



Annual Progress Report for the Year 2013-14

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| 03-04-2013 | MDS celebrated 'World Health Day-2013' on 3rd April 2013 keeping the theme in view which was 'hypertension: silent killer, global public health crisis'. People were made aware that how hypertension contributes to the burden of heart disease, stroke and kidney failure and premature death and disability, etc. |
| 04-04-2013 | MDS governing body on 4th April 2013 decided to vigorously raise awareness about many socially relevant issues, particularly in rural areas by organising awareness camps and launching an intensive awareness campaign. |
| 11-05-2013 | MDS has celebrated 'National Technology Day-2013' on 11th May 2013 in consonance with the theme, 'Making a Difference'. For it different criteria were popularised like strong belief in technology as a symbol of quest for scientific inquiry, technological creativity and the translation of that quest in the integration of Science, Society and Industry. In fact, this day is also celebrated to honour technological innovations and their successful commercialization which makes fruits of research reach people at large. |
| 30-05-2013 | On the eve of 'World No Tobacco Day-2013' MDS volunteers have participated in the awareness activities from 30th May carried out related to the message to 'Quit Tobacco, Chose Health'. |
| 03-06-2013 | MDS in its GB meeting held on 3rd June 2013 decided to make region specific strategies and implement forcefully the awareness programmes about major socially relevant issues, by organising camps in rural and sub-urban areas. |
| 07-07-2013 | MDS acknowledging that in numerous villages, in Mewat district of Haryana, the water table is so low that families must depend on open wells to meet their water requirements and the dug wells are only deep enough to reach the water table, allowing groundwater to fill the bottom of the well. While the average water level in most of the wells ranges between 5-10 meters, tube wells and submersible pumps draw water from 350-450 feet depth. Most government hand pumps have gone dry as water levels have decreased so drastically. MDS organised awareness camps for more than 15 days started from 07-07-2013 to sensitize the rural people about importance of the judicious use of water. |
| 07-07-2013 | MDS took active part in organising awareness campaign of 'NEAC 2013-14' through Haryana RRA with the theme 'Biodiversity Conservation' on behalf of Ministry of Environment & Forests and Climate, Govt. of India. |
| 11-11-2013 | MDS celebrated 'National Education Day-2013' on 11th November, 2013 by organising a meeting in the MDS office and branch offices to commemorate the 125th Birth anniversary of India's 1st Education Minister Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad. It was a coincidence that he was elected from Mewat region itself. Eminent persons from the area and outside addressed the people including students and youth who participated in the meetings about the Indian Education System and Maulana's great contribution in building renowned educational institutions and systems in the country. |
| 19-01-2014 | MDS actively participated in 'India Business Award 2013' & 'Seminar on Green Business: the Indian Perspective', organised on Sunday 19th January, 2014 by Knowledge Resource Development & Welfare Group at India International Centre (IIC), New Delhi. |



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| 30-01-2014 | Received sanction letter no. 8-274/2013 dated 30-1-2014 from Ministry of Minorities Affairs for organising 5 training programmes under the scheme ‘Nai Roshni - The Scheme for Leadership Development of Minority Women’ in Mewat (Haryana) at the total cost of Rs. 3,75,750/-. These programmes were successfully conducted as per sponsoring agency norms, viz. |
| 28-02-2014 | MDS participated in the ‘National Science Day-2013’, celebrations held on 28th February, 2014 every year to make awareness about “Genetically Modified Crops and Food Security”. People were made aware by MDS volunteers that every 28th February is celebrated as ‘National Science Day’ in India in the memory of great Indian Scientist Sir Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman who invented the theory of ‘Raman Effect’. |
| 15-03-2014 | MDS volunteers worked as a veteran consumer rights crusader to grow consumer awareness in Mewati villages. They have mobilised public opinion against key lifestyle hazards like cigarettes, safety belts, microwave ovens, safe water supply, door locks and vehicle rollovers through its occasional pamphlets, newsletters etc. Selected audiences were addressed on healthcare and consumer rights at different places in Mewat and district Gurgaon villages. A few advocacy offices across the district were also set up at block level. The country is passing through a period of similar economic growth and a group of people whose incomes are rising are placing more importance on consumer rights. In addition, MDS also worked as a veteran consumer rights crusader to grow consumer awareness in Mewati villages. It has mobilised public opinion against key lifestyle hazards like cigarettes, safety belts, microwave ovens, safe water supply, door locks and vehicle rollovers through its occasional pamphlets, newsletters etc. Selected audiences were addressed on healthcare and consumer rights at different places. A few advocacy offices across the district were also set up at block level. The country is passing through a period of similar economic growth and a group of people whose incomes are rising are placing more importance on consumer rights. |