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TARANG

CELEBRATING LIFE



OUR VISION

"Empowering communities, transforming lives and facilitating nation building through sustainable and inclusive growth".



FACOR places a strong emphasis on promoting the socio-economic development of our local community through well-structured Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives. Our core values revolve around community development and sustainability. We have a robust system in place to effectively implement our community development programs for the greater good of the community as a whole. Our primary focus is on adopting a long-term, comprehensive approach, aligning our CSR efforts with the Sustainable Development Goals.

We engage with stakeholders and conduct consultations, backed by thorough baseline studies and needs assessments, to meticulously plan our programs. We continually assess the impact of our CSR initiatives and actively seek opportunities for improvement. Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) and community consultations play pivotal roles in driving our CSR projects.

We collaborate with government agencies, local communities, panchayats, and likeminded organizations such as NGOs to ensure that the benefits of our CSR programs reach the grassroots level. We also ensure the self-sustainability of our projects by properly handing them over to the community.







Message from CEO'S DESK



Dear Readers,

It feels great connecting with you all through the first edition of FACOR's CSR magazine 'TARANG'. TARANG is a compilation of various CSR initiatives aimed at Transforming Lives of communities surrounding us. As a company, we have always believed in inclusive growth and being a catalyst for positive change for an #Atmanirbhar Bharat. Further evidencing this commitment, we are strongly aligned with our core values of 'Care, Respect, Trust, Integrity, Excellence, Entrepreneurship, and Innovations' which is embedded in our CSR framework. Sustainability is imbibed in every aspect of the way we conduct our business while ensuring Zero Harm to the environment and our communities. It is imperative that our business growth materializes in a sustainable manner through judicious and responsible utilization of resources, the highest efficiency of assets and processes, and a focused approach toward carbon mitigation. Embracing the philosophy of 'Zero Harm, Zero Waste, Zero Discharge', our ESG Vision is supported by 3 pillars and 9 aims. Our mantra is to "Focus on social, be practical on environment and leader on governance." We are moving towards a 20% reduction in GHG intensity, 100% waste utilization, net water positivity, and net-zero carbon emission.

We have a robust mechanism in place to execute our CSR programs. Our CSR programs are aligned with the Government and SDGs with a vision to "Empower communities, transform lives, and facilitate nation-building through sustainable and inclusive growth". Our major areas of intervention include access to quality health care, child well-being and education, sustainable agriculture, women empowerment, WASH, and community infrastructure development.

Through our social programs, we have impacted nearly fifty thousand lives across 10-gram panchayats spanning over 3 districts of Odisha and still expanding. Moving forward let's reiterate our larger motto of #Transforming Lives for a brighter future of our community.

Happy Reading!

TRANSFORMING

LIVES

FACOR is resolutely committed to ESG principles, placing great importance on environmental, social, and governance aspects. Its core belief revolves around achieving "zero harm, zero waste, zero discharge." Through a strong dedication to sustainability, FACOR actively participates in well-structured, essential Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) endeavors aimed at elevating community living standards while ensuring long-term viability. A key area of focus lies in fostering water positivity and proficient resource management.

FACOR's CSR initiatives are tailor-made to improve the quality of life for community members in the Bhadrak region and nearby mining zones. FACOR's CSR vision revolves around empowering communities, changing lives, and contributing to the nation's progress via sustainable and comprehensive development. FACOR strives to make a lasting beneficial and impression on the environment, society, and the overall welfare of the communities it engages with, all while staying in line with this vision.



From the desk of Head CSR

FACOR, as a socially responsible corporate strongly believes in the holistic development of our community through structured CSR interventions. Development Community sustainability are at the core of everything we do. During the year, we extensively on focused providing facilities better health in the community under our flagship project FACOR Sathi Arogya. Through this, we are on a mission to create awareness and provide quality healthcare in the community. Under FACOR Sathi Pragati, we promoted entrepreneurship among rural women. FACOR Sathi Shiksha Amrit Pariyojana is focused on creating equal learning opportunities for community children. As a team, we are driven back by our Chairman's motto of 'Giving back to Society'. For so we have forged partnerships with both the Government and community members. As always, we believe positive change is possible if we are committed to it.

> Mrs. Nilendri Biswal Head CSR, CC, PR

KEY THEMATIC AREAS OF CSR INTERVENTIONS

- Children's Welfare & Education Skill Development
- **Women Empowerment**
- **Quality Health care**
- **WASH**

- Community Infrastructure Development
- Agriculture & Allied sectors
- Sports and Culture
- Disaster Relief and others

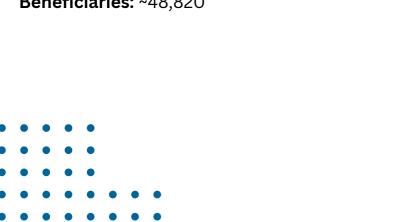
KEY CSR PROJECTS

- FACOR Sathi Arogaya
- FACOR Sathi Shiksha Amrit Pariyojana
- **FACOR Sathi Pragati**
- **FACOR Sathi Nirmal Parivesa**
- FACOR Sathi Gaa Kalyan
- FACOR Sathi Pashukalyan

CSR FOOT PRINTS

Geographical Areas covered: Jajpur,

Bhadrak, Dhenkanal Beneficiaries: ~48,820





Project FACOR Sathi Aarogya



Project Arogya was launched considering the importance of healthcare systems and needs in our interventional communities in terms of quality and accessibility of healthcare services. The project aims to provide door-to-door healthcare services to community members across CSR operational areas.

It is working towards improving accessibility to health services. Project Arogya is focusing on a broad aim to improve the quality of health of community members through preventive, curative, and referral measures.



TOUCHING LIVES

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BENIFICIARIES

Stakeholders

Community Members, Anganwadi Workers, ASHA Workers, Government Medical Workers

Timeline

FY'2022 & FY'2023(Q1)

Mobile Health Camps: The project aims to improve access to quality healthcare services for community members through mobile health camps in the CSR operational area of Bhadrak. Under MHU service, we reached out to the core villages of Bhadrak, providing them with free treatment and complementary medicine. With a set target of 200 Health Camps and covering 10,000-15,000 beneficiaries till March 2023, we positively conducted 235 health camps exceeding the set target by reaching out to 15282 beneficiaries, bringing a change in the life of the community of Bhadrak and areas around it. In FY'23-24, we reached out to 3339 beneficiaries through setting up 48 health camps, in Q-1.

Menstrual Hygiene Management: Under this CSR initiative, we worked towards bringing an upward change in society by organizing training on Family planning and Menstrual hygiene among women of our community. Under the Menstrual Hygiene Management, awareness sessions for 313 female students were conducted, providing them with basic menstrual hygiene kits.

Awareness Sessions: FACOR CSR is dedicated to disseminating knowledge about Govt. Health Schemes, and preventive and curative health measures for community members through different Awareness Sessions. Various sessions on Dengue, Malaria, Diarrhea, and Tuberculosis were conducted, to spread awareness among the community and inform them about the Government Health Schemes. These awareness sessions rolled in a total of 1092 community members.

Village Sanitation Drive: Understanding the needs of the community, we successfully organized Village Sanitation Drives in the CSR operational areas. This was done to promote precautionary and preventive healthcare measures. The drive covered 9 villages in and around the Bhadrak and Jajpur districts.

TB Mukt Gaon: Under this scheme, FACOR CSR provided Nutritional Kit Support to 11 TB patients in Bhadrak. The initiative was in partnership with the vision of the government to 'provide healthy nutritional food to all the patients suffering from Tuberculosis'.















Project Jivika-Empowering Rural Entrepreneurs



Women population continues to discrimination in all major developmental areas. One way of ending this discrimination is to increase opportunities on the economic and occupational front for them. The creation of sustainable livelihood opportunities for women is critical to help women gain financial independence and lift themselves and their families out of poverty, and also for their social upliftment and empowerment. This project aims at improving the quality of life by enhancing the technical capacity, entrepreneurship, and business skills of short-duration young women through vocational training programs in different areas.



TOUCHING LIVES

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BENIFICIARIES

Stakeholders

Women

Timeline

FY'2022 & FY'2023(Q1)

Tailoring Center:

FACOR CSR organized a **Tailoring Training Center at Randia and Ostapal**, providing training to local women of Bhadrak and Jajpur districts. This initiative aimed at empowering community women and promoting self-employment for their socio-economic development. The center provided certification to 120 community women for completing the tailoring training in FY'22-23.

SHG Leadership and Skill Development:

Under Project JIVIKA, FACOR CSR partnered with 50 SHGs to impart leadership training to 150 SHG members in CSR operational areas. 06 workshops on SHG Leadership and Skill Development were conducted reaching out to 196 women, empowering and engaging them in entrepreneurship-related skills and awareness sessions to inculcate confidence and independence for the community women.

Micro-enterprises:

In FY- 2022-23, we established 04 microenterprises (02 Paper-plate, 01 Agarbatti, and 01 Slipper Unit) in the CSR operational area of Bhadrak and Jajpur to provide empowerment and employment to the women of the community. Under this program, 40 SHG women were supported with training and marketing assistance. Maa Subhadra Shuddh Masala Production Unit for SHG in Gurujang, Ostapal provided empowerment to 10 SHG women where they also received marketing support. FACOR CSR also supported 05 existing microenterprises (Badi, Agarbatti, Bamboo, Phenyl, and mushroom, etc.) in CSR operational areas of Bhadrak. It also inaugurated a SHG shop 'ASHA Center' at Kaliapani Gram Panchayat.



CASE STUDY

Aroma of Success- Maa Subhadra Masala

This is the story of Smt. Susama Sumati Birua and 9 other rural women from Ostapal village, Kaliapani gram panchayat. It all began in the year 2021 when under Project Jivika, SHG named Maa Shubhdra came forward to fulfill their dream of turning entrepreneurs. This group belongs to the disadvantaged section of the community.

Surrounded by beautiful mountains and trees, Maa Subhadra group members dreamt of a brighter future for their children. However, being based in deep pockets of rural India there were very limited opportunities.

What began as a small microenterprise has now bloomed and sustained itself.

Recalling her experience Smt. Susama narrates, "We wanted to help our families by earning, but did not know how.

When FACOR CSR team approached us with the Jivika project we were excited. Thus, began our journey of becoming entrepreneurs. Initially, we received microenterprise management training followed by business-related training. Eventually, we were provided with a Masala pulverize machine along with raw material support in the form of dry haldi, mirchi, jeera, and dhania".

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"Maa Subhadra Masala has given us identity beyond imagination, in true sense I have realized with hard work fortunes can change,"

Smt. Susama Sumati Birua. (Member of Maa Subhadra SHG)

















FACOR Sathi Nirmal Paribesa-Clean & Green Enviornment



Safe drinking water is essential for a healthy life. Schools are like second homes to children and basic facilities like drinking water and hygiene are essential for their health and educational continuity. FACOR is working towards bringing a change in society by initiating water resources projects. And the project aims towards improving hygiene and sanitation in CSR operational areas. In tandem with the Govt. of India's Swachh Bharat Mission, this project is designed for the promotion of hygiene and sanitation in the country.



TOUCHING LIVES

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BENIFICIARIES

Stakeholders

Community members, Schools, Government office

Timeline

RO Water Purifier & Dustbins: 1753 students were successfully provided safe drinking water through RO systems installed in 12 schools of Randia, Olang, Baudpur, Kansa, Chingudipal, Morubail, and Kalaringiatta. Installation of twin dustbins was also done in each of these 12 schools to promote the implementation of clean spaces and waste management.

Community Toilet: This project addressed the practice of open defecation due to the lack of functional toilets in the area, which posed a threat to health, hygiene, and safety. Under this project, 08 community toilets were constructed in 08 villages for the promotion of clean and hygienic practices of defecation. Keeping women's safety in mind, 02 separate toilets for men and women were also constructed in the community.

Solar Water Tower: FACOR aided the repair and maintenance of 07 Solar Water Towers in Kansa and Kaliapani G.P. The project aimed at repairing and ensuring the smooth functioning of 7 Nos. of existing water towers which, prior were non-functional. This initiative helped us reach out to 525 community members, directly benefiting the families, and providing a better life for them

Plantation: Being a responsible corporation, FACOR always aims at the protection of the environment. Following the same, FACOR CSR launched a plantation drive in the CSR operational areas of Bhadrak by planting 300 trees with steel cages in and around 06 Gram Panchayats.

Solid Waste Management: Under the aim of Clean and Green Village, FACOR CSR partnered with the local Gram Panchayat, promoting Solid Waste Management. The project intended to increase awareness among community members about waste segregation practices to promote a healthy and clean environment through awareness sessions. This was undertaken by the launch of a pilot model on Solid Waste Management, and supporting Baudpur GP with 02 E-Rikshaw for waste collection in the CSR operational areas of Bhadrak. 500 plants in 06-gram panchayats in 06 CSR operational areas were also distributed, along with informative wall paintings, which further helped to raise awareness in the functional area. The project achieved the target of 64% of the community against the set goal of 60%.

Bhimtangar Water Pipeline: FACOR worked towards constructing the Water Points in Bhimtangar village to aim at providing clean water to every household. In total, 59 water points were made in the village covering 295 village members.



CASE STUDY

Extending Safe Drinking Water to Schools- Project Nirmal School

Drinking water is a necessity for human existence. Under the CSR project FACOR SATHI Nirmal School, FACOR has provided 12 RO water purifiers to nearby schools. Under this project, the CSR division of FACOR has initiated training of students on the importance of Safe drinking water. The company has also provided two large-size dustbins for promoting Solid Waste Management across 12 schools. This project has benefitted nearly 1753 students across 03 districts.

Apart from the above the company has also initiated multiple community development initiatives such as healthcare facilities through a mobile health unit, awareness sessions among the communities on various health-related topics, training on menstrual hygiene, children's education, and well-being, drinking water infrastructure, and sanitation, women empowerment, illumination in the village through solar streetlight, etc.



"The Drinking Water arrangements made by Vedanta were much needed, this was essential for us. In our school, children from the nearby community are studying. It was a dream for us to provide safe drinking water to our children. Thank you to Vedanta and Vedanta's CEO for providing RO- water purifiers for the benefit of our children. FACOR has also supported us with twin bins for our school. We hope in the future also, FACOR would continue to support us."

Mr. Sridhar Tripathy (Olang High School-Heamaster)

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Ensuring hygiene and waste segregation

Solid Waste Management is the need of the hour. It is responsible for most of the diseases spreading in the community. Keeping the issue in mind, Vedanta has launched a pilot project for waste segregation practices in O1 Gram Panchayat. Under this project, Vedanta has given O2 e-rickshaw garbage van support for collecting waste in 10 wards of Baudpur Gram Panchayat covering 2585 community members. With the project, FACOR aimed for increasing awareness among 60% of households for waste segregation.

Vedanta first conducted the baseline survey in the village for understanding the knowledge of community members regarding solid waste management. And the report highlighted that only 22% of community members are aware with the concept.

FACOR also conducted awareness sessions on solid waste management in schools and with community members to increase awareness regarding waste segregation practices and the importance of hygiene and sanitation. A total number of 31 awareness sessions were conducted covering 1025 beneficiaries in the village.

This is a small initiative of Vedanta towards the mission of Swachh Bharat, Sundar Bharat. And the pilot project for solid waste management has achieved the target of increasing awareness among community members to 64% in the end-line survey report. The erickshaw is continuing with its services and collecting segregated waste regularly from the Gram Panchayat.

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"Namaskar! First, I would like to thank Vedanta, who has supported us by providing two e-rickshaw vehicles for our panchayat to collect the wet and dry waste separately. Earlier garbage was scattered everywhere due to which our surrounding looked very dirty. So, we approached Vedanta for 02 e rickshaw vehicles. Now we are segregating waste at Household level. We are very thankful to Vedanta for the same."

Mrs. Sumati Panda (Member of Baudpur Gram Panchayat)

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Animal Welfare: FACOR Sathi Pashukalyan



As the saying goes "It takes nothing away from a human to be kind to an animal". The need for animal welfare initiatives is important make to people understand to be more sensitized towards animals. The project was launched in partnership with The Animal Care Organization (TACO) to provide fodder needs to cattle in Bhadrak, to ensure healthy and nutritional diet to cattle Sri Sri Gowsala Gopalji Bhadrak.



TOUCHING LIVES

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BENIFICIARIES

Stakeholders 30 Cattle Timeline

The project aimed to promote Animal Welfare by supporting local animal care initiatives through the contribution of fodder for the dietary needs of cattle, along with reflective collars for the road safety of cows.

With the initiative, FACOR CSR is also working towards making people understand basic animal rights and increase sensitivity among them for animals.

In collaboration with TACO, FACOR CSR also conducted an Anti-Rabies Day on 28 September 2022. Under this, a vaccination drive was held involving 29 dogs in Bhadrak. For this event, FACOR CSR collaborated with Government Veterinary doctors.

On completing its first year, TACO launched the Water Bowl Challenge, in which FACOR actively collaborated with TACO to carry out the initiative aiming to encourage people to provide drinking water and food to stray animals and birds. For FY23-24 FACOR won in the Nand Ghar Category.



CASE STUDY

Pashumitra, Pashukalyan

collaboration with TACO (The Animal Organization), FACOR has started the project Pashukalyan for the cause of providing nutritional support and safety to abandoned cattle in Bhadrak. The Sri Sri Gopalji Gowsala located in Bhadrak work towards rehabilitation of abandoned and sick / injured cattle by giving them food, shelter, medical treatment, and personal care and hygiene. It is the only oldest gowsala in Bhadrak district established in 1923 having more than 250 cattle. The gowsala provides all services to cattle such as water and electricity (fan and light), ventilation, regular sanitization, and hygiene. Under this project Pashukalyan, Vedanta is providing nutritional support to 30 cattle of the Sri Sri Gopalji Gowsala and distributed 100 reflective collars to reduce death/injury of cattle in road accidents

With this project, Vedanta is promoting animal welfare and sensitization by supporting local animal care initiatives through the contribution of fodder for the dietary needs of cattle, along with reflective collars for the road safety of cows. Following the vision of TACO to provide a compassionate India where every animal can live with dignity and respect. FACOR is also working for improving animal welfare in Bhadrak.

FACOR also participated in the Anti-Rabies vaccination drive in partnership with TACO and the Government veterinary Doctor on the occasion of World Rabies Day (28th Sept 22). And a total number of 29 stray dogs were vaccinated.



"We are extremely happy and would like to thank for these noble services of providing cattle feed by your company "Vedanta FACOR Ltd." to our gowsala. It is a great support to save the life of Goamata."

Mr. Shyam Sundar Gupta (Secretary, Sri Sri Gopalji Gowsala)









FACOR Sathi Shiksha Amrit Pariyojana- Promotion of Quality Education



This project has been taken with a broad aim to improve the quality of education of the children living in the operational areas of the unit.

There was limited access to quality education; a lack of quality infrastructure; limited availability of teachers, and limited access to higher education due to lack of transport facilities. FACOR identified the need for improved access to quality education by providing better educational facilities to increase learning opportunities and reduce the urban-rural educational gap. FACOR is providing complete teaching and learning support to 152 students at both schools. With this project, FACOR CSR is reaching out to 852 beneficiaries.



TOUCHING LIVES

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BENIFICIARIES

Stakeholders

852 students

Timeline

- **Remedial Coaching Centres:** Under FACOR Sathi Shiksha Amrit Pariyojana, FACOR inaugurated 02 remedial coaching centers aimed to benefit 100 students in and around the operational areas of the Facor Mines. Both coaching centers engage students from grades 7th to 10th.
- Setting up of computer lab: FACOR CSR set up 02 computer labs in Kathpal and Ostapal schools for the promotion of digital learning and basic use of computers. We are aiming to provide quality and digital education to the community kids. Students of classes 2nd to 7th are learning computers from the basics according to the syllabus of the Odisha government.
- **Furniture support:** To improve the infrastructure of 23 Aganwadi centers, FACOR CSR distributed 460 sets of tables and chairs in 23 Aganwadi centers. This initiative aimed to improve the basic infrastructure of the community by improving the teaching-learning environment.
 - **Formation of 05 Eco-club:** With the formation of eco clubs in schools, the project aims towards creating an environment-friendly society. The club is preparing the students to take a leadership role and be vocal about environmental education. The schools are focusing on increasing awareness among the students regarding environmental issues.
 - Various training sessions, cooperative & and sports activities, and competitions for children were organized to create an atmosphere to inculcate leadership qualities and raise general awareness. FACOR also organized various quizzes & and drawing competitions, followed by interactive discussions on themes of safety, child rights, environment protection, etc., along with prize & and certificate distribution.
- FACOR supported children with uniforms, and TLM support to improve learning engagement & and quality education. They were also provided with fruit saplings to highlight plantation and nutrition importance. To improve the basic infrastructure and teaching-learning environment in both schools, FACOR CSR also provided a Desk bench at Sri Ram UP School.











FACOR Sathi Gaon Kalyan-Building Rural India



In the FACOR Sathi Gaaon Kalyan, the main vision of the program is village welfare. It focuses on improving the rural infrastructure of the community. And work for the welfare of the community people. The project of FACOR Sathi Gaaon Kalyan includes various projects for developing the infrastructure in the community. This project includes renewable energy, the Renovation of the school, the Construction of Gram Chaupal, and improving the ambiance of 19 Aganwadi centers by completing the flooring work there.



TOUCHING LIVES

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BENIFICIARIES

Stakeholders

Community members

Timeline

- Solar Street Light: To promote women's safety and improve the quality of life of community people, FACOR installed 250 solar streetlights within the CSR operational areas. Streetlights play a major role in improving safety in the community. Illumination of roads/streets not only reduces the cases of accidents and injuries but also reduces crimes that often happen in the dark. Moreover, this initiative promotes the use of sustainable sources of energy to move towards reducing carbon emissions in the environment. With the installation of solar streetlights, FACOR CSR is covering 6250 beneficiaries.
- School renovation: In FY 22-23, to improve the education facilities for the children in Mines, FACOR CSR renovated Ostapal Primary School, Kansa with washroom support for the creation of improved and safer school premises. it is important to improve the infrastructure of the school for the promotion of quality education and engaging the students in classes. Further, in FY 23-24, the renovation project at Khatpal and Ostapal Primary School was completed.
- Construction of Gram Chaupal: Considering the promotion of local culture, FACOR constructed 06-gram chaupals within villages in CSR operational areas along with paintings on awareness regarding government programs. These platforms will also serve as focal points for community programs and training. With this initiative, we are reaching out to 120 beneficiaries in the community.
 - **Flooring work in Aganwadi centers:** FACOR CSR has completed the work of flooring in 19 Aganwadi centers of Bhadrak for improving the reading environment and basic infrastructure. This initiative covered 765 beneficiaries who attend these Aganwadi centers.
- Children's Park: FACOR has provided playing equipment for setting up 06 children's friendly playing areas in CSR Operational areas of Bhadrak. Children-friendly playing areas/local playgrounds are a great way to get children outside and improve their mental and physical health. It is a great place for children to discover nature and exercise their imagination. It helps them in connecting with other children and developing social skills. There is a need to create an open and social space for children.



CASE STUDY

<u>Community infra- For A Brighter Future- FACOR</u> <u>School Builder</u>

Education has the highest place in student's life. Recently FACOR undertook the renovation of 1 government school in the area which has drawn much appreciation from all quarters. However, the situation was not the same. The school has a total of 82 students from classes 1 to 5. However, due to an insufficient number of classrooms, the students were suffering a lot. This was experienced more during the monsoons. FACOR CSR in consultation with local key stakeholders like villages representatives, community youth, local public representatives resolved to solve this problem.

The primary aim was to improve the education facilities for the children in Mines. FACOR CSR renovated Ostapal Primary School, Kansa for the creation of improved and safer school premises. The primary school building was completely renovated. Hence the key issue of the lack of classrooms was solved. This shows FACOR's commitment to making education inclusive for all.

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"Ostapal Government school was in a dilapidated condition, during monsoon the students were facing a lot of issues. Vedanta took over the renovation work of the entire school building which improved the school infrastructure and helped the students. I appreciate this effort".

Mr. Narayan Chandra Dheer (General Secretary)

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Additional Initiatives



Agriculture: FACOR Sathi Hariyali

The project aims at providing training to 100 farmers for the promotion of Vegetable demo farms in FY 2022-23 in CSR operational areas. Under the project, FACOR CSR provided nutri-garden kit Support with vermicompost manure and seeds to the farmers with training.

100 women Sathi Hariyali

Sports & Culture: FACOR Sathi Krida Vikas

220 Youth Sathi Krida Vikas With aim **Sports** an to improve infrastructure in Bhadrak, FACOR initiated and completed the development of Randia football ground. For the overall development of sports in Bhadrak, FACOR always aims to contribute through various developmental initiatives in the coming period.













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