



**THE WOMEN'S WELFARE SOCIETY,
BELAGAVI (KARNATAKA)**

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ABOUT US

The Women's Welfare Society over the last four decade has established itself as an organization committed towards welfare and empowerment of Social Economic weaker sections of women and children, and also working hard in other social sectors like, rural development, health and sanitation, Socio economic development, community organization, disable development, Consumer protection and environment awareness etc. To be a part of change maker in the society in the space of 41 yrs of journey the organization has worked with multiple stakeholders, governmental bodies, media, private sector, international and national NGOs and multilateral organizations. Giving regards to the outstanding work done in the area referred to above, the Government of India honored with 2 notational awards and Karnataka Government has honored the organization with 5 State Awards.

OUR VISION

Giving wings to the hopes and aspirations of underprivileged Women and Children in particular and empowering them to a better tomorrow.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to provide timely and meaningful support to needy women, children, by effectively implementing projects in the area Social security, Skill development, Health and Environment, IEC, Advocacy on burning social issues which have a sustainable, cost effective and positive impact on society & Environment.

OUR VALUES

- Dedication to our Mission
- Accountability and Transparency to all

PROMINENT AREAS OF OUR WORK

- Early Childhood Education
- Girl Child empowerment
- Life Skills and formation of skill net groups
- Supporting Women's Livelihoods
- Health and Nutrition
- Integrated Community Development
- Disable Welfare
- Environment protection
- Relief and rehabilitation of problematic women
- Higher Education through BSW and MSW Degree College
- Run community focused awareness campaigns around issues
- Provide training and capacity building to youths
- Food, Shelter, health care services for older persons
- Consumer welfare programmes

OUR SUPPORTERS/ SPONSERERS

- Ministry of Women and Child development.Govt of India
- Central Social Welfare Board New Delhi
- Department of women and child welfare, Govt of Karnataka
- Rani Channamma university, Belagavi
- Department of Health and Family welfare Services,Govt of Karnataka
- Department of Food and Civil supply & Consumer Affairs

- Karnataka state Social welfare Board Bangalore
- FVTRS Bangalore
- The Association of People with Disability (APD) Bangalore
- Dwani Foundation
- My choice foundation Hyderabad
- Individual donors, Volunteers, Media, Stakeholders

OUR MAJOR PROGRAMMES

Sangati Family Counselling Centre

The family counselling centre was started in the year 1992 by the support of Central social welfare board. Since from 25 yrs it is providing justice to women in distress and solving problems of matrimonial disputes free of cost. It is equipped with qualified Social workers as a counsellor who will hear the problem and diagnose the problems and treat them by proper counselling. Finally reconcile wife with husband and vice versa. So far this year 183 number of cases has been registered and 156 number of cases have reconciled.

Santwan Women Help Line 1091

It is Twenty four hours women help line sponsored by Department of Women and Child development Bangalore. It was introduced in the year 2000. Since 18 yrs it was providing quick services to the victims of dowry atrocities, Physical mental and sexual harassments and exploitation. Professional counsellor and social workers are working to restore faith and confidence of the victims through counselling, guidance and providing shelter if needed. So for this year 180 cases registered and 174 cases closed.

Urban Family Welfare centre

WWS by the support of the Department of health and Family welfare running Urban family welfare centre in Kanabargi Belagavi the centre is equipped with qualified health staff and providing services like family planning, immunisation, RCH and MCH services, school health check up programmes, TB, HIV, communicable disease control programme etc. It is implementing all national health programmes in its area effectively.

Ashraya Swadhar Grah

It was started in the year 2000 by the support of Central Social Welfare Board in the name Short stay home but recently in 2016 it was merged and renamed as Swadhar Grah under ministry of women and child development New Delhi. In this unit presently 30 inmates and 16 children are there. Institution is providing free shelter, food, training, medical and legal aid, counselling services. To enhance the inmates skill to earn sustainable livelihood vocational trainings like Basing making, Bag making, Tailoring, Pot painting, Home nursing etc conducted regularly.

Ujjawala Project for Victims of Trafficking

This unit is running from 2012 by the support of Ministry of Women and Child Development. This unit mainly work with 3 major interventions like Rescue, Rehabilitation, and Prevention Cum Rehabilitation of trafficked victims. It has been set up at Devaraj Aras Colony, Belgaum. Here the victims are provided with free food, shelter, education, legal and medical aid, vocational trainings and counselling services. These work cohesively towards providing the beneficiaries the confidence and tools to live a self sustained and dignified life.

So far 83- admitted, more than 66--women rehabilitated successfully.

Community Radio Station

“Nammur Banuli” Community Radio Station is Located at Karaguppi-Yallapur Village of Hukkeri Block Belagavi District. It is confined to a small geographical area of Karaguppi Yallapur which covers more than 400 villages of 9 blocks from Belgaum Dist Which covers more than 3 lack population.

It is serving their listeners by offering a variety of contents according to their taste at 90.8 frequency module. Its empowering community people by the way of providing a simple and inexpensive communication tool of mass interaction. Besides helping them not only find their voices but also to make them heard by the large community. Within a short period of time it has attracted many listeners and increasing in popularity day by day generating good will and awareness in the people.

FVTRS Project

The women’s welfare society by the support of FVTRS Bangalore under FVTRS project (Flight) provides an opportunity to never-enrolled or early drop-out adolescent girls the chance to receive a vocational training and skill training to come out with economic constrains and helps to stepping towards overall development. Since 5 years under this project it is providing verities of trainings like Bag making, Home Nursing, Motor vehicle repair, Beautician etc until today in this project the organization successfully trained about 480 youths in different trades.

Skill Net Programme

Livelihood is the backbone of the programme and the focus was given to ensure that all the skilled persons should have access to employment opportunities that will generate a stable flow of income for them. By the

support of FVTRS Bangalore, the organisation selected 15 Panchayaths for the skill net project which covered more than 50 villages and 2000 skilled youths. It also formed cluster groups by combining nearer villages of same Panchayath. For these groups society is organising leadership trainings, Entrepreneurship trainings, trainings on government schemes and Banking facilities etc

Rajiv Gandhi Crèches for Working and Ailing Mothers

The organisation is running crèche in Hukkeri and Belgaum blocks by the support of Women and Child Development Department and Central social welfare board. The organisation is running 10 crèches and about 300 children have been covered under this unit. Each crèche is equipped with one teacher and one helper. It is providing preschool education to children apart from education it conducts regular health check up and immunisation to school children. It also providing daily nutrition supplement to children.

Mahila Printing Press

The organization installed a printing press fully managed by women in unfortunate circumstances. The main object to start press was to provide a placement to these women. The women were trained in printing composing, binding. After training, their services were being utilized in Mahila printing press. The printing press has been getting printing work from government offices, public sectors and corporate bodies. The press is running successfully providing sustainable livelihood to women in unfortunate circumstances.

Old Age Home

Naganoor Sri Basaveshwar Trust's Old Age Home is run by the society in Devaraj Aras Colony Belgaum. Older persons who are neglected and discarded by children, who were left out of home without care, shelter and food, will be

admitted in the home. Presently 45- number of older persons are taking benefit of this unit. They are provided with free food, Shelter, medical aid, entertainment etc.

Sevamitra School of Social work (BSW and MSW)

The Sevamitra School of Social work (BSW and MSW) college has been affiliated by Rani Channamma University, Belagavi. The bachelor degree was started in the year 2005 and the post graduation in social work was started in the year 2013-14. In this unit qualified and trained staff providing education to students. The result of the college has been very much encouraging as our students are topping the list of successful candidates. Apart from class room studies the students were sent to different agencies to have a micro study of agencies like Various Govt departments, prisons, factories, Correctional institutions, public offices and other social work institutions for practical exposures.

District Consumer Information Centre

WWS District Consumer Information Centre it was started in the year 2016 by the support of Dept of Food Civil supplies and Consumer Affairs, Belagavi . This unit under the leadership of shri M M Gadagali Co-ordinator DCIC Belagavi to create consumer awareness conducted many consumer awareness programmes in multiple places throughout the year in Belagavi district. Apart from awareness programme it also registers the consumer complaints and guides them in a proper way to solve their problems through consumer courts.

WWS being the nodal agency for establishing and running consumer clubs in schools of Belagavi Dist this year also it has formed-74 consumer clubs with

the help of food and civil supplies department and conducted various programmes to prepare better consumers in future.

Summer Camps.

The Women's Welfare Society with the assistance of Dept. of Women & Child Welfare under the ICDS programme organised 10 days summer camps for children of age group 6 to 14 years at Bala Bhavan Belagavi. The said camp involved various activities like Craft, Yoga, Sports, Cultural events, special guest talks, and exposure visit etc., for the overall personality development of the children. More than 50 children participated in this camp.

'ABHIRANG' – Children drama festival

The Women's Welfare Society & the department of Women & Child Welfare this year jointly organised ' Abhirang ' – children drama festival dated 03/03/201 at Lokamanya Thilak Rang Mandir Belagavi. This Festival was initiated to develop language, cultural values, literature knowledge among the school children through drama. Participating also helped the children to develop self-confidence, interest in drama, environmental care & totally individual personality. Children from Govt Primary and High school participated in this programme.

Exam Preparation Programme for SSLC students

This year we organised 4 exam preparation programmes to SSLC children of both Belagavi Urban and Rural. In this programme various skills, techniques of exam writing and effective reading, Presenting the known Answers in the exam, how to come out from exam phobia etc subjects were dealt by resource persons to help SSLC children .More than 500 children got the benefit of this programme.

“Kalashree” Award Selection Camp

Award selection Camp was organised at Devaraj Urus Colony Belagavi By the help of Zilla Bala Bhavan, Belagavi. In this camp various competitions like, clay modelling, drawing, skilled art competitions, Storytelling, Essay Writing, poem writing, etc. were conducted and selected the taluka level winners, who will be nominated for “Kalashree Award”. More than 100 children were participated and got the benefit of this opportunity in that 8 were selected for taluka level Kalashree Award.

Legal Awareness Programmes

District & Taluka legal Service Authority, Belagavi District legal service authority, Belagavi & Bar associations organization conducted various Legal Awareness programme in which legislations relating to women & children , and various acts like marriage registration act, child marriage prevention act, domestic violence act, motor vehicle act, prevention of immoral trafficking of women / girls act, dowry prohibition act etc were covered.

COTPA Survey

Under the Cigarettes and other Tobacco product act 2003, The Baseline Survey work was allotted to the WWS organisation to assess the current level of compliance to COTPA Act. Organisation is conducted survey by the help of trainee social work students in many blocks of the Belgaum, Bagalkot and Bijapur District this year.

Safe village programmes

WWS being a partner organisation to my choice foundation Hyderabad, It is conducting programmes in four components like, Awareness to children,

Mothers meeting, Rakshak meeting, CVG meetings, Film show etc under the project banner of Safe village programme. As it is the well designed awareness programme which is educating all age group people on issues like child trafficking, child marriages and domestic violence, child rights etc. So far under these project 22 villages of 3 blocks namely Hukkeri, Gokak and Belagavi is covered.

Cancer awareness programmes

Cancer awareness programmes WWS with the help of Deshpande Foundation, Hubali. With the mission of Cancer prevention and its Education to general public. Health Awareness Programme were organized and also organising many programmes in different villages of Kittur Block. All programmes were intended to promote the understanding of cancer prevention and early detection of cancer through a multidisciplinary approach. So far this year in both quarter 74 patients were suspected to be positive and referred to higher investigations in that 20 cases were found positive and referred to KLE Cancer Hospital Belagavi.

Niranthara Program

Happy to share that WWS is one of the organisations selected by Dhvani Foundation for Niranthara program. It is designed towards building institutional capacities of NGOs through 24 Months intervention. The program aims to enable NGOs to achieve higher organizational maturity to sustain their work and grow professionally. We are working with selected Partner NGOs, whose Institutional capacities will be built through hand-to-hand holding support by the Dhvani through regular training programmes and follow up activities.

Awareness about Human Trafficking

To celebrate international women's day and to mobilize support and to inspire Belagavi District people to act against human trafficking and contribute for its prevention spread awareness on human trafficking issue the women's welfare society Belagavi in association with Justice and care, Red Alert Hyderabad and Vijay Karnataka Abhiyan organised cycle rally on 6th and Mass wall on 8th March 2018

Future Plans

We envision a future full of possibilities of taking forward our ideas and thoughts of social change and also implementation of those ideas as well. The future plans of our organisation are not mere plans but the dreams of all our employees and beneficiaries. The future plans comprises of some severe issues which needs immediate thought and action like projects related to Climate Change and Renewable energy, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, Disable welfare, Waste Management for Swachha Bharath, Trafficking issues, Early invention programmes to reduce disability rate in Belagavi district many more. In due course concentrating on strengthening the organisation technically, financially by the help of supports and staff for its bright future.

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