# **Interreligious Centre of Development**

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#### **SITUATION:**

ICOD is situated within Howrah District along the river Damodar and 50 km South West far of Kolkata. 20 km left from Uluberia Town, 3 km from Athanno (58) gates Bus Stop in a large eco-biological land expressing environmental respect, communication and harmony with the whole nature, plants, animals' earth, water & air.

#### Size:

The total land is comprised of 32 bighas up to the Very Damodar River. Two hectares or 4000000 Sq. feet (36000m) roughly 800m by 500m. There is a large Pond with an Island of 1500 sq. m and Similar smaller Ponds. We have 20 clay and thatched roofed Bungalows shelter our inmates.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF ICOD:**

ICOD is not a NGO like the classical ones. It has been created for INTERRELIGIOUS HERMONY with the following noble mottos.

"We have a vision of society where all Religious, Communities, Casts, Creeds, Sexes, Races, Classes and groups live in harmony and where the poorer get priority".

"The way of love is opened to all men and women. All the efforts to establish a universal brotherhood will not be in vain".

#### **BRIEF HISTORY OF ICOD:**

- ICOD started its journey as a joint venture with CIPODA up to 2009 under the noble inspiration and guidance of Beloved Brother Gaston Dayananda.
- A formal decision was taken in the year 2000 to form and start ICOD independently.
- In the year 2001 the land on the Damodar Valley was purchased.
- 1st Inmates & House mother arrived on January 16th 2004.
- ICOD was taken its legal form by registration under West Bengal Society Registration Act, 1961 in the financial year 2004-05.
- ICOD was Registered under section 16(I) of Foreign Contribution & Regulation Act, 1976 and obtained FCRA No 14700216.
- Since then, ICOD has been dedicating itself to offer commendable services towards redressing sufferings of people especially the poor, unprivileged, socio-economically disadvantaged and minorities living under subsistence level over 14 years independently. It is a nonprofit making voluntary organizations and its emirates beneficiaries, G.B.M, staff-structure and activities are absolutely secular in nature and irrespective of caste, creed & religion.

#### LOCUS STANDING:

ICOD was formally registered in place of CIPODA in the year 2003 and now it enjoys registration under -

- Society Registration Act XXVI 1961 W.B. S/IL/26861 of 2004-2005 (Dated 24 Jan 2005)
- NEW Registration No. is SO126861, dated 24/01/2020
- Section 12 A of IT Act 1961 DIT (E)/S 181 8E/243/2009-10
- Tax Deduction A/C No. (TAN) CAL103029F, 11/03/2010
- Permanent Account No. (PAN) AAATI6442E
- Foreign Contribution Regulation 147000216, 22/06/2009 Act, 1976 (FCRA)
- FCRA VALID 01/11/2021
- NITI AYOG unique ID WB/2017/0158042
- Section 80G (5)IV of IT Act,1961 DIT (E)/306 8E/243/09-10/1229-1231
- Fire & Life Safety WBFES/D.O., Howrah/FP/697/13 HWH /Ins Recommendation B.Cum E.B/653/23; 10/09/2013
- Auditor-Gora & Co. Chartered Accountants : 8/2, Kiran Shankar Roy Road, Kolkata 700 001

#### VISION:

- ICOD visualized creating an alternative People's Centre society based on universally accepted Principles i.e Human values of Peace, Justice, Solidarity, Equality, Love, Companion, Participation and self-reliance ensuring sustenance of nature.
- 1. To facilitate the process of empowerment of the Unprivileged, Down-trodden, Distressed and Deprived Communities especially belonging to muslims, S.C. (Ex- outcaste), S.T, OBC (other backward caste) orphan and Destitute.
- 2. To promote & strengthen People's organizations by encouraging People's initiative for self-help & reliance.
- 3. To organize people for issue based movement through collaborative efforts at Local, Regional, National & International level.
- 4. To ensure a sustainable existence with gender equality without social Injustice, Prejudices and superstitions.
- 5. To extend humanitarian services to all abandoned, down-trodden, disadvantaged and distressed women, orphans, widows, divorcees, S.C, S.T, OBC and general backward community irrespective caste, creed & religion.
- 6. To ensure good egalitarian society, ICOD will be a & is a microcosm of Indian Society.
- 7. To ensure socio-economic, cultural, educational and income generation of Down-trodden sections of the community.

#### **AIMS & OBJECTIVES**

#### The specific objective of creation of ICOD were :

- 1. To care and give total support for destitute especially women found on street, the orphan and the rejected.
- 2. To create a place where none of them small have to remain their whole life e.g. mad, and those affected by dementia, old, handicapped irresponsible to rehabilitate.
- 3. To train social-workers in a new world of being social-worker in our training centre.
- 4. To create an inter-religious platform.
- 5. To ensure totally unpolluted environment, to preserve and increase Bio-diversity of the peace enabling all living creatures (animals, plants, trees, and people) to survive in peace.
- 6. To benefit unpolluted air, water and earth. Total protection is ensured to all living species to create one day of national zone of protected ecological preserve. Hence the congenial atmosphere of living is totally attained.
- 7. To create one animal husbandry permitting all kind of domestic animals to live in peace and natural environment. Poultry (not in systematic cruel industry), that is geese, guttery, piggery, cattle, sheep hold etc.
- 8. To establish and introduce organic methods for agro-farming and bionic harvests (vegetable & other crops).
- 9. To give to farmer crops that will be profit making (coconut trees, Bette nut trees, Sunflowers and Soya etc).
- 10. To organize fishery.
- 11. To realize a cultural place with artistic taste (painting, sculpture, bas-relief, dance, table, playing music, songs etc).

12. To build integrated nice Bunglows with local materials (bamboos, mud, trees straw etc) and construct a large multipurpose hall.

#### STRATEGY OF ACTION

Towards fulfillment of the avowed objectives, ICOD's strategy is to motivate people of the focused groups towards multi directions as well as integrated Community Development Interventions along with mobilize resources available with local Govt. & non-Govt. agencies, institutions and Departments.

### FROM THE FOUNDER DESK:

#### Dear sisters and brothers,

This year 20-21 shall forever remain in our mind. Early February, we were wondering if really the threat of COVID-19 virus was serious or not. Most of us, realizing that only North-East India has started to become infected, proposed to wait and see and not to get unduly bothered. But, since I was following the tragedy of the 'forgotten' Ukrainian war in Donbas (14.000 deaths up to day), I came to know that the COVID was a real tragedy in close-by south Italy, and that thousands people were dying, whereas in other small and rich Europeans countries, it started to really become deadly. We therefore decided to take all the necessary precautions if this Chinese virus becomes a threat for our inmates. And on 20th March, we decided to organize ourselves a self-lockdown, an "Quarantine", even before the government, where no outsiders could get in contact with the inmates of our four Homes. We regrouped some of them (the old and the sick women) so that all will be inside the main gate around Gandhi Home, and we could supervise our campus. Masks became obligatory for all staff, members as also for the inmates when Gopa or I came to visit them daily. No other person was permitted to come inside our protected circle, and no outsider could enter the gate of ICOD. This was the reason why our NGO did nod recorded a single infected case. We daily thanked the Almighty God for that, praying Him to spare our Samiti in case this pandemic should continue. We do hope that next year 2021 will see the end of this worldly calamity. We wish all of you a safe and peaceful year, without forgetting those who suffer here and abroad. I shall also do my best to contribute for this aim.

### Your elder brother and grandfather, Gaston Dayanand.

## FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY:

To all my sisters & brothers from ICOD and elsewhere.

I am enthralled to present you some reflections about 2020-21 and to share our efforts and experience in the common endeavor for rehabilitation of abandoned and down-trodden people. You all must agree that we have travelled a long way of our heart companion and unending stream of love for the distressed people, the women and children, the weakest of the lot since they are the focus of our organization. The rural women & children are still facing an inherent socio-cultural bias against them and the scenario cannot be changed except by a radical movement with planned strategies and evaluation during our journey toward development. We have come across many problems and constraints with people's support the same has been mitigated to some extent. But all are not quite right in terms of fund inflows and necessary inputs.

We are most aware that the Govt. of India has given utmost importance towards the women development particularly the abandoned, down-trodden and disadvantaged. Schemes like Swades, Swaym Sidha, and Short stay home, Step RMK etc. But in view of devastating need the result is rather microscopic.

It shall not be out of place to mention here that we have adopted variety of Programs on education, health, environment, anti-pollution or economic rejuvenation front.

It shall be failing in my duty if I don't recognize the ardors task carried by our staffs at all levels in spite few amenities for better living. I have full confidence that they continued to execute their duties and due dedication to help people to ensure them to achieve better quality of life.

Due to severe Endemic situation of 2020-21 and announcement of lock down often and on, we have to face great dilemma and difficulties in executing different programs. We overcome this horrible endemic situation with the help of our staffs, social workers, Inmates, Donors, local panchyate and--- administration.

I express my indebtness and gratitude to energetic, ever smiling and ever helping beloved brother Gaston Dayananda, our committee members and general members as well as 'local MLA, Panchyate administration MP of Uluberia constituency, office staffs, resource persons, Govt. of West Bengal, Govt. of India and stakeholders for their discrete and continuous support extended to us in implementing multi dimensional programs of our organization.

I am quite sure, with the co-operation of people from various walks of life, we shall surge ahead to bring solace, happiness and ecstasy in dismayed gloomy life of our beneficiaries & inmates.

Please give a feedback to our presentation and try to reflect back our image as you perceive it.

Wishing a bright & prosperous future and with warm regards.

Sincerely yours, (Mamata Ghosh – Gopa Di) Secretary, ICOD

## Message from the Desk of Administrative Manage Binoy Kr. Mondal

Dear Brother, Sister, GBMS, Inmates and Staffs

At the outset, I am conveying cordial thanks and respect to you all as well as grateful to all of you for your kind co-operation extended to me for accomplishment of different programs.

I fervently appeal to your good selves to extend your whole hearted co-operation if any financially, advisory or technically for the attainment of noble objectives of ICOD, as well as for execution & implementation of socio-economic development, cultural & educational projects and economic uplift of the unprivileged groups dependent of Govt assistance and who are living under subsistence level irrespective of caste, creed & religion. I am grateful to all the staffs, social-workers & inmates for their august co-operation in implementation of Anti-Covid movement plan & program.

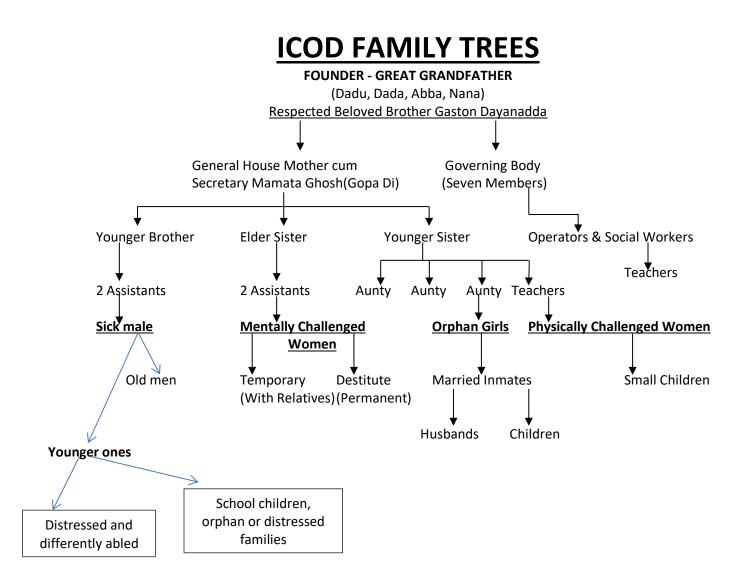
Kindly extend your good wishes to me and at the same time, we promise to continue our noble work for all the groups quoted above.

Soliciting your positive and favorable response & co-operation.

With good wishes & warm regards.

Sincerely yours Binoy kr. Mondal (Chief Administrative Manager)

Rabindranath Tagore wrote: "The child is in his natural settings amidst the flowers and song birds. There he may easily express well in of his individual endowment".



# **ICOD'S GRAND TOTAL INMATES FOR 5 HOMES**

UNIT	Total Number of Inmates	Normal	Physicall Y Handicap ped	Mentally retarded	Physically handicappe d with Mentally retarded	Blind with mentall y retarde d	Spastic
A. Mother Teresa Bhavan (Female Unit)	25	0	0	23	2	0	0
B. Malala Bhavan (Female Unit)	8	8	0	0	0	0	0
C. Tagore Bhavan (Abandoned Women Unit)	10	0	2	2	2	2	2
D. Dr. Sen Boy's Home Situations (Male Unit)	24	8	1	8	6	1	0
E. Sick Men Unit	13	2	4	5	2	0	0
Total		80 heads as on 31.03.2021					

## List of Executive Committee Members for the year 2021-22

SI. No.	Name	Address	Guardian Name	Contact number	PAN NO	Aadhar No.	e-mail ID	Designatio n	Occupat ion
1	Mrs. Subarna Manna Bera	Purba Medinipur, Narghat	W/o, Suman Kalyan Bera	9330344217	FIAPB9319C	540248092683	Subarnaber a16@gmail. com	President	Social Worker
2	Sunit Sarkar	Vill- Chayanigujrat, P.O Rupasgaria, P.S- Bagnan, Dist. – Howrah Mobile No 9836554836	Father's Late- Amalundu Sarkar	9836554836	BXMPS7617H	957461388461	sarkar.sunit 2017@gma il.com	Vice- President	Other professio nal
3	Mrs. Mamata Ghosh	Vill- Chayanigujrat, P.O Rupasgaria, P.S- Bagnan, Dist. – Howrah Mobile No 9830445900	Husband Name- Biswanath Ghosh	9830445900	BBIPG8065K	982962048902	icodngo@g mail.com	Secretary	Social Worker
4	Br. Marcus Toppo	11/13, Puratansahir Lane, Howrah – 711 101 Mobile No 9836634992	Father's Name – Late Jony Toppo	9836634992	AFVPT5866P	991739279336	br.markust oppo@gm ail.com	Member	Social Worker
5	Mrs. Sahely Mondol Khan	Korala Debanandapur, Hooghly.	W/o,Md. Azharuddin Khan	9051765999	EHSPM8266F	544649232769	mdbtkhan @gmail.co m	Treasurer	Social Worker
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7	Mita Roychowdhu ry	Vill. + P.O. – Mugkalyan, P.s- Bagnan, Howrah - 711312	W/o Sukumar Roy Chowdhury	9593445837	APYPR5199C	844149062727	roychowdhu rymita54@ gmail.com	Member	Other professio nal

#### **DONORS HELPING US SINCE INCEPTION**

"FFB, Geneva (Funds Friends of Bengal) has supported us from the very beginning including the purchasing of land.

Dominique Lappire with two important donations for excavation of ponds & complete enclosure since 2009 upto December, 2017. Permanent donation of solution of our budget.

Many of other smaller doantions for Switzerland, France, Spain, Belgium, Canada, Sweden, Italy & England. Other Indian NGOs helping us in many ways.

- 1. ABC
- 2. UBA
- 3. CIPODA
- 4. SHIS
- 5. Bellari P.B.S

ICOD is fully indebted to aforesaid NGOs Institution for their kind help & co-operation for proceeding the ICOD.

#### **INMATES SIX HOMES AT A GLANCE**

#### (84% OF THE BUDGET WITH THEIR STAFF)

It may please be noted that all of our Inmates have a Bank Accounts, Addhar card and Voter's ID card for adult along with, Ration card and Handicapped identity cards.

	i) Malala Bhavan – Orphan & Distressed Girls			
1. Girls Centre – 3 Homes	ii) Tagore Bhavan – Old/Sick Woman & Spastic			
	iii) Mother Terresa Bhavan – Mentally Sick Women			
	i) School Going Boys			
2. Boys Centre – 3 Homes	ii) Mentally Sick – Taking Medicine			
	iii) Handicapped (Spastic, Blind etc)			
3. Old & Sick Adult Men	Home for Handicapped, Spastic & Mentally Sick			
4. Training Centre for all	Coaching Centre, Training Dispensary, Physiotherapy (General Psychiatric)			

#### **GANDHI BHAVAN**

Administrative office of ICOD is situated in this Bhavan. All the activities of Administration are executed under the guidance of secretary cum chief Home Mother Mrs. Mamata Ghosh(Gopa Di), noble inspiration of Mr. Binoy Mondal, Administrative manager under the closest supervision & advice of beloved Brother Gaston Dayananda. Here in is situated, office & conference hall of the governing body secretary office, Administrative Manager's chamber and administrative Assistant's room.

Mrs. Mamata Ghosh (Gopa Di) is the overall in charge of administration & six homes. She is also general house mother & she is a trained nurse and was the 1st in charge of dance and songs and can organize and offer puja by herself.

There is a beautiful orchidarium where fabulous orchids are blooming all along the year & it is being looked after by her.

#### PROCUDURE OF SELECTION OF INMATES

#### Following criteria are being adopted for all:

(male, female, children & team)

Are accepted without problems these who are found on the street, stations, but stands etc mothers with babies, those sent by the police even in some cases by some children court of justice and who are totally orphan although with an immediate enquiry by your enquiry team and without well to do relatives to look after.

Those whose mothers are widows (or husband left without traces) and cannot afford to look after their children due to destitution (beggar, helped by neighbors, bed ridden, handicapped, suffer from chronic diseases etc) but always with conditional admission for the future (if they get married for example)

Those children whose mother are prostitutes and therefore are great in mortal danger.

Those girls found alone in street, no questions are asked and we admit them to avoid common risks of rapes informing the police as quickly as possible. For teen girls morally in danger even with families some girls have to be admitted through special circumstances to prevent trafficking for example. However we do not accept babies from nursing home due to shameful ways they are selling children or disposing of.

Minimum communication from the guardian is required, but few are paying – they are too poor.

#### MAIN ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY ICOD DURING THE YEAR 2020-21 AS PER AUDIT REPORT OF 2020-21

- 1. Running of Abandoned women unit
- 2. Agro-Horticulture and Floriculture
- 3. Amphan Cyclone project 2020
- 4. Animal Husbandry & Pisciculture
- 5. Asha Bengal Project
- 6. AVTM COVID 19 Project
- 7. Brick Field Child Welfare Program
- 8. SARI Organization Project(For Cloth)
- 9. Dispensary Running
- 10. Female Unit Running
- 11. Male Unit Running
- 12. Mental Asylum Running
- 13. Sick Men Unit Running
- 14. Social Welfare Program
- 15. Special Program
- 16. Vocational Training Centre

Now we are giving in details of the Program implemented during the year 2020-21

#### 1. RUNNING OF ABANDONED WOMEN UNIT. (2<sup>nd</sup> homes)

Abandoned women unit is situated at Tagore Bhavan or Home. It is the Second Home. Harubala Kirtania and Tukubala Mondal are the house mothers or in charges. There are two old woman and other handicapped young adults inclusive of seven handicapped consisting of one deaf, spartic-2, blind-2, polio-1, and partially handicapped- 1.

All type of help to the end of life is provided to them such as physiotherapy with our two qualified physiotherapist and treatment and care for 24 hours. They can participate in Mother Teressa human activities.

There are adequate cremation facilities for the Hindus, Burials for the Muslims and Christians according to the rituals of various religions.

They are also provided with television facilities for their enjoyment. We have expended Rs. 2, 26,796/for the abandoned women unit during the year under report.

#### 2. AGRO-HORTICULTURE & FLORICULTURE

ICOD specially stresses pivotal importance on organic method of farming in place of so called modern technique of agrarian development. It is an essential ingredient for ecological balance & sustainable development. ICOD also always endeavors to be self-reliant in producing of different types of vegetables & crops for meeting up regular needs of inmate's fooding. The organic method of farming creates a congenial atmosphere of sustainable Development. Under our cultivation process, organic manures & bio-pesticides are used for producing various crops.

Annual large surface cultivates are soya, sun-flowers, cotton etc.

Vegetables: - Different types of vegetables of day to day need.

Coconut Trees: - ICOD has above 150 coconut trees and more than 50 coconut trees are being planted during the year under report.

We have planted more than 60 banana trees during the year under report.

More than 100 fruit & flower trees are precious annual ornaments of ICOD. The flower gardens are being regularly maintained with due care and gravity. It shall not be out of peace to mention that blooming flowers also enhances the beauty of ICOD.

It may please be noted that at present, our paddy field (1 Bigha) is now being used for semi-forestation for meeting up fuel necessity of ICOD as well as to ensure pollution free environment.

#### **3.AMPHAN CYCLE PROJECT**

Due to devastating Amphan Cyclones, a severe damage was caused to electrical & solar system. Many trees were broken and serious damage was caused to our cottage & bunglows under this project, Rs. 36,280 /- was expended for repair to electric of male unit, Rs. 11,970/- for solar system and labor charges of Rs. 44,100/- was incurred for setting aside and cutting of trees and repairing of cottage & bunglows.

#### **4.ANIMAL HUSBANDARY AND PISCICULTURE**

Under the rainbow of god, our animals need the harmony of the creation as much as fraternity between mankind, animals, plants, water, air, earth. As every life is holy one, the prevention against any kind of pollution, each one being a crime against the earth, the health and harmony is a social and moral duty especially for us who are preparing future generation, our children already suffering from consequence of social pollution of their future environment.

Our ultimate aim is to transform the land into a protected reserve for the riches of bio-diversity. Non-cutting of trees and plants, non living of any kind of birds & animals will ensure prevention.

Under this project we stress pivotal importance requiring geese, turkeys, guinea & town & also requiring on goats, piggery & sheep's which will be helpful to income generation process.

#### 5. ASHA BENGAL PROJECT EXP

Under this project all the repair & maintenance work has been conducted at an amount of Rs. 252040/- during the year under report such as building repairing, electrical work maintenance, canal side guard work repairing, c.c camera repair & maintenance, coconut garden maintenance, internal road repairing, solar system maintenance, submersible pump repairing, water supply line maintenance expenses etc.

#### 6. AVTM COVID 19 PROJECT

Covid 19 had a devastating effect on rural lives and their livelihood. Common villagers were facing great difficulties in maintaining livelihood due to lack of income earning process. But ICOD and its family & social workers were not indifferent to this problem.

With the auspicious help and co-operation of AVTM, PARIS to combat the untoward and unprecedented Covid-19 situation, we took four phases result-oriented programs as follows:

#### i) Gohalapota Village Relief :

Under this scheme, ICOD distributed rice, vegetables, grocery, goods, sanitizers etc. among 265 families for 2 months and about more than 1000 family members of the above cited 265 family were highly benefitted by the program and highly appreciated our endeavor in this project.

#### ii) Migrant People Relief

Shyampur I people has more than 60 brick fields. At the time of brick making, a large number of migrant labours come from different district of West Bengal & other states inquest of seasonal work and used to stay at brick fields temporary shelter homes. When the covid-19 was reigns at highest level, they were facing great difficulties to maintain their lives & livelihood. At this severe time of difficulties ICOD conducted relief projects for the migrants by providing rice, vegetables, sanitizers, grocery goods etc. They highly appreciated ICOD's endeavor in this respect.

#### iii) Covid-19 Awareness Project

To generate awareness among common people among the devastating effort of covid-19, ICOD conducted 4 awareness generation campus at ICOD premises, Gohalapota village more, 58 gates and Madhabpur with the noble participation of more than 100 people at each camp.

#### iv) Migrant labour charges

We created 1090 man days @ Rs. 250/- for migrant labourers in order to generate income for men to accelerate their space of living which was highly affected by covid-19 dilemma.

#### 7. Brick Field Project

(Primary Education for adibasis brick field children "Ashar Alo") "Remember that every failure is in yellow brick road success".

Right to Education Act, 2009 has been enacted in order to provide educational facilities to all children at primary level and for their enrolment. But the children of migrant are not enrolled and the children of migrant labourers are quite in dark.

ICOD's being a noble minded institution and run under the philosophy of beloved Brother Gaston Dayananda, cannot remain aloof from this situation. So, the ICOD adopted the project "Ashar Alo" to illuminate the lives of Brick Field children.

Under this program, we appointed teachers for guiding the children and one project supervisor for proper supervision of the project. Books and educational articles are provided at free of cost. ICOD arrange nutritious foods for their sound health and mind. The motto of ICOD is to connect them with main streaming. We expended Rs. 51,350/- for implementation of this project during the year under report.

#### 8. <u>Sari Organization Project :</u>

Under this project, we provide to all the inmates of female unit, mental unit, sick unit and male unit. All the inmates appreciated the endeavor of ICOD in this report.

#### 9. Charitable Dispensary Running:

"Healing touch". "Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love"

"Mother Terresa"

ICOD run a charitable dispensary out of its own source with help of an eminent medical practitioners to provide treatment & medical facility to all the inmates of ICOD as well as other people living under subsistence level of Dhandali G.P who have not access to any type of medical facility & treatment of Govt. due to lack of awareness, education & knowledge.

It is done to facilitate and accurate the good health of the inmates and down trodden sections of the community which is not accessible for other vulnerable society who use to live under BPL in miserable condition.

The dispensary is run by our dedicated social workers out of the fund of our own and associate organization. We provide treatment facility during the year under report.

#### 10. Female Unit Running:

"There is no compulsion in Religion" - Quoran

Residential female unit (1<sup>st</sup> home) is being situated at Malala Bhavan. Facilities for sustainable living are being offered to orphan, mentally retarded & challenged with associate disabilities. There are eight school going girls. Gopa Di & Tripti Manna is in charge of the house.

Multi-dimensional facilities are being offered to them such as safe residence, adequate medical practitioners, psychiatrist & physiotherapist, adequate nutritious food, free medicines and facilities for cultural & vocational aid are provided for their mental development.

We have conducted job result and income oriented vocational training programs for the girls and women associate with our ICOD like tailoring, jori, knifing, embroidery & patch work readymade garments making to facilitate future income generation process.

We have also arranged training on different trades and skills and education facilities to abandoned and disadvantaged women of the community.

Not only that, we have arranged facilities for marriage of disadvantaged group of girls with a view of enlighten a new hope of aspiration among their life styles. Not only facilities are being provided for delivering of children, treatment facilities to all who come here for treatment.

"For this tendentious Nirvana, surrender yourself totally to god now" – Hinduism.

#### 11. Male Unit Running

This unit is situated at Dr. Sen's Bhavan completely separated for girls & woman unit in an opened but carefully close compound with greenery and trees. Three bunglows have been affected respective for orphan, semi-orphan going to regular schools, mentally retarded boys and for a group of dozen and so middle aged man who want to finish their lives at ICOD.

#### Following arrangement are made for school going children.

Nursery studies in a private school & through a collective car.

Primary studies (1 TOV) at Govt. primary school of Gohalapota.

Secondary studies (vi to x) in a Govt. sponsored school at 8 km distance (Bagnada).

Higher secondary studies (x-xii) through minibus coaching centre at ICOD.

Most other activities at Bhagini Nibedita hall.

Special teaching for class ix. Inter religious prayer at 6:30 am and 6 pm daily. Wearing their clothes. Children park at their disposal. Marriage for orphan and entertainment progs & ceremonies conducted. Puja & different types of festival are arranged every year.

Coaching centre – one qualified teacher at night.

All there who can participate to daily activities and several receive a small stipend if they have obtained regular.

Special activities such as loving after animals, birds feeding them, helping & taking care of other older and sick men & inmates.

There are 24 inmates out of which six are school going children, 8 inmates mentally sick and taking medicines, one fully Handicapped, one partially handicapped, one spastic and six are deaf & dumbs.

Jagannath Basu and Madhusadan Bhattacharya two eminent social workers are in charge of the home.

All the inmates of Dr. Sen Bhavan are provided with educational opportunity, free medical facility free medicines and other amenity of life for their better living ICOD is always interested to take care of them as ICOD family members.

#### 12. MENTAL SICK UNIT RUNNING (ASYLUM)

#### "LOVE STARTS AT HOME AND IT IS NOT HOW MUCH WE DO BUT HOWMUCH LOVE WE PUT IN THAT ACTION" - MOTHER TERESA.

It is situated at Mother Teresa Bhavan.

Third Home where 23 mentally sick woman resides.

Depali Kapat is the incharge of this home. 20 of them are completely orphaned mostly having been found on the road and stations. Most appear completely normal but remain quite delicate and subject to manias or light depressions. Most realise that they cannot get married and their future are remain in ICOD only. They can certainly hope for better solution left we have none to offer.

They are usually kept with household chores, manual works with land or in some training schemes. The result of our policy is transparent. They are absolutely not a single sick woman or man or man beggar in the roads and villages in our two blocks Shyampur I & II and Uluberia.

#### 13. SICK MEN UNIT RUNNING - 6TH HOME

13 old & sick men used to reside at this unit consisting of five handicapped, three spastic and five mentally sick. They are either physically or mentally ill and rejected or neglected by their families.

ICOD has taken responsibility to look after them by extending all sorts of humanitarian help and cooperation to them so that they may lead a meaningful & joyous life.

ICOD has given a new hope and aspiration of life. Although they want to die here in peace out of frustration. Many of them are died in ICOD in peace. Hindu, Christian, muslims live together here without a single problem knowing that they will die with their own rituals and prayers of their own religion. They always feel that the care which they received from ICOD & its family members is quite unexpected in their own families.

The sick men have been followed regularly by well qualified physician. Service and free medicines are provided to them. No one is inclined to Govt. Hospitals for his end journey. They all want to breathe last here. But sometimes we are compelled to admit them to Uluberia Hospital but not in Kolkata for better and proper treatment which is not accessible here, mental patient are being treated Hope Foundation Hospital, Taratala.

#### 14. SOCIAL WELFARE PROGRAMS

ICOD being a noble minded social organization offering humanitarian service to the unprivileged & helpless men & woman since its inception cannot set aside its social obligation in view it conducted following programs during the year under report.

#### a. <u>Gift & Prizes for Marriage Help:</u>

Under this program, we assisted the distressed persons with monetary help as well as offering gifts and prizes to inmates or outside out of our own source of contribution.

#### b. <u>Netaji Birth Day Celebration :</u>

ICOD management inmates' staffs and social workers celebrated the 124th Birth Day of General Patriot and freedom fighter Netaji Subhas Chandra Basu with profound respect. ICOD secretary & beloved house mother Smt. Mamata Ghosh "Gopa Di" hoisted the National flag and delivered a short speech on the lives and patriotism of Netaji in very lucid manner some patriotic songs were sung by the inmates of ICOD.

#### c. <u>Puja Donation :</u>

Bengal is famous for "TERO PARBON" puja & festival celebration is often and on organized. To make the celebration grand success, we offered puja & festival Donation to the different Puja Committees & authority.

#### 15. SPECIAL PROGRAMS

#### A. Independence Day Celebration :

We celebrated 73th Independence Day at our ICOD's premises with due respect. National flag was hoisted by our beloved secretary Smt. Mamata Ghosh. Bande Matoram song of Sri Bankim Chandra was played by our social workers and inmates in this occasion. Binay Mondal, administrative manager and Palash Dolui, chief accountant gave a short speech on significance of Independence Day.

#### B. <u>25<sup>th</sup> December "Jesus Birth" celebration :</u>

X – Mas Day was celebrated by our inmates with profound respect under the noble inspiration of beloved brother Gaston Dayananda.

**C.** <u>Good Friday & Easter</u>: We observed Good Friday and Easter day with profound respect in the auspicious Presence of Beloved Brother Gaston Dayanand. An inter-religious prayer was arranged in the Divine Mercy hall where all the inmates and ICOD family members participated.

#### D. <u>26<sup>th</sup> January (Republic Day)</u>:

71st Republic day was celebrated by our management governing body of inmates of homes with due honour & respect. At the same time they offered their great respect to Dr. B. R. Ambedkar the farmer & writer of Indian constitution on this occasion. Let all of us pray and take an oath to protect sovereignty of India at any cost.

#### E. Dol Utsav :

Dol Utsav is one of the holy festivals of Hindu. This utsav was celebrated this year with due respect and dignity by all the inmates, social workers & staffs.

#### F. Saraswati Puja :

We the family members, ICOD conducted saraswati puja, goddess of knowledge, with profound respect. All the inmates, staffs and social workers assembled to offer 'puspanjali' and a feast was organised on that occasion.

#### 16. Vocational Training Centre:

We conducted various types of Training programme on different trades such as Tailoring, Jori, CIPHOM, CORD Bag making, handicraft and bamboo craft to make our inmates self-reliant and accelerate the Income Generation process. Besides this vocational training programme we arrange teaching programme on Dance and Sing under the supervision of a good musical teacher. So that the inmates is self-reliant after completion of dance and song programme.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Binoy Kr. Mondal, a dedicated, socially inspired & experienced youth, is an human asset of our ICOD and used to offer his humanization service as administrative manager. His dynamic leadership is unquestionable and beyond description. We wish her long prosperous life.

Palash Dolui a dynamic social minded youth has been presently discharging his noble duties as a chief accountant of ICOD and associated himself with the implementation of all program of ICOD. He is with us since 2006.

#### Staff Strength

Our staff structure is divided into two categories – a. Administrative Staffs, B. Field Staffs.

Our policy is selection of field staffs, is to give emphasis on empowerment of women and unprivileged men living under subsistence level. We always consider social mindedness of staffs in place of so called education.

#### **Collateral Programs**

"My house shall be a house of prayer" – ISAISH – VII. B. C. Bible.

An interreligious prayer is arranged for every festival such as Independence Day, Republic Day, Christmas Day, Good Friday, Easter Day, The Bhagabat Gita, The quoran and the Bible are read after prayer.

#### Interreligious Divine Mercy Prayer House

"Bhogini Nibedita & Vivekananda" - large multi-purpose hall

The following activities are conducted in this hall where it is illuminated with solar light :

Marriages of orphan inmates, All ceremonies & entertainments, Birthday celebration, First Rice of New Born Babies, Reception of guest, Special distribution of foods, cloths and toys, celebration of puja, festivals & auspicious days.

This hall is equipped with large stage to accommodate dances, manifestation, theatres, dramas & performance of folkloric games.

The hall is used for daily group activities for mentally challenged groups.

#### **Two Large Solar Plants**

We have 2 large solar plants with 9.5kw respectively 2kw & 7.5kw to illuminate Multi-purpose hall and mother Teressa Bhavan which reduces our electric charges to a great extent. They also supply power to 5 girls & woman Bunglow.

#### **Future Environment Plans & Programs**

- 1. Enlargement and complete closure by high wall the whole of the land for strengthening security.
- 2. Appointment of one lady professionals with high computer skills and proficiency in English & Bengali to take the responsibility of office work as well as founder's correspondence and discharges her duty as links with the domestic and abroad donors.
- 3. Arrangement of filtered drinking water for all inmates through installation of water purifier plants.
- 4. Introduction of bio-gas & kitchen gas plant
- 5. Mechanic workshop
- 6. Cutting of old fruitless tress in the orchid, to procure good woods for furniture & fixtures and to plant new ones.
- 7. Arrangement of football ground below the prayer hall.
- 8. Small indoor games hall for the boys.
- 9. Special "secretary desk and cabinet" at Gandhi Bhavan.
- 10. Public latrine below the garage.
- 11. "Gousala" with some cows to get milk for the weakest inmates.
- 12. Large chamber behind the garage connectivity the drains form the training complex
- 13. Construction of complete health complex with waiting hall.
- 14. Complete ramps of access for handicapped before some buildings.
- 15. Re-excavation of ponds with the help of local Panchayate.

#### **Conclusion**

At the outset, we are conveying our cordial thanks to all. G.B. members, administrative & field staff, social workers, inmates, patrons & well-wishers who extended their august co-operation in implementation of all the programs of the F.Y. 2020-21 in form of monetary contribution, physical contribution, technical & professional advice. And we also offer our noble respect and gratitude to supreme beloved brother Gaston Dayananda for his sincerest, noble & dedicated humanitarians' services to ICOD without which we will not be able to procure funds for execution of multi-dimensional plans & programs.

It shall not be out of place here to mention that we have to face great difficulties to implement our program due to devastating spread of covid-19 last years. At that time, we arranged all types of protective and safeguarding measures for inmates in consultation with the health dept. of Govt. of West Bengal. Not only that we arranged vaccination for all inmates with the help of Govt. health dept. with the blessings of almighty GOD, we are able to combat corona at our ICOD's home.

It may please be noted that with the closure of Dominique Lappier's foundation in the financial year 2017-18. We are facing great difficulties to procure fund for implementation of plans & programs. However we try to our level best to contact Govt. authority and abroad donors for procurement of fund and we fervently, hope to achieve it soon despite all difficulties, we will not stop any of our humanitarian project envisaged for the distressed and down-trodden section of the community living under subsistence level.

At the last, we fervently appeal to all the donors' well- wishers patrons, social workers, administrative & field staffs to extend their full support and co-operation in implementation of future envisaged plans & programs.

At the same time, I, as a secretary of ICOD pray to almighty God to shower his blessings upon me so that I may discharge my humanitarian service towards the cause of distressed and unprivileged sections of the community.

Wishing you a bright and prosperous life

Mamata Ghosh

#### Golden Book's Visitors & Guest (2020-21)

ICOD sincerely thanks all visitors & guest for supporting the mission and philosophy to serve poor of the poorest.

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## **OUR WELL-WISHERS & PATRONS**

We offer our sincere thanks and gratitude to all the well-wishers and patrons for this noble help and co-operation without which we shall not be able to execute our plans & programs of 2020-21. We are especially indebted to our foreign friends and Donors for this august help and co-operation.