

# **Kaya Kelp SAC/ Sanjay Amar Colony Revitalization Project**

Vatavaran Rhizome's essence of creating 'rippling effects' has started actualizing. Sparks from five un-connected fields have spontaneously come together to create a model of 'intercepting challenges' and 'Kaya Kelp SAC'/ Sanjay Amar Colony Revitalization Project has been planned.

## **Pre Launch Activities**

During the two pre launch meetings partners were finalized, two alternative names were suggested, a 'Sujhav Samiti' was constituted, Vision, Time Line, Wings, Phases and Respective Roles of the partners were tentatively decided. Discussions were held on challenges, initiatives, expected results and funds generation was discussed.

## **Partners -five Sparks + SAC representatives:**

1. ASHI (Association for Social Health in India)
2. Bluebells School International
3. Mati Meet Center for Reforms
4. People's Theatre Group
5. Boond se Sagar
6. SAC Representatives

## **Alternate Names**

Kaya Kelp SAC/ Sanjay Amar Colony Revitalization Project

## **Sujhav Samiti**

Dr. Angila Gu gnani+ Kavita ( ASHI)

Ms. Suman Kumar+ Bhavna ( Bluebells School International)

Priyank+ Kaluram (Mati Meet Center of reforms)

Niloy+ Subhash (People's Theatre Group)

Manju Devi + Anil Kumar (Boond se Sagar)

Jagdish+ Prakash(SAC Representatives).

## **Vision**

Community Revitalization for Creating a Model Basti

## **Time Line**

5 Year Project with 4 Wings and 5 Phases

## **Wings**

1. Basic living conditions –

Waste Management

Safety review

Beautification

2. Psychological Aspects

Behaviour

Domestic violence

Trauma healing

Yoga meditation & mindfulness

3. Health & Wellness

Nutrition

Kitchen skills improvement

Exercise

4. Employment & skill development

Entrepreneurship programs

Work at home opportunities

English & other professional trainings

## **Tentative phases**

( works started once in any phase would continue in the subsequent phases)

### **1<sup>st</sup> Phase**

- Wall paintings—Collective event
- Detailed Survey-- population, educational status, And management of electricity and water etc. by students of Bluebells & SAC
- Vertical greening by residents-- ASHI & interested others
- Evening Activities--Marshal Arts & Team Sports for youngsters by ASHI, Bluebells School International& interested others
- Inculcating sense of Art and Aesthetics by People's Theatre Group,
- Yoga classes by Yoga Arya.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Phase**

- Awareness Campaigns -- planned and led by People's Theatre Group. Interested others would join
- Organizing events -- by Residents/Children of SAC & Students of Bluebells School International.
- Starting 'No Bin' garbage management under which segregated biodegradables will go in a pit directly and the recyclables in a bag which would be hung from a hook outside each shanty to be picked up by Clean Team of the area. This would be led by Priyank of Mati Meet Center of Reforms& implemented by him and interested others.
- Nature Walks, visits to wet lands, biodiversity parks, farmers markets etc.-- led by Primate Procession.
- Setting up of-- Carry bags Conversion Machine, collective event.
- Plan work on water management in the colony

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Phase**

- Organizing Health Camps
- Plantation Drives
- Employment Generation Activities—training dori making products
- Lodging complaint about the plastics in the Nala to MCD and followed by RTI
- Start work on water management

### **4<sup>th</sup> Phase**

- Setting of plastic bottles conversion machine
- Installing Solar Panels

## **5<sup>th</sup> Phase**

- Repeat 1 to 4 phases work
- Review
- Report & Film making

## **Respective Roles**

Dr. Angila Gu gnani of ASHI will coordinate the project. Suman Kumar of Bluebells School International will lead her team to work on adopting SAC. Priyank Eshu Parihar of Mati Meet Center for Reforms would set up No Bin Waste Management in the area. Manju Devi of Boond se Sagar would train interested women in crafting products to be sold in national and international markets. Niloy Roy of People’s Theatre Group would plan and execute Awareness Campaigns through his team and selected youngsters of SAC. Dr. Iqbal Malik- Mentor SAC Kaya kalp project

## **Challenges**

- SAC is a slum cluster adjacent to the biggest open drain near ITO New Delhi. ASHI has been working there for the last 15-16 years. It has set up informal education centers for children.
- The challenges of the area are unemployment, drug abuse, sexual mal practices, - -
- The two experiences of the unusual challenges faced in the recent past while working in that area have been - unearthing and stealing of the two colored trash barrels, zero success rate of the Greening with saplings of indigenous tree species collected from the nursery of forest department due to the land mafia trampling the healthy young trees with vehicles.
- Thus for reasons beyond any one’s control even after awareness campaigns and repeated trials Cleaning and greening of SAC has been non-sustaining.

## **Initiatives**

### **Expected Results**

- Clean, Green & aesthetically pleasing colony
- Solar energy sufficient colony
- Physical & Mental Health care in place
- Every adult resident economically self sufficient & every child in school
- Regulated water availability for each house

### **Funds Generation**

- Crowd funding
- Individual donars