
Enabling Livelihood Restoration

(in the Tsunami Affected Coastal Areas)



DHAN Foundation
Madurai

DHAN's Response to Disaster



- Swiftly responded to address the need of the affected community.
- Ten exclusive teams were established to identify and address the need of the community
- Structured its operation for the long term development
 - Relief phase January 2005 – March 2005
 - Restoration Phase April 2005 – March 2007
 - Coastal Conservation April 2007 – March 2010



Assessing People Needs

- DHAN promoted five exclusive teams for Rapid Disaster Assessment for Reconstruction (RADAR)
 - ✓ To Assess the Losses in the coastal area
 - ✓ To understand and assess the scale of relief measures undertaken and missing links
 - ✓ To workout the areas for support modalities and strategies in consultation with affected community

DHAN in Relief Operations - Jan to Mar 2005



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- Villages Covered 217
- Families Covered - 29000
- Staffs involved in the Tsunami operation – 250
- People leaders involved – 600

2. Activities

- The basic needs were full filled
- Interior villages and left out villages were reached
- Convergence at village level
- Immediate support for initiating livelihood activities



Restoration Phase - Objective



- Bringing back the pre-tsunami conditions and sustaining the fishery related livelihoods.
- Reviving the agricultural fields and supporting coastal agriculture activities to promote it as sustainable livelihood.
- Livelihood support initiatives such as psychosocial care



Operational Areas

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- States - 03
- Districts - 11
- Blocks - 27
- Villages - 330
- People Institutions
 - Kalanjiam - 16
 - Vayalagam - 09
 - Fishermen - 16





Human Resource

Staffs	Nos.
▪ Professional	52
▪ Accountants	42
▪ Technical Staffs	45
▪ Associates	347

- The total strength of HR in tsunami affected locations is **444**.



Building Institutions...

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Fishermen

- Groups Promoted - 1509
- No. of families covered - 26210

Vayalagam

- Groups Promoted is - 690
- No. of Families Covered - 12187





Building Institutions

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Kalanjiam

- Groups Promoted - 1587
- No. of families covered - 27045



So far **65442** families have been organized in **3786** groups



Nested Institutions

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Cluster Association

Promoted : 234

Registered Federations : 37



Intervention in Fishery Sector



- Focusing Poor and Vulnerable
- Fishermen supported for purchasing minor fishing craft like catamaran, thoni and fishing equipments like nets
- Affected fishermen were supported for repairing their boat and fishing equipments
- Supporting the fringe section of the community
 - Backwater fishermen
 - Hand Fishing
 - Shell Collectors

Livelihood Intervention in Fishery Sector



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- Repair of Boats



- Repair of Nets



Livelihood Intervention in Fishery Sector

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Fishing Equipments



Fishermen Using Equipments

Livelihood Intervention in Fishery Sector



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Backwater Channel



After Desiltation



Livelihood Intervention in Fishery Sector

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Micro/ Need Based Interventions

Catching fish using the traditional fishing equipments is found in the Backwater channels. DHAN has supported 102 fisher families to purchase Pari and Saal.

Backwater fishermen involved in fishing activities using Pari and Saal

Interventions in Agriculture Sector



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- Focusing on small and marginal farmers
- Scientists and experts were involved
- Revival of agriculture fields
- Reviving the coastal water bodies
- Introducing the saline resistant seeds
- Introducing new technology
- Training the farmers
- Two Coastal Agriculture Resource Centres were promoted



Agriculture Sector

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Saline Resistant Seeds and Traditional Variety Seeds were Introduced



Experts and Scientists analysing the damage in the field.



Water Sector

Channel Cleaning With
Community Participation



Renovated Pond

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Livelihood for Women



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- Focusing on Poor, Vulnerable and women from the fringe communities
- Women involved in small and petty trades were supported
- Livestock activities were promoted among the women members
- Training on livelihood activities
- Marketing tie-up

Livelihood Activities for Women



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Livestock Activities





Livelihood Interventions

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Value Addition Services



Field level training on Livestock Management

Livestock Insurance will be the first expenditure

Livelihood Activities for Women



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Encouraging Micro
Entrepreneurship
and Market Linkages



Evading Intermediary Exploitation



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Promoting Collective
Marketing



People Institution for Livelihood
Enhancement



Livelihoods Restored

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- Women supported - 19,775
- Farmers supported - 10,989
- Fishermen Supported - 22,596





Health & Psychosocial care

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Medical Camps

Psychosocial Care



Intervention in Education



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Tuition Centers

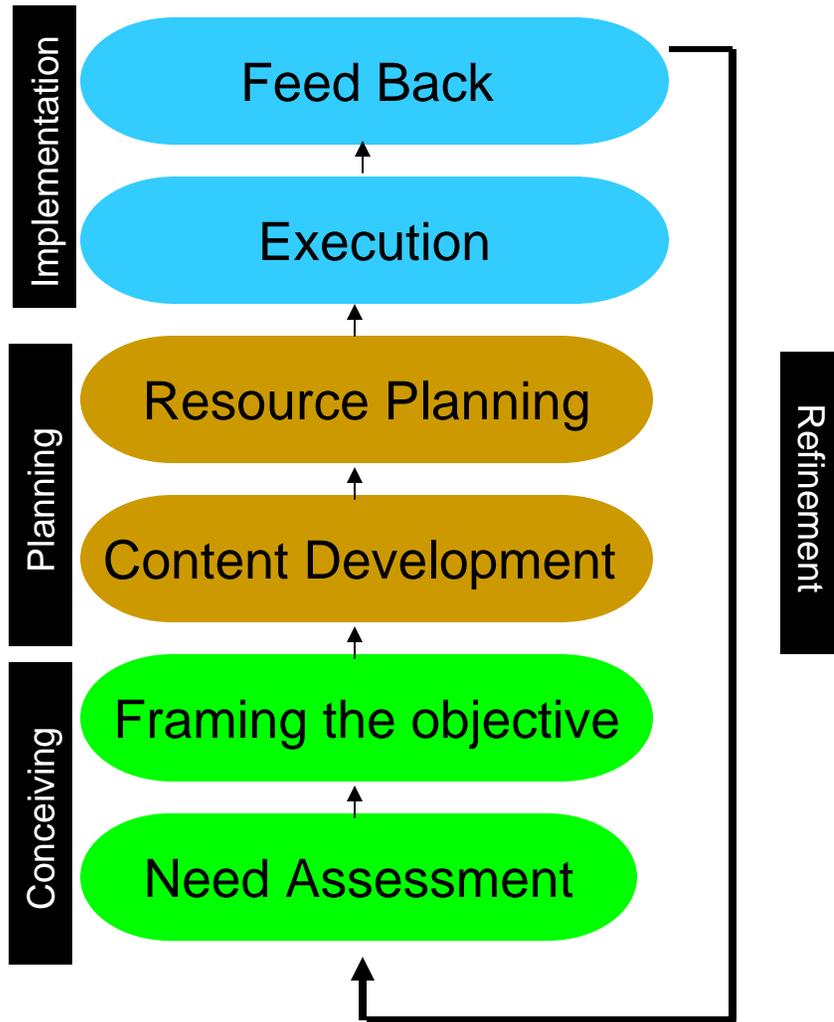
DHAN promoted tuition Centers to create Conducive environment for School Children





Capacity Building

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Building Leadership

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Training Events
to build the
leadership





Initiatives & Reach

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■ Medical Camps	-	18727
■ Health Orientations	-	6178
■ HIV awareness	-	61180
■ Students Benefited	-	7698
■ Capacity Building	-	18281



Information and Communication Technology

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Technology for Development

- Early warning system
- Market Information
- Providing high quality Computer Education
- Organising livelihood trainings
- Health services
- Disease awareness

Over 120,000 Users are Reached



Strengthening of Panchayat Raj Institution



Focusing On

- Mainstreaming traditional with formal
- Enabling PRI to take up the rehabilitation initiatives
- Act as convergence point for channelising resources

So far

- Working in 10 Panchayats at 2 locations
- Functional groups were promoted
- Multiyear Micro plan was prepared for 10 Panchayats with the community and elected representative participation
- Initiatives taken for self sustaining the Panchayats

Policy Advocacy



State Level

- Three Policy workshop were organized





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