

# Action Initiative for Development (AID)

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## Annual Report 2018-19

### About Us:

Action initiative for development (AID) is a voluntary development organization committed for people centered development established on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2005 with the mission of empowering the dalits, women, and poor and marginalized, children and old aged community people.

AID is a non-profit, non-governmental civil society organization, which believes in participatory approaches and practices participatory methodologies for empowering the community.

AID established by a group of young and dynamic citizens with professional background from have deep social concern and commitment for social change processes. In AID we believe that when given an opportunity the poor men and women could rise on the occasion to help themselves.

AID focus on mobilizing the community, educating them and sharing right information which would give them an advantage in their social economic and political live and liberate them from all injustice, vulnerability and marginalization.

AID strives to educate, organize and empower the rural poor to promote people cantered development as a liberating force aimed at social justice, economic growth and self-reliance.

AID have devised a strategy for the rehabilitation of manual scavenger families. Most notably, The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and Their Rehabilitation Act-2013 appeals to the authorities to implement the Act and make them aware of the Act.

AID have met with the Mayour and discussed the rehabilitation of manual scavengers many times. We have filed many appeals. We have organized the Manual Scavengers and discussed the Act. He has addressed a lot about the MS Act.

Essentially, AID is hoping that the manual scavengers will be fully identified and rehabilitated in accordance with the MS Act. It is constantly working with manual scavengers and government.

**Vision:**

AID envisage a society free all kind of exploitation and injustice and no one remains hungry, unemployed, illiterate and exploited

**Mission:**

To promote participatory democracy, organize and empower the rural poor who would in future act like catalyst in promoting gender equality, justice, socio-economic growth and self-reliance.

**Objectives:**

1. To raise awareness for the exploited and Dalit communities.
2. Establishment of community associations.
3. Establishment of Children's Committees.
4. Establishment of tuition centres for children's education.
5. Provide awareness and assistance to the law.
6. To provide information and training on self-employment for women and youth.
7. Advocacy for the implementation of the MS Act.

**Our Approach**

Aid aims to work with the most persecuted communities in society. We intend to provide Aid justice by advocating for the implementation of the rights and laws in the Constitution. It believes that education plays a very important role in the development process. In this regard, it aims to open up supplementary education centres to educate children. Monitoring the implementation of the SCST Utilization Act for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and raising awareness of the community.

**Key Programme Highlights**

1. **Assisted MSs to get id cards from the Urban local bodies:** In Davangere city limits, AID have assisted to filed self-declaration applications of one hundred and fifty six manual scavengers in compliance with the MS Act. These manual scavengers are from the city of Gandhinagar and Nittuvalli AK Colony, SPS Nagar and Chowdeshwari Nagar. AID have filed a case with the Karnataka State Safai Karmachari Commission. As a result, urban local authorities have issued ID cards to them.



Manual Scavengers Identity cards distribution from Local authority and CEO from Davangere Zilla Panchayat.



**Discussion with Commissioner of Davangere City Corporation  
Identification of manual scavengers in Davangere City**

2. **Awareness imparted on The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and Their Rehabilitation Act-2013:** AID imparted awareness to more than two hundred people. More than two hundred Manual Scavengers in Davanagere City, Nittuvalli AK Colony, Gandhinagar and Chowdeshwari Nagar have been made aware of the facilities available to Manual Scavengers in accordance with the Act. In the following days, we were told that it was important to get organized if we were to get housing and credit facilities.



Local Authority officer's inspection on self declaration application.

3. **Vocational training:** AID have provided eleven youths with vocational training. These youths from Babujagajivan Ram Nagar, SPS Nagar, Gandhinagar and Chikkahalli Hut. AID has enrolled young girls in tailoring training. All these young women have completed tailoring training. Young women are from BPL family. They can be self-reliant through this training. They will do a proper counselling. Aid helps them in this regard. We plan to enrol youth in computer and driving training.



Young women admission for tailoring training from various SC ST colony at Davangere city.



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4. **Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Sub Planning Act 2013:** One hundred and fifty six Manual Scavengers are being helped under Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Sub Planning Act 2013. Under the Act, Manual Successor families are required to provide facilities. However, no facilities have been provided. We have therefore submitted a letter to the Davanagere City Commissioners asking for proper facilities for manual scavengers. We have written the same letter to the Mayor for manual scavengers for facilities. Rs.25 lakhs have been earmarked for this letter. They are demanding the use of appropriate facilities. But the authorities are putting forward various proposals.
5. **Dry Ration kit distribution:** Distributed dry ration kit to 223 families. AID have distributed educational materials and nutritional support to eight children and provided nutritious food to the five children from AK Colony and Nituvalli area. AID distributed notebooks and pens to fifteen children.



Distribution dry ration to destitute family children at Nituvalli Davangere.



**6.Youth Meetings:** AID has organized youths in ten areas of Davangere. There were 60 youths in it from AK Colony, Gandhinagar, Jagjivan Ram Nagar and Hoskundawada. Held monthly meetings and discussed their problems and find solutions to them. AID have trained the youth on self-employment. Sixty young people participated in the workshop. Resource persons have come from Bangalore. Prof. Rajendra as resource person. Here, mainly, higher education and vocational training are mentioned in a detailed manner. He informed about reading to the books/magazine for competitive exams.



**Impact/Reach of programme.**

AID is constantly imparted awareness and get facility from the Government as per the MSs Act. First in the entire state of Karnataka, because AID have advocated the implementation of the The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and Their Rehabilitation Act-2013 Act as a continually with the Davangere District. As a result, one hundred and fifty-six families have obtained identity papers in accordance with the said Act. These families will get the right to rehabilitation in accordance with the Act. Having suitable accommodation as part of rehabilitation, availing credit facilities for alternative occupations. Getting scholarships for children. Vocational training is done.

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