



SREE JNANODAYA GRAMEENA VIDYA TRUST (SJGVT)



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KARNATAKA
INDIA

Vision, Mission and Values

VISION

Social, Economic and Environmental fairness for all

MISSION

Support stakeholders through participatory actions that promote social well-being and social transformation

Enable communities to envision their needs and facilitate capacities, skills and action for change

Enhance convergence for sustainable interventions to conserve, protect, and manage natural resources

Kindle, pilot and share new concepts and approaches through meaningful partnerships that bring out innovative ways of achieving sustainable development

CORE VALUES

- Participation
- Integrity
- Professionalism
- Equality
- Transparency

Legal Status:

1. Registered Trust: 17/1993-94

2. 12 AA(1)9(b)(i):

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3. 80G: ITBA/EXM/S/80G/2017-18/1004920359(1)

4. FCRA: 094570225

5.PAN No: AAHTS6396J

1.0. About Jnanodaya


Sree Jnanodaya Grameena Vidya Trust is a grassroots non-profit organization based in Chickballapur district, southern Karnataka, India dedicated to participatory actions and partnerships that promote social, economic, and environmental equity for communities. Since inception in 1993 the organisation has strived to pursue its vision through a holistic and participatory approach. It firmly believes that for any development, participation of stakeholders is a crucial foundation on which sound values, purpose and action can be built upon.

2.0. Foundation of Work

The organisation places emphasis on working in drought prone and resource poor areas, where it is imminent to address the complex and interwoven fabric of social, economic and environmental concerns in an inclusive manner. Hence, the organisation works along with communities to plan and implement development projects which they perceive are important and where there is a need to make a difference. In addition, the organisation considers that innovative approaches, new concepts and learning from experiences are significant inputs to evolve and grow. Hence the organisation also takes up piloting new concepts, research, monitoring, evaluation, learning and documentation projects. To achieve its vision, the organisation primarily works with marginalised farmers, women, community based organisations, functionaries of local governments (Gram Panchayats), state government, private foundations and like-minded organisations.

3.0. Focus of Work

The organization works across various sectors of development, but mostly addresses the focus areas:

Social	Economic	Environment
 <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Empowerment of Women•Rural infrastructure•Environment Education•Water and Sanitation•Local Governance•Participatory studies•Participatory Training•Education•Preventive Health and RCH•Nutrition• Sanitation	 <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Thrift and Credit•Livelihoods•Skill building•Rural Employment•Entrepreneurship development•Covergence	 <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Integrated Natural Resource Management•Rural Renewable Energy•Joint Forest Management•Common Lands (Use and Management)• Research Studies, evaluation and Theamatic studies

4.0. Force behind the Work



The work of the organization has been supported by conscientious individuals, gram panchayats, like-minded organisations, private donor organisations, banks and state government departments. Sree Jnanodaya is spearheaded by Mr. K. Rajendra Prasad, who is committed to the cause of facilitating positive change and building the capacities of communities and people to become agents of change to ensure social, economic, and environmental fairness for all. His strength lies in three decades of dedicated service

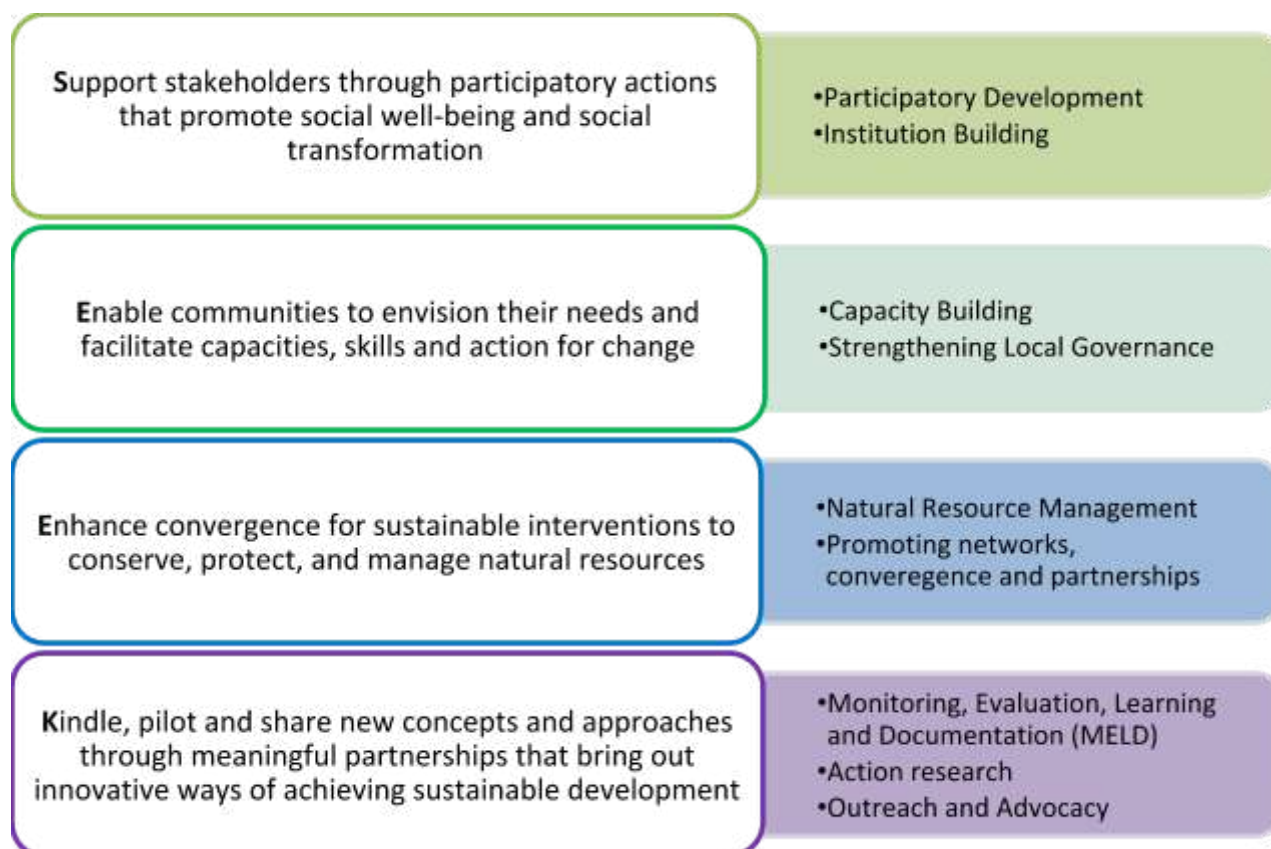
which has given him rich insights into the lives of varied communities and the entire gamut of development and social transformation. He is ably supported by Mr. Ila. Eswaraiah and Mr. V. Ravindra who are committed grassroots development leaders with over two decades of experience.

The board of trustee is advised by professionals like Mrs.Sonali Srivastava, Mr.Hemant Sharma, Mr.Swroop Iyengar, Mr. Partha Sarathy, Dr. M. C. Prabhudeva, Mr.Sake Venkatramana, Mr.Lalith Prasad, Mr.Mallikarjuna and Mr. K. Ganesh who bring in their expertise from diverse space including civil society, development consultancy, capacity building, Change management, health industry and banking.

Jnanodaya is supported by many well known personalities like , Mr.T.R.Raghunandan, a former Indian Administrative Services officer. The latter served as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India and Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, Government of Karnataka. Sri.Vishwanath, Environmental engineer, Dr.Kumar swamy, skill and livelihoods experts, Dr.Varadaraju, Agriculture expert , Mr.Rajashekar Naidu, Media editor and TV artist and Mr. Ravi Prakash, Water specialist.

5.0. APPROACH

In accordance with the mission statements, the organization adopts a multi-pronged approach to accomplish the set objectives and therefore the vision. The key approaches are:



6.0. ACTIVITIES 2015-16

(i). Monitoring, Evaluation, Learning and Documentation (MELD):

During this year Sree Jnanodaya continued the activities in Monitoring, Evaluation, Learning and Documentation (MELD) for Integrated Watershed Management Project (IWMP) of 7 districts in Belgaum, Bijapur, Bagalkote, Dharwad, Haveri, Gadag and Uttara Kannada of Karnataka state as field support organisation for M/s. The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), Southern Regional Centre, Bangalore.

Our organisation was engaged in the following activities of MELD;

1. Ensuring deputation of 8 field staff

2. Regular facilitation, field coordination, guidance to field staff
3. Collate monthly watershed visit plan by staff
4. Facilitate and provide inputs (Information, data collection, photos etc.) for reporting as per requirement of the project
5. Review all reports and case studies submitted by field staff
6. Coordinate and Conducted impact study survey, thematic study etc.,
7. Assisted in timely delivery of all outputs of the project
8. Participate in review meetings as and when required
9. Organise and mobilise field visits for TERI officials

Sree Jnanodaya has provided above services successfully in the Third year in the implementation of watershed activities of 2.87 lakh Ha cumulatively, spread across 7 districts in Phase 1 and 2 of IWMP project.

Our staff have been involved in monthly monitoring and documentation on quality components concerning to people's institutions viz., Watershed Committees, User Groups, Executive Committees and Self Help Groups, Capacity Building activities, watershed awareness programs, skill building and Income Generation Activities of the Sub Watersheds.

(ii). Skill Training to rural women:

During the year we have trained 186 rural women on tailoring, dress making and animal husbandry in the Koppal and Gadag districts.

(iii). Education:

Jnanodaya has provided support to 7 Government schools, in Avani and Devarasamudrum Gram Panchayaths of Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar district to strengthen School Development Monitoring Committees and assisted these SDMCs in preparation of School Development Plans.

Jnanodaya initiated education portfolios in 10 Gram Panchayaths for developing perspective plans on education. Strengthening of 10 SDMC to build relationships with Gram Panchayaths and tracking utilisation of School Development Funds.

(iv). Training cum workshop on WASH:

Jnanodaya has provided support to 12 Government schools, in Mothkapalli, Sonwadi and Bairakuru Gram Panchayaths of Mulbagal Taluk, Kolar districts in conducting 12 WASH training cum workshop for 120 children and 42 Parents.

(V). Participatory Score Cards:

Jnanodaya team member signed off MoU for 6 month to provide technical support to Good Neighbors India, a Bangalore based NGOs for improving program execution quality through performance based score card.

(Vi). Gram Panchayath Organization Development:

Gram Panchayat Organization Development (GPOD), an innovation project under the Rajiv Gandhi Panchayat Sashaktikaran Abhiyan (RGPSA), Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India was implemented through an MoU between the Department of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Government of Karnataka and Avantika foundation, Bangalore. The project commenced as per Government of Karnataka, orders No- RDP/182/ZP/2014/P-2, Dated 30.12.2014, on 1st Jan 2015, with Mr.K.Rajendra Prasad being the project's Executive Head. This Project was under implementation in 30 GPs of Mulubagilu Taluk, Kolar district, Karnataka. While the project period was originally for two years between 01.01.2015 and 31.12.2016, the GPOD team could only complete 5 steps out of the 7 GPOD steps. There were multiple reasons due to which the implementation could not be completed in the stipulated time.

The Project Monitoring Committee (PMC) has taken the decision to request for an extension of the Project between 01.01.2017 and 31.12.2017, accordingly a formal request has been sent to the Government of Karnataka on 27-10-2016 by the PMC. The Steering committee meeting held on 27.12.2016 at RDPR, it was resolved to seek an extension of the project for another year, from the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India. While this was a positive move, it was anticipated that there might be delays in the approval as the matter has to be taken up by the Central Executive Committee of the RGPSA. On the other hand, the Avantika Foundation has expressed its inability to continue with the project due to lack of financial resources to support key staff deployed. The biggest impetus for continuing and completing this project was based on the interest and desire of 21 Gram Panchayats to participate in this project. This commitment has been reflected by the fact that these panchayats are committing financial resources through **a fee based model**.

Considering the fact that the interest of the participating GPs and the positive feedback of the PMC as well as the Steering committee, Rajendra Prasad, who has led the project during the last two years, through his organization, **Jnanodaya** decided to continue the work with the interested GPs to complete the sixth and seventh GPOD steps, which was aimed at supporting the GPs and its citizens towards implementation of plans. Jnanodaya expressed interest to work in partnership with Anode Governance Lab, a Bangalore based private company works for strengthening local Governance, which brings the expertise and relevant experience in the field of governance, especially in the area of Panchayati Raj institutions.

Anode and Jnanodaya entered a Grant Agreement (MoU) to support the key staff to complete the following steps:

Step VI: Handholding Implementation of Plans- Handholding transition to formal ways of organizational functioning

Step VII: Strengthening Citizen Engagement – Developing knowledge and mechanisms to enable monitoring and support by citizen bodies

As mentioned above, Jnanodaya signed MoU for one year to work with the following 16 Gram Panchayaths:

1. Gummakal GP
2. Amblikal GP
3. Devarayasamudram GP
4. Avani GP
5. Mudigere GP
6. Mothakapalli GP
7. Gudipalli GP
8. Kurudamalle GP
9. Tayalur GP
10. Angondanahalli GP
11. Kappalamodagu GP
12. Alanguru GP
13. Bairakuru GP
14. Mustoor GP
15. Hebbani GP
16. Doolapalli GP

(Vii). Fee based model:

3 Gram pachyaths have remitted service fee of Rs.9,000.00 to Jnanodaya for the services rendered in the GPOD project as mentioned in the Sl.No. (Vi.). An unique model initiated by the Jnanodaya in the State of Karnataka.

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