

### **Meeting with Mr. Ugresan Mahukud (President, Slum Dweller Association)**

Date: Sunday, 11/04/2021

Time: 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

Venue: Offline (Community Office, Maa Mangala Sahi)

**Attendees: SDA Chairman Mr. Prabhat Kumar Setty and 3 other local people**

- Stakeholder – Mr. Ugresan Mahukud, President, SDA Group, Maa Mangala Sahi (Ward no-14), Bhubaneswar
- CRDF Team - Ms. Riya Mallick, Research Associate (Consultant)

#### **Purpose of the Meeting/ Consultation:**

Meeting objectives to discuss:

1. To understand how JAGA Mission is performing as a major Participatory Platform in Bhubaneswar.

#### **Discussion:**

Question 1: How did the Phase 2 of JAGA Mission started in this slum?

Stakeholder Response:

- The employees from the main NGO of JAGA Mission, TATA Trust, they came after the announcement of Phase 2 in 2020 and they talked with the local slum people and committee. After discussing with them, they have formed the SDA group with Chairman, President and Treasurer and few members. Then they started their work of upgradation. A very first they had focused on developing the road networks (use of concrete and paver blocks) and they slowly they started working on developing the children's park, parichaya sabha, culvert, drainage system etc. After that every houses in the slum got individual toilets but the Electricity and water supply were already there before JAGA Mission. A proposal has been given recently for public toilet, which has been approved but the work did not start yet.

Question 2: Is SHG & SDA work together?

Stakeholder Response

- As per SDA guideline, SDA will be formed by one member from each household. So SHG members are also part of SDA. They work together for the development work. There are total 17 members are in SDA, within which 7-8 members are from SHG.

Question 3: What is the role of ward committee in the whole process?

Stakeholder Response

- Yes, ward committee plays an important role for finalizing the projects. Though they do not have any direct involvement in this. But before finalizing and sending the list of the projects to TATA Trust or the BMC, the SDA members discuss with

the ward committee and local people. After the discussion only the list will be send to BMC. So ward committee has inconspicuous role in the process.

Question 4: How often the TATA Trust members visit the slum?

Stakeholder Response

- Previously when the Phase 2 of the mission was started, they used to come very frequently like 2 to 3 times in a month. But after that they used to come once in a month or two.

Question 5: What is the role of SDA members in Phase 1 and Phase 2 of JAGA Mission?

Stakeholder Response

- There were no Phase 1 for the slum. The SDA directly started working for Phase 2, which is Slum Upgradation and Delisting. And all the SDA members were actively involved in this to make their livelihood better.

Question 5: Which guidelines / Bye laws do they follow?

Stakeholder Response

- There are no on paper guidelines or Bye laws for them. The SDA members only decide what they want to do and how they want to proceed with the works.

Question 6: What are the benefits the SDA members are getting?

Stakeholder Response

- The SDA members does not get any special benefits for being committee member. They work on their own interest to upgrade their liveability and make their community better.

Question 7: Who selected the SDA members, mainly the Chairman, President and Treasurer?

Stakeholder Response

- The slum dwellers used to select the SDA members based on their working capacity and activities.

Question 8: Is everyone happy with the work that the JAGA Mission has done or doing?

Stakeholder Response

- Yes, everyone, all the people are very happy with the work and their involvement. Before this there were nothing as such but after the JAGA Mission and with the help of TATA Trust, now there are so many development work happening around. They are more than satisfied.

Question 9: How the funds used for project implementation?

#### Stakeholder Response

- After receiving the funds from UWEI and UASRRC, according to the need for the project implementation cost the money will be transfer to SDA bank account.

Question 10: Is fund directly transferred to SDA's bank account?

#### Stakeholder Response

- Yes, according to the need for the project cost the money will be transfer to SDA bank account for implementation.