



## NOIDA LOK MANCH

# WORKING TOGETHER

## ANNUAL REPORT-2005-2006

### INTRODUCTION

Noida Lok Manch (NLM), a non governmental organization (NGO in Noida, Uttar Pradesh established on July 12, 1997 as a people's initiative based on the axiom of the people, by the people , for the people.

Our activity and initiatives in the year focused on

1. Taking medical services and facilities to the deprived.
2. Community health and hygiene programmes to the targeted communities.
3. Organizing “**Health Care Camps**” in the rural areas as also in the urban slums.
4. Improving and extending the reach of our primary educational and vocational training programmes through NLM SANSKAR KENDRA Schools.
5. Stress was laid on expanding NOIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY by way of both additional books on current technical and educational needs of the readers as also to increase the readership membership services available and frequency and reach of the mobile library.
6. Activity at the only shavdahgrah “ANTIM NIWAS” in the area of Noida and Greater Noida was stepped up with area development activities, additional facilities and making it sensitive to the needs of users keeping in view the solemnity, sadness and sorrow of the moment.
7. Full facility for people from the economically weaker segments with availability of fully FREE wood and services for completion of the final rites.

Our volunteers spread their wings and helped develop awareness in regard to the tremendous reach and capability of “WORKING TOGETHER” within the community, disregarding all man made barriers and perceptions. This has helped considerably to achieve an enduring relationship.

## **Geographic Location**

The existing educational facilities and delivery of services in the primary health care sector and education relates to the district of Gautambudh Nagar covering 5-6 villages, rural areas and urban slums of Noida, Greater Noida going as far as Dadri.

This would indicate reaching out to a population of around 30000 individuals from the economically weaker section (ews). It covers densely populated areas, which include a migratory population of road and construction workers, plumbers, electricians, technocrats and other blue collared workers.

## **Socio-Economic Status of the Area:**

The lowest order of the population from the rural areas or the urban slums often comprising tenants and the like, form the bulk of our beneficiaries. The usually illiterate, semi illiterate individuals are unable to meet the financial needs necessary to sustain the health and educational needs of the family. Because of these disadvantages, they are unable to access any of the existing health and /or educational facilities and services.

## **Mission Statement:**

# **RETURN TO EVERY CHILD HER/HIS FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO LIFE & LIBERTY.**

## **AIMS & OBJECTIVES:**

Throughout the year 2005-2006, **NLM** continued resolutely to establish improved standards of cooperation, understanding and delivery of services to achieve its objectives:

1. Creating social and public awareness in regard to “**WORKING TOGETHER**” as a social group/community in spreading the word of government development plans, policies, initiatives and subsidies and the ways and means to access such facilities.
2. To uphold and help inculcate a national culture uniting different religions, castes, class and communities.
3. ‘**Building Linkages**’ with other like minded people, non governmental organizations, social clubs, groups with the sole objective of furthering the reach of all development work.
4. To organize ‘**FREE MEDICAL CHECK-UP**’ camps, diagnostic centers, dispensaries.

5. Awareness and preventive safeguards in areas of personal and community hygiene and health care.
  6. NLM initiative to develop low cost “**Primary Health Care Centres**”.
  7. Access to medical aid, treatment and medicines in the village community.
  8. To promote **FUNCTIONAL LITERACY**.
  9. Replication of the NLM Sanskar Kendra Schools module focused on character building and traditional values.
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10. Further replication of NLM Sanskar Kendra Schools would focus on greater enrollment of children from the villages belonging to factory workers and to the downtrodden sections of society and receiving full support of vocational training programmed to serve as income generating activity in the short-term.
  11. ‘Free’ school textbooks, exercise books, equipment, clothes and school uniforms were provided.
  12. Awarding recognition and Scholarships to meritorious students.
  13. The establishing of school libraries, public libraries and computer centres.
  14. Organizing activities that help develop mental and physical capability in the child.
  15. Provision of “**SAFE DRINKING WATER**” in schools and in public places.
  16. Providing services and endeavour to rehabilitate victims of natural calamity such as storms, floods, earthquakes, fire, drought, etc.

## **MAJOR ACTIVITIES**

### **Primary Education:**

The main aim of NLM is to provide every aspirant with an equal opportunity to acquire quality education with certification (both academic and vocational) in order to equip her/him with the skills required to live life successfully and meaningfully.

NLM continued to provide quality education upto the middle levels through two schools for the underprivileged named **SANSKAR KENDRA**, in the villages of Hoshiarpur and Nangla Charandas.

The total strength of students in these two schools number 681. Trained and qualified staff focus on imparting a complete and comprehensive education, backed by an activity based curriculum. Areas of focus were

- Pre primary, primary and Distance educational Programme.
- Empowerment of the girl child
- Character education
- Capacity building and self employment initiatives.

➤ School Uniforms were given to the students at a cost of Rs. 16,878/-.

- Renovation of existing building, addition office class rooms and office complex at a cost of Rs. 531,232/-.
- Water coolers, two numbers @ Rs. 21,000/- each ie at a total cost of Rs. 42,000/-
- Seven competitions and cultural activities including celebration of 'Teacher's Day' at a total expense of Rs. 25,500/-.

Annual Contribution from HPS Foundation : Rs. 5,60,000/-.

## **HEALTH CAMP ARRANGED BY NOIDA LOK MANCH**

On 5<sup>th</sup> March in pursuance of its policy the NGO has organized a Health Camp on the premises of their school for the underprivileged, Sanskar Kendra. This camp will cater to all those people living in and around the village of Nangla Charandas, Phase II Noida from 9 am to 1 pm.

This is a part of the Outreach Programme of Noida Lok Manch aimed at providing medical relief and assistance to those living in outlying areas. Experienced and qualified doctors will diagnose and prescribe and regular follow up will be done by dedicated volunteers of the NGO. Available medicines will be provided to the patients on the spot. The following is a list of names of the doctors who will be attending:

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| 1. Dr. Anshu Gupta   | Gynecologist (Govt Hosp. Sec 30) |
| 2. Dr. S P Gupta     | Gen Physician (Govt Hosp Sec 30) |
| 3. Dr. S P Jain      | ENT Specialist                   |
| 4. Dr. Vandana Singh | Eye Specialist                   |
| 5. Dr. Lata Saini    | Pediatricist                     |
| 6. Dr. Shalni Rao    | Gen., Physician (Social Worker)  |

## **GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS**

NLM adopted 32 out of a total of 427 government primary schools in Gautam Budh Nagar. These schools benefited from with the following infrastructure additions.

An important matter was concluded between Shri Mahesh Saxena, Gen Secretary-NLM and Shri Vinod Malhotra, Chief Executive Officer, Noida Authority in regard to the sanction of a grant-in-aid in the form of wood batons and sections to the tune of s. 7 lakhs for the fabrication of 25000 number of school desks and attached chairs. The cost of fabrication of the same valued at approx Rs. 4 lakh and odd would be borne by NLM. Discussions are in the very final stages since the sanction of the said amount was already finalized at the time of the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of NOIDA AUTHORITY.

NLM Volunteers have been successful in helping these schools to improve their infrastructure facilities from time to time, helping to bring these children into the upper levels of mainstream school and college education.

## **NOIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Is a one-of-its-kind in the entire district of Gautam Budh Nagar allotted to NLM by Noida Authority in recognition of its management capability combined with a reputation of responsibility accompanied with total accountability and transparency. The Library houses approximately 24000 volumes for study and reference on various disciplines of interest to the new generation of up and coming scholars. A collection of 26 Hindi and English national dailies backed up with 29 different magazines and periodicals. A **“Children’s Section”** is also functional within the library premises offering a wide variety of children’s reading material. The library boasts of a daily user average of over 163 and caters to the needs of college students and for the boys and girls appearing for other departmental, banking or administrative services and competitive examinations.

This year books and periodicals at a cost of Rs. 90,635/- were added to the Library.

Mobile Library was inaugurated on 9.12.2005 by Shri Sahib Singh Verma. The Library moved around the Sector 12, 22, and others and then was stationed at Sector 12.

## **HEALTHCARE**

With the intervention of NLM progress towards prevention of ailments and curative treatment wherever required has changed the image of health care in Noida, specifically in government schools and slums. Improving health conditions was carried out through frequent medical check ups in government schools, ewms in the villages and slums by qualified doctors.

A FREE HEALTH CHECK UP CAMP was organized at the Noida Public Library premises in THE MONTH OF April. 67 families from the local Jhuggi-Jhonpri communities benefited from this programme and some 13 individuals received additional medical care and free medicines.

An RCH (Reproductive Child Health) Seminar was organized by NLM in collaboration with SIFPSA, Lucknow looking into the following aspects:

- A. Understanding of the perception of 3 P’s:
  - i. Perceptions
  - ii. Practices

iii. Problems at the community level

B. Issues and Challenges faced by the Service Provider

i. District Specific Innovative Intervention

C. Doctors and PMU Officers of SIFPSA participated and contributed additional information on the topics such as Rapid Household Survey findings, family Planning Services, Anti Natal care Services, Delivery, Group discussions on health issues etc.

The '**MAY I HELP YOU**' Counter at the District Hospital in Sector 30, Noida continued to identify and assist a large number of individuals in need of medical attention. Access to medical services and coordination between the patient and the doctor continued in bringing welcome relief for both doctors and patients.

Attendance of the volunteers at the District Hospital has been very regular. The average number of free meals provided to the needy came to an average of around 562 meals a month. NLM's vast and extensive network of volunteers and social worker covered the government district hospital to ensure that people from the ew's of society received total care, help and assistance in accessing these facilities. The May I help You services were available from 8.30 am to 1.30 pm daily. Regular Pulse Polio Intervention Camps, Eye Camps, Blood donation camps were held regularly.

### **SHAVDAHGRAH ( Antim Niwas)**

Added amenities at the shavdahgrah (Antim Niwas) during the year were as under:

- Total repair of all pipes and water supply at a cost of Rs. 60,000/-.
- Maintenance of building and boundary walls at a cost of Rs. 2,00,000/-.
- Free cremation services- Unclaimed bodies 83
- Covered platform for cremation purposes
- Covered platform for performance of last rites and 'Holy Dip''
- Fire wood and services of a priest
- Issuance of the Death certificate
- Total number of users approximately 679

The residents of the district of Gautam Budh Nagar under the guidance of Noida lok Manch rallied together in an endeavour to extend a hand of warmth and succor for the tsunami affected people in Nagarputtanam. Noida Lok Manch through the people of Gautam Budh Nagar collected a sum of rupees six lakh seventy thousand besides one full truckload of essential items for the victims.