

CHILDREN'S DAY OBSERVATION

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On the eve of 14th November, Children's Day, National Association of Man for Mankind (NAMM) under the project supported by the Hans Foundation, New Delhi organized a Children's Festival. Our focus was creating awareness among the community members on **"Putting Child Health First"**. NAMM used the occasion of Children's day and engaged with the children from different project villages. The process of preparation and engaging with the children has begun on 1st November 2015 and it has culminated in an event on 14th November in Murakhunta; one of our project village.

The objective of the programme was to create awareness among the children on basic health issues and motivating them to take that knowledge to their families and communities in a creative and interactive manner. NAMM has previous experience of working with children who plays a crucial role in influencing their family members and we used this strategy in this project also. As part of this work, children from all the project villages were motivated. Initial meetings were conducted with the children in each village. Children who showed interest were selected and our team oriented them on basic health issues like hand washing, cleanliness, importance of sanitation, using mosquito nets etc. The selected children developed plays, written songs and stories in all these issues. On 14th November Children's Festival, they have presented them before many other children and community members. The key achievements are as follows.

- About 300 Children participated in the whole process and the event.
- 30 children performed and showed their creativity on the day.
- Around 120 community members participated and experienced the event.
- Children performed plays, songs and shared stories on the issue of sanitation, hygiene practices, hand washing as well as using mosquito nets etc.

THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME GLIMPSES OF THE PROCESS.....



Children Participating in the 14th December Event



Children's Performance



Children Performing the Play on Health Issues