



BASTAR DHARMA KSEMA SAMITI



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Message from Fr. Provincial Superior

I am delighted to know that Bastar Dharma Kshema Samiti is publishing its annual report 2023-24. Since 1977 BDKS society is actively working among the tribes of Bastar for the holistic development of the Tribal people. Now in the modern time Society is taking far-reaching steps for the empowerment of tribal youth through technological advancements like computer education, skill training, different awareness programme etc. We are sure that last 36 years of interventions in the tribal land have created long lasting impact on communities at grassroots. After the covid -19 pandemic and economic turmoil societies is more focusing on livelihood training and economic sustainability. At the same time I am sure that society working among downtrodden and under privileged section of people in our Bastar Division.

From the bottom of heart I sincerely express my special congratulations and best wishes to entire team of BDKS for the outstanding efforts for the well being of the communities. May all your initiatives be successful by the Divine Blessings. Let there be more innovative activities for the development of the People.

Fr. Santosh Kotheril CMI

Provincial Superior

THE PURPOSE OF LIFE

Happiness begins from the moment you do something for others. Those who consistently help others, are happy, and do not come across any obstacles in their lives. Research indicates that they are less stressed and experience improved mental health.

The purpose of life is to serve others. However, when doing so, you should not expect something in return; your intention should be to lessen other people's misery. **"Service to others should be sincere and done from the heart; only then it is fruitful."** Do any trees eat their own fruit? No. This teaches us that human beings should not only use their mind, body and speech for themselves, but also to serve others. When you do this, nature in turn will reward you.

Your constant inner intent should be towards helping others. If you are unable to do so for any reason, you can also **make sure that you do not hurt anyone.** This is an indirect way to help those around you. There are people who really sacrificed their own life making others life joyful. Like Mother Theresa of Kollkotta.

The main aim of our society (BDKS) is look for transforming the life of the poor and needy. Mainly the life of tribal people. By giving different life skill training, skill development programme, livelihood programme, gives a new dream to the people of Bastar.



Fr.Tiju Mankottil CMI

Secretary, BDKS

ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

1.NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION : Bastar Dharma Kshema Samiti (BDKS)

2.ADDESS & CONTACT DETAILS : Sangam Bhavan, Metguda

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3.LEGAL STATUS

**a) Regd. Under M.P. Societies
Registration Act 1973 (No-5565 of
1993**

**b) Registered under FCRA
(No. 40093558300)**

**c) Registered under Income Tax Act
1961**

4. CONTACT PERSON

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Brief Description of BDKS

The organization - Bastar Dharma Kshema Samiti (BDKS), formed and registered in 1977. It is a not-for-profit apex development wing of Nirmal Province of the Congregation of the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI) in the Mission Diocese of Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh state, India. It is also registered under Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, with Ministry of Home Affairs, 12 (A) of the Income Tax Act Government of India. For the last 45 years the organization has been involved in various socio-economic development programs in about 240 villages through 21 sub centers of BDKS in 5 districts of Bastar division and Koraput district in Odisha state. The total population covered is approximately 10,440 households with total 46,776 populations.

Ever since its inception, the organization has been concentrating on the socio-economic up-lift of the poor and deprived sections of people in the State of Chhattisgarh, specifically in the Bastar division. The core areas of activities of the organization include livelihood enhancement, Agriculture development through promotion of natural resource management, skill development through vocational training, promotion of healthcare nutrition and sanitation, promotion of children's education, their rights and protection, community based rehabilitation of persons with disabilities, Children with Disability (CwD) women empowerment and protection and management of natural resources for holistic development of the marginalized people.

Our Goal

To improve socio-economic, educational and political condition of the Tribal communities through Sustainable and inclusive development process.

Our vision

Empower the marginal and weaker section of the society to create an “equitable, just and sustainable society”.

Our Mission

To organize the unorganized section for sustainable development by promoting formal and non-formal Education, preventive and curative health measures, Natural Resources Management and promoting an establishing community-based organizations, local leadership and processes which are sustainable, people centered, socially inclusive and gender equitable.

Objectives:

- ♣ To perform and to promote religious, educational, cultural and social services.
- ♣ To promote children’s education, child rights, protection and development
- ♣ To bring qualitative changes in the socio-economic life of the target community especially women, children and youth
- ♣ To provide and promote livelihood opportunities for the target communities for their improved livelihood and quality of life
- ♣ To facilitate in building people’s institutions and promote leadership and enable them to participate in their development processes.
- ♣ To improve the health status of the community
- ♣ To support persons with disability and facilitate them in their inclusive development and integrating them into mainstream society.

Management

The General Body of Bastar Dharma Kshema Samiti (BDKS) consists of 19 members including representatives from the local area. From the General Body, 5 persons are elected to the Governing Body, the apex body, which takes all the major policy decisions. It has authorized the Secretary – Executive Director to operate as per the guidelines of the byelaws of the organization in achieving its goal.

List of the Executive Body of BDKS

S. No	Names	Position in the Board	Gender	Profession
1.	Fr. Thomas Vadakumkara	President	Male	Provincial Nirmal Province
2.	Fr. Benny Josheph	Vice-President	Male	
3.	Fr. TijuMankottil Sebastian	Secretary cum Treasurer	Male	Social Worker
4.	Fr. Santosh Varghese	Member	Male	Secretary of Asha Ashram Paligaon
5.	Fr. Joseph Paul Thymoottil	Member	Male	Administrator of Theological College

Geographical Area

Presently BDKS' activities are spread over in about 240 villages through 21 sub centers of BDKS in 5 districts of Bastar division and Koraput district in Odisha state. The total population covered is approximately 10,440 households with total 46,776 populations.

Priority Groups

Tribals and Dalits and other weaker sections such as Women, Children and youth, landless, marginal and small farmers and Persons with disabilities constitute the target population.

Thematic area of intervention

- Promotion of sustainable livelihood through Natural Resource Management, Agriculture development and Income Generation Activities
- People's Institution Building
- Maternal and Child Health care, nutrition and sanitation
- Skill development through vocational training
- Persons with Disability - Community Based Rehabilitation
- Women Empowerment
- Children – promotion of children's education, health their rights and protection
- Child Sponsorship – holistic development of children
- Adult Education Promotion
- Modern agriculture promotion
- Protection of environment

Approach

- Gender Justice: Promoting women's leadership and participation, enabling them for a change in their status
- People centered and Sustainable
- Right- based: Adopting human rights perception in all aspects
- Participatory: Implementing participatory process in all steps
- Networking and alliance building
- Linkage with Govt. agencies

Organizational credibility

BDKS has been working in Bastar division in Chhattisgarh state for the last 45 years, enjoys good reputation and has funding from a number of international and national agencies for different projects. Presently BDKS has a total staff of 35 full time (Men – 16 & women – 19) and 15 (men-6 + women – 9) village level volunteers. All the staff members are experienced and committed towards the development of the target community. BDKS has set up a very efficient and decentralized management system. It has developed its HR policy, Child Protection policy, Gender and Finance policies etc., and are put into practice within the organization and its operational areas.

Project implemented in the past

Name of Donor	Main sector	Budget Rs.	Period	Major activities	Regional coverage
Manos Unidas, Spain	Community Development	864,179	2019-20	Women empowerment through SHG approach	This project has been covered 4 panchayats at Lohandiguda Block
Kindermission Germany	Child Development	10,679,590	2019-20	Developing Children in activities like social, Physical, Education & spiritual.	25 primary schools at Karpawond region Bastar Dist.
Development focus	Literacy program for Age of 18-60	418346	2019-20	Literacy promotion	Karpawand block, Bastar
Indisch Deutscher Kltuverein e.V	Covid-19 Prevention & strengthening of Hospital	1,00,000	2020-21	Strengthening of hospital facilities for treatment and prevent Covid-19 deaths	Bastar district, Jagdalpur
Vitamin Angels	Health Promotion	2,00,000	2022-23	Health Protection of the children	Bandam, CG

On-going Projects

Name of Donor	Main sector	Budget Rs.	Period	Major activities	Regional coverage
Manos Unidas, Spain	Empowerment of tribal communities through economic inclusion & improved health	7,046,126	2021-23	Empowerment of women through SHG approach, economic inclusion & Health	25 villages in Laundiguda Block of Bastar Dt.
KNH, Germany	Tribal community Devt. Project through Christ University Bangalore	20,000,000	2015-21	Community development through SHA Approach.	Kolibada Block Kanker Dist. Focus on tribal women & children.
FVTRS, Supported by Misereor	Skill training for school dropout children.	2,100,000	2018-21	Skill Training for school dropout	Kapsi, Kolibada Block, Kanker Dt .
Misereor, Germany	Skill Training Centre	17,000,000	2019-21	Centre for skill Training	Skill Training for youth in Bastar Dt.
Manos Unidas, Spain	Skill development training of youth	7,000,000	2021-22	Skill Training	Skill Training for youth in Bastar Dt.
D' Orient, France	Women Empowerment				
KKS	Community Development	4,80,00,000	2023-26	Agriculture promotion	Nangur Block
CEWA	Skill Training	4,00,000	2023-25	Skill Training	Bokawond

Organization infrastructure and communication facilities

Bastar Dharma Kshema Samiti (BDKS) main office is located at Jagdalpur town, district headquarter of Bastar district. The Office building is owned by the Nirmal Province of the Congregation of the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI). BDKS has got an own field office (Santom Bhavan) at village Kapsi, Kolibada Block, Kanker Dt. The head office at Jagdalpur will be used as co-coordinating office for all the project, including the proposed one.

The organization possesses necessary office equipment / items like 1 four-wheeler, 6 two-wheelers, 6 desktop computers, 2 printers, 2- old LCD projector, and minimum basic furniture and fixtures. Most of this items/equipment was procured under the ongoing and completed projects.

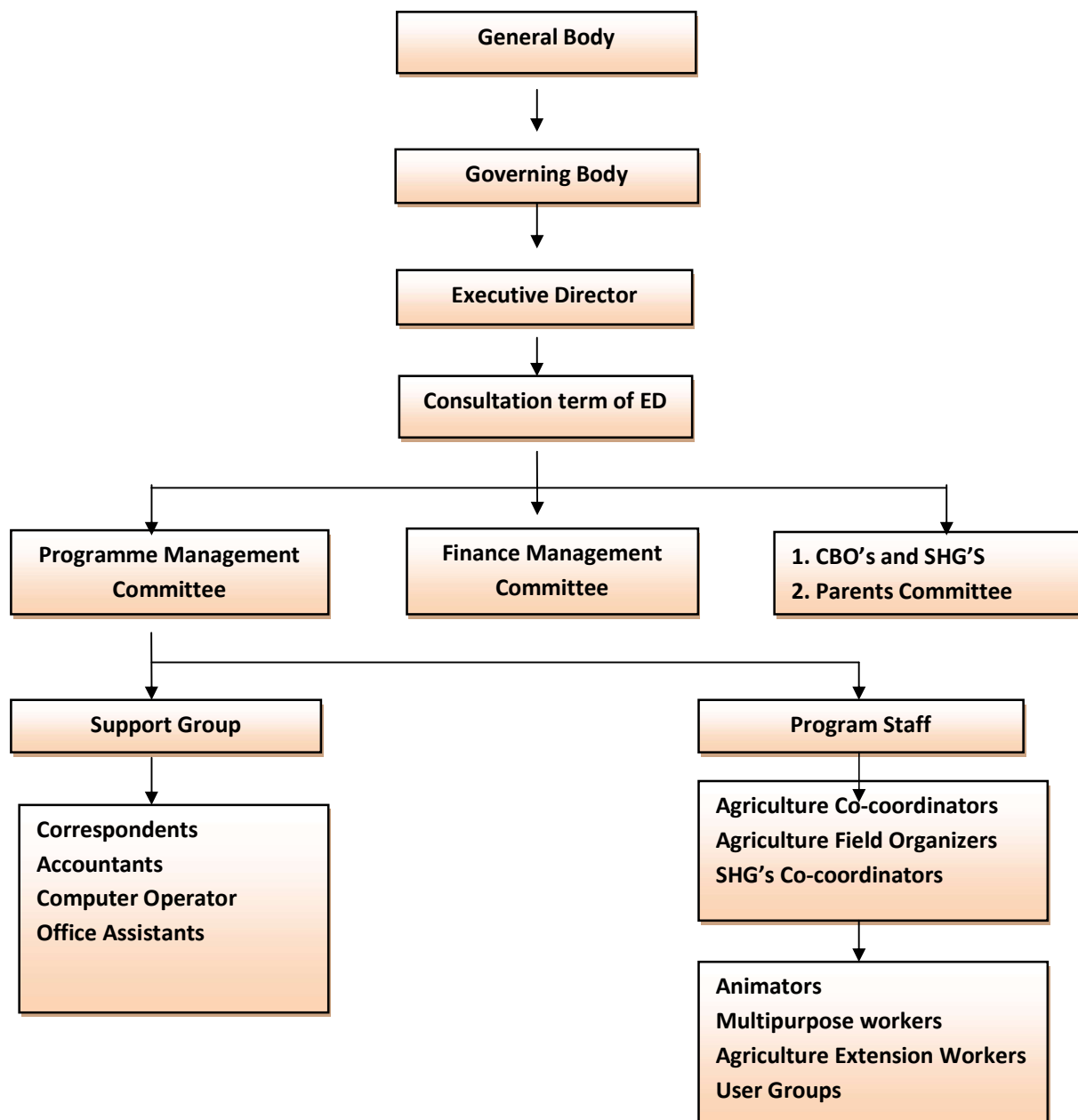
BASTAR DHARMA KSEMA SAMITI
LIST OF THE PRESENT GOVERNING BODY MEMEBERS OF THE
SOCIETY

SL .N o	Name of the member	Office occupied	Business	Address	From which date to which date will remain in the post
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1.	Fr. Thomas Vadakumkara	President	President	Nirmal sadan dharampura jagdalpur, Bastar Dt. CG.494005	20.8.2020 - 31.3.2023
2.	Fr. Benny Joseph	Vice president	Bursar. St. Joseph School	St. Joseph Ashram, Bhanupratapur, kanker Dt.C.G -	20.8.2020-31.3.2023
3.	Fr. Tiju Mon Mankottil Sebastian	Secretary Cum Treas.	Secretary of BDKS	Sangam, Metguda, Jagdalpur Bastar	20.8.2020 - 31.3.2023
4.	Fr. Santhosh Varghese	Joint secretary	Secretary of Asha Ashram Paligaon	Asha Ahram, Palligaon, Kumharawond P.O,jagdalpur Bastar Dt.C.G.	20.8.2020-31.3.2023
5.	Fr. Joseph paul Thymoottil	Member	Administator of Samanaya Theological Collage	Samanvaya Theological College,kolchoor ,P.O, Chirayipadar,	20.8.2020-31.3.2023
6.	Fr. Tom Thomas	Member	Director of MPM Hospital	Nirmal Sadan Dharampura, Jagdalpur, Bastar Dt.CG 494005	20.8.2020-31.3.2023
7.	Fr. M.V.Sebastin	Member	Principal of Christ School ,Kotpad	Christ Public School, Ghumar Road, Kotpad, Dt.Koraput Odisha -764058	20.8.2020-31.3.2023

1. FUNDING PARTNERS

S.NO.	ORGAZATION
1.	KINDAR MISSION
2.	MANOS
3.	TATA (Development focus)
4.	MISSERER
5.	CENTER FOR SOCIAL ACTION (CSA)
6	FVTRS
7	KNH
8	Indisch Deutscher Kltuverein e.V
9	St.Franziskus Church Germany
10	Nirmal Province
11	Manuela Und Thomas Association, Germany
12	KKS
13	CEWA
14	My Choice Foundation

ORGANOGRAM, BDKS



KNH Project at Kapsi

The last phase of KNH project is completed in the year 2022. During the last five Years, with the support of KNH and Christ University, Bangalore, a number of development programmes were conducted in the North Bastar Area. Thousands of Tribal people benefited from the Project. At present 85 SHG's are functioning very well and all the development activities are Taken care of by the SHG members. The new project of KNH started in the month of Jan 2023. It will end in the year 2027.

BCDP MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

Project Goal: Improved life of 1709 families in 34 villages of Kanker district in Chhattisgarh, through Economic, Social and Political development.

Social Development

- 776 children of 34 villages benefited through the Supplementary Education Centre. The children got free tuition classes with recreational activities.
- 510 children received educational and recreational materials. During the Covid'19 Lockdown period, the schools were not functioning. So the children got benefit through the Supplementary Education Centre.
- 427 Children learnt about their rights through training programs and participated in cultural programs during Children's Day celebrations.
- Through Career guidance training, the experts guided 348 children to choose right career for their future, and government schemes for higher studies.
- Now Vaccination and Immunization are happening in 90% of the community.
- The Doctors' team taught 308 girl children about the changes of body during the puberty during Adolescent Training Programs.

Economic Development

- The community is strengthened through SHG fund and IGP Activities. 252 women and 8 SHGs have received new livelihood through the project's livelihood intervention. The children are enjoying better life conditions as their family income increased through SHG.
- 82 young boys and girls are trained in various skills like masonry, electrical work and tailoring, through Skill Development Program. 32 young people became self dependent regarding livelihood.
- The project-level children protection committee is aware of the child-right violation in the area, and is closely monitoring the child abuse cases.

Political Development

- Community is now aware of various government schemes available for it.
- 230 new members received the ration card
- 159 families received job cards
- 360 families got linked with Ayushman card
- 210 families constructed house through PM Awas Yojana
- 128 families received solar pump-set for agriculture
- 58 families of Hanparsi got solar light set, as their village was not connected with electricity
- Pakka roads were constructed in 8 villages and Concrete roads were constructed in four villages
- 12 bridges were constructed to connect the villages with good roads.
- Safe Drinking facility through high raised water tank was set in 21 villages.
- For the first time tribal women participated in panchayat election, and 3 sarpanches, 3 Janpad and 8 Panches were elected.

Other Achievements

- 74 SHG s have been formed with 947 women; they are meeting weekly once, and saving money. So far they have mobilized a saving of Rs. 27,17,023/-
- The women have used the fund through inter-loaning. They repay with small interest. Now the fund has grown up to Rs.40, 97,727/-. The funds are utilized in emergency need and for Livelihood enhancement purpose.
- Group members of Hanparsi met the revenue secretary C.G. State for the conversion of forest village status to revenue village status under Forest right Act, 2006.
- CLA of Bethiya succeeded to evacuate the alcohol shop in Bethiya with the support of police.
- Mass awareness rally was organized by CLA members joined with other SHGs on climate change issue, and to stop the polythene usage.
- In Chote Bethiya, the group has supported women who were a victim of domestic violence, to lodge the FIR in police station. In the same village this group had supported other women who were evicted by her alcoholic husband from home. Pragati SHG with the support of other federation members and police resolved the issue and succeeded to take back the woman to her home.
- In Khandi village, with the effort of SHG, the community members, for the first time, were able to organize the Gramsabha with women.
- 1450 patients have received free treatment with medicine through five Health camp programs conducted by the project. Primary health centres are 15 to 40 km away from the villages, so the community is not able to access the govt. health facility.

- 24 old people of the project area have undergone free cataract operation with the help of Jeevan Jyoti Netralay, Jagdalpur. Now they can see clearly and are able to do their personal work.
- Climate Change Awareness rally was conducted in Chhote Betiya village. 400 saplings were obtained from the govt. Forest department, and were distributed among the villagers.
- SHG linkage with different government development programme.



KNH new project

IN order to start a new project in this area, discussions are going on with KNH and the Christ University, Bangalore. We hope, by the end of October 2022, we may be able to start our new project with new vision and plan, for the betterment of women in this area.



Literacy Trust of India

BDKS has started Adult Education Project at Bakawand area of Bastar District, with the collaboration of Literacy India Trust, Chennai. We are conducting village tuition centers, and giving motivation classes for the parents. At present this programme is conducted in ten villages of Backhawand block of Bastar district.



Project from Misereor Germany

Misereor Germany supported BDKS for the construction of the skill training center at Metguda, Jagdalpur. In the month of March 2022, we could complete the construction work and start the skill training in collaboration with NPCI Kolkata. Till now around 2500 students completed the course and were given proper placement.

BKDS started skill training programme at the center in the year 2022 may like Computer tally, Tailoring , electrical training, and plumbing etc.

House for the poor

During the year 2022-2023 BDKS supported ten families partially for the construction of the houses.

Indisch- Deutscher Kulturverein e.v

BDKS is very thankful to the Indish-Deutscher Kulturverein e.v for providing hospital materials to our organization during the covid -19 periods. BDKS provided all the hospital equipments to one of the village medical centers at Bandam, Jagdalpur.

Kinder Mission Tuition Centers

Children's Club programme is supported by Kinder Mission, Germany. It is a scheme of support, adopted to encourage the involvement of children in self governance for their social development. The core objective of this initiative is to bring children together, to strengthen their voice and promote leadership, to provide a podium where they can reach the adult duty bearers and change agents in order to all their attention towards issues which affect children directly or indirectly, it is anticipated that children would express ideas and visions without any hesitation. At present 24 tuition centers are functioning well.



FVTRS Skill support programme

FVTRS has been supporting BDKS since 2011. At present they are supporting the Tailoring center at Bakawand; they are also promoting skill training like Mushroom Production, Mobile phone repairing, two-wheeler repairing, carpentry, Basic computer, electrician, Nursing etc.



Manos Unidas Community Empowerment Project

Manos Unidas, Spain, is supporting tribal community empowerment project at Mardoom area of Bastar. At present we have 30 SHG's, among 200 families of 4 Panchayats getting benefit out of this project. All the groups are linked to Banks and NRLM to get the benefit of the different Government Schemes.



Choice Foundation Anti Drug Trafficking Programme

Choice Foundation, Hyderabad, in collaboration with BDKS is conducting awareness programme for anti-drug trafficking.



North Indian Catholic Association of Kuwait

North Indian Catholic Association of Kuwait is supporting three of our Boarding Houses, namely those in Junawar, Kapsi and Mardum. BDKS is very thankful to this association for their generous support for our children in these Boarding Houses.

Vitamin Angels Grant

Vitamin Angels support BDKS with the medicines of Vitamin A and medicine for Deworming. The tablets are distributed to children below 5 years, in our service area. BDKS is very thankful to Vitamin Angel group for supporting our People.



Manos Unidas Skill Development Programme

Manos Unidas Skill development programme is being conducted at BDKS training center at Jagdalpur. At present we have started 3 trades, namely Electrical, Plumbing and Tally Computer Programme. Around 50 students are being benefited from these courses.



Jiva Daya Foundation

Jiva Daya Foundation USA supporting one hundred children below five years by providing milk and nutritious food. BDKS implementing this project among the Drwaha tribes of Bastar.



CEVA

CEVA Kochi supported BDKS for the income Generation activities. The project started in the month of August BDKS planned train 150 people in a year.

Rotary India Literacy Mission

Rotary India Literacy Mission agreed to support BDKS for the adult literacy programme. We are planning to start our teaching programme in the month of November 2023.

Annikoller Foundation

Anni Koller foundation supporting BDKS for the computer training for the youth in the tribal village. This year we could give basic computer training for 85 students.

BDKS in social Media

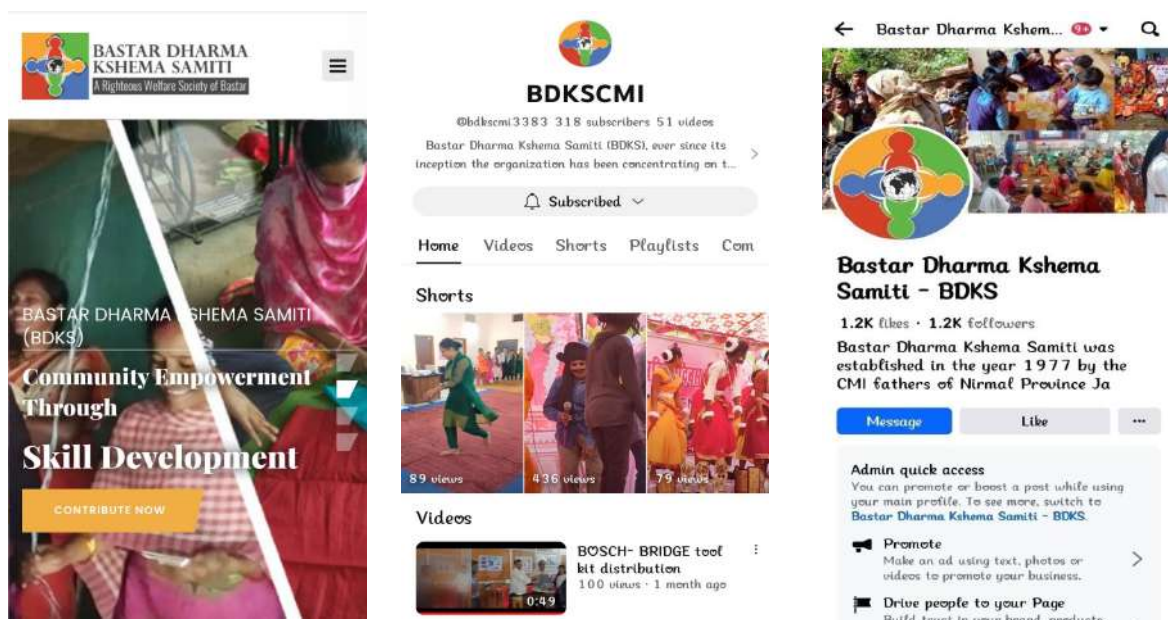
In order to promote the work of BDKS, We have made a new Web Site, opened a face book page, an Instagram page and You Tube Channel.

Web Page/-bdks.in

You Tube Channel/-[bdkscmi](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBdkScmi)

Facebook/ –**Bastar Dharma Kshema Samiti**

Instagram/-[bdkscmi](https://www.instagram.com/bdkscmi)



Other Major activities

House Construction (partial Support)

Dentewada	01
Nelsanar	01
Jagdalspur	03
Bhanpuri	01
Kapsi	01
Mardoom	03

Drinking Water facilities

Mardoom	Bore well
	01

Land Leveling

Sataspur	01
Thodanar	01

Medical Help

Medical Camps conducted	02
Medical support given to people	15

Winter cloth distribution

BDKS distributed winter clothes to village people. We are also thankful to the Vidya Jyoti School Jagdalpur and Nirmal Vidyalaya Jagdalpur for providing support for our cloth bank.



Educational support

BDKS provided educational support for different groups of people. Other than tuition centers, we conduct annual sports day, cultural day etc. in addition to that support for higher studies. BDKS has provided financial support for higher studies.

Cycle Riksha Pullers Association

In memory of late Fr. Thomas Vadaparambil, BDKS made an Association of Cycle- Rickshaw Pullers, at Jagdalpur. At present there are 34 members in the association, and various supports were provided by our organization. In the month of December annual gathering of this people will be



ASHA ASHRAM PALLIGAON

(Home for Differently Abled Children)

The differently abled children were taken care of in the Asha Ashram Palligaon. At present there are 34 resident children here. They are all taken care of by the Priest in charge, and the dedicated staff members. The government is providing all kinds of support to these physically and mentally Challenged children.



KKS

Project: Promotion of a sustainable land use adapted to climate change.

Project ID-6769

This is a tribal development project working among Dhurwa tribe in 10 villages of Nangur Tehsil in Bastar District. The project is supported by Karl Kubel Stiftung, Germany. There are six full time and two part time committed staff empowering the community. The project started in the month of February 2023 and the project period is till December 2026.

PROJECT GOAL: 903 families from 10 villages of the Darbha block use their land in a sustainable way which is adapted to climate change and thereby secure their livelihoods.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Raising awareness and strengthening of local self-help structures
- Promoting sustainable agriculture
- Management of natural resources

ACTIVITIES IMPLEMENTED:

1. DEVELOPMENT OF WASTE LAND

38 Acres of waste land was developed through land leveling. 38 poor farmers got benefit. The farmers are happy to take their first crop in the waste lands. 10 farmers cultivated paddy and 20 farmers have cultivated millets in the newly developed land. They are excited to see the result.



2. AGROFORESTRY (SAPLING DISTRIBUTION)



2100 sapling were planted in 70 Acres of waste land. Saplings like Mango, Cashew, Lemon, Chiku were distributed to the 70 marginalized farmers. 10 farmers

are doing multi cropping of millets in the same land. The farmers are taking care of the saplings and they are expecting benefits within four years.

3. PROMOTION OF MILLET CULTIVATION

The project is promoting the farmers to do millet cultivation. This year the project supported 35 farmers to start millet cultivation by preparing their land and providing seeds, manure. The farmers have cultivated Raagi, Kosra, Kodo in 35 Acres of terrain land. Now the farmer's are able to understand the sustainability of agriculture by doing millet cultivation because it is resilient to climate change and the investment is very less as compare to other crops.

4. PROMOTION OF POULTRY REARING

The project distributed country chicken to twenty beneficiaries of 10 villages. The beneficiaries were selected by the community. The criteria were poorest families of the village and the priority was women headed family (widow or divorcee). Each beneficiary received 9 hens and one cock. The hens are about to lay eggs within this month. The poor family will make the poultry rearing as the source of economic development. The chickens were vaccinated and poultry shed were constructed by the project with their contribution.

5. AWARENESS & STRENGTHENING PROGRAMS

a) Women Leadership Training

Various training programs have been organized for building the leadership of SHG women in the villages. So far 13 trainings have been conducted and 572 women have participated. The



resource persons are making women leaders through various activities, games, role play and video show programs. Now the women are able to speak in front of the crowd; once they were shy full in nature.

b) Training SHG Concept

The training on SHG concept for SHG women have conducted in 9 villages. 378 women have participated in the training and now they are able to maintain their record and doing the transactions smoothly. They are follow SHG rules nicely and conducting regular meetings.

c) Health Care and Nutrition Training

Tribal women of 10 villages are being aware on health care of pregnant & lactating women and children through the health care training. So far 235 women are



aware on the health care and nutrition by health experts. The health status is gradually improving in the community. Now they are sending the malnourished children to rehabilitation centre.

d) Nutrition Camp

192 women participated in 4 Nutrition Camp organized by the project in four villages. The resource person explained about the need and various source of nutrition to the participants. The Resource persons prepared a demonstration on Nutrition so that the women can understand the concept clearly. The women are now aware of the consequences due to lack of nutrition among women and children.

e) Health Check up

Three health camps were organized in three clusters. 268 patients got free treatment and received free medicines during the camps. The nearest hospital is 10-20km away from the villages and there is no public transportation. As a result the patients are not able to reach the hospital. Hence the Health Camps in the villages are very much useful for the community.

f) Farmer's Training on Sustainable Agriculture

Five trainings for farmers were conducted on sustainable agriculture development in five villages. The Agriculture specialist helped the farmers to understand the process and benefits of Sustainable Agriculture.

6. STAFF CAPACITY BUILDING

Regular training and exposure programs for the staff are being organized by the project. The main staffs were trained on community mobilization and



documentation by various experts. The staff also got opportunity visit JKS project, Andhra Pradesh and Lokadristi, Odisha. The community facilitator also got an opportunity to go for an exposure visit to Lokadristhi, Odisha.

7. OTHER ACTIVITIES

The project has built good rapport with the stakeholders and linkages have been formed along with government offices. The community is able to receive 18 various government schemes through convergence.

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