

# SANGLI MISSION SOCIETY



Annual Report: 2010-11

## INTRODUCTION

Past year (2010 -11) was a year blessings, achievements and challenges for Sangli Mission Society. It has marched a lot for the integral development children, youth, women, aged, farmers, sick through education health care and many other developmental activities. Each person she meets is cared for .....

Kalyani Dinkar Mohite a nine year old Down syndrome girl with mental retardation was not cared by anybody. People used to tease her and make comments of her being a mentally challenged child. Nobody allowed her to enter into their houses and would chase her out of their doorsteps. She used to be very untidy, unclean and unhygienic. She was an introvert; going alone not mixing with others. Her parents too thought that there would not be any improvement in the child and did not care for her. Parents are infected by HIV/AIDS and are not able to work daily.

The moment she started to come to the AASTHA CBR Centre she gradually began to develop mentally, emotionally and physically. She began to socialize, play and talk with other children in the Centre. The CBR worker and Supporter taught her to brush teeth, wash, comb her hair, apply oil to hair, etc. They gave her training on self hygiene, cleanliness for 15 days; they personally cleaned the teeth of the child. They also gave her toilet training. Her health improved. Her weight increased and does not fall sick.

Now the child has changed a lot and she has become an apple in the eyes of everybody she is not totally capable of telling her name but tries to speak and calls the CBR worker "Mama" because for Kalyani the CBR worker is as mother, teacher, nurse, friend etc.... She is found of singing and dancing very much. She identifies people and greets them. She loves to come to the CBR Centre. It is only one of the many success stories Sangli Mission Society has to say

Sangli mission society was founded in Sangli in 1993. It is registered under societies Registration Act 1860 as well as Mumbai Public Trust Act 1950 as a charitable society in 1993. We are having 12 A income tax registration, 80 G Income tax exemption registration and FCRA registration.

## **Vision**

**Sangli Mission Society envisions having the life in fullness to all human beings**

## **Mission**

**Enabling the sustainable development of humanity through a process of empowering the less privileged, exploited, weak, marginalized and down trodden of the society**

## **Goal**

**Welfare of all sections of humanity irrespective of caste, creed, race or other discriminating factors.**

## **Objectives**

1. Make accessible quality education to all through educational institutions and non formal education.
2. Empower the disabled to live a full life with equal rights and opportunities.
3. Improve the life situation of the HIV/ AIDS infected and affected people and stigma eradication and prevention of HIV/ AIDS.
4. Enabling the people to be the primary decision makers and executers through decentralized governance.
5. Enabling women to come into the main stream of the Society for its integral development safeguarding the dignity and integrity of women.
6. Enabling the exploited and weaker sections of society for justice, dignity and integrity and address the issues of social evils and problems
7. Preservation and promotion of healthy environment.

8. Integrated and sustainable development through organic farming and allied activities.

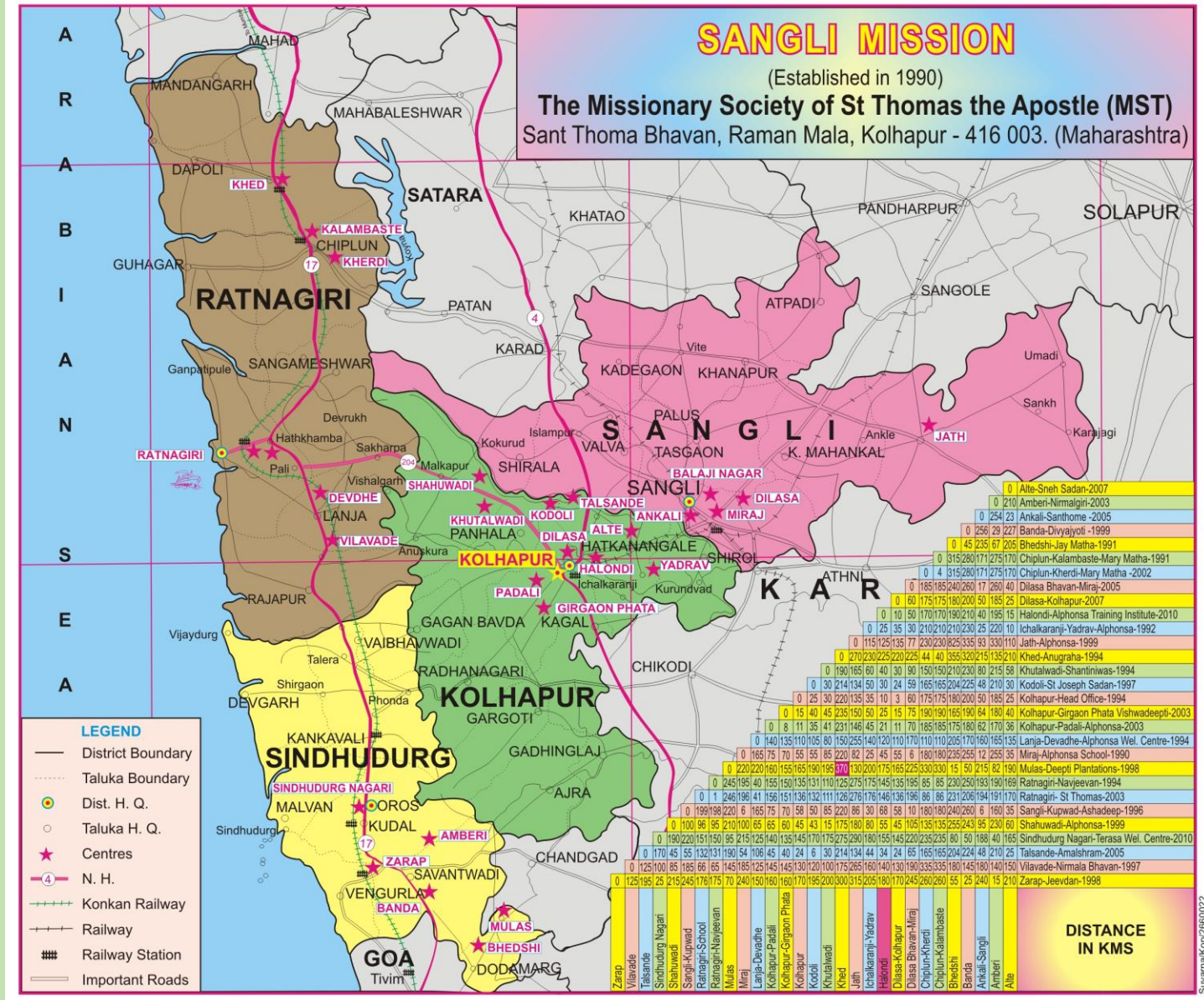
### **Strategies of Sangli Mission Society**

1. Conducting baseline survey
2. Developing natural and human resources
3. Establishing rapport with the beneficiaries
4. Integrated, Targeted, Result oriented and Right based approach
5. Establishing formal and non formal Institutions
6. Conducting Awareness Programs and Health Camps
7. Community Based Rehabilitation and Disaster Management
8. Production, Consumption and marketing of organic products
9. Strengthening Community Organizations
10. Creation of Healthy and Productive assets through collective action
11. Net working with Governmental and Non Governmental Organizations
12. Strengthening Participatory Democracy
13. Development of demonstration centers
14. Ongoing participatory inbuilt reporting, monitoring and evaluation system

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## **EDUCATION PROGRAMME**

Children are the hope of the future development. So Sangli Mission society is committed to the integral development of the children for forming committed and dedicated citizens of India. And Sangli mission society strongly believes that only through education this integral development is possible. So from the beginning of the Society, it has contributed a lot in the field of education. At present we have 5 high schools, 9 U P schools and 9 L P schools.

Infrastructure for every School is provided. Construction of hostel for poor children at Banda in Sindhudurg district is progressing. Ground floor of Santhome School Ankili Sangli is complete. People very well appreciate the quality of the education provided here by the committed and dedicated staff.

This year too Alphonsa Ichilkaranchi and Miraj schools secured cent percent result in SSC board examination.

### **Training Program for teachers**

An intensive training program for all the teachers working in our schools were conducted at Alphonsa school Miraj. Dr Antony C.A from Shilong was the resource person and 78 teachers attended the program.

### **Counseling and Child guidance in Schools**

Mrs Apparna Naik from Ashadeep Counseling and child guidance centre conducted aptitude test in our schools for the students. All the schools provide the service of educational psychologists. Each individual student is given special counseling and is guided as per his/her aptitude. Special tuition and attention is given to weaker ones. All the schools conducted special programs for the parents. In such meetings stress is given on responsible parenthood. Also these programs help to improve the rapport between the school and the parents.

### **Co-curricular activities**

Every school gives special attention to the integral development through co curricular activities such as sports, game and cultural activities. Sufficient infrastructure and human resources are provided for the same. Students participated in district and state level competition and showed the uniqueness of Alphonsians by winning medals.

## **Parents Teachers Association**

As per government regulations parents and teachers association (PTA) is formed in every school. The suggestions and guidance of parents are taken in for the smooth running of the school and to provide better education to their children.

## **Gatherings and Celebrations**

Annual school gathering is the time for the children express their inborn talents. General public and the parents highly appreciated the performance of our children. All the schools celebrate national and religious festivals with due importance. This is an opportunity to instill religious harmony and national integrity.

## **SMANVYA (PROGRAMME FOR THE DISABLED)**



SMANVYA, disability empowerment wing of Sangli Mission works with the mission to identify and train all the persons with disabilities in rural as well as urban areas to make them economically independent and socially productive citizens, and thus integrate them in to the main stream of the society.

For this purpose at present Sangli Mission has 6 centres for the training and rehabilitation the Disabled namely, Jeevdan Special School and Boarding, Zarap, Pratiksha Special School and Boarding, Vilwade, Anugraha Special School, Khed, Ashadeep Special school and Early Intervention Centre, Sangli, Shantinivas, Respite home and Care centre for the severely disabled, Khutalwadi and CHERISH, Vocational Training and Rehabilitation centre, Nirmalgiri, Amberi. 259 disabled children/persons and their families benefit from our activities. This year Sangli Mission Society started intensive Community based rehabilitation programme for the disabled in 10 village in Sangli District and 2 villages in Kolhapur district.

### **AASTHA: Rehabilitation of the Disabled and Prevention of Disability**

In Sangli district we have taken 10 villages which is supported by Kinder Not Hilfe, Germany through their partner Organization Holistic Child Development India. We have extended our work to 12 more villages and 670 disabled children and 350 youth are cared for. Different activities are conducted here to rehabilitate the disabled persons and to prevent the occurrences of disability.

In 2010-11 all the disabled persons, their families and also 500 poorest families were identified selected and studied their problems through the baseline survey. Activities were implemented as per the action plan and with the participation of the people for the training and rehabilitation of the disabled children and youth and for the prevention of disability. Following are the major objectives of the project

#### **Main Objectives of the Project**

- To rehabilitate the disabled children
- To rehabilitate the disabled youth
- To improve the economic status of the families with disabled persons
- To improve the economic status of the poor in the identified villages



- To build the capacity of the communities to respond to the needs of the disabled persons
- To help people to develop positive attitudes towards disability
- To promote rights of the disabled
- To prevent occurrence of disability
- To promote the rights of the poorest

To achieve these objectives following activities were planned carried out during the year 2010-2011

- Base line Survey and Identification of the disabled
- Providing Learning materials
- Providing play materials in ten CBR centres
- Providing dress materials and Uniforms to children
- Arranging conveyance facility for children to reach CBR centres
- Providing nutritious food
- Providing medical support and care to disabled children
- Providing training on daily living skills for disabled children
- Picnics and cultural programs of the differently abled children
- Medical Camp for differently abled children and corrective surgery
- Awareness program for pregnant ladies
- Trainings for youth group
- Formation and strengthening SHGs
- Meeting of the adolescent girls
- Training to members of Children's Parliament
- Training to Anganwadi Workers
- Training to Health Workers
- Training to School Teachers
- Formation and strengthening of VDC (Village Development Committee)
- Community awareness programs
- Livelihood analysis of the target group
- Staff Trainings and Exposure visits

## **Special schools**

The society has four special schools for the mentally challenged. All the schools have sufficient trained staff. Collaborating each other all the staff members serve with dedication and hard work. The special schools provide different kinds of facilities and training to the students for the socio economic and cultural development, like physiotherapy units, speech therapy, prevocational trainings, academic and cultural skill development programmes etc.

### **Prevocational Trainings**

In all our special schools pre vocational skills are taught so that they become economically independent like book binding, envelope making, chalk making, candle making, phenol and soap powder making etc.

### **Exposure visits**

Students from the special schools are taken for exposure visits to improve their sociability. They are taken to religious places, railway stations, police stations, for public gatherings etc.

### **Celebrations**

Every year there are annual school gatherings in all the special school. This is an occasion for the children to show their in born talents to the publics. Many of our students performed very well and received appreciation from general public

### **World Disabled Day**

This year too all our special schools and rehabilitation centre conducted different activities to mark the world disabled day. All the disabled children from our school and other different centre gathered together in Kolhapur Gandharva Water Park and spend one day in celebration. In many our villages and in Mangoan different rallies were conducted to make public awareness.

### **Motivational programmes for parents**

In every special school for parents motivational programmes are conducted. Service of resource persons from out side are availed for the same.

## **Vocational training and Rehabilitation centre**

At CHERISH Nirmalgi, Amberi there is Agro based vocational training and rehabilitation centre. Those mentally challenged person who have completed the age of eighteen are admitted here. Training different vocational skills like organic farming, dairy farming, goat farming, poultry, vermi compost production etc are given here. At present there are twenty eight trainees in the centre.

Construction of the dormitory section of the hostel building and the kitchen are completed.

## **Respite Home and Care Centre**

The Respite home at Khutalwadi caters the need of the severely disabled children of the locality and provides care service. At present there are 7 children in the centre.

## **Health and Nutritional Care of the Disabled Children**

### **Nutritious Food**

To improve the health condition of the disabled children nutritious food is supplied every day at CBR Centre. Nutritious food for children with profound disability is given at home as they are not able to come to the centre. Children like the nutritious food very much. The food is cooked in the centre. Cooking utensils, kerosene stove, kerosene and cooking materials are provided in every centre. The cooking materials are purchased every month from the respective villages. Now the weight of children has improved and there is a healthy look. Earlier children used to fall sick quite often and it has reduced.

Children like the food provided in the centre and many parents and the local people comment positively that the food provided in the CBR centre is far better than the food given in the Zilla Parishad School by the Government.

### **Medical Treatment/Corrective Surgery/Providing Aids and Appliances**

Children who need medicine are provided with medicine as prescribed by doctors. Mostly children take medicine for fits.

25 Disabled children were taken to Miraj Mission Hospital for medical check-up, to study more on the possibility to improve their mobility. A Medical Camp was conducted in the month of June 2010 to identify children for corrective surgery so that the mobility of these children could be improved. Doctors from St. John's Hospital Bangalore availed their free service for the medical camp and for

corrective surgery. Selected 17 cases were taken to St. John's Hospital Bangalore for corrective surgery on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2010. The children and the mothers stayed there for ten days. In the month of January doctors again visited these children for post operative care. 11 children were identified during this camp for corrective surgery and were taken to St. John's Hospital Bangalore for corrective surgery on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2010. At St. John's hospital people got very good service, accommodation, food and Surgery and treatment were conducted by learned and experienced doctors and staff nurses. It was also a learning experience for children, parents and staff. (Cleanliness, work culture, hospitality etc of the hospital is well appreciated by all of them). It was less expensive compared to the hospitals in Miraj and Sangli. To improve the mobility and the living situation of the disabled children 70 children were provided with CP chair and special wheel chair.



### **Social Development of the differently abled children**

A picnic for the differently abled children was held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November 2010 on the eve of Children's Day. The venue of the picnic was the water park at Bhose, Sangli. 139 children from the 10 villages came for the picnic. A Magic show also was arranged during the picnic. The children enjoyed magic show, the children

responded in loud voice to the questions of the magician. The children shouted, laughed and clapped to the tricks and humour of the magician. The enthusiasm of the children could be seen in the magic show programme. The children also enjoyed water games, the children feared in the beginning, they started crying and shouting but as they got habituated to the water they stopped their crying and shouting and their fear vanished, and to others surprise they were enjoying like the rest of the children. The children also enjoyed dance and danced to the songs and funky numbers, a kind of wave was seen in the children the moment music was started. They also enjoyed food very much.

Children from Kavlapur village came for the annual school day gathering of school in Sangli city and performed a beautiful group dance and all the people enjoyed it and appreciated the talents of these children. It was very good plat form for the children to show their talents.

In all the villages during Christmas gatherings children performing different cultural programmes proclaimed that they are not behind anybody.



## **Social Action**

The “Social and Development action” engages in carrying out various activities in the developmental field, especially in the rural areas. Empowerment of women through the promotion of SHGs is one of the major thrust areas of this department. Five full time field animators are engaged in empowering women. The “Social and Development action” engages in carrying out various activities in the developmental field, especially in the rural areas. Problems of the people are identified through surveys, Focus Group discussions etc and different programmes are designed to tackle the identified problems. Empowerment of women through the promotion of SHGs, promotion of organic farming, promotion of micro insurance, child protection and welfare, youth development programmes are major thrust areas of this department.

### **Formation and Strengthening of CBOs**

Formation of the community based organization for the integral development of the society to achieve the self sustenance of community. Self help groups of women, groups of disabled persons, children’s club, farmers club, youth groups and groups of adolescent boys and girls are formed in different villages. Different training programmes and other developmental activities are arranged for these groups

### **Trainings for Members of Self Help Groups (SHGs)**

Members of the Self Help Groups were given trainings to make the aware of the objectives of the project. They were taught about the concept of SGH and their role in the development, maintenance of records and registers of SHGs, transparency in the dealings of SHGs, bank transactions, and need of monthly meetings.

All the women were very keen and interested during the trainings. They became very much aware of their role in the development of the village. They are ready to accept the disabled children.

In these villages there are SHGs formed by government officials for name sake. They do not have regular meetings and all the members are not aware of the dealings of the SHGs. But the SHGs formed by Aastha are different. Details of the trainings are given below.

Sr. No	Village	No. of Participants	Date	Venue
1	Mhaishal	20	18/05/2010	CBR Centre
2	Manjarde	24	19/05/2010	CBR Centre
3	Kumthe	21	20/05/2010	CBR Centre
4	Kavthepiran	16	21/05/2010	CBR Centre
5	Cluster 1	21	16/12/2010	Centre Office
6	Cluster 2	42	28/12/2010	Centre Office
7	Kavthepiran	44	12/01/2011	CBR Centre
8	Nagaj	53	13/01/2011	
9	Kumthe	35	20/01/2011	CBR Centre
10	Kavlapur	37	21/01/2011	Church
11	Nandre	47	22/01/2011	Members Home
12	Manjarde	38	24/01/2011	CBR Centre
13	Malgaon	32	24/01/2011	CBR Centre
14	Mhaishal	46	27/01/2011	CBR Centre
15	Manerajuri	38	28/01/2011	CBR Centre
16	Vasagade	18	28/01/2011	CBR Centre
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>359</b>		

### **Awareness for Pregnant Women**

To prevent disability and to have healthy child different training programs were conducted in all the ten villages for pregnant ladies. The pregnant women were made aware on the objectives of the Project, disability, types of disability, causes of disability, rehabilitation of the disabled, Prevention of disability, types of right and nutritious diet, health care, family planning, need of proper medication physical exercises and on HIV/AIDS. The weight of all the pregnant women

was checked during the training program. All the pregnant women were very enthusiastic and cheerful during the trainings. They became very much aware of their role in giving birth to healthy child and thus becoming a part in the development of the nation. Details of the training are given below.

#### **Awareness programs conducted for Pregnant Women**

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>Village</b>	<b>No. of Participants</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>
1	Kavlapur	8	01/04/2010	CBR Centre
2	Kumthe	6	01/04/2010	CBR Centre
3	Manerajuri	6	03/04/2010	CBR Centre
4	Manjarde	6	03/04/2010	CBR Centre
5	Vasagade	8	21/09/2010	CBR Centre
6	Manerajuri	9	29/12/2010	CBR Centre
7	Mhaishal	41	31/12/2010	CBR Centre
8	Vasagade	9	05/01/2011	CBR Centre
9	Manjarde	15	02/02/2011	CBR Centre
10	Kavlapur	13	03/02/2011	CBR Centre
11	Kavthepiran	19	07/02/2011	CBR Centre
12	Malgaon	9	08/02/2011	CBR Centre
13	Mhaishal	15	11/02/2011	CBR Centre
14	Nandre	9	25/02/2011	CBR Centre
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>173</b>		

#### **Awareness for members of Youth Group**

To involve the youth in the development and rehabilitation of the project, youth groups are formed in all the ten villages. Every month they come together and discuss different issues. During these meetings they discuss the problems in the



community; global problems, current issues from the newspapers and personal problems are discussed and try to find out solutions. In trainings they were made aware about the project, its objectives. They were motivated towards their role in the rehabilitation of the disabled and prevention of disability. They were also given information on gender discrimination, career guidance, HIV / AIDS etc.

#### Awareness programs conducted for Youth Group

Sr. No	Village	No. of Participants	Date	Venue
1	Kumthe	17	19/9/2010	CBR Centre
2	Vasagade	22	21/9/2010	Lakshmi Temple
3	Nandre	11	22/9/2010	CBR Centre
4	Malgaon	35	25/9/2010	CBR Centre
5	Nagaj	35	26/9/2010	Gram Panchayat
6	Mhaishal	40	27/9/2010	College of Arts
7	Kavthepiran	28	3/10/2010	CBR Centre
8	Kavlapur	25	23/10/2010	CBR Centre
9	Nandre	9	29/12/2010	CBR Centre
<b>Total</b>		<b>222</b>		

#### Awareness for adolescent boys and girls



Trainings for Adolescent boys and girls were conducted to motivate the children to accept the disabled children and different measures to be taken to prevent the disability. They were also given awareness on sex education. Children wrote essays on disability and need of environment protection. Children were very active during the trainings and there was the cooperation of the teachers.

Also trainings for Adolescent Girls from 10 villages were conducted, in which 1 each group was formed from 10 villages groups. The girls were made aware about the girl child being a gift of God for the family. A girl is also equally capable of taking up any challenges. Most of the leaders in the world are woman, Presence of women in every sector

Competitions of Speech, song and dance were conducted and prizes were distributed for the first, second and third places. On the subject "Girl child a gift God" the participant delivered beautiful speeches.

Monthly meetings of the Adolescent are held in which the problems in the community, current issues from the newspapers and personal problems are discussed and try to find out solutions. They are often told the importance of education and being literate. They are guided regarding career. The children were eager, enthusiastic during the meeting. They became very much aware of their role in the development of the village. They are ready to accept the disabled children

Sr. No	Village	No. of Participants	Date	Venue
1	Kavlapur	60	23/9/2010	Zhilla Parishad School
2	Manjarde	65	28/9/2010	Zhilla Parishad School
3	Kumthe	45	01/10/2010	CBR Centre
4	Mhaishal	65	06/10/2010	Karmavir Bhaurao Patil Vidyalaya
5	Malgaon	45	11/10/2010	S.M. High School
6	Kavthepiran	195	12/10/2010	Girls Highschool
7	Vasagade	160	14/10/2010	Lakshmi Hall
8	Nagaj	40	15/10/2010	Siddeshwar Highschool
9	Manerajuri	40	15/12/2010	CBR Centre
E	Cluster 1	85	09/01/2011	Centre Office
11	Cluster 2	85	16/01/2011	Centre Office
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>885</b>		

### **Awareness for members of Farmers Group**

Trainings were conducted to members of farmers club. Government schemes for the farmers were explained to them by the Agriculture officer. Farmers were told about the need of organic farming and the importance of food production.

### **Awareness programs conducted for members of Farmer's Clubs**

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>Village</b>	<b>No. of Participants</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>
1	Manerajuri	23	20/9/2010	Gram Panchayat
2	Manjarde	32	24/9/2010	Gram Panchayat
3	Mhaishal	16	19/10/2010	CBR Centre
4	Kavthepiran	27	22/10/2010	CBR Centre
5	Nandre	17	25/10/2010	CBR Centre
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>115</b>		

### **Awareness for members Children's Parliament**

Trainings to members of Children's Parliament from 10 villages were conducted. They were told about the Indian Constitution in detail, Children's Parliament, the purpose of starting a Children's Parliament. The children were asked about the prevalent problems and issues in the village, the children told about the prevalent problems and issues in the village and an exhaustive list of the problems and issues was prepared.

Then the children were asked to find out solution to the problem and amazingly children sought out solutions and told that if they are together many of these problems can be solved.

Monthly meetings of the Children's Parliament are held in which different problems of the community are discussed and try to find out solutions. They are often told the importance of education and being literate. They are guided regarding career. They are told about self development and personality development. The children were eager, enthusiastic during the training. They became very much aware of their role in the development of the village. All the children's parliament decided that they would be plating at least 50 each saplings of trees in all ten villages.



**Details of trainings for members of Children Parliament**

Sr. No	Village	No. of Participants	Date	Venue
1	Cluster 1	108	06/02/2011	Centre Office
2	Cluster 2	110	13/02/2011	Centre Office
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>218</b>		

### **Awareness for Anganwadi Workers**

Ten trainings for Anganwadi workers were conducted in all the villages. They were taught how they can easily accommodate the disabled children in Anganwadies. They were motivated about their role and responsibilities towards training and rehabilitation of the disabled. The Anganwadi Workers were eager, enthusiastic during the training. They became very much aware of their role in the development of the village.

### Awareness programs conducted for Anganwadi Workers

Sr. No	Village	No. of Participants	Date	Venue
1	Malgaon	14	02/02/2011	CBR Centre
2	Kavlapur	24	03/02/2011	Zilla Parishad School
3	Kumthe	12	04/02/2011	CBR Centre
4	Nandre	23	04/02/2011	Krushnabai Hall
5	Kavthepiran	17	07/02/2011	CBR Centre
6	Manjarde	19	08/02/2011	CBR Centre
7	Mhaishal	16	11/02/2011	CBR Centre
8	Manerajuri	13	12/02/2011	CBR Centre
9	Nagaj	23	23/02/2011	CBR Centre
10	Vasagade	12	25/02/2011	CBR Centre
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>173</b>		

### Awareness for Health Workers

Training to Health Workers was conducted. The Health Workers were made aware about the Project, Objectives of the project, Disability, Types of disability, Causes of disability, Rehabilitation of the disabled, Prevention of disability. They were told about the how the CBR Workers and Supporters teach the disabled children. They were told how to respond to a disabled child if they encounter any disabled child. They were told to equally treat the disabled child and send the disabled child to the CBR Centre if they encounter a disabled child. They were told about their role and responsibilities towards disabled persons and the community. The Health Workers were eager, enthusiastic during the training. They became very much aware of their role in the development of the village. They are ready to accept the disabled children. Details of the trainings are given below.

Sr. No	Village	No. of Participants	Date	Venue
1	Kavthepiran	36	07/03/2011	Primary Health Care
2	Kavlapur	23	08/03/2011	Primary Health Care
3	Malgaon	11	09/03/2011	Primary Health Care
4	Kumthe	10	10/03/2011	Primary Health Care
5	Mhaishal	32	12/03/2011	Primary Health Care
6	Manerajuri	20	14/03/2011	Primary Health Care
7	Nandre	10	15/03/2011	Primary Health Care

8	Manjarde	15	16/03/2011	Primary Health Care
9	Nagaj	8	17/03/2011	Primary Health Care
10	Vasagade	10	22/03/2011	Primary Health Care
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>175</b>		



### **Awareness for School Teachers**

The school teachers were made aware about the project, its objectives types of disability, Causes of disability, and their role in the rehabilitation of the disabled and prevention of disability. They were given an idea how the CBR Workers and Supporters teach the disabled children at the centre. They were kindly told to cooperate with the children in the schools and also to cooperate with the project staff for the well being of the community. They were told about their role and responsibilities towards the rehabilitation of the disabled persons and the community. Details of the training are given below.

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>Village</b>	<b>No. of Participants</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>
1	Kavthepiran	12	07/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
2	Kavlapur	8	08/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
3	Malgaon	15	09/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
4	Kumthe	10	10/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
5	Manerajuri	14	14/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
6	Nandre	5	15/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
7	Vasagade	6	17/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
8	Nagaj	12	18/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
9	Manjarde	11	23/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
10	Mhaishal	9	21/03/2011	Zhilla Parishad School
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>102</b>		

## Formation and Strengthening of VDC

Establishment of VDC (Village Development Committee) was held. Representatives from Grampanchayat, Parents of the disabled children, and from other CBOs Social Worker, Anganwadi, School, PHC (Primary Health Care) and another NGO came together for the VDC meeting . They were told that the VDC will be the main pillar of the community. They were told that the problems and issues of the village will be discussed in the monthly meeting of VDC and solution against the issues will be discussed in the meeting. All the representatives made a commitment to work for the well being of the community. Monthly meetings of VDC are held in which the issues in the village are discussed.

### Details of establishment of VDC

Sr. No	Village	No. of Participants	Date	Venue
1	Manjarde	8	16/03/2011	CBR Centre
2	Vasagade	12	23/03/2011	CBR Centre
3	Kavthepiran	15	24/03/2011	CBR Centre
4	Manerajuri	17	28/03/2011	CBR Centre
5	Mhaishal	32	28/03/2011	CBR Centre
6	Kavlapur	16	29/03/2011	CBR Centre
7	Nandre	8	29/03/2011	CBR Centre
8	Malgaon	13	30/03/2011	CBR Centre
9	Nagaj	22	30/03/2011	Grampanchayat
10	Kumthe	13	31/03/2011	CBR Centre
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>156</b>		

## **DILASA (PROGRAMME FOR PLHAS)**

DILASA, the wing work for infected and affected PLHAS of Sangli Mission .

The name DILASA means **Divine Invitation to Love And Serve the Abandoned** (DILASA) the Region has many activities for the People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLHA). Alphonso Region has expanded its mission among the PLHAs in all the districts of Sangli Mission. Presently Sangli Mission has one hospice (Dilasa Bhavan), two community care centers and four coordination centers in each district for the care and support of PLHAS.

### **CCC Centres**

There are two CCCs (Community Care Centres) in the Sangli mission at Miraj and Ratnagiri of Alphonso Region. National Aids Control Organisation (NACO), recognized and supported project/programme. There are 37 staff members including 2 coordinators, 4 MBBS doctors, 8 nurses, 2 lab technicians, 21 councilors cum outreach workers and other supporting staff. The statistical data of the previous year is as follows.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS:**

During the previous year of services to the PLHAS and the affected, Dilasa is able to realize some of the objectives to improve the quality of life of the infected and affected victims of HIV/AIDS:

- Identification of 5150 HIV/AIDS patients and providing various services to them.
- Identification of 1230 HIV infected children below 15 years old and providing ART and nutrition programme
- More than 60 referral service in a month (30 days)
- Hospitalization and medical treatment to more than 40 individual in a week (7 days)
- Home based care and treatment to more than 900 families.
- 1450 PLHAS received medical assistance from the centre.
- More than thousand PLHAS received T.A to visit hospital for CD-4 count testing and ART
- About 700 infected and affected children received educational assistance
- More than thousand school children received proper knowledge on HIV/AIDS.
- About 4000 Taxi and Auto drivers became aware of prevention and control of HIV/AIDS



- Dilasa could provide proper knowledge on HIV/AIDS to 600 Grampanchayat members
- Dilasa provided HIV/AIDS awareness to 650 migrant sugarcane cutters
- Dilasa provided awareness programme and training to more than 800 adolescent girls and Anganvady teachers
- More than thousand PLHAS received IGP training in various items and thirty five of them received machines; like tailoring machines, dye for making chalk and candle
- Conducted awareness rallies and annual get together of 2000 PLHAS
- Net working with various NGOs.

## Conclusion

Sangli Mission Society could do something for the development of the humanity only because of the support and guidance of many people. Sangli Mission society is grateful for the steady and stable support and guidance from Missionary Society of St Thomas the Apostle and the diocese of Kalyan. We gratefully acknowledge all our Supporters, collaborators and partners for their support and encouragement.

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