

Majhihira National Basic Educational Institution

.... a Gandhian organisation for promotion of Basic Education (Nai Talim)



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Preface

While computing the historiography of MNBEI and its role in the national level Nai Talim movement, this year will be earmarked as the most eventful year due to the completion of its 75 years journey through many crests and troughs. More so, Shri Chitta Bhushan Dasgupta, the founder of MNBEI completes 100 eventful years on 6th June, 2015 is also a land mark in its history. As a devout freedom fighter of the country, initiator of the movement of Buniyadi Education in mother tongue in the country and leader of the movement of 'State reorganisation according to mother tongue'- resulting the inclusion of Purulia into West Bengal, Shri Chitta Bhusan will always be remembered as an uncompromising soldier of Nai Talim.

This year should also be reckoned due to the glorious observance of the valedictory function of 75 years of MNBEI, rejuvenation of the entire ashram campus of MNBEI, inclusion of an important dimension of vocational training, livelihood promotion for the PWDs through National Social Inclusion Programme, involvement of a new partner AID, USA for sustenance of the ongoing Inclusive Education Programme for visually impaired children, completion of the biography of Ashram Mother Smt. Malati Dasgupta and applying for a B.Ed. college before the Govt. of India in her name.

The year was, however, crisscrossed by many dark patches including some necessary organisational changes, retirement of some of the veteran Governing Body members due to their ill health, retrogression of some of the ongoing projects and some small skirmishes. But, as proclaimed by our founder, these imperative impedances always create a newer zeal for future propagation of all MNBEI activities.

This year was a year of hope as written above but also it was a year of despair as the founder of MNBEI Shri Chitta Bhushan took his last breath on 6th February late night just few months before completing his 101 years of eventful life. The entire MNBEI family has deeply mourned this unfathomable demise which led to the biggest jolt on their persons and on the organisation. Attendances of uncountable numbers of people from all walks of life, near and far, in the funeral procession and in the condolence meet serve only as a pointer of reverence they have for this late lamented personality. The spontaneous expression of bereavement on the face of everyone present there on both the day needs no further iteration.

This all encompassing attendance has lessened the grief of MNBEI family but also endowed a higher responsibility in a greater spectrum as sought for by Chitta Bhushan. The situation can be best expressed through the famous lines of Gurudev Tagore –



Students carrying 75 Mangal Ghot on the eve of 75th anniversary of M.N.B.E.I in valedictory session.

আছে দুঃখ, আছে মৃত্যু, বিরহদহন লাগে।
তবুও শান্তি, তবু আনন্দ, তবু অনন্ত জাগে
নাহি ক্ষয়, নাহি শেষ, নাহি নাহি দৈন্যলেশ
সেই পূর্ণতার পায়ে মন স্থান মাগে।।

*Exists sorrow, exists death, separation chars,
yet exists peace, yet exist happiness, yet the infinities stirs.....
No decay exists, no end either, not even weariness;
at the feet of that fulfilment, my heart seeks eternal shelter.*

Before concluding, I would like to express my sincere apology for the unintended delay of late preparation and publication of this annual report of 2015-16. Due to total revision of the accounting system for computerization followed by a rigorous auditing of the same and delay in the collection of data and statistics of field programmes from the outreach workers coupled with the long absence of the undersigned for his regular outstation tours have come in the way in sending the materials to the press for print within scheduled time.

This report is a result of collective endeavour. Our Inclusive Education Programme's Director Shri Soumyanath Mallik gave extensive dictation continuously for one week and both of our office and field staffs Shri Nanigopal Mahato and Haripada Mahato kept busy in tabulation, composing and editing, which was a herculean task indeed. In the press, VITEC Printo, Shri Amar Goswami, the Compositor, took the pain of sitting in the computer with me for hours for layout and graphic designing works. His tireless effort has made this report a beautiful look. I convey my gratitude to all of them.

Over and above I would like to express my sincere thanks to each and every one of MNBEI family including our members and well wishers for their service and support to these yearlong painstaking endeavours. We will look forward to receive similar kind of united actions from them in the years to come.

Jai Jagat.

**Majhihira
18.09.2016**



**Prasad Dasgupta
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Introduction

The journey of MNBEI from the phase of a Buniyadi Institute at the remote corner of Majhihira village to its present form of an institute for Sarvodaya of total development comprising the entire rural populace including the hitherto excluded ones, the Dalits, and the physically challenged population of the surroundings, requires a realisation of the space time continuum.

During the initial phase, the then torchbearers of MNBEI, many of whom were participants of freedom movement, under the dedicated and committed leadership of Shri Chitta Bhusan Dasgupta, with the help of the local inhabitants, sowed a seed of the Gandhian concept of Nai Talim. In sum, this phase was a part of the freedom movement coupled with an attempt of emancipation of the people of a forlorn area.

With the passage of time, MNBEI could attract a reckonable number of students, from far flung areas both rural and urban. Not only the students, this phase was featured by a congregation of social elites as part of full time and part time teaching faculty and which denoted a sudden spatial jump from a rural socio-educational institute to a much larger landscape.

It is worth mentioning that the aforementioned prophase continued even after independence and the blooming of the bud of MNBEI had to suffer different socio-political and even cultural impedances from the local, state level and national level power brokers of all hue. The forerunners were compelled to undertake help and support from few of the upper echelon personalities in government hierarchy with an inclination towards total emancipation through Nai Talim.

Through the above paragraphs, it transpires that in order to come over the negative aspects of the propagation of MNBEI activities it did not remain only as an educational outlet but an emphasis had been attributed to the economic and social development of the people of the concerned area. While doing so it was observed that on one hand the gulf of financial deprivation of a larger number of the rural society against very few rich peasants was paramount and on the other the caste-based society had never allowed an iota for development of the Dalits.

Our forerunners accepted that both the above socio-economic features were to be combated simultaneously and anyone can appreciate the difficulty of such a process particularly at such rugged terrain. In order to come out of the social cleavage they undertook the path of propagation of the Gandhian concept of fighting the social injustice through a continuous campaign throughout the larger area in and around Majhihira and imbibing the concept of the importance of the rural artisans personally and socially.

At this juncture the pattern of work in MNBEI had undergone a low paced change without any alteration of the paradigm of Sarvodaya. In order to take a step forward for implementation of the change in pattern, the prime necessity of a seed fund was imperative. Being a Gandhian institute, MNBEI, throughout its entire span, faced a paucity of fund; the sporadic financial assistance from government and non-government sources and even from its own patrons could not cope up with the envisaged change of pattern in a continuous manner. As MNBEI, already mentioned earlier, could not compromise the Gandhian paradigm of Sarvodaya, it could not accept any project which could give ample fund but were contrary to the Gandhian principle. Such apparently contradictory phenomenon resulted in to a few discontinuities which however did not pose any hindrance to the propagation of Sarvodaya throughout the entire area presently encompassing four Development Blocks of the district of Purulia in West Bengal. However it would be absolutely unfair to undermine the role of local, national and international stakeholders for their guidance and financial assistance during the period of acute fund crunch of MNBEI.

Without further elaboration of the ups and downs, MNBEI on date is perhaps the single institute in the state of West Bengal thrives on the Gandhian philosophy in one hand and a dedicated core group of individuals from all walks of life to carry on the duties bestowed on them, on the other.

In the present paraphrase a journey of 75 years through different types of crests and troughs has been narrated in a nutshell. This timeframe has observed the initiation of MNBEI in 1940 and witnessed the demises of almost all of the initial torchbearers; most importantly

the demise of Smt. Malati Dasgupta, the soul of the Ashram, and the passage of our captain on all counts, Shri Chitta Bhusan Dasgupta, the father-icon with a missionary zeal realised by everyone who came in his contact throughout his entire span of 100 years. It should be mentioned that during the concerned period of this reporting year we categorically emphasised on the issue of Persons with Special Ability on two different programmes; Education for children and Livelihood promotion for adults. Due to our continuous advocacy on the mentioned issue of the hitherto excluded group, the district and state level government functionaries have extended their hands of cooperation and promised to stand by the noble cause for its furtherance. Together with this endeavour, other regular activities have continued as in the previous years. As this particular span of time, MNBEI achieved a historical peak of completion of 75 years and the eventful life of a freedom fighter culminating into a centurion papal tutor of Sarvoday through Nai Talim coupled with his journey to heavenly abode, the institution have undertaken three different though interrelated commemoration programme of highest importance. These were the Diamond Jubilee celebration of MNBEI, Centenary celebration of the founder, Chitta Bhusan Dasgupta and finally the arrangement of a mass gathering to commemorate him after his sad demise. MNBEI did give all possible effort for successful implementation of these mentioned three programmes. As the congregation of countless well-wishers surpassed the estimation of MNBEI, it might so happen that necessary attention to everyone could not be given and hopefully such lapses were not taken into account by the participants. Apart from the above mentioned three activities, the other two significant initiatives that were remarkably taken place during this year and as already mentioned

in previous paragraphs, were the initiation of Social Inclusion Programme for visually challenged people under the aegis of Sightsavers and restarting the recently closed Sightsavers supported Inclusive Education Programme with the fresh support from AID, USA. Both the programmes were long awaited and thus it was the most appropriate time to take off these two actions on the 75th year of MNBEI. The details regarding these two programmes have been narrated in the “Activities” chapters.

The ideological turmoil in Majjihira Ashram Vidyalaya in the recent past and our point of concern for this with a possible solution has also been mentioned in this report. We invite all our well-wishers and renowned educationists to provide us their specific suggestions to cross this impasse, which has caused due to the change of mindset of people with the change of time.

Many other programmes apart from the mentioned ones, though small in nature but ideologically important, were organised throughout the year but due to shortage of space, could not be mentioned here in detail. However, we have tried to include all such activities with the mentioning of main activities.



Workshop with Disability Commissioner of W.B.



Two different meetings of the Governing Body of M.N.B.E.I. – then & now.

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Our Activities

1. Majjihira Ashram Vidyalaya:

As a mundane reality and even in the cosmic sense, nature always abhors bare vacuum. During the primary years of our independence the then leaders of the nation compromised with the Gandhian philosophy of Gram Swaraj through Nai Talim. Such compromise created a mismatch between the thought and praxis of Mahatma on two counts; - one, industrial development was prioritized on a national scale while on the other, millions of the poverty stricken uneducated masses were deprived to participate in the socio-economic development envisaged.

It has been mentioned earlier that the withering away of the praiseworthy experience of Gram Swaraj through Nai Talim started coming into the fore in all Nai Talim Institutes nationally; this Ashram Vidyalaya was also no exception to this feature. The zeal of the initial twenty years later became a prey of the compromise mentioned. Particularly with the ingress of the consumerism, a shift from Nai Talim, as it should be, to a new form of Macaulay system became palpable wherein certain aspects of the Gandhian vision were adopted in a truncated shape.

Majjihira Ashram Vidyalaya, during these entire phase of transformation, realized their inability to continue the principle of teaching through a “Single Craft”, the call of Nai Talim (Buniyadi Education) and only a few of the livelihood curriculum continued as a practice of the ashramites.

The deviation towards the Macaulayan system

brought with it the certificate orientation and all the associated counterproductive activities and while doing so, the basic essence of the Buniyadi education started gradually disappearing. Many of the present day teachers accepted this certificate orientation and securing higher percentage in examinations as a better marker and such years were halcyon days for them, while for MNBEI, these were the years of intrinsic turbulence in so far as the conception was concerned. It has been observed that a slow and regular creeping in of indiscipline and disobeying of the guidance of the parent organisation was resulting in a total disarray of MNBEI and its all other allied activities. Such a two-prong detrimental activities from external impacts of consumerist education and the internal disruptive elements created a total impasse. MNBEI was compelled to seriously think for some way out and most painfully started deciding to sever the management of Ashram Vidyalaya from its shoulder. It should be clearly expressed at this juncture that the Ashram Vidyalaya was, is and will be remembered as the initial edifice of the Buniyadi education with its entire curriculum.

Times and again we have iterated, “by Collective Endeavour, Buniyadi Education is our aim”, which clearly indicates our vision and modus operandi in the Ashram Vidyalaya. The vision does not need any explanation but we are to understand the word “Collective” judiciously which comprises three distinct categories, namely, - the MNBEI Management, The Faculty, and last though most important the Students of Vidyalaya. Out of these three, the first category theorises and draws the



The last flag hoisting with the presence of the founder



The blind children of AID supported IE Programme with the founder.

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annual plan of Buniyadi Education of MNBEI. The second one is expected to implement such plan, while the last category, the students, and even their guardians seek the result not only academically but also the sublimation of their ward to be a soldier to proliferate the cause of Buniyadi Education in the society at large. In this year's Madhyamik (secondary) examination, all the 32 students successfully passed out amongst whom 7 were above 60%, 4 above 70%, 2 above 80% and 1 above 90% of marks in aggregate. Baring few, most of them spontaneously participated in all other Ashramik activities. Regarding the other students of secondary and primary section (227 and 131 respectively), the performance report is more or less the same. But unfortunately due to the laxity of the faculty engaged therein, a regrettable departure have come into fore on maintenance of discipline and observance of the spirit of Buniyadi Education. This resulted in a retrogression of our endeavour to rigorously implement the activity of "Integrating handicraft with education". The apparent enthusiasm of the teachers as observed in the last year's workshop on the above issue could not create any impact in materialising the concept acquired by them thus leaving the collective strenuous effort of the experts of 5 states continuing for 3 days remained futile.

Keeping in view of the seminal role of Ashram Vidyalaya and the aspirations of its wards and their guardians and the counterproductive role of the teachers, MNBEI faces the dichotomy of continuing or discontinuing the Vidyalaya as an edifice of Buniyadi Education. Otherwise in order to give due weight to the social necessity, MNBEI



The 2016 Madhyamik batch of Ashram Vidyalaya in a counseling session.

should not close down the Ashram Vidyalaya rather transfer the management of it to some able hands who would be able to implement the necessary discipline befitting to this school with a long heritage of Basic Education. The transferee would also be given with an unbiased scope for promulgation of the above vision during their pendency.

In the foregoing paragraphs we have briefly narrated the essential features of the Ashram School that took place in recent pasts. Yet the dark cloud could not cover the silver lining of the passed out students and the green newer entrants on the bigger horizon of the Ashram Vidyalaya. It has been thus designed to reward the students past and present in a befitting manner and at the same time bitter pills of disciplinary actions are to be enforced to those who could not keep their commitment towards Buniyadi education - again in a befitting manner.

A brief mention of students is necessary at this point.

Primary section

a. No. of students	-	131
i. Residential	-	109
(of which M 87 & F 22)		
ii. Day scholar	-	22
(of which M 19 & F 3)		

Secondary section

b. No. of students	-	227
i. Residential	-	166
(of which M 115 & F 51)		
ii. Day scholar	-	61
(of which M 37 & F 24)		
c. Madhyamik examinee (2016)-		32
i. Passed with 60% & above	-	14 (44%)
ii. Passed under 60% marks	-	18 (56%)

Almost all of the students have participated in the predesigned extra-pedagogical activities during this year, some of them excelled in performing arts, sports and particularly the essential component of Buniyadi education i.e. safai, sramdaan, charkha, sanchay bhandar and diary writing. Their creativity has also been appreciated through many of their activities within the campus and even outside like gardening experimentation in school campus, novel demonstrations on science, preparing innovative models in geography and history in the annual exhibition of Vidyalaya and safai (cleaning) abhiyan

at Majjihira village and nearby Kuda Primary Health Centre on Jalianwala Bag commemoration day etc.

Through all these intra and extracurricular activities one can easily observe the bondage amongst the students and their adherence with the Buniyadi activities which have created an atmosphere congenial for development of body, mind and soul even in the present day consumerist society destined to a money laundering individual. The necessary and sufficient condition for continuance of the development of students is the vital role of the teaching community and any lackadaisical approach of the latter may jeopardise the ambition inculcated amongst the former. This malady has posed a real problem for the desired level of education in this Ashram Vidyalaya.

However we are compelled to adopt a suitable newer paradigm for not only streamlining the Vidyalaya but also to restore the atmosphere of MNBEI as ushered by Shri Chitta Bhusan Dasgupta and the former torchbearers of MNBEI.



Village cleaning campaign by the students of M.A.V.



Annual sports of Ashram Vidyalaya

2. Majjihira Ashram P.T.T.I. (D.El.Ed.):

In order to bridge the gap between the emergent necessity of trained primary level teachers and impregnating them with the Gandhian vision of Buniyadi education, MNBEI in 2003, initiated Majjihira Ashram Primary Teachers' Training Institute to fulfil a long cherished idea of Shri Chitta Bhusan to create a group of teachers with a different hue of teaching & learning with a joy coupled with imparting a sense of self-sustenance amongst the students. While doing so MNBEI had to face a two-prong problem. Primarily the sporadic and sudden changes of the norms of NCTE, Govt. of India and the resultant State Government regulations and secondarily disproportionate craving for the certificate from the students together with the “come-easy go-easy” attitude of the faculties therein have resulted into a regular turbulence within the PTTI overtly and covertly. The mentioned impedances are undoubtedly problem generating but the heritage of MNBEI and the serene atmosphere till date have an all-pervading effect on the majority of the present and past students insofar as their participation in the elementary Buniyadi practices observed in them is concerned.

Resultant to the reports of different commissions initiated by the central government, each Teachers Training Institute in the country should have to be of composite nature. This has obviated for initiation of a B.Ed. college in the same campus at our earliest. To achieve this target we had to attend parlances at different government quarters and most importantly we had to arrange necessary funds and infrastructures as prescribed by the said NCTE. Both these have posed a herculean task before us. On the face of such an eventuality



Distribution of blankets by P.T.T.I to the poor & destitutes

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MNBEI decided to start the **Malati Dasgupta B.Ed. College** to commemorate the role of Smt. Malati Dasgupta as the mother icon of MNBEI and a trained teacher in her personal capacity. Against all such odds, MAPPTI could establish a reckonable presence on the map of such institutes in the state of West Bengal as an organisation with an altogether different flair. Such recognition has been observed through the number of applications received from outside the district for seeking admission, regular selection of this campus as a venue for the Board's examination and importantly enough through the deliberations of the passed out students and their guardians expressing their heartfelt gratitude towards this training institute.

Some noteworthy experiences of PTTI of this year are given herewith as a reckoner of the achievement of the institute:

- i. The annual event of observance of the National Week to commemorate the brutal genocide of Jalianwala Bag in 1919, from 6th to 13th April. The programme was attended by the students of PTTI & MAV. It should be mentioned particularly with this that on 12th April, all of the PTTI students and faculty members participated in the overall cleansing programme of Manbazar Rural Hospital and organised distribution of fruits and food packets as a goodwill gesture to all the indoor patients of the hospital. This should be particularly noted that the programme was attended by the B.D.O., Block Medical Officer and O.C of Manbazar-I. Also such a Sui Generis programme for commemoration of the sacrifice of non-violent freedom fighters was physically attended by none other than the centurion freedom fighter Shri Chitta Bhusan Dasgupta.



On Jalianwala Bag Day, the founder of M.N.B.E.I. joined in a cleansing campaign in Manbazar Rural Hospital with the B.D.O of Manbazar-I, Mr. Sayak Deb (2nd from right)

- ii. The academic year of 2015 started from the 1st week of August and on 9th August the foundation day of PTTI & MAV was observed with lot of enthusiasm and general participation in flag hoisting and other ceremonial activities of the students and teachers and other workers of ashram. Through this initial phase the students at large could realize the new paradigm of primary teacher's training.
- iii. The completion of the 75th year of MNBEI and the entire series of programme therein have created a sense of unification with the history of Buniyadi education in rural Bengal and that too in a far flung area like Majhihira. The eagerness of the students to render their spontaneous service indicated their willingness to be a member of the ashram family with such a heritage.
- iv. Like previous years, this year too MAPPTI was selected as the external examination centre for the Board's final examination for Baghmundi S.N.P.T.T.I. and Amlatora P.T.T.I. under the surveillance of District Inspector of Schools and D.P.S.C. A total no. of 200 students attended the said examination from 23rd November to 8th December, 2015. That no untoward event occurred during the said process was appreciated by all concerned.
- v. The birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda was observed by MAPPTI and MAV on 12th January, 2016 at the bank of nearby Chaka River where after a short programme on Swamiji, a common Bonbhojan (lunch) was arranged. Shri Chitta Bhusan, a youth of 101 years was the principle character who not only enjoyed the food but also remained as the sole attraction of the entire luncheon.
- vi. On 14th January the Institute organised a programme on distribution of blankets to poor and destitute people of Purulia at the Radha Krishna Temple near Kangsabati River with the help of a local club of Damda village. About 100 such blankets were distributed by the faculty members of MNBEI and by some local gentry. It was an annual social service programme of PTTI which takes place every year in different places.

- vii. From 24th February to 3rd March the entire PTTI went on to an educational excursion to different places of historical and geographical interest in Punjab and Uttarakhand including the Indo-Pak border at Wagah. This pleasant exposure has not only enriched the students and even teachers but also inculcated a group feeling amongst the PTTI family and our fellow nationals at the far flung places of the area visited.
- viii. Under the aegis of West Bengal Board of Primary Education, a workshop on “Child-centred educational system” was conducted from 25th to 27th February, 2016 in Kolkata which was successfully attended by the lecturers of our Institute.
- ix. The scheduled annual Practice Teaching of the trainees started from 10th March. The first part of the said teaching continued for 20 days at different local govt. Primary schools. The second part was scheduled for next twenty five days on 8 Secondary schools. But due to scorching early summer, the state govt. declared compulsory holiday during that period resulting in the cancelation of this part of practice teaching.



Demonstration by M.A.P.T.T.I. students in Jatiya Saptaha



Cleaning by M.A.P.T.T.I students in Social Service programme.

3.Social Inclusion Programme:

While adopting the Inclusive Education Programme in 2009 we had mentioned two important aspects namely, the physical and social deprivation of the Visually Impaired and utter neglect of them as a non-earner burden in the family and in the society. Our exposure under the aegis of Sightsavers for over five years compelled us to give a second thought to such a two prong problem and the education aspect was addressed for these five years while to bring these people to the general social life as an earner for the family was given with a secondary importance. The ground reality was however different. The family and the peer groups, times and again, expressed their view of the futility of such education which did not lead to any acceptable earning. Coupled with this, the rural population within our area of operation opined to address the necessity of the otherwise physically challenged persons who were also suffering from the social stigma of non acceptance as able bodied person. In order to solve this impasse we had initiated discussions with Sightsavers and the latter took the issue seriously and both of us jointly developed a proposal for the entire gamut of such deprived population to be engaged in a capacity building programme for five years starting from 2015. It should be considered that without changing the development paradigm for all such challenged section of the people, a subtle change in the modus operandi had been incorporated, namely from education to a craft orientation, enabling them to be self sustaining in their livelihood necessities. Further it should be added that many of the initial entrants of the Inclusive Education Programme have crossed the upper age limit of the same and should no longer be kept within the purview.

Keeping all these markers in mind the age group of the present programme has been targeted to be 18 to 49 years and the list will include together with the visually impaired persons and all persons with special need. MNBEI with the regular help and assistance from Sightsavers has undertaken this programme in which two important components have been emphasized; -

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- a) A regular curricula for imparting the basic skills of production of marketable commodities like table stationeries, masala (spices) grindings, mushroom cultivation and poultry farming, and –
- b) A regular advocacy at the service provider level including and mainly at the government level to support the marketing and quality development activities.

After fixing the timeframe and the objectives, both the organisations jointly arrived on the methodology to be adopted for the coming 5 years which will primarily be directed to train the Project Staffs such that they can create conducive atmosphere at the family level of the beneficiaries for imparting the acumen necessary for their future pre-designed economic activities. The entire training programmes for the Livelihood Promoters, DPO Facilitator and later the incumbents were completed within a period of initial 90 days. However in situ trainings are being continued as and when necessary. Due to our regular advocacy at the Panchayat, Block and District level, we could involve the govt. machineries in general and particularly the involvement of district level officers including the District Collector.

As most of the beneficiaries are from the economically weaker section, it is not possible for them to arrange the start up fund by their own and the avenue of SHG - BPO - DPO - Cooperative is the obvious choice. Hence the formation of SHGs and Cooperative, an immediate necessity, needed a redress to be undertaken by not only the DPO Facilitators but also the entire staff engaged in the programme.



Meeting with BDS providers under Social Inclusion Programme

During this initial phase baseline survey comprising identification, assessment and mapping was given due care and the entire workforce was engaged in the same. The details of the findings are tabulated below:

Type of Disability	Male	Female	Total
Blind	48	45	93
Low vision	18	19	37
Hearing Impaired	59	41	100
Locomotors	124	84	208
Mental Retardation	07	05	12
Mental Illness	01	01	02
Multiple disa.	05	00	05
Total	262	195	457

This list is not exhaustive but to the best of our knowledge we have covered a bigger portion of such otherwise able persons in the concerned area (3 Blocks of Purulia district). It should also be noted that different categories of disabled persons have been enlisted in the above table, which have wide variations in their educational, social, financial and cultural attainments.

Keeping the above deliberation and the table in mind, during this initial phase, we have undertaken the following programmes in the last year:

- i. **Assessments of PWDs** - Consequent to our regular advocacy, medical assessment leading to certification has been conducted in Purulia District Hospital by competent authorities and at the end of the year the no. of disability certificate holders remain 403 out of 494 beneficiaries. The rest certificates are expected to be procured in the next year under a special clinical assessment by the competent authority as has been assured by the District Collector.
- ii. **Sensitisation of rights and entitlements** - Persons with special ability had scanty or no knowledge regarding their rights and entitlements in general particularly in the concerned area prior to our intervention. Compelled by this situation we had to arrange series of grass root level meetings with the beneficiaries and their family members regarding social security, the rights & entitlements

as provided in PWD Act, 1995, RCI Act and in UNCRPD. The no. of beneficiaries brought under these meetings was 155.

iii. Advocacy at the Block level - Advocacy programmes with different Block level officials were conducted so that the persons with disability certificates can take the benefit of all types of social security entitled for them as per provisions made by the government. The officers were further apprised that formation of SHGs and BPOs, the programme of financial development for them is of prime necessity. Selected BPO leaders who were present in these meetings also took part in the deliberation and decisions arrived thereat.

iv. Advocacy with Bank Managers - Due to our constant advocacy the indifferent attitudes of the banks towards the PWDs started dissolving in many cases. As a result, 08 SHGs in 3 Blocks have already become functional with 92 members (male 54 & female 38) and are all set to avail bank loans for their activities. While discussing with the State Bank of India, Boro branch situated in Manbazar-II Dev. Block, an ITDP area, regarding the financial privileges of tribal persons with disabilities, the manager expressed his inability to accord the facilities to the SHGs who are not under the canopy of Upa Sangha and Sangha. Regarding this issue we have initiated advocacy programme at the DRDC level and at the zonal level of S.B.I.

v. Advocacy at Panchayat level - Advocacy regarding inclusion of such persons in MGNREGS, IAY, AY and NDPS, list had been undertaken though no positive result has yet been received.

Further advocacy for this non achievement will have to be undertaken at the Block and District level.

vi. Establishment of Vocational Training Centre - Both the partners, MNBEI and Sightsavers, believe from the very inception of the project that a vocational training centre can serve the pivotal role for times to come. Ultimately it was approved in the 2015 annual budget and on 21st December, 2015 the training centre was inaugurated by the Additional District Magistrate (Dev.), Purulia in the presence of the founder of MNBEI, a team of Sightsavers headed by its Area Director and the Senior representative of this programme's funding agency Innoven Capital in an august gathering where apart from other spectators, about a hundred disabled people (mostly visually impaired) were present. In the training hall various machines installed for skill trainings were displayed and the work process of each machine was demonstrated before the enthusiast guests by concerned experts. Few of the products like masala powder, tomato sauce, mushroom, exercise book etc. were exhibited before the dignitaries and specimens were sold and distributed to them. The poultry sheds constructed for five female tribal beneficiaries in 5 different villages were also visited by the representatives of Sightsavers. Presently this vocational centre is functioning in our Majhira campus with the above skill trainings. This paved the path of establishing a full-fledged Training-cum-Educational Institute in the vicinity of Purulia town, in our land at Tamna, for which we have already placed a composite proposal before the govt. of W.B. and which is now under the state of consideration.

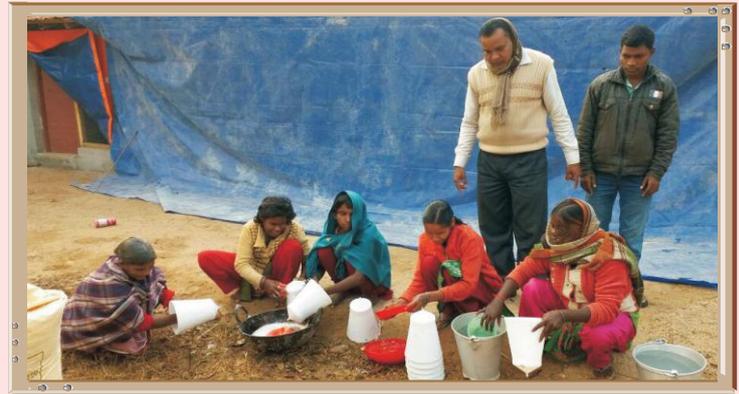


Meeting with the Disabled Persons of the area regarding their rights & entitlements

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The following are the details of the trainings that are currently being given in the Vocational Training Centre in Majjihira

Trade of training	No. of Trainees		Total
	Male	Female	
Poultry farming	2	5	7
Envelop making	0	8	8
Exercise Book making	5	0	5
Masala grinding & packaging Mushroom	3	2	5
Cultivation & Tomato Sauce making	3	6	9
Total	13	21	34



Vocational Training (Poultry) of blind girls in MNBEI campus

vii. Observance of World Sight Day- On 8th October, World Sight Day was observed by the staffs and beneficiaries of Social Inclusion Programme in two Blocks viz. Manbazar-I and Manbazar-II. In both the Blocks, processions were led to the B.D.O. office by the disabled people consisting of more than 50 visually and physically challenged persons of the area and submitted charter of demand to the respective B.D.O.s. Both the programmes created a general impact on the local people and the enthusiasm amongst the marchers themselves was clearly witnessed.

viii. Observance of World Disabled Day - On 3rd December in the World Disabled Day, the Purulia town witnessed a grand colourful rally consisting of about a thousand physically challenged people with banners, posters and slogan shoutings organised by the Social Inclusion and Inclusive Education team of MNBEI. It remained the first of its kind in the district headquarter which ended at the auditorium of Purulia Zilla Parishad after marching through the crowded main streets of the town when the passerby arranged the smooth movement of the visually and physically challenged marchers. Following the procession a meeting with the top government officials including the local Minister and M.P. was arranged in the auditorium where, apart from the lectures delivered by the dignitaries, the participants submitted a 10-point charter of demands to the District Collector, who in turn, assured

the fullest cooperation for the cause of such excluded persons from his personal side as well from administration side. He also declared of forming a high level committee which will act as a “Single Window System” to address all the demands and problems of the PWDs of the district.

ix. Preparation of I.E.C. materials - 4 sets of posters comprising of various informations regarding the rights and entitlements of the PWDs with some impressive photographs were developed by our SI team and were printed in large number using attractive colours. These posters were pasted to all govt. offices, Panchayat Bhavans, Primary Schools and in the vicinity of all the beneficiaries for creating a sustained awareness.



Posters prepared & distributed by MNBEI regarding rights of Disabled Persons

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Following are the data of NSIP of this year:

SOCIAL INCLUSION PROGRAMME					
Organisation Name:	M.N.B.E.I.	District	Purulia	Name of the state:	West Bengal
Programme start date:	01.07.2015	Reporting year: 2016			
1. Details of the PWDs in the programme District		Total PWDs Identified (Adult)			
		Men	Women		
a.	Number of People with Disability (PWDs) identified	262	195		
i)	Number of blind persons	48	45		
ii)	Number of persons with low vision	18	19		
iii)	Number of persons with hearing impairment	59	41		
iv)	Number of persons with locomotors disability	124	84		
v)	Number of person with cerebral palsy disability	0	0		
vi)	Number of person with mental retardation	7	5		
vii)	Number of person with mental illness	1	1		
viii)	Number of person with multiple disability	5	0		
2. Assessment of PWDs		Yearly Targets		Achievement	
		Men	Women	Men	Women
a)	Number of PWDs underwent medical assessment for their disability status	262	191	232	171
b)	Number of PWDs who have received disability certificates	262	191	232	171
c)	Number of Blind/ Low Vision persons who attend low vision assessment camps	17	13	17	13
d)	Number of PWDs married	103	28	96	21



Observance of World Disabled Day on 3rd December, 2015 in Purulia Town where a rally was organized & later on a meeting with the local Minister, District Collector, CMOH & others were organized in the Zilla Parishad Hall.



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3. Basic Details		Numbers			
a)	Number of CBOs, SHGs and PPGs formed in programme locations for economic activities	8			
b)	Number of potential development programmes/agencies identified for mainstreaming disability	1			
c)	Number of training institutions engaged in providing vocational training to PWDs	2			
4. Access to Services by PWDs		Yearly Targets		Achievement	
		Men	Women	Men	Women
a)	Number of PWDs having BPL cards	215	0	215	0
b)	Number of PWDs having ration card in their name	259	190	258	179
c)	Number of PWDs having voter ID	259	190	253	183
d)	Number of PWDs having AADHAR card	259	190	97	68
e)	Number of PWDs provided required assistive devices either by Govt. Or any other agency	0	0	0	0
f)	Number of Disabled persons having MGNREGA job card and availing employment	85	65	76	54
g)	Number of PWDs accessing pension scheme	40	35	38	33
h)	Number of PWDs having Bus pass	295	190	109	79
i)	Number of PWDs having Rail pass	295	190	7	13
j)	Number of PWDs having Bank Account	213	129	83	64
k)	Number of PWDs availed any loan from Banks	18	14	1	0
l)	Number of PWDs or their families received IAY grant for house construction	9	3	9	3
m)	Number of PWDs received any skill training from NRLM	6	4	0	0
n)	Number of PWDs received grant from any other sources	10	2	10	2
o)	Number of PWDs having RSBY card	10	2	10	2



Opening of a Vocational Training Centre in MNBEI Campus for Disabled under the presence of ADM, Purulia & members from Sightsavers & Innoven Capital.



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5. Economic Empowerment of PWDs	Yearly Targets		Achievement	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
a) Number of PWDs trained on laws, legislations and others provision for disability	55	70	12	16
b) Number of PWDs trained on livelihood/ Vocational skills/ entrepreneurial training	14	18	4	11
c) Number of PWDs self-employment post training on livelihood/ vocational skills/ entrepreneurial training	14	18	2	11
d) Number of PWDs engaged in regular employment having defiant salary/ remuneration	6	4	0	0
e) Number of PWDs engaged in daily wage work (MGNREGS)	30	20	0	0
f) Number of PWDs engaged in entrepreneurial activity/Business	14	18	0	0
g) Number of PWDs participated in contextually organized events for example Rozgar Mela that encourages employment opportunities	3	7	3	4
h) What is the average income of PWDs	Rupees 732			
6. Self Help Group (SHG)/Primary Producer Group (PPGs)	Yearly Targets		Achievement	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
a) Number of PWDs having membership in SHGs exclusive for PWDs.	150	100	54	29
b) Number of PWDs having membership in SHGs of non disable persons	6	9	0	9
	Yearly Targets		Achievement	
c) Number of PWDs formed under NRLM	25	25	0	0
d) Number of SHGs of PWDs newly formed	25	10	8	0
e) Number of SHGs/PPGs of PWDs engaged in livelihood activities	25	25	7	7
f) Number of SHGs/PPGs having Bank account	25	25	0	0
g) Number of SHGs/PPGs having regular saving	25	25	0	0
h) Number of SHGs trained on SHG operation and management	25	25	0	0
i) Number of SHGs able to Market their products in local/larger market	25	25	0	0

4. **Inclusive Education Programme** - As mentioned in a foregoing chapter of this Annual Report, this programme actually took off in 2009 under the support of Sightsavers and continued till 2014. As per MoU with Sightsavers the financial support was stopped after the said period. From 2015, Sightsavers started giving assistance to a new programme NSIP for a larger dimension. It has thus created a discontinuity in the IE Programme leaving the target group i.e. the visually impaired children unattended. MNBEI however carried on the activities for the remainder children over a limited period with the kind help from **Shri Shyama Prasad Mandal of U.S.A.**, our long time patron. Shri Mandal also took the initiative to introduce MNBEI with a U.S.A. based organisation of NRIs, **Association for India's Development, Inc.(AID)**, for furtherance of this programme. AID took almost one year to perceive the necessity of the assistance to be accorded to MNBEI. After a physical visit in the project area by the senior member of AID, **Shri Somnath Mukherjee**, followed by long meticulous telephonic conversations with other members of AID's Austin Chapter, they finally decided to stand by the cause. Hence the programme was restarted with AID support from September, 2015 for a period of six months only. Within such period



Development of DLS of a Visually Impaired student

MNBEI would continue the programme with a target to open all avenues of advocacy at the government level such that the latter might ultimately accept this programme as their own. The erstwhile IEP had two principle components viz. development of Daily Living Skills and imparting education to the V.I children. In the present phase we are to transfer the onus of both these components to the Peer Groups, School Teachers and Parents of the children so that withdrawal of MNBEI from the said activities does not create any hindrance on their development. Simultaneously a major part of the work hour should be utilized for government advocacy for streamlining the govt. sources for the rights and entitlements of the V.I. children.



Capacity Building of a Visually Impaired student



Physical Training of V.I. students by the AID supported Facilitators of MNBEI in Majjihira Ashram

Due to the present intervention, most of the V.I. children of the earlier endeavour, who had discontinued their education in the meantime, have reopened their educational activities at the school and even at their residence regularly. From the reports of the outreach workers it has been observed that such children are participating in household activities like cooking, kitchen gardening etc. to the best of their abilities. They even participate in different social gatherings with the help of their peers. All these transpire a slow and regular emergence of self-reliance in them.

Due to our constant advocacy a good number of V.I. children are now receiving their educational grant regularly and applications have already been submitted to the concerned authority for the rest. Many of such children are now receiving bus and railway concessions also under the intervention of our outreach workers.

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Clinical assessment of a V.I. Child

As a result of the perseverance of the outreach workers, better achievements on the targets mentioned above are being observed in the concerned area which can also be observed from the annexed statistical table. This however has brought forth a new issue. Witnessing the development of the so far enlisted children in availing regular govt. amenities, other physically challenged children with their parents are now approaching the outreach workers and MNBEI for enlisting them under latter's target group. Due to the shortage of staff coupled with financial paucity, MNBEI till date have restricted their enlistment.

Keeping the above in view, MNBEI, in order to comply these regular verbal and written appeals, has decided to prepare a fresh proposal for other physically challenged children of the area and place it before AID and other likeminded funding agencies for further support.

The most notable experience during this period is the meeting on World Disabled Day on 3rd December wherein a 10-point charter of demands was placed to the honourable District Collector by the PWDs present and the subsequent declaration of the D.C. to form a single window system to address all problems of the PWDs in the district. But due to the sluggish approach from the governmental hierarchy the immediate impending issues of such excluded people are yet to be redressed.

Our experience regarding the I.E. Programme from 2009-14 and the present one suggests that the intervention with the V.I. and other disabled children acts mainly as a feeder for the Social Inclusion Programme. Moreover in the face of the declaration of the District Collector to adopt the "Single Window System" for the physically challenged people of the district, MNBEI has decided to enlist all PWDs from their childhood days (06-16 years) as otherwise these



Learning is a joy

children from a deprived family will be utilized as child workers and even beggars to financially help the family concern at the cost of their childhood. We have kept in mind that engaging the children for earning at any cost is a national crime and MNBEI should never allow to perpetuate this unethical activity.

Through all the above lines we would like to reiterate that;-

- a. Considering the achievements of the present Inclusive Education Programme through which many of the enrolled children have received government assistances and attained self-reliance, the same should be continued, and –
- b. For sensitization and awareness generation at the rural hamlets, schools and different level of govt. offices, the role of Outreach Workers should be continued to counteract the social stigma and other maladies.



Walking practice with white cane under the guidance of a Facilitator

Statistical data of Inclusive Education Programme as on 31.03.2016, Supported by AID

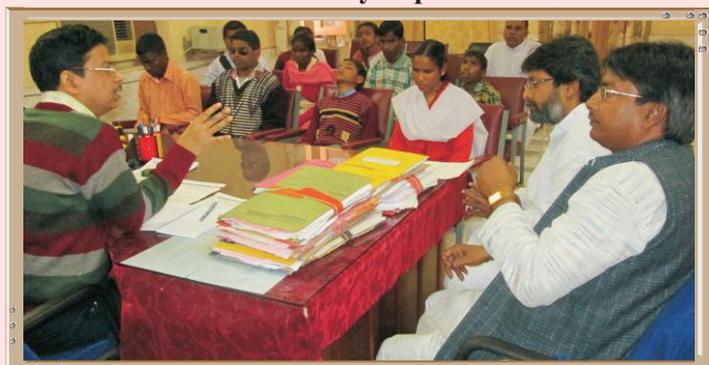
Sl. No	Name of Facilitator	Block	Total Students			Low Vision			Total Blind			MDVI			Bus concession received			Rail concession received			Escort Allowance received			Scholarship received			Disability Certificate received		
			M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total			
1	Sundara Mahato	Manbazar - I	3	12	15	2	6	8	1	6	7	0	0	0	2	6	8	0	4	4	0	0	0	1	7	8	2	9	11
2	Dhani Mahato	Manbazar - I	9	7	16	7	5	12	2	2	4	0	0	0	8	6	14	5	3	8	0	0	0	7	4	11	8	6	14
3	Dipali Mahato	Manbazar - II	13	5	18	7	2	9	6	3	9	0	0	0	4	3	7	2	3	5	0	0	0	3	3	6	6	3	9
4	Kartik Mahato	Barabazar	13	7	20	6	3	9	7	3	10	0	1	1	4	4	8	1	1	2	0	0	0	7	2	9	9	5	14
5	Bhagbat Mahato	Barabazar	12	11	23	9	7	16	3	4	7	0	0	0	8	9	17	3	4	7	1	0	1	3	7	10	10	10	20
6	Debendranath Mahato	Puncha	5	7	12	2	5	7	3	2	5	0	0	0	3	2	5	0	0	0	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	2	6
Total			55	49	104	33	28	61	22	20	42	0	1	1	29	30	59	11	15	26	2	2	4	22	25	47	39	35	74

Following number of applications have been submitted but yet to get approved

Bus concession			Rail concession			Escort Allowance			Scholarship			Bank A/C			Certificate		
M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
0	0	0	1	2	3	0	1	1	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3
0	0	0	1	3	4	0	0	0	2	2	4	1	1	2	1	1	2
3	1	4	1	1	2	0	0	0	3	2	5	4	1	5	2	1	3
7	5	12	4	2	6	0	0	0	7	3	10	10	5	15	1	2	3
4	2	6	3	3	6	1	3	4	4	4	8	4	4	8	2	1	3
0	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	0	2	1	3	2	0	2	1	5	6
14	8	22	12	12	24	1	4	5	19	14	33	22	13	35	8	12	20



Visually impaired children marched in Purulia town on World Disabled Day



Addl. Distt. Collector receiving the charter of demands from MNBEI



The Collector presenting a blanket to a blind student on 3rd Dec.

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The 1st step of Mulberry plantation is nurturing the plants



Feeding the Cocoons is the 2nd step of Mulberry plantation

5. S.T. specific Rural Biotechnology programme:

In conjunction with the famous Bose Institute of Kolkata, MNBEI have initiated this programme at Bhutadih village in 2014 under the financial support from Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India through the said Bose Institute. Transfer of technology in agriculture and other livelihood vocations to the marginalised Scheduled Tribe population was the prime target of this programme. Within the span of a year the activities spread over five more like villages. We were very much hopeful as this paved a new path for implementing Gandhian Gram Swaraj concept in the promotion of rural technology which is the most urgent call of the hour.

This intervention has resulted in Mulberry plantation in 3.3 acres of lands of 10 farmers and orchards covering 5 acres of lands of 20 farmers. Apart from the above two, the programme caters rainwater harvesting, vermi-compost production, mushroom production, innovative kitchen gardening through non-hybrid seeds developed in Bose Institute's laboratory etc. Interestingly an amount of Rs 85000 (approx.)

has already been received by MNBEI out of the sale of Mulberry cocoons to Central Silk Board and the said money has been kept with us for future proliferation of the project. The rights and responsibilities of the programme which was vested with MNBEI till date will now gradually have to be transferred to the village level beneficiaries in the ensuing year - as per decision adopted in the Governing Body meeting of MNBEI in accordance with the Gandhian principle of inculcating self-governance to the hitherto deprived section of the people.

6. Valedictory programme of the Diamond Jubilee celebration of MNBEI:

The long heritage of MNBEI with many upper and lower trajectories has completed its 75 years. Hence the valedictory programme was designed to show our reverence to all the students, teachers and workers representing the pristine glory of seven decades and to share their experiences with present generation of MNBEI under the glorious presence of the centurion founder, which is to be reckoned as the rarest event in the history of any organisation like MNBEI. The two-day long programme was started on 12th September early morning and continued till late night of 13th September. As desired by the founder, 75 girl students wearing white Khadi-made sarees carried Mangal Ghot (auspicious and decorated earthen pitcher having floral design with five mango leaves on each) upon their head led the procession on 12th Sept. early morning through the entire



Opening song in the Valedictory Programme



Campaign against drug addiction by film artist Mr. Bobby Chackraborty

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Majjihira village followed by another 500 white-dressed with placard and poster carrying ashramites. This was followed by national flag hoisting and cleaning (safai) of ashram campus by all inmates and attending guests. After the breakfast a batch of selected 75 workers joined in Charkha (Spinning Wheel) operation for one hour in a specially arranged venue. The most inspiring feature of this session was the presence of the founder who, by the utter surprise of everyone, ran his especially bamboo-made Charkha for over half an hour at this age of 101. A seminar on **“Relevance of the educational concept of Tagore and Gandhiji in present day context”** was the next part of the programme initiated by the President of MNBEI, Prof. Pradip Dasgupta. Five distinguished speakers selected from different sect of life delivered their opinion and at the end there was an interactive session with the audience which became very lively. The speakers were, Mr. Ashok Viswanathan, eminent film maker, Dr. A.K. Basu, former Professor of I.I.T., Smt. Manju Sing, Head of Hindi Bhavan, Shantiniketan, Mr. Shantanu Dutta Choudhury, former Deputy Director of I & CA, Govt.'s of W. B. and Dr. Swapan Sen, Principal of Purulia Vidyasagar B.Ed. College.

The main session started at 3 p.m. where the honourable Minister of W.B. Govt. PUP deptt., Shri Shantiram Mahato accompanied by the M.P. of Purulia, MLA of Manbazar, Sabhapati of Manbazar Panchayat Samity and Pradhan of Bamni-Majjihira Gram Panchayat graced the occasion. Senior govt. officers like the A.D.M. (dev.) Purulia and the B.D.O. Manbazar-I with many other dignitaries were also present in this auspicious function. The programme was officially opened with chanting of Vedic Mantra by the founder Shri Chitta Bhusan Dasgupta followed by a song from Upanishad sung by Smt. Madhumita Dasgupta and Shri Bhaskar Roy of ashram. After lighting the opening lamp by the honourable Minister accompanied by all present on the dais, the Executive Secretary of MNBEI welcomed the guests and briefly narrated the rich heritage of MNBEI. He also briefed the present activities being carried out by this organisation. Thereafter, apart from speeches by the dignitaries, four noteworthy programmes took places, which are felicitation of the veteran folk artist

of Purulia, Shri Salabat Mahato, with Shawl and a cheque of Rs. 5001, donation of Rs. 51000 to Chief Minister's relief fund through A.D.M., felicitation of 2015's batch of Madhyamik students of MAV and opening of exhibition stalls made by students of Ashram Vidyalaya. The whole programme took almost five hours and in the evening there were cultural demonstrations by the students of Ashram which was witnessed by large number of villagers.



The PUP Minister of W.B. & Addl. Distt. Collector jointly receiving a cheque for C.M.'s relief fund from Exe. Secretary



The eminent folk singer Mr. Salabat Mahato is being felicitated by the PUP Minister.



Captain Rammohan Oka of Indian Navy is felicitated by the Exe. Secretary of MNBEI

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On the second day i.e. 13.09.2015, two important events were scheduled apart from the cultural shows by the selected outside artists from Purulia and Kolkata. The two programmes were Career Counselling in NAVY & Indian Army by Commander Rammohon Oka of Indian Navy and workshop on “awareness against drug addiction” by famous film actor Bobby Chakraborty. Both the programmes, with the help of audio-visual presentations, became very educative and interesting and students of MAV & MAPTTI actively participated in the interaction sessions. The two-day long programme's last whistle was blown on 13th night at 10.30 p.m. with an eight-hour long nonstop cultural bonanza.

7. The Final Departure of the Founder to Heavenly Abode:

The prime mover of MNBEI, Shri Chitta Bhushan Dasgupta, took his last breath at 12.32 a.m. on 7th February, 2016 in his own thatched hut at Majjihira ashram leaving behind the bereaved Dasgupta family and the greater family of MNBEI. Needless to say that the young man of 101 years was an institution by himself and obviously his demise was the biggest blow to MNBEI and to all his associates at the local and national level who will miss his smiling face hereinafter. “There is no dearth of people who can write volumes on Gandhiji, but here is someone who actually implemented and



Gandhian researcher from Germany, Kati Sonnenberg attending the condolence meet of the founder

practiced the spirit of Gandhian thought” - is perhaps the best description of Chitta Bhushan, published years back in a journal AILAN of Govt. of India. The spontaneous participation of thousands in his funeral procession and later on in the commemoration programme (which was also attended by many eminent people from different corner of the country and almost all political party's representatives and a strong contingent of local people) will always be remembered by all. We believe that the best way to show our reverence to his departed soul will be to establish a rural university in Majjihira, which was his long cherished dream.



Distinguished speakers from different part of the country



Founder's favourite Bhajan was sung in his condolence



Students ran Charkha in the condolence meet

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Conclusion

This eventful year of achievements and bereavement and the tasks endowed on us clearly indicates that success is not an accident but a law emanating from perseverance and dedication. In the present day of commercialisation we do not believe that any revolutionary change can occur in a particular place leaving the entire national scenario in oblivion.

During this year we have adopted some new projects and are going to initiate some new ventures. At the same time in order to stop certain functional irregularities which may appear with the new programmes/projects and which would be in contravention to the Gandhian principles, we are to take some radical disciplinary measures and actions to secure the organisational transparency. It should be worth mentioning that compromising the Gandhian philosophy many such Buniyadi organisations have transformed into an institution where the vision of Gandhiji has become a second fiddle.

The experience of last 75 years has been intermittently chequered with some dark patches of indiscipline and unacceptable practices but due to our sustained effort and the collateral support of the local population, who were the most loving pupil of Chitta Pandit, MNBEI could always come over and place itself in the previous glory. Thus we should pledge ourselves for the total development of the hitherto excluded people of the area.

As ardent followers of the Gandhian movement of Gram Swaraj through Nai Talim and being inspired by the lifelong struggle of Shri Chitta Bhushan Dasgupta, we, the members of MNBEI family, will vouch for rededicating ourselves for the abovementioned cause. This is our promise for tomorrow.

Thank you



The last flag hoisting attended by the founder



Blind Students during a *Safai* programme of MNBEI



March by P.T.T.I students in National Week Programme



Running of Charkha by the staffs of MNBEI

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Organization Profile

1. Name of the Institution: **Majhihira National Basic Educational Institution**
2. Postal Address: At+P.O. - Majhihira, P.S.- Manbazar, District- Purulia
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6. Registration Details:
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 - b. FCRA Regd. under FCRA act, 1976, no. 147070039 of Govt. of India
 - c. 80 G CIT/AS1/09-10/80G/3542-45
 - d. 12 A CIT/Asl/2009-10/12A
 - e. PAN AABAM1878L
7. Auditors Name & Add.: Mr. Dilip Chouhan, NKD Associates(C.A.Firm), Purulia
8. Bankers:
- i. State Bank of India, Manbazar branch,
 - ii. United Bank of India, Purulia branch,
 - iii. Bangiya Gramin Vikash Bank, Gopalnagar branch,
 - iv. Central Co-operative Bank, Purulia branch.
9. Operational area: Entire Purulia district of West Bengal state, India
10. Year of foundation:- **1940**



The present Governing Body of M.N.B.E.I

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6.	Smt. Namita Biswas	Member	364/25 N.S.C. Bose Road Naktala, Kolkata-700047. W.B.	Teacher	+919831507094
7.	Shri Kajal Sen	Member	18/47 Ballygunge Place (East) Kolkata - 700018	Social Work	+919903594102
8.	Shri Mukti Kr. Mahato	Member	Vill. - Pitidiri, P.O. - Jaora, Distt.- Purulia, W.B.	Teacher	+919735135634
9.	Dr. Partha Pratim Banerjee	Member	Daktar Danga, Purulia Distt. - Purulia, W.B.	Medical Practitioner	+919475323724
10.	Shri Ajit Kr. Mahato	Member	Vill.+P.O.- Majhihira, Distt. - Purulia. W.B.	Farming
11.	Shri Nanigopal Mahato	Member	Vill.- Makarkendih, P.O.- Kashidih, Distt.- Purulia, W.B.	Farming	+919609548218
12.	Dr. Swapan Sen	Member	Sadarpara, Barakar Road, Near B.B.S. School, Purulia W.B.	Principal	+919434198929
13.	Shri Subrata Roy	Member	Desbandhu Para, Purulia, W.B.	Teacher	+919475497312
14.	Shri Mukutdhari Mahato	Member	Vill.+ P.O.- Majhihira, Distt.- Purulia,W.B.	Social Work	+918001557640
15.	Shri Ashis Mahato	Member	Vill.-Bagdega, P.O.- Majhihira, Distt. - Purulia. W.B.	Social Work	+919734227898

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2016

EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT RS	AMOUNT RS	INCOME	AMOUNT RS	AMOUNT RS
To Travelling & Conveyance		490,654.00	By Admission Fees		171,450.00
Printing & Stationery		89,182.00	Bank Interest		141,978.00
Admission Expenses		4,500.00	Donation		128,882.00
Misc Expenses		45,219.00	Interest on FD		157,589.76
Food & Lodging		27,473.00	Development fees (Vidyalaya)		267,400.00
Legal Expenses		43,687.00	Electric Charges		159,880.00
Electricity Charges		301,739.00	Cot Rent		35,500.00
News Paper, Books & Periodicals		2,768.00	Hostel Fees		334,000.00
Bank Charges		7,639.44	Rent		1,387,375.00
Rent, Rates & Taxes		35,000.00	Others Fees		173,000.00
Accounting Charges		62,000.00	Library fees		26,350.00
Repairs & Maintenance		356,100.00	Tuition Fees		6,390,970.00
Development & Printing IEC Materials		44,390.00	Fine		550.00
Renewal Charges		541.00	Game fees		53,600.00
Advertisement		25,230.00	Lease Rent		30,550.00
Generator Expenses		24,175.00	Transfer Fees		2,000.00
Meeting Expenses (G.B)		15,673.00	Generator Fees		128,250.00
Honorarium		210,750.00	Sale of Tree		35,165.00
Registration Expenses (B.ED.)		200,016.85	Sale of Prospectus		59,850.00
Consultation Fee		59,131.00	Workshop on Itegarated craft and Education		19,944.00
Sarbooday Conference		25,157.00	Ambulance Uint		6,335.00
Sensitisation of Identified CBO's & SHG's		9,250.00	Examination Fees		104,008.00
Sensitisation Workshop		8,790.00	Grant in Aid received from:		
Sharing of Baseline report Fidings on LM		8,659.00	Royal Common Wealth for Blind (FC)	1,994,710.00	
Workshop		665.00	Association for Indian Development (FC)	648,000.00	2,642,710.00
Information Sharing & Sensitisation of PWD's		9,850.00			
Bhutadih Project (Write Back)		50,655.00			
Media Campining & Observance of Imp day		43,915.00			
C/F		2,202,809.29			
					12,457,336.76



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EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT RS	AMOUNT RS	INCOME	AMOUNT RS	AMOUNT RS
To					
Motor Vehicle Exp.	35,248.00				
Other Allowance	145,018.00				
Diamond Jubilee Celebration	51,850.00				
Festive & Programme	4,176.00				
I.E. Programme	3,622.00				
Insurance of Vehicle	1,278.00				
Re- Excavation of Pond	55,461.00				
Relif Fund	51,000.00				
Management Expenses	3,640.00				
Puja & Celebration	2,660.00				
National week observance	1,885.00				
Promotion on SHG's	1,665.00				
Examination Exp.	92,308.00				
Propesctus Purchase	100,000.00				
Wages	1,500.00				
Library Expenses	149.00				
Gardening Exp.	53,446.00				
Seminer & Conference	6,130.00				
Sports Expenses	45,241.00				
Staff Welfare Exp.	12,444.00				
Public Welfare Exp.	47,588.00				
Training Exp.	542,038.00				
Hardware	102,263.00				
Telephone & Postage	22,147.00				
Depreciation	1,233,086.72				
C/F	4,818,653.01		C/F		
					12,457,336.76



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EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT RS	AMOUNT RS	INCOME	AMOUNT RS	AMOUNT RS
To Salary	B/F				12,457,336.76
Office Exp.		4,818,653.01			
Office Utilities		4,656,160.00			
Baseline Survey		33,751.71			
Computer Equipment		12,408.00			
Power & Fule Expenses		57,269.00			
Freight Charges		89,250.00			
Audit Fee (Provision for the year 2015-2016)		6,957.69			
Excess of Income Over Expenditure		8,740.00			
		23,000.00			
		2,751,147.35			
		12,457,336.76			

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Signed as per our report of even date
FOR N.K.D & CO.

Chartered Accountants
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31.03.2016

<u>LIABILITIES</u>	<u>Amount Rs.</u>	<u>Amount Rs.</u>
Project Fund		
As per Last A/c	85,523.00	
Add: Excess of Income Over Expenditure	<u>161,839.00</u>	247,362.00
		<u>247,362.00</u>
ASSETS		
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		
Motor Cycle (as per last A/c)	20,153.00	
Less: Deperation	<u>3,023.00</u>	17,130.00
<u>Current Assets</u>		
<u>Cash & Bank Balances</u>		
Cash in Hand (NSIP)	1,951.00	
Cash in Hand (IEP)	16,980.00	
Cash at Bank (U.B.I., Purulia)	<u>211,301.00</u>	230,232.00
		<u>247,362.00</u>

BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT AS ON 31.03.2016

Balance as per Bank Statement as on 31.03.2016	Rs.	339,028.00
Less: Initial deposit for opening account and interest prior to start of project not taken in to account.		527.00
Less: Cheques issued but not cleared till 31.03.2016		
Ch No.472925 dtd 31.03.2016 issued on account head "Salary (S.I.Prog.)	104,200.00	
Cheque No.472927 dtd 31.03.2016 issued on account head "Salary (I.E.Prog)	<u>23,000.00</u>	127,200.00
Balance as per our bank book as on 31.03.2016		<u>211,301.00</u>

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2016 (FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION)

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Amount Rs.</u>	<u>Amount Rs.</u>
<u>By Grant Received</u>		
Association for Indian Development	648,000.00	
Royal Common Wealth for Blind	<u>1,994,710.00</u>	2,642,710.00
By Bank Interest		10,548.00
		<u>2,653,258.00</u>

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2016 (FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION)

EXPENDITURE	Amount Rs.	Amount Rs.
<u>On A/C: National Social Inclusion Programme</u>		
To <u>Administration cost</u>		
Stationery & Communication,Phone,Fax & Courier	66,640.00	
Renewal Charges	541.00	
Office Utilities	12,408.00	
Orientation of Staff & PWD Baseline Sursey	37,531.00	
Travel of the DPO Facilitator	29,842.00	
Travel of the Co-Ordinator	14,079.00	
Travel of the livelihood Promoter	68,263.00	
Bank Changes	89.00	229,393.00
To <u>Human Resource (Honorarium)</u>		
Project Director	135,000.00	
DPO Facilitator	186,000.00	
Livelihood Promoter	372,000.00	
V.Center Co-Ordinator	111,600.00	
Part time Accountant	15,000.00	819,600.00
To <u>Human Resource (Development)</u>		
Promotion of SHG'S	1,665.00	
Strengthening of Project Resource Room on IE	44,390.00	
Development of Training Centre	514,379.00	
Vocational Training for PWD (Job fair)	211,946.00	
Vocational Training for PWD (Ancillary cost)	69,698.00	
Media campaign & Observation of Important Day	43,915.00	885,993.00
To <u>Sensitization</u>		
Sensitization Workshop	8,790.00	
Sensitization of Indentified CBO's & SHG's	9,250.00	
Information Sharing & Sensitization of PWD's	9,850.00	27,890.00
To Baseline Survey		19,744.00
To Sharing of Baseline Report Findings on livelihood		8,659.00
To Depreciation		3,023.00
Total Expenditure on National Social Inclusion Programme (A)		1,994,302.00



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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2016 (FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION)

EXPENDITURE	Amount Rs.	Amount Rs.
<u>On A/C: Inclusive Education Programme</u>		
To Administration cost		
Stationery & Communication,Phone,Fax & Courier	1,560.00	
Travel of the Co-Ordinator	1,484.00	
Travel of the Director	900.00	
Travel of the Field Co-Ordinator	15,072.00	
Travel of the I.E. Facilitators	69,004.00	
Bank Changes	97.00	88,117.00
To Human Resource (Honorarium)		
Salary of the Administrator	30,000.00	
Salary of the Co-Ordinator	60,000.00	
Salary of the Director	20,000.00	
Salary of the Field Co-Ordinator	65,000.00	
Salary of the I.E. Facilitators	234,000.00	409,000.00
Total Expenditure on Inclusive Education Programme(B)		<u>497,117.00</u>
To Total Expenditure (A+B)		2,491,419.00
To Excess of Income Over Expenditure (N.S.I.P)	1,727.00	
To Excess of Income Over Expenditure (I.E.P)	160,112.00	161,839.00
		<u>2,653,258.00</u>

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