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# Preface

It gives me the great pleasure to introduce and place before you the Annual Report-2010–2011 of Centre for Dalit Rights an initiative of DMKS just to realize the caste ridden humiliation, discrimination and exploitation of Dalits in Rajasthan, who are literally broken people placed at the bottom of Hindu social order and relegated to the most menial of tasks as manual scavengers, removers of human waste and dead animals, street sweepers, cobblers and bondage labours. Dalit women are facing triple burden of caste, class and gender discrimination for whom human dignity and self respect seems to be far away.

It is the ultimate aims of Centre for Dalit Rights to encourage stimulate and enable the poor despondent specially the Dalit and women to fight for basic human needs and values along with dignity. Centre for Dalit Rights always remained at the doorsill whenever there was atrocity with the Dalit and the weaker.

Centre for Dalit Rights for the first time under dynamic leadership of my senior colleague Sh P L Mimroth a control room was set up at Jaipur through Dalit Election watch Rajasthan providing an opportunity to the voiceless Dalit voters to exercise their constitutional rights o vote freely in local election. The State Election Commissions, election observers, local police, administrative Officers, NGO's, Human Right Activists and large number of volunteers extended commendable cooperation and timely guidance to our effort. Hey all deserve sincere gratitude and appreciation.

The CDR launched a Dalit manifesto in which various social, economical problems of the Dalits and the ways of their eradication were indicated and all political parties were conveyed and expected to have a sympathetic approach towards these legitimate demands.

I am grateful to Sh P L Mimroth, the Chief Functionary of DMKS under whose timely guidance and motivation the CDR is achieving the entrusted goals. I am also thankful to Sh Satish Kumar Advocate, an efficient Director and all staff members specially Sh Gopal Ram Verma, Sh Tara Chand Verma and Sh Chanda Lal and Ms Grijesh Dinker for their devotion and sincere efforts and commitment due to that CDR received the good will and whole hearted support not only from Dalits, other likeminded NGO's of the State but also from the Government and general public.

At last, the special thanks and gratitude to our supporters and funding partners whose financial support strengthened the DMKS/Centre for Dalit Rights in the implementation of this program in atrocity prone area in Rajasthan.

R K Ankodia Chairperson

# From Chief Functionary

Our focus on Partnership building, promotion of strong linkage and networks of information exchange, sharing experiences, capacity Building and empowerment programs for Dalits, women, advocates and activists through public hearing, Seminars and workshops provided new dimensions.

I would like give to sincere thanks to all CDR Field team members towards contributing and production of this report.

My heartfelt gratitude to Satish Kumar Advocate Director CDR, State Coordinator Gopal Ram Verma, Programme Coordinator Sh Chanda Lal Bairwa, Documentation Officer Sh Tara Chand Verma, Mrs Suman Devathiya, State Convener, Dalit Mahila Manch Rajasthan, Ms Grijesh Dinker, State Coodinator, Dalit Mahila Manch, Rajasthan, Administrator Babu Lal Kirodiwal, Mukesh Mehra Finance Officer and all team members of CDR Jaipur for offering their support on writing this report.

I also wish CDR supporters, sympathizers and likeminded groups who take forward to build up Dalit movement in Rajasthan.

In the end I extend appreciation ad special Thanks to Danchurch Aid, Christian Aid, UNDP, NAWO, PRIA CSJ-IIPLS and NCDHR - SWADHIKAR & DAAA for providing financial support and cooperate for carrying out the Dali Human Rights activities in Rajasthan.

I wish to thanks DMKS governing body members to provide guidance and motivation in the CDR.

P L Mimroth Chief Functionary

# From Director Desk

CDR has been working with committed spirit ensuring socio-economic, political and access to justice for Dalit and marginalized people in Rajasthan by adopting multiple strategies.

I am pleased to present herewith the Annual Report 2010–2011 of Centre for Dalit Rights/DMKS on behalf of all, who have been working with dedication, high spirit towards the empowerment of the Dalits, women and poorest through our organization.

I extend our sincere and heartful thanks to all our resource providers for providing financial Cooperation as well as technical support and guidance which enable us to carry all our efforts to defend and protect the rights of Dalits, who are suffering from extreme poverty, injustice and social exclusion.

I would also like to thanks to our team members Gopal Ram Verma, Chanda Lal Bairwa, Mukesh Mehra, Babu Lal Kirodiwal, Tara Chand Verma, Mrs Suman Devathiya, Ms Grijesh Dinker, Dalit Mahila Manch, Ramesh Chand Bansal, Suresh Bairwa, Yashpal Lahri, Banwari Lal Mimroth, Bhagwan Sahay, Mahaveer Singh Bhati, Satish Kumar Lehri, Rajesh Parmar, Gulab Devi, Lala Ram, Shanti Parmar, Rekha Solanki, Seema Gautam, Sunita Bairwa, Dropadi, Suman Kanchan, Meetha Lal, Lala Ram, Matadeen, Vinod, Arjun and grass-root volunteers, supports and other organizations fro their energetic support.

I also take the opportunity to special thanks to our patrons and well wishers and looking forward to receive similar support from them in future.

Satish Kumar Advocate
Director

# About DMKS/CDR

Centre for Dalit Rights (CDR) is initiative of DMKS and aims to defend, protect and promote the rights of poor, particularly the Dalits in Rajasthan who are the most vulnerable, discriminated, under-privileged and exploited section of the society. CDR works forward raising awareness and creating visibility about Dalit human Rights through addressing issues related to violations against Dalits.

#### Mission

Mission of Centre for Dalit Rights is promoting awareness about human rights and laws among Dalt communities and empower then to fight for their rights to live with equality, freedom and dignity. CDR supports this process further with capacity building, legal and other technical support, networking and advocacy. Eliminating caste based discrimination and exclusion from society is part of this process.

#### **Objective**

- 1. To sensitize the state law and policies enforcing agencies & policy makers (Police, Judiciary, Bureaucrats etc.) including the other duty-bearers, rights-holders and larger civil society including NGOs, CBOs in the fie Districts of Rajasthan on protecting and promoting the Scheduled Caste rights identity and dignity.
- 2. To ensure the State and other rights-bearers address and reduce Scheduled Caste right violations including atrocities on Scheduled Caste especially on Scheduled Caste women in Rajasthan specially access to justice
- 3. To promote social cohesion and harmony( Inter caste, class and Gender) through the initiation of Inter community Dialogue.
- 4. To create awareness on land and livelihood rights and entitlements among Scheduled Caste and organize them to take up advocacy and lobby with the State machinery and law enforcement agencies.
- 5. To build networking and alliance with other voluntary organizations and community based organizations especially Scheduled Caste Organizations to build solidarity.
- 6. To strengthen institution building and develop the CDR as a State Level Dalit Resource Centre.

Through the CDR has been working since 2001, it met with success regarding legal protection and affirmative action in a variety of circumstances from everyday life, to local governance to electoral process, economic rights, discrimination based on caste and gender, compromise of self dignity and land & livelihood rights.

These conditions are exacerbated by globalization and biased political motivations which promote economic growth over social equality and further argument the impact of discrimination, violence and poverty. CDR also networks with National and International platforms and mechanisms on Dalit rights to further the process to establish norms and standards seeking accountability.

#### <u>Background</u>

The work of CDR has raised awareness and visibility of Dalit Human Rights in protecting and promoting them. In addition CDR is also instrumental in building the capacities of various stakeholders in the task of Dalit rights as well as promoting network among Dalit organization in the State. CDR has also focused its efforts in creating awareness on Dalit Rights among administration, Police, Judiciary, media as well as larger civil society.

CDR is supported through the one year proposal 'Promotion of Scheduled Caste Rights in Rajasthan' since January–March 2009. Jointly supported by Christian Aid, Dan Church Aid, the program focuses on strengthening interventions to support Dalit Communities in Rajasthan with special focus on ten Districts of Ajmer, Alwar, Bharatpur, Dausa, Dholpur, Jalore, Karauli, Pali, Sawai Madhopur and Sirohi in the State. This report records the various programmes taken up during 2010–2011 of the project and their impact on Dalit concerns at the State and National level.

"To capacitate Scheduled Caste women, men and children through capacity building initiative and enable them to protect their rights using the Constitutional framework and specific legislation on protection, land rights and livelihood rights along with using instruments like government policies and schemes", is the committed goal of Dalit Manavadhikar Kendra Samiti (DMKS)- CDR and its sister organizations.

# Vision & Mission

# Mission:

■ One of the missions of CDR is to demystify the law and enable poor people to fight for their human rights. We define human rights to be those, which allow all human beings to live with equality, freedom and dignity. To this end, the Centre will strive to eliminate all forms of Civil, Political, Social, and Economic

discriminations and oppressions especially as a result of caste-based discrimination.

#### Vision:

- We feel that despite some gains with respect to legal protection and affirmative action, the economic rights and other issues like self— dignity are under attack, violence and discrimination based on caste routinely occur. These conditions are exacerbated by globalization and political trends that promoted economic growth than equity, and thus not only intensify the impact of discrimination, violence and poverty but also reduces the sense of public and private accountability for the remedying these problem. The international laws and policies are accompanied by a series of monitoring and enforcement mechanisms that can be used along with local laws with effective monitoring to expose abuses and seek accountability at local, state, national and international level.
- We therefore, need not solely depend and rely on domestic laws and policies in case of failure to get justice but now we must also appeal to the additional and often more expansive protections available internationally. These international laws and policies are accompanied by a series of monitoring and enforcement mechanisms that can be used along with local laws with a new approach to expose abuses and seek accountability at local, state, national and international level.
- The vision of DMKS/CDR is to create "Just and Equitable Society" where Dalit men and women gain their rights and opportunities to life, equity, development and participation.

# Outcome And Strategy

<u>Outcomes</u>- In promotion of Scheduled Caste Rights in the State, the DMKS/CDR has carried out various activities with following outcomes-

- 1. Law and policy enforcing agencies addressed violence on Dalits and protect them.
- 2. Dalit NGOs and CBOs are capacitated to support Dalit Communities to access rights.
- 3. Dalit women, men and children accessed justice against violence atrocities.

- 4. Networking is promoted among NGOs and CBOs to empower them to support Dalit rights.
- 5. Dalit communities have enhanced their awareness on land and livelihood rights.
- 6. Dalit Organizations are strengthened through capacity building and networking.
- 7. Promoted social cohesion and harmony across Dalits and non Dalits.
- 8. Dalit women, men and children are more aware about their rights and the entitlements.
- 9. The access to the social welfare schemes is increased.
- 10. Dalit women Sarpanches started working on their own in the Panchayats.

<u>Strategy-</u> CDR focused on protecting and promoting Dalit Human Rights through the following activities.

- 1. Advocacy/Sensitization through Workshops/Meetings
- 2. Awareness Campaigns
- 3. Capacity Building and Training Workshops/ Cadre Building sessions
- 4. Consultation Programs
- 5. Monitoring, Follow up and legal intervention in Dalit Human Right Violations
- 6. Networking and Collaborations
- 7. Documentation Publications
- 8. Established platforms to participate & involvement in issues based campaign.
- 9. Development of CDR as a State Level Resource Centre.

# Access to Justice

# Monitoring and Advocacy of Dalit Human Right Violations

Human rights violations against Dalits continue to be a critical concern in the State which restricts freedom and development of the community. The work of CDR has focused on these issues from inception and has been able to develop a methodology to monitor violence and follow it up for access to justice. CDR has been able to provide confidence and legal/technical support to victims/survivors and to their achievement has also been to make State and civil society recognize these violations and become sensitive to them. 814 incidents of violence and Human Right violations against Dalit community were monitored by primary and secondary resources during the year. 3220 complaints were filed before State and National authorities on regular basis as a way of bringing their attention on the nature and

<u>frequency of violence on Dalit communities and the need for concerted action from the authorities.</u>

## The following table gives the glance of the total atrocity cases monitored during this year

S.No	Type of Atrocity	Total No. of Atrocity
1.	Untouchability Practice	36
2.	Murder	40
3.	Rape	80
4.	Violence Against Woman	108
5.	Land Matter	130
6.	Beaten and Abusing	290
7.	Violence Against Children	17
8.	Bonded Labour	8
9.	Mass Violence	34
10.	Custodial Torture /Police Torture	19
11.	Assault on Dalit Bridegroom	16
12.	Violence During Election	4
13.	Arson	10
14.	Negligence on the part of the Administration	9
15.	Other	13
	Total	814

# Serious Violations Identified By CDR (Fact-findings)



During this year DMKS has been engaged in conducting 'Fact finding' in 97 severe type of cases of atrocities like rape, murder, mass violence and destruction of properties. These are means of supporting the victim/survivors who continue to be harassed by the perpetrators and police and victims do not get any support to take their case up for justice. Often the family and community are also too intimidated to take up the case and even when they do, need tremendous amount of moral and material support to do so. The nature of intervention includes

filing FIR, Filing protest petition before the court in cases which have been set aside as FR (Final Report), Monitoring of statement recorded by advocate, arguments monitoring, prepare victim before statements and evidence. It also includes assisting public prosecutors at the different courts in the Block level and special courts at District levels.

#### Fact Findings 2010-2011

S. No.	Type Atrocity	Total
1.	Untouchability Practice	9
2.	Murder	15
3.	Rape	15
4.	Violence Against Woman	11
5.	Land Matter	17
6.	Beaten and Abusing	8
7.	Violence Against Children	3
8.	Bonded Labour	
9.	Mass Violence	12
10.	Custodial Torture /Police Torture	2
11.	Assault on Dalit Bridegroom	2
12.	Violence During Election	
13.	Arson	1

14.	Negligence on the part of the Administration	
15.	Other	2
	Total	97

**Responses from the concern Authorities** to complaints made by CDR also opens a way for following up the cases legally. Of the <u>3220 complaints</u> that were filed before various <u>authorities</u>, <u>373 responses</u> were received. (Approx. 12%).

Monetary Compensation in Atrocities— A sum of <u>Rs 53,52,250</u> has been distributed as monetary compensation to Dalit victims during the year 2010–2011 by the State. This happened through consistent following up of the cases as well as the awareness and empathy created in the officials through various means.

Legal Intervention and Success Stories: During this year, the CMKS/CDR has been able to achieve success at various levels in 204 cases of violence against Dalit members. The nature of cases varies from land grabbing, untouchability and discrimination, beaten up, physical assault, rape, rape of minor girls, kidnap, bonded labour, prohibition to use public roads for marriage procession, prohibition to celebrate Ambedkar Jayanti and many ones. While the level of success is not the final stage in some of the cases, they are the important steps to go forward.

Public Hearing on Violence and Discrimination against Dalits— CDR organized a State Level Public Hearing on "violence and Discrimination against the Dalits" in Jaipur on 13th March 2011. The Jury members consisting Justice Mr. I.S. Israni, Dr. M.P. Raju Advocate, Dr. Pawan Surana, Ms. Kavita Srivastav, Mr. Sunny Sabestian, Smt. Nisha Sidhu, Dr. Rajeev Gupta and Mr. Sawai Singh heard the severe cases related to the Dalit and Dalit women and gave the several recommendations. The victims participated from the various Districts i.e. Ajmer, Alwar, Bharatpur, Dausa, Dholpur, Jaipur and Pali.

#### Use of Media to bring attention-

We have extensively used the media to create awareness among both State as well as civil society. We found that when media covers an issue, the State and District authority give greater attention and this has helped us in gaining justice to the victims, whose rights are violated. This has also provided an opportunity to build the perspective on Dalit rights. We have been able to build our credibility among the media and 57 News Papers covered 706

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<u>news items</u> on different programs and issues. We realized that this has helped us to bring the attention of the authorities on our concerns and interventions.

# Capacity Development

#### Capacitation to support Dalit Community to access rights

We have carried out various programmes to build the capacity of our team, activists, volunteers, advocates etc. in various ways.

#### Capacity Building of activists-

In the feudal context of Rajasthan, DMKS and its sister organizations have provided much impetus to Dalit organizations in addressing the Dalit Right violations and supporting members in their struggle for justice. Dalit activists were trained in different Districts on criminal administration, SC/ST (PoA) Act, registration of FIR, SC/ST rules, Fact Finding issues. The activists were also trained on the use of RTI and MNREGA. The training s also included National and International Human Rights frame and Constitutional provisions for Dalits.

#### Training and Workshop in Collaboration

CDR has also been in the forefront in organizing programmes in the State in collaboration with the different units of NCDHR-DAAA, NDMJ, CERI, PRIA, BARC, JAGORI and NFDW. These programmes have helped to raise the visibility of the issues as well as provide greater scope for the work of CDR and other Dalit organizations in the State.

The CDR and CSJ-IIPLS Ahmedabad jointly trained 200 paralegals in Rajasthan to strengthening criminal access to justice system. All paralegals will be helped at grass root level. They will have the regular dialogue with State legal Service Authority.

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In collaboration with JAGORI, CDR organized a two days workshop on Gender sensitization of the CDR staff on 20–22 July 2010 in Jaipur.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2010, a program on the "Role of the Constitutional Body" was organized I collaboration with PRIA in Jaipur.

A State level program on Caste and communism was organized in the collaboration with State Level Secular Forum Mumbai.

#### Capacity Development of Subaltern Lawyers

State level Training of the Dalit lawyers has been organized in Jaipur on 26th December 2010. The objective of the training was to motivate, strengthen the Dalit lawyers so that they can follow up the cases especially of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes and support them in providing justice to the victims. The legal aid was given the special stress in the training.

#### Capacity Development of Paralegals

With CSJ-IIPLS, Ahmedabad CDR conducted a State level ToT of the Para Legal and thereafter, The District level training meetings of the Para legal were organized in Dausa, Kota, Bikaner and Udaipur Districts in the month of July 2010. 200 Para Legal's were trained in these trainings. On 26th September 2010, a State level Para Legal Certificate Distribution program was organized in Jaipur. All the two hundred Para Legal's were certified. All paralegals will be helped at grass root level. They will have the regular dialogue with State legal Service Authority.

Capacity Building of Cadre- The CDR has identified the cadre including male and female in the blocks of Alwar, Ajmer, Bharatpur, Dausa, Dholpur, and Pali Districts. The Cadre was imparted training and orientation on Dalit Right issues. They take part in Fact Finding of the cases on violence, follow up the cases with the Administration, holding press meetings and guide and support the District Coordinators. All the blocks have constituted a cadre.

Capacity Building of NGO's and CBO's – In November 2010, a State level NGO's CBO's Capacity Building Program was organized by CDR in Jaipur. The main speakers were Mr P L Mimroth, Mr R K Saxena, Mr Satish Kumar Advocate, Mr Harish Chandra Singh from Rajasthan Patrika, Mr Gopal Ram Verma and Mr Naveen Narayan.

The Capacity Building of Dalit women— CDR and DMM organized various kinds of capacity programs at State, District, Block and grass root level for the Dalit women and Dalit women Public Representatives and working towards making them leader. The awareness camps and the activities were carried out to convey the various kinds of Social Welfare schemes of the Government to the Dalit women for their economic empowerment.

Participation in the programs organize by the other organizations— In addition to organizing the training programs, CDR also provided 120 opportunities for its team members, volunteers, activists, advocates and community leaders to participate and understand Dalit right issues and the wider context in the meetings and workshops and advocacy campaign organized by the advocacy and campaign organizations at the State and national levels like Indian Social Institute (ISI), National campaign on Dalit Human Rights (NCDHR), Dalit Arthik Adhkar Andolan (NCDHR-DAAA), National Dalit Movement for Justice (NCDHR-NDMJ), National Federation for Dalit land Rights Movements (NCDHR-NFDLRM) and Wada Na Todo Abhiyan (WNTA), peace rally and programmes of other organizations on various issues.

**Celebration of International Human Right Day**– On 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2010, the International Human Rights Day was celebrated by CDR in the State as well as in the Districts.

Celebration of Dr B R Ambedkar's Birth Anniversary – A symposium on 14th April of Dr Ambedkar's Birth Anniversary was organized in CDR office Jaipur and also in the ten Districts of the Rajasthan. On this day in the meeting organized in the CDR, the team remembered the remarkable contribution in drafting the constitution of India and his work in uplifting the deprived and disadvantaged groups of our society i.e. women and Dalits.

Symposium on Dr B R Ambedkar's Death Anniversary— Similarly, a programme on the Death Anniversary of the Death Anniversary of Dr Bhim Rao Ambedkar was organized in State office as well as District offices. The thoughts and the remarkable work of the Dr Ambedkar were remembered.

# Land and Livelihood

Create awareness on Land and Livelihood rights among Dalit Communities

#### State level Capacity building on land and livelihood

Two days training on land and livelihood issues was held from 27-28 October 2010 in Jaipur.

It outlined the various land related laws, the problem in accessing justice under the law and extent of lands available for distribution to the landless in the State. How Dalit can access and protect their lands and enhance their livelihood, the training also touched the budget allocation to Dalits under SC-SP and the use of RTI. The eminent speakers of this training were Mr P L Mimroth, Mr Satish Kumar Advocate, Mr N Morris Babu IG (Human Rights), Retd DGP Mr Amitabh Gupta, Mr Chiranji Lal



Kataria Regional Manager CAPART, Rajasthan and Mr Naveen Narayan, Prgramme Officer, Action Aid, Jaipur.

#### Monitoring and advocacy on various welfare Schemes

The information regarding the access to welfare schemes in their respective areas, survey reports are prepared. A database about the access to schemes also developed. It was found that Dalits are not aware about the welfare schemes.

To PDS system-Dalits have little access. The welfare Schemes are not reaching to Dalit hamlets.

#### MNREGA Monitoring

Detailed survey with regard to functioning of MNREGA by CDR was conducted and identified 10 villages in each District.

During Monitoring, it was found that the Dalits don't have Job Cards and majority of them are denied employment, not allowed to have water from the common pot at work place, deployed n inferior work, upper caste workers do not work and Dalits have to work on their accounts etc. problems were found in the rural areas.

#### Dalit rights on land and livelihood in State

CDR began its engagement in land right issues. It revealed that large numbers of the atrocities were based on Dalit asserting their right to land. The non implementation of the protective measures of land laws for Dalits also made the focus on the land rights much more critical. CDR has undertaken campaigns and rallies organized and done considerable advocacy on Dalit rights and land ownership. Similarly the CDR organized a State level three days a Capacity Building training programme on land and livelihood n Jaipur.

#### Economic Rights - The Scheduled Caste Sub Paln (SC-SP)

The Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SC-SP) is especially provided by the Planning Commission to promote equity and equality of Dalit communities in the different development arena in the State. This provides proportionate budget allocation to Dalits in all Central and State Ministries and Departments. Despite the provision being mandated since 1979, the programme is beset with under allocation, non implementation and diversion of the resources. The effective allocation of this budget alone would go a long way in promoting Dalit Livelihoods and developments. Recognizing the importance of SC-SP, CDR organized a State level workshop for Dalit activists and leaders at the State level in collaboration with DA3. The workshop covered the following objectives:

- To analyze, inform and aware participants about Government strategy in distributing the budget as per Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SC-SP) to ensure for welfare of Scheduled Caste.
- To build awareness among activists so that the issues could be raised during the State Budget time with public representatives so that this could be included in their political mandate.
- To discuss rights of Scheduled Caste on natural resources and impact of globalization on them
- To design strategy on advocacy on economic rights of Dalits in Rajasthan.

The Minister of Social Empowerment and Justice called for meeting and enquired the reasons for sub account (789 Code) not opened, diversion, mis-utilization of funds.

# Priority for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes in the Union and State Budgets of India

This programme was supported by UNDP and done in collaboration with Dalit Arthik Adhikar Andolan (DA3-NCDHR), Centre for Budget and Governance Accountability (CBGA) and DMKS /Centre for Dalit Rights (CDR), Rajasthan. Various was done under this programme.

**Need for the establishment of Budget Research Centers:** For giving more weight to this study we have established Budget Resource Centers at the state level. Therefore all the state coordinators were given training on budget and budget tracking process especially for SCP and TSP. Meanwhile NCDHR has also been decided to work and collaborate with some NGOs in all 5 states.

**Documents Collected**: Annual Budget Documents from the Union and from all the states for the Financial Year 2009–10 and 2010–11 have been collected for the study.

#### a) Activist Capacitation Workshops

There is one workshop and orientation program for the state and union team has been organized in Delhi at the NCDHR office, on the 11<sup>th</sup> –14<sup>th</sup> of June 2010. The activity has been organized in association with DAAA/NCDHR, CBGA and DMKS. The four day long program was organized in with a view to orient the participants who further will play active role in the states.

# Workshop on Budget Analysis and Advocacy on SC/ST in Districts.

A workshop on Budget Analysis and Advocacy was organized in all 10 Districts. The main objective of the meeting was to make aware of budget making process in the Gram panchayats and at the state level. The participants were aware of terminology used under the budget making process and how to track budget for SCP/TSP in different Ministry or Department and to strengthening and monitoring of implementation of Special Component Plan (SCP) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) in the State and the

flagship programmes. The workshop was initiated through other Budget Groups like CBGA.

#### Advocacy with MLAs at State Level

Meetings with MLA during Budget Session. Meeting several MLAs before and during the budget Sessions to share the analysis done on the implementation of Special Component Plan and Tribal Sub Plan indicating in the States. Therefore we sets some questions based on analysis done. The questions were regarding low allocation and utilization of SCP and TSP for the last ten years, non opening of minor Code in some departments which were raised during the assembly also.

# Dalit Mahila Manch, Rajasthan

Dalit Mahila Manch, Rajasthan is initiated by Centre for Dalit Rights, Jaipur with an objective to build Dalit Women Cadre to empower and build leadership in Rajasthan through imparting trainings, Awareness buildings programmes, advocacy and strengthening Dalit women groups at grass-root level. Commonly actions at the Panchayat Level are key strategy that will have a long term impact. Dalit Mahila Manch, Rajasthan was affiliated itself with National Federation of Dalit Women, Bangalore to raise the issues of Dalit women at National and International level.

The voice of the women is not heard since long. Their rights have been violated; they are discriminated, humiliated, harassed and subjected to worst forms of violence such as rape and murder. When it comes to Dalit women, all these discriminations and humiliations become worst than ever. It is their caste which brings them at the last of the hierarchy of the caste system.

Looking towards Rajasthan, the most backward State of India presents a very dismal situation of Dalit women where they have no choice except to suffer silently.

#### <u>Vision-</u>

Dalit Mahila Manch, Rajasthan has been initiated with the vision of "To empower Dalit Women Socially, Economically and Politically in Rajasthan" with the following objective:



- Promoting Dalit women's

  Leadership and effective participation
  in National, State and local governance
  system.
- Finding sexual violence and preventing Domestic Violence against Dalit women.
- Increasing Dalit womens' rights of ownership over land and other assets.
- Strengthening Dalit women's network to ensure women's rights and

increase Dalit women's voice.

- Empowering Dalit women economically.
- Work to reduce the social exclusion and stigma and biasness faced by Dalit women and widow and ensure that they enjoy equal social and economic rights.

#### Activities to achieve the objectives of Dalit Mahila Manch

- ➡ Dalit women training programme for Dalit Women empowerment.
- Leadership building of Dalit women.
- Conducting educational activities, campaign, workshops etc. to increase awareness on women issues.
- Organizing, networking and strengthening Dalit women network.
- Organizing Dalit women in groups to organize and to build Dalit women movement.
- Constitution of Dalit women Self Help Groups.

# Capacity and Leadership Building of the Dalit women in Rajasthan-

The Leadership building initiatives through organizing Dalit women events and initiatives for Dalit women's empowerment undertaken to effectively address the issue of Dalit women (i.e. violence, atrocities, deprivation, discrimination, marginalization etc) and needs of Dalit women leaders.

In order to exercise power & hidden skills, Dalit women not only require understanding on various issues of Dalit women, but also build their specific skills  $vis-\hat{a}-vis$  individual competencies that are required to grow up with confidence.

The overall goal of empowering Dalit women is to create an enabling environment for building leadership so that they emerge as leaders. The main focus of the training institute was build capacities of Dalit women to influence politics, strengthen their knowledge and articulation power.

One day Training Program in Ajmer, Alwar, Bharatpur, Dausa, Dholpur, Jalore, Pali, Sawai madhopur and Sirohi Districts, was organized in the month of June and July 2010

The participatory methodology was adopted where women can learn through correlating factual situation of their respective District or area.

The trainings were carved up in the various sessions i.e.

- Status of Dalit Women in India, Status of Dalit women in Rajasthan,
- Orientation of Human Rights, concept principles, Perspectives, Human Rights situation in Rajasthan in general and particular to Dalit human rights
- Human Rights mechanisms in various State / National / International,
- Law relating to Women in India under Cr.P.C, IPC, RTI and other Acts,
- 4 Various Welfare Schemes related to Women, Children and Dalits,
- Scheduled Caste Sup Plan (Special Component Plan),
- Protection of Women from Domestic Violence (Important provisions under the Act and their relevance)
- Scheduled Caste & Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act 1989.

Similarly, the Dalit women Conference was organized in Ajmer, Bharatpur and Dausa Districts in the year 2010.

State Level Dalit women Capacity Building Program— On 22<sup>nd</sup> December, DMM and CDR organized a State level Women Capacity Building program in Jaipur, which was chaired by M P L Mimroth, Mr Satish Kumar, Mr Gopal Ram Verma, Ms Suman Devathiya, Ms Sunita Satyarthi and Ms Grijesh Dinker. The Dalit women from the various Districts gathered in the program and were educated of the laws, rights and entitlements.

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Women group meetings and the meetings with the Dalit women– The Districts organizers of the Dalit Mahila Manch organized the meeting with the existing women groups in their Districts and the meeting with the Dalit women in every month. It enhanced the knowledge of the Dalit women in the laws, entitlements and Social welfare schemes related to the Dalit women. In the existing women group meetings, the organizers discussed the cases and the issues of the Dalit women and advocated collectively i.e. Pension Plans issues, atrocity and untouchablity issues. They collectively met with the District and local administration to find the relief.

#### State Level Conference-

The State level Conference of Dalit Women was organized with the intention of spreading the fact of their most vulnerability in the society. It was organized in Dholpur District on 23<sup>rd</sup> Sep. 2010. About 800 women from various Districts i.e. Alwar, Ajmer, Dausa, Bharatpur, Jaipur, Dholpur etc. participated in the Program. Dr. Ruth Manorama, National Convener, NFDW, Mrs. Annie Raja, President, NFIW, Advocate Sunita Satyarthi graced the occasion with their presence.

The then Superintendent of Police, Dholpur, Mr. Surendra Kumar and Mr. Naresh, Dy. Director, DSJ&E also participated in the Program and talked about the various provisions and Govt. initiatives that have been initiated to protect and empower women.

The objective of the Conference was as following-

- To visualize the issues of Dalit women in Rajasthan.
- To bring Dalit women issues to public domain.
- To build up linkages with Government and other Organizations for highlighting the problems of Dalit women.
- Bring solidarity among Dalit women from other State (Because we are a National Organization)

#### Celebration of International Women's Day

A few Dalit women leaders rose up in the adverse situation to fight for the rights of Dalit women but the history of women movement didn't give them space and fully recognize their contribution for upliftment of the Dalit women. They should be encouraged and supported and their contribution should be realized. Keeping that in view, Dalit Mahila Manch decided to celebrate the International Women's Day in a different manner through recognizing the contribution of Dalit women leaders and honouring them for their precious contribution.

Dalit Mahila Manch, Rajasthan celebrated International Women's Day to recognize the contribution of those Dalit women Activist/survivors who have contributed a lot in Dalit women's movement. On the day of International Women day a day long program of discussion of Dalit women issue followed with honouring Dalit women leaders was organized in 10 Districts namely Ajmer, Alwar, Bharatpur, Dausa, Karauli, Pali, Sawai Madhopur, Dholpur, Sirohi and Jalore of Rajasthan as well as at the



State level. Number of Dalit women activists from different parts of Rajasthan participated in the Program and shared their struggle, experience and thoughts with the participants to encourage them to keep on their struggle to bring change in the society and to reclaim their lost honour and rights.

All the participants were given the space to share their views about the women

especially the Dalit women, their present status in the society, the reason behind their condition and the suggestions to get them rid of all sort of discrimination and inequality. This could be included in the strategies of the Dalit Mahila Manch to strengthen the socioeconomic conditions and enhance their active participation in the politics and increase their access to education and justice.

#### Strengthening Dalit Women Representatives - Access to Justice

During the 2010, CDR has been engaged in the Program EQUIPING DALIT WOMEN SARPANCHES AND ACTIVISTS TO ADDRESS VIOLENCE AGAINST DALIT WOMEN to strengthen the Dalit women Sarpanches of two Districts i.e. Dausa and Alwar, supported by UNDP. The

80 DWERs (Dalit Women Elected Representatives) were identified in both districts. CDR worked with these 80 Sarpanches.

#### Program Deliverables

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Dalit Elected Sarpanches and social activists and professionals (lawyers and Academies) trained in addressing and taking up the issues and problems of Dalit Women Sarpanches.

#### Monitoring and Advocacy of the violence against the Dalit women Sarpanches-

Many atrocity cases against the Dalit women Saranches were addressed during this year. The trainings were imparted to the DWERs for their capacity building so that they could be able to lead a successful Panchatys and along with this they could be able to address the atrocity against the Dalit women by the society, community and family.

#### Capacity Building of the Dalit women Sarpanches-

Various trainings were organized during this year. The trainings were given on following subjects:

- Panchayati Raj Act.
- The role and responsibility of the Sarpanches.
- The rights and the powers of the Sarpanches in the Panchayat.
- About the five departments given by the State government to the Panchayats
- Knowledge on SC/ST (PoA) Act 1989 and rules.
- Various welfare schemes related to the Dalit women, children and Dalits i.e. Indira Awas Yojana, Jananai Suraksha Yojana, BPL related, various Pensions, Mid day Meal, MNREGA related provisions etc.

#### Training of the Dalit women Elected Representatives-

On 12<sup>th</sup> Sep 2010, the training of the Dalit women representatives was organized in Aggrawal Dharmshala in Alwar District, around 30 DWERs participated the training. They were aware about the prestigious post of Sarpanch and the present status of the Dalit women in Rajasthan and how they contribute for the upliftment of the Dalit women in the society. They were told that with the organized efforts they can check the violence against Dalit women. The Manual prepared on the Panchayat Raj, Sc/St Act, Social Welfare Schemes and other important literature were disseminated among them.

Similarly on 25th October 2010, a training was organized of the Dalit women Elected Representatives of the Dausa Districts. The Manual prepared n the Panchayat Raj, Sc/St Act, Social Welfare Schemes and other important literature were also disseminated among them in Dausa District.

#### State Level Consultation on Dalit women Elected Representatives-

On 31st March 2011, A State Level Consultation on Access to Justice to the Dalit women Representatives was organized in Jaipur. The objective of the consultation was to sensitize the Ministers, administration and Police Officials towards the discrimination and Atrocity against the Marginalized group of the society and the barriers of the Dalit Elected Representatives to discharge their duties, utilizing their rights. The Sarpanches of the Alwar and Dausa participated in the program and shared their challenges and their achievements. In this Consultation, Mr P L Mimroth, Minister Mr Murari LalMeena, Mr Babu Lal Bairwa MLA, Mr Styanarayan Singh IAS (Rtd), Mr R K Saxena (Rtd IG), Ms Nisha Siddhu from NFIW, Dr Prasad Shrivilla from NDMJ, Mrs Ashutosh from DAAA, Ms Asha Kowtal from AIDMAM, Mr Naveen Naraya from Action Aid and Mr Kishan Tyagi from PRIA also participated and boosted the confidence of the Dalit women Sarpanches.

<u>Follow up of the cases of the Dalit women Elected Representatives of the Alwar and Dausa</u> <u>Districts--</u>

During the year, the team, led by Mr P L Mimroth, consisting other State and District Coordinators of UNDP and the State Convener of Dalit Mahila Manch, met the Dalit women elected representatives regarding their cases and to assist them in discharging their duties properly.

# Networking

Building Solidarity with other NGOs, CBOs, to support Dalit Rights

Expanding Horizons with NAWO & NFDW, PRIA, JAGORI, CSJ-IIPLS, CERI, WNTA, CECOEDECON, NCDHR-DAAA, SWADHIKAR AND NCDHR-UNDP

For other opportunities that have added strength to the work of CDR this year are the collaboration with NCDHR on the 'Empowerment of Dalit Women Elected Representatives' supported by UNDP and initiative of Strengthening Dalit and Women Leadership in local Panchayat Raj Institutions and Municipalities supported by PRIA, Empowerment and Building Dalit women Leadership in Rajasthan supported by the NAWO & NFDW and Dalit women fellowships provided by JAGORI. These four programs strengthened the interventions of CDR in various ways:

- Has provided interaction with larger network of organizations at the national level.
- Provided greater focus and follow up on violence against Dalit women.
- Empowerment of Dalit women in Rajasthan.
- New opportunities for training, capacity building.
- Focus on strengthening administrative and financial systems.
- Greater visibility of Dalit issues in Rajasthan.
- Opportunities to engage with new bodies like UNDP & Government of India.

#### **District Advisory Committees**

At the District level eminent and influential public spirited persons have been brought together as an Advisory Committee. They include writers, Professors, lawyers retired bureaucrats, NGOs etc. They usually meet once in about to guide the Districts functionaries of the DMKS/CDR.

#### Citizens Audit Groups

As Part of EIDHR project, a new idea of citizens audit groups have been initiated, who comprise of both Dalit and Non Dalit eminent persons who promote and support Dalit Rights, raise their voice against the continuing practice of untouchability. In the State an eleven member body has been formed with 9 non Dalit members; 3 are women. This has been very effective and active forum.

The activists have also been able to engage with NGOs and CBOs in the State to create awareness on Dalit Rights and also elicit support towards the cause of Dalits. Some of the important interventions in this regard have been done at top level advocacy.

#### Dialogue with Dominant Caste People

Meetings were held with members from different communities in issues of Dalit Rights in Ajmer, Alwar, Bharatpur, Dausa and Pali Districts. The purpose of the dialogues was to engage in dialogue with dominant community members and develop healthy relationships across. A number of members realized the issues of Caste Discrimination and the situation of the Dalit communities and shared their concern to overcome them.

#### Network and Strengthen Dalit Organizations

One of the strategies of strengthening the Dalit rights issues in the State is to create network with other Dalit Organizations to strengthen them and also expand the rights frame. In the various programs conduced at the District and State level, attention is emphasized to inform and bring together many Dalit Organizations.

CDR organized one day State Level Networking meeting in Jaipur on 10 December 2010, with the other Dalit organizations from different Districts ( Jaipur, Sikar, Jodhpur, Ajmer, Jhunjhunu, Jaisalmer, Alwar and Chittorgarh) in their organizations on various matters of organization building and Dalit Rights monitoring. They had shown their active engagement in various programs.

CDR is also encouraging Dalit lead NGOs to register themselves and that CDR will support them in accessing State programs and other programs.

#### Providing opportunities to the students exposure on Dali Rights.

During 2010–2011 CDR provided students internship program on Dalit rights issues to Ms Arti Verma from NCAS Pune and Ms Anushikha Abraham Law University Bangalore.

#### Communal Harmony-

#### NGO's meeting on Hussaipur Mass Attack-

Alwar- 1st February 2011, a Meeting with other organizations and dominant caste members-sensitive people was organized who agreed that there should be no discrimination. They shared the issue on their own platform. People targeted for this meet were Sarpanches, members or councilors, different caste leaders, active social activists, media persons and Dalit activists, leader. The meeting was all about the Hussaipur Mass attack of the Meo community people on Dalits. The objective of the meeting was to set up the harmony group among the two communities and to seek the solution and as following:

- 1. Regular meeting with the dominant caste people
- 2. Engagement of young people.
- 3. Legal awareness
- 4. Sensitization of community members
- 5. Change of mind sets in favour of Dalits
- 6. Respect to each other.
- 7. Promotion of inter caste marriages.
- 8. Eradication of bad social evils.
- 9. Promotion of brotherhood.
- 10. Organize community feasts at local level.
- 11. Sensitization of non Dalits.

# PRIA- Gender in Panchayats

The capacitation of the Panchayats on Gender issues started from June 2010 through PRIA. CDR worked to check the regular down fall of the sex ratio along with the issues of Maternal Health, Sex Determination and Gender Sensitization in 3 extensive and 47 non extensive Panchayats of Dausa Districts with the Panchayat Representatives, Community, Department of Women and Child Development and Medical and Health Department. In this regard the IEC's were distributed in all the 50 Panchayats for effective work on Maternal Health and Sex Determination. Under this project, the training of Sarpanch, Asha Sahyogini, Anganwadi workers and ANM's on women issues and Gender issues was organized on 19th Dec 2010, in Panchayat Samiti Bhawan, Dausa. The institutional Delivery is increased after this training and the rise has been noted in the amount provided to the Dhatri under Jananai Suraksha Yojana (JSY). The Anganwadi centre of 3 extensive Panchayats i.e. Jirota Khurd, Khatumber and was monitored and healthy and nutritious food distributed in these centre. The meetings were conducted jointly by CDR and PRIA with the Health activists to make then sensitize.

# Strengthening Access to Justice-IIPLS

Under the project given by Indian Institute of Paralegal Studies, Ahmedabad, the 198 Paralegals were trained across the Rajasthan State. For this the State was divided into four regions i.e. in Kota 46 Paralegal from 5–7 July 2010, in Udaipur 48 Paralegals from 9–11 July 2010, in Bikaner 35 Paralegals from 14–17 July 2010 and in Dausa 77 Paralegals from 19–21

July 2010. The participants were given trainings on FIR, SC/ST (PoA) Act 1989 and Rule 1995, Monitoring and Fact Finding, RTI, MNREGA Law, Advocacy, PRI Act, Social Welfare Schemes and Legal Aid and Lok Adalats. The laws related to the women were also discussed for the women empowerment. The new paralegals got the information and knowledge of various laws and schemes, thus they spread the awareness and access the justice to the poor and deprived section of their areas.

On 26th September 2010, a State Level Paralegal Conference was organized in Jaipur, all the trained paralegals were given the certificate by Retired High Court Judge Justice I S Israni.

Under the same project, a study on Legal Aid and Lok Adalats was conducted in which the activities and the role of the Rajasthan State Legal Service Authority and District Legal Service Authority was extensively studied which revealed that the deprived and needy section of the society has not been able to access and avail of the services of legal Aid. This study has been published by the DB Star, News Desk of reputed Paper Dainik Bhaskar, it sensitized the State Legal service Authority and camps of legal service and Mega Lok Adalats were conducted on District and Block level.

# Linkages

#### Linkages with key Government agencies

Name of the Agency	Purpose of	Achievement/impacts	
	linkages		
District Collector	Advocacy	Good rapport with District Collectors and stern actions on CDR complaints	
Superintendent of Police	-do-	At the instance of CDR, in various cases FIR were registered, investigation officers were changed, arrest of the accused and Sensitization of police on Dalit perspective was done.	
Inspector General of Police (Human Rights)	-do-	-do-	
Director General of police	-do-	-do-	
Chief Secretary	-do-	Urged for effective implementation of SC/ST Act and rules and sensitization of police on Dalit perspective	
Home Secretary	-do-	-do-	
Chief election officer	Advocacy and legal support	Directed the District administration to depute extra police force in vulnerable areas during elections. Stern action initiated on the CDR complaints	

Scheduled Caste	Advocacy	The suggestions and recommendation made by the
welfare committee,		CDR team were presented before the perspective
Rajasthan Assembly		committee to take appropriate measures and
		actions.
State election	Highlight Dalit	Permission granted to organize awareness camps in
Commission	issues	Municipality elections 2010
Mr K L Bairwa, Add.	Highlight Dalit	Charge Sheets were filed in very serious cases.
DGP	issues	
Rajasthan State Human	Highlight Dalit	Making more sensitized toward the Dalit issues
Right commission	issues,	
	Advocacy	
Dept of Social Justice	Highlight Dalit	Compensation of Rs 53,52,250 has been given to
and Empowerment	issues, Legal	the victims. Poster on Sc/St(PoA) Act was circulated
	support	at Panchayat level by the Government
Dialogue with	Highlight Dalit	Several MLA's raised Dalit problems and Dalit
Legislators	issues	budget issues under SCP (Special Component Plan)
	advocacy	in the State Assembly.

The linkages with the government departments appear to be part of sensitization efforts of CDR and Follow up of Cases of atrocities. CDR has been able to establish good linkages with the Government Departments.

#### Linkages with Key Non-Governments and Campaigns

CDR has made linkages with existing Campaign and key NGO's in the State. Following Linkages were made over the year:

Name of the Agency	Purpose of linkages	Achievement/impacts
PRIA, New Delhi	Monitoring of Lok Sabha	Free and fair elections and more
	Elections	participation in sensitive areas.
Jagori, New Delhi	Fellowship	One Dalit women activist was supported as
		fellow to identification of vocal and
		committed Dalit women.
MKSS & other	RTI Campaign	Oppose certain clauses in amendments of
partner		the RTI Act
organizations		
Digantar, PUCL and	Right to education	The State government ready to implement
other partner	campaign	NCERT school books curriculum in
organizations		Rajasthan

Allaripu and other	Child rights campaign	To establish State level campaign on child
partner organization		rights
National Dalit	Monitoring of Lok Sabha	Free and fair election and more
Election Watch, New	Election	participation
Delhi		
Coalition on and	Amendment in Sc/ST Act	Strong advocacy on amendment in SC/ST
amendment in SC/ST		Act
(PoA) Act 1989		
Dalit Arthik Adhikar	Dalit Budget analysis	Advocacy on Dalit budget before the
Andoan		Assembly
Budget Analysis and	Dalit budget analysis and	-do-
Research Centre	advocacy	
(BARC)		
NAWO/NFDW	Socio-political and	State level as well as District level trainings
	economic empowerment	were organized and 20 Dalit women
	of Dalit women in	groups have been formed at District level
	Rajasthan	in 10 Districts.
PUCL and other	Right to food campaign	Effective implementation of all right to
partner		food schemes
organizations		
National Secular	Develop communal	Advocacy on communal issues and
forum, CSS, Mumbai	harmony	established a State secular forum
Safai Karamchari	Eradication of manual	Effective implementation of employment of
Andolan, New Delhi	Scavenging	manual scavenging and construction of dry
		latrine (Prohibition) Act 1993.

# Organization Building

#### Team Capacity Building

Different programs were organized for training of the team. Criminal Justice systems, Drafting and writing complaints, report writing, Gender and women's issues, personality development trainings, communication skill and exposure to other programs.

The organizing the various programs have also build the capacity of the team members in many ways. They were also involved in training communities, activists and New Dalit NGO's. Team members also attended various training programs held by other NGO's and Networks. One was also on fund raising and account maintenance.

#### Capacity Building of Team Members

Team was fully involved in organizing and conducting many programs of our own as well as in collaboration with other partners and organizations giving many opportunities for strengthening the skills and knowledge. In collaboration with Jagori Gender Training of CDR staff members were organized in Jaipur.

Exposure Visit- The CDR provided an exposure visit of the team members of the Centre for Dalit Rights to "Tilonia", Kishangarh Ajmer in the 2010. The objective of the visit was to enhance the skills of the team members and also to understand the works and activities of the other organization

# Few Area of Achievement

Reviewing the past year (2010–11), there are a few areas where CDR has been able to carry forward the successful interventions. A few of them are listed below:

- 1. **Building Dalit Associates** through various activities, CDR has engaged with a number of Dalit groups across the State during awareness programs and campaigns. Our thousands Dalit activists and associates across the State are now on the role of activists/volunteers of Centre for Dalit Rights.
- 2. The Centre for Dalit Rights-Dalit Manwadhikar Kendra Samiti, has been recognized and honoured with "Dr Ambedkar Social Service Award 2009–10" for its outstanding work in the field of Dalit Rights by the State Government of Rajasthan.
- 3. Access to justice: Number of FIR's and conviction rate in SC/ST Act and Statutory relief to the victims increased around 30% during past year. We have used the legal mechanism increasingly for getting justice, majority of FIR's were registered at the instance of court intervention under section 156 (3) of Criminal Procedure Code.
  - \*\* 137 cases had conclusive successes this year in the form of monetary compensation, fair investigation, adding sub sections of SC/ST Act in the FIR etc.
  - ₹ 17 FIR's has been registered at the instance of CDR

- 66 Charge Sheets have been filed before the concerned courts at the instance of CDR.
- **42 accused** has been arrested under the SC/ST Act in the instance of CDR.
- In 12 cases, the perpetrators got the punishment due to legal intervention of CDR.
- Compensation under the SC/ST (POA) Act 1989– the amount of compensation CDR helps victims to access this year is **Rs 53, 52, 250** under the Sc/ST Act and rules because of pursuance of CDR.
- 4. Administration and law enforcing agencies also sensitized towards SC and ST problems.
  - Assurance of special directions to all SP's for proper and prompt investigation of SC/ST Cases
  - The State government for the first times since 1995 from the enactment rules of Sc & St Act reconstituted the State level monitoring and Vigilance Committee under the rule 16 of the Sc/ST Act 1989.
  - District level Monitoring and Vigilance Committees formed and activated in all 33 Districts at the instance of CDR.
  - Two District Collectors nominated District Coordinators of CDR being a special invitee in Monitoring and Vigilance Committee meetings at District Level.
  - The District Collectors invited to CDR to conduct awareness programs on MNREGA schemes
  - ₩ we received 474 positive responses from the various institutions
- 5. Sensitivity Building of Administration and law enforcing agencies Our efforts and the response of the State agencies shows evidence of greater sensitivity and awareness among State institutions to issues of Dalit community.
- 6. As a new initiative CDR engaged and advocacy efforts with members of Schedule Caste welfare committee in Rajasthan Assembly who are MLA's and apprised them of specific issues on Dalit Rights to be raised in Sate Assembly. Many of them agreed to do so. CDR is regularly following this process.
- 7. Through advocacy work initiated by CDR and DAAA, Dalit MLA's raised the issue to increase budget under the Scheduled Caste Sub Plan Budget during the Budget session of the Assembly.
- 8. News Coverage- Various news items on issues raised by CDR appeared in 706 Media reports/ news reported during this period. This created much visibility and credibility among print and electronic media. CDR also held the "Media Award on Social Justice"
- 9. Election Watch:
- ₹ 35 (18 Male and 17 Female) Dalit Sarpanches has been won on the general seats.

- The First ever the State election Commission has been appointed District level observer in Panchayat elections.
- First time the mobile booths were introduced in the elections
- Repolling was organized on 39 polling booths in the project Districts.
- 9 FIR's has been lodged during the Panchayat election violence over the Dalits
- 10.Level of awareness and contacts /Liaison through network and activities of Dalit groups across the State considerable increased, Over 1000 Dalit activists and associates all over the State and they are now on the role of volunteers of CDR.
- 11. The CAG group (Under EIDHR) has been actively engaged in all activities and advocate all Dalit issues at various levels like as Human Right institutions, Law enforcement agencies, Civil society and Non Dalit Community.
- 12. Over 100 advocates are ready to give guidance and legal aid in the Dalit cases as public spirited lawyers in various courts.

# Conclusions and Way Forward

CDR is one of the few organizations in Rajasthan that has been engaged in continuously and consistently monitoring Human Rights violations against Dalits over the years CDR has been able to sharpen the method for monitoring using very simple collation in general and taking it forward wih authorities to create awareness and pressure. In more serious cases CDR undertakes fact Finding and follow up based on the willingness of the victim/ survivors to pursue the case. CDR has gained recognition as a legitimate body to take up this mentoring both by the community and the authorities as can be seen from the response of the authorities.

CDR has also been able to expand the concept of violence and Dalit Rights into other areas like Election Watch and the functioning of the local governance. This further strengthens Dalit Community in their search for justice. This has provided a model for larger election monitoring in the country.

CDR has expanded its networking on Gender issues considerably this year, building collaboration with organizations working on gender, organizing gender trainings for team and also conducting public programs with women. There is a distinct need for supporting Dalit women in taking up violence against them to the legal process. Mass mobilization and public programs with women along with gender sensitization and collaboration will strengthen this process. This would be taken up more deeply in the coming years in understanding.

The gender perspective in violence and evolving mechanism that can support Dalit women.

CDR's work on land rights is also seminal as land is a very complex and long drawn out process, moving between administrative and legal procedures. However CDR considers this important to protect to promote livelihood and dignity of Dalit communities. CDR will be vigilant against policy and administrative measures that will undermine existing provisions on land rights for Dalit community.

CDR has also moved forward in the advocacy work through engaging with the welfare committee for Scheduled Caste. This is a new initiative in trying to make them aware and influence decision and policy makers from the community to play a more vigilant and positive role in the development and welfare of the community. The initial engagement has been positive and their response in action would be closely watched.

Team capacitation has been done formally and through various engagements and the team in many ways as acquired the skill to carry out monitoring and community engagement on their own.

#### Thanks Note-

DMKS/CDR is extremely grateful to the Dan Church Aid and Christian Aid for extending financial support for implementation of the project activities in the feudalistic and atrocity prone Districts of Rajasthan. We are also very thankful to the other partners, supporters and symphesers who supported to strengthening Dalit Movement in Rajasthan.

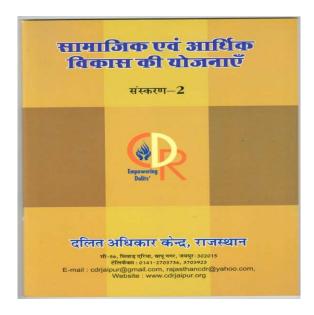
# Documentation and Publication

During this period the CDR has done following documentation for protection and promotions of Dalit Rights:











FINANCIAL REPORT

वित्तीय लेखा-जोखा RMK & Company Charted Accounts

80, Nand Colony, Opp. Choudhary Patrol Pump. Tonk Road, Sanganer, Jaipur

Dalit Manvadhikar Kendra Samiti

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2011

	Amount (Rs.)		Amount (Rs.)
Expenditure	2010-2011	INCOME	2010-2011

FCRA Project Exp.		GRANTS	
FCRA	7055935.00	FCRA	5991572.05
		UNDP	5099095.00
Non FCRA			
UNDP	4189888.05	Non FCRA Contribution	
DMKS own Exp.	96337.75	Non FCRA	204101.00
To Excess of Inc. over Exp	155037.25	By Bank Interest	102430.00
		Social Service Award	100000.00
Total	11497198.05	Total	11497198.05

#### BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31st MARCH 2010

LIABILITIES	Amount (Rs.)	ASSETS	Amount (Rs.)
	2009–2010		2009-2010
Capital Fund	36281625	Fixed Assets	204123.00
Unspent Grant	5822926.55	FDR Investment	4200000.00
Capital Grant	3170650.00	Accrued Interest on FDR	20285.00
TDS Payable	11525.00		
Sundry Creditors		Advance to Staff	233720.00
TMS	2000.00		
State	24358.00	Receivables	128847.00
SWADHIKAR	161000.00		
Audit Fees	30000.00		
UNDP	4473.00	Closing Balance	4818257.80
Staff Welfare Deposit	15484.00		
Total	9605232.80	Total	9605232.80

In terms of our attached report of even date

For RMK & Co. DMKS

Chartered Accountants

(K.L. Choudhary) (P.L. Mimroth)

Partner Hony. Gen. Secretary

M.No. 076964

# **Abbreviations**

AIDMAM	All India Dalit Mahila Adhikar Manch
BARC	Budget Analysis Research Centre, Jaipur
CBO	Community Based Organization
CERI	Campaign Electoral Reform in India, Banglore
CHRI	Common Wealth Human Right Initiative, New Delhi
CJS	Centre for Social Justice, Ahmedabad
DA3	Dalit Arthik Adhikar Andolan, New Delhi
<i>EIDHR</i>	European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights

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MNREGA Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005

NAWO National Allowance of Women Organizations, New Delhi NCDHR National Campaign of Dalit Human Rights, New Delhi

NDMJ National Dalit Movement for Justice, New Delhi

NFDLRM National Federation of Dalit Land Rights Movement

NFDW National Federation of Dalit Women, Banglore

NRHM National Rural Health Mission

PCR Protection of Civil Right Act 1955

PDS Public Distribution System

PRIA Society for Participatory Research in Asia, New Delhi

PUCL People Union for Civil Liberty
RTI Right to Information Act, 2005

SC-SP Scheduled Caste Sub Plan STSP Scheduled Tribe Sub Plan

UNDP United Nation Development Program

WNTA Wada Na Todo Abhiyan

# District Offices

Ajmer Office 428/31 Ram Leela ka Bada Nagara Ajmer (Raj.) Mob- 9982246318 **Dausa Office** Somnath Tiraha, Agara Road, Dausa Mob-9982246317

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Street No-2, Sunder Colony In front of Midway Hotel Dholpur (Raj.) Mob- 9983346325

# MEDIA COVERAGE

# किसी नेता, अधिकारी ने नहीं ली सुध केवल दलित अधिकार केन्द्र ने की पहल

मानपुरा (लालसोट) के कानाराम बैरवा युग'समाचार की कर्टिंग संलग्न कर आरोपियों आदि के 17 बीधा खेत पर जबरतस्ती के विरुद्ध कानून सम्मत कटोर कार्ववाही कर अ.जनजाति के लोगों द्वारा मारणेट कर पीडितों को उनकी कृषि भूमि पर कब्जा प्रदान युग' ने पीड़ित पक्ष कानाराम के मो. नं. प्रेवित की है। प्रकाशित कर अपील की थी कि की गई पीड़ित पक्ष ने बताया कि 22 अक्टूबर को दलित अधिकार केन्द्र जयपुर द्वारा 'देरवा दिशा है।

कब्जे के मामले में 'बैरवा युग' के गतांक कर सुरक्षा व न्याय हेतु जिला कलेक्टर, अक्टूबर 2010 में प्रकाशित सामचार के एसपी, दीसा, पुलिस महानिरीक्षक राजस्थान, बावजूद समाज के किसी भी नेता, पुलिस महानिरीक्षक (मानवाधिकार) जयपुर, अधिकारी ने कोई पहल, सांत्वना वा प्रमुख सचिव (राजस्व) अशीक सम्पतराम कार्यवाही नहीं की। समाचार के साथ 'कैरवा को नामजद पत्र लिख कर कैरवा ग्रुग को प्रति

कार्यवाही से पोड़ित पक्ष को अवगत करावें, पुलिस की मौजूदगी में पटवारी, गिरदावर द्वारा किन्तु हमने कानाराम व उनके युत्र जमीन की नाप-जोख की गई है और हमारी ओमप्रकाश बैरवा से इस बाबत जानकारी जमीन की परधरगढ़ी की गई है, किन्तु ली तो उन्होंने किसी के द्वारा भी सम्पर्क नहीं विरोधियों ने फिर पत्थरगढ़ी भी उखाड़ दी है. हमने पुलिस व न्यायालय को अवगत कर

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गरीब व दलित वर्ग को शोषण से एसोसिएशन जवपुर के अध्यक्ष मुक्ति और उनके अधिकार दिलाने कर्णपाल सिंह ने कहा कि अन्याय के मुद्दे पर विचार-बियर्श के लिए का शिकार गरीब व दलित वर्ग ही

क मुद्द (म विचार-विधान के लिए का शिकार गरीब व चरित वा हो । रिवार को प्रदेशभा के अधियवन होता है। आजारी के 63 साल बार । राजधानी में लुटे। उन्होंने इस नेक काम में अधियवताओं के अहम भर्धाय का शिकार है। चीरावान को जरूरत को भी स्वीकारा। चित अधिकार केंद्र और पी. एल. मीमरीट ने कहा कि राष्ट्रिय दिलत ज्याय आदेशला मानवाशिकार संगठनों को कोशिकार केंद्र स्वीच तो को कोशिकार केंद्र स्वीच ने का कि राष्ट्रिय स्वाचित ज्याय दिलानों में स्वाचित को कोशिकार केंद्र स्वीच ने का आहे हैं व्यचितों को व्यवित ज्याय दिलानों में विज्ञस्व लगाभग 15 प्रतिवृत्त मोमर्थन अधिकार केंद्र स्वाचनों के प्रशिक्त को कि स्वाचनों के स्वाचनों के प्रतिवृत्त मोमर्थन वाचती को त्यारत न्याय रहलाने म । असस्य लगभग 15 प्रतिशत जामलं अधिकवाकाओं को भूमिका विषय हरतामा के माणकम संदर्ग होने नचे पर आयोजित कार्यसाला में मुख्य है। इस अवसर पर प्रदेश के विभिन्न करता एडयोकेट अनय कुमार जैन जिलों से आए अधिकवाओं ने आने ने कहा कि अधिकवाओं को गरीबी में ऐसंकाईआ रहें के स्तान से लेक्स व दलितों को न्याय रिलाने के लिए पीड़ित को न्यायालय में न्याय रिलाने

HINDUSTAN TIMES, NEW DELHI FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 04, 2011

# After anti-Dalit violence, activists to visit village retary on Wednesday at Jaipur. The chief secretary directed the Alwar district collector to give ₹25,000 each as primary assistance to 18 dalit families. It is to be recalled that on January 19, a hen came under the tractor, being driven by a person of Meo community, being the control of the property of the community died in the firing. Later police reached the spot and the pepts of Meo community died in the firing. Later police reached the spot and the people of particular and the people of people of the people

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