Functional Literacy for Adolescent Girls Project

Implementation Agency Vision Society of Interactive Operational Needs

Project Area Vyaspur and Badibazaar of the Chandoli district, Varanasi, India.

Project Duration Three years

Project Budget Rs 63,200/- per year
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Project Background

Vyaspur is a poor village with a population of 1200 mostly comprising of Harijans, Muslims, Patels and Musahars. Only 25% of the village's children are going to any kind of school. Most of the people are landless laborers having no regular source of income. Health and Hygiene is also a major issue in this village. Two of the village volunteers are very keen in helping out with their land and teaching services.

Badibazar is a Muslim Populated village with weaving as the main occupation. There is no formal school in this village. One of the village women runs a literacy center free of cost in her house for 25-30 children from the neighborhood aged 6-13. No teaching material or supply is available. However Young girls of this village seldom go to any educational institutions due to Pardah system and household chores. Vision has decided to focus their efforts mainly on these otherwise neglected girls and to provide basic education to them. Also Vision, proposes to increase the awareness in these villages towards basic Sanitation and Hygiene. Women in these villages are skilled in tailoring which they teach their young girls. Vision also hopes to increase awareness about more such income generating skills.

Project Objective

- ?? To raise the literacy level among the adolescent girls and the girl child,
- ?? To raise Awareness about social, political and health issues,
- ?? To provide trained teacher to these villages,
- ?? To increase the capacity of the literacy centers, and
- ?? To provide counseling to parents at large to start sending their girls to school.

Project Plan

- ?? Vision proposes to have literacy center teaching forty Students per project area. The literacy primers and literacy materials prepared by Literacy House Lucknow would be used as educational material.
- ?? Under the functional literacy program, participants would be made aware of the importance and functioning of banks, railways, hospitals, post offices and Panchayat Raj/Local Self Government.
- $\ref{eq:constraints}$ Target Group would be girls of 8 to 19 years of age from poor and weaker sections of the area,
- ?? The project will involve two volunteers. One for teaching and the other for skill development program, both residing and available locally.
- ?? There will be a project coordinator to monitor and evaluate the work of the organization from time to time.
- ?? Vision also plans to conduct training programs on income generation skill development considering the capacity and interest of the participants.
- ?? Reporting will be provided at the completion of every year.

Cost Breakdown Per Year

| Project Coordinator (2500/- * 12) | Rs | 30,000/- |
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| Teachers (800 * 2 * 12) | | 19,200/- |
| Traveling Expenses | Rs | 3,000/- |
| Study Material | Rs | 5,000/- |
| Stationary/Printing etc | Rs | 3,000/- |
| Miscellaneous | Rs | 3,000/- |
| Total | Rs | 63,200/- |