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From Chairman's Desk



The second wave of COVID-19 in 2021 is unexpected, more virulent, as such challenging. It has made three things more conspicuous- life, livelihood and public health, including mental health. Its impact has mercilessly segregated the upper class from the lower class- the middle class is gradually disappearing due to loss of livelihood and employment. World Economic Forum, 2020 has identified four sectors like food service, retail and wholesale trade, arts, recreation and public administration where women are over represented but these sectors are worst affected due to pandemic. The pressing need to shift to COVID-19 appropriate behaviours has caused a serious challenge to human rights.

In India, the closure of educational institutions, an unknown panic due to the pandemic and experimental system of operation has made our socio-psychological and economic life completely paralyzed not only having immediate effect but also with far reaching consequences.

Under the circumstances, PECUC has not compromised with its status quo at any level of its work. It is proceeding ahead with a time appropriate attitude and behaviour to stand with the people as their backbones. Realising that people need a new approach of life style, we have also taken adequate steps to orient our field staffs and advised them to develop critical thinking in the matter of development. We are also making extensive use of technology to reach out to the people.

It is a big turning point in the life of the human beings and the society as well. Creating few torch bearers with clear and dedicated vision and mission for a life of 'new normal' is our motto. Along with it, we are trying to develop their scope for better livelihood with innovative work by the augmentation of local resources, protection of environment and reorienting their attitude towards public health. With the shift of priorities to public health, there is a big challenge to the leadership issues. PECUC has started pioneer steps to train both the government and nongovernment stakeholders from the grassroot to the national level. PECUC has tried to adopt an integrated and inclusive approach to make multidimensional intervention.

I am thankful and feel honoured to express my heartfelt gratitude to the members of the family of PECUC for their commitment and efficiency in maintaining the lofty ideologies of the organization. Now every dawn comes with new challenges and new possibilities. But we have "Miles to go before we sleep."

Minakhi Panda

**Dr. Minakhi Panda,
Chairman,
People's Cultural Centre (PECUC)**

Forward from Secretary's Desk



The year 2020-21 was a challenging year for all of us. Being a people's organization, PECUC realized its sole responsibility of reaching out to the people who were in need of help and support. PECUC has been since then actively involved in supporting the frontline service providers with masks, gloves and sanitizers for their safety and the people's.

During this rapidly changing situation due to COVID-19, children have been the most affected. There is loss of routine, isolation and uncertainty of the future. This has led to anxiety, fear and depression among the children. The COVID-19 pandemic and unprecedented control measures to prevent its spread have disrupted nearly every aspect of children's lives – their health, development, learning, behaviour and their families' economic security, including protection from violence and abuse. Given this background, there is an urgent need for action through screening to minimize the mental health issues of children in India who constitute a substantial proportion of the population. When you feel this way, your kids may feel it too - and they often sense the way you're feeling. Talking to them about what's going on can be challenging.

The pandemic has been an eye-opener. Looking at the current situation, PECUC has developed its strategic plan "Vision 2030" document by taking lessons from the past, carefully assessing the present scenario and with a progressive vision for the future. I hope we have given out a strong message with it, to be for the people and with them. We have strongly established our purpose with a motive to empower children, women, youths and older people in the segment of education, farming, health, sustainable development, etc.

The journey which started more than 30 years back has created many milestones in its way and it will continue by engulfing all new ideas, adopting the progressive thoughts and with a novel vision for future. Now we are open to listen to the people. While I am gathering my thoughts, I am reminded by the words of the beautiful verse, "Verily, along with every hardship is relief". Thanks to all who have contributed in this wonderful journey of PECUC. I thank all the members of PECUC team, who without fearing for their life, stood with the community and gave their wholehearted support. We will continue doing our work tirelessly, because giving back to the society is what we dream of.

Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty,
Secretary,
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Our Vision: A world in which peace, justice and equality prevails, where people participate and have a say in their social and economic well-being by exercising their rights to a life of dignity, respecting cultural and natural diversity.

Our Mission: Our mission is to empower and enable children, young people, women, the elderly, other vulnerable and marginalized communities enabling them to participate powerfully in their overall development and to create and strengthen peoples' institutions that ensure, sustain and promote their wellbeing, security, inclusive development and a life of dignity.

Areas of operation: Grassroots actions at-Kendujhar, Khordha, Balasore, Kendrapada, Cuttack, Kandhamal, Mayurbhanja, Sambalpur, Koraput, Ganjam and Jajpur Districts of Odisha & for campaigns on specific thematic proprieties, network & alliance building, public policy research & interface, trainings throughout the Union of India with focus on the state of Odisha.

Vision 2030 (Our Strategic plan): PECUC would continue to focus primarily on child rights during 2021-2030. While working at the community level PECUC has learnt that children, their parents, grandparents, their families and the community as a whole are trapped into a vicious circle of multiple problems which has led to gross violation of human rights. There is need to develop a human rights culture where each and every individual can enjoy their right to a life of dignity. Hence, PECUC has prioritized to focus on the issues relating to Child Rights, Women Empowerment, Health & Sanitation, Emergency Management & Climate Change Mitigation & Adaptation, livelihood, Governance & Democracy, Youth Empowerment, Persons with Disabilities and Rights of the Older Persons these years.

Spanning through our project areas

KHORDHA

Strengthening Capacities and Leadership of Elected Women Panchayat Representatives (EWRs)

Project implementation by PECUC in collaboration with The Hunger Project.

Operating area: - 16 Gram Panchayats of Baliana block and 9 Gram Panchayats of Bolagarh block, Khordha district. A total of 222 EWRs were covered in this project.

Achievement

In COVID-19 pandemic situation with facilitation of EWRs, 1200 families received the benefits. 300 beneficiaries received chick support for poultry farming, 30 people received support from Chief Minister's Relief Fund, 159 old age pensions, 4 person received support from Red Cross as settlement of divorce case, 4 single families received cash benefits, 3 families received death benefits of Rs 12 Lakhs, 35 street lights were installed, 150 Swachha Bharat toilets were constructed, 7 were linked with Harischandra Jojana, 2 were linked with Mamata Jojana, 381 new job cards were released, 2311 females and 2951 males received work under MGNREGS, etc.

- 5 domestic violence cases were solved by the initiative of EWRs.
- 1100 trees were planted by the EWRs in the community.
- Total 1110 families received dry ration support.
- 300 masks supported to families, and 500 gloves to district collector office.
- 23 Gender Panchayat Resource Centres are in place and opened for 876 days.
- 1347 EWRs, 3758 other women & 3397 male members, total 8502 members visited the GPRC.



Food Security Campaign: The campaign continued from 15th December 2020 to 21st December 2020 in 16 GPs of Baliana block and in 9 GPs of Bolagarh block of Khordha district. The campaign was empowering people through walk with slogan and song, community meeting, mobile van campaign with display message, poster display in strategic places, signature campaign, traditional and nutritional vegetable along with recipe demonstration. In the 7 days process, a total of 52 villages in 25 GPs of 2 blocks were covered with direct participation of 11237 people, out of which 1311 were Govt. officials, 2594 males, 6143 females and 1189 children and adolescents.

Surakshya-Promote and Protect Rights of the Women and Adolescents including Reproductive Rights

Project implemented by PECUC in collaboration with the Adoptionscentrum

Operational area: 5 villages of Bhubaneswar Block, 9 villages of Baliana block, and 4 slums of Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation of Khordha District.

Major Achievements:

- Facilitation with Pregnant women of the project area for immunization, referral, safe institutional delivery with regular follow up, home visit and through facilitation of VHND. Out of the 86 pregnant women, 6 were under high risk category & referred to hospital.
- During the lockdown/shutdown period, the daily wage labourers/vulnerable families were supported with food for 20 days.
- Young women got a chance to enhance their family income by 1000 Rs per month through selling of organic kitchen products grown in their backyards.
- Bimalini Panda and Subhalaxmi Behera from Tarini slum of BMC Bhubaneswar participated in the international seminar on COVID 19- Protective measures for children, and shared their experience with other children.
- The young women group were successful in identifying and resolving the domestic violence cases.
- 62 youths received vocational education & trade based skill training.
- The adolescent boys and girls got training on gender equity, online safety, Sexual Reproductive Health Rights and taking action at the community level.
- The youths of the villages were engaged in plantation, bird nests, waste management, awareness on COVID19 Pandemic, save energy etc.
- 31 adolescents have been admitted into GOVT. ITI, DDUGKY, CT training, Tailoring, preparing for competitive exam, MBA, +3, ICTs etc
- Two abandoned tribal children from Sundarpur project village were identified and their information was shared with DCPU.
- 20 adolescents received health services, 38 adolescent received online counselling from trained counsellor.
- 106 adolescents passed 10th exam and 82 in project area are in 10th standard and they are receiving all support and counselling from our volunteers regarding their studies in online and other issues.
- State level youth conventions on Environment and ecology were organized in with participation of Ecosavers youth network members from different districts of the states. A study on child sexual abuse and online safety was conducted under State level workshop on Child sexual abuse and online safety to understand the type of violence inflicted on the adolescent while they were exposed to online mode of practice during lockdown situation. The study report was presented by Ms. Ruby Rout, Country Director of Adoptionscentrum. Other



guests were Smt. AmitaPattnaik, Joint Director, OSEPA, Mr. Pritikant Panda, Program Manager, SCPS, Odisha, Smt. Madhumita Das, Consultant, W&CD Dept. Govt. of Odisha, Mrs. Biswewari Mohanty, Senior Advocate.

Sustainable livelihood for FANI affected women in Baliana Block, Odisha.

Project implemented by PECUC in collaboration with EDGH

Operational Area: 10 villages of 7 Gram Panchayats of Baliana Block of Khordha District

Acheivement

- 16 SHG Groups created with 288 members with a saving of Rs 417,961 are in place.
- 163 members in 9 groups got skill training on 7 trades and 155 members are utilizing their skills.
- The villagers were involved in planting kitchen garden saplings, creating mushroom beds, installing bee boxes, selling dry fishes, making *badis*, and many such activities which generated additional income to support their families.
- Gender training 140 male participants represented from the targeted area received the training majority of them are now supporting in household works.
- 16 GPCPC (Gram Panchayat Child Protection Committee) have been formed in 16 villages, i.e. Bentapur, Sarakana, Satyabhamapur, Bainchua, Jayadev, Prataprudrepur, Benupur, Baliana, Jaganathpur, Pratap-sasan.
- 2 beneficiaries from Mahukhanda & 3 from Balavadrapur village received toilet under Swachh Bharat Aiviyaan facilitated by PECUC team.
- 5 cases relating to marital dispute, disability and family dispute being identified and support provided.
- 61 adolescent girls counselled through 25 counselling sessions carried out by professional counsellors.



Model Village Initiative

PECUC implemented the project Model Village Initiative with support from HCCB, during 2020-2021.

Operational Area: 6 villages of Khordha Municipality and 1 village in Jatani block.

Key focus areas – Access to Education, Access to Health & Sanitation, Access to livelihood

Major Achievements:

- Shradha Bhawan- an initiative by PECUC to mainstream the children to the main schooling system has been active in these project areas that are operating with 205 children (103 boys and 102 girls). A total of 47 children took pre-school admission and 65 children are placed in SB centres.
- 432 children and parents have been provided with telephonic counselling during this year. Due to COVID-19 pandemic counselling support was provided at the door step to parents. To further reduce the stress of children, various online and offline activities have been conducted by PECUC team.



- All children in the operation villages participated in hand wash awareness campaign in the community in small groups. Sisusabha members also actively participated during this time.
- In addition, Mask, Sanitizer and Hand gloves (PPE KIT) were provided to 500 front line health workers like: Scavengers, Nurse, ANM, AWW, Police, ASHA and Village level SHG worker.
- Nutritional plant support was provided to 500 families in 6 project villages.
- 15 health awareness meetings were conducted with participation of 460 community members.
- Institution delivery of 122 pregnant women and linkages with Mamta Yojana in Makunda Prasad, Chachera Sabarasahi, Jemadei & Tirumal villages.
- Installation of RO system at Jawahar Navodaya School, Gurujanga, Khordhabenefitted600 students and provided them with safe drinking water.
- Repairing of 1 Tube Well Platform, Soak Pit & Drainage in Mukund prasad village benefitted 40 households.
- 80 women from 8 SHG groups (1 grocery, 4 goat rearing, 1 poultry, 1 tailoring and 1 Atta making) received support to start their Income Generation Activities.
- Addition Income of the family increased upto 2000 to 4000 per month from their IGP activities.
- Total of 41 women self Help groups covering 426 members in 6 operation villages has been facilitated by the PECUC team.
- 2 farmer groups covering 30 members cultivated potato and made a profit of 50000 INR.
- SHG members are also taking lead role for creating awareness on Covid 19 pandemic in their community.
- 51 MGNREGS work, 70 women to Mo UpakariBagicha, 66 Old Age Pension, 70 new job cards ,9 labour cards
10 pipe line connections at ChacheraSabaraSahi village, 20 women SHG members with municipality work

Model School

PECUC with support from Analog Devices Pvt. Ltd. developed infrastructure of Acharya Harihara Nodal Bidyapitha (Govt.), Benupur village. Total strength of the school is 537 (B – 240 and G- 287). The school consists from class-1 to class 10th.

Infrastructures upgraded:

- Toilet construction in school
- Installation of outdoor play Equipment
- Book & furniture for school Library
- Science lab Equipment
- First-aid kit
- Child friendly painting in school building along with message writing for awareness building.



Capacity building of Local Self Governance:PRI- CBO Convergence Training Programme

PECUC has been working on the capacity building of local self governance in collaboration with State Institute of Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Dept, Govt. of Odisha. Under PRI-CBO Convergence Training Programme, two 3-days training programmes were organized for 50 participants including Sarpanchs, Ward Members, Cluster Federation members, Grampanchayat Level Federation member, SHG members of Baliana and Bolagarh block of Khordha District.



Awareness Program on Safety & Health (OSH) for Contractors of Outsourcing Agencies (Sanitation) Engaged by BMC with Focus on Covid-19 Preventive Measures & Social Security Schemes of Govt of India/Odisha Construction Board

This programme was organized by Indo German Focal Point (IGFP) with People's Cultural Centre, Odisha [PECUC] with support of Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation (BMC), Odisha Construction Board, RD ESIC & RPFC-I Bhubaneswar at Red Cross Bhawan, Bhubaneswar.



Improving Public Health Through Development of Diverse Stakeholder Coalition to Support Tobacco Control Policies.

The project started on 1st March 2021 and the project supported by Campaign for Tobacco Free Kid (CTFK).
Operational Area: Odisha State

- Social media campaigns continued through Instagram, Twitter and Facebook on tobacco health harm
- One awareness generation meeting with civil society organisations

COVID-19 Response Programme

The COVID-19 Response Programme of PECUC was carried out in all its operational areas of Khordha, Balesore, Keonjhar and Kendrapada Districts.

Support by PECUC:

- 20 PPE kit to Jharpada jail, Bhubaneswar and Mahatma Gandhi Academy of Prison and Correctional Services, Govt. of Odisha at Jamujhari
- Books and fruit bearing plants have been provided to Mahatma Gandhi Academy of Prison and Correctional Services, Govt. of Odisha.
- 5941 Masks have been distributed to block and district administration for service providers, front line health workers, community level workers, -police, ASHA, and Anganwadi workers.
- Also distributed 700 gloves to the block and district administration for service providers.
- Provided livelihood support to a youth with disability for starting a grocery shop.
- PECUC has actively supported 600 migrant families with dry ration for a continuous 30 days.
- PECUC also supported dry ration to 3608 most vulnerable families like daily wage labourers, single women, left out, older people, disable people for 15 days and to 70 Artists.
- Hygiene kit containing soaps, phenyl, and detergent was distributed to the households.
- Sanitary napkins were also distributed to adolescent girls through the Dist Emergency office and Khordha Municipality.
- More than 485,000 people were reached through Social Media Campaign on various awareness messages, 20000 IEC materials distributed in PECUC Operational Area about safety norms, Govt provisions.
- Children in PECUC operational areas were engaged through various creative activities like drawing, painting, poster designing, slogan writing, poem writing, games,



- dancing maintaining safe distance etc.
- Awareness meeting and psycho-social counselling to household through telephonic interaction and door to door awareness campaign was carried on.
- Study material support was given to 100 class 10th students of Bhubaneswar block, Balianata block and BMC area
- IGP support to 40 women of BMC area and kitchen garden support to 50 young women of Bhubaneswar block
- Children are vulnerable to all types of fear, panic, anxieties and mental stress during lockdown. Due to closure of schools, they were forced to stay at home. PECUC kept engaging children by involving them through various creative ways to lessen their mental stress. These includes dance, painting /drawing /wall painting, writing poems, slogans, planting trees, play, singing, yoga, meditation, support in reading & learning, creative competitions, etc. They were also oriented on hand wash practices, physical distancing, online safety measures & reporting mechanism.
- PECUC also participated in all GO – NGO Meetings and meetings with district emergency cell.

Milaap Campaign: PECUC launched Milaap Campaign to raise fund for COVID19 Response Programme. In this campaign, we raised Rs. 116626 rupees and 99 supporters.

The Girls Leadership -The Girl Advocacy and Alliance programme in India is being implemented to influence National as well as State governments in the country to bring policy level changes that provides equal rights and opportunities to the girls and young women. It aims to achieve these results by prevention of Child trafficking, Child Marriage, and promotion of Secondary education for Girls & Job Oriented Vocational training for young women. Rural Action In Development Society (RAIDS), People's Cultural Centre (PECUC) & TDH- NL conduct this campaign in the State of Odisha.



Webinar with Child Protection Stakeholders on Prevention of Child Marriage:

A webinar was organized on this backdrop with Child Protection Stakeholders on Prevention of Child Trafficking by PECUC, in collaboration with Girls Advocacy Alliance, RAIDS and terre des hommes, NL on 30th Sept 2020. More than 100 participants participated in this webinar. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Minakhi Panda, Chairman, PECUC. The chief guest of this webinar was Mr. Santosh Kumar Upadhyay, IPS, and Director General of Prisons. Mr. Thangaperumal Popandi and Mr. Subrat Panda, TDH, NL were also present. Ms. Madhumita Das, Consultant, WCD, Govt. of Odisha, Ms. Bisweswari Mohanty, Advocate, Ms. Banishree Pattnaik, DCPO, Khordha, Manabendranath Mandal, ATSEC, Thematic Head, Child trafficking, NACG EVAC India, Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director of PECUC, Joined as panellist in this webinar. Dr. Minakhi Panda chaired the session.

Enhancement of Socio-Economic of Schedule Caste (BPL) Communities through Livelihood Interventions

The project was implemented by PECUC with support from Odisha Scheduled Caste & Scheduled Tribe Development Finance Co-operative Corporation Limited, OSFDC, Govt. of Odisha.

Operational area: 7 villages namely Andilo, Kanchilo, Kotakana, Tiranpada, Dhamilo, Baidola and Saleswar of Balianata block of Khordha district. There are 12 groups with 250 members. 5 groups with 118 members received support of goat for goat rearing.

Village Disaster Management Plan [VDMP]

VDMP (Village Disaster Management Plan) are prepared in district to fulfil the broad objective of a disaster resilient district from village level who is the first responder in any disaster situation. Total 154 villages VDMP plans are prepared in collaboration with District Disaster management Authority, Keonjhar and Khordha,



Govt. of Odisha. 92 villages in Hatadhi block of Keonjhar district and 62 villages in Balianata and Bhubaneswar block of Khordha district are covered under the VDMP. The local stakeholders like Sarpanch, Ward members, ASHA, AWW and community members are involved in the process.

ASHA-Alternative Source of Help and Action:

ASHA- a concept introduced by PECUC, fostering the self-help capacity among the aged in order to achieve socio-economic security. It focuses on empowering older people for leading a happy and dignified life. 12 Elderly Self-Help Groups (ESGPs) are in function and the annual savings of these 12 groups is INR 2,10,000. Out of this fund, they gave INR 50,000 as loan, and received INR 18,000 as interest, which they distributed among themselves. All these 12 groups are encouraged for livelihood promotion activities, including grocery business, thresher machine, selling of cattle feed, cold drinks, providing cooking utensils on rent during marriage and other functions. They celebrated International Day for Older people and attended health camps organised by PECUC. International Day for older persons was observed at Gohala Village. 100 older persons participated in this celebration. During this year, 2390 older people received old age pension, and 5 cases of domestic violence were solved.

KEONJHAR

Campaign to Ensure Right to Education of Children:

It is implemented by PECUC in collaboration with AEIN &TDH (G).

Operational Areas: 25 villages in the Swampatna block of Keonjhar District.

Our Achievements:

- 25 SB Centres are functional with 597 children and out of those 179 are slow learners, 27 drop outs and 4 were Child labourers. The centres are well equipped with teaching and learning materials. Due to COVID-19 the centres operated on rotational basis (5 to 10 students in a batch) by following all govt. guidelines.
- The teaching learning materials are have been helpful to keep children stress free during pandemic.
- Facilitation 167 Children in age group 6-14 years are enrolled in primary schools and are regularly attending Sradha Bhawan.
- Facilitation of 116 children, in age group 15-18 years age group, are enrolled in secondary schools.
- 4 Child labourers are taken out of child labour and mainstreamed into formal schools/alternative education as per the case.
- Learning level of 179 slow learner Children have significantly improved.
- 98 children those who are reading in class 4 could are now able to read and write Standard 4th English text book after regular attending SB centre.
- 25MPVs improved their knowledge about teaching and learning methods during COVID19 pandemic and child protection issues and 69 staffs increased their knowledge level about role and responsibilities of different community based organizations.
- Learning level of 225 children improved secured more than 59% of marks and 253 children secured >40% and <50% in their assessment.
- 25 child right clubs are functional with total 911 {Boys- 461 and Girls-450} as members. These children enhanced their knowledge about online safety, environment protection, child related laws and legislatures etc.
- Child Club Members planted 623 trees; created 71 bird nests, placed their demand in Gram Sabha and they motivated 45 children to attend Sradha Bhawan centres regularly.
- Monilsha Mahanta, a child club member of Jadichatar village



- participated in an online competition Mo Prativa which was organized by the State govt.
- 60 children were able to learn Math and English through smart class and remedial classes which were very much helpful for them as schools remained closed.
 - 361 children from the project area participated in various competition and cultural programmes in Annual Events.
 - 45 teachers got knowledge about Child rights and child protection mechanisms which enhanced their understanding about child friendly methods of teaching in Kendujhar district, and 15 teachers of Mayurbhanj received training on natural language learning process and NEP 2020.
 - 45 Anganwadi workers enhanced their knowledge about their role and responsibilities and are using Arunima book and Kuni calendar. 743 children (Boys-398, Girls-345)(0 to 3) received take home ration and total 594 (3 to 5 age) children started attending AWC.
 - 443 children and 115 pregnant women were immunized, 145 lactating mother received food support, and 18 high risk pregnant women were identified and referred.
 - 30 jaanch committees are functional in 30 AWC with 156 members.
 - In Mayurbhanj 357 children (175 boys and 182 girls) received pre education in 9 ICDS centre where 18 AWW workers are supporting. And 13 AWWs received training.
 - 31 SMCs with 589 members are functional in 31 project villages. 62 children are involved in SMCs as members. And SMC members enrolled 9 numbers of children in to school and engaged in developmental activities.
 - 25 Groups with 320 members and a total saving of INR 1297998 in banks.
 - SHG members solved domestic violence cases, provided cooked food to the vulnerable people and stopped selling of liquor in their respective villages.
 - 61 SHG members of 5 SHG groups received 122 poultry for support for IGP activities.
 - The VLCPC members are engaged in COVID awareness activities among the community people.
 - 25 village level advocacy groups are in place in 25 villages with 175 members. 257 convergence and linkage including 49 PMAYG, 13 Ration Card, 32 Mo Pokhari, 16 Widow Pension, 4 Adhar Card, 15 Dhanjan account opening, 39 old age pension, 19 job card, 22 Sukanya Jojana, 2 Handicraft pension, 3 Harischandrajohana, 12 farm pond, 13 Ujjalajohana, 5 Ring well, 8 MGNREGS, 3 electrification was done by the facilitation of village advocacy groups.
 - 25 Child protection committees are functional in 25 villages with participation of 275 members (F-128, M-147).
 - 694 children and youths enhanced their knowledge about career, life skill, health & Hygiene, managing mental stress, online safety, time management etc.
 - 50 numbers of youths received training on computers.
 - 25 ECOSAVER - the youth networks with 442 (M-249, F-193) youth as Member are in place in 25 villages.
 - The members of youth group planted 1220 trees, created 629 bird nests, installed 20 dustbins and did other environmental friendly activities like one day in cycle to save energy, herbal garden, cleaned village pond, repaired village roads etc.
 - In Mayurbhanj, the youth group are engaged in documentation forest species and traditional and indigenous seeds and 34 farmers promoted to grow vegetable and kitchen garden using organic manure.



SEED- Food Sovereignty for Adivasi Communities of Odisha

It is implemented by PECUC in collaboration with TDH (G) & BMZ.

Operational Area: 6 villages under Badjamposi GP of Ghatagaon Block



Achievement

- 18 farmers groups with 360 members are functional with Rs 80,879/- group saving.
- The village farmers in the operational areas have started cultivating millet and Raggi, which marked the revival of the crops after 25 years. The news was covered by the leading national newspaper- The New Indian Express. This has reduced the market dependency of 360 farmers of the villages.
- 10 farmers received support of 2 kg of Sunflower seeds from Agriculture Department, Ghatagaon and cultivated in 4-acre of land. 10 farmers of Murgapahadi had cultivated 2 kg sun flower seed on their field and harvested 54 kg of Sunflower.
- 18 farmers had planted 1100 cashew plants which they received from with local Horticulture Office at Dhenkikot. Being inspired, other 20 farmers have done plantation of 1 acre each at their own land.
- 2 farmers got 50 poultry birds each under Life Food support for farmers for rural backyard poultry rearing programme of Govt of Odisha under state plan. 18 cowsheds, 29 Pradhan Mantry AwasYojana, 34 PM Sharma Jogi Pension, and 7 farm ponds sanction was facilitated by project team.
- 18 SEED Banks are operational at 6 villages and total 129 varieties of traditional paddy seeds and 42 varieties of vegetables seeds are available to farmers.
- 626 nos of farmers are in practice of organic farming in 228 acre land.
- 75 Farmers of outside of project area also taking the help of seed bank in exchange of their traditional seed.
- 6 PARIBESSATHI are educating community people regularly for planting the tree, creating bird nest, creating awareness on covid19, supporting in PDS distribution in the families etc.
- 54 farmers received Training of Trainer (ToT) on organic farming through field exposure to Krusi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Govt of Odisha, Kendujhar.
- 120 women SHGs members were provided with 120 poultry birds for IGP activities.
- During this reporting period, the poultry increased from 360 (240 supported in 2019) to 3460.
- Linkages to 5 Backyard poultry schemes under CORONA Special scheme. Each person got 9 she goats and 1 male goat which amounted to Rs 66,600. Out of which 90% (Rs 59,400/-) was supported by Govt and rest 10% (Rs 7200/-) by own contribution.
- Linkage of one women beneficiary of Nalabilato get 500 poultry birds costs Rs 1,77000/- under CORONA Special Scheme also on behalf of Poultry Development scheme.
- 7 persons were supported with 50 ducklings each from Ducker Development schemes of ATMA, Govt of Odisha.
- 706 families are continuing kitchen garden practices using organic fertilizer. 8 nutritional Kitchen gardens were promoted in 8 schools of 6 villages of Ghatagaon block of Keonjhar district with 21 varieties of plants for their kitchen garden.
- Total 80 farmers from 11 blocks of Kendujhar district participated in the seasonal seed fare and 127 varieties of organic seed were exhibited. 40 farmers had exchanged 20 varieties of seeds.
- 71 women from 6 project villages participated in the low cost food festival and 31 local nutritious foods were demonstrated.
- 600 vulnerable families were supported dry rations (Dal-2 kg, Sugar-1 Kg, Flatrice-4Kg, Salt-1Kg, Turmeric powder-200 gm, Mustard oil-1lt) during the covid19 response.
- 12 health camps were organized and 485 people attended this health camp which included 80 older persons, 100 pregnant women, 150 lactating mothers, 55 adolescent boys, 100 adolescent girls, and 75 children of aged 0-5 years who were immunized in these 12 camps.
- 500 masks were supported to the service provider i.e. local Police personnel, Sarapanch, Panchayat functionaries, Aangabwadi and ASHA workers, Block Development Officials and CDPO for Covid Response.
- Hygiene kit was supported to 600 vulnerable families in the 6 project villages for COVID response.



- 300 kg bleaching was distributed for cleaning of water sources and house surrounding, community pond, etc for COVID response.
- 60 women benefited from MAMATA Yojana.
- 6 VSS (Vana Surakshya Samitee)/Forest Protection Committees with 104 members (Female- 41 and Male – 62) are in place in 6 project villages. The VSS members sensitized 95 people about uses of medicinal plants. They collected 5300 forest seedlings from open field which were germinated from seed of the trees naturally and planted in the village road side and on secured common places.
- 19 women Self help groups are in place in 6 project villages with 360 members are in place with group saving INR 934348.
- 7 domestic violence cases have been solved by the group.
- 240 women from 12 women groups got training on poultry and duck breeding.
- 50 women received training on nutrition management in order to have balanced diet.
- 75 women are trained on low cost local food management and traditional cooking practice for better health.
- 64 women from operated villages got widow and old age pension.
- 10 women received support of 10 beekeeping box under Mission shakti scheme at Kundapith village
- 2 women of Nalabila and Baiganpal received support of 2 mushroom units. Each women got the amount of Rs 2,00000 each. Both of them have got 200 bed of olyster mushroom and another 100 bed of paddy straw mushroom each.
- 12 Ecosavers-the Youth Networks with 240 members are functional in 6 villages.
- 80 vermin compost pits constructed by youth & 8 bee keeping box supported to youth and 255 youths started kitchen garden
- Youths along with Gan Kalyan Samitis held 6 sanitation drives at 6 operation villages, installed 12 Jalachhatra (Water kiosk) and created 500 bird nests during lockdown and shutdown due to CORONA pandemic.
- 50 career counselling programme were conducted with participation of 505 youths in small groups.
- 10 youths got professional training PMKVY, Patna. 2 youths received 2 toilets from Govt at Baiganapala village, 118 youth received Vermi pits in linkage with Horticulture Dept of Govt.
- A National Youth camp was arranged at Barakula of Chilika lagoon from 17th to 21st February, 2021. Participants from different corners of India participated and engaged in beach cleaning. A National Youth Network was also formed.
- 32 workshops arranged for 8 schools with participation of 1572 children (boys-825, girls-747) taking all precautions and following safety norms and 2 dropout students again retuned school with the help of the concern eco club member along with their teachers.
- 8 ECOCLUBS are in place having 312 members (187- boys and 125 –girls).
- Eco club members prepared 264 bird nests and 88 environmental related programme were held.
- 301 members (B-182, G-119) participated in training on sustainable development.
- 8 school gardens are in place in 8 schools, 8 weather stations and 8 rain harvesting structure also installed in the schools.
- A two days state level youth camp was organised at DRTC, CYSD, Bhubaneswar on 20th and 21st March 2021 and youths from different district participated in this camp.
- Forest food festival organized in the premises of Kalinga Herbal Fare, exhibition ground, Bhubaneswar. This event reflects the diversity of food stuff from the forest. Communities whose living space is the forest are invited from the entire state to participate and present different cultivated or wild food stuff. Marking this occasion a workshop was organised in the DRTC, CYSD Bhubaneswar. More than 100 tribal women from the districts of Odisha participated in it. In this workshop, specialists from different fields discussed about the importance of forest food products and its necessities in the present context. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary PECUC, Dr. Minakhi Panda, Director PECUC, Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director, PECUC, Specialist Ruby Rout & Dipak Mishra participated and



through light on importance and nutritional value of traditional food, balanced food with special emphasis on the traditional farming culture of tribal people, forest food and its nutritional value, etc.

- **State Level Consultation on Nutritional Self Dependence:**

A State Level Consultation on Nutritional Self Dependence organized at Panthanivas. The guest speakers of the inaugural session were Ms. Sandhyabati Pradhan, Chairman, OSCPCR; Dr. Sipra Mallick, Member Odisha State Food Commission; Ms. Sulata Deo, Advisor, WCD Dept. of Govt. of Odisha; and they said there is no alternative to sustainable development and through it nutritional self dependence will be achieved. Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director, PECUC gave the welcome address and Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary, PECUC, shared the purpose of this workshop and facilitated the inaugural session. Other guest speakers who participated in the panel discussion were Madhumita Das, Consultant, WCD Dept., Govt. of Odisha; Dr. Biswaranjan Padhi, Former Joint Director of Nutrition, Health and Family Welfare Department of Govt. of Odisha & Deepak Kumar Mishra, State Coordinator, Baitarani Initiative. They discussed on various aspect of nutritional self dependence. Mr. Binayak Swain, Social Worker facilitated the Panel discussion session. Around 100 participants from different districts including farmer, SHG leaders, members of civil society groups, Govt. institutions and academicians participated in this consultation.



ASHA- Alternative Source of Help and Action: The programme of PECUC was implemented in 12 villages of three Panchayats of Patana block covering 1126 elderly people. There are 75 SHGs and 8 village level federations are functional with one functional district level federation. The members have an amount of INR 56875 this year as savings.

Cultural Exchange through Theatre

It is implemented by PECUC in collaboration with AEIN & TDH (G)

Participant Youths in theatre: 3 Youths each from Kendujhar and Mayurbhanj districts were selected as finalist and 2 youth as backup.

Mr. Debananda Nayak, as Theatre Director trained the participants. But due to COVID19 pandemic their programme for visit to Luxemburg to perform theatre postponed. In the meantime, since it is urgent to not allow the momentum generated to get lost, a project within this project was proposed – this involved preparing a video-documentation in the form of 2 short movies which recorded the experience of children and youth from the Adivasi communities of the 2 districts of Odisha in the context of COVID Pandemic and the Lock-down imposed by the Government. It was planned that the youth will developed the movie with proper training. As planned the youths developed 2 short movies. The 15 Youths from Keonjhar & Mayurbhanj who were part of the Exchange Programme, were trained on basic skills of filmmaking and editing. The theatre group also performed their play in National Youth Convention at Barakul, Chilika.



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Skill Development Training

PECUC in collaboration with Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikash Yojana, Skill India started a Skill Development training centre at Patna Block of Keonjhar.

In the endeavour of skill development in Swampatna of Keonjhar district centre, 330 person completed training in the trade front line health worker, domestic Data Entry Operator and Mason. 90 persons were PWDs and rest 240 were general people. It included activities including Motivational Sessions, Exposure Visits, Guest Lectures, Parents



Workshops and job training and placement.

Wage/Self Employment: During this year 64 persons became self employed, 25 are in wage employment. PECUC is in a process of providing counseling, linkage and convergence for placement and self employment.

AADI-Action for Ability Development and Inclusion

Therapeutic & Rehabilitative Services for Children with Intellectual Disabilities, Supported by SSEPD Dept., Govt. of Odisha.

Operational area: Patna block of Keonjhar district.

Our achievements:

- 50 numbers of children with intellectual disability are coming to the centre. One special educator, one physiotherapist, one counsellor (part time), one special educator (part time) and care taker have been appointed in the Therapy centre.
 - The children are provided with occupational, speech and physical therapy. Occupational therapy includes self care like bathing, grooming, dressing, feeding, leisure activities, etc., through demonstration and practical exercises like teaching children about self care and using different game materials like flash cards, puzzles, and badge board during leisure time.
 - Physical therapy has been the part of their regime to enhance quality of life by maximizing mobility, providing adaptive solution to mobility problems & increasing sensory integration. This therapy is done by using various exercising instrument for enhancing neck control, for solving standing problem, balance problem, walking problem, joint stiffness, stiffness, muscle weakness, for improving hand- eye-coordination and for gross motor and fine motor development. Community level therapy camp is also organised to give services to the CR and MR children by visiting to their neighbourhood.
 - Community, parents and family member are sensitized about the special need of the children. With proper care, patient and proper therapy improvement can be brought in the life of these children.
- ✚ Introducing different indoor games leads to increase attendance of children in the centre
All the children coming to the centre regularly are showing the sign of improvement.



BALASORE

Skill Development Training for PWDs

The training programme was conducted in collaboration with SSEPD, Department, Govt. of Odisha in PECUC's Skill training centre at Bhograi, Baleswar.

In Bhograi, Skill Development Centre of Balasore district, 200 persons with disabilities (M-130 & F-70) have completed their training in the trade like domestic data entry operator, tailoring and mobile repairing. Out of which 122 are self employed and 41 are in daily wage employment. Linkage, counselling and follow up are continuing.

Awareness, Attitudes, and Accessibility: PECUC also works with person with disability with community support and encourages independent living by providing assistance with self-care, household care, mobility, leisure, and community participation. Residential support services are also offered like- independent housing and congregate living in group homes and institutional settings. Support in education or employment – such as a classroom assistant for a child with a disability, or personal support in the workplace is also offered. This year PECUC worked with 300 PWDs in Bhograi block.

Flood Reponse 2020: Bhograi block of Balasore district witnessed devastating flood in 2020. The first flood water entered in the block on 23rd of August 2020. The low lying areas were affected by flash flood in Bhograi block. 20 GPs of Bhograi block have been affected by flood water out of that 8 GPs were worst affected. Flood water remains for many days in some of the villages. A total 17000 hector agriculture land were submerged in flood water in 50 G.P of Bhograi block. Disaster has both acute and chronic effects on the physical and mental health of the affected

population. It aggravates both the spread of communicable diseases and non-communicable diseases as aftermaths. Evaluating the situations PECUC organized 5 health camps and a total of 596 patients were registered in the five camps. The number of daily patients ranged from 69 to 188 and the average was 119. 399 adults (Male: 192 and Females 207) and 197 Children (Boys-108 and Girls- 89) were treated in these camps.

Cyclone Amphan Response: The extremely severe cyclonic storm "AMPHAN" in the Bay of Bengal had landfall in Odisha & West Bengal coast on 20th May, 2020. It intensified into an extremely severe cyclonic storm with the wind speed of 110 kmph with heavy rainfall resulting in to extensive severe damage in Bhogarai block of Balasore districts of Odisha. PECUC in collaboration with Save the Children carried out the response work in 6 villages of 6 Grampanchyats in Bhograi Block of Balasore District. Temporary shelter kit consisting of solar lantern, nylon rope, tarpouline, bedsheet, and floor mats were distributed to 200 households in 2 villages in 2 GPs of Bhograi block.



The food basket and Hygiene kit were distributed to 785 beneficiaries of Bhograi block. The food Basket consisted of Rice, Arhar Dal, Salt, Dry Jaggery, Turmeric Powder, Curry Powder, Sunflower 1Ltr, Suji, flat rice, Soyabean Badi, Ata, Washing Powder, etc. The hygiene kit consisted of Soap (2 pcs. per family), Face Mask washable and reusable good quality (4 pcs. Per family).

KENDRAPADA

Farmer groups Initiatives: With the facilitation of PECUC farming community in the flood affected areas of Kendrapada block are functioning since 2009. 47 farmer groups are functional under a federation of farmers as a self-motivated people's initiative. The federation leaders give direction to groups in getting organized and availing benefits of programmes of agriculture and horticulture departments, local banks and insurance as well as Disaster Risk reduction initiatives.

Community Base Disaster Preparedness & Risk Reduction: Team of volunteers of PECUC who are trained on first aid, search and rescue are still working and demonstrating in the community and imparting training to youths and children. Reviewing of School Safety Plan was held in 12 schools.

Child Friendly flood shelter (CFFS): Men, women, the youth and children from cross section of the community are using the shelter to promote social and developmental activities. The CFFS committees are active in this reporting period to participate in different risk reduction as well as development activities at community level, child friendly flood safe shelter level and institution level. In the event of inundation, they prepare themselves, use the emergency kits, supported to child task force groups and mobilize community to take preparatory steps to withstand flood. The child club members also participated in different community level and other special occasions to demonstrate their disaster preparedness.



Support to open a Grocery Shop: PECUC provided support to Pabitra Pradhan, a person with disability of Kendrapada to start a grocery shop in his own village.

CUTTACK

Protecting Environment– ECOSAVERS - The Youth Network of Mahanga block observed different days including Environment Day, Earth Day, Water Day, etc. They conducted rallies, meetings, drawing, debates competitions, etc. among the youths and children. Also, the members carried out plantation programmes in the locality. PECUC supported community at Nischintakoili Block to access Govt. Scheme & programmes, organised awareness programmes on eradication of child labour, sanitation drive, meetings with women & linkages with skill trainings of youths and identifying farmers need & linkages with Govt. programmes & schemes.

Community Radio Station:SAMPARK

PECUC is establishing a Community Radio Station at village Muradabad, Nischintakoili of Cuttack district.

- To educate, organize and empower small, marginal, tenant farmers and landless agricultural workers on agriculture and allied sector through innovative and creative audio based programs series on agriculture.
- To create a platform for the farmers and Agri-experts and link them up with other like- minded through community radio and outreach activities and motivate farmers group to come together to demand implementation of related various government recommendations, schemes which are farmer-friendly.
- To inform and enhancing the capacity of the farming community of Cuttack district to adopt best appropriate agriculture practices to deal with the disasters such as droughts.
- To promote systematic educational program for the target audience on the various agriculture related issues so that alternative, sustainable models based on traditional knowledge, can be evolved from people through a participatory process.

For this purpose PECUC has received Letter of Intent issued by Ministry of Information and Broadcasting; Decision letter (Frequency Allotment Letter) issued by WPC, Ministry of Telecommunication; SACFA clearance issued by Ministry of Telecommunication; Grant of Permission Agreement signed with Ministry of Information and Broadcasting; and waiting for Wireless Operating License to be issued by WPC, Ministry of Telecommunication. The centre is under construction & shall be completed and start operation by June 2021.

STATE LEVEL PROGRAMME

Masoom- Support a child programme: Masoom-Support a child programme is a unique programme of PECUC to support the poor and needy children. This year due to COVID19 pandemic situation 200 masks and soaps supported to children.

Women Empowerment: Promotion of Self-help Groups: Women SHGs are considered as one of the most significant tools to adopt participatory approach for the economic empowerment of women. The most important change that the SHG culture has brought in the country is to change the gender dynamics of power within a family and ultimately the society at large. Promotion of SHGs mainly for women has been a common programme of PECUC towards the aim of poverty alleviation under different schemes and programmes. Access to credit has not only strengthened the economic bearing of women, but it has also created a ripple effect which alters power dynamics to allow their participation to a large extent. Conflicting issues of women are now coming to forefront due to the collective efforts of women groups. PECUC has promoted 442 self-help groups in its operational areas in Khordha, Keonjhar and Balasore districts, having 5579 women members with Rs.15, 733, 274 savings in different banks. PECUC also promoted 18 young women groups with 272 members to protect their reproductive rights. During this period, initiatives including revival of traditional food, promotion of local food, organic kitchen garden, forest food festival namely Gilirifulla Forest food festival, local food exhibition, games/sports, convergence and linkage, training/capacity building of women group members were undertaken through the women groups.

Plantation Drive Programme: This year 12753 trees were planted in house yards, community places, schools, village forest by Ecosavers, women group, Sishusabha, VSS, PRIs and community leaders in all operational areas of PECUC.

Bana Mahotsav: During the year, 7 programs were organized during the Bana Mahotsav week in Baliana, Bolagr, Khordha and Bhubaneswar of Khordha district and Swampatna, Ghatogon of Keonjhar district, where 2653 community members were sensitized on the impact of climate change.

National Education Policy: Impact on School Education In Odisha, was organized on 30th August 2020. Around 250 Participants participated in this meeting. Mr. Samir Ranjan Dash, Minister, School & Mass Education, Odisha spoke as Chief Guest in a Webinar on "National Education Policy: Impact on School Education in Odisha", The webinar was organized by Odisha Alliance for Child Rights (OACR), National Action and Coordination Group for Ending Violence Against Children, India, Odisha chapter and People's Cultural Centre (PECUC). More than 300 participants attended the webinar. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary, PECUC, Chairperson, NACG EVAC India & Chairman, OACR, presided over this meeting. Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director of PECUC gave the welcome address and Mr. Prakash Rath, OLS, Vice Chair of OACR, Convener of NACG Odisha moved the vote of thanks in this webinar. Mr. Gangadhar Sahoo, OAS, Director, SCERT Dr. (prof) Sitakanta Mishra, Associate Professor, Pandit Dindayal Petroleum University, Dr. (Prof) Ajit Mohanty, Former Professor in Psychology, JNU, Dr.(Prof) Pritish Chandra Acharya, Regional Institute Of Education, Odisha, Dr. Amiya Mohanty, President, FISE & National Convenor, Joint Forum for Movement on Education, Prof. Dr.Kumarbar Dash, Former Vice Chancellor of FM University, Smt. Kasturi Mohapatra, Former Chairman of OSCPCR, Former Chairperson of State Disability Commission, Odisha, Mr. Prakash Mohanty, General Secretary, OSSTA joined as panellist and discussed on various facet of the National Education policy 2020.



People's Cultural Centre (PECUC) Marking its 30 Years:

On this occasion, a virtual meeting was organised and many dignitaries joined this meeting and praised PECUC for its selfless service and successfully completing its 30th year. Joining this meeting, Mr. Sitanshu Kumar Rout, OAS (SAG), Collector and DM, Khordha, said in this difficult situation of COVID19 we all should work together. Ms. Sandhyabati Pradhan, Chairperson, OSCPCR appreciated the work PECUC has done for the children and hope that PECUC will continue this work in the future also. Dr. Sahadev Sahoo, Former Chief Secretary of Govt. of Odisha. Francoise Binsfield, Executive Director, AEIN, Luxemburg also gave her good wishes on this occasion. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary PECUC shared the 30 years of Experience of PECUC in this meeting. PECUC's Executive Director Anuradha Mohanty gave the welcome address and shared the purpose of this meeting. Among other Smt. Adaramoni Boral, Chairman, PECUC, Dr. Minakhi Panda, Director, PECUC, Dr.Snehaprabha Samantaray, Eminent Odishi Dancer, Dr. Santha Sinha, Senior Jaournalist Sj. Pradosh Kumar Pattnaik, Jatindra Dash, Madhabananda Behera also gave their compliments. Vote of thanks was given by Ratna Dash of PECUC.



On this occasion PECUC also undertook many activities like supporting PPE kits at Bhubaneswar Special jail, plantation at Mahatma Gandhi academy and also a facebook live programme involving it's all well wishers, children, CBOS,

staffs, old staff, donors, partners, volunteers in the community. Prominent among them were Sj. Biswabhusan Harichandan, Governor Andhra Pradesh, Mr. Santosh Upadhaya, DG, Prison, Bhubaneswar, Mr. Rinchen Chopel, Director General of SAIEVAC – an apex body of SAARC, Mr. Niranjan Sahoo, IAS, Revenue Divisional Commissioner, Bhubaneswar, Mr. Pradeep Kumar Jena, IAS, Managing Director, OSDMA, Mr. Pradeep Kumar Biswal, IAS (Retd), Former Special Secretary, Mr. Mathew Philips, Convener CACL, Rezia Ismail, IACR, Ruby Rout, Ulrika Oberge & Eva Maria of Adoptionscentrum, Ingrid Mendonca, P.E. Reji of Terre Des Hommes, Germany, Saumyakant Mishra of Save the Children, Sukanta Mohapatra of The Hunger Project. Their messages were shared through facebook live programme and social media platform of PECUC. Eminent Cine Actress & PECUC's Goodwill Ambassador for Child Rights Bhoomika Dash and PECUC's Goodwill Ambassador for promotion of Right to Play & National Level Player AnshikaRoutray gave their message through facebook live Programme.

31st CHILDREN FESTIVAL - SISUMELA-2020- 14th Nov to 20th Nov 2020 at Virtual Platform

Every year, PECUC organizes "PECUC Sisumela" on 14th November on the occasion of Children's Day and it continues till 20th November, Universal children Day. Thousands of children participate in the various competitions organized during this 7 days period. This year due to COVID19 situation, PECUC Sisumela was organized on virtual platform and all the competitions were held online, and many children from outside states like Delhi, Gujarat, Assam, etc. participated in it. The programme was then telecasted on as the Facebook live programme.



Mr. Ranjan Kumar Das, IAS, Director of Culture Department, Govt. Odisha inaugurated the 31st PECUC Sisumela in presence of the Eminent Actress & PECUC's Goodwill Ambassador for promotion of child rights Bhoomika Dash, Sports Person & PECUC's Goodwill Ambassador for Promotion of Right of the Children to Play–Anshika Routray, Olympian Ms. Anuradha Biswal, Mr. Pradosh Kumar Pattnaik, Senior Journalist and President of PECUC Sisumela committee, Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary, PECUC, Ms. Minakshi Panda, Chairperson PECUC, and Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director PECUC. In the closing ceremony of the programme, the guest speakers were Justice S. Birakishor Mishra, Honourable former Justice of Odisha High Court, Mr. Saumya Ranjan Pattnaik, Editor, The Sambad, Former Parliamentarian and present MLA, Famous Ollywood actress Ms. Anu Chaudhury, Ms. Sulochana Das, commissioner for persons with disability, Mr. Sahadev Sahoo, Former Chief Secretary of Govt of Odisha.

In this week long children festival talk on different relevant subject was given by various experts like Doctor Sarojini Sarangi, Gynecologist, Doctor Swaroop Mohanty, Dentist and Ms. Madhumita Das, Consultant Women and Child Development of Govt. of Odisha.

Various Competitions: *Rhymes, Modern Dance, Fine Art, Elocution, Odishi Dance, Song and Fancy Dress* were organized during the 7 days programme.

Pilanka Akshya: "Pilanka Akhaya" was organized on virtual platform as a tribute to the Legendary Singer, Lyricist & Music Director Late Akshaya Mohanty. In a unique way children paid homage to the Icon of Odia Music on his 18th Death Anniversary. Young singer **Smaranika Naik** got "**Pilanka Akshaya Samman-2020**". Eminent Music Director & Singer S. Laxmikant Palit, Singer S. Bibhu Das & Ms. Bandita Das and Senior Artist Banchhanidhi Pattnaik, Rotarian Mr. Dibya Ranjan Dash of Rotary Club of UNIQUE, Journalist Mr. Madhabananda Behura. Mrs. Minakshi Panda, Chairman, PECUC were the guest of the evening.



Annual Awards: On this occasion children and adults personalities were honoured with many prestigious annual awards for outstanding performance in different fields. Child Artist Ayusha Pattnaik of Khordha received "Dr.Sarat Chandra Pujari Memorial Award 2020" for acting, Adarsha Das of Bhubaneswar received "Prafulla Chandra Das Memorial Sisu Prativa Award 2020" for all round achievement, Purnima Giri of Kendrapada received "Baji Rout Memorial Award 2020" for bravery and courageous activity, Lorismita Dalai of Phulnakhara was given "Prananath Pattnaik Memorial Award 2020" for social work, change maker and leader Chanchala Pujari of Koraput received

"Adaramoni Boral Memorial Award 2020" for her leadership. Senior Journalist Sj. Papu Mohanty was honoured with prestigious "Swarup Jena Memorial Award 2020" for outstanding contribution in the field of journalism, where as "Abani Baral Memorial Award 2020" to Retd. Teacher Kalicharan Jaysingh for his contribution in the field of teaching, "Sisusathi Award 2020" to Sj. Rajani Ranjan Dash for outstanding contribution in the field of children literature, "Dr. P. C. Dash Memorial SisuAdhikarSurakshya Award 2020" to Smt Sneha Mishra for his social work, Smt. Jayashree Nayak, Sarapanch Bhingarpur of Balianata block was given "Aradhana Nanda Smaraki Samman 2020" for her outstanding work as a people's representative in the field of women and child & Sushree Shailani Suman received Best Volunteer Award for providing technological support during COVID19. In every evening, colourful cultural programme was performed by children of Odisha, Assam and Manipur.

World day for Prevention of Child abuse – 19th November-State Level Youth Convention for ending Abuse, Exploitation and all form of Violence & Torture against children on Virtual Platform

19th November is being observed as the "World day for prevention of child abuse" all over the world. "SDG – Target 16.2 - End abuse, exploitation, trafficking and all forms of violence and torture against children by 2030 – leaving no one behind" is taken as the theme for the year 2020. To mark the occasion, a "State Level Youth Convention for ending Abuse, Exploitation and all form of Violence & Torture against children" was organized on virtual platform PECUC. Mr. Satyajit Mohanty, IPS, DG Fire Services was the Chief Guest of the convention. Other notable guest speakers were Mr. Pradeep Kumar Biswal, IAS (Retd),. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary PECUC & Chairperson of NACG EVAC, India, Dr.Minakhi Panda, Chairman, PECUC and Mrs. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director. Youth Panellists Sushree Shailani Suman, Chief Editor, Research Edit, Stuti Ranjan Pradhan, President, Ecosavers Youth Network, Milonee Mishra, Core team Member, State level Children's Forum, Yash Mohanty, St. Xaviers, High School, BBSR, Suvendu Kumar Das, President, State Level Children's Forum & Sasmita Munda, Core Team Member, Ecosavers Youth Network also shared their views and opinions in this Convention amongst other youths. A large number of youths from different districts of Odisha participated in this convention.



PECUC started Online Helpline for Children:

PECUC started an online helpline for children and for this purpose it has launched a website www.pecuchelpline.com & helpline WhatsApp number for children (91-7849010021), landline – 0674-2352278 and email id-pecuc.counselling2020@gmail.com. This service will be available from 11 am to 1 pm from Monday to Friday. Joining as Chief Guest Ms. Sandhyabati Pradhan, Chairperson, Odisha State commission for Protection of Child Rights (OSCPCR) inaugurated the website and along with she also inaugurated the workshop on "Ensuring Safe and Quality Education for all Children".



This workshop was organised in collaboration with AEIN and more than 70 participants from different districts of Odisha participated in this workshop. Dr. Minakhi Panda, Chairperson, PECUC presided over this workshop. Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director PECUC, gave the welcome address and shared the purpose of this workshop. A video film compiling the achievements of this project was also shared in this workshop. A panel discussion on "Ensuring safe and quality education for all children" was also held in this workshop. Mr. Biswanath Tarai, Joint Director, OSEPA, Govt. of Odisha; Mr. Sanjay Kumar Mishra, Member of Niti Aayog Standing Committee on Child Rights and Protection & Secretary, BKS, Ranchi, Treasurer NACG EVAC; Ms. Madhumita Das, Consultant, WCD Dept. Govt. of Odisha; discussed about the different measures taken by the State Govt. for the education of the children during COVID19 pandemic. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary PECUC said that this helpline is a new initiative of PECUC and it success depends upon the help and cooperation of all. Safe and quality education for all children will also help in eradicating child labour was emphasized by him. Ms. Ratna Dash Treasurer PECUC gave the vote of thanks.

State Level Workshop on Child Sexual Abuse and Online Safety

PECUC in collaboration with Adoptionscentrum organised this workshop on Child Sexual Abuse and Online Safety on virtual platform. More than 70 participants joined. Dr.Minakhi Panda, Chairperson PECUC presided over the workshop and Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director of PECUC gave the welcome address and shared the purpose. Ms. Ruby Rout, Country Director of Adoptionscentrum said not only girls but boys are also sexually abused and the problem is the children can't express it freely to parents and guardians. The problem increased during the time of lockdown due to the increased online presence of children. Smt. Amita Pattnaik, Joint Director, OSEPA; Mr. Pritikant Panda, Program Manager, SCPS, Odisha; Smt. Madhumita Das, Consultant, W&CD Dept. Govt. of Odisha & Mrs. Biswsewari Mohanty, Senior Advocate joined as panellists and discussed on the various aspects of online safety measures for children.



44 Days Campaign to end Child Labour: 44 Days campaign to end child labour launched by PECUC from April 30th National Anti Child Labour Day to 12th June World Day Against Child Labour. On 30th April, a Facebook Live programme "Say no to Child Labour" was organised by PECUC. Many inspiring short videos were shared to make people aware about the child labour situation. PECUC in association with Local wire also organised a quiz competition as a part of 44 days campaign. More than 5000 children and adult participated in this competition.



A State Level Workshop – "Impact of Crisis on Child Labour" – Webinar Organised on the occasion of World Day against Child Labour to culminate 44 Days Campaign to End Child Labour Bhubaneswar (12-June-2020): This e-workshop was attended by many participants including Govt. officials, NGOs, Women PRIs, teachers' association, CWC members, CSOs, media, INGOs etc of Odisha as well as from different states of India. Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director of PECUC gave the welcome address. Chairing this workshop Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary, PECUC gave introductory remark and shared the purpose of this workshop. He briefly stated that COVID19 has indeed increased the risk for children and lots of effort needed to lessen the risk and save the children from the impact of COVID19. S. Pradeep Kumar Mohapatra, Divisional Labour Commissioner, Labour & ESI Dept., Govt. of Odisha discussed about the challenges created due to COVID19 pandemic and also about the enforcement of laws to combat child labour situation. Other notable guest speakers of this workshop were Mr. Pradeep Kumar Biswal, IAS (Retd.), Mr. Jatin Dash, Senior Journalist, & Ms. Madhumita Das, Consultant, WCD Dept., Govt. of Odisha. They discussed in detail about the child labour situation in this pandemic time, challenges, disruption of children education, violation of child rights, SDG & children rights. Anil Pradhan, convenor of RTE Forum also spoke on this occasion and gave emphasis on opening of school with all safety measures.



Women's Day Celebration: International Women's Day celebration at Benupur Kalyan Mandap of Baliana block organized by PECUC in collaboration with Rotary Club of Unique, Bhubaneswar, Baliana block administration and EDGH. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary, PECUC gave the welcome address and spoke about the importance of International Women's Day. Dr. Minakhi Panda, Chairman,



PECUC also spoke on this occasion. Mr. Adikanda Behera, BDO, Balinata inaugurated the ceremony along with other notable guests Ms. Jayanti Manjari Rath, Former Director, Doordarshan Kendra, Bhubaneswar, Ms. Snigdha Das, BEO, Baliana, Mr. Pradipta Kumar Sahoo, IIC, Baliana, Ms. Arundhati Sahoo, Jilla Parishad Member, Ms. Lilima Sethi, BLC, OLM and Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director, PECUC. In this occasion, awards were given to Ms. Rasmita Patra, Sarpanch, Benupur; Ms. Mamina Ojha, Assistant Teacher, Nuapatna Primary School, Nuapatna, Pratapsasan; Ms. Sujata Karan, ASHA Worker, Brahmansadhang, Bentapu; Ms. Binodini Pradhan, Supervision, IDCS, Baliana and President Jhinarani Prushti, Secretary Bidulata Barik, MBK Rojalin Sahoo of Bhingarpur Panchayat Women Federation for their outstanding contribution in their line of work. More than 200 women including Women PRI members, Women SHG Group Members, MAS members of Balianat Block participated in this programme.

Ecosavers-The Youth Network: PECUC promoted 102 Ecosavers – The Youth Network with 1732 members in its different operational areas for preservation and conservation of Environment and Ecology. They are involved in various environmental related works like plantation, promotion of organic farming, promotion of organic kitchen gardening, cleaning activity, protection of natural resources, dustbin installation, preparation of bird nest to attract birds, water kiosks, awareness drive, road repairing, awareness on COVID19 and various safety measures and many such activities. This year Ecosavers – the Youth Network of Odisha elected its new leadership. For this purpose a state level Youth Camp was organized on the virtual platform. Around 75 youths from different parts of Odisha participated in this webinar. Speaking on the occasion, Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Secretary, PECUC appreciated the remarkable works of EcoSavers youth network members to save our ecology. Mrs. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director PECUC described the roles and responsibilities of youth to bring change in our society specially youths have more responsibility towards protecting environment. Ms. Sushree Shailani Suman, Chief Editor, Research Edit spoke on the dreadful consequences of climate change. Mr Stuti Ranjan Pradhan, President of Ecosavers - the Youth Network Odisha presided over the convention & he was re-elected as President of state Ecosavers youth network till Dec 2021. Ms Kalpana Nayak, Keonjhar & Mr. Pabitra Sahoo, Kendrapada were elected as Vice presidents. Mr. Jagannath Naik, Jadichatar of Keonjhar, Sasmita Munda, Patna Block, Ms. Geeta Mohapatra & Mr. Amarnath Sahoo from Khordha District, Mr. Kartik Ch. Das, Bhogarai, Balasore, Mr. DebendraPodha, Sonepur, Ms PinkiBadaseth, Kandhamal, Mr. Santosh Naik, Bargarh, Ms Sangya Sahoo, Sambalpur & Mr. Dayanidhi Rana, Bolangir were elected to the State Core team.

Library: PECUC's library contains 5879 nos. of books.

Networking and Alliance Building

National Action and Coordination Group for Ending Violence Against Children (NACG EVAC), India: NACG EVAC, India, is the Country Level Civil Society Forum of South Asia Initiative to End violence Against Children (SAIEVAC), an Inter-Governmental apex body of SAARC. It brings together NGOs, Networks, Coalitions, Media, Children Forums, Academia and other civil society bodies to promote interaction, networking, advocacy, sharing of good practices and experience. NACG EVAC India is a country forum for collecting learning and sharing, advocacy and actions. It links country's action with wider effort of UN and International bodies. It has its operational areas at local, state & country level focusing on 5 critical thematic issues i.e. Child Sexual Abuse & Exploitation, Child Trafficking, Child Labour, Child Marriage and Corporal Punishment and 2 cross cutting issues, i.e. Child participation and Children with Disability. Its strength and effectiveness lie in nationwide membership and active community engagement. Presently PECUC is the National Secretariat of NACG EVAC India.

NACG EVAC India Social Media Campaign:

NACG EVAC India held the campaign in various Social Media Platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram and also on its website.

Social Media Campaign: Social media campaign was undertaken on various for social media platforms Like Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram and Youtube. The campaign got more than 6400 followers and likes in Facebook page and reached to more than 200000 people, more than 150 followers on Twitter and reached to more than 45000

people and 140 followers in Instagram. Over 195 connections were developed on LinkedIn. The number kept increasing with each passing days.

Digital Media: NACG EVAC India's Website development: A website of NACG EVAC India was developed, blogs, good practices, stories of changes were written and uploaded in the website. Member details from all the NACG EVAC India members across all the regions of India were uploaded in the website.

Regional Webinars: For conducting the webinar all the states of India were divided into five regions. Region wise responsibility was given to the Executive committee members of the respective region on topic "COVID-19 post Lockdown Situation: Preventing Child Marriage". Five numbers of regional webinar were organised i.e. Western, Eastern, Southern, Northern and North Eastern Region webinar.

Western Region Webinar was organised on 28th October 2020 by Child Rights Collective, Gujarat (CRCG). The webinar was moderated by Mr Rajesh Bhat, Convener, CRCG. Mr Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson, NACG EVAC India and Dr. Rinchen Chopel, DG, SAIEVAC, share their views regarding preventing child marriage. Ms. Divya Mukund, Senior Officer for Girls Not Brides, presented the keynotes in the webinar. Mr. Subrat Kumar Panda, Project Coordinator, Girl's Advocacy Alliance' Terre Des Hommes Netherlands, explained about what is TDH-NL and the works that TDH-NL is doing in the field of violation against children. In the Technical Session, Prof Leela Visaria, Senior Researcher & Demographer, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, Ms. Dakshya, Tarun Sena, Shaishav, Bhavnagar and Mr. Gautam Chaudhari, The Dangs, Swapath Trust, had presented some case studies and share their experience regarding child marriage across their region. In the panel discussion, Ms. Parul Seth, CRCG, Bhavnagar, Mr. Mahender Jethmalani and Emidio A. DesouzaPinho, Goa took part and shared their experience with respect to child marriage



Eastern Region Webinar was organised by Bal Kalyan Sangh (BKS), Jharkhand. The Webinar was moderated by Shilly Menon. Mr. Sanjay Kumar Mishra, BKS Cum Member - Standing Committee (Child Rights and Protection) Niti Aayog, GOI, India gave the welcome address and shared the purpose of this webinar. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson, NACG EVAC, shared the purpose of this webinar.

Mr Yaswant Jain, Member-NCPCR, New Delhi gave the Inaugural address/ Keynote address of the webinar. In the technical session Dr. Rinchen Chopel, DG, SAIEVAC, share his views regarding preventing child marriage. Mr D.K Saxena, IFS-Special Secretary WCD GoJ, Ms. Nandita Baruah - Country Head, The Asia Foundation, New Delhi, Mr. Thangaperumal Ponpandi, Country Manager - TDH-NL and Mr Abhijit Nirmal - Advocacy coordinator TATA Trust, New Delhi also participated in the technical session. Some Experience from survivors has been shared by MS. Shivani Kumari - Chairperson - Balmanch, Koderma and Ms. Anshu Kumari - Bekobar (Balmanch). In panel discussion Ms Rupa Verma - Chairperson-CWC, Ranchi, Mr Y K Gautam, State Head - ATSEC Bihar, MS Manorama Singh, Member - Human Trafficking Committee, Chatisgarh, Ms. Divya Mukand, Senior Officer for Asia Girls Not Brides, Mr. M Mandal, Chairperson ATSEC south Asia and Mr. Prabhat Kumar, National Manager (Save the Children) India joined as panellist.



Southern Region Webinar was organised by SEEDS Guntur, Andhra Pradesh and HOPE, Puducherry. The Webinar was moderated by Mr. D. Roshan Kumar, Vice Chair & Convener, Working Group on Child Marriage, NACG EVAC India and Mr. P. Joseph Victor Raj, HOPE, Puducherry; National Executive Member & Thematic Head / Child Labour, NACG EVAC India. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, shared in a brief update about the NACG EVAC India's activity and its Social Network campaign. Sri. J. Srinivasa Rao, Chairperson, Telangana State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (TSCPCR) gave the Inaugural/ Keynote address of the webinar. Dr. Rinchen Chopel, DG, SAIEVAC had spoken about an Introduction to SAIEVAC and South Asia Perspective on child marriage. Mr. Subrat Kumar Panda, Project Coordinator, Girl's Advocacy Alliance' Terre Des Hommes Netherlands, explained about the works that TDH-NL is doing in the field

of violation against children. In the Technical Session, Ms. Anuradha Vidyasankar, Head, South Regional Resource Centre, CHILDLINE India Foundation, Chennai had presented her findings and leanings on Child marriage situation in the region – a brief overview on the trend. In the Voice from survivors /representatives session, Anjali Gugulothu and Deepa shared their valuable experience with everyone present in the webinar. A Panel Discussion facilitated by Mr. P. Joseph Victor Raj, includes Mr. Nitin Kumar, Asst. Manager – Program, Andhra Pradesh & Telangana, Save the Children, Hyderabad, Mr. Anand B.Lobo, Member (ex), Karnataka SCPCR, Ms. Adv. Parvathi Menon, People's Council for Social Justice (PCSJ), Kochi, Kerala, Ms.Nancy J Anabel, Country Director, Children Believe, Chennai and Dr. A. Mamatha Raghuvver, Director, Tharuni, Warangal as esteemed guest speakers who shared their valuable point of view on child marriage.

Northern Region Webinar was organised by Childhood Enhancement through Training and Action (CHETNA). Mr. Sanjay Gupta, Vice-Chairperson, NACG-EVAC India gave the welcome address. This webinar was attended by Dr. Rinchen Chopel- Director General of SAIEVAC, Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson, NACG EVAC India, Mr. Balkrishna Goel Former member of Haryana State Commission for Protection of Child rights, Ms. Jaya Singh, Member of Uttar Pradesh State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR), Ms. Aditi P. Kaur from Mountain Children's Foundation, Uttarakhand, Dr.Rouf Mohi-ud-din Malik, Koshish NGO Jammu and Kashmir, Ms. Sumitra Sharma Project coordinator (PAPN) Himachal Pradesh, Ms. Maadhavi from Aabhas NGO and representative of Delhi chapter of NACG EVAC India, Mr. Brijmohan from SAARD, Rajasthan and shared their view.

North Eastern Region Webinar was organised by NEDAN Foundation. The Webinar was moderated by Dr Digambar Narzary, Chairperson, NEDAN Foundation. This webinar was attended Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson, NACG EVAC India has welcomed all the esteemed members, participants and shared in a brief update about the NACG EVAC India's activity and its Social Network campaign. Dr.Rinchen Chopel, Director General, SAIEVAC gave the Inaugural address of the webinar. Mr Thangaperumal Popandi, Country Manager India, Terre Des Hommes Netherlands and Mr. Subrat Kumar Panda, Project Coordinator, Girl's Advocacy Alliance' Terre Des Hommes Netherlands, explained about the works that TDH-NL is doing in the field of violation against children. Mr. Surendra Kumar, IGP CID Headquarter, Assam Police gave the Keynote Address. A Panel Discussion includes Mr. Miguel Das Queah, UTSAH, Ms Debasmita Ghosh, HRLN Guwahati, Mr. Sunil Mao, HRLN Arunachal Pradesh, Ms. Shannan Massar, Faith Foundation Shillong as esteemed guest speakers who shared their valuable point of view on the topic COVID19 post lock down situation : preventing child marriage.

National Youth Convention - COVID-19 post Lockdown Situation: Preventing Child Marriage was held on virtual platform by PECUC. In the Convention, young change makers from all parts of the country participated.

Mr. D Roshan Kumar, Vice Chairperson, NACG EVAC India gave the welcome address and shared the purpose of this webinar. Mr. Thangaperumal Popandi, Country Manager, India, TDH-NL was the Guest of honour and he had thanked all the esteemed members, participants and young change makers. Mr. Asim Amitabh Dash, Hon'ble Member, Odisha Human Rights Commission, gave the keynote address. Presidential Remark was given by Mr Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson, NACG EVAC India, who stated that there is a reduction of 43.5% of child marriage in India by comparing the data from NFHS-3 to NFHS-4. The reduction is due to intervention by government, NGO's, stakeholders and particularly the youth. Congratulations to all these young change makers. Panel discussions were held on Youth in action to Prevent Child Marriage that was moderated by Mr Sanjay Kumar Gupta, Vice Chairperson, NACG EVAC India; Young Change makers marked sharing of experiences by Ms. Bishnupriya Pradhan, from Grasingiya, G.Udaygiri, Kandhamal, Odisha, Ms. Divya Chanumolu, from Khammam, Telangana State, Ms. Midde Roopa from Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh, Ms. Akulappali Manasa, from Warangal, Telangana State, Ms. Poonam Rajput, Badhte Kadam, Agra, Uttarpradesh, Ms. Pratima Mandal, New Delhi, Ms. Sai Keerthana, is from Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh, AnbuArasan and Aanchal; Preventing child marriage in India with focus on covid19 Pandemic - Role of youths moderated by Mr Sanjay kumar Mishra, Treasurer, NACG EVAC INDIA, Member Child Protection, NITI Aayog, Standing Committee. Mr. Varun Pathak, Advocate, Supreme, Ms Razia Ismail, Head, IACR, New Delhi, Mr. Subrat Kumar Panda, TDH- NL, Dr.RinchenChopel, Director General, SAIEVAC, Mr. Mikhael Pradhan, Head Advocacy, World Vision India and Mr. Vikram Srivastav, Advocate & Founder, Independent



Thought discussed various findings, issues and ideas on preventing child marriage. Lastly vote of thanks moved by Ms. Aditi P. Kaur, National Executive Committee Member & Thematic Head, Child Participation, NACG EVAC India.

Youth engagement in social media campaigns of NACG EVAC, state/national level advocacy activities/platforms: Youths have been engaged in various social media campaigns for creating awareness about preventing child marriage.

NACG-EVAC, India

National E Consultation on “Combating the Violence against Children in COVID 19 Post lockdown situation”: The consultation was organised by NACG-EVAC, India. The e-consultation was presided by Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson of NACG EVAC, India and the consultation focused on the issues relating to child sexual abuse, child labour, child marriage, child trafficking, school safety, children with disability and children in difficult circumstances. Mr. Priyank Kanoongo, Chairperson, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, gave the inaugural address. Dr. Rinchen Chopel, Director General, SAIEVAC was suggested to take collective effort to combat this situation. This consultation was attended by Mr. Sanjay Gupta, Vice-Chairperson, NACG EVAC & Chetna, New Delhi, D. Roshan Kumar, Vice-Chairperson, NACG EVAC & SEEDS, Andhra Pradesh, Mr. Sanjay Mishra, Treasurer NACG EVAC, India, Mr. P. Joseph Victor Raj, NACG National Executive Committee member & Former National Convenor, CAEL from HOPE, Puducherry, Mr. Mikhael Kumar Pradhan, NACG Executive Committee Member Mr. Manabendranath Mandal, Chairperson, South Asia-ATSEC SLART, Dr. Chiranjeeb Kakoty, Director, NESPYM, Assam & Mr. Prakash Rath, CEO, Open Learning System, Bhubaneswar. Amongst others, Ms. Razia Ismail, Head, India Alliance for Child Rights, Ms. Anuradha Vidyasankar, Head SRRC, Childline India Foundation, Ms. NK Keny, Love Care Home, Nagaland, Ms. Aditi P Kaur, MCF, Uttarakhand, Parul Seth, Shaishab, Gujarat, Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director, PECUC, Ms. Nirmal Pandey, Mr. Ajay Mahajan, WVI, Mr. Swaraman, PMSSS and Mr. Bhupinder also spoke on the occasion. There were around 90 participants in the E-consultation and all agreed to submit their recommendations to the govt. on combating the child abuse during the post lockdown situation.

Online Campaign by NACG EVAC, India: An online campaign was launched by NACG EVAC, India to raise awareness, stop child rights violation and ensure their online safety of children.

Webinar on Implementation of Juvenile Justice Act in Covid-19: Role of CWPOs/Police Officials: The webinar was held with Child Welfare Police Officers/Police Officers organized by NACG-EVAC, India. Zeba Khan, Delhi, programme coordinator NACG EVAC India moderated the webinar. The webinar was inaugurated by Addl. DCP of South-east Delhi, Mr. Shri Dhal Singh. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chair of NACG-EVAC, India & Secretary of PECUC appreciated the work of Police officials during Covid-19 and briefed about the formation of NACG EVAC, India. This webinar was attended by Mr. Sanjay Gupta, Chair of NACG-EVAC, India & Director of CHETNA. Mr. Mikhael Pradhan, Executive committee member of NACG-EVAC, India & Advocacy Head, World Vision India, Mr. Varun Pathak, Advocate and Member District Task Force constituted by the order of Delhi High Court, took the session on Juvenile Justice Act.

South Asia Regional Webinar on COVID-19 Pandemic and its impact on violence against children with special focus on child marriage was held on 21st September 2020 with the dignitaries and participants from SAARC countries including India, Sri Lanka, Afghanistan and Bangladesh, and Chairman and vice- chairman of different country level NACG EVAC to strengthen the regional cooperation and share their experiences on COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on violence against children with special focus on child marriage. This webinar was attended by Dr. Rinchen Chopel, Director General, SAIEVAC, Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson, NACG EVAC, India, Mr. Sanjay Gupta, Vice Chair, NACG EVAC, India & Mr. Priyank Kanungo, Chairman, NCPCR, Govt. of India, New Delhi. He announced that on the very date on 21st Sept. 2020, the NCPCR started a dedicated telecom counselling platform for addressing the issues of the children in distress during COVID19. He also shared the toll free number as 18001212830. Amongst others, Mr. Bikram Srivatsava, Campaign Coordinator of Campaign against child marriage, Ms. KunzangLhamo, Bhutan, SAIEVAC Governing Board Member and immediate Past Chair of SAIEVAC Governing Board, Mr. A K M Masud Ali, NACG EVAC Chair, Bangladesh, Mr. Krushna Chandra Acharya, Chair, NACG Nepal, Mr. Benu Maya Gurang, Vice Chairman, NACG Nepal & Ms. Champa Gunu Sekera, NACG Chair, Sri Lanka, Mr. Ziyarmal Khan, Chair, NACG Afghanistan, joined the webinar.

South Asia Regional EVAC Webinar Series for Strengthening Regional Cooperation & Sharing in solidarity with the Children of SAARC was planned in collaboration with SAIEVAC. The 1st Regional Webinar on “**The COVID Pandemic and its Impact on Children with Focus on Violence against Children**” was organized on virtual platform on 25th August 2020 by SAIEVAC Secretariat and National Action Coordination Group Nepal, in collaboration with NCPA and DUCOM in the support of Swatantrata Abhiyan. The objective of the program is to undertake a regional dialogue bringing together representatives of the NACGs, the civil society platform of SAIEVAC and senior officials of the Governments on the impact of the COVID19 pandemic on violence against children in the regions. There were 49 representatives from five countries of SAARC region. The program was facilitated by Ms. Benu Gurung, Co-chair of NACG Nepal. The Opening Session was chaired by Mr. Krishna Chandra Acharya, Chair of the NACG Nepal. H.E Parbat Gurung, Hon’ble Minister, Ministry of Women, Children & Senior Citizens was the Chief Guest and H.E Ifham Hussain, Hon’ble State Minister, Ministry of Gender, Family and Social Services of the Maldives, and Board Member of SAIEVAC Governing Board, was the Guest of Honour. Dr. Rinchen Chopel, Director General, SAIEVAC provided the Welcome Remarks. Dr. Rinchen Chopel, Director General of SAIEVAC & Mr. Ranjan Ku Mohanty, Chairperson, NACG India, share their opinion in this webinar

National Children Meet: A National Children Meet was organised on virtual platform on 12th Nov 2020 by NACG EVAC, India. 50 participants from 22 organisations of 12 states participated in this programme. This programme was organised to select 10 children to represent India in CRC 2020 celebration of SAIEVAC. Dr. Rinchen Chopel, Director General SAIEVAC joined this Children’s Meet as Chief Guest and gave a brief idea about the upcoming South Asia Regional CRC Day 2020 celebration. Ms. Aditi P Kaur of MCF, Uttarakhand gave the welcome address and Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson NACG EVAC, India inaugurated the children consultation. For these election process, the children were grouped region wise into 5 groups: North, North-East, East, West and South. Ms. Aditi P Kaur, Mountain Children Foundation, Mr. Prakash Rath, Open Learning System, Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, PECUC, Mr. C. Jim Jesudoss, Sakhti Vidiyal and Ms Parul Seth, Shaishav, facilitated the process. Children discussed the impact of UNCRC on their lives and elected 12 representatives for participation in SAIEVAC CRC@30 celebration.



National Consultation & Convergence Meeting to End Child Sexual Abuse in India: Two days of National Consultation & Convergence Meeting to End Child Sexual Abuse in India was inaugurated at Puri on 13th March 2021. This consultation was attended by Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson of NACG EVAC India. Justice D. P. Chowdhury, Former Judge, Orissa High Court & President, State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Dr. Rinchen Chopel, Director General of SAIEVAC, (connected through virtual platform), Mr. Yashwant Jain, Member, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), Ms. Sandhyabati Pradhan, Chairperson, OSCPCR & Mr. Mikhael Pradhan, Mr. Sanjay Mishra, Treasurer of NACG EVAC India, Ms. Vidya Reddy, Director Tulir, Mr. Barun Pathak, Advocate Supreme Court, Mr. D. Roshan Kumar, Vice-chair, NACG, Dr. Indrani Bhattacharyya, Mr. Parha Das, Plan India, Dr. Abhaya Kumar Mallick, Dy. Director, Elementary Education, Govt. of Odisha, Dr. Anangdev Singh, WVI, Mr. Subrat Kumar Panda, TdH, NL, Ms. Aditi P. Kaur, E.C Member, NACG India, Dr. Rashmi Singh, Director WCD, Govt. of Delhi, Senior Police Officer Mr. Sudhansu Sarangi, IPS, Yashabanti Sreemany, Member West Bengal SCPCR, Ms. Nidhi Dwivedi, Member of DSCPCR, Delhi, Mr. Preetikant Panda, Programme Manager of OSCPS & Dr. Rinchen Chopel, Director General of SAIEVAC. Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Executive Director of PECUC. Among others, Ms. Zeba Khan, Dr. Mitali Mohanty, Yashabanti Sreemany, Member WBSCPCR, Ms. Nidhi Dwivedi, Member DCPCR, Ms. Dibyaa Saswati, Member OSCPCR, Ms. Kasturi Mohapatra, Former Chairperson OSCPCR, Mr. S. Kannayiram, National Law University of Odisha, Mohammad Salam Khan, Senior Consultant POCSD, DCPCR, Delhi, Mr. Sanjay Kumar Mishra, Treasurer NACG EVAC India, Mr. Roop Sudesh Vimal, Chairperson, CWC Delhi, Mr. Ashok Kumar Jha, Convenor CACL, and Mr. Pramod Kishore Acharya, National Law University Odisha spoke on the occasion. 105 delegates from 17 states of India, representing Civil Society, Education department of Government of Odisha, Academic Institution, National Commission for Protection of Child Right, State Commission for Protection of Child Right, Child Welfare Committees and JJ Boards of different states in India participated in the multi stakeholder consultation to develop strategy to end child sexual abuse in India.

NACG EVAC, India National Board Meeting: The board meeting of NACG EVAC, India was held on 15th March 2021 at Puri, Odisha. NACG EVAC India has decided to start a country wide massive campaign for combating Child Sexual Abuse in India. NACG EVAC India National Board members from 17 states participated in the meeting. Shri Priyank Kanoongo, Chairperson, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, joined the meeting and officially released the NACG EVAC India Charter. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson, NACG EVAC India presided over the meeting. Among others Mr. Sanjay Gupta, Vice Chair Person, NACG EVAC India & Mr. Sanjay Mishra, Treasurer NACG EVAC, India were present in this meeting.



NACG EVAC India Launched its website: NACG EVAC India, launched its website (<https://nacevacindia.com/>) on Virtual Platform. The website was inaugurated by Dr. Rinchen Chopel, Director General, SAIEVAC in presence of Thangaperumal Popandi, Country Manager, India, TdH-NL, Mikhael Kumar Pradhan, Head Advocacy, World Vision India and Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson, NACG EVAC India, Prakash Rath, Convenor, Odisha Chapter, Sanjay Gupta, Vice-Chairperson, NACG EVAC India from Delhi, Sanjay Mishra, Treasurer, NACG India from Ranchi, Manabendra Mandal, NACG India Executive committee member from West Bengal and NACG EVAC India National Board members along with many CSOs of Odisha. Ranjan Kumar Mohanty, Chairperson NACG EVAC India presided over the meeting.



A National Conference on 22-23rd of Jan, 2021 and on 24th of Jan, 2021 celebration of National Girls Day was organized by BKS at Bal Kalyan Ashram, Gobargushi, Patamda, Jamshedpur, Chairperson, NACG EVAC, has participated in that program.

On 10th March, 2021, Chairperson, NACG EVAC joined the UN South Asia Forum on Business and Human Rights and spoke on **Child Labour in the Informal Segments of the Supply Chain – Challenges and Way Forward for Businesses in South Asia**. The organizer of the program was ILO (in collaboration with Global March and UNICEF).

PECUC with ECOSOC

People's Cultural Centre (PECUC) is in Special Consultative Status with the UN Economic Social Council (ECOSOC) since 2019. During this year PECUC has submitted a statement on "Sustainable and resilient recovery from COVID 19 pandemic" to Secretary General.

Awards and Accolades

Corona Warrior 2020 – PECUC Received Certificate of Appreciation for outstanding service during COVID19 Pandemic, by Panchayat Samiti, Baliana block, Khordha District.

Child Protection workforce Capacity Building to End Child Sexual Abuse India:

It is implemented by PECUC in collaboration with WVI & world Vision Germany
Operational Area:

The project is being implemented in 6 districts of Odisha i.e. Khordha, Balasore, Sambalpur, Ganjam, Koraput and Kandhamal in 300 Villages of 30 Blocks & 4 districts in Delhi, i.e. North East, South East, Central and West Delhi.

Achievements:

- 7528 child protection workforce members covered under the capacity building program in two States i.e., Delhi and Odisha.

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- 1194 CP actors were covered through webinar & consultations. Liaison with concerned government departments, media coverage etc. could be achieved in a very challenging COVID 19 pandemic period.
- 1850 children and adolescents were sensitised on the issue of Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation, Child Right and child protection mechanism.
- 130 children from 8 states of Uttarakhand, Tamilnadu, West Bengal, Jharkhand, Odisha, Delhi, Nagaland and Gujarat participated in the national level webinar meeting.
- 1858 members of Village/Ward level Child Protection Committee, District Child Protection Units were trained on management, coordination, monitoring, reporting and legal compliances roles pertaining to CSAE and accountability.
- 1366 frontline health and ICDS workers were trained on prevention and protection of children against CSEA.
- 1420 Teachers were trained on POCSO & JJ Act and Child Protection systems in schools and CSA-LSE on CSAE.
- 256 Doctors were oriented on CSAE case investigation, legal procedures, SoP compliances, mental health/counselling services.
- 275 police personnel & 300 Media representatives were trained and oriented on the on CSAE care reporting, fast track investigation, SoP compliances, monitoring and accountability at the district level
- 282 members from Child Welfare Committees (CWCs) and Juvenile Justice (JJ) Boards were trained at district level on their roles with respect to child sexual abuse and exploitation case reporting and response mechanism under Child Protection System.

Apart from the regular training programs at block, district and state level, PECUC has also organised several State and National level consultations for different stakeholders. with the participation of members of NACG India along with representatives from government, CSOs, Academic institutions, National Commission for Protection of Child Right, State Commission for Protection of Child Right of Odisha, West Bengal and Delhi State, Judiciary, CWCs and JJ Board and State Child Protection Society. Combination of varied perspective and evidences from the research, that include the outcome of the consultation with children, facilitated the participating delegates from across the country to come to a common understanding on the way forward, referred to as Puri Declaration.

Social Media Campaign

PECUC is very much active in its social media sites; i.e. twitter, linkedin, Instagram, Youtube especially the facebook page of PECUC Odisha has reached more than 10000 followers. This year PECUC undertook various campaigns i.e. Campaign against child labour, Campaign on Child Rights, Campaign on harmful impact of Tobacco use, Campaign on Child Marriage, Child trafficking, Campaign on SDG, COVID19 awareness etc. Many awareness and informative videos were uploaded to the Youtube channel of PECUC odisha.

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