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#### Palle Veerula Mahotsavam:

Palle Veerula Mahotsavam is conducted on the 10th September, 2014 remembering the martyrs of the Tsunduru massacre. This meeting is conducted in J.D. Seelam Conference Hall, A.C. College Campus, Guntur. Around 600 members from all the districts of Andhra Pradesh participated in the meeting. Mr. Sathish Chandra, senior Journalist and Mr. Sunil



Mr. A. Deva Kumar, Exe.Secretary, DBRC addressing the audience in Palle Veerula Mahotsayam at Guntur

Kumar, I.G of Police was the chief guest for the meeting. DBF has identified village dalit leaders who are working for the welfare of the dalits and adivasis and felicitated them as "Palle Veer".

#### **Supporting the Disabled:**

DBF has organized meetings with the Disabled (Differently abled) people in all the districts of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana and talked with them about their rights and opportunities they can utilize through the government schemes. Later, they were provided with nutritious food and fruits.

#### Awareness on APNREGA:

Dalitha Bahujana Front is regularly working in collaboration with the SSS federations in 6 mandals of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states. DBF has conducted awareness meetings and facilitating the SSS federations in getting work through NREGA



Mr.V.Durga Prasad, Coordinator, DBRC facilitating the session in Awareness on MGNREGS Wage Seekers Program at Kurnool

**DBF** programme. has also assisted the members of the SSS federations getting delay in payments. The wage seekers in Bobbili, Darsi, Rangareddy, Vijayanagaram and 4 mandals of Kurnool district are oriented on their rights.

#### **Hud Hud Relief Program:**

The Hud Hud cyclone has made a landfall on the 12th October, 2014 near Visakhapatnam with a very high speed and heavy rainfall. It has caused severe damage

public to and private property. suffered People due to damage to houses, crops, boats, water supply and electricity. A team of Dalitha Bahujana Front has visited the highly affected areas and identified immediate the requirements for the



Mr.A.Deva Kumar, Exe.Secretary, DBRC distributed the relief material to the victims of Hud Hud Cyclone at Visakhapatnam

victims of the hud hud. DBF has distributed around 1400 kgs of Rice, 100 kgs of Dhal, 100 sarees to women, 100 blankets to the victims of the Cylone. DBF has conducted enumeration in the affected areas and gave the list to the district officials for support.

#### **HIV AIDS Awareness Programmes:**

Dalitha Bahujana Front in collaboration with the Positive Network in the district level has conducted awareness programmes in Vijayawada, Guntur, Hasanaparty and Mylavaram about HIV, its mode of transmission and methods to be followed to ensure they are free from being infected with HIV. LCD was used to show Power point presentation to the people. Visual methodology was used to show them small video clippings about the effects, problems the HIV infected face as they are infected with HIV.



Mr.Ch.Anil Kumar, Coordinator, interacted with the HIV infected people and distributed Nutrition Support

The HIV infected people were sensitized about ART medicines and about improving their health condition. The HIV infected people were given nutritious food, buckets and mugs. Mr. Ramesh, President of the Telugu Network of Positive People (TNP) was also present during the programme.

#### **Distributing Clothes to the poor:**

Dalitha Bahujana Front has conducted a get together meeting with the people in the villages and identified the most needy women. Based on the list identified by the volunteers, we distributed clothes to 100 women.



Mr.P.Sankar, Dalit Activist facilitating the session on Dalit Adivasi Welfare and Development Schemes.

# Orientation on Welfare and Development Schemes:

Dalitha Bahujana Front has organized orientation to the Dalit Adivasis on welfare and development schemes of the government in Nandikotkuru, Kurnool, Mylavaram, Nandigama, Eluru and Sattenappalle areas. Around 200 people participated in each area and

got knowledge about the different schemes of the government. The meeting was useful for dissemination of information to the grassroots.

#### **Conducting Ambedkar Jayanthi:**

DBF along with other Dalit Adivasi Orgnisations have conducted different programmes on 14th April as Ambedkar Jayanthi remembering the Birthday of



Dignitaries garlanding the statue of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar on the occasion of Ambedkar Jayanthi on 14th April, 2014 at Guntur

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. The statues of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar were garlanded with flowers and rallies were conducted in the target areas raising pro ambedkar slogans. During the meetings organized during the occasion, people talked about taking forward the ideology of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and striving towards achieving social Justice and social equality.

#### **Human Rights Day:**

DBF has celebrated Human Rights Day on the 10th December, 2014 to honour the United Nations General Assembly's adoption and proclamation. DBF along with other like minded organizations has conducted meeting with the dalit adivasis and discussed about the rights and encouraged to understand their rights and also disseminate the information to others.

#### **Celebrating Women's Day:**

We have conducted International Women's Day on the 8th March, 2015. Remembering the services of the women to the society and their struggle against



Observed 8th March, 2015 as International Women's Day and Interaction meeting was organised on women issues

aggression, violence and inequality. The women have rallied in the streets shouting slogans against discrimination, violence and inequality. Around 350 women participated in each meeting in the district. The organizers stressed the need for the women to step up and achieve the rights and live in par with the men in the society.

#### **Supporting the Aged**:

DBF has organized meetings with the aged people. They were given awareness about being healthy, good health habits, nutritious food, being clean and they were provided with good nutritious food and fruits.

#### **Interaction meeting with Govt. Departments:**

DBRC has organised Interaction meeting between the government authorities and the community members in Kurnool and Guntur. The Executive Director of SC Corporations has participated in this Interaction meeting. The meeting was helpful in understanding the implementation status of the SC ST Sub Plan Act, opportunities and challenges in the implementation of the Act. The participants have expressed their concerns with regard to the diversion of funds, unutilization of budget and about the process involved in the identification of beneficiaries.

### District level Peoples review on the implementation of SC ST Sub Plan Act:

DBRC has organized Peoples Review meeting on the implementation of SC ST Sub Plan Act for the CBOS, NGOs and Dalit Adivasis organizations in all the operational areas. During the meetings, DBRC has presented a status report on the implementation of SC ST Sub Plan Act and utilization of the Budget. Recommendations were developed to represent to the government for ensuring effective implementation of the Act and utilization of the budget.

#### Signature Campaign:

Signature campaign was taken up in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states with a demand to frame rules for the SC ST Sub Plan Act. Though the SC ST Sub plan has come

into force 2 years ago, rules were not framed for the Act. So. DBRC has motivated the community on the need for framing rules and took up the campaign in a big way. Around 10000 signatures have been mobilized during the one month long campaign.



DBRC has organised Signature Campaign in AP & Telangana to frame rules for the SC ST Sub Plan Act

#### **State Level Meeting:**

DBRC has organised a State Level meeting in collaboration with different CBOs and CSOs to discuss on the implementation of Sub Plan Act. 925 members from different CBOs and CSOs participated in the meeting. The representatives of different organisations have submitted a memorandum about the gaps in the implementation of the act and requested the Minister to take steps for comprehensive development of the SCs and STs and proper allocation and utilization of the Sub Plan budget.

#### **Training for Waste Pickers:**

DBRC has identified waste pickers in Guntur and Vijayawada Municipal Corporations, mobilized, motivated and oriented them on different schemes that are implemented by the government. They were also updated about the Anganwadi Centres available and they were motivated to send their children to these Anganwadi Centres. They were sensitized about MEPMA and its activities and talked to them about the need to be part of the Self Help Groups. They were trained to voice out their issues and



Mr.V.Durga Prasad, Coordinator, DBRC facilitating a session in Training Program for the Waste Pickers at Guntur

also disseminate the information and knowledge to the community members. They were motivated to become leaders for their community and step ahead to bring change in the living conditions of their community.