

PADI
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Introduction : The past years have been one of growth and learning through interaction with the department, teachers, the community and other NGO's. Our various experiences has taught us where we need to concentrate the most in order to bring about a positive change in the society. That we realized is in working with and for the children. Hence, this years a lot of attention was given to child and education, child rights, HIV/AIDS and networking.

Our activities and programmes in a nutshell can be understood under the following heads:

1. ASER Survey
2. Ashida Health
3. Child Right Awareness
4. Community Awareness
5. Kalika Andolana
6. Primary Education
7. Right to Food
8. SDMC Trainings
9. Teachers Programmes
10. Workshops and Seminars

1. **ASER Survey :** A programme at the national level related to schools and children aims at assessing the educational status of the school going children of the entire nation. PADI collaborated with ASER in doing this study. The survey was conducted in the 30 villages of DK District. The funds were reported to Pratham Mysore who undertook to do the study for Karnataka State. The children's learning and grasping capacity in Mathematics and English was assessed. The study thus made clearly shows how much the child has really learnt over the years and the educational status of the District.
2. **Ashida Health :** Documentation on Health Education especially related to HIV/AIDS was taken up. A lot of material on Health and Adolescent Education has been produced. This some material was use to bring out a booklet on Health Club by Sameeksha Trust. This has helped us to carry out the work Veenadhari intended to do. All her articles have been compiled and documented.
3. **Child Right Awareness :** Child abuses and rape, child labour, child trafficking, child marriage, all gross violations of child rights need to be tackled at some stage or the other. Hence PADI saw that wide spread awareness is created an Child Rights especially in D.K. District. Workshop that was conducted concentrated on role of Civil Society in eradicating Child Labour discussed about child right

protection, challenges and protection carried out awareness programme on J.J.Act, CWC, Child Right Violation and its reception, community role to protect child right.

4. **Community Awareness** : ‘Child Friendly Gram Panchayath’ in order to understand this concept and to work on this the CBO, Panchayath members, SDMC members all came together and had discussions with the representatives of Labour, Education, Social Welfare Department, CDPO and CWC. Plan of action was drawn up and the necessary follow up is carried out.
5. **Kalika Andolana** : Known as remedial teaching was a special programme introduced by the Education Department-SSA. This was done to bring about a change in the standard of Education. PADI had to visit the schools of D.K. and observe how the remedial teaching takes place and do the reporting.
6. **Primary Education** : About 600 children were organized together creative activities were organized for them in the morning session and in the forenoon they had face to face discussions with the Education Department and then Cultural Programme. This was organized mainly by the department so that the children understand the concept of Child Right Grama Sabha.
7. **Right to Food** : This programme was organized to create awareness on Right to Food schemes. It was a week long programme, a campaign that was carried out in which there was face to face discussion with Government Officials , Post card campaign to implement the various schemes and a memorandum was submitted to the D.C. pressurizing to have committee meetings regularly and implement the schemes.
8. **SDMC Training** :This is the fourth year that PADI has been involved in conducting SDMC training programme. PADI attended the state level training then conducted the TOT and later trainings were conducted in Bantwal, Belthangady, Mangalore and Puttur taluks. Total 37 centers were covered up in this training.
9. **Teachers Programme** : A TLM workshop was carried out for two days in Belthangady for the Teachers and also in Mangalore for the D.Ed Students. The subjects touched upon were English teaching skills and methodology. This programme was conducted to help teachers and the D.Ed students in understanding the importance of effective learning and making the classroom child friendly.
10. **Workshops and Seminars**: A state level workshop was carried out in collaboration with Deeds. The workshop was on Development and Under Development in the context of Globalisation – the challenges before NGO’s and Women with special reference to law and sex. It was a nice eye opener to the participants. A seminar for Teachers on Quality Education and gender was also conducted in December. A workshop on TLM and English Teaching in the classroom, introducing the methodology was discussed.

Besides the above programme PADI was also involved in guiding 31 MSW students for their field work placed at PADI from St.Aloysius College, Alva's, Karavali, Meredian, M.V.Shetty, Mangalore University, St.Philomena, Sridevi and Srinivas College, who were placed here for the field work.