

## **ANNUAL REPORT (2014-2015)**

The Odisha State Council for Child Welfare is working for the cause of children in Odisha since its inception in the year 1959. Registered under the provisions of the Society Registration Act, 1860, it is affiliated to the Indian Council for Child Welfare, New Delhi. In 1996, its bye laws were last amended.

H.E. Hon'ble Governor of Odisha is its Chief Patron and Hon'ble Chief Minister is the Vice Chief Patron. It is functioning under the aegis of Women & Child Development Department with Hon'ble Minister, W&CD as its Chairperson and Commissioner-cum-Secretary, W&CD as its Member Director.

It is supported by the District Councils for Child Welfare at the district level in implementing various projects and programmes of the Govt. of Odisha as well as Govt. of India. In its early years the State Council was the only organization working for the cause of the children. The State Council has implemented several programmes during the year which are narrated in this report in brief.

## **AIMS AND OBJECTIVES (Extracts from OSCCW (Amendment) Rule 1996)**

- 1) To undertake welfare work for children, adolescents and expected and nourishing mothers without any discrimination.
- 2) To arrange proper education of children for their moral, spiritual, cultural and social development.
- 3) To encourage aesthetic appreciation, artistic taste, constructive imagination and creativity amongst the children.
- 4) To initiate, undertake and promote either directly or indirectly various schemes and projects for furtherance of Child Welfare.
- 5) To organize and maintain institutions for rehabilitation of orphan, abandoned and destitute children and for training of child welfare workers, volunteers and organizers.
- 6) To publish and propagate the literature relating to child welfare.
- 7) To co-operate and/or collaborate with national and international having similar objectives and to depute or receive representatives to and from such organization.
- 8) To co-operate with other agencies, both governmental and non-governmental in the organization and administration of schemes and funds for furtherance of child welfare.
- 9) To fulfill the objectives and implement the policies and programmes of the Indian Council for Child Welfare

## **FUNCTION (Extracts from OSCCW (Amendment) Rule 1996)**

For fulfillment of the main objectives specified herein before, the State Council can:

- i) Hold and acquire land, building and other movable properties.
- ii) Acquire, maintain and develop all places of interest for the purpose of child welfare.
- iii) Receive grants, donations, fees, subscriptions and to manage and administer the funds of the society.
- iv) Manage otherwise dispose of or deal with property of any kind, which may be at the disposal of society.
- v) Enter into agreements, contracts and such other arrangements in connection with and for the purpose of the society.
- vi) Raise and acquire funds and other asserts for and on behalf of the society.
- vii) Create and establish trusts and special funds for child welfare.
- viii) Maintain the Utkal Balashrams as home for the orphan, destitute and abandoned children.
- ix) Implement the plans and programmes that may be funded by Indian Council for Child Welfare.
- x) Do all such thing for fulfillment of the objects of the United Nations' declaration of the rights of child.

## PROGRAMMES

### A. UTKAL BALASHRAMS :

There are six (6) Balashrams managed and supervised by the State Council with the support from the State Government in W&CD Department. During the financial year 2014-15 the grants of Rs.73,96,200.00 have been released by W&CD Department for six (6) Balashrams. During the year, the Member Secretary, OSCCW visited the Utkal Balashram Sakhas, Cuttack, Jajpur, Puri, Berhampur and Balasore. He also attended the Managing Committee meeting of Utkal Balashram, Berhampur on 12-12-2014 held in the chamber of Collector, Ganjam. All the six Balashrams have been declared as Children's Home under Juvenile Justice Act-2000 by the Department of Women and Child Development. Solar power plants have been installed at Utkal Balashram, Puri and Nabarangpur by Odisha

Name of Balashram	Strength of inmates in the Parent Unit	Strength of inmates in Destitute Home	Total nos. of Inmates in the Balashram
Balasore	47	160	207
Jajpur		66	66
Berhampur	69 (Girl)		69
Cuttack	40	80	120
Puri	93	--	93
Nawarangpur	56	--	56
<b>Total</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>611</b>

Renewable Energy Development Agency (OREDA). It will reduce the energy bills of these two institutions. The number of inmates in each Balashram is as follows:-

### B. DEEMED ORPHAN

Government of Odisha in W&CD Department vide its notification No. 11-CW-22/2005/16577/WCD/dt. 04.08.2005 has declared Odisha State Council for Child welfare as the "Nodal Agency" of the scheme for maintenance of the children (0 to 6 years) termed as Deemed Orphans who are staying with their mothers in Swadhar Homes, Short Stay Homes, Central Homes for women. The scheme provides a sum of Rs.250/- per child per month towards maintenance of the child. For the year 2014-15

maintenance grant for Rs.3,36,412/- was sanctioned by the Government in favour of 7 NGOs for maintenance of 139 number of children.

### C. ANGANWADI WORKERS TRAINING CENTRES (AWTCs).

Management of eight (8) AWTCs has been entrusted to the Odisha Council for Child Welfare by the State Government in which nearly 5000 Anganwadi Workers were trained during the year 2014-15. AWTC wise and Course wise details are given below:-

#### No. of Courses Organised.

Name of the AWTC.	No. of Job Courses Conducted	No. of AWW Trained	No. of Refresher Courses Conducted	No. of AWW Trained	Total no. of AWW Trained.
Bhubaneswar	6	189	13	475	664
Baripada-I	6	166	11	408	574
Baripada-II	6	200	11	427	627
Baripada-III	7	204	14	539	743
Berhampur	7	242	11	400	642
Dhenkanal	7	173	11	380	553
Koraput	7	240	10	351	591
Ambaguda	6	187	10	354	541
<b>Total</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>1601</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>3334</b>	<b>4935</b>

During the year 2014-15, grant to the tune of **Rs. 1,04,15,214/-** has been sanctioned and released by the Government in W&CD Dept. to meet the staff salary and course grant up to September, 2014.

Besides the above, grant to the tune of **Rs.22,59,840/-** has been sanctioned by the State Government during this year for development of infrastructure of AWTCs being managed by Odisha State Council for Child Welfare.

Grant to the tune of **Rs.16,59,05400/-** crores has been sanctioned for the purpose of new construction and renovation of buildings of 7 Anganwadi Workers' Training Centres. Construction work for AWTC, Dhenkanal has already started and progress is up to lintel level. The land for AWTC, Berhampur and Koraput has been identified. Tender document is in process. Collector, Koraput has already constructed

a building for use of AWTC Ambaguda. Renovation work of the building at AWTC Unit-I, Unit-II and Unit-III, Baripada has not yet started.

Periodical meeting of all Principals were held on 23.04.2014, 01.08.2014, 05.09.2014 and 16.1.2015 during the year to discuss various issues relating to AWTC.

### Activities of Anganwadi Worker's Training Centre



**Observation of Nutrition Day by the AWTC**

**Teaching through Campaign method**

#### **D. RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL CRECHE CENTRES :**

Indian Council for Child Welfare, New Delhi has sanctioned 74 Creche centres to State Council. During the year 44 centres were functioning through its DCCE in 7 districts of the state with the grant-in-aid from ICCW, New Delhi under Rajiv Gandhi National Creche Scheme for the children.

<b>Sl.No.</b>	<b>Name of the District</b>	<b>No. of centres allotted</b>
01	Cuttack	12
02	Jagatsinghpur	02
03	Kendrapara	04
04	Jajpur	10
05	Puri	02
06	Khurda	09
07	Nayagarh	02
08	Dhenkanal	02
09	Balasore	01

## **E. NATIONAL AND STATE BRAVERY AWARD FOR CHILDREN**

Every year, the National Bravery Award is awarded by the Indian Council for Child Welfare, New Delhi to brave children between the ages of 6 to 18 years for their outstanding courage. The State Council also felicitates the children under State Bravery Award Scheme. For wide publicity of the scheme the copy of the scheme along with application form were circulated to all the District Collectors, Superintendents of Police, Director, Secondary Education, Odisha, Director of Sports, Indian Red Cross Society-Odisha State Branch, Door Darshan, Bhubaneswar, All India Radio, Cuttack, all DSWOs and DCPOs to get recommendation for more cases of bravery. This year the advertisement was published in the local newspaper for all Odisha circulation and it was also uploaded in the website of W. & C.D. Dept., Govt. of Odisha but no nomination were received during the year.

## **F. ADOPTION**

OSCCW was declared as Scrutiny Agency of adoption as per judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and as affiliated to Indian Council for Child Welfare as the State Branch. During this year 100 cases were scrutinised and recommended for adoption.

## **G. ADOPTION AWARENESS PROGRAMME**

On the occasion of "National Adoption Awareness Week Celebration", a meeting was organized on 16.11.2014 by Odisha State Council for Child Welfare at Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubaneswar. The Awareness Programme was aimed at making the people in general and adoptive parents in particular aware on the needs and benefits of adoption. The adoptive parents who came from different places were felicitated. The Hon'ble Minister, Women & Child Development, was the chief guest; Commissioner-cum-Secretary, W&CD Department and Commissioner, State

Commission for Persons with Disability were the guest of honour on the occasion. The representative of SAA and RIPA were present on this occasion.

### ADOPTION AWARENESS WEEK CELEBRATION -2014



Guest and dignitaries in the dias



Inauguration by Minister W & CD, near Commissioner-Cum-Secretary w& CD, State Commissioner person with disability and Member Secretary OSCCW.



Felicitation of Adoptive parents by the guest



Guest and Dignitaries

### H. PAINTING COMPETITION

State Level Painting Competition-2014 was organized by Odisha State Council for Child Welfare on 28.09.2014 among the school children at Bhubaneswar and different district headquarters viz. Cuttack, Puri, Balasore, Dhenkanal, Jajpur,



Koraput, Nawarangpur, Berhampur and Baripada as per guideline of ICCW, New Delhi. The main aim of organizing this Competition was to give opportunity to the children to show their talent at the National Level and derive further inspiration. This year 647 children participated in the competition with lots of interest. The State Council had sent 38 numbers of paintings from selected five groups including disabled and special category of children for selection at national level.

State Council awarded trophies and certificates to all selected participants in each group who excelled in the Painting Competition- 2014 during adoption awareness week celebration on 16.11.2014 at Hotel Kalinga Ashok. 38 award winning children received prizes and certificates.



National Painting Competition 2014 organized at district level at Nawarangpur



Beautiful painting by a special able child



National level painting competition 2014 at Bhubaneswar



A national award winner receiving traffic and certificate of ICCW from Minister W & CD Odisha



A child participant receiving award cum-  
from Minister W & CD, Odisha



A special able child receiving award from Commissioner-

## I. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The Executive Council meeting of the Odisha State Council for Child Welfare was held on 07.03.2015 under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Women & Child Development at NSAP conference hall of W. & C. D. Dept. Commissioner-cum-Secretary, W.&C.D., Director, Social Welfare, three Revenue Divisional Commissioners, Secretary General, ICCW, and three social workers nominated from three revenue divisions attended the meeting. Various issues related to State Council were discussed at length and it was decided not to construct the "Bal Bhavan".



#### **J. SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME:**

With the support of Indian Council for Child Welfare, meritorious students whose family's monthly income is Rs.5000/- or less are getting sponsorship assistance. Presently 19 students are getting sponsorship assistance from ICCW. Out of the 19 students 02 students (National Painting Competition Awardee) have received assistance for the F.Y. 2012-13 and other 17 students have received assistance for the F.Y. 2013-14.

#### **K. ONE DAY SEMINAR ON ALTERNATIVE CARE FOR CHILDREN**

One day state consultation on "Child Protection" was organized by Odisha State Council for Child Welfare in collaboration with Coalition on Children's Right to Protection (CCRP) and allied partner "Basundhara" on 04.07.2014 at Red Cross Bhavan, Bhubaneswar. Different child care institutions, representatives of six Utkal Balshrams, RIPA and SAA attended the programme. Around 130 representative of the aforesaid institutions participated in the programme. Member Secretary, OSCCW presided over the meeting. The main focus of the programme was to identify various issues related to :-

- Child Protection
- Juvenile Justice Act and Integrated Child Protection Scheme
- Different forms of social rehabilitation and re-integration of children.
- Diverse institutional approaches – issues, challenges, initiative and way forward.

#### **L. DONATIONS**

The donations to the State Council are exempted from Income Tax under IT act 80G. Like previous year this year Shree Gopal Memorial Trust, Cuttack donated Rs. 1 lakh to Utkal Balashram, Cuttack.

The one and only dedicated donor Sri Rankabandhu Behera, a retired government employee has donated Rs.48,000/- @ Rs.4000/- per month for the children of Balashrams during the year. The donation amount has been exclusively utilized for the children of different Balashrams by purchasing required items for them.

#### **LIFE MEMBER OF OSCCW:**

Till date total number of life members of the Odisha State Council for Child Welfare is 184.

#### **N. PLAN OF ACTION:**

- a. Painting Competition to be extended to all districts.
- b. T.o.T. on early childhood intervention.
- c. Annual Day/Children's Day celebration.
- d. Enrollment of new children for sponsorship programme.

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