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Dear friends and colleagues,

We are glad to share our newsletter for the period January-June 2023. We continue to demonstrate our efforts toward our committed goals. Our team has shown their dedication in implementing projects on various themes across states, which is highly appreciated.

During this phase, we gained more experience through our ongoing projects in Odisha, Chhattisgarh, and Delhi. At the same time, we successfully completed three projects in Jharkhand and Delhi. During these months our team members from various states participated in several workshops and training programs. These include participation in research exchange symposium, family planning workshop, SMART advocacy review meet, etc. We have also successfully completed our study on prevalence and causes of malnutrition among under-five children in selected geographies of India.

In Odisha, PLA activities were introduced in the OPNIP intervention villages, members of PHRS team, district team, and SPMU gathered in Bhubaneswar for a two-day DCPMU review and coordination meeting, the creches in Malkhangiri were visi-

-ted by Special Secretary, DW&CD, GoO. The annual Poshan Pakwada, a two-week event on nutrition, was observed from March 20th to April 3rd. 2023, and was celebrated across all 17 MPAs in 12 districts. Under the PI program, visits were undertaken by the CDPO, AWW, SOVA NGO.

In Jharkhand, several community activities were conducted under the MAGiC project. The Jhpiego team visited the field and attended Poshan Pradarshini event. The project came to a successful end in May 2023. The Tejaswini project has been taken up the Jharkhand government.

In Chhattisgarh, under the TDH program, a Creche worker training program was conducted with participants from 20 creches. It emphasized on functioning of creche, safety of children, dietary diversity, growth monitoring and emergency care.

Through the various kinds of work happening in multiple states, PHRS has been able to identify the strengths and weaknesses, and gaps where there is work lying ahead to be fulfilled. Once again, heartfelt congratulations to the entire team for their endeavours in the past few months. Wishing us all more power to continue on this winning streak with hope, trust and a genuine intention for collaborative work. Thanks to all donors and partners.

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Participation in UK- India Collaborative Research Exchange Symposium

Dr. Rupa was invited to be part of De Montfort University-India Collaborative Research Exchanges Symposium from 13-16 March 2023 at Mumbai. The symposium witnessed stimulating research presentations, research collaboration ideas, dialogues, and extended conversations for the DMU-India Research Hub! This was an enjoyable learning experience of how best to develop boundary-crossing research within India. There were 37 short research presentations from 13 to 15 March on three broad themes - Diversity of health and wellbeing research (virology/ tackling emerging pathogens); Public health and community mobilisation (Integrated medicine and therapy); and interdisciplinary/creative methodologies; with cross cutting themes of health systems, epidemiology, environment, gender issues, young people, inclusion, rural health, life skills, AYUSH, community voices, ethical and equitable approaches, digital health, mental health, and wellbeing.

On the final day (16 March) a list of over 30 collaborative dream projects were made as teamwork. A number of research intensive. Higher Education Institutions like De Montfort University-Leicester, UK, NIMHANS-Bengaluru, ICMR, virology-Pune, KGMU-Lucknow etc and NGOs from India like PHRS, Foundation for Medical Research, Mind India (Assam), People's Action for National Integration - PANI, SUMUNUM, CESVI India, MeHeLP etc engaged in this workshop.

PHRS presented its work through project on Linking Livelihood Action to Nutritional Outcomes (LLANO) and shared our extensive experience on community mobilisation, Participatory Learning and Action and engagement work through various other projects/programmes over the years including Mainstreaming creche for reducing malnutrition in Odisha.



A Study to determine the factors affecting treatment adherence for Hypertension and Diabetes in different contexts.

Ms. Tanya Lamba

The recruitment process for Research Assistants has been successfully completed for three states- (Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, and Assam). Their training on the patient survey tool and on NCDs has been conducted with the research coordinator. The quantitative and qualitative data collection and field visits are underway in four states, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Assam and Odisha. Simultaneously case studies are being conducted across various states.

Prevalence and causes of malnutrition among under five children in selected geographies of India

Dr. Rupa Prasad

Public Health Resource Society with support from National Human Rights Commission undertook a study entitled- 'prevalence and causes of malnutrition among under-five children in selected geographies of India'. The study aimed at assessing the prevalence and determinants of malnutrition among children enrolled in Anganwadi Centres in selected geographies and identifying the factors at various levels leading to the poor health and nutritional status of the children. Specific objectives were as follows:

- To determine the prevalence of malnutrition among children under five years enrolled in the Anganwadi centres in selected geographies
- To study the household, community, and systems-level factors associated with malnutrition among underweight children in the Anganwadi centres
- To assess the service delivery of ICDS in the selected AWCs
- To identify gaps and formulate targeted recommendations to improve the nutritional status of children under five.

The study was conducted in four states namely- Delhi, Assam, Rajasthan and Odisha. The data collection was undertaken during September-December 2022. The final draft report has been submitted to the commission and the team is working on finalising the report. It will be available on our website soon.

UPDATES FROM ODISHA

PLA training for CWs and SHG members

Dr. Swagata Lakshmi Tarafdar

The Nutrition Coordinators along with the Gram Panchayat Nutrition Assistants have successfully conducted the MPA-level PLA training of the first three modules for the crèche workers and the SHG members of the OPNIP intervention villages in the month of March 2023. Village-level meetings for these 3 modules are currently being carried out across all the 17 MPAs in the 12 districts.



Celebration of Poshan Pakwada across OPNIP crèches

Dr. Swagata Lakshmi Tarafdar

The annual Poshan Pakwada, a two-week event on nutrition, was observed from March 20th to April 3rd, 2023, and was celebrated across all 17 MPAs in 12 districts. The MPA teams along with other block-level officials and ICDS officials, creche workers, AWWs, and ASHAs organized many activities to celebrate the event. Creche committee mothers came together to design the traditional rangoli or 'Jhoti' as called in Odia. While traditionally, the design is made from a paste of rice powder, this time the women used food items including rice, vegetables, fruits, and even eggs. At most creches, joint celebrations were seen with the creche workers, AWWs, Anganwadi Helpers (AWHs), ASHAs, and the community.



Nutrition Coordinators accompanied by Gram Panchayat Nutrition Assistants were seen explaining the importance of having a balanced diet to maintain health.



Field visit to PI crèches of Koraput

The 125 APF PHRS creches are operational across 5 districts (Rayagada, Kalahandi, Malkangiri, Koraput, and Nabrangpur) with the serving of Hot Cooked Meals (HCM).

Field visits were carried out to assess the functioning of the APF-PHRS creches in the Koraput district. Dr. Anushree from the National team and Dr. Swagata Lakshmi Tarafdar from the Odisha team visited Koraput from 02nd-03rd March 2023. During the visit, 5 APF-PHRS crèches of Koraput block were visited on day 1, and 4 creches of Dasmanthpur block of Koraput district were covered on day 2.

The visit brought forward that creches are functioning well. Most systems are in place however monitoring needs to be sharpened and more frequent monitoring visits are required. Considering that the creches have reopened and regular activities have resumed after two years, the creches are running beautifully and crèche workers are doing a brilliant job. PMU team stressed giving more focus on red flag children, left out eligible children (who are they /why not coming), and follow-up actions. It was suggested to the district to sensitize and encourage CWs/community on using toilets as well as the need for safe disposal of stool (where toilets are not being used).



Manbar, Koraput



Padampur, Koraput

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Mina Panigrahi; Nutrition Coordinator; KKDA Lanjigarh; OPNIP

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Success Stories

1. PVTG SHG makes SFC functional at Pringle village Mrutunjaya Behera; Nutrition Coordinator; KKDA; Belghar

Brief of the village:

Pringle is a hamlet of Kalanguda revenue village in Guma Gram Panchayat which is 5 km away from Guma. There is a total of 25 households and a population of 125 in this hamlet. Most of the people of Pringle depend on shifting cultivation in the hills. Most women wake up early in the morning and go to work either carrying their children along with them to the hills or leaving them behind with their elder siblings or elderly grandparents. In the ICDS programme, every 3-6yr child is entitled to have a Hot Cooked Meal (HCM) and receive pre-school education at Anganwadi center but the children of this village were just getting Take Home Ration (THR) instead because of the geographical barrier and because the AWC is far from the hamlet.

Initiation of SFCs:

Spot Feeding Center (SFCs) under OPNIP has been established in these kinds of villages where there is no AWC or AWC located far away, in order to extend the ICDS SNP to the doorstep of the PVTG communities in remote villages. The Take Home Ration from ICDS is utilized in the preparation of Hot Cooked Meal alongside vegetables leveraged by CCD funds in accordance to the prescribed ICDS menu. For initiating SFC under OPNIP at Pringle village for 3 to 6 yrs children, first, an active PVTG SHG for managing the intervention was selected following the guidelines issues by PMU,



Latitude: 19.859225 Longitude: 83.674715 Elevation: 843.54 m Accuracy: 1.2 m Time: 03-11-2022, 12:11 Note: Group photo of Utkaradi PVTG SHG members with all Beneficiaries (3-6yr Child) at Pringle SFC Guma, KKDA, BELGHAR



Latitude: 19.85922 Longitude: 83.67457 Elevation: 841.914 m Accuracy: 1.9 m Time: 03-11-2022, 12:31 Note: Feeding by all Beneficiaries (3-6yr Child) at Pringle SFC Guma, KKDA, BELGHAR

BBSR. Then the selected PVTG SHG was duly vetted by SO, KKDA Belghar, followed by opening a separate bank account of the SHG for the financial transaction of the intervention. The SFC was inaugurated by the Sub-Collector, Balliguda, and PA. ITDA, Balliguda on 1st March.

Benefits of the programme:

After the initiation of the center, the nutritional status of the children has improved. Changes have been observed in children's behavior. The parents are very happy now. President Baby Majhi said that the stock issue is a major challenge for them to manage the SFCs. She also added that they are managing such situations by contributing from their own ration and after receiving the ration from AWC it is given back to the concerned person. Kabita Majhi, one of the mother expressed her happiness saying that 'My child is looking good as compared to earlier and I am also able to work more for my family and I am feeling happy and proud that I am the part of the SHG managing this programme'.

2. Changes in the situation of village after OPNIP- Bhaosil Prasanna Kr. Nayak; Nutrition Coordinator; CBDA Sunabeda; OPNIP

Chuktia Bhunjia Development Agency works for the holistic development of 23 Pvtg villages of 3 GPs Sunabeda, Michhapali and Soseng. Bhaosil village comes under Soseng GP. The village is 60 km away from Block (Komna) headquarter, 20 km from CBDA Office, 10 km from GP headquarter and 40 Km from District headquarter. Communication is a big issue for the village, village is existed in a dense forest area where the people are using forest road to connect with GP, block, and CBDA office and dist. headquarter. To date mobile network has not reached to the village.

This village consists of 52 households and population is about 230 and all are PVTG community. Main source of income is Agriculture and seasonal forest product and labour work as per availability.

Before the OPNIP intervention:

As all the house hold belongs to PVTG community, as known their health seeking behaviour is very poor and malnutrition rate among the children under 3 years and pregnant & lactating mothers was high. ICDS services was going on but whatever they getting (Sattu, Egg) for Children and PW/LM that is all eaten by all family member and it finishes within 4-5 days.

And as everybody in the family are responsible for the livelihood so nobody is there in the family to take care of the vulnerable people of the family. So they carry their children with them to the field and PW/LM has to work in the field. Due to this malnutrition rate was higher.

After the OPNIP Intervention: CRECHE:

After implementation of OPNIP, the creche centre has started in the village for the children under 3years of age. Children enrolled in the creche are getting all the world class facilities. Children under 3yrs of age are provided with clean and nutritious food which includes 2 snacks and 1 Hot Cooked Meal. All the mother leave their children in the creche centre and go to the field for work. All their needs is being taken care in creche.

MSFC:

After the implementation of MSFC pregnant women and lactating mother has been benefited, by one hot cooked meal per day (six day in a week) which is provided by OPNIP.

Benefited SHG:

For running the programme a SHG group has been selected, among the SHG members two member has been selected for creche as creche worker their honorarium is Rs. 8090/ Month/creche worker.

And for MSFC two member for MSFC their honorarium is Rs. 1500/ Month/ MSFC centre. And for management of creche incentive of Rs. 2000/- has been paid to the SHG. Training, capacity building and hand holding support has been provided by the staff regularly.

Feedback of Village People:

All the village members are happy with the programme as they have never heard about anything like this intervention ever before. People in this village are working happily and freely by sending their children in the creche. And PW/ LM in the MSFC.

3. Formation of SHG in Tanda village

Namita Sahu; Nutrition Coordinator; DKDA Chatikona; OPNIP

It's a real story of PVTG SHG Named Maa Naktirani of Tanda Village. The Village is located at the top of the hill 6km away from town. The village has no communication and road facility. The villagers and the visitors walks 6kms through the deep jungle to reach the village. There are total 33 household in the village and total population s nearly 150. This villagers are not able to get the benefits of the govt. facilities like housing, medical and education services and etc. Most of the villagers are illiterate and they most depends of forest products for their livelihood.



Tanda village saw some development for the first time after independence when OPELIP programme was implemented. The village witnessed its first ever govt. building after implementation of OPNIP intervention in the village. The creche building was the first building ever constructed in the village since independence. It was possible to complete the possible because of the support and constant efforts from the villages. SHG with 10 members was formed for the first time for managing the OPNIP intervention in the village. Nutrition team made an excellent effort in making the villages understand the concept of SHG, making the president and secretary learn how to sign. Initially the women and their husbands were not interested in the concept of SHG but after repeated

efforts 10 women agreed to become members of the SHG. It nearly took 2 months to learn their signature. Only because of the support of CRP and VDC president (Kusha Jakesika), formation of SHG (Maa Naktirani SHG Tanda) was possible in the village.



Odisha PVTG Nutrition Improvement Programme (OPNIP) wins SKOCH Gold Award

Ms. Swati Das

The ST & SC Development Department, Govt of Odisha has been awarded the SKOCH Gold Award, 2023 for the Odisha PVTG Nutrition Improvement Programme (OPNIP) which showcases community based creches for children under three years and spot feeding centres for pregnant and nursing mothers, and children of 3-6 years in remote tagged villages.

Public Health Resource Society (PHRS) is happy to be part of the intervention as technical partner for the programme. PHRS has been providing support right from the inception of this unique programme for improving nutrition and health of the PVTG community in Odisha. As an exemplary initiative piloting an SHG led management of nutrition services in the PVTG areas, OPNIP is a model for mainstreaming creches by the government in Odisha. Most of all, OPNIP has opened up avenues for other departments in the state to take up such interventions and showcase a model wherein the issue of malnutrition could be addressed at the community level through women's collectives.



The SKOCH Award encompasses the best of governance, inclusive growth, excellence in technology and applications, change management, corporate leadership, corporate governance, citizen services delivery, capacity building, empowerment.



PI Update

Nabrangpur

Visit of CDPO at Crèche, Bhatikot

On 25-01-2023 CDPO of Papadahandi block visited Bhatikot AWC and also visited Bhatikot creche. During the visit the CWs showed and explained her about different records registers maintained at creche level and sensitized her on regular creche activities. She was very happy to visit the creche and praised the efforts of the CWs and advised to maintain more cleanliness at creche and advised to prioritize follow up of red flag children.



Rayagada

Visit of AWW to crèche for making of ECCD material

On 21-01-2023 the AWW of Dantilingi village visited Dantilingi 1 and 2 creche for providing orientation on making of ECCD materials. Now the CWs and the creche committee mothers of both creche are supporting in making of ECCD materials by visiting Dantilingi AWC. The AWW was very happy and thanked the creche committee mothers in this regard.



Koraput

SOVA NGO visit at Padampur

On 19-01-2023, Mr. Sanjit Pattnayak, the chief functionary of SOVA NGO along with three other staff visited Padampur crèche under Koraput Sadar block. The Block Coordinator of Koraput Sardar block told in detail about the crèche selection methods, the criteria of creche enrolled children, the meal plan followed at the creche, the selection of CWs from the community by organizing community meetings, the role and responsibility of CWs, different types of the register maintained at creche and the importance of creche committee mother for the management of creche at village level. The crèche workers displayed different types of banners for easy understanding and informed the importance of the community growth chart, used during community meetings which helps each mother to be aware of the nutritional status of the child. In the end, they very much appreciated the CW's efforts and dedication and also praised for interior decorations which makes the crèche child friendly and for maintaining hygiene and cleanliness at creche.



Kalahandi

CWs displaying playing activities with children at crèche

On 19-01-2023 Mahendra Joshi, Haridas Patel from YAR NGO visited Sindhibadi, Karnjakote, Dharnamal, Purnapani, Mermahul and Fotamunda creche of Golamunda block

During their visit the District Programme Officer explain the crèche selection methods, criteria of enrolled children in creche, meals plan followed at creche. The BC of Golamunda explained the CWs selection methods from community, the importance of community growth chart which helps the mother to identify the nutritional status of child to run to creche. During the visit the guest members from YAR NGO observed the feeding practice at creche level and praised the efforts of the CWs. They were impressed to see crèche worker involved in early stimulation activities.



Internship Programme

Swagata Lakshmi Tarafdar

PHRS, Bhubaneswar has been successful in running its internship programme to provide orientation and practical exposure to students from various fields and institutions. At present, Dr. Aparajita Ghosh, a medical graduate with a post-graduate degree in public health has joined PHRS Bhubaneswar office as an intern for a period of two months. She completed her MBBS degree from Sikkim Manipal Institute of Medical Science in 2017 and completed her Master's in Public Health from IIHMR, Jaipur in 2023. Ms. Swati Priyambada Das is mentoring the intern. Orientation sessions for the intern on the organization framework and different programmes currently running and health systems, literature review, etc. were undertaken by Ms. Swati Das, Mr. Satya Pattnaik, and Mr. Shahnawaz Khan.

UPDATES FROM JHARKHAND

Family Planning Workshop

Ms. Rishita Maiti

The training session highlighted the need for family planning as well as comprehensive sexual education. This involved information on contraceptives, reproductive health, and sexually transmitted infections. The session also emphasized the minute details of various contraceptive methods and their importance for the health of women. For women to control the time and spacing of their pregnancies, contraception is an essential component of family planning.

The orientation on Family planning has proved to be a useful platform for knowledge sharing between various organizations. The speakers and panelists were experts in the field, and they provided valuable insights that can be used to improve the lives of thousands of adolescent girls and women where our project works.

Tejaswini Update

Success Story

Women, empowerment and role of seed grant – Deoghar District

Mr. Rajesh Srivastava

During our journey since Oct'2019 we always observed that Adolescent Girls and Young Women group has high aspiration. Their eagerness for change in their socio-economic status was consistently prominent during the period. Opportunity through first seed grant enabled them to address their social concerns e.g. gender discrimination, female feticide, dowry,

by the field coordinators in early marriage, promotion of girl child, education of girl child, domestic violence, menstrual hygiene, nutrition, sports, game etc. With the second seed grant clubs are being facilitated to enable AGYWs for economic empowerment since last one year. It took some time for clubs to gain confidence and act as support system (SAMBAL TANTRA) for AGYWs' economic empowerment. Majority of clubs have enabled 3 to 4 AGYWs, on an average, per club to start their journey towards economic empowerment.

Urban areas have different challenges in comparison to rural areas. We were worried as even majority of AGYWs from 91 clubs (urban area – Deoghar Sadar block) has similar aspiration but at different level. As a team we were worried on feedback from clubs on this provision / opportunity. We were surprised also as Deoghar town has more potential for idea of income generation activities.

The Story-

Priya Kumari, an AGYW from Chandpur club, has started a marketing business of sanitary pad. She is taking the pad bank idea ahead. She is providing sales service of sanitary pad in her locality to all the concerned female. She was opposed initially by family members and community. She has taken monetary help of Rs 5,000 from club. She take the sanitary pads from wholesaler @ Rs 30 per pad. She sales the pad @ Rs 35. Her

Business is taking shape. She already started repaying instalments back to club. Her innovation is showing some direction to us also. This can be a good model if she may be equipped with more knowledge on menstrual health & hygiene.

Chandpur club has also recently started a business of making SATTU. They are thinking to brand as Tejaswini SATTU. The club has invested Rs 5000 in the business. They are selling at Rs 110 per KG which is at market price. The club is now looking for improving the quality and reducing cost of production. The club is developing strategy for marketing the product e.g. door to door selling in the nearby locality, approaching shops in market, removing use of plastic, reducing size of packet etc.

Sakshi Tanu, an AGYW from Karnibag 1, has started a "SINGAR STORE" in her locality at her home. She has taken monetary help of Rs 5,000 from club. She is keeping cosmetics, ear rings, bangle, cloth clips etc. Her business is taking shape as her idea for such business is new for her locality and nearby. She has started repaying her instalments back to club.

In refuge colony 3 clubs from two clusters started AGARBATTI making unit. 12 AGYWs from 3 clubs are getting benefits from the unit. On an average each member is expected to earn Rs 150 per day. For that they are making ½ Kg agarbatti per day during their free time at home.

UPDATE FROM CHHATTISGARH

TDH Update

Mr. Mazahir Husain

From 06th of June to 08th of June 2023, Creche worker training was successfully completed. Creche workers from 20 creches participated in the training programme. All of the 40 workers who joined the programme came from Lakhanpur block of Surguja district. The training programme was conducted at hotel kumkum in the district headquarter of Ambikapur. The creche training module was used to thematically address various components including functioning of creche, safety of children, dietary diversity, growth monitoring and emergency care.



STAFF NEWS

S.No.	Name	Designation
The following colleagues have joined PHRS		
1.	Joyti Bansal	Accounts Officer, New Delhi
2.	Deepak Kumar Bag	Block Coordinator, Kalahandi
3.	Anushree	Programme Coordinator, New Delhi
4.	Vivek Kumar	Research Assistant, Ranchi
5.	Mazahir Husain	Project Coordinator, Ambikapur
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