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UNNAT BHARATH ABHIYAN -PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2023-2024

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To involve in the development process of rural areas in the country to achieve sustainable development and better quality of life, Assumption College Autonomous, Changanassery, Kottayam, Kerala as participating Institute has initiated steps to adopt villages under UBA program.

On 24th November 2022, an application for participating Institute along with the relevant documents were sent to Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) The five villages that were suggested for adoption in the district of Kottayam and Alappuzha are

- 1. Kumarankary
- 2. Mampuzhakary
- 3. Paittupakka
- 4. Vettithuruthu
- 5. Eara

On 11th January 2023, we received an acknowledgement from UBA stating the release of seed money along with further guidelines in the first week of March 2023.

A UBA committee was formulated in the college to do the activities under UBA and to conduct village survey and house hold survey to understand the livelihood of the local people in the adopted villages.

On 13th March 2023, our Institution has received the seed money of 50,000/- (10,000/- per village). As part of the survey initiative, several meetings have been conducted at our Institution since March 2023. Preceding the survey, dedicated committee members visited all adopted villages, engaged in discussions with panchayat secretaries and scheduled survey days for each panchayat. The village engagement involved educational sessions, recreational events, interactive

programs, exhibitions, and demonstrations. The focal points encompass health and fitness, waste management, energy conservation, organic farming, and financial literacy.

Initially, a meeting of the officials of Neelamperoor, Ramankari and Vazhappally West grama panchayath was organised on 24th May 2023 in the Institution. Subsequently, the team members of UBA committee met officials and councillors of each panchayath to ensure their assistance. Subsequently, the students of our Institution were allocated to each village panchayat for the survey. The survey was carried out using a random sample from the population. The pilot survey of 220 houses was carried out on 21st July 2023 in Eara by students of MSW program. An orientation class for the second year NSS volunteers was conducted on 20th August 2023 and baseline household survey of 85 houses in Eara was completed on 27th August 2023. Then, an orientation class for the second year and third year students was conducted on 14th September 2023. The survey in Vettithuruth and Paittupakka was successfully completed on 20th October 2023. The survey in Kumarankary and Mampuzhakary was successfully completed on 23rd December 2023.

As part of social outreach a charity visit was organised in the ashram of Kunnanthanam on 13 January 2024. The visit created an empathetic approach among students. On 23 January 2024 students engaged in cleaning the premises of college.

A rural participatory appraisal was conducted as the next phase and all the collected data were consolidated. Data entry process of both baseline house hold survey and village survey was also completed by 29 January 2024.

A comprehensive final report, encompassing fund utilization, will be submitting herewith.

I express my sincere gratitude to the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan for providing the invaluable opportunity to engage in transformative rural area activities.

























