



# Brief PROFILE



# About

## GRAMAVIKAS PEACE FOUNDATION (GPF)

**G**ramavikas Peace Foundation, a non-governmental organization established in 1997 with an objective to improve socio-economic status of the underprivileged and disadvantaged community including men, women, aged, children and youth.

GPF is a non-profit secular organization dedicated to fostering positive change in underprivileged communities.

Our focus areas include education, health care, sanitation, hygiene, women empowerment, skill development and livelihood with sustainable development to uplift individuals and empower communities mainly with family focus. GPF plays a crucial role in promoting social change and providing assistance to vulnerable population with a holistic approach.

### VISION

“Villages in Better Development, Villagers with Empowerment, Live in Peace, Harmony, Happiness”

### MISSION

“Encourage Villagers to attain self-reliance guide them to live in cooperation and achieve sustainable development”

## OUR PROJECTS



### Targeted Community

1. Scheduled Tribe (ST)
2. Schedule Caste (SC)
3. Economical Backward Class (EBC)

### Geographic Reach & Key areas of Work

1. Santhoshnagar
2. Gavinivaripalem
3. Parvathipuram
4. KB Palem
5. Vinayakanagar
6. Mahalaxmi Colony
7. Prabhudeva Colony



## OBJECTIVES

1. Poverty Alleviation by promotion of livelihoods.
2. Education and Skill Development.
3. Healthcare and Well-being.
4. Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment.
5. Environmental Conservation.
6. Community Development.
7. Human Rights Advocacy.
8. Technical and financial support to the disadvantaged people (such as women, Scheduled Caste/Schedule Tribes, Backward Class, Victims of Natural Calamities, Physically Challenged).
9. Disaster Relief and Rehabilitation.

## Village Development Activities

### 1. Skill Development

We train young women and youth in tailoring, computers, 4 wheeler driving, by nurturing the right kind of skills with a focus towards life transformation of skills.

### 2. Livelihood / Women Empowerment

Empowering women and unemployed with skill training and provide loans to small groups (10 members) forming self-help groups. These loans aid in establishing small businesses, fostering economic development within families.

### **3. Education**

We run remedial schools to cater to students from 1st to 5th grade including school dropouts. Our focus is on enhancing subject knowledge, physical fitness, moral values and leadership among children, alongside providing nutritious snacks items at the center. Additionally, we offer computer coaching to educated unemployed youth with certification from authorized agencies.

### **4. Environment, Clean and Green**

Our organization actively participates in environmental initiatives such as tree planting in villages, plastic prohibition, clean and green programs alongside raising awareness on environmental conservation and hygiene practices. We engage volunteers, SHG groups, and children in these efforts.

### **5. Health**

We promote health and hygiene through free medical camps in SC, ST, and BC villages and provide medical assistance and health tips to the underprivileged. We also support HIV patients with nutritious food and raise awareness about communicable diseases like T.B and HIV.

### **6. Advocacy and Awareness Programs**

We conduct various awareness programs on environmental conservation, agriculture, organic farming, legal rights, importance of girl child, seasonal diseases prevention, and eradication of child labor. These programs aim to empower communities and enhance their well-being.

## **7. Leadership Training Programs**

Our organization conducts leadership training programs for Village Development Committees, Family Development Groups, Youth, and Women groups. These programs empower participants with the necessary skills and knowledge to drive community development initiatives.

## **8. Pollution-Free Atmosphere / Environment**

We strive to create awareness about the dangers of pollution and promote actions that contribute to a cleaner and healthier environment.

## **9. Kitchen Gardens**

To promote health and sustainability, we encourage households to cultivate chemical-free vegetable and curry leaf gardens. We provide seeds and biological fertilizers to support this initiative.

## **10 . Household Care**

We extend support for construction / repairs of toilets individual and village level, repairs of roofs of individual houses / thatched roofs.

# IMPACTS



## Activities at Glance

### Leadership

### Village Development Committee Meetings (VDCM)



## Family Development Groups (FDGs)



## Youth Clubs



## VDC Laying Roads / Cleaning Village



## Advocacy and Linking to Social Protection Schemes



## VDC Exposure Visit



## Skill Development Program for SC / ST Woman in collaboration with Food & Science Technology, Bapatla



# Education

## Children Parliament



## Study Hours



## Play Time



## Sports Materials to Children



## Career Counselling & Guidance to Youth



## Computer Training



## 4 - Wheeler Driving



## Children Education Tour



# Earnings & Finance

## Business of Widow on Wheels



## Wooden Cart to a Family



## Livestock – Ducks / Buffalo / Goats



## Fishing nets



## Auto Garage



**Local drinks**



**Tailoring Centre**



**Garment Shop**



**Provision Store**



**Tri Cycles**



# Health Care

## Mosquito Nets Distribution



## Dental Camp



# Household Care

## Construction of Toilets



## RCC Roof Repairs



## Thatched House Roof Repairs



# Value & Ethics

## Environment Day Celebrations



## Women's Day



## Father's Day



## Children's Day



## Cycles to Girl Students



## Nutrients Food items for HIV/AIDS infected





# **Success Stories**



## 1.Livelihood - Rickshaw



I am **K.Ramaswami** and I live by pulling rikshaw. My wife is an ill healthy person suffering with lungs disease.

I sold away my rikshaw for her treatment and attending cooly works. I could not meet daily food expenses. Seeing my difficulties and at the recommendation of Village Development Committee of our village has given me a rikshaw. Due to this help I could be able to carry on my family and could be able to meet the medical expenses of my wife. My family is thankful to GPF-UWLF.

## 2.Education – Financial Support



My name is **D.Jahnavi**. I am studying B.Tech Final year at St.Anns College, Chirala. My parents are coolies and we are 3 daughters to our parents. UWLF - GPF Foundation helped me to purchase a Laptop and with that I am very happy and able to study well by attending online classes during COVID-19 pandemic. Without which I would have been held backward in my studies.

The initiative taken by GPF in helping the poor is very much appreciated by all.

### 3. Spending to Serve – Youth Club's Inspiration



Linsi Youth Club in Santhosh Nagar of Chirala Cluster by seeing the services done by GPF, FFVDP Program by youth inspired students are pooling funds from the savings out of their pocket money and the workers saved some money out of their daily income and together they are taking up this distribution of food packets to the pavement dwellers, shelter less people staying in bus stand and Markets, old aged people and street beggars.



## 4. Financial Support – Vegetable and Fruits selling



I am **Kandukuri Padma**, having a son and daughter. My husband died 3 years back. I have to look after my aged old parents. I used to go to cooly works. My earnings are not sufficient to meet the daily expenses and my children's educational expenses and other needs. At this stage at the recommendation of our VDC, UWLF-GPF has provided me financial assistance as I am from vulnerable family. Due to this help, now I am doing vegetable and fruit selling business. Now I could meet the daily necessities of my family and my children educational expenses. Thanks to UWLF-GPF for the help done to my family. GPF has also providing help to other vulnerable families like me.

## 5. Livelihood – Beauty Parlor



My name is Indla **Padma** resident of Mahalakshmi Colony. I have one daughter and one son, who are studying. My husband is a mason and his income is not sufficient for the family. With the help of GPF, I underwent Beautician course and after completion of the course I could bet a loan of Rs.25,000/- from VDC Account and started a small Beauty Parlor at my house.

Now I am earning Rs.10,000/- per month. Besides, I am raising kitchen garden and selling leaves for curry and getting Rs.100/- for a week. With these earnings now I am able to meet the necessities of my children their educational costs. And my family is very happy through my earnings and I am also happy to say that I am saving Rs.500/- per month.



## 6. Employment - Sweeper in Municipality



My name is **Ramarajula Ramana**, I was abandoned by my husband when my daughter Gajalakshmi was one year old. From then onwards I am working as a domestic servant in couple of houses for my earnings. My earnings were very meager and not sufficient for both our bellies and other common necessities. I am also a member of VDC Committee. Myself along with other VDC members used to meet local panchayat office, revenue office and mandal development office. Our VDC came to know about a vacancy of sweeper in panchayat. All our VDC members & CO met the panchayat secretary. Explained him about my pitiable condition and requested him to provide that job to me for which panchayat secretary agreed and given that sweeper post to me. Now myself and my family is very happy. I am very much thankful to GPF-VDC for supporting me to get this job.

## 7. Infrastructure – Village Road



From the beginning of **Kondubotlavaripalem** there is no road facility from the main village to this village. In the rainy times it is very hard to come from main village to this village. Women & children are most sufferers. GPF's intervention and the formation of VDC, several attempts made to get even the Katcha road. Recently the VDC committee, met a land lord whose compound wall was damaged and fell down due to heavy rains. At the request of VDC that land lord obliged to give the rubbles of the collapsed wall to the villagers to lay the road. GPF supported Rs.7,500/- as transport cost and for leveling. VDC committee, Village youth and FDG groups have contributed their labour for laying this road. Now the villagers are very happy and going & coming from the main village to their village without fear even at nigh times.

## 8. Alcohol Consumption to Savings.



**Mr. Chouturi Yedukondalu** and his wife Sitha are residence of Kondubotluvari Palem and having three daughters. Yedukondalu live as a mason and earns Rs.700/- per day but spends Rs.400/- per day for his liquor taking. GPF Provided Income & Expenditure book to all 60 families in the village. Yedukondalu's wife used to write this book every day and having a knowledge of income & expenditure of their family. One day Yedukondalu happened to see the book and asked his wife what are the contents. Then his wife explained him about the daily earnings & spendings. Yedukondalu realizes that most of his daily earnings are being wasted. And his family is getting only a meager portion. Then he thought of leaving his bad habit of drinking. nd now saving Rs.1,000/- permonth and slowly abandoned his drinking habit.

**“Beyond the mountain of uncertainty  
and hardships, lies the River of Hope”**



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