Single Women Annual Report

April 2013 to March 2014

District Kangra: 3 Blocks – Kangra, Nagrota, Rait

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April

1) Monthly meeting held at Nishtha with single women activist on various issues. Concerned about their monthly plan and take report about their work.

2) One monthly meeting in every village by single women activist with all single women members, asked about their problems.

3) Planning how to encourage the girls for wenlido training and find girls who are very shy, not so much confidence in outside environment, so find girls for upcoming wenlido training held at Nishtha.

4) In the presence of Advocate Roji singh and secretary of lions club RC katoch a meeting with 40 old women at Nishtha, who have problem of not getting pension scheme due to some reason like
   - They have more than 3 sons
   - son have government job
   - Patwari writes more income
   - They have more land.
   - Advocate Roji singh given them legal advice that this is lack of law. But they are trying that every single woman’s get pension. They are also gives pension to some women’s from Lions club 200 per month.
5) Single women activist help the single women’s to fill and in submission of form in welfare office from which they get the benefit of various government scheme like Pension scheme, mukhmantri kanya daan yogna, indira awas yojna and mother Teresa scheme.

6) On 26th to 28th April National forum meeting attend by Radha at Delhi. Single women’s came from 7 states to attend this meeting and discussed about their work plan in their state that how they are working with different problems and what success they achieve.

7) 17th to 19th April 2013 Attend the meeting of three month report at sutra in which we deposit the number of single women’s, discussed about the problem face by women’s and make a suitable plan for that problems.

8) Picnic with Nishtha staff at pong dam on 20th April.

**May**

1) One monthly meeting in every village by single women activist with all single women members, asked about their problems.

2) Participating for account training at Una on 14th and 15th May, In this training we learn how to operate account in professional manner, trainer came from company taught us very good. *divay himachal 16 may 2013*

3) Radha and kumo went to Sambhawna NGO at palampur, where they given presentation to some volunteer about single women group that why there is need of single women’s group and how they are working in different village, what kind of activities they are doing with single women’s and how they are trying to improve the status of single women’s in society.

4) From 28th to 30th May 2013 Three days wenlido training workshop with preeti .This workshop is specially for those women’s who want to became a trainer and for this 9 single women and 2 other ladies attend this workshop.

**June**

1) One monthly meeting in every village by single women activist with all single women members, asked about their problems.

2) We selected the members, who represent the single women’s group at state level meeting held at shimla on 17th to 18th June.

3) On 4th and 5th June 2013 First meeting of Jagriti bhalia kendar attend by Radha Nirmal, Jinni and Anu. Jagriti Bhalie Kendar is pilot single women’s group in tarantara a small village of Punjab which is run by Director of Trust Dr Alma Ram. She is also working on cancer and TV diseases.
4) On 23rd June 2013 As we celebrate International widow Day with rally every year this year we again organize rally in Dharamshala and for this event we took permission from SP and DC, then with the attendance of 223 women’s we fulfill this rally.

5) Yoga classes attend by single women’s with Tiya for 2 weeks.

6) In MNREGA single women’s participation is very less in Himachal it is less than 25% so we want that participation of single women should be good so they can survive, with the effect of our efforts in every village there are more than 60 women’s are working under this scheme. In every meeting single women activist encourage them to take the benefit of various scheme of Government.

July

1) Monthly meeting held at Nishtha with single women activist for T.A and taking their monthly report.

2) Mobilize the village people regarding our outreach clinic. on every Tuesday and Thursday single women activist help the outreach clinic team in their work.

3) Meeting with 45 single women’s who is not the member of Single women group. We asked about their problem facing by them in their daily life, mostly single women are widow and they have problem of Divorce, Income, pension etc. we suggest them to join our single women group than we can help them more, we said that in our next meeting we provide them legal advice from Advocate.

August

1) Apply for Bank account of Ekal Nari Krishi Society. In meeting we decided that if society wants to take the benefit of government scheme than we need a bank account, then single women’s can take loan for work like agriculture, cow or fishing business.

2) Wenlido trainer training has been done by single women’s at Nishtha. It is Practice group in which trainer do repetition of their last training the presence of Radha and Ravindra.

3) Usha Devi D/o of Haru Ram, village Rehlu in Rait Block, whose compromise has been done by the effort of single women’s hard work. She is brutally beaten by her husband even during the time when she is pregnant, at last she present her whole story in the front of single women’s member. Single women have put her case in court under the Advocate Roji Singh. Consequence her husband is ready for compromise without any condition and now they have no dispute in their life.

4) On 29-august 2013 we organize meeting for single women’s who have cases in court. In the presence of Advocate Roji Singh 30 women had participated. Advocate Roji Singh asked about the current situation of their cases and hope them to help in their cases by legal way.
On 17th and 18th August 2013, state level meeting held at Shimla. In every session resource person has been came from different department. children welfare Department which control the beneficiary scheme for single women’s daughter mukhyamantri kanyadan yojna, DGP of HP, Social Sectary and one person from Samaj kalyan board which control the pension scheme. They all listen our problem very carefully and showed their sympathy towards these critical problem but said that very soon they do best for single women’s

**September**

1) 1st to 3rd September 2013 State forum held at Delhi, members had been come from 7 states. All states member submit their report like strength of single women’s member in their states, number of village, discussed about food security bill.

2) Domestic violence workshop has been organized by Jagori. Four member from single women’s group attend this meeting. This meeting held at DRDO office in which Attrey (jagori member) Abha Bhaiya, jitendar Rana, and ASI came. Main discussion in this meeting was how to use our legal right and if any single women have any problem than she should be arise that.

**OCTOBER**

1) National forum meeting held at Indian social institute lodhi road in Delhi on 23rd October 2013. Single women’s came from 7 various states inclunding himachal Pradesh. We were 10 women’s from our state. We discussed about performance and how we do better. Kamla bhasin was the resource person there she talked about OBR program.

2) In mid of October when everybody busy in preparation of election. At this time we had meeting with local candidates regarding our problems. we meet with every candidate and talked about single women’s program and asked about to help us in various program.

3) Radha, kummo and sunita visited to sutra for Submitting Three month report. In which we show number of new single women’s and how we are running program. If anyone have problem than we try to solve their.

**November**
1) On 8<sup>th</sup> November single women organized eye camp in zonal hospital at Dharamshala. Dr. Surinder Sharma, who is eye specialist was doctor there for check-up. He checked around about 70 patients. In which 6 women’s got operated. 26 women got the eye glasses.

2) Domestic violence camp had been organized in three blocks at different panchayat with single women’s. Advocate Rohit Katoch and Roji Singh was the resource person. Single women asked question about domestic violence, divorce and how they can use legal right. In village women don’t have idea about their right so with the help of advocate we try to mobilize them towards their right.

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3) Nishtha single women activist had visited to kindergarten with fun learning book. We meet with teacher and talked about this book. We showed them how they can use normal material for playing with kids and various simple technique of teaching small kids.

4) Every year Sutra organized leadership training for new single women. This time on 20<sup>th</sup> November we send 7 single women’s to Sutra for this training. In this training they build capacity in them. They try to make them more confident and self-dependent.

**DECEMBER**

1) On 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> December all single women activists attend the Wenlido trainer training at Nishtha. Ravindra and Deepa was trainer who took this training. This training motive is to find trainer and good thing is that our whole single women activist did this wonderfully.

2) Punjab is now one more new state in India where single women program establish. From 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> December Radha, Kummo and Sunita along with another 7 member from Himachal Pradesh went to Amritsar for first session of single women meeting in Punjab. Himachal Pradesh single women support these women because they don’t have much experience in this line so we share our experience in Punjab with local single women.

3) Block meeting which held once in six month in every block
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Nirmal Chandel state co-ordinator was resource person in these meeting. She talked with women’s about domestic violence, raise their voice against violence and how they can get allowance after divorce or separate.

**JANUARY**

1) Monthly meeting held at Nishtha with single women activist on various issues. Concerned about their monthly plan and take report about their work.

2) One monthly meeting in every village by single women activist with all single women members, asked about their problems.

3) Onie a lady from Germany, who is volunteer in sutra taken interview of those single women who are elected ward member (like pardhan or panch) in village.

**FEBRUARY**

1) We had celebrated OBR program with jagori. We had meeting with senior police officer and advocates in SDM office at Dharamshala. In meeting some of single women told their story, how they are facing problem in court and police station. Police officer and advocate listen their story and suggest them right way. They promise to help in single women’s cases in future.

2) On 19th to 22nd February national forum meeting held at Rajasthan. This time our agenda is how we can approach in other states. 3 single women’s from 3 different states were present in meeting .Jinni srivastav and other present members had a meeting with them and made plan how we can establish single women program in these states.

3) From 24th Feb. to 1 March sutra had organized training for young single women. In training they encourage them and boost them for self dependent, not just depend on government scheme. If young women’s are active and aware than they will make their future better.

4) On 26th feb we meet with local Minister Sudhir sharma in Dari regarding our single women plan. We had been given him application for land. 80 single women’s were present in this meeting.
March

1) Nishtha celebrated 8th March program in panchyat Bhawan. 50 single women’s from different village had participated in this program. Single women’s did one drama on environment and a group song on unity of single women. This is year we had less participants because on this day lot of marriage held in every village.

2) Three girls from England Louis, sofi and kaithin did some art therapy session with single women. They showed them how we can control anger and motivate our self. Like whenever they don’t feel better then do drawing, use pencil and make sketch, drink water and other taught other therapy for control.

3) Radha who is member of child welfare board had a meeting at Rait with chairman on child issue. They talked with kindergarten teacher and balbadi teachers about their health and family condition of kids.

4) We helped one single women’s family with Rs 10000 in Rehlu village. This single woman had cancer and died in Chandigarh hospital. We helped her family for transportation and funeral. We suggest her kids if they want to study further, they can come in our sponsorship program.

5) In sidhbari village one single women have 3 girls and she don’t have money for their marriage. Whole village contributed for this marriage we also support her with Rs2100. Single women married her daughter in month of March.