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CENTRE FOR EDUCATION
DEVELOPMENTAL RESEARCH AND ACTION
(CEDRA)

4/1/2024

Brief Profile: CEDRA

Vision: Established in 1995 under the Trust Act and also registered under FCRA, CEDRA (Centre for Education Developmental Research and Action) is a modest attempt to reach out to the poor, downtrodden and oppressed citizens to envisage an equitable and balanced society.

Mission: To empower the masses through awareness generation, education, community participation besides undertaking developmental activities for their enrichment by establishing linkages with Government's, Non-Government Organization's development programmes and through Natural Resource Management, is a cherished dream of CEDRA.

Philosophy:

- Empowerment of the weaker and oppressed sections of the society (especially the children, youths & women) by organizing them and providing a platform to voice their cause;
- Facilitate creation of local human and economic resources to manage local needs;
- Facilitate interaction with other organizations working for similar cause;
- Facilitate support in Natural Resource Development and Management;
- Facilitate programmes in Health, Education, Environment and Joint Forest Management;
- Organize programmes on Gender issues and sensitize the society towards the women / Girl child to promote Gender Equality.
- Provide expertise to the organizations (GO or NGOs) implementing the development projects and Programmes for the benefit of the people/community in both urban and rural areas.

Technical Expertise: Conceptualization, Design and Implementation of Programme/Project; Monitoring and Evaluation; ICR (Implementation Completion Report) Reports and Presentations; Training and Capacity Building

Technical Experience: CEDRA has implemented various relief and developmental projects for international organizations like Save the Children, Gujarat Quick Relief Coordination Committee (GQRCC), Holland, Indo-German Social Service Society (IGSSS), CARE, Help Age India and CAIRN India- VEDANTA on Health, Education and Livelihood sectors. **Free** General Health Check up camps with free treatments in Jamnagar, Banaskantha and Patan districts, Construction of School in Surendranagar district under earthquake rehabilitation and conducting skill building training of unemployed youth under UMEED and SKILL TO SUCCEED are some of the program under these partnerships. CEDRA has also conducted Socio Economic Impact assessment, Impact evaluation, C M &E, Socio- Economic Survey, Training and Capacity building programme on Micro Entrepreneurship Development (MED), SHGs, Cluster development, Gender, Health etc for government organizations like GWEDC, ICDS, GGRC, GEC , departments like Forest, Agriculture and international agencies like World Bank/IFAD, NORAD and SAP India with its technical expertise.

Legal Status

Registration:

1. Registered under Bombay Public Charitable Trust act with the number E 4801, Kheda
2. Registered with Income tax departments under 12 A. and 80G
3. Registered with Ministry of Home affairs under Foreign Contribution and Regulation Act (FCRA).
4. Registered under CSR 1

List of Donors since inception:

International Agencies:

1. Help Age India
2. CAIRN India
3. Indo German Social Service society (IGSSS)
4. Save the Children
5. CARE
6. Gujarat Quake Relief Coordination Committee (GQRCC), Holland
7. SAP India

Government Agencies:

1. Gujarat Green Revolution Company Limited (Joint venture of GSFC and GNFC, Gujarat Government)
2. Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS), Gujarat Government
3. Gujarat women Economic Development Corporation (GWEDC), Gujarat Government
4. Gujarat Ecology Commission (GEC), Gujarat Government

CSR Partners:

1. CAIRN -VEDANTA OIL and GAS
2. NASSCOM Foundation
3. QUEST ALLIANCE
4. Balmer Lawrie

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Activities:

Project

FGD with Women Participants over Women Safety in trains
considering the upcoming Bullet Train project



Tool

Focused Group Discussion (FGD)

Target Group:

Women

Age group -18-35

Sectors:

College Students- Working women- Vendors- Domestic
workers- Home makers

Locations: Ahmedabad Surat Thane Virar

FGD with Women on Safe Train journey

The focused group discussions were conducted at various locations to ensure the safety of women during public travel, mainly on railways: In trains and on railway stations alongside the station area.

Women of age groups of 18-35 were mobilized from the nearby areas of Railway stations of Ahmedabad-Sabarmati, Surat, Virar and Thane.

Team from OMI foundation conducted the FGD alongside CEDRA team and some of the major findings were; The detailed finding report was confidential, only finding are mentioned here.

- Adequate police/security arrangement around station area
- More security arrangement at places like underpass, overbridge near stations
- Station area should be clean and free from Beggers and antisocial elements
- Adequate women police/ security near washrooms
- Proper security in trains and platforms with sensitized police personals
- Technology based monitoring and security checks to ensure security at all level

Personal Interview

Personal Interaction with Government officials on Women safety and social security were conducted by OMI Foundation in coordination CEDRA. There were important recommendations from officials to ensure safety of women during public travel, mainly in Railways. Officials from Police department, Social Sector, Gender department were contacted. Their suggestion and opinions were documented and submitted in confidential report.

Video and Audio of FGD:

As an authentic exercise, CEDRA in association with OMI foundation recorded the video and audio of interaction with participants so that no information is missed out while preparing the final report and documenting the recommendation and feedback on secured travel for upcoming Bullet train project from Ahmedabad to Mumbai.

Translation and Transcription of Women Group discussion Videos:

All interaction were done in local or Hindi language with participants and officials. There was a need of converting this conversation into English transcript. Accordingly, translation was done for Video recording and proper transcripts were made available for report writing. For Audio translation, AI technology was used and AI generated transcript were made available from the original Audio recording.

Picture story of FGD at Ahmedabad:













Picture Story of FGD at Surat:









Picture Story of FGD at Thane:

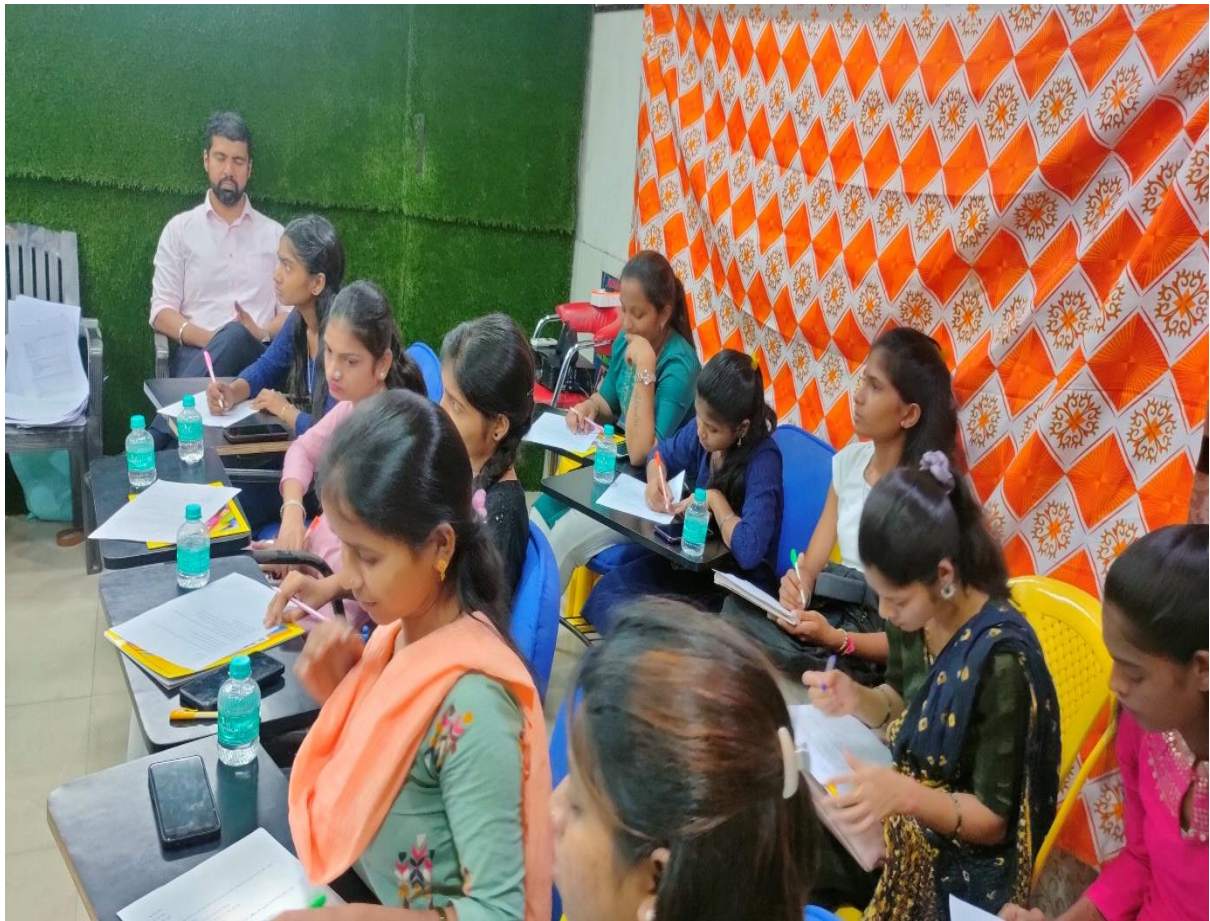














Picture Story of FGD at Virar

















Our Partners

- CAIRN INDIA
- HELPAGE INDIA
- BALMER LAWRIE
- SAVE THE CHILDREN
- CARE
- GGRC
- GWEDC
- GEC
- IGSS
- INDIVIDUAL DONORS AND FRIENDS
- WAPCOS
- GCERT
- UNICEF
- IIM 
- QUEST ALLIANCE

Sectors of Intervention

HEALTH

- Medical Camps
- Community Managed RO Plant with CAIRN India under CSR
- Capacity building of frontline health functionaries like health workers and AWW
- Awareness generation for improvement of health behavior by improving access to PHC and CHC

EDUCATION

- Incubate ideas for improving learning methods in primary schools in rural areas through micro-level intervention
- Use of various themes to develop best of expressions in children for generating knowledge base
- Infrastructure Support
- Education support to slum and construction workers' children

LIVELIHOOD

- Developing best farm practices among farmers
- Mobilizing women self help groups and linking them with banks
- Enrollment of unemployed youth in ITI and facilitating process of placement in various industries
- Facilitating processes of crop insurance

CAPACITY BUILDING

- Imparting skill based trainings in SHGs
- Imparting vocational training for unemployed youth like automobile repair / service, computer hardware & more...
- Imparted EDP trainings to youth in urban and rural areas



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