

# CARE AND EDUCATION FOR THE SLUM KIDS IN GUNTUR, INDIA

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## **CARE AND EDUCATION FOR THE SLUM KIDS IN GUNTUR, INDIA**

### **Description of the project**

The State of Andhra Pradesh is one of the big states in India and in which Guntur is one of the civil districts out of 23 districts in the state. Guntur district is extending over an area of 10,268 sq. km., covering a total of 729 villages. The District is divided into 57 Revenue Mandal and each Mandal consists of a minimum of 7 to a maximum of 20 villages with a total population of 4,889,230 as per 2011 census. Guntur city is the main administrative head quarter of Guntur district where 651,382 populations of which male and female are 323,151 and 328,231 respectively.

Guntur city is one of the major slums populated cities in Andhra Pradesh. Thousands of poor families from rural villages are migrating to Guntur city in search of employment and settled in the outskirts, pavements, behind drainage canals and open public places of Guntur city and engaged in various daily wage labor works particularly house constructions, factories, mechanical, transportation, painting, carpentry, motor repairs due to failure of agriculture works in rural areas. It becomes uncomfortable and over populated in the city so the revenue departments are evicted and shifting these families to the far outskirts areas in the city. Likewise many slums formed in Guntur city and the out skirts.

### **SOCIAL, ECONOMICAL, EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL LIVING SITUATION IN THE PROPOSED SLUM LOCATION IN GUNTUR**

The proposed 3 project location are also formed like this, in which Dasripalem is formed in 2006 and within two years almost 5000 families shifted from city and resided here. About 12000 populations are living there with big diversity of religions, castes and communities without any basic amenities. Like that Lingayapalem slum formed and about 2000 families living here. And another one is at Swarnabharathinagar in which 18000 families living is a largest slum in Guntur. These slums are situated far from the Guntur city about 7 KMS to 12 KMS depend on the three locations. There are Christians, Hindus and Muslims and other religions belong to Scheduled castes, Scheduled Tribes, and other backward Minority communities are living together in these slums Major similarity of the population living here is poverty. Originally these families are came from long distance as well as surrounding villages in Guntur district and settled here now. Most of the people speak Telugu language as their mother tongue and also Muslims speaks Hindi.

Generally there is no proper distribution of resources to all the population, as rich became richest and poor became poorer in the society. The poor and under privileged communities are living in below poverty line and not able to have even sufficient food for three times a day, good clothing and shelter. They denied for all the amenities, as they are not able to access education, health care and medical services and economical activities due to poverty and live miserably in the slums.

They do daily wage labor works for their livelihood. Unfortunately some of the works are temporary base includes agricultural works and house construction and other labor contract works depend upon their skills. Some of them are attending to construction works, ginning and cotton factories works, chilies and cotton grading works, motor field mechanical works, domestic works, painting carpentry, rod bending welding, road construction, cleaning and other domestic and employment works. The wages are very low and big difference between male and female for the same works.

Naturally every family consists of 2 to 8 members maximum at least and they live together in a small hut, these huts are unsafe and severely affects in rainy season. And the people are search for good shelter in their locality for rainy season but no way and they exit in their small huts and regularly affects.

Women is treating as subordinates in the family level and also at community level but although women is completely engaged in household works at family and as well as income oriented wage works to add income to their families. Women make provisions for the necessities like food, fuel, medicine, and housing material. All these efforts incur an excessive workload on women from house hold as well as outside economical works. This had implications particularly for the housewife who is responsible for the provision and distribution of food. Naturally, in cases of shortage, she deprives herself of food in order to feed others in her family.

The children of these families are very deprived as they don't go to schools due to unavailability of educational facilities in their locality. Some of the elder children are going for daily wage works to add income to their families. Almost 2200 children were identified as out of schools as un-enrolled in school and dropout and child labor in this district surveyed in 2011. The children are very tender and effectively do the hard jobs, so the employers are interested to give employment to the children with fewer wages and obtain good works from the children for their profit.

Because of poverty, all the people needs income to have their livelihood and food, therefore the parents and family members are forcibly sending their children to the works. India has strong constitutional rights that every child under 14 years must be educated as compulsory and very recently added that Primary education is one of the Human rights, but these are violating due to inadequate resources for government to fulfill all the people needs and requirements. And beside the tender aged children become very sick and unhealthy. And also girl children are directly discriminating as they are treating very bad as they are not educating and some of the girls are going to labor works and others are stays in the home only to do house hold works and look after the small children in their families. All most all the children in the areas are idle without any activity and wondering in the streets and unhealthy without proper care and education. They are missing childhood joy and happiness. They become worthless with bad behavior citizens in their future.

### **HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SITUATION**

Health conditions of the people are very pathetic, as there are no medical facilities in this locality. No sufficient feeding to the children and no growth to them and they effects with various diseases. Women and aged are suffering with various sicknesses due to no proper health care or good health practices. There is a high witness of pregnancies lost by the women without any proper care in time. There is also very easy to affects communicable diseases like diarrhea, cough, cholera and also Tuberculosis.

Diarrhea emerges as the most common infection closely followed by acute respiratory infections followed by skin disorders. There is also identified many deaths of aged, and also women particularly during pregnancy periods due to without proper medical care in time. Also identified HIV/Aids affected patients and unidentified infected people in the area. Since there is no medical facilities in this area the people have to go the head quarters of Guntur city for health checkups. Therefore they don't go for treatment in distance and affects severely with diseases.

Understandably, water-borne diseases are highly prevalent in the households with access to other sources of drinking water. All the people do not have good drinking water; the main source of water is only open well and few boar wells in the area. Which are not sufficient to all the families, these boar wells are also dry in summer season and very difficult to have single pot of drinking water.

The people do not have enough nutritive food throughout the year. As a result of which, there are lot many cases of malnutrition. Children below five years of age remain malnourished. The life expectancy of people is also very less than that of the

mainstream society. Female life expectancy is higher than that of males. Due to poor economic condition, the nutritional inadequacy of diet households is manifest in the poor health and nutrition status of adults and in the serious malnutrition level among children. The diet usually consists of rice, pickles and rarely pulses. Although diet diversity is higher, with three to four items consumed on average per household, most of these are nutritionally poor and difficult to digest, which may contribute to the frequency of diarrhea, reported among all groups. During food shortage months or period reduce their intake from two meals of rice per day to one meal of rice.

Environment is very bad and no cleanliness or no proper drainage system established. There are no good roads or transportation facilities to reach this area. And no good internal reaches roads in the locality. In rainy season very difficult to live in their huts as very bad mud in their surroundings and flows water like small rivers. Most of the families are not having their own safe lavatories and toilets; they go open places for urinals as well as stools (Excretion).

Therefore the surrounding areas become unhealthy and bad smell spreads and polluted the environment. There is a high incidence of fire accidents occurred in the locality during summer season and burnt huts and lost all their belongings due to cooking fire. Almost all the families use kerosene stove or fire wood as source of cooking stoves. Thus these slums are recognized as fire accident prone zone in Guntur district y due to much number of palm leave huts.

### **LITERACY SITUATION**

The literacy level is 0% for the school going age children in these slums until 2011. Only one or few of the elders were literate. There are no educational facilities because this slum are formed only 5 years to 10 years back, the government is under process for provide all the necessary infrastructural developments in the area. 2 Kms and 5 kms from these slums have government Primary and upper primary schools exist but all the younger children in the area are notable to attend to these schools. Those schools are far as well as afraid to cross National High way No 5 to attend school in one area. Therefore parents are afraid to send their children to these schools. Some of the male children are studying in hostels in city. At the same time they are not ready to send their girls to far places for education and engage them to look after their younger children and do house hold works.

Thus the 100s of children are not going to schools and stay in the homes and wander in the streets without education and proper care. And beside the parents don't care for the children education as well as do not care for their growth and even not check their health conditions. Thus the innocent children were very much suppressed and missing their child hood joy and education and which leads to the violation of their human rights. Thus this area is very deprived conditioned without any proper facilities.

### **NEED ASSESMENT FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT**

At this deprived situation in these slums, BASS is directly involved with people in the area with health education, emergency relief and also admits 4 abandoned orphans to give new life through orphanage. BASS staff was conducted household survey on families and children and identified 400 children under the ages 4 to 14 years were out of schools in 2011 and lay idle in miserable situation without primary education. And also organized situational analysis in through Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) an identified the urgent need of primary education for all the children in this slums.

Fortunately BASS is having good experience in eradication of child labor through special school in other largest slum in Swarnabharathinagar from June 2009. This school is organizing with the support of Ministry of Labor, Government of India, under National Child Labor Eradication project (NCLP). In this school as limitedly we have admitted 50 working children and controlling all the child labor. Unfortunately our government is not able to support adequate facilities to all the poor people in every place as well as children in the country due to limited resources. And also we are organizing one Primary education centre for 70 out of school children with the collaboration of Kindermissionswerk, Germany. Thus we had the opportunity to facilitate to control child labor and school drop outs in three slums in Guntur.

In these 3 schools we are applying an innovative methods of teaching by controlling child labor and ensure educate to the out of school children by facilitating them with proper basic education along with vocational training, physical and psychological strength and finally mainstream them to go for regular studies. With the great experience and successful control of child labor and out of school children in the slums we have also started newly two schools from September 2011 in these proposed project slums with our local contributions. But unfortunately we are not able to organize effectively these schools with our limited resources. Therefore we need to approach you all for your kind consideration and partnership to run 3 schools in these three slums for about 200 out of and dropout school children.

Education is a basic right and more importantly a catalyst for economic growth and human development. It is a crucial tool for breaking the barrier of poverty. Specifically, primary education is the critical enabler required to improve the economic and social scenario in many pockets of the nation. We also need to ensure equal status for the girl children as citizens in their own right. We cannot be denied the right to education. Therefore we proposed this project to protect human rights of children and ensure education.

Therefore we wish to strengthen the initiated 3 Basic Primary Education schools situated in 3 big slums to provide primary education health care to all the idle out of school children include child labor, dropouts and un-enrolled children aged between 5 to 14 years with your kind partnership and support.

These schools facilitate primary education along with good health habits to ensure education for all children with hygiene and healthy atmosphere. We wish to run this schools bout three years period initially with your kind partnership and support and after third year we can continue with collaboration of our government and other local resources. And also expecting that our government can be in a position to establish all the necessary developments in this area include educational opportunities for every child. So, the schools will continuously for all the educational needs of all the children in the area. During the project period we can create good rapport and linkages with local government departments include educational, medical, labor, revenue and police to get their support to sustain the program even after continue to serve all the identified out of school children in this slum.

### **GOAL OF THE PROJECT**

**To access schooling by ensure primary education to all the out of school children in 3 largest slums in Guntur city by the end of 2015.**

### **Specific objectives**

1. To increase the knowledge and awareness on child education to the children, their parents, and local people and government representatives to ensure primary education to all children in 3 largest slums in Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, India by the end of 2015.

2. To strengthen 150 children by psychologically and academic educationally with an innovative teaching methods through basic primary education schools by the end of 2015.
3. To reduce sickness and increase physical strength to 150 children through medical treatment, effective health practices with good nutritive food by the end of 2014.
4. To increase support and linkages with community leaders, government offices, Panchayat and Revenue Offices, SHGs, youth groups, and child labor families to decrease out of school children in the largest slum in Guntur city by the end of 2015

### ACTIVITIES OF THE PROJECT

#### **Strengthen 3 Primary Education Schools**

We proposed to start and strengthen the 3 Primary education schools for 150 out of school children in 3 slums in Guntur city. We have identified almost 400 children out of schools currently and we wish to provide education and care to 150 children initially as equally of boys and girls about 5 to 14 year of age in the first year. Every year we can promote 10 to 15 children to further classes and admit 10 to 15 new children in younger classes. Like that we can continuously run these schools until all out of school children can be having primary education.

2 academic qualified teachers run each school effectively for 50 to 70 children in each school. The local available teachers will undergo an orientation training for 2 days to learn key concepts of the project objectives and how to motivate and educate parents and population in the slums. Teachers also make family visits and form parents committees in the locality.

The out of school children will be identified and admit them in school and motivate and educate them to have good education depend upon their standards. We teach about good behavior, healthy practices and neat and clean with hygiene.

We provide basic primary education with newly designed special syllabus to these identified children as per their standards and age appropriate class prescribed by the Education Department so they can be with us for 1 to 3 years period and every year promote them to the further classes. We conduct regular periodic as well as final examinations for the children in simple way with their syllabus. And we are more concentrate on foundation of primary education from 0 to 5<sup>th</sup> class as well as the attendance of the children. And also children can attend final examinations in the schools every year prescribed by the Department of education in the state. We motivate the children to have good behavior, good habits along with primary education with respective specially designed syllabus.

School starts from daily at 9.00 a.m to till 3.40.p.m and lunch break between 12.30 to 1.30 p.m. All Sundays and other festivals are giving for holidays. The teachers use innovative teaching methods include organize games, storytelling, and explanations and organize evening sports. Thus the children will be very happy to stay in the class and interestedly attend regularly and forget to go for works or homes.

There is good number of girls identified as out of education, so we give first priority to the girls in admission to the centre. We can also educate gender sensitization to the children as male and female are equal, only the society is created the gender disparities. So we can try to change the mindsets of children to become gender equality in their family first and in the community next. We can also motivate and educate children about their rights, and how to protect them and benefit and how they become good valuable citizens in the society.

So we need financial assistance for the maintenance of the schools include two key educators (teachers) remunerations, cook cum helper remuneration and a school construction to run this for two years period initially. There are no good class rooms available in the areas as we are to running the classes in small huts now and which are not good to get education and disturbing in rainy season and no close. Therefore we wish to provide good classrooms and create best learning atmosphere to the children while they are learning. The community forwarded to provide us land for the schools to give bright future to their children. So we wish to construct good secured closed classrooms with cement sheets roof in these slums with low budget. And also community wishes to participate in the construction of the classrooms.

### **Awareness of child education and Child labor**

Initially we can organize awareness meetings in the community about child labor and importance of primary education for all children. Later school Staff will regularly visit all the identified out of school children families' and make them awareness on education and importance to send their children to go for schools. And also form Parents committee collectively in the area equally on gender balance, so they can cooperate with us in identification and enrolment of all children in the centre. This awareness can be conduct family level as well as community level by the teachers. Through this awareness meets we can have good rapport from the people in the slum and get their support.

### **Collaboration with local Schools, government departments include Revenue, Medical, Labor and Police Department and people.**

We wish to implement and protect children rights through the enforcement with the cooperation of the Educational, Labor department, Police, Medical & Health and Revenue Departments. We invite all the key officers from government departments to aware them about this schools and gain their cooperation from starting day onwards. We can regularly invite them to these slums on special occasions and get their support to ensure education for all the un-enrolled, working and dropouts in the area.

We can also get support from educational department to get some books for the children. And also get medicines from medical centre at District head quarter. And also get good support and participation of local people. We can educate the people through awareness meetings and get their cooperation to control all the out of school children.

### **Medical checkups and health care**

Urgently children required medical checkups and preventive medicines to recover of their ill health conditions back very soon. Unfortunately these areas are not having even single health centers or medical facilities near and more over the parents are not able to afford medical treatment to the children even in serious conditions due to huge amounts of fee collecting by private doctors. And also this area is recognized as communicable sickness prone zone due to no sanitation facilities or not practicing good health habit. Therefore it is necessary to organize medical treatment program camps at least one in 3 months to the children regularly and educate them on good health practices. We organize medical camps on regular base as 4 times in a year with checkups and keep records of the children health for well growth. If anyone identifies severe disease we can refer to government hospital for good treatment in time.

And also teach children about good health practices, cleaning and neatness. Children always must be healthy and energetic to become good human being, so they continuously are good healthy human being throughout their life with good health practices.

### **Mid day meal (lunch) with Nutritive food**

We wish to provide good nutritive lunch during noon to the children. Actually all families belongs to extreme poverty and are not able to afford food for three times a day with their limited income. So it is very appropriate to provide good nutritive food at mid-day to the children. Not only medical checkups and treatment but also essentially needed good nutritive food to the children to have good strength and energy. Some children don't eat until afternoon due to the unavailability of food in their family. Therefore we wish to provide good quality nutritious food to the children to have good strength and health. We give one meal with good quality pulses, rice, eggs, breads, and snacks with butter milk so they can be very strong and healthy and ensure their school attendance regularly.

### **Good uniforms to the children**

Good clothing is essential for every one for good health as well as dignity. Unfortunately the children are very poor and not having good clothes. They are wearing single dress for quite a long time and not properly washing. They are wearing same dresses for 3 to 4 days without wash. And their dresses are looking very bad with mud and unhealthy. Therefore children urgently needed good clothes with two pairs of uniforms to be in good look as well as dignity with perfect health. We can train them how to keep their clothes neat and clean. And they can be easily identified where ever even if they attend in works immediately we can bring them back to the school.

### **Output/Results**

1. 150 out of schools slum children families will be learnt the importance of education and problem of child labor.
2. 150 children will be attend in three schools in 3 major slums regularly and have good innovative primary education.

3. 150 un-enrolled, dropouts and working children motivated to concentrate on education and regularly attend Primary education centre and have good education and behavior.
4. 150 children will be have good nutritive food and become healthy with good health practices with proper medical checkups and preventive medicines in time three years.
5. 150 children will be wear new uniforms with dignified look and healthy with clean and neat.
6. 150 identified out of school children will be ready to go for schools and ensure education and stop works.

### Impact

- Child labor problem, school dropout, and child education can be discussed and the cooperation is increased from the community, government and employers to eradicate child labor completely and ensure education to all the out of school children in the project area.
- 150 children regularly attend in three schools and having 0 to 5<sup>th</sup> class primary education with good behavior, healthy and dignified and ready to mainstream to other schools.
- Sickness will reduce and good health conditions are improved and good health practices maintain by the children and their families.
- Parents committees effectively serve and control dropouts and eradicate child labor collectively in the area.
- Participation of the population increased and gets their cooperation in controlling child labor and dropouts in the area.

### Monitoring/Reporting/ Evaluation:

The overall responsible for the project implementation is the President of the applicant organization. He will be assisted by the other program team with 9 project staff include 6 regular Teachers from the schools.

2 Regular teachers will be directly involved in each school program as every day to run. Monthly we can review meetings with staff and children and also some parents with the President and few members from the Executive committee of the Bharath Abhyudaya Seva Samithi to review the program. We can also get the feedback and suggestions from the parents of the children to solve the problems if any arise. We can also identify the other child labor and dropouts in the areas to be admitted in the coming years regularly. Project staff regularly organizes family visits and motivate and make aware the families to admit them in regular schools.

The project Director and the Field officers from the National Child labor Project (NCLP), Guntur, and Rajiv Vidya Mission, RVM Department of Education; Guntur also visits the schools and gives their remarks for proper implementation. And also other government officers from the district will visit and give feedback time to time. Parents committees can be formed and get their suggestions regularly.

The project personnel must maintain all the basic records such as regular children admission, attendance registers, and staff attendance registers, lunch including food item day wise register, child health records, action plans, and action reports for the staff. And also organize records include all meetings with minutes with attended members signatures. And also invite media and take photos and news clippings for records. Thus this project is systematically organized in a genuine manner with total commitment.

## Project Budget for 2013- 2015

Sl No	Description of the need	Budget 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Total Budget for 2 years
<b>Recurring Expenditure</b>				
1	Education and learning material for 150 children in 3 Schools	1415	1415	2830
2	2 pairs of School uniforms for 150 children	1415	1415	2830
3	Nutrition meal for 150 children	10188	10188	20376
4	Quarterly Health checkup to the 150 children include medicines	905	905	1810
5	6 Teachers salaries for 150 children in 3 schools	4075	4075	8150
6	3 cook cum care taker remunerations in 3 schools	1698	1698	3396
<b>Non-recurring Expenditure</b>				
1	School rent/ construction of classrooms for 3 locations	5188		5188
2	Cooking vessels, gas cylinder, stove and 150 Plates and glasses	1207		1207
<b>Total Grant request</b>		<b>26091</b>	<b>19696</b>	<b>45787</b>

### Justification and sustainability of the project

This project is a new venture as oasis in the desert for the children and their families in need. We wish to provide primary educational opportunity to all the under 14 years aged out of school children. We need your kind partnership and financial help for first three years to build up the strong inception without any interruption. So that these schools bring all the out of school children attention and motivate the population and get their support to control out of school, dropouts, working and un-enrolled children in the area.

After third year with the good service of the centre we can get resources and contributions from the local people as well as local organizations to continue the centre until to reduce all the identified out of school children in the area. And also we expect to get recognition from the government to fulfill the children needs through these schools.

And the community leaders from the areas are come forward to provide small land for the schools and also ready to offer freely to construct classroom sheds. Therefore the schools become community based venture and continue forever for to fulfill the primary education needs to the children. BASS is also contributing for the school for continuation and also during the first three years along with Net4kids support. . BASS also organize various developmental educative awareness meetings with our contributions to get peoples participation and support. We can continue the schools forever to address all the children needs of primary education with our local resources as well as our government collaboration. Formed parents committees also raise small contributions for the continuation to serve the out of school children in the area.

This program will help to extend education opportunities to the out of school children particularly all the children out of schools and un-enrolled children in the slums. Initially in the first year we can admit 150 out of school children and promote them further classes up to 0 to 5<sup>th</sup> standards. Every year we promote 10 to 15 children to higher classes and admit another 15 children in lower classes. Thus schools will continuously serve the children to offer primary education.

And all the identified out of school children families will be counseled and motivated to the issue of child education, child labor, children rights and other information regularly to obtain their cooperation. We can also get cooperation and support from the entire government department to ensure education for all children in the slum. Almost every child could be mainstreamed in this area within 3 to 6 years period. All the admitted children in the schools become safe and secure with good health habits and good foundation of primary education to become good citizens in the society.

The established schools will be continued with our local resources as well as government recognitions forever in the area on permanent base. Formed parents committees will continuously ensure education to their children in the locality by collectively. Thus this program is genuine and fruitful to ensure primary education to all the children in the 3 biggest slums in Guntur city.

## A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF BASS

**The Bharath Abhyudaya Seva Samithi (BASS)**, translation in English is An Indian Progressive Service Society, Guntur of Andhra Pradesh is a registered non-governmental Voluntary organization (NGO) established in 1978. BASS is working with a vision to develop poor needy communities by promote social justice, equality and empowerment to the poor disadvantaged communities and the victims of disasters in Guntur district. BASS mission is to facilitate various developmental activities include social, economical, educational, health care and emergency relief and rehabilitation services to the poor communities in rural and urban areas in Guntur district of Andhra Pradesh without any discrimination. BASS is majorly concatenating on children, youth, women and other vulnerable people issues for their overall all development.

BASS is legally entitled as registered organization under the Societies Registration Act 1860 with registered No.162 of 1978 dated 16-12-1978. Subsequently is registered with the Indian Ministry of Home Affairs under the Foreign Contributions (Regulation) Act, 1976 with registered number 010190145 dated 14-8-1992 to eligible to get financial support from abroad for developmental projects. And also registered under 12 A of Income Tax Act 1961 dated 27-2-2004.

BASS is regularly following all the norms and conditions of the Government of India by submitting our annual financial reports to the income tax department and as well as ministry of Home Affairs time to time. Regularly is renewing Executive Body as per our Bylaws of the organization. BASS is a permanent member of the Andhra Pradesh State Disaster Mitigation Committee representing from Guntur district and also members to the Andhra Pradesh Forum, a network relief organizations working for all the disaster prone Districts in the Andhra Pradesh state. BASS is also one of the members to the Guntur district child labor Eradication committee under the president ship of the District Collector. And BASS is currently having Partnership with Caritas India, Action Medeor, IKO Belgium, Aid et Action, Global giving Uk, Ministry of Labor, Ministry of Education, Government of India and Andhra Pradesh and other local and government agencies.

BASS is having 12 qualified skilled staff members and 20 volunteers implementing all the programs of BASS. The chief Coordinator of BASS Mr. Joseph Anthony is having a Diploma on Community Based Development 2004 from Coady International Institute, St.Francis Xavier University Canada and also specialized in How to Eradicate Child Labor.

BASS is having experienced team of Medical Doctors and health staff involved in all the health educational camps. BASS is always in front by serving the poor to give them life. BASS is also having a good office building at Guntur city and also at Gopalapuram for regular ongoing programs.

Currently BASS is engaged with child welfare activities include running Child labor eradication special school, basic education, work site schools for migration families children, orphanage home for abandoned children, medical and health care camps, gender equality and emergency relief and rehabilitation services in Guntur district. Previously BASS has organized Disaster preparedness programs with the support of Caritas India in 15 vulnerable disaster prone villages; Vocational skills training for youth, women empowerment program with local resources, BASS is also having collaboration and partnership with Guntur Diocese Social Service and Welfare Society in development activities.

### **Humble Request**

We are humbly requesting you to kindly extend your support and partnership to the poor abandoned children in 3 largest slums in Guntur city to provide grant to avail the opportunity of basic primary education to protect their human rights. We request you to kindly consider the project application to give us a chance to protect rights of children by provide basic primary education. We are all particularly the children and their parents and our NGO will be ever grateful to you for you act of kindness and consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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