

## ACHIVEMENT

### Impact of the Organization in Work Area:

- Identity of the organization as well as the workers has been improved.
- The relation between the people and organization had been improved. People feel like the own organization.
- The awareness and understanding of the law as well as the gains of their own Gramsabha has been spreading among the people.
- Moral responsibility and awareness about the implementing of the Gramsabha is increased.
- People and volunteers are being continuously informed and educated about the present situation and they have started cultivating reading habit for better understanding.
- Social workers of the organization have been trained about the various related laws and have been imparted with training to work as Para-legal workers.
- Due to intense campaign of the organization the awareness of legal provisions of Self-rule has increased in many more villages than actually covered by the project.
- There are about 287 villages having complete awareness about the tribal self-rule provisions.
- People's contacts are increased due to day-to-day village visits.
- There is a resistance by the official machinery generally used to conduct a mock and routine Gramsabha in certain villages.
- There is also implementation of self-rule in 20 villages. Now people have started calling and conducting their own Gramsabha and self-governance in their villages.
- There is a lot of impact of those self-governed villages on the nearby villages. As a result more and more people now get involved in process of the Gramsabha. They are now asking certain question for development of village and poor people in Gramsabha.
- In some villages people had rejected the government Gramsabha, as there is no inclusion of the villager's agenda in it. This has resulted in forcing the machinery to call of such mock Gramsabha in the villages.
- Other organization requested us to do training of their staff as well as the identified village volunteers.
- Various organization and volunteers within the project area as well as outside the project area i.e. entire tribal belt effately use awareness materials prepared by our project.
- Positive tension between the village people and the government officials have been increased in Gramsabha implemented area.
- In Nizar taluka villages at last stage people are not ready to do their own Gramsabha due to under wrong influence of government officials, other organization which are working in that area since long.

- In most of cluster the attitude of the government machinery and the elected members have been changed towards the project staff and the village leaders. (From negative or neglecting to positive)
- Corruption level at village level is decreased due the awareness and information with the village people due to project intervention.
- Internal project staffs also leave at some taluka due to the strong opposition of village level leaders, elected body of Panchayat and hard process of the Gramsabha implementation.
- Staff position and value also increased due to their commitment and success in their area, internal staff development process and organization experiences.
- Project geographical area has increased due to demand from the people i.e. from only Surat districts to 3 more districts 1- Dang district, 2- Navsari District and 3- Narmada district.
- There is now 6 taluka have tribal autonomy committee to deal with the tribal issue independently within their taluka. The process of self rule to tribal autonomy has started in those talukas
- Due to demand from other districts and other NGOs project has started helping to establishment of self governance in other districts village i.e. Panchmahal and SabarKantha
- Other organization are also trying to implement the tribal self rule by knowing the impact of tribal self governance in project area, reading our awareness materials and booklets i.e. In Baroda district there will be big celebration of 14<sup>th</sup> March as “Gujarat Self rule day” – the day when “Chandapur” village declare self governance due to intervention of the project in 2004
- Committee for making rule of The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) act, 2006 had taken organizational experience of Gramsabha and the procedure follow up to implement Gramsabha and recommend that. The draft rules of the said act is as per our procedure and demands
- Before the project government held the Gramsabha at Panchayat level which is consist of 4 to 7 villages but after project intervention government has changed his policy and now there is a Gramsabha for each and every village.
- In initial stage Sarpanch and Panchayat body were against the process of Gramsabha done by the organization but during this year many Panchayats with us.
- People are getting employment in their own villages
- People are getting more wages in EGA
- In agriculture work people were getting 40 Rs. but in EGA now people are getting more than double i.e. Rs. 80 to 120
- In some village agriculture wages are increased by Rs. 10 to 20
- People are aware about the scheme and the act and their rights under that
- Some farmer had opposed the work of EGA during the agriculture season