



Developing Capabilities Towards Happiness

VYASADEVA EDUCATIONAL AND CHARITABLE TRUST



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At a Glance





About VEC Trust

Vyasdeva Educational and Charitable Trust (VEC Trust) is a as a non-governmental, non-profit and non-political organization established under certificate of registration, West Bengal Registration Rule, 1962, Deed Number IV-00058 of 2014 (Sl. No 01600 of 2014 and Query No. 0104I000003206 of 2014), Office of A.D.S.R. Khatra, Dist.- Bankura, West Bengal, India.

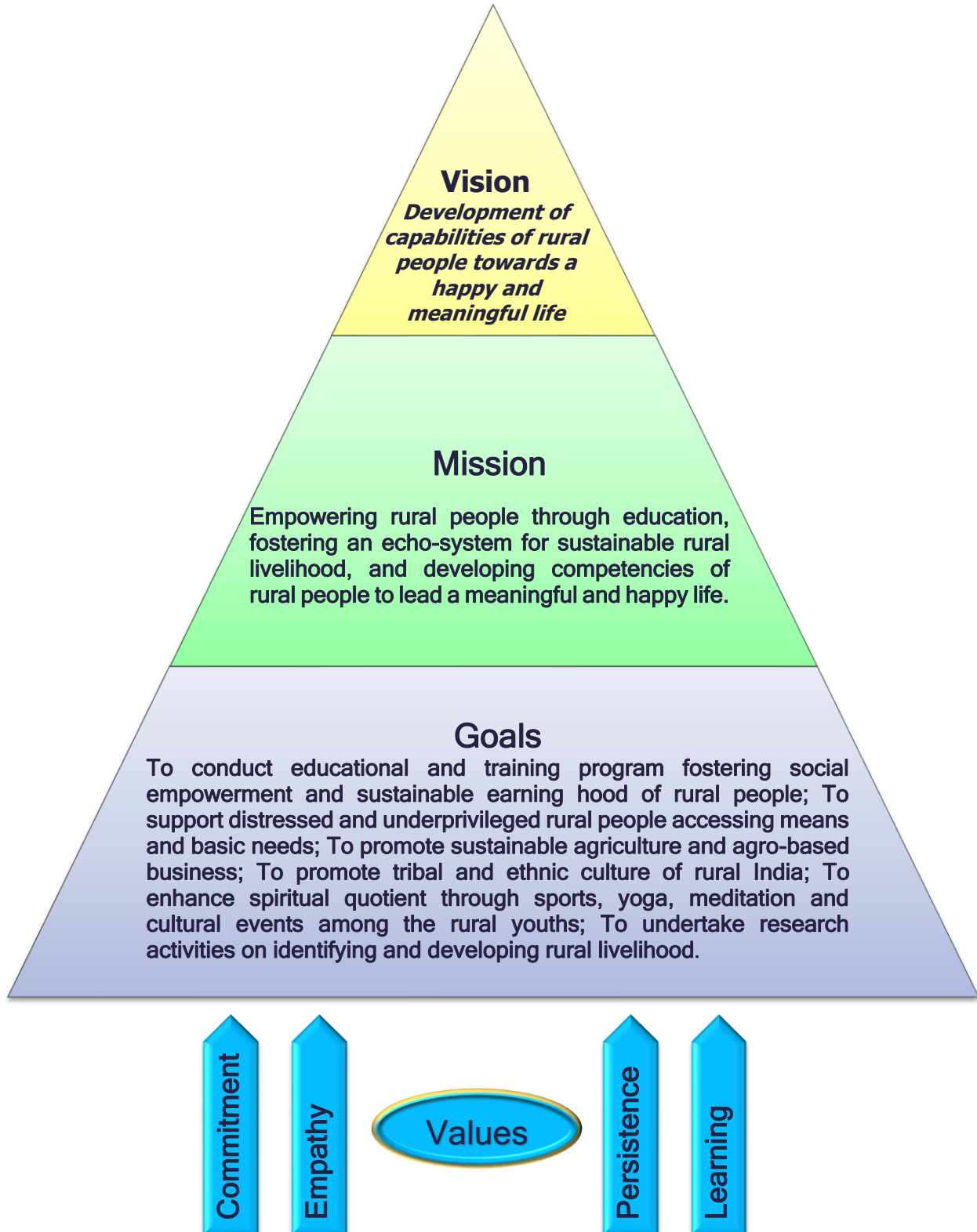
The name of the Trust is coined after great Indian sage Maharshi Vyasadeva who is a representative of Brahmin and Dalits, a reformer of Vedas and educate the world on what is life by his supreme and sublime creation – the Mahabharata. Being inspired by his virtue of life, we formed the Trust dedicated to improving welfare of poor, underprivileged and downtrodden people of India. Our vision is to enable them leading a happy and meaningful social life – a life of dignity and self-dependence. We begin our journey from a remote and underdeveloped place believing that one day we can bring smiles on the faces succumbed to sufferings, poverty, unemployment and illiteracy.

Our Areas of Activities

- ❖ **Education, Training and Capacity Building**
- ❖ **Support to Deprived and Underprivileged**
- ❖ **Sustainable Agriculture**
- ❖ **Sports, Yoga and Mediation**
- ❖ **Ethnic and Tribal Culture**
- ❖ **Research Works**
- ❖ **Financial Support to Social Entrepreneurs**



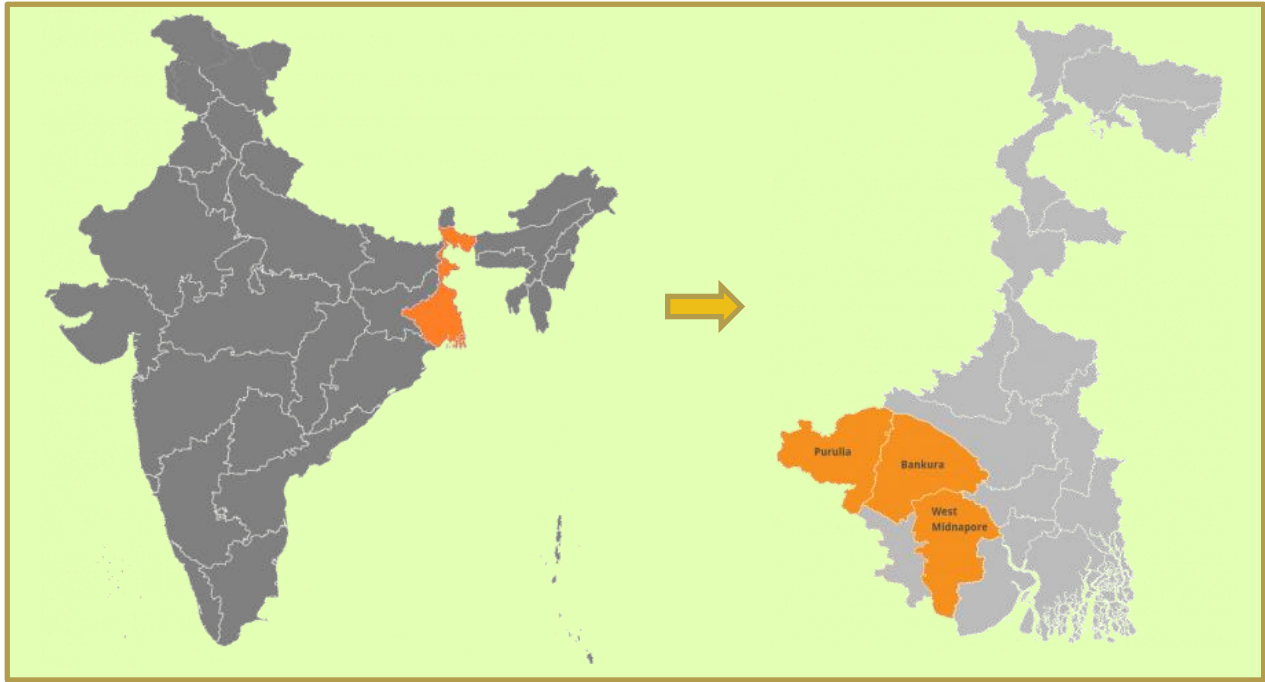
Vision, Mission, Goals and Values



Our Presence

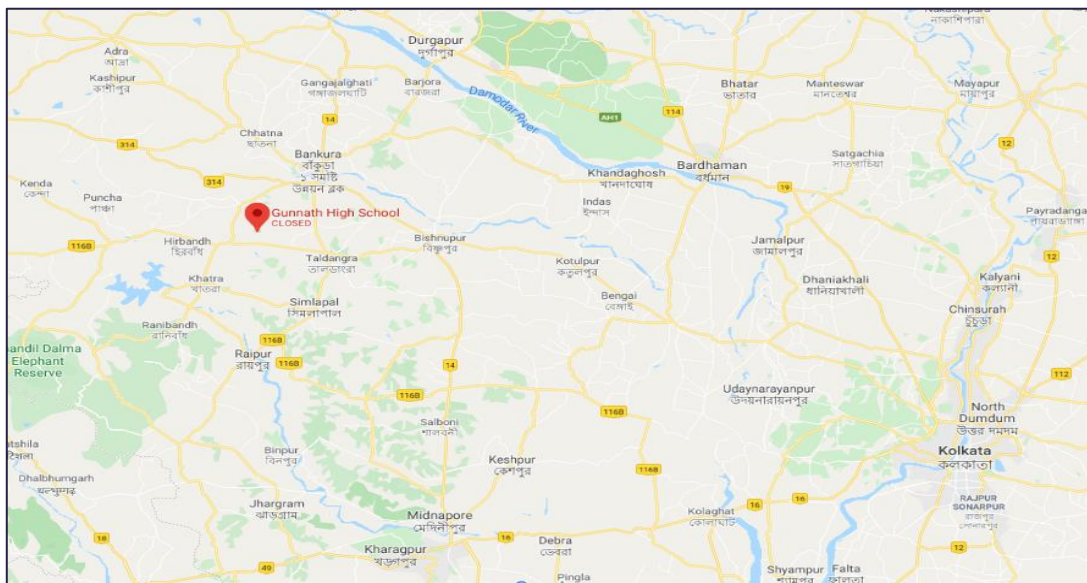
Continent: Asia Country: India State: West Bengal

Districts: Bankura, Purulia, West Midnapore (marked in Orange in the map below)



Google Map Showing Our Official Address

VEC TRUST (Opp. Gunnath High School, Indpur, Bankura)





Message from President

Dear Readers,

It is my immense pleasure to present Annual Report 2017-18.

At the outset, I would like to thank all the team members, supporters, well-wishers and community friends who have expressed their interest towards our journey.

We are continuously facing second year of drought in this region. Inadequate rainfall forces the farmers keep their agricultural fields unploughed. Accessing safe drinking water for human and cattle stands a major problem for the common habitats. This is utmost important to learn and apply rainwater harvesting and stop depletion of ground water in this draught prone zone.

First time we stumble over the production of mushroom in our VECT Mushroom Cultivation Centre. Due to some unknown reason oyster mushroom does not grow and we had to stop the project. As times demand, we have refocused and reengineered the entire sustainable agricultural projects in six areas of agriculture production - fruits and vegetable, fisheries, mushroom, vermicompost, medicinal plants and livestock. Organic farming is the future of agriculture. As planned, we emphasize on complete organic production of fruits and vegetables. Producing vermicompost is our new venture for the current financial year. This pilot project is quite successful in terms of production and generating awareness among the localities. However, we plan for embarking on the organic farming and fisheries on a large scale.

As decided earlier, we move to conduct few training and awareness programs on fisheries, mushroom cultivation, health and hygiene practices, yoga and meditation and organic farming. These programs were quite successful in generating self-employment, capacity building and skills formation. The monthly nutritious lunch program we introduced in the year 2016 has been continued inspite of resource crunch. We managed to prepare 300 plates of nutritious food plates per month across the year and serve the economically backward communities.

Our endeavour on promoting ethic culture has taken up a new project – staging a standard, erudite and rich *Yatrapala*. Our team members have successfully staged it having a three months' hard work. I congratulate them.

I also congratulate our research team for their success in presenting seminar in an international platform and bring out one of the major issues concerning primary education of the rural areas. I deeply appreciate the progress in research works being undertaken.

Best wishes,

Mrinal Kanti Bhui

President



Secretary's Report

[Report presented in 4th Annual General Meeting, 2017-18 dated 14.04.2018]

Dear Members,

It is my pleasure to present the Secretary's Report of the Trust in its 4th Annual General Meeting. We are happy to inform you that we have started our programs in all the areas of operations with a strong coordination and mutual responsibilities of trustees. The present functional structure is effectively functioning and support team relentlessly helping us to carry out our operations.

Like previous years, *VECT Mushroom Cultivation Training Centre* has conducted a mushroom cultivation workshop at the village Gunnath which was attended by 35 youth aspirants. A two-day fishery training program was organised for 25 local fish farmers. Our small endeavour helped a lot to promote self-employment. A health camp organised at the Satsagaria Jr. High School was quite successful in drawing attention of 45 school children regarding the maintenance of health and hygiene practices in school and home.

Our pilot project on sustainable agriculture has been extended from green vegetable cropping to vermicompost production. The project aims at producing healthy, organic and bio-friendly products, organising training and capacity building program and generating employment for the locals. A workshop was also conducted to make the local farmers aware about the benefits and production of vermicompost and encourage them to make use of it.

To promote an extinct ethnic culture, we staged a *Yatrapala*, named 'Naachmahal' at the village Rautora during Dewali festival. Communities from all section of society participated and enjoyed the event. Annual Sports Meet 2017 is organised at the village Rautora comprising 24 sports events where nearly 70 young children and youths participated. Winners are awarded.

Ms Ankita Ghosh and myself has undertaken a cooperative study on local *Dom* and *Bauri* communities to explore the role of occupational diversity on their socio-economic prosperity. I am also glad to inform you that I have presented a paper on the impact of Mid-Day Meal Scheme on academic delivery at an international seminar organised by the AKDG Centre for Planning and Development, Viswa-Bharati.

I extend our special thanks to the support team members, trustees and local administration for their immense support.

Looking Forward,

Pijus Kanti Bhuiin

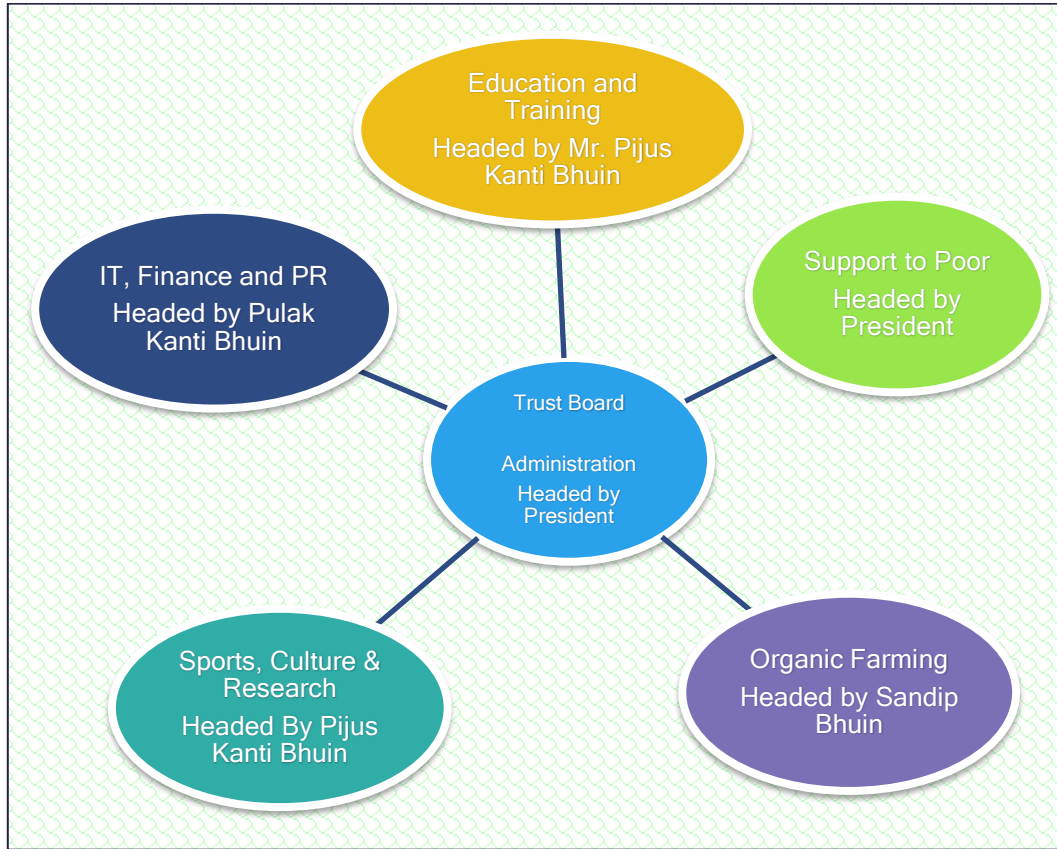
Secretary



Functional Structure

Functional Structure of the VEC Trust is presented in the diagram below.

Functional Structure of VEC Trust



The functional structure of the trust remains unchanged. However, we have changed the structure of functional team by including/excluding members to concomitate the functioning smoothly. Annual objectives are revised in compatible to our goals. Primary responsibilities are relied on the founder members.

Due to strong coordination and commitment, we have accomplished the tasks without much trouble. Team members attempted to produce their best inspite of financial and Infrastructural limitations.

Trustees have realized to collect donations from the local capable kind-hearted supporters. Crowd funding helps the organizers to complement the financing in few events.

Activities and Achievements

Education, Training and Capacity Building

Fishery Training Program: A 2-Day fishery training program was organised at the village Rautora, Bankura District during 12-13 August 2017 to educate local fish farmers on breeding, feeding, nourishing and cultivating the local popular species of Rahu, Katla, Mrigel, Cyprinus Carp and Grass Carp. Mr. Manik Karmakar, a fishery expert was invited to demonstrate the trainees regarding the various aspects of fisheries and answered the queries. President of the Trust Mr. Mrinal Kanti Bhui allowed to use his pond for the training purpose. Mr. Pulak Kanti Bhui discussed on various theoretical aspects of the farming. 25 Participants joined the program and the event was highly successful.



Health Camp: A Health camp was organised on 22 July 2017 at Satsagaria Junior High School with the support of the Teacher-In-Charge to educate them how to maintain healthy and hygiene practices in home and school. Ms. Tandra Mandal, a senior nurse of Hirbandh Health Centre volunteered the program as spokesperson. She discussed different aspects of health practices in easy local language and demonstrated different health practices like washing, cleaning body parts, proper eating habit etc. Local ICDS workers and ASHA also joined the program and create awareness among the school children. Nearly 30 school children and 15 ICDS kids participated and learned from the program.

Mushroom Cultivation Workshop: One Oyster Mushroom Cultivation Workshop was organized on 06 September 2017 at the village Gunnath demonstrating the spawn seeding, watering, packet-binding and hanging in a fan to the 35 youth aspirants of the locality. President himself provided the guidelines and general instruction about 'Dos and Don't do' of mushroom cultivation.

Moreover, A hand operated chaff cutter (to make small pieces of straw) machine was bought by the Trust and trainees are demonstrated how to cut the straw in proper size. The workshop was highly successful in drawing attention and interest of the participants as an alternative avenue to earn money.



Support to deprived and underprivileged

Monthly Nutritious Lunch Program: The *Monthly Nutritious Lunch Program* introduced in the year 2015 was continued for this year also. Nearly 300 plates of nutritious vegetable porridge have been served to the rural poor of the two villages, Rautora and Dumurpal in each month throughout the year. Villagers of the Rautora took active participation in preparing, cooking and serving the food under the leadership of Mr. Debasish Bhui and Mr. Narugopal Patra. Hygiene is maintained all along the programs.

Promoting Ethnic and Tribal Culture

Yatrapala: *Yatrapala* or *Yatra* is a unique form of open stage theatre where players act on issues of social, historical or epical incidence. Yatrapala is a strong social media as well as entertainment program for rural people who use to get a limited option of recreation. Though Bengal admires this performing art for a long time but gradually it loses its glamour and charm due to easy accessibility of the television daily soap, expensive organizational affairs, time-consuming rehearsal and change in audience taste. Consequently, the art is suffocating due to lack of artistic talents, trainers, good writings and quality dialogue and stories.

VEC Trust takes up the motto to revive the dying art of yatra. The trust promotes a historical yatra called *Nachmahal* (The Dancing Hall) written by Bhairab Gangopadhyaya in the village Rautora during Diwali festival of the year 2017. The



drama reflects the crisis of casteism and administrative conflicts during the historic time of Nawab Murshidkuli Khan of Pre-British rule Bengal.

Mr. Babul Chandra Ghosh directed the team in rehearsing the dramatic performance. Mr. Sandip Bhui and Mr. Pijus Kanti Bhui organized the program.

Sustainable Agriculture

In connotation to our reframed goals on sustainable agriculture undertaken last year, we have taken integrated projects of training, capacity building and pilot farming in six areas of

agriculture production - fruits and vegetable, fisheries, mushroom, vermicompost, medicinal plants and livestock. To recall, the goals of the mission are redirected as -

- (a) undertaking pilot projects on agricultural farming to produce healthy, organic and bio-friendly products and sell the produce in the local market with a very low profit margin, or otherwise, distribute the products among rural poor free of cost;
- (b) organising training and capacity building program among the local youths and farmers on undertaken sustainable agricultural projects and
- (c) generating employment for the locals.

We are able to produce a good amount of vegetable crops (eggplant, okra, guard, pumpkin, sesame, bean, etc which are supplied to our Monthly Nutritious Lunch Program (MNLP) across the year. Like previous two workers are employed regularly across the year and another four workers are hired as on need basis totalling 400 labour-days are created.



Having run the mushroom cultivation successfully for consecutive 4 years at the village Gunnath we faced a complete loss in this year. In spite of due care, some unknown disease spoiled all the seed packets and no sprout came out. We consulted the seed suppliers and note the probable reasons for the spoilage.

As planned, we inaugurate “*Fakir Bandh Fishery Project*” in this year at village *Rautora* by releasing juvenile fish of Rahu, Katla and Mrigel in the month of June 2017. The project is undertaken to conduct fisheries and generate employments, train the fish-farmers and water resource management.

We start vermicompost project in the month of October 2017 by building a cemented vat of 25×6×3 cubic feet. 7 Kilograms of red wigglers are released in the vat filled with cow dung and vegetable waste for vermiculture. Nearly twenty quintiles of compost were produced and by-product of about 10 liters of organic natural pesticides produced by mixing up NEEM leaf with the compost water drained from the pit. Nearly 60 labour-days are generated by this project. The compost produced in this vat are used in our vegetable gardening and distributed free among the local farmers.



Sports, Yoga and Meditation

Annual Sports Meet: Like the previous years, the Trust organizes Annual Sports Meet at *Rautora* village on 12-13 November 2017 encompassing 24 sports events among the school children (class I to class VI) and young adult.



A sports committee of 8 local village members was formed and headed by Mr. Pijus Kanti Bhuiin to organize the events successfully. A prize distribution ceremony was organized on 15 November and winners of all sports categories are awarded with prizes.

Research Works

Presentation at National Seminar: A research article was prepared on the study conducted last year regarding the tribal seasonal migrants of Bhalukkhundi village, Bankura jointly with Dr. Uday Chatterjee. The paper titled “*Impact Assessment of Seasonal Migration on Marginalized Scheduled Tribe People*” was presented in 39th Annual Meet and Conference of Indian Institute of Geographers on Population, Environment and Sustainable Development, Dec. 26, 2017, Regional Studies and Earth Science, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack.

Presentation at International Seminar: Mr. Pijus Kanti Bhuiin presented a paper titled ‘*Impact of Mid-day Meal Scheme on Academic Delivery: Evidences of Elementary Schools of Bankura District, West Bengal*’ at an International Seminar on *Issues in Sustainable Development in India: Present Problems & Future Perspective* on Jan. 5, 2018 organised by A. K. Dasgupta Centre for Planning and Development, a centre sponsored by the NITI Aayog, Viswa-Bharati, Shanti-Niketan, Bolpur, West Bengal. The seminar draws attention of the experts and participants in indicating how the engagement of primary school teachers in mid-day meal administration is affecting the teaching learning process of the primary school.



Mr. P. K. Bhuiin along with Ms. Ankita Ghosh has undertaken a research work on Dom Community of Gunnath village under Bankura district of West Bengal to identify the underlying reason for their economic prosperity in comparison to other socio-economic backward community, called *Bauri*. They conducted a household survey during (October- November 2017) to obtain primary data on their occupational pattern, educational background, income, socio-economic status, etc.

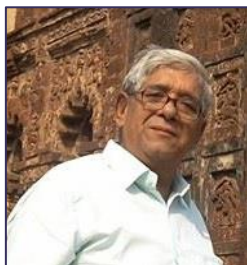


Financial Support to Social Entrepreneur

Mr. Kaushik Bhuiin of village Rautora, District Bankura is provided a financial aid to set up a mushroom cultivation farm at his residential house of a capacity of 4 quintal seasonal production. The business proposal of him has been approved by the Board and he is given a financial assistance of Rs. 10,000/- in September, 2017 as seed money to start-up the farm. He successfully set up his farm at his residential farm house and run the production for the local market. Apart from the financial aid, he is supported with technical knowhow and marketing of the produce. Mr. Kaushik is quite successful in producing the organic oyster mushroom and market the products.

Our Team and Support

Founder Trustees



Mr. Mrinal Kanti Bhui
President



Mr. Pijus Kanti Bhui
Secretary



Mr. Sandip Bhui
Treasurer



Mr. Pulak Kanti Bhui
Member



Ms. Ankita Ghosh
Member

Support Team Members

- Mr. Pradip Bhui, Rautora, Bankura
- Mr. Krishnendu Bhui, Rautora, Bankura
- Mr. Soumen Roy, Manipur, Bankura
- Mr. Babul Chandra Ghosh, Rautora, Bankura
- Mr. Subhash Mandal, Rautora Bankura
- Mr. Bakul Sardar, Rautora Bankura
- Mr. Debasish Bhui, Rautora Bankura
- Mr. Narugopal Patra, Rautora, Bankura
- Mr. Soumya Kanti Bhui
- Mr. Prakash Bhui, Rautora, Bankura
- Mr. Souvik Bhui, Rautora, Bankura
- Mr. Suoriya Bhui, Rautora, Bankura





Financial Statement

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VILLAGE: GUNNATH, POST: GUNNATH, P.S.: INDPUR,

DISTRICT: BANKURA, PIN NO: 722121.

(REGISTRATION NO: 00058 OF 2014-2015)

: INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 2018 :

<u>EXPENDITURE :</u>		<u>Rs.</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>I N C O M E :</u>		<u>Rs.</u>	<u>P.</u>
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" Printing & Stationery.		10780.00		Annual Report.		18000.00	
" Internet & Phone Charges.		5390.00		Monthly Nutritious Prog.		70000.00	
" Travelling Expenses.		0.00		Training Prog. & Activities.		60000.00	
" Office Rent & Electricity.		3950.00		Sustainable Agriculture Pro.		30000.00	
" Meeting Expenses.		2700.00		Donation Received.		50000.00	
" Health Awareness Camp..		11515.00					
" Annual Sports.		7800.00					
" Entertainment Expenses.		91150.00					
" Training Program Expenses.		54355.00					
" Donation paid to K.Bhuin.		10000.00					
" Research Programme Expenses		9750.00					
" Audit Fes.		1000.00					
" Miscellaneous Expenses.		9475.00					
" Depreciation.		5903.00					
" Excess of Income over Expenditure.		4232.00					
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Dated: 14.04.2018.

Place: Howrah.



FOR ROY GHOSH & ASSOCIATES.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT.

(Signature)
BIRNA RAO MATCHA)
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: RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 2018 :

<u>RECEIPTS :</u>			<u>PAYMENTS :</u>	
	<u>Rs.</u>	<u>P.</u>		<u>Rs.</u>
				<u>P.</u>
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Dated: 14.04.2018.

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Future Plans

VEC Trust has undertaken the following plans for the 2018 -19 FY.

- 1. Education, Training and Capacity Building:** Organize workshops and training programs to provide hands-on exposure on mushroom cultivation, fisheries, health camp and vermicompost to motivate local youths for self-employment. Organize educational camp for mothers and school children.
 - 2. Support to Deprived and Underprivileged:** Continue the MNLP program throughout the year sustaining present capacity. Taking up social welfare measures to support the underprivileged.
 - 3. Sustainable Agriculture:** Plantation of fruits and vegetables. Conducting training programs/workshop/camp on sustainable agriculture among the local farmers. Enhance the sustainable agricultural program undertaken in the year 2016 by setting up vegetable and fruits garden, plantation of trees, and continuing vermicompost production. The production capacity and variety will be extended upon experiential learning.
 - 4. Sports, Yoga and Meditation and Tribal Culture:** Establishment of a Yoga and Meditation centre. Annual sports meet, Annual cultural program will be organised at the village Rautara. One cultural program will be organised on folk culture.
 - 5. Research Works:** Publishing paper and attending seminar/workshop/conference on the research works carried out. Undertaking new research projects on local issues of tribal households.
 - 6. Financial Support to Social Entrepreneurs:** Promising social entrepreneur of the vicinity will be provided financial aid to set up his/her own business unit.
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Pledge for Donation

Dear Readers,

We deeply appreciate your interest over the developmental role of VEC Trust. Extend your hands through monetary or non-monetary help to the rural poor in catering life-support system, education, employment and sustainable livelihood.

- President, VEC Trust

Bank Account Details:

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Account Number 35813660590

Type: Savings Bank

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The End of VEC Trust Annual Report 2017-18

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