

Annual Report, 2015-16

In January 2016, SESTAA received its registration as a charity from the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission. This is a very commendable achievement on our part and gives recognition to the nature of the work that we have been doing for the past few years. This registration is effective from 20th of January, 2016.

During the year 2015-16, we have steadily moved forward in our identified directions and total funds provided for all projects came to \$7149.57. The early intervention work carried out by *Shishu Sarothi*, Guwahati in Goalpara (*Shishu Vikas Kendra*) gathered momentum and regular visits by the therapists have made positive impact in the disabled children's lives. Reports indicate that 288 children with disabilities were assessed in the Centre and 865 visits were made by children over the course of 16 months. Medical Camps with specialist doctors were organised to provide Disability Certificates and 220 certificates were issued. Hearing aid, walkers and wheel chairs were provided to the children with disabilities, and World Disability Day (3rd December) and Children's Day (14th November) were observed in the Centre. SESTAA provided an amount of \$5000.00 to continue the work and member Dr Hemanta Doloi visited the Centre and was tremendously pleased to observe the overall progress made in a short period of time.



Medical Camp in Goalpara 19/11/2015

Evaluation report of the Community Based Rehabilitation project implemented by *Prerona*, Jorhat showed that 147 people with disabilities were identified, aids and equipment were distributed and therapy provided. Other activities included health and educational camps, assistance to attend school and access disability certificates and even attend recreational activities. These are big steps in the lives of people whose lives were restricted within the walls of their homes till now. Rahul Karmakar, a 7 year old boy who is able to attend school because of the hearing aid he uses now, or Rohit Roy and Joyram Tanti who can go to school because of the mobility aids they received. SESTAA has continued discussions continued with Prerona regarding the extension of the project. Our members visited Jorhat in March, 2016 and thorough discussion took place with school staff and parents and decision will be taken soon.

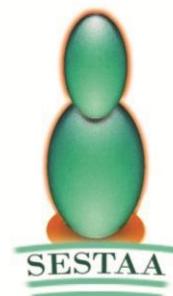


Rohit Ray with his tricycle

Out of the 21 children in *Shishugreh*, Guwahati, 6 were disabled and SESTAA's funding for an additional carer was able to provide the extra help needed to look after them. The carer's cost was \$2149.57.

SESTAA's 5th year anniversary was celebrated with a Dinner Dance on the 5th of Sept, 2015 and the Strategic Plan (2015 -2020) was adopted to provide us direction in the coming years. The dinner dance and participation in the Whitehorse Spring Festival together brought in a total of \$7367.10 through fundraising and \$3117.00 was received through donation. I take this opportunity to thank all our supporters and donors for making our fundraising efforts always successful.

In the end, I would like to also thank the Executive Committee members, other members and volunteers for making the year 2015-16 a success and look forward to your participation in the coming year to help us achieve our goals.



Financial Information, 2015-2016

Income:

Donation	\$3117.00
Membership	\$960.00
Fundraising	\$7367.10
Interest	\$4.89
Total Income	\$11,448.99

Expense:

Projects	\$7149.57
Bank, CAV	\$400.70
Travel	\$1057.78
Fundraising	\$1572.19
Total Expense	\$10,180.24

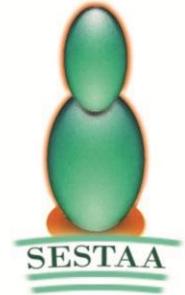
Account balance \$1,268.75
Retained Surplus \$10,569.53

Feedback from Community leaders:

Sailen Das, Secretary, Shishu Vikash Kendra, Goalpara wrote, “ We are very glad to Shishu Sarothi for the help of our students by the train staff and has also left no stone unturned to be crowned with success for which we are grateful and extend our heart full thanks and gratitude to the organization. We hope that with the initiatives of the organization, our institution will be able to serve the targeted people in a much more effective way.”

By, Dr Deepali Dhillon, President

Dated, 26th of November, 2016




NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION, ASSAM
DISTRICT HEALTH SOCIETY, GOALPARA
O/O, The Joint Director of Health Services, Goalpara
Pin No: 783101

No. DHS/GLP/NHM/Certificate/2016-17/4786 Dated: 15/06/2016

✓ To
Mr. Arman Ali,
The Executive Director
Shishu Sarathi, Centre for Rehabilitation & Training for Multiple Disability
Ram Krishna Mission Road, Birubari, Ghy-16, Assam

Sub: Letter for appreciation for extending support in treatment of Children mobilized under RBSK Programme.

Sir,
With reference to the subject cited above, I would like to mention that children mobilized under "Rastriya Bal Swasthya Kamakram, by District Health Society, National Health Mission, Goalpara are getting tremendous support and regular treatment for different disability conditions at "SESTA"- Early Intervention Centre, Goalpara – a wing of your prestigious organization – "Shishu Sarathi".
In this regard, on behalf of District Health Society, Goalpara, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to your organization and expecting such kind of co-operation in future also.
I am wishing a grand success of all your future endeavors.


Jt. Director of Health Services cum
Member Secretary DHS, Goalpara

Memo No. DHS/NHM/GLP/Certificate /2016-17/4786-A Date: 15/06/2016

Copy to:

1. The Mission Director, National Health Mission for favour of your kind information.
2. The Deputy Commissioner, Goalpara for favour of your kind information.
3. The ADC(H), Goalpara for favour of your kind information.
4. The DPM, NHM, Goalpara for information.

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