CDS REPORT-
SEETHATHODE
PANCHAYATH,
PATHANAMTHITTA

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Seethathodu Grama Panchayat is located in the Ranni block of Konni taluk, Pathanamthitta district in Kerala, India. The area of the Panchayat is 651.94 sq km. The panchayat has 13 wards. It is located at the easternmost point of Pathanamthitta district. Seethathode is a panchayat surrounded by forests and hills on all three sides. The origin of the place names of the village can be traced back to the legends of the events of the epic Ramayana. Vatmikikunnu is a legendary place where the ashram of Vatmiki was located. The stream that flows near the lower part of Seetha was called Seethathode and later became the name of the place. The stream flows through the main part of the panchayat and joins the Kakattar. Seethakuzhy is the lower part of Vatmikikunnu. Legend has it that the place where seetha’s sons Lava and Kushan were educated is known as Gurunathanman. Lord Rama got a part of the hair which was caught in the hair of Sita who went down the earth split and the place where it was thrown became Sita hair. This is a very high hill. Kottapara, Ammalukottapara, Manikandankala, Mlamparthadam, Anappara and Yakshipara are some of the places associated with the legends of the deities.

Community Development Society

General Information –

Population: 18222

Men: 9268, Women: 8954

Scheduled Caste: 1622, Tribes: 411

Female to male ratio: 966

Total Literacy: 92.4

Literacy (Men): 94.63, Literacy (Women): 90.12

General Information about Kudumbashree –

Total NHG -201 ; Members-2917

SC-243, ST-18

Elderly NHG-17; Members-280

Micro Enterprises-200
Seethathode Community Development Society (CDS) in Pathanamthitta District is one of the best CDS in Kerala. Seethathode CDS has achieved the best CDS award in Ranni block. Dedicated and sincere efforts of the CDS chairperson Smt Gracy and CDS committee members have significantly contributed towards this achievement. This report based on the activities which are undertaken by Kudumbashree CDS, Seethathode in the last three years.

Programme wise Achievements

1. Organization

- There are 201 neighborhood groups functioning in 13 wards of the Gram Panchayat with 2917 members including 1917 BPL members. The CDS has formed 15 new NHGs and revived 10 NHGs and it includes 248 families. More than 100 families newly added to the NHGs.
- As part of the organizational structure, 17 Elderly neighborhood groups were formed with 280 members. Organized medical camp for the elderly members and provided necessary medicines.
- Kudumbashree School Project was implemented and “Arivutsavam Kudumbashree” conducted a competitive examination of the members.
- Arts and Sports Fair for Kudumbashree members was organized in the years 2018 and 2019. In the district level sports fair in 2018, Seethathode CDS got position of the runner-up and in March Fast got first place. In 2019, “Kalamela” won the second place at taluk level and was able to attract members at the state level.

2. Micro Finance

- During the last 03 financial years Rs 6.81 crore has been provided as linkage loan to 142 neighborhood groups. An interest subsidy of Rs 3066992 was also provided to the neighbourhood groups who have taken linkage loans.
- An amount of Rs 68.23 lakh has been provided to 82 neighbourhood groups through RKLS scheme implemented by the Government of Kerala for purchase...
of household appliances for flood affected Kudumbashree members. RKLS scheme provided first year interest subsidy of Rs402388 and VRF fund of Rs 87500.

- In addition Rs 92324 was provided as Matching Grant to 20 neighborhood groups.
- Rs 375000 as NRLM Revolving Fund Rs 144000 as VRF to 25 neighborhood groups and 16 neighborhood groups.
- During this period, loans of Rs 69.10 lakh were provided to 24 neighborhood groups in bulk loan scheme from backward development corporations. In addition the loan of Rs. 92 lakhs taken during the previous financial year has been closed and at present an application of Rs 2 crore has been submitted to 36 neighborhood groups and the loan process is nearing completion.
- In collaboration with Seethathodu Service Co-operative Bank 03 neighborhood groups were identified from each ward for the Muttathe Mulla project.
- NHG, ADS and CDS audit has been completed and registration process has been completed in 03 financial years.

3. MIS

State MIS completed on time and completed NRLM MIS Profile Creation 100 % and completed Aadhaar Seeding 90 %. Based on TBMIS Cut Off Data Entry 100 % completed and regular monthly transaction 100% completed by July

4. Micro Enterprises

There are currently over 50 group enterprises and over 150 individual enterprises operating through various micro enterprises projects.

- CDS received Rs. 5 lakh from Kudumbashree Mission for Enterprise Development for CIF project, Rs. 5 lakh for implementation of CEF project and Rs. 5 lakh for RKDP scheme. CIF Fund has been disbursed for setting up of 25 Enterprise Units and a loan of Rs.12, 50,000 has been sanctioned and repayments have been made accurately. Subsequently CIF disburses CEF amount of Rs 25,50,000 to 17 Group Enterprises and Rs 3,00,000 to 6 Individual Enterprises. Through this they are able to start various ventures
like handicraft making unit, mushroom making, flower mill, swanthanam unit, vegetable shop, stationery unit, bakery, sewing, chips and jewellery making, Harsham Geriatric Care Service, Ayurvedha shop etc.

- Janakiya Hotel is being launched as part of Government of Kerala's Twelve point Program and is moving forward successfully. Through Janakeeya hotel 100 and above meals served daily. For the formation of the Janakeeya hotel, Gramapacnhayath has given 2 Lakhs rupees and Kudumbashree mission allotted Revolving Fund of Rs 50000 as financial assistance.
• Kudumbashree Mission, with the help of SC Department complete the construction of SC Kudumbashree Cafe at Angamoozhi Kuttavanchi Savari Kendra as part of Gavi Ecotourism

• Training was conducted for 20 Kudumbashree members in association with Tikmas in the cafe area

• Haritha Karmasena are being formed and functioning in all the 13 wards of the Gram Panchayat.

Marketing

• Kudumbashree organizes marketing fairs to market the products of Kudumbashree members and to make local products available to the Families. Festive markets such as Onam, Vishu and Christmas conducted and they will play a major role in controlling market prices. Permanent Marketing Center and Nano Market started.

• Kudumbashree products were distributed to various fairs organized by Kudubasree Mission
Farm Livelihood Activities

- During the last 03 years, 22 new JLG units have been started and currently 256 members are working in 64 Sangha Krishi groups and 44 Local Groups formed. Agricultural loans were made available to 64 JLG units and an incentive of Rs 157417 was sanctioned. In this agricultural area, JLG units are cultivating on 64.8 acres and local groups are cultivating on 44 acres.
- A biopharmacy unit has been set up to provide affordable organic manure to farmers. And it is the first Bio pharmacy unit in our Block.
Animal Husbandry

- Started 2 Ksheerasagaram units in Animal Husbandry Sector and providing subsidy of Rs.437500 and functioning well.
- 04 Kerala Chicken Unit has been started and Rs 6 lakh has been sanctioned under CIF Scheme. Its repayment is being monitored closely.

Destitute Free Kerala

DPR was prepared and approved in the first phase for the proper implementation of the Agathi Asraya scheme benefits and subsequently for the implementation of the Agathi Rahitha Kerala scheme launched by the Government. In addition to the general project and special ST project has been set up to include 70 km of tribal families living in the forest from Angamoozhi to Gavi. The scheme provides monthly food kits and medical treatment, as well as clothing, housing and medical camps. Under the general scheme food kits were distributed to 240 families for Rs 1714607, treatment for Rs 15720 and housing renovation for 08 families Rs.8 lakh. Under ST scheme, food kits were distributed to 23 families at a cost of Rs 304824 and clothes worth Rs 65000 were distributed.
Balasabha

- There are 12 new balasabha started and now 33 are functioning. There are 138 boys and 257 girls.
- One study tour was organized with the help of the Grama Panchayat Plan Fund. A program called 'Nadineyariyam' was organized for children to learn about the nation and the forest, 36 children were taken on study tours to Gavi Munnar.
- In addition, Kudumbashree Mission organized and implemented Pencil campaign, Jagrathotsavam, Bala Panchayat and Bala Parliament.
- One documentary program was conducted directed by Adoor Vishwadarshini Group
- Balasabha organized yoga training for children

DDUGKY

Organized a job fair through “DDUGKY” project and provided employment to 12 people. In addition, youth data collection is being done as part of the Yuva Kerala project implemented by the government.
Gender Development Programmes

- Gender Resource Center has been started by the Grama Panchayat with an allocation of Rs 3 lakh. Currently 12 cases have been solved and paper bag training has been organized as part of GRC. Now CDS has selected as a Model GRC in District Level.

- The Snehitha@ School project was started for the first time in the district at Seetathode K.R.P.M School and organized counseling classes for children, self defense class with the District Women's Cell and anti-drug campaign .In addition, a complaint box was set up at the school.
• The Snehitha Calling Bell project was started to find 20 people who are isolated in the community conduct snehitha sangamam at panchayath and district level. Organized medical camps in association with Ayurveda Hospital and distributes medicines regularly.

• Vigilant group formed and completed the training in collaboration with the Fire Force, Vigilant Group members were given self-defense classes and primary care training.

• As part of GRC, two members from each vigilant group have trained as home doctor.

• GSLP training was conducted in 03 phases

• On the occasion of World Suicide Prevention Day, one webinar was organized on the theme of youth and suicide

Convergence Activities

Subhashithabalyam Sundarabalayam project.

For the first time in the district, a project has been started to provide cooked food to the children of tribal families living in the Moozhiyar Gavi forest. The project is being implemented through the Kudumbashree Enterprise Unit. The project started under VKL Group sponsorship is currently being implemented with the help of Panchayat Plan Fund and ST Department Fund. Approximately 36 children are getting food.

Awareness Class for S.C Family

Awareness class conducted for SC families and preparation of a book containing general information/facilities which are available. Through this project Rs1.50 lakh was spent by Gramapanchayath through Kudumbashree.

Revolving Fund from Grama Panchayath
During the last 03 years Rs. 10000 /- (per groups ) has been provided to 190 neighborhood groups and Rs. 19,00,000 has been utilized for increasing micro enterprises activities of NHGs.

**Catering unit**

Four catering units have been started with an allocation of Rs2 lakh under the Grama Panchayat plan.

**Activities during Flood and Covid-19 Pandemic**

**Flood related Activities**

The floods of 2018 affected Seethathodu Panchayath very badly. More than 34 landslides occurred in the catchment area of the Panchayath, 2 lives were lost and several damages were caused. Seethathode CDS had actively involved in flood-related activities during the flood in 2018

- Assisted in camp operation activities and delivered essential items to the camp. Under the leadership of CDS members, the flooded houses were cleaned and handed over
- Provided RKLS loan for flood affected Kudumbashree members
- Free seeds and fertilizers for those who lost their crops and toolkit worth Rs. 5000 each were provided. Received financial assistance from District Mission for flood affected JLGs
- Distributed Rs. 20000 /- for each group JLGs for new cultivation. In total Rs. 2,20,000/- was utilized for this purpose.
- NHGs and Balasabha Groups collected Rs 77,500 for flood relief
- Successfully conducted Navakerala lottery sale
- Relief kits were distributed to the flood victims under the leadership of District Mission
- CDS handed over home appliances worth Rs1 lakh to District Mission as an aid to North Kerala during the floods of 2019
Coordinated activities by starting WhatsApp groups at the NHG, ADS and CDS level.

The Community Kitchen was started on March 27, 2020 with the help of the Gram Panchayat. Cooked and served food by the Janakeeya Hotel entrepreneurs and sponsorships were provided by various volunteers, members and officials. 20-30 Food kits were distributed daily to the needy people by volunteers, Kudumbashree Accountants and Panchayat officials. Conducted community kitchen for 42 days and distributed 790 free meals and 2806 paid meals through this system.

Special activity for elderly—“GRAND CARE” Project Implemented.

Conducted Tele-counseling and provided medicines to those over 60 who were under surveillance during the lockdown.

As part of CMHLS scheme, 1952 members (172 NHGs) have applied for the Bank loan of Rs. 1,65,55,000 and currently the amount of Rs. 1,26,55,000 has been disbursed to NHG Members.

During the lockdown, cultivation increased tremendously. Through Krishibhavan and Subhiksha Kerala scheme, seeds were distributed to all Kudumbashree members and all were cultivated.

During Lock Down period, as part of the Subhiksha Kerala project, 01 acre of land in the panchayath was cultivated under the guidance of Grama Panchayat officials, ward members and Kudumbashree Accountant.

Kudumbashree Sewing Units hand over 3000 masks for covid prevention activities to the Grama Panchayat through Kudumbashree.

Food was cooked and served by Kudumbashree Entrepreneurs at the Grama Panchayath covid Quarantine Center. In addition, Janakeeya Hotel have been assigned to cater to CFLTC.

In collaboration with KSFE, Vidyasree Chitty has been able to launch 32 out of 12 neighborhood groups to provide online learning facilities for children.
Ajeevika Express Yojana

- Ajeevika Express Yojana- The vehicle was booked through GeM portal to be purchased under the scheme Ajeevika Express Yojana.
- Sneha Nidhi has been able to raise funds as per Kudumbashree Bylaw and provide financial assistance of Rs. 157000 to 18 poor cancer patients.
- The members were identified and included in the Panchayat plan to implement the Sama scheme
- Organized Legal Awareness Seminar for Kudumbashree Members in association with Taluk Legal Services Authority
- In collaboration with the district administration, a day in the village, a film in the village and a medical camp were organized in the Moozhiyar tribal area.

Conclusion

The CDS has tried to involve in all Kudumbashree activities. The dedication and involvement of CDS Chairperson and all CDS members is reflected in their all activities. Timely support from the Grama Pachayath is also helped them to achieve these milestones.

Seethathod Grama Panchayath CDS