KAVALANGAD CDS
REPORT
Achievements of the Kavalangad CDS

The report includes the achievements of CDS, Special Activities, efforts taken by CDS during flood and Covid 19 and suggestions by CDS. The report aims to capture the steps taken by CDS for uplifting the Kudumbashree members during her tenure. It also highlights how this position in the community transformed the CDS chairperson and strengthened her to cope up with various challenges and bring about far reaching implications in the lives of the poor and downtrodden members of the society.

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The Kavalangad Grama Panchayat is situated in the Kothamangalam Block of Ernakulam District. The total population is 30137 consisting of 15013 male and 15124 females.

The CDS leadership

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<td>1</td>
<td>Reshmi Krishnakumar</td>
<td>Chairperson</td>
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<td>Padmavathi Kunjiraman</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Sini Siby</td>
<td>ME Subcommittee member</td>
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<td>Moly Elias</td>
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<td>Ammini Satheesan</td>
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<td>Sandya Vinu</td>
<td>Central Scheme subcommittee volunteer</td>
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CDS have 18 ADS and 283 NHGs consisting of 3486 members. 60 Special NHGs and 57 Elderly NHGs and 3 PWD NHGs were also formed. CDS have own fund of Rs 532503.5, Snehanidhi -Rs 644589 and Bulk loan of Rs 47622250.

Achievements - Organisation

i) Kudumbashree School was conducted twice. In second phase 48 Resource persons were selected and trained.

ii) Relationship Kerala Project which aims to ensure care, support and entitlements to Elderly people through NHGs also implemented in the Kavalangad CDS. Awareness Camps were
organized as part of this programme. Tours were also conducted for the elderly people, Legal classes conducted.

iii) Disha Campaign 2019 was also organized by the CDS.

iv) CDS meetings

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<th>CDS Executive Committee</th>
<th>24 meetings conducted</th>
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<td>4 meetings conducted</td>
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<td>Subcommittee meetings</td>
<td>45 meetings conducted</td>
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v) As part of Samanayam Project in association with Panchayath Rs 447952 is allocated and the expenditure is Rs1074250
vi) **Trainings**: CDS Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Member secretary and subcommittee members participated in the trainings organized by KILA.
2. Micro Finance

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i) Resurgent Kerala Loan scheme given to 55 flood affected NHGs

Loan Amount – Rs 16642800/-

Interest subsidy for RKLS – Rs 1631629/-

VRF received – Rs 157500/-

ii) Bulk loan from Kerala State Backward development corporation taken by 162 NHGs and the loan amount is Rs 4762250/-

iii) Muttathemullah scheme is taken by 16 NHGs and the loan amount is Rs 16 lakhs.

iv) 100 NHGs received Revolving fund worth Rs 1500000/-

v) 169 NHGs received Matching grant worth Rs 689760

vi) Interest subsidy is given to 185 NHGs and the amount comes to Rs 1978193/-

vii) 2642 members in KSSBY insurance scheme.

viii) Linkage loan melas and cluster level meetings organized by the CDS.

ix) **Auditing** – All the ADS and NHG were audited in 2018-19 (100% achievement). In the current financial year 14 ADS and 195 NHGs are audited till date.
3. MIS – 100% Achievement in MIS. NHG, ADS and CDS profile creation completed. NRLM MIS and also doing CDS Webpage.

4 MICROENTERPRISES – MEs were promoted for livelihood and income generation of NHG members. 115 Microenterprises are formed (individual -71 and Group enterprises-44 nos) generating employment opportunities to 247 NHG members. The enterprises covers various sectors like tailoring, printing units, catering units, hollow brick units, fero slab units, rubber tapping units etc.
After ARISE training, they formed multitask units, one member is trained in Harsham project for undertaking elder care works in the Panchayat. One Swanthanam Volunteer is also functioning in the Panchayat. The members are getting reasonable income from this works.
members are involved in Haritha Karma Sena and takes efforts to make the area green and clean while earning income for their living.

**Various financial assistances under ME received by the units are as follows**

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<th>Fund Name</th>
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<td>ME subsidy</td>
<td>8 units</td>
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<td>CIF</td>
<td>14 units</td>
<td>500000</td>
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<td>CEF</td>
<td>26 units</td>
<td>3000000</td>
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**5. Marketing**

i) CDS is coordinating 4 Nano markets and the sales is the range of Rs 5000 to 9000

ii) Office melas are conducted twice in every month and the net sales comes in the range Rs 3000 to 6000.
iii) In the Monthly markets, 6 ME units and 6 JLG participated and sold their produce the sales comes in the range Rs 5000 to Rs 8000.

iv) Three day Onamchanda is conducted and the sales is Rs 985850

v) CDS promoted shops, Event management units, Eco friendly restaurants for marketing.

6) Agriculture and Animal Husbandry initiatives

743 members are engaged in agricultural activities and they have formed 182 Joint Liability Groups. Rs 1185429 is received as incentives for cultivation from Kudumbashree. 146 JLGs are bank linked and they have taken loans for Rs 43850000/- Organic farming is done by 21 JLGs in 6.25 acres of land and 105 members are engaged in this. Intensive banana cultivation is done by 28 groups in 24.5 acres of land. As part of Samridhi Campaign 31 JLGs have brought 7.2 acres
of fallow land under cultivation.

The marketing of the agri produce is done through Nattu Chandha. 64 Nattuchandas were organized and the sales is Rs 163000. Festival fairs also help in the sales eg Sales during Onam is Rs 222100 and Vishu is Rs 32500. Sales through melas is Rs 26000/-
High tech nursery is formed and Rs 50000 as Revolving fund for this initiative. Monthly income of the nursery comes in the range of Rs 25000- 50000.

Paddy collective is formed. Agri business ventures are functional in grass cultivation (7 units ) and bee rearing (2 units). Value addition units are formed in coconut (1). Chips (1) and Squash ( 1 ).

**Special Activities in Agriculture by CDS**

- Fallow land cultivation and Terrace farming under CDS leadership
- Rural HAAT
- Paddy Collective is formed.

In Animal Husbandry Sector the efforts include formation of Ksheerasagaram 5 units, Goat village -6 units and Kerala Chicken -3 units. Rs 100000 is given to 6 CIGs.
7) **DDUGKY** – 613 members were identified and 151 completed DDUGKY training and 84 got Jobs. Mobilisation and Door to Door Campaigns were organised by the CDS. 25 students completed 3 months in their job and career progression is 12. IEC and tracking activities are done by the CDS.

8) **Social Development and Balsabha**

- 341 members are there in Destitute free Kerala. 4 medical Camps were organized and 452 members participated.
- Pencil Campaign, Science exhibitions, foot ball tournament, Civil service coaching and Drama Camps are organized as part of the Balasabha Activities. Bala library has 369 books, Bala JLG -3 nos formed. Trainings given in LED bulb making and Umbrella making, mohiniyattom, chenda mela etc. Tours are organized to Thattekad Bird Sanctuary.
9) **Gender Activities** – Gender activities in the CDS include Neetham 2018, gender corner, gender resource center, vigilant group formation, snehitha calling bell activities and Gender youth movement. Ward level trainings were organized. Gender sensitization trainings are given to MGNREGA workers. 30 members were given premarital counseling, signature campaign. 30 cases are reported in Snehitha. Nalapachakam is organized by the CDS. Banner Writing training is given to Vigilant group members.
SNEHITHA
Centre of excellence for livelihood and gender studies
Kavalangadu Grama Panchayat Kudumbashree,
Nellimattam P.O., Ernakulam
10) ST- Malala Day was organized and 6 ST students are given continuous education. Goat is distributed to 8 ST units. Awareness class organized for ST people.

b) Special activities of CDS
- Caring a women having mental illness.
- Giving jobs to members in Govt Ayurveda hospital, Homeo College, Legal meterology,ICDS etc
- Free tution
- Thuna Project
- Rs 2000 is given to palliative care every month.
- JLG by CDS members.
- Swapnakoodu- house constructed and given to weaker sections of the society.
- Oppam – Toilet construction. Rs 31210 spent for this initiative.
- Snehanidihi- 104 members given assistance of Rs4008000/-
- CDS Directory

c) Activities during COVID and Flood
- Fund Distribution to flood affected persons of Wayanad
- Seedlings distribution
• Food packets distributed through Community Kitchen
• Distributed essential items to Snehithacalling bell members.
• Dress materials distributed to ST people.
• Mask distribution.
• Purchased fan and given to Widows

• **House maintenance** done
d) **Most Satisfying Experience of CDS chairperson** – The CDS area is a water scarce area. CDS is able to bring water connection even to the Ashraya members. This is one of the most satisfying experiences. Able to give funds and help the people suffering from Heart diseases, Kidney ailments and Rhuematoid Arthritis is another satisfying activity of CDS. Officers from Rajastan visited the ADS. As CDS chairperson I could do a lot of things for the Society – That itself is giving courage confidence and lot of happiness. In the words of CDS chairpersons

“I was not able to communicate to 4 persons before coming to Kudumbashree, now I can communicate 4000 people. The Kudumbashree experience gave me courage to take up any activity and succeed in it. I could do Air journey because of Kudumbashree which was my long wish. I went to vote in election but I was given the responsibility of the poling booth during last year Panchayat election. That is also a recognition being a Kudumbashree
member. I am working as a Harithasena member. I got an opportunity to inaugurate a comedy Programme of Flowers Channel along with Actor Shri Innocent and Shri Suraj Venjaramoodu. I got this luck only because of Kudumbashree. When I organized tour programmes for the Ashraya and Snehitah calling bell members, they were very happy and started crying. 279 members were taken together for that tour programme. The support of CDS members helped in making it a huge success. That is one of the most touching experience. Their words and that experience gave lot of happiness to me”

e) Suggestions

- Raising the CDS term from 3 years to 5 years.
- Salary to be given to CDS Vice chairperson also.
- Some member secretaries are imposing Panchayath laws on Kudumbashree, that has to be changed

f) Learning’s

The entire CDS team work and support is crucial for all the achievements. They worked systematically to achieve results in every project. Panchayat also helped with financial support. This experience gives them lot of opportunities to touch every walks of life of the Society and boost their confidence and inner strength.