registration Details

- a. **Registered under Charitable Trust act** in the Office of Registrar Patna, Govt. of Bihar our Permanent basis number is **4749/IV-338 dated. August'97.**
- b. **Registered under FCRA act**, 1976 in the office of Home Affairs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi-110003 on permanent basis number is **031170250 Nature Social dated the 24 Feb 2003.**

### Details of Income tax exemption issued under IT act

**Pan AAATK4579Q**

12 A No. 12A /2004-05/6805-07 dated 23. 12. 04,

80 G No 80G/2004-05/6808-10 dated 23.12.04

Regular Return, FC3, 12A & 80G.

### Account & Audit

#### Bank Particulars

- **For FCRA:** Saving Account No.15442, Indian Bank, Gandhi Maidan, Patna, Bihar (INDIA).
- **For Indian:** Saving Account No.625901128707, ICICI Bank, Fraser Road, Patna 800001

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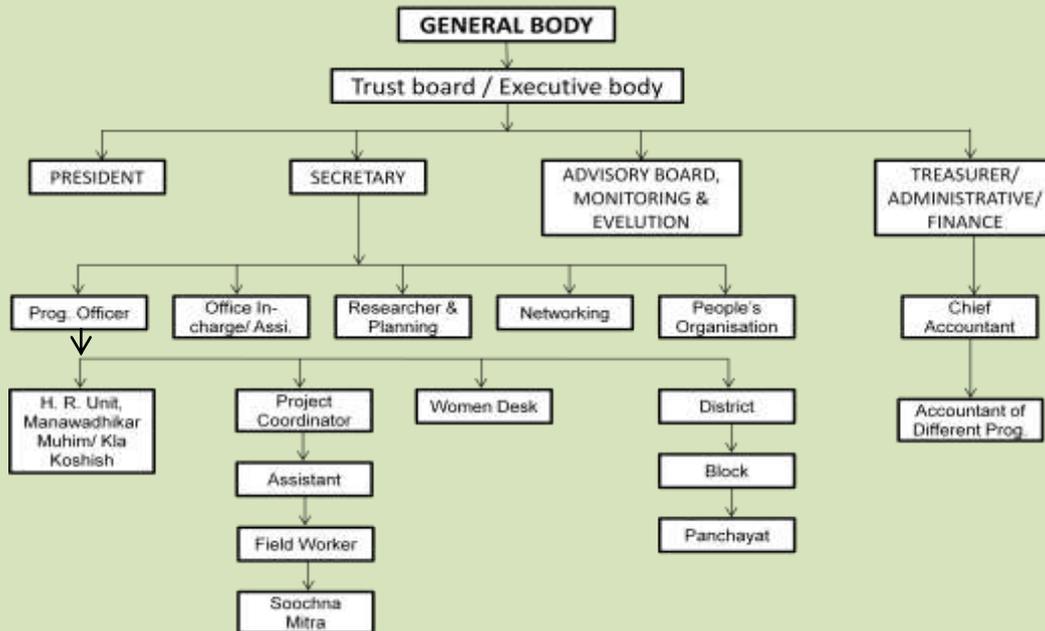
### Internal Management and Systems

**Governance:** The governance of the organization is not confined to a single person but every member plays a vital role in it. Executive body makes field visit time to time, assesses the ongoing projects. Executive body takes final decision on any issue during their executive committee meeting which is held every three months. The organization has an advisory board, which attends the executive committee meetings. The board gives suggestions for proper implementation of the program.

### Executive Committee Members:

#	Name	Designation	Address	Occupation
1	Arshad Ajamal	President	Haroon Nagar, Phase-II, Phulwarisharif, Patna	Social activist
2	Rupesh	Secretary	Panchwati Nagar, Rajendra Nagar, Patna –800016	Social activist
3	Archana Kumari	Treasurer	Kannu Lal Road, Mithapur, Patna	Lecturer
4	Manju Dungdung	Member	Boring Road, Patna- 800001	Social Activist
5	Kapileshwar	Member	Phulwarisharif Patna	Social Activist
6	Bindu Devi	Member	Vill + Post – Rahimpur Panchkhuti, Khagariya	Social Activist

7	Vinod Kumar	Member	Adalat Ganj, Patna- 800006	Social Activist
8	Dr. Anil Kumar Singh	Member	Lohanipur, Patna	Social Activist
9	Sanjay Kumar Sinha	Member	Boring Road, Patna- 800001	Social Activist
10	Kranti Rashosh	Member	Congress Maidan, Kadam Kuan Patna	Social Activist
11	Manju Devi	Member	Sonoho, Saran- 841301	Social Activist



### Decision Making Process

Usually the decisions are take in meetings with due deliberations and mutual understanding.

### Roles and Responsibilities

All of the members are responsible persons and they are committed towards their duties. They play very significant role in every aspect of the programme, take decision in various activities of the organization.

### Financial Management Systems

The organization especially raises funds from manufacturing greeting cards in Kala Koshish for general management of the organization but it also depends on the donors for support.

### Networking & collaborating partners

Soochna Mitra, Panchayat Bachao Abhiyan, Bihar Pradesh Lok Samiti, Manwadhikar Muhim, Bihar Womens Network, Right to food Campaign, Right to information campaign & 500 NGO.

### Association with

- Mahila Jagran Kendra, MARG, PLD & Lok Parishad etc
- Rupesh, Advisor to Commissioners of the Supreme Court  
IN THE CASE: PUCL Vs UOI and ORS. WRIT PETITION (Civil) NO. 196 of 2001

### Certification

It is hereby certified that our organization has not been black listed during its working period by the state government, central government, any other governmental organization or Non-governmental organization.

## Income and expenditure:

Sr. No.	Year	Income (Rs. In Lac)	Expenditure (Rs. In Lac)
1.	2000-2001	722319.00	728541.00
2.	2001-2002	3232510.00	3232268.00
3.	2002-2003	954398.50	960615.00
4.	2003-2004	312084.00	310840.00
5.	2004-2005	359006.00	339553.55
6.	2005-2006	816210.00	809876.00
7.	2006-2007	641045.00	648791.00
8.	2007-2008	333690.00	303025.00
9.	2008-2009	296628.00	270946.50
10.	2009-2010	448718.00	445046.95
11.	2010-2011	351546.00	416012.00
12.	2011-2012	552184.00	491277.00
13.	2012-2013	1559095.00	1543072.00

## Audited organizational Financial Report (Receipts and Payments) for last three years

Sl. No.	year (April – March)	Receipts				Payments			
		Opening Balance (cash & Bank)	Total Grant	Total Donation	Total Receipts	Expenditure	Cash at Bank	Cash in hand	Total
1	2009-2010	58831.50	320616	128102.00	507549.50	437645	69904	0	507549.50
2	2010-2011	69904.00	147163	204383.00	421450.00	406106	15344	0	421450.00
3	2011-2012	15344.00	388234	184802.00	588380.00	512203	70133	6044.00	588380.00
4	2012-2013	76177.00	1258500	281874.00	1616550.00	1580711	35669	170.00	1616550.00

#	Name of the Project	Funding Agency	Amount	Duration
1	NEEPS NGO/School Cluster Program Child Rights & Creativity Social mobilization through Rural Communicator Cadre for Polio eradication Guhar programme	CEE, Ahmadabad	9720.00	2000 – 2001
		UNICEF	169000.00	"
		UNICEF	350000.00	"
		UNICEF Local Donation included bank Interest	117000.00 82821.00	"
2	Social Mobilization programme CEE programme	UNICEF	3032800.00	2001-2002
		CEENEPS	13500.00	"
		Local Donation included bank Interest	186210.00	"
3	Social Mobilization programme CEE Programme	UNICEF	600000.00	2002-2003
		CEENEPS	1500.00	"
		Local Donation included bank Interest	359115.00	"
4	Social mobilization through Rural Communicator Cadre for Polio eradication	UNICEF	90000.00	2003-2004
		Local Donation included bank Interest	222084.00	"

5	NID, Social Mobilization programme Pertivesh School programme	UNICEF PERTIVESH Local Donation included bank Interest	153240.00 66135.00 139631.00	2004-2005 " "
6	Human right and legal literacy CDF Programme NCF-05 programme Human right programme	MARG/NHRC CDF SHAHVIKASHA UNICEF CWS SECU. Local Donation included bank Interest	210816.00 244261.00 128827.00 16000.00 216306.00	2005-2006 " " "
7	Human Right programme Bihar Panchayat NavNirman CDF Programme Right to Information Violence against Women programme	Marg New Delhi CWS.SECUN. CDF SHAHVIKASHA Oxfam India Trust Local Donation included bank Interest	20000.00 354000.00 50000.00 21000.00 203771.00	2006-207 " " " "
8	Human right & legal literacy, Social legal Information, Bihar Nav Nirman Right to Information, Violence against Women	Local Donation included bank Interest	333690.00	2007-2008
9	CEDAW Programme. Right to food .Sarpanch Training, Legal education, Legal workshop, Right to Information	PLD Delhi Local Donation included bank Interest	12000.00 284628.00	2008-2009 " "
10	We Can campaign Starvation death programme (Right to Food) Legal consultation Training, Legal education, Legal workshop, Right to Information	Oxfam India Trust (Mahila Jagaran Kendra) Centre for study  PLD, New Delhi Local Donation included bank Interest	70950.00 225166.00 19500.00 133102.00	2009-2010 " " "
11	We can campaign and Oxfam India Trust Legal consultation Training, Legal education, Legal workshop, Right to Information	Mahila Jagran Kendra Oxfam India Trust local Donation included bank interest	74750.00 72413.00 204383.00	2010-2011
12	We can campaign Right to Food Programme Consultancy and programme receipt	Mahila Jagran Kendra Oxfam India Trust CEE, North and Help Age India Local Donation and Bank Interest	86500.00 152500.00 149234.00 184802.00	2011-2012
13	Right to Food Program Social audit Consultancy	Oxfam India CASA Help Age India, SSUPSW, CEE,	1147500.00 67000.00 184440.00	2012-13



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