

2021-2022 Annual Report

Anchoring Alternatives



President's Note

Dear Friends

Third Wave Foundation is still dwelling in a very nascent stage. In terms of activities and impact, it has not as yet been able to achieve anything substantial but we have been quite active in our thoughts and our search for alternatives. Stitching and anchoring alternatives in development, alternatives in lives and livelihoods are our objectives and we have honestly strived hard to fulfill those objectives. In the process,

some of the key learnings emerged, which are expected to guide us in our future endeavors.

Following three are the most important of our learnings:

- 1. No alternative can be created without engaging confrontation and conciliation.
- 2. Ecological diversity and inclusivity are the foundations for resilient future.
- 3. Every organization has its own theory of change, which has to be followed sincerely to achieve what the organization is striving for.

We propose to build our future engagements on these learnings and whatever else we come across during the days ahead.

Thanking You

Dibya Gopal Ghales

(DIBYA GOPAL GHATAK) President, Third Wave Foundation



Secretary's Table

Dear friends and compatriots,

Greetings from Third Wave Foundation!

Another year passed and we are here to take stock of our activities. In terms of activities, we are wide off the mark. In terms of ideas, probably, we have been able to generate constructive debate amongst ourselves as to what kind of an approach

in development that we as a small civil society organisation with limited resources can take.

We seek to contribute in the developmental journey of the communities through collaboration and integration. We completely agree that we are positioned somewhere in the fringe and far away from the center of development. However, we sincerely believe that it is more convenient to create ripples at the fringes, which thereafter may gradually reach inwards and maybe at some point of time mainstream the ideas and approaches. As a part of our urge to provide meaningful support to the villagers at the margin, this year we have initiated a few modest interventions in Odisha for impacting the hunger and malnutrition map of a particular village. We are happy to share our sense of satisfaction when we saw how the poor people in the village have demonstrated that the ideas are implementable. The people themselves are building alternatives, as they always do. We are trying in our humble way to be part of that journey of the people towards empowerment, and fight malnutrition, poverty and hunger.

Intra-organizational knowledge system development is another domain we have entered and it was really amazing to see how the experts are engaging with us for strengthening our foundations.

The coming year will be another ambitious year for all of us and we are completely ready to delve deeper into the vast ocean of development.

Thanking You

Jaya Mulcherjee

(JAYA MUKHERJEE) Secretary, Third Wave Foundation



I do not allow myself to be overcome by hopelessness, no matter how tough the situation. I believe that if you just do your little bit without thinking of the bigness of what you stand against, if you turn to the enlargement of your own capacities, just that itself creates new potential.

- Vandana Shiva





Covid-19 pandemic and the interventions by the foundation members

As the second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic set in, regular development activities continued to be in disarray. This was more challenging for organisations like our Third Wave Foundation, which were at an early stage of development. As we did not have any regular fund flow by then, the situation got worse. However, we used the time to introspect and organize a series of webinars to understand the developmental challenges and search for the alternatives in the domain of sustainable development. All the professionals and volunteers associated with TWF were part of the response to the pandemic in their own organisations or individually. Thus, despite our constraints to be associated with the pandemic response, we were very much there and all the individual experiences improved our understanding of the process of pauperization of the people due to the effect of the pandemic and associated shrinkage in wage earning potentials, especially for the poor.

An immersive experience



Once the Covid-19 pandemic was at its wane, we decided to go for a retreat kind of an experience where the founders and members of the organisation can engage themselves in serious discussions to collectively chalk out the pathways for future. Following were the fundamentals of the retreat:

1) To replenish the developmental perspectives of the organization and to

create a symmetry of thinking

2) To draw a segregated yet seamless pathways for future

3) To engage with the village communities and create an ambience for critical dialogues

4) To engage with the diverse programmatic ideologies and conceptual paradigms.



Ghatshila, a small quaint town of East Singbhum district of Jharkhand was selected as the location of the programme. Most important part of the retreat was community interaction in two villages where we facilitated community discussions on the issues and challenges and the alternatives available with the community and

beyond for comprehensive pro-poor development. In both the villages TWF professionals floated the ideas of 'Local Futures' or 'Prantocharja' and the hosting organisation of this entire programme *Shikshit Berojgar Samity* of Chaibasha of Jharkhand, which continues to be partner of TWF is continuing the collective exploration with the communities in these two villages.



After the immersive experiences in the villages, the internal exchange of ideas in the evening helped us chart out our plan for the coming days.

Local Futures

Our comprehensive intervention, Local Futures, seeks to strengthen community initiatives for a resilient future. As a part of such initiative, we have been comprehensively working in a village called Tamal Bandha in Nuagaon Gram Panchayat under Bisoi block of Mayurbhanj district of Odisha. There are several objectives of the series of initiatives that we propose to take up in the village to develop a dynamic lab for the development practitioners. However, since we are at a very initial stage, we propose to be true to the field realities and bring out the essence of whatever little we could do in the village to strengthen local institutions and the community to take up the developmental challenges upfront.



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A three-pronged intervention model

Our intervention model in Tamal Bandha evolves around three focus areas:



Family-based interventions for nutrition-sensitive farming practices

Community ownership of the local school/s to integrate learning for the children with the larger social and environmental concerns of the community



Moving further with focus on integration of the nutrition-sensitive farming practices with the overall developmental priorities of the area



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Our journey: April 2021 – March 2022

• We have motivated more than 30 families to adopt organic cultivation of vegetables and some of the fruit varieties in their newly set up kitchen gardens in Tamal Bandha village.

During the initiation phase, while we were unfurling the dialogues in the community forums regarding the programmatic intervention with the possible role of TWF, we have foundout that in spite of visible nutritional deficit they are not having the practice of home garden or backyard garden, which is one of the most internationally accepted development alternatives and hunger and malnutrition combating strategy that a poverty-stricken family can adopt. Through numerous meeting and collective learning circles (CLC) we have facilitated and explored the inherent knowledge on vegetable farming and they have leveraged their 'dormant knowledge' to setup multi-vegetable home gardens. With emphasis on leafy vegetables, it has been possible to retain the soil moisture and we have also improved their skill in composting so that the gardens become purely organic. They have also initiated the seed conservation process, which was not in practice for several decades. We have also introduced a few perennial low hanging fruit trees, which are easy to monitor and farming by a family having very meagre time to invest in the garden.

• The schools with their students have taken active role in development of plant nurseries, where they have avoided the use of plastic.



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The local school which earlier lacked involvement of the community has been transformed into a learning hub, even for the seniors in the community and the community started taking active interest in the affairs of the school.

During the initiation process we have explored the ideas of transforming the schools into a learning space for all and not only that our pivotal intention was to bridge the chasm between the school and community through continuous community intervention in the school process. In the schools, during the post-learning hours, the communities are sitting toagather to think, learn and reflect on their own problems. Even the home garden planning was also the result of such learning circles. In the meanwhile the students were exposed to multiple skills and knowledge and they have become harbinger of new knowledge in their own families. The schools are also entering in the domain of nutri-garden and students are enthused to acquire tree nursery preparation skills without using plastic packets. As alternatives, they are using Sal leaves with the help of the local pro-active families motivated through numerous neighbourhood discussion sessions on climate change .

Envisioning an Ecological-village at Tamal Bandha

- Expanding kitchen garden intervention by involving more families in the campaign and creating a sustainable resource pool of resource families who will anchor the process.
- Creating room for open and democratic dialogues for initiating field crops, family-based nursery and reviving millet traditions.
- ✓ Enthusing youth in farming and farm-based entrepreneurship.
- Initiating & strengthening open learning process in the village for the slow learners and firstgeneration school goers.





✓ Due to our strength in the knowledge domain of Natural Resource Management, in the next few years we will facilitate more in the labyrinths of knowledge process of NRM. We are having experts in several domains of ecology and climate change and in the short run we are willing to take concerted efforts to enthuse and capacitate the small scale organizations to act authentically in the domain of protection, regeneration, conservation and management of natural resources.

✓ The personalities in the domain are incredibly efficient and therefore we will be able to deploy and use their skills and advice in different spheres to create more room for them so that they can excel properly along with the communities.





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AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have examined the Balance Sheet of "THIRD WAVE FOUNDATION" "REGD. NO-S0011257 OF 2019-2020" "1003, MOTILAL GUPTA ROAD, KOLKATA-700082, WEST BENGAL, INDIA,-"as at 31stMarch,2022 and also the Income & Expenditure Account and the Receipts & Payments Account for the year ended on that date which are in agreement with the books of accounts maintained by the Organisation.

We have obtained all the information and explain which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the addit. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the organization so far appears from our examination of books.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanation given to us, the said counts a true and fair view:

In the case of the Balance sheet of the State of the above named Organisation.
In the case of the Income & Expenditure Account of the above named Organisation for the accounting year ending on that date.

3. In the case of the Receipts & Payments Account of the above named Organisation for the accounting year ending on that date.

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Date:22.06.2022

Place: Kolkata.

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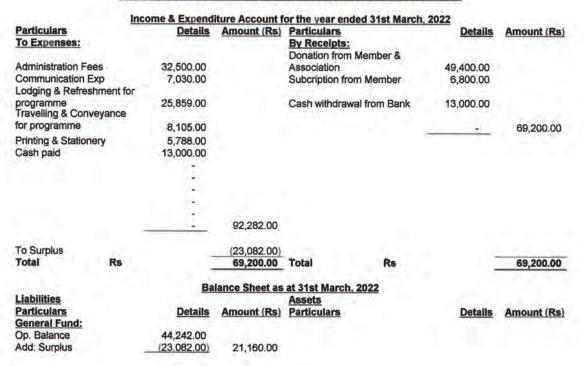
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Receipts & Payment Account for the year ended 31st March, 2022

| Particulars | Details | Amount (Rs) | Particulars | Details | Amount (Rs) |
|--|-----------|-------------|--|-----------|-------------|
| To Op. Balance: | | | By Expenses: | | |
| Cash in Hand | 5,262.00 | | Administration Fees | 32,500.00 | |
| Cash at Bank | 38,980.00 | 44,242.00 | Communication Exp Lodging & Refreshment for | 7,030.00 | |
| | | | programme Travelling & Conveyance for | 25,859.00 | |
| To Receipts: Donation from Member & | | | programme | 8,105.00 | |
| Association | 49,400.00 | | Printing & Stationery | 5,788.00 | |
| Subcription from Member | 6,800.00 | | Cash paid | 13,000.00 | |
| Cash withdrawal from Bank | 13,000.00 | | | | |
| | | 69,200.00 | | | |

92,282.00

By Closing Balance: Cash in Hand 9,030.00 Cash at Bank 12,130.00 21,160.00 Total 1,13,442.00 Rs Total Rs 1,13,442.00 rana hecked OF AMIT KUMAR SURANA & CUMPANI **Chartered Accountants** AMIT KUMAR SURANA ered A Proprietor B.COM (H), CA,CS,LLB M. NO. - 304957 F.R. NO. - 332194E Date- 22.06.2022 Saya thin Wave Foundation Deb Place-Kolkata. President Chala Secretary Third Wave Foundation Third Wave Foundation





Winners are not those who never fail but those who never Quit.

- Edwin louis cole







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