

Baikunthapur Tarun Sangha(BTS)

a humanitarian orgn to make a difference

# BT&-Newsletter

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BTS-Area of intervention is the key

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ONE FAMILY ONE SANITARY TOILET CAMPAIGN AS PER GLOBAL MGDs

point to supply poor children ,especially girl children and women to the metro-cities in search of livelihood opportunities in the babu's house or in the industry-infested zones.In most cases, rural children and women are massively used in the supplementary household/agricultural works or in the fishing/ catching prawnseeds in the nearby rivers, tributaries...thus, ignoring their needed childhood rights/ To make a stop or minimize the crucial risky hazards of the area BTS Education Wing has initiated 2 types of support services:

The Fisrt Type is the <u>Child Care Centre</u> for 2 - 6 age g roup infants of Rural Working Mothers. There are 6 Centres enrolling 150 children who are taken care of by 12 Centre Mothers and provided with Nutritional tiffin, Uniforms etc. to develop their schooling habits or check dropouts in their childhood days.

VIBHA-USA & CSWB -New Delhi have been supporting the ventures towards their protection and enjoying childrights..!BTS has a immediate need of 25 such Child Protection Units



The 2nd Type is the -mainstreamming School-BTS-PathBhavan for the graduated Children from the CCCs visa-vis the Drop-out and working children from the families of the marginalised and the underprivileged section of people in acute need.

NRI Student Assn. Asha For Education-USA(Univy.Chapters Cornell,St.Louis Seattle,Washington-DC,Berkeley) & Work An Hour(WAH) are behind its full support .An Innovative Joyful Learning Process attracts the working children to learn more with vocational efforts for their future.It's a place where children can explore their own creativity and experiment with different approaches to learning and it is a demonstration centre of the importance of free play.These include music, dance, sports & drama. An essential feature is the absence of pressure.



#### MFI & WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT

To check women & girl-child traffikking /aluring huge migration to urbancities; rehab them in the main stem of the society and to empower them against violence/atrocities with ensuring alternative livelihood sources, BTS Swanirvar Project(Self Help)Wing has started to mobilise women-resources towards Micro-savings & Credits underwhich a common platform has been created alongwith positive income generation through undertaking different Villagelevel Micro-Entreprizes like Integrated(Mixed) Bio-Farming; Pond Fishery; Goat & Duck-rearing; Joriwork



# WHERE WE WORK



#### Who Are We

we are a WBSR Act & FCR Act regd.non-political,non-religious & not-for-profit NGDO working in the Delta Areas of Sunderban...the World Heritage Site as declared by UNESCO.

DONATJONS ARE EXEMPTED U /S 80G(E) OF JNCOME TAX ACT,1961 ..!

#### **BTS-RCHOSPITAL**



### **BTS-PRIORITY AREA**

- \*Alternative Livelihoods
- \*Mobile Boat Dispensary
- \*Model Village Project in Sunderban Delta.
- \*WATSAN & HE
- \*Alternative Energy
- \*Biosphere Conservation
- \*Sunderban Eco-Tourism
- \*CBDR & D Management
- \*Bio-Farming(Mixed)
- \*Primary Teachers' Training Institute(PTTI) in Kultali.
- \*HIV/AIDS ,Malaria, TB,
- Breast Cancer Campaign \*BTS-RC Hospital IPD
- \*ICT in Sunderban Delta.

"If you haven't got charity in your heart you have the worst kind of heart trouble."
---Bob Hope

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Development Cooperation Ireland(DCI) under Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Govt. of Ireland through the Embassy of Ireland New Delhi has funded the Phase I(2) Yrs) project support towards construction of OPD Clinics & fabrication with X-Ray & Patho-Lab, Medicine Bank and Sanitary infrastructures as necessary. BTS is serving the island communities who have no sufficient access to basic healthcare in their acute need.Present status of BTS-Rural Community Hospital is the former Clinic of BTS.People of Southern Sunderban are grateful to DCI/Embassy of Ireland.Pat Bourne, Hon'ble First Secretary & Dy. Chief of Mission inagurated it and BTS is now trying to raise funding for its recurring and some non-recurring items so as to promote its IPD services basically for Mothers and Children in need.AID-USA & ICA-USA aided health proj.

#### URGENT APPEAL

BTS Humbly Appeals to get funding for its Running and some needed Capital / IPD Expenses to serve mothers and Children in acute need. Donations to be Exempted U/S80G(E) of IT Act, Govt. of India...Come forward please.



#### WATSAN INTERVENTION

Water & Sanitation Systems in the Sunderban island areas are as worst as that of the Primary Health Care.A recent area study reveals the bare fact of the very crucial need of WATSAN efforts as there is no Sanitary Latrine in 90% of the total families under BTS Operational Areas. Unlike HouseholdSanitary Latrine(HSL), problem of Safe Drinking Water is almost the same tragic event in the Summer Season when almost all the village pond-water run dry. Moreover, there is hardly found any Tubewell which has sufficiently covered 100 families where Pond Water is not goodfor use due to exessive land and water pollution because of massive usage of Chemical Pests and Open-air defecation...!To combat the insanitary condition,BTS has already started to implement a WATSAN Project having initial financial support from PPI-USA. In this effort, building of Lowcost Household Sanitary Latrine(HSL) is going on and till date only 27 units have been built.Selected by the SHG women-members a beneficiary family is repaying Rs.400.00 / Monthly Installments to repay the full amount of a HSL costing Rs.5,000.00 in 12 equal installments.BTS is keen to undertake a pilot project to make the remote villages as Nirmal Gram as per

GOI's National Policy.

Project Right to Social Rehabilitation-<u>PUNARBASAN</u> is now our priority area to interven...2 trained Staff (FFH-Reach India) on NREGS is about to start including rights of women & children.Child & Women migration is our top concern

BTS is ready to launch an Alternative Farming Livelihood by introducing **SRI**(**System of Rice Intensification**) for the marginal farmers & fringe people of Sunderban Delta..!



**SRI FIELD DEMO** 

## NO CHILD ABUSE NO SEXUAL STIGMA

BTS runs a campaign to stop Child Abuse, women & Girl Child traffikking from one of the most alarming source area of coastal/riverine Southern Sunderban...Rehab efforts are of urgent need to save.



# VARM WELCOME

We invite your views, comments & feedback regarding the efforts & the ventures we have initiated...!!!

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