

1. **Name of Organization :** NANRITAM
2. **Name of the Project :** *GRAM SEVA PRAKALPA :a rural development project*
3. **Name of the person coordinating the project :**
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8. **Address of project:** Barandanga, PO& Village: PARA,
District: PURULIA, West Bengal, INDIA
9. **Directions for reaching the project area from a major city :**
10. Six hours journey by train from Kolkata (Purulia Express), nearest Railway Station is ANARA
11. **Check payable to whom :** NANRITAM
12. **Whom to send the check to and address to send it to :**
Ms. Ranjana Sengupta, Secretary, Nanritam, 28/1/2, Selimpur Road,
Kolkata 700031, India
13. **Any special requirements for the way the funding has to be sent**
14. **A brief summary of the goals of the organizations and the project submitted :**

The Gram Seva Prakashya aims at a holistic improvement of the life status of the people of Para village, a remote area in the relatively backward district of Purulia. This village has very poor economic resources, with >70% of its population falling below the poverty line. The educational & health status of the people are extremely poor. Hardly 15-18% have a meager primary education. The dismal health status is evident from the wide prevalence of malnutrition & commonly preventable diseases.

We aim to bring about a change in the life quality of these people, without affecting their life style & culture. The objective is to bring about physical, social & moral upliftment by provision of basic needs of health, education, nutrition & social awareness. We also need to bring about improvement of their financial status by making them self supportive, through self employment and self help schemes, by utilizing local resources, thereby leaving their normal life pattern & culture unaffected.

To this aim, we have focused our attention on 3 basic areas:

1. PRIMARY EDUCATION: A primary school has been started with a present strength of 48 children. This academic year will see an influx of another 20-30 children. Our vision is to upgrade this to a Secondary School, manned by trained teachers, with modern teaching techniques.
2. A bridge course is also being planned for the frequent dropouts, for their main-streaming.
3. HEALTH CARE SERVICES: Comprehensive health care provision has been initiated, through local health workers, under the able guidance of trained physicians. This is re-enforced by regular health checkup camps attended by qualified specialists from various streams, and also provision of low cost medicines. Health education programs are also being planned.
4. SELF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMMES: The following training programs have been already started:
 - a. Tailoring
 - b. Knitting
 - c. Carpentry
 - d. Many more are on the anvil, about to be launched.

The ultimate goal is to see the people of Para happy & self content, full of health, self respect and moral courage. Our motto is complete social and moral upliftment of people by bringing out the best in them, through their own endeavor and active participation.

15. A brief summary of the part of the project for which funding is requested

- a. We need immediate funding for extension & completion of the school building.
 - b. We also need to construct a proper workshop for the vocational training programs , already started.
 - c. Another urgent need is a medical unit for provision of regular health care through a proper infra structure.
 - d. Recurring monthly expenses are also to go up , as we appoint more teachers and medical personnel, for which funding is required.
- **A gross budget of the whole project is provided. Our personal resources are unable to meet all the expenses.**

2. Funding amount requested

\$ 96,000.00

3. Signature of the coordinator