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**REPORT ON OBSERVANCE OF WORLD AIDS DAY
HELD ON 1ST DECEMBER 2010 UNDER ORISSA STATE ROAD
PROJECT, PO-02 (Chandbali-Bhadrak-Anandpur Road)
Supported By : World Bank Assisted, Orissa State Roads Project (Works Dept.)
Organised By : NGO-VARRSA, At: Samaraipur, Po: Gelpur,
Dist: Bhadrak, Orissa.
Theme : UNIVERSAL ACCESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS.**

World AIDS Day (1st December) provides an opportunity for all of us – individuals, communities, NGOs, Networks and Political Leaders – to take an action and ensure that human rights are protected and global targets for HIV/AIDS Prevention, treatment and care are met. Global Leaders have pledged to work towards universal access HIV/AIDS Prevention, treatment and care, recognizing these as fundamental human rights. Violation against human rights fuel the spread of HIV, putting marginalised and vulnerable groups at a higher risk of HIV infection. By promoting individual human rights, new infections can be prevented and people who have HIV can live free from discrimination.



Works Department (World Bank Project) PMU, Nirman Soudha, Bhubaneswar in collaboration with Implementing NGO ‘VARRSA’ had observed the World AIDS Day – 1st December 2010 in Bhadrak to sensitize the public and media to show their solidarity and support for the rights and dignity of PLWHA and for the prevention and control of HIV epidemic in Bhadrak / Keonjhar. The entire gamut of programme was divided into four fold activities, viz. (1) IEC Campaign, (2) Debate Competition, (3) Students Rally, (4) Public Meeting on HIV/AIDS.



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1. **IEC Campaign** : The implementing NGO-VARRSA with the active participation of staff and volunteers conducted the IEC Activities under Chadbali-Bhadrak-Anandpur Road by pasting of posters and distribution of leaflets issued by OSACS for the entire road corridor. The important places like market area, road side villages, members of ASHA / AWW & Paramedical staff including the local CBOs were sensitized through the IEC Campaign.

2. **Debate Competition** : Another important aspect of observance of World AIDS Day was the organisation of Debate Competition among the trainees of ITC College, Barpada on 30th November 2010. Around 20 students participated the Debate Competition on Oriya (Role



of Youths towards prevention and control of HIV/AIDS). It was held at the Conference Hall of ITC College, Barpada. Er. Pradipta Kumar Tripathy, Principal, ITC College supervised the Debate Competition and selected 3 nos. of winning participants.

3. **Student Rally** : The hallmark of World AIDS Day programme is the Student Rally, which was most impressive and thought provoking. The students of Barpada ITC College participated the Rally. The Student Rally was jointly inaugurated by Er.



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Bhadrak and Er. Nrupancha Kishroe Parida, PM, World Bank Project, Chandbali. Sri R.K. Kuanar, Team Leader, INGO-VARRSA facilitated the Students Rally with the help of Er. P.K. Tripathy, Principal ITC College, Barpada. The students with head bands & Red-Ribbons bombarded the roads through slogans on HIV/AIDS prevention. At least 150 nos. of students participated the Rally. The Rally started from ITC College, Barpada to ARSS Base Camp via Rahandia Chhak, Bhadrak.



4. **Public Meeting on HIV/AIDS** : The most important activity to highlight the observance of World AIDS Day programme was the conducted of public meeting on HIV/AIDS held on 1st December 2010 at ARSS Base Camp, Barpada, Bhadrak. The Students / Instructors, Media representatives, Public, Labourers & Members of WSHGs, ASHA / AWW and staff of ARSS participated the meeting. The meeting was presided over by **Er. Pradipta Kumar Tripathy, Principal, ITC College, Barpada, Er.**



Bijay Chandra Tripathy, Ex. Engineer-II, PMU Works Department joined the meeting as Chief Guest. Er. Tripathy delivered speeches on causes on HIV



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infection and its prevention. **Er. P.K. Sethi, Asst. Engineer, World Bank Project** attended the meeting as Guest of Honour, **Er. Sridhar Rout, Asst. Engineer, Chandbali R&B Sub Division** attended the meeting as Guest of Honour and offered speeches on prevention of HIV/AIDS. **Er. P.K. Burma, Project Manager, Somdatta ARSS J.V.** attended as a Guest of Honour and delivered valuable opinions. **Dr. L.B. Hota, Team Leader, NNGO-CART** participated the Public Meeting and offered valuable opinion on prevention of HIV/AIDS. **Mr. R.K. Kuanar** offered the objectives as well as Guest invitation and **Sri Debadatta Sahoo** tendered vote of thanks to the Guests. At least 250 nos. of participants participated the public meeting. The Chief Guest **Er. B.C. Tripathy** awarded prizes to the winning participants of the Debate Competition.

We are really thankful to **Er. Nalinikanta Pradhan, Chief Engineer, World Bank Project, Orissa, Works Department, PMU, Nirman Soudha, Bhubaneswar** for his confidence on INGO-VARRSA. The INGO-VARRSA is expressing its gratitude to **Sj. P.K. Nanda, Asst. Commissioner, Land Acquisition, PMU, Sj. S. Behera, Spl. Land Acquisition Officer, PMU, Sj. Alok Kumar Dey, Social Development Specialist, World Bank Project, PMU and Sj. Bignaraj Routray, Secretary NNGO-CART** for their timely guidance and suggestion.

Let us join hands with the World AIDS Day – 1st December 2010 slogan:- **“Stop AIDS, Keep the Promise – Take the Lead”**.

Theme:- “Universal Access and Human Rights”.

With Kind Regards.


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