

***LOK PRERNA***  
***The Ten Years.....***



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## *From the desk of the President*



*Lok Prerna was formed with the cherished dream of establishing a non exploitative, self reliant social order devoid of inequalities of caste, creed, religion or sex; characterized by dignity of the individuals, with the primacy of truth and non violence for its perpetuation.*

*In the last ten years of its existence, the team has proven its worth to redeem this dream and justify the very existence of Lok Prerna- People's Inspiration.*

*Our team has grown manifold, and with each new year, we have enriched our experiences, augmented our knowledge and taken one more step forward. From a small seedling that we were ten years ago, we have grown into a tree. The time is now ripe to spread our wings and reach new horizons.*

*Today, I can proudly and confidently say that Lok Prerna is an organization to watch out for- an organization for the future. We aspire to be the harbingers of a new social order, of a just and equal society, where each one holds his head aloft with pride and dignity.*

*I wish the team the very best.*

*A N Pandey*

## **The Director Speaks**

*India lives in villages. No worthwhile development of the country is possible without developing the rural India. It is for this reason that greater emphasis is being laid on the rural development programmes of the state and central Governments.*



*There are scores of development projects in operation in the villages, some of these being directly implemented by the governmental agencies and some being implemented through voluntary organizations working for upliftment of rural society. In recent past the Government has realised that their developmental efforts shall remain inadequate unless Non Governmental Organisations (NGOs) are involved in the process because of the closer links of the NGOs with the rural masses. Thus, the role of NGOs has assumed paramount importance in the rural development activities.*

*LOK PRERNA, an NGO with headquarter at Deoghar has been actively working for rural development since decade now, mainly in the tribal dominated districts of Dumka, Deoghar and Pakur of Santhal Parganas division of newly formed Jharkhand state. During the course of its activities in the villages, the volunteers and resource personnels of Lok Prerna trudged through difficult terrain to reach the rural masses living in the remote and inaccessible areas.*

*Slowly and slowly a close rapport was built up with the village communities, who were initially shy and evading. However, perseverance and persistence paid and those initially avoiding outsiders started getting closer, coming out with their feelings of the governments and the developmental activities. The closer linkage so established gave this organization an insight into real problems.*

*In our view, the situation in the rural areas, as it exists today, demands strong thrusts on several fronts. The mind set of the planning from the top needs to be completely changed and it must start from the village itself involving deeply this for whom such plans are being formulated. This requires, among other things, direct involvement of rural masses in decision making process, in absence of which the impact of activities just remains superficial and ineffective.*

*Rural resources have long been misused, mishandled and mismanaged by those who commanded authority so long. For any effective utilization of rural resources; there is a strong need of empowering rural communities over the resources they have around them. And despite the damages done so far; there is still scope and hope of retrieving and recovering what has been lost so far. But the primary condition for this to happen is that the rural community must develop a feeling of ownership over these resources. Unless this happens, effectiveness of planning and huge investments thereof shall always remain questionable.*

*Since the task involved is huge and no single organization is capable of delivering the goods single handedly, it is necessary that a net work of community based organizations (CBOs) share the task and a coordinated effort is organized to launch a multipronged attack for economic and social upliftment of the rural populace. Our efforts so far, though, have been quite successful; change is there to see for all. There has also been a perceptible change in the outlook of the masses. Yet much remains to be done. A concerted effort by all like minded voluntary organizations and active participation of the people is the need of the hour for all round development the villages.*

***A Note from the Secretary***



*We, at Lok Prerna, came together for social reformation by establishing a society free from exploitation; empowerment of women; socio-economic development of tribals, and other communities regardless of caste, creed and religion.*

*In the initial years, we began with creating awareness about environment and strived for the rightful place of women in society. We began with conducting surveys to understand their condition in the society, and promotion of Mahila Mandals. Small steps were taken for promotion of education and income generating activities.*

*Today, our activities are spread over 7 Community Development Blocks of Santhal Parganas. We have graduated to Advocacy for Women and Child Rights, Natural Resource Management,*

*Vocational trainings; the latest addition to our portfolio being Technology Management. We envision emerging as a leading Technology Resource Centre for the region and combining social engineering with techno-know-how for the creation of an empowered and prosperous society.*

***Madhav Kumar Das***

## What Others Say...

**Charities Aid Foundation of India (CAF)** carried out a survey of 1342 NGOs from all over India including 113 NGOs from Bihar and Jharkhand combined. The evaluation of NGOs was done on the parameters of:

- a) Registration Status
- b) Staff Profile
- c) Income Profile Of Organisation
- d) Governance, Accountability and Transparency within Organisation
- e) Impact Of Organisation

**Lok Prerna has been accorded the highest score of 268 and has been positioned as No. 1 NGO in Bihar / Jharkhand combined.**

Excerpts from Evaluation Report by **Deepshikha on PVOH-II (Health) Programme:**

- Great Awareness has been created with regard to immunization.
- TBA who are trained by the organization are conducting safe delivery by using new blade which is kept ready with the pregnant mother.]
- Whenever a child or adult has diarrhoea, the first thing done is to give SSS and also use herbal medicines like guava leaves etc.
- Before the programme people drank water from rivers and wells ; today they drink water from handpumps.
- Among the mothers there is awareness regarding personal hygiene of themselves as well as for the children.
- A year ago antenatal mother did not want to take TT. Now the antenatal mother know the importance of TT and are ready to pay for them even if they are not available in the PHC.

**Some Statistical changes:**

Component	Before the project	After the project
MMR	40/1000	26/1000
IMR	193/1000	27/1000
Birth Rate	118/1000	67/1000
Diarrhoea deaths	14%	Nil

Excerpts from **British High Commission** Evaluation Report (on Income Generation Activities) by Ms. Sandhya Venkateshwaran:

“Lok Prerna’s approach to self reliance and ensure sustainability of initiatives by minimizing dependence on the NGO is likely to yield tangible results in the long term.”

# Introduction

Lok Prerna meaning “People’s Inspiration” was established in 1992.

Lok Prerna is a well established Social Action Group, with its office located in Deoghar, while its activities span the Community Development Blocks of Devipur, Jarmundi, Amrapada, Maheshpur and Pakuria of Deoghar, Dumka and Pakur Districts of Santhal Parganas of Jharkhand.

Lok Prerna works with the people for alleviation of problems that afflict the rural communities of Santhal Parganas.

## Mission

Empowerment of the lowest rungs of the society.

## Vision

*Establish a non exploitative, self reliant social order devoid of inequalities based on caste, creed, religion or sex, characterized by dignity of the individuals, with the primacy of truth and non violence for its perpetuation.*

## Objectives

- ❖ **Social reformation** by establishing a society free from exploitation; empowerment of women; socio-economic development of tribal and other communities regardless of caste, creed and religion.
  - ❖ **Optimum utilization of available local natural resources** for development.
  - ❖ **Promotion of traditional system of treatment** by encouraging a simple health care system to make it effective, affordable, available and acceptable to all people.
  - ❖ **Protection of environment** by motivating people to undertake plantation, water harvesting and soil moisture conservation technologies.
  - ❖ **Promotion of income generation activities for youth and women.**
- ❖ **Promotion of functional literacy.**
- ❖ **Liaison with government and other agencies** with similar aims and objectives to undertake the activities leading to sustainable development.

*The focus of its activities is on:*

- ❖ *Building people’s organization.*
- ❖ *Natural Resource Management*
- ❖ *Promotion of health*
- ❖ *Promotion of non-formal education (NFE) among children*
- ❖ *Advocacy of rights of children.*
- ❖ *Advocacy for tribal women’s rights*
- ❖ *Liaison with government, international bodies and other networks for facilitating development works in the targeted areas.*

**Registration: Societies Registration Act 1860; No 22/92**  
**Dt 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1992**

**FCRA: 337680014,**  
**Dt Sept 1994.**

***Executive Body Members***

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## ***Profile of Santhal Parganas***

Jharkhand was carved out of the state of Bihar on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2000 to fulfill the long-standing aspirations of the people of this region for development and better quality of life. The newly formed state consists of 22 districts 211 Blocks and 32620 villages. A sizable proportion of the population is tribal. The area is marked with low agriculture production and low productivity, but is rich in mineral and forest resources. It is also characterized by a high level of urbanization and industrialization. On the basis of per capita state domestic product, it may be considered a middle-income state. The state however suffers from the problem of mass poverty. With around 46% of the population living below poverty line, it has the highest level of rural poverty in the country, next only to Orissa in terms of overall poverty.

Poverty among Scheduled Tribes (STs) is 62% as against 44.45% among STs in the country. Within Jharkhand also, development/ poverty is not uniformly distributed.

Santhal Parganas lies on the north east of Jharkhand and covers the six districts of Deoghar, Dumka, Pakur, Sahebgunj, Jamtara and Godda. Predominantly tribal, this region is amongst the poorest regions in the country.

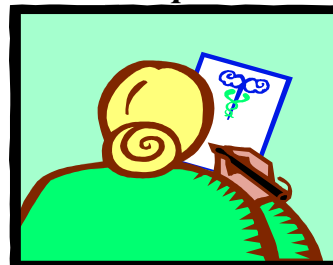
A brief profile of Sathal Paraganas:

<b>Districts</b>	<b>Godda</b>	<b>Sahebgunj &amp; Pakur</b>	<b>Dumka &amp; Jamtara</b>	<b>Deoghar</b>	<b>Total</b>
Population					
ST	2,16,047	5,07,327	6,21,484	1,19,085	14,63,937
SC	72,893	70,788	1,04,094	1,15,697	3,63,472
BC	3,90,049	3,36,655	5,91,954	4,40,790	17,59,448
General	1,82,183	3,86,324	1,78,177	2,57,541	10,04,235
Total Families	1,84,694	2,85,500	2,65,017	1,50,478	8,85,689
BPL	96,429 (52%)	1,88,830 (66%)	2,00,634 (75.7%)	75,536 (50%)	5,61,429 (63.38%)
Geographical Area (Hectares)					
Total area	1, 96, 782	3,22,335	5,31,251	2,47,800	1296,168
Agriculture Land	1,53,429	2,05,343	4,24,067	1,78,397	9,61,776
Fallow Land	28,170	80,811	42,062	49,153	2,00,296
Forest Land	12,307	19,996	48,289	17,000	97,592
Rainfall (mm)	1337	1500	1377	1377	1398
Other Indicators					
CMR	71	81	63	97	78
U-5 MR	106	129	86	128	112
Literacy	43.73	37.91	48.31	50.53	45.12

## *People's Organisation Women's Empowerment*

Every developmental activity begins and ends with people themselves; thus people themselves are the actors and recipients of all actions that pertain to them.

Lok Prerna recognizes the importance of centrestaging people in its activities. Social mobilization- sensitization, organization and mobilization form the prime focus of its endeavours.



Within the community, women are the most marginalized and vulnerable of all the social segments. Lok Prerna surveyed the plight of women and found that they have been the silent sufferers of economic marginalisation, depleting forest cover, lack of drinking water and irrigational facilities, malnutrition, wage discrimination, property deprivation, desertion by husbands, dowry and have virtually no say in matters of local governance like Panchayat.

Therefore, Lok Prerna, in its sojourn of ten years has devoted itself to the upliftment of women, particularly tribal women. The programmes have focused on their organization through formation of “*Mahila Mandals*” or “*Gogo dare*” (women’s groups), encouraging saving and thrift groups, facilitating economic development by imparting different vocational and entrepreneurship development trainings and training in social leadership. Till date, Lok Prerna has organized 285 Mahila Mandals, imparted skill trainings to 2755 women and mobilized funds to the tune of Rs 18 lakhs from different sources to support the income generation activities.

Apart from working on the economic front, Lok Prerna has also initiated programmes revolving around mother and child healthcare, while some others have catered to their need for education.

Still more remarkably, Lok Prerna has fought for the rights of women. It has raised the issues of tribal women’s right to property, evils of dowry etc. *So strong has been the influence of Lok Prerna’s advocacy that in 1997, 40 men filed affidavits to voluntarily transfer ownership of 45 acres of land to the women in their families.*

Lok Prerna’s contribution to the cause of women has been widely recognized and many government and non-government organizations have supported it through different programmes to strengthen the initiatives. Local people have also mobilized resources in form of cash, kind or labour. Monetarily translated, this latter contribution amounts to well over Rs 4 lakhs.

To elicit involvement of the community as a whole and to add more teeth to its interventions, Lok Prerna has also formed Yuvan Dals (youth Groups) and Simant Kisan Mandals (Marginalised Farmers’ Associations). These groups have been the interface between the community and the organization and a launch pad for different activities of the organization.



SI	Block/ District	No. of villages covered	No. of SHGs	Total SHG members	Linkages with Bank
1	Devipur/ Deoghar	15	16	193	18
2	Mohanpur/ Deoghar	3	5	85	
3	Jarmundi, Dumka	20	70	893	59
4	Amrapara, Pakuria & Maheshpur/ Pakur	30	25	303	23
5	Masaliya/ Dumka	75	100	1295	65

Table 1: Women's organisation promoted by Lok Prerna

SI	Block/ District	No. of villages covered	Type of Organisation	Total No.
1	Devipur/ Deoghar	15	Simant Kisan Mandal	16
2	Jarmundi, Dumka	20	Simant Kisan Mandal	15
3	Amrapara, Pakuria, Maheshpur/ Pakur	30	Simant Kisan Mandal Yuvan Dal	16 12

Table 2: Farmers' organisation promoted by Lok Prerna

#### *Some other programmes*

- ❖ *World Bank/ IFAD supported Swashakti Programme in Masaliya Block, Dumka District (2001-2002)*
- ❖ *NABARD supported capacity building programmes for women empowerment in Jarmundi Block of Dumka. (2001-2002)*
- ❖ *IGSSS supported programme for various trainings organized for SHG members for maintenance of accounts, workshop on SWOT role clarity of the organization leader, promote community participation and develop leadership among female or male members (2000-2001).*
- ❖ *SRI, Ranchi supported for SHG Group Promotion (2000-2001).*
- ❖ *Leadership development programme for members of Mahila Mandals.*
- ❖ *Tussar spinning training for women living below poverty line, with help from Block Development Office of Jarmundi CD Block of Dumka District.*
- ❖ *Micro credit upto Rs 1000 from RMK for 167 women for income generation activities.*
- ❖ *Survey on status of girl child in society.*
- ❖ *Survey on health status of women.*
- ❖ *Baseline survey and need assessment in 12 villages of Pakur District with support from Action Aid. (1995-96).*
- ❖ *Promotion of Mahila Mandals through support from DWACRA. (1994-95)*
- ❖ *Survey on socio-economic condition of tribal women (1992-93)*

## *Natural Resource Management Environment Conservation*

Life in rural tribal belts of Jharkhand is entwined to the concept of *Jal, Jameen, Jungle* (water, land and forests) and these three features have become inseparable from the identity of the community itself.

Lok Prerna recognizes this natural bond and understands how important it is to conserve nature, protect environment and make optimal utilization of the natural resources for the development of the region.

From the very inception, Lok Prerna has worked in this direction, be it for awareness generation, promoting dry land cultivation, organic farming or working for soil conservation.

Every year Lok Prerna organizes awareness programmes for environmental protection under the aegis of National Environment Awareness Campaign (NEAC) of Ministry of environment and Forest, Government of India and gets overwhelming participation of the local people in its activities.

It organized a programme with focus on “*Women’s Role in Wasteland Development*”. The programme spanned Devipur, Jarmundi and Pakuria Blocks of Deoghar, Dumka and Pakur Districts respectively. Training workshops, public meetings and demonstrations were organized. Issues like dry land farming, soil conservation and deforestation were discussed. A total of 27 teachers, 403 school students, 265 tribal women and 24 village volunteers were involved in the programme.

Besides this, through the support under different programmes, it has also initiated measures for soil conservation, moisture preservation, plantation and dry land farming.



*Through the initiatives of Lok Prerna over the period of ten years, water-resource management has been popularized in 18 villages.*

*222 Acres of wasteland have been regenerated in the CD Blocks of Devipur, Jarmundi and Pakuria of the Santhal Parganas District.*

*Plantation has been done on 165 acres of land.*

*216 persons have been trained in dry land farming methods.*

***Some Important Activities under Natural Resource Management:***

- IGSSS supported programme for various trainings organized on Dry Land Farming, Soil & Moisture conservation, training on Animal Husbandry, demonstration of Watershed and other resource management training programmes.(2000-2001)
- HIVOS/IRMA project (2000-2001)
- BBADAF project for water harvest tank excavation (2000-2001).
- Plantation programme in Godrosole, Bashahad and Bisanpur on 59 acres of private wastelands of Pahariya and Santhal tribes supported by Adithi, Patna under aegis of National Wasteland Development Board, Ministry of Rural Development.
- Construction of water harvesting tank in Kataria and contour bunding on 20 acres of land in Meghraidih in Devipur, Deoghar. (1998-99)
- Construction of water harvesting tanks and demonstration of contour bunding on 55 acres of land in Newanipathar village in Devipur, with support from FORRAD.(1997-98).
- Participatory planning for watershed development for 365 acres in Devipur Block of Deoghar. (1997-98)
- IGSSS supported programme on organic agriculture and forest protection (1995-96).
- “Women’s Role in Wasteland Development” programme under National Environment Awareness campaign in Devipur, Jarmundi and Pakuria Blocks of Deoghar, Dumka and Pakur. (1995-96)
- ICCO, Netherlands funded programme on soil and moisture conservation and role of adivasi (tribal ) women (1994-96).
- Awareness campaign under National Environmental Awareness Campaign (NEAC), supported by Ministry of Environment and Forest, GOI (1993-94).
- Workshop at Godrosole in Sahebgunj District under National Environmental Awareness Campaign, supported by Ministry of Environment and Forest, GOI. 300 tribal women participated in the workshop (1992-93)

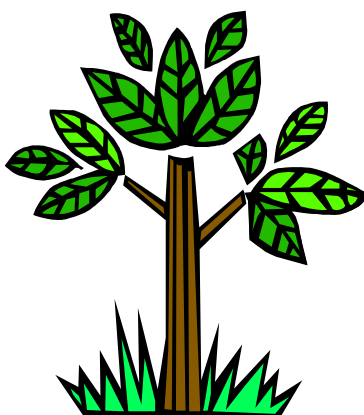


SI	Type of Intervention	Programme	Coverage	Beneficiaries
1	Contour Bunding	Soil and water conservation work	331 Acres	280
2	Renovation of Check Dams	Low Cost Irrigation Technology	7 Acres	63
3	Water Harvesting Tanks	Low Cost Irrigation Technology	8 Acres	215
4	Plantation	Social Forestry/ Horticulture	70 Acres;	381
5	Padyatra (marches), Nukkad natak (road shows), Training, IEC material development, Local folk songs	Environment Education	50 villages	Population of 1205

Table: 3 NRM activities carried out by Lok Prerna

SI	District	Block	Panchayat	Village	Land (Acres)	Fodder/ Timbre Plantation	No. Of grafts
1	Dumka	Jarmundi	Logaykarmadiha	Shankarpur	15	9100	600
2	Dumka	Jarmundi	Logaykarmadiha	Bokala	11	4480	280
3	Dumka	Jarmundi	Logaykarmadiha	Jangalpur	9	1920	120
4	Deoghar	Mohanpur	Simarjore	Budhiary	3	3200	200
5	Dumka	Jarmundi	Logaykarmadiha	Katariya	8	3200	200
6	Dumka	Jarmundi	Logaykarmadiha	Bahairkunda	7	3200	200
7	Dumka	Jarmundi	Logaykarmadiha	Phuljori	5	3200	200
8	Dumka	Jarmundi	Logaykarmadiha	Jangalpur (b)	12	3200	200
<b>Total</b>					<b>70</b>	<b>31500</b>	<b>2000</b>

Table:4 Plantation activities carried out by Lok Prerna





### Key Health Indicators of Some Santhal Parganas Districts

District	Marriage below 18	ANC	Institutional Delivery	Safe Delivery	Vaccination	CMR at age 1yr		
						M	F	Total
Deoghar	66.4	39.2	12.6	14.5	45.4	95	99	97
Godda	66.3	17.8	7.0	8.2	57.3	75	73	74
Dumka & Jamtara	49.5	25.0	7.7	10.9	39.1	69	64	66
Sahibgunj & Pakur	62.6	28.5	7.2	8.8	12.9	78	83	81

The above table indicates the health scenario of Santhal Parganas Districts. In this context, Lok Prerna has made its modest efforts to facilitate government health programmes and promote health awareness in the rural communities.

Over the years Lok Prerna has promoted health awareness by organizing health education and immunization camps. Facilitating Pulse Polio campaign has been taken up as a regular activity. Lok Prerna has dedicated its extension center at Katariya (Jarmundi Block) for this purpose. Activities are also facilitated in Devipur, Kharkhar and Amrapara Blocks. 1997-98, Lok Prerna facilitated immunisation of 1780 children under special OPV campaign launched by Government of India.

Information dissemination about different endemic diseases like malaria, kala-azar, diarrhea, tuberculosis and other viral infections also has been a part of the regular awareness campaign. Rural health practitioners and even unregistered health practitioners are trained for early detection of malarial cases. In addition, Lok Prerna has also launched an AIDS awareness programme with support from AIIMS, New Delhi.

Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) programmes have been emphasized upon. SHG members are educated regarding nutrition, breast-feeding, antenatal and post-natal care and monitoring growth of children. In 1995-96, a project on 'Child Survival and Safe Motherhood' was carried out in 15 villages of Jarmundi Block of Dumka with support from UNICEF.

In the same year, Lok Prerna also organized a training programme for traditional birth attendants, health extension workers and also unregistered health practitioners. Training was given on ORS preparation, methods for obtaining safe drinking water, hygiene and sanitation facilities and soak pits. Immunisation promotion of family welfare services, ante

and postnatal care were duly emphasized. Refresher trainings were organized in 1997-98 and 2000-2001.

Lok Prerna has established linkages with health department and facilitates distribution of folic acid and iron tablets, Vitamin-A and vaccines regularly.

### ***Important Health Programmes***

- ❖ *BHVA supported malarial detection camps in Logay Karmadiha Panchayat of Jarmundi Block. (2001-2002)*
- ❖ *IGSSS supported programme for various trainings organized for TBAs, rural youth on Gender Sensitiveness (2000-2001).*
- ❖ *Immunisation of 1780 children under special OPV campaign launched by Government of India. (1997-98)*
- ❖ *Government supported Pulse Polio Programmes*
- ❖ *Maternal and Child Health programme in 72 villages of Dumka and 24 villages of Pakur District under PVOH-II scheme of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI and USAID. (1995-96)*
- ❖ *Training of traditional birth attendants and health extension workers. (1995-96)*
- ❖ *A project on Child Survival and Safe Motherhood was carried out in 15 villages of Jarmundi Block of Dumka with support from UNICEF. (1995-96)*
- ❖ *Identification and training of village health workers and traditional birth attendants with support from PVOH-II scheme of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI. (1994-95)*
- ❖ *AIDS awareness campaign coordinated through NGO AIDS CELL supported by AIIMS. (1994-95)*
- ❖ *Survey on condition of drinking water resources. (1993-94)*



## *Income Generation Vocational Training*



### **Basic Development Indicators of Some Districts of Santhal Parganas.**

<b>District</b>	<b>Non-Farm Workers</b>	<b>Urbanisation%</b>	<b>Literacy</b>
Deoghar	35.1	13.8	50.5
Pakur	33.1	5.1	30.5
Dumka	18.2	6.5	48.3

Lok Prerna realized that the crux of all development work is in bringing about prosperity and sustainable remunerative engagement.

Lok Prerna therefore took initiative to start vocational training programmes for rural youth and women.

As a part of this endeavour, Lok Prerna organizes regular training programmes for motor driving, bamboo craft, Tasar yarn spinning, weaving and Manipuri handicraft. 160 men and 431 women have secured their livelihood through these trainings.

Lok Prerna has planned for credit support for the handicraft trainees through formation of self-help groups and linking them with local commercial banks, NABARD and RMK. It has also planned to provide support to the handicraft trainees in finding markets for their finished products.

Rural entrepreneurship Development Programme was carried out with sponsorship of SIDBI and facilitated by Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDI) Ahmedabad (1995-96).

135 youth have been trained under Rural Entrepreneurship Development programme of Government of India sponsored by SIDBI. (1994-95)

Lok Prerna is a participant in Research on Tribal Way of Living initiated by SRI, Ranchi, which aims at creating opportunities for sustainable livelihood for the rural poor.



<b>Trade</b>	<b>No. of persons trained</b>		<b>No of persons employed</b>		<b>No of persons self-employed</b>	
	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
Manipuri Handicraft	1	60	1	06	-	46
Motor Driving	160	-	125	-	32	-
Spinning	2	40	2	12	-	17
Weaving	2	12	2	4	-	8
EDP	135	5	18	12	85	1
MCS	0	137	-	-	-	81

*Table:5 Vocational Training Imparted by Lok Prerna*

## Awareness Education Children

**Today's children are tomorrow's citizens.**

In 1992-93, Lok Prerna started Non Formal Education (NFE) for children in 12 different villages of Sagberia and Baliadanagal gram panchayats of Maheshpur and Pakuriya CD Blocks of Pakur. The effort has grown over the years and today there are 25 NFE Centres being run through efforts of Lok Prerna, imparting education to 654 children.

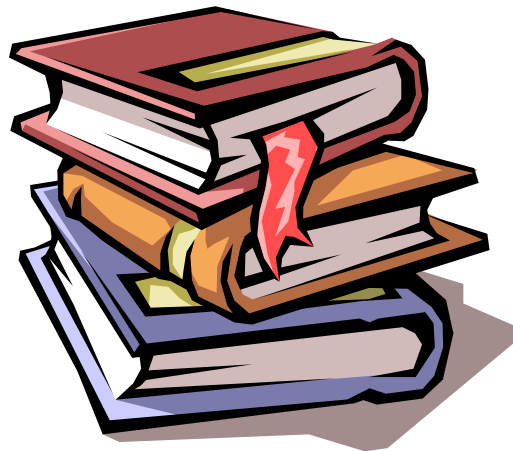


Sl	Area	No. of Centres	No of Children			No. of Enrolment in formal schools		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	Devipur Block Deoghar	10	56	200	256	32	119	151
2	Amrapara Block, Pakur	15	175	214	389	146	138	284
	Total	25	231	400	645	178	257	435

*Table6 :School services provided by Lok Prerna*

In 1995-96, a Convention on Rights of the Child was organized through the sponsorship of Bihar Rajya Bal Kalyan Parishad in Deoghar in which participants from Deoghar, Banka, Bhagalpur and Nawada shared their views and concerns. Lok Prerna also conducted survey on prevalence of child labour in Deoghar and Pakur district.

In 2000-200, Lok Prerna took the initiation to rehabilitate the identified 50 children working as child labourers under the C.A.C.L. programme at district level.



## *Appropriate Rural Technology*

In 2000, Lok Prerna became a **Block Level Technology Resource Centre** for Jarmundi Block of Dumka District, under UNDP / GOI sponsored “TDC-TRC Sub Programme”.

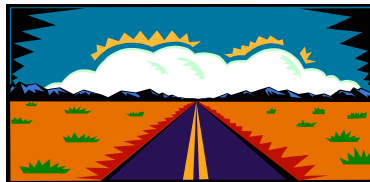
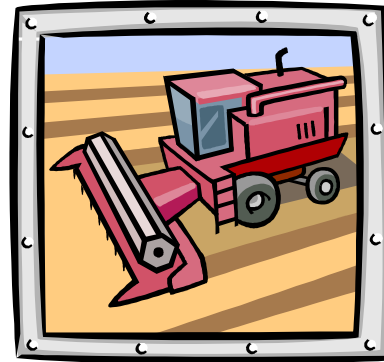
Through this programme, trained local enumerators surveyed the entire C.D. Block, and complete data on socio-economic status, infrastructure and natural resources was compiled and a Block Holistic Development Plan was prepared.

Different appropriate technologies were identified to meet the prioritized needs. Villagers were trained in technology management to start their own micro-enterprises. The following technologies were implemented at field level:

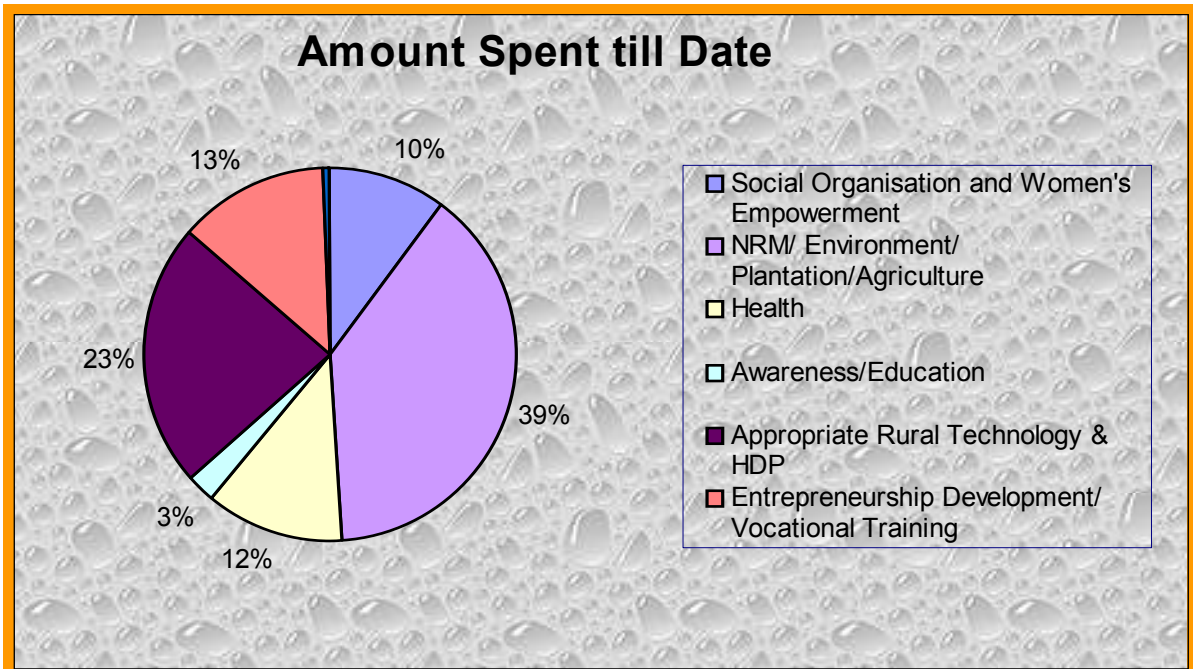
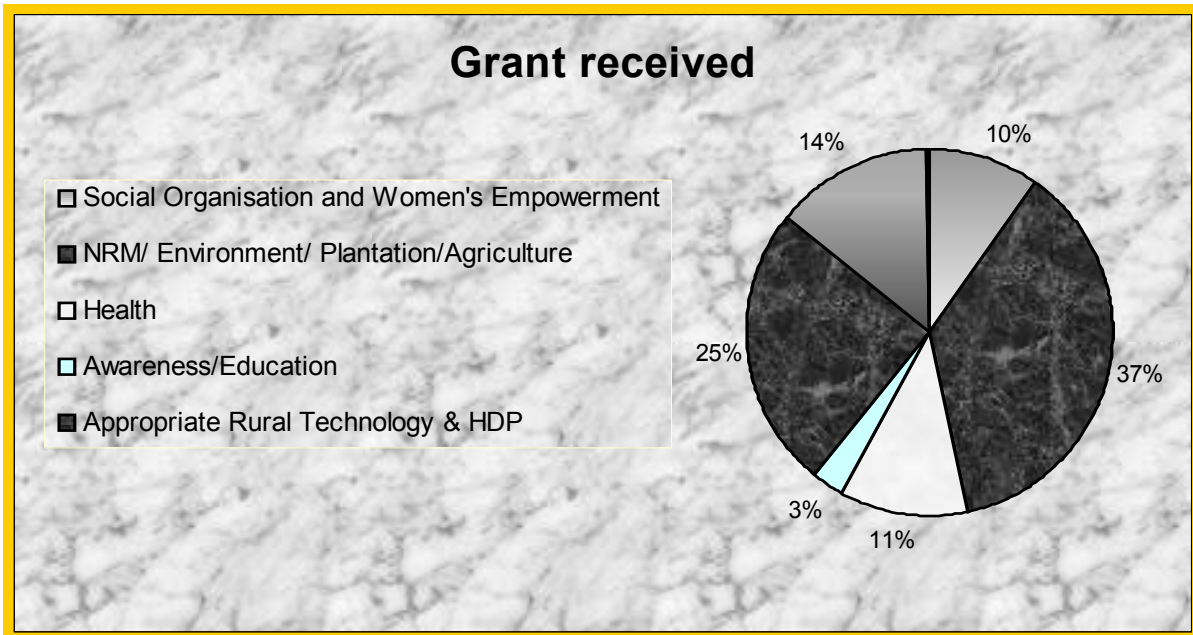
- ❖ Vermi composting
- ❖ Farm Pond
- ❖ Bio dynamic garden using micro-irrigation
- ❖ Food Processing
- ❖ Sanitary Napkin Production
- ❖ Room Temperature Dehydration
- ❖ Micro-catchment.
- ❖ Cultivation and processing of aromatic and medicinal herbs.
- ❖ Suchna Mitra.
- ❖ Seed Processing.

215 persons were trained in the management of these technologies. Some of these technologies became very popular in the community, and were replicated at many places through community’s own initiatives; e.g. vermi- composting was replicated at 70 sites.

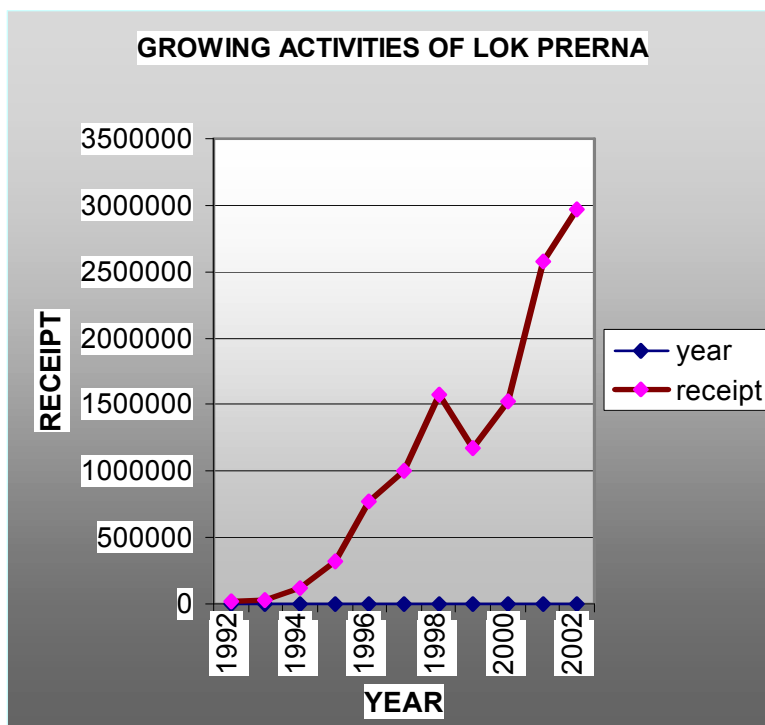
Today, there are 1250 beneficiaries of the programme who have started their own micro-enterprises and are earning an incremental income of Rs. 1200 – 1800 on an average per month.



# Grant Receipt and Expenditure Pattern

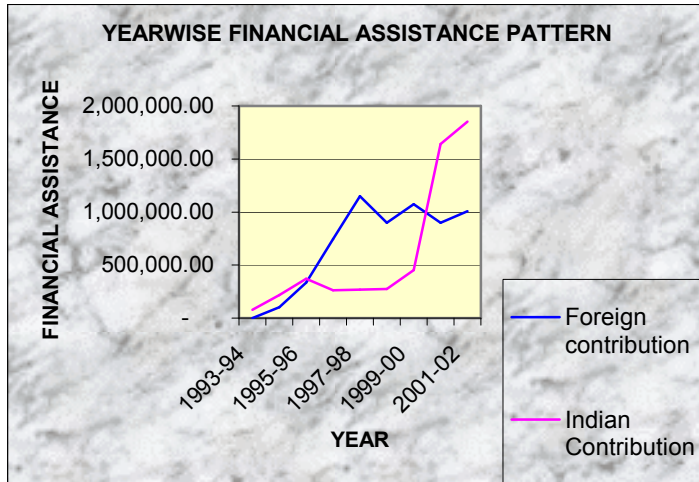


<i>Area</i>	<b>Grant received</b>	<b>Amount Spent till Date</b>
Social Organisation and Women's Empowerment	1029849	1094276
NRM/ Environment/ Plantation/Agriculture	3878782	4103286
Health	1210693	1268378
Awareness/Education	293260	269247
Appropriate Rural Technology & HDP	2623227	2473666
Entrepreneurship Development/ Vocational Training	1470867	1396615
Child	32000	44837.97

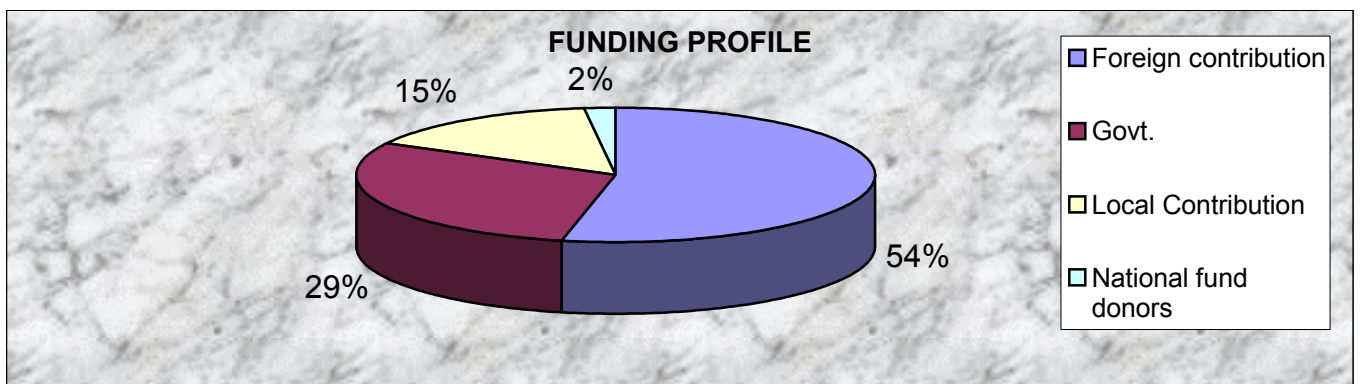
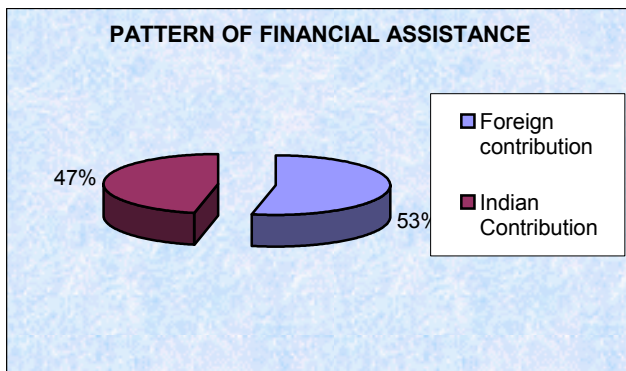


**GROWING ACTIVITIES OF LOK PRERNA**

Year	Annual Receipt
1992	24,600.00
1993	26,400.00
1994	116,177.00
1995	320,174.00
1996	769,528.00
1997	1,003,563.00
1998	1,576,823.00
1999	1,171,936.00
2000	1,520,714.00
2001	2,578,825.00
2002	2,971,963.00



Year	Foreign contribution	Indian Contribution
1993-94	0.00	77,463.00
1994-95	102,600.00	217,619.00
1995-96	333,930.00	372,222.00
1996-97	745,664.00	261,488.00
1997-98	1,148,077.00	269,620.00
1998-99	898,334.00	275,496.00
1999-00	1,072,641.00	452,048.00
2000-01	899,521.00	1,640,628.00
2001-02	1,008,800.00	1,853,102.00
Total	6,209,567.00	5,419,686.00



FUNDING PROFILE			
Foreign contribution	Govt.	Local Contribution	National fund donors
6,209,567.00	3,407,808.00	1,794,359.00	217,519.00

### *PHYSICAL RESOURCES*

☒ Established Extension Centre	3
☒ Two Wheelers	17
☒ Jeep	1
☒ Bicycles	12
☒ Computers	3
☒ Printers	5
☒ Scanner	1
☒ Overhead Projector	1
☒ Photocopier	1
☒ Fax Machine	1
☒ Generator	2
☒ Telephone	1
☒ Food Processing Unit	1
☒ Sanitary Napkin Equipments	1
☒ Room Temperature Dehydrator	1
☒ Greenhouse Shed	1
☒ Other Office Equipments	

### *HUMAN RESOURCE*

	<b>M</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
▪ Staff Members	21	8	29
▪ Consultants	2	2	4
▪ Animators	50	50	100
▪ Enumerators	50	50	100
▪ Volunteers	20	330	350
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>583</b>

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- ❖ Late Padmashree Baghwat Murmu
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