

1. **Months:** October - 2017 and November - 2017

2. **Activities:**

- Children's day Celebration
- Kathkari Adivasi Uthaan Abhiyaan
- Vacant Land Farming, Vegetable Cultivation
- Caste Certificate Distribution
- Self Help Group Meeting and Village Meetings
- Girl child Day
- Forming new SHGs and strengthening of old SHGs

Children's Day Celebration

Children's day was celebrated on 4th of November 2017. There were more than 400 supplementary class children and members of children's parliament participated and around 200 adults from 18 villages came for the celebration. The chief guest for the program was Nagar Adhyaksha Mrs. Reshma Munde.

The program consisted of dances, speeches, value bases skits, distribution of caste certificates and fellowship meal. We observe that there is so much self- confidence seen among the children. They need only an opportunity. The adivasi children and the people were aware of their rights. The Nagar Adhyaksha of Tala Nagar Panchayat appreciated the work done by the Organization. She also mentioned that because of the Organization the children are getting platform to perform and exhibit their talents.

During the program 23 caste certificates were distributed which is very important for any adivasi to avail government schemes. The three hour program ended with community fellowship meal.

Kathkari Adivasi Uthaan Abhiyaan

Kathkari Adivasi Uthaan Abhiyaan is one of the initiative of the government in Maharashtra. The Janseva Society organization played a greater role. The Kathakri Adivasi Uthaan program was held in Khambivali Adivasi village. There were more than 200 people for the program. Tehsildaar, personnel from Adivasi Vikas Prakalp, Circle officers, Sarpanch (President of Local self Govt.), Block Divisional Officer and the personnel from the organization were the main resource person of the day. During the program 25 caste certificates, 41 ration cards, 40 residence certificates were distributed. The personnel from Adivasi Vikas Prakalp was happy to give information of all the schemes available for the Adivasis. He also recognized our efforts and spoke very positive of our organization with regards to availing government documents for the adivasis in all the villages. After the program many adivasis were made aware of having government documents for the day today living.

Caste Certificate Distribution:

As part of regularization of government documents of adivasis, the Organization is working focusing on caste certificate, ration card, birth and death registration, voter ID cards, Aadhar Cards, PAN, etc. Total of 37 caste certificates were distributed in 3 adivasi hamlets. 33 PAN was processed in Vanjlonshi, Mahagaon and Tarne adivasi hamlets. The personnel of the Organization are giving priority of having government schemes of the adivasis.

Vacant Land Farming, Vegetable Cultivation:

Vegetable cultivation is giving the Kathkari alternative means of livelihood. Through the project we were able to support 14 self help groups for vegetable cultivation. This year they are cultivating bitter guard, beans, chilli, brinjal and tomatoes.

There is tremendous change in the mindset of the Kathkari adivasis. Over the years they have been cultivating and working for others as daily wage workers. As a whole almost 97% of Kathkari Tribe people fall under the category of unorganized labourer. Vegetable cultivation is the small effort to give them alternative means of livelihood. Last year there were only 8 groups and this year we have 14 groups for the cultivation. The Kathkari are able to set up their own vegetable garden and also able to see market for the same. This is giving them dignity to their hard work and life. There is more freedom to use their talents and abilities. And all the profit of their hard work directly go to them. The people specially Self Help Groups of adivasis are very grateful to ADA for helping them to have alternative means of livelihood. At present they have left making country liquor in their villages.

Self Help Group Meeting and Village Meetings

At present there are 28 self help groups. There is constant regular meetings and training specially during the village and SHG meetings. They are given information on working collectively, and also dissemination of information on different government schemes and their rights. All the 28 SHGs are doing well for their own community.

Girl child Day Celebration

Girl child Day was celebrated on 11th of November. There were 90 adolescent girls. The main theme for the program was on girl child education and cleanliness. Six resource persons came from Mumbai shared about their lives and encouraged girl children to be educated. We too had small documentary on cleanliness which led to the discussion on importance of education.

Future Plans

- Local Self Government
- Candle and Jewelry Making
- Chicken Farming
- Goat Rearing
- Finding scope for alternative means of livelihood
- Forming new SHGs and strengthening of old SHGs