NRO’s support for preparing Village Poverty Reduction Plans at 5 states

For the last two days, we have been writing about the activities implemented by our National Resource Organisation (NRO) in other states of our country. Today, we will explain about an important service being extended by Kudumbashree NRO, in 5 states. Kudumbashree NRO is extending support for preparing Village Poverty Reduction Plan (VPRP) focusing at the Self Help Groups at these states.

As per the directions of the Ministry of Panchayathi Raj, Grama Panchayath Development Plans (GPDP) are being prepared by all Grama Panchayaths in the country from 2015. The aim of GPDP is to plan for financial and social development activities during every financial year. Gramasabhas are organised for ensuring the direct participation of the public and the plan is prepared with active participation of all.

Ministry of Panchayathi Raj and Ministry of Rural Development introduced the program of preparing Village Poverty Reduction Plans focusing on Self Help Groups from 2018-19 as part of People’s Plan Campaign. So, the National Rural Livelihood Mission started giving more thrust to VPRP and made the preparation of VPRP by Self Help Groups as mandatory. The Village Organisations (VO) prepare VPRP and submit to the Panchayaths. After the analysis of the VPRP plan, it is generally integrated with GPDP.

Even before preparation of VPRP was
made compulsory in all Panchayaths, Kudumbashree NRO had started preparing VPRPs focusing on SHGs. We started this activity from 2015 and it was done for SHGs in those panchayaths and blocks (of other states) where NRO is working on. VPRP has five factors viz. livelihood activities, infrastructure development, natural resource management and conservation, social development and the general projects being implemented through SHGs. VPRP plans include not only the needs of the women who are the members of SHGs but also focuses on the needs of the marginalised and vulnerable communities in the plan area.

As a part of VPRP plan preparation, Kudumbashree NRO provided trainings to the Village Organisations (VO) for making plans in the right format by incorporating these five factors. NRO had extended assistance for preparing VPRPs to Tripura, Assam, Manipur, Mizoram and Uttar Pradesh. VPRPs of 482 Local Self Government Institutions which include 7911 SHGs and 1459 Village Organisations have been prepared with the assistance of NRO. The GPDPs prepared by different states are available in this link: https://planningonline.gov.in/ReportData.do...

This year, we are going online! Kudumbashree NRO would start providing online training to all states on preparing VPRPs from the first of August itself. On realising the effect of the services extended by NRO for preparing VPRPs at different Panchayaths of five states in the country, Ministry of Rural Development made a special request to us, and it is on the basis of that we are starting this new activity. Appreciations to all NRO team whose hard work is always taking us to higher levels of achievement.