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*Advancing Dignity,
Rights, and Inclusive Development*



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Message from the Executive Secretary

Dear Friends and Supporters,

I am pleased to present the Annual Report of the Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre (DBRC) for 2024–2025. Guided by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar’s vision, we continued to advance dignity, equality, and social justice for marginalized communities across Andhra Pradesh and Telangana through rights-based and community-led approaches.

This year, our work focused on strengthening livelihoods, empowering women and youth, supporting children’s education, and advancing labour rights and governance accountability. Farmers were enabled to adopt sustainable practices and access government schemes, while informal workers received livelihood support and legal assistance. Through the India Labour Line initiative, we facilitated significant wage recovery for vulnerable workers, reinforcing access to justice.

In terms of reach and impact, DBRC supported over 2,900 farmers through agricultural interventions; facilitated wage recovery of over ₹2.61 crore for 802 workers; reached more than 7,000 individuals through sanitation and environmental campaigns; and provided disaster relief and humanitarian assistance to over 5,500 families affected by floods. Additionally, thousands of women, youth, and children benefited from leadership training, education support, and skill development initiatives, strengthening community resilience and inclusion.



We also responded to major flood crises with timely relief and recovery support, while continuing to strengthen community preparedness. Our efforts in governance, advocacy, and research further enabled marginalized communities to access entitlements and participate more actively in decision-making processes.

I extend my sincere gratitude to our partners, donors, government departments, community leaders, and our dedicated team for their continued support. As we move forward, DBRC remains committed to deepening its impact and building an inclusive society where all can live with dignity and equal opportunity.

With appreciation and commitment,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Alladi Deva Kumar'.

Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar

Chief Executive Officer

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre (DBRC)

About Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre (DBRC)

Organisational Overview



Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre was established in 1992 and works for the Social, Economic and Cultural transformation of the Dalit Bahujan Communities with a special focus on the development of women and children in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. DBRC works to gain dignity and self-respect of Dalit Bahujan Communities by providing information, knowledge and capacity building towards rights-based approaches and community-led development initiatives for strengthening access to education, sustainable livelihoods, labour rights, accountable governance, disaster preparedness, and environmental sustainability.

Vision:

A society where all individuals live with dignity, equality, and access to opportunities, free from discrimination against and exclusion of Dalit Bahujan Communities.

Mission:

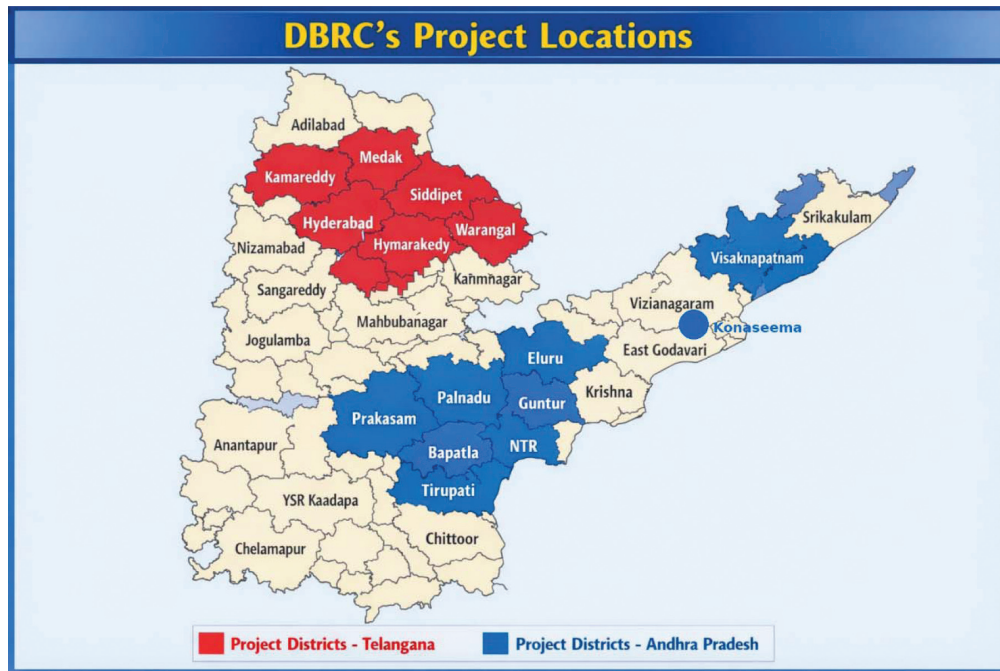
To empower Dalit Bahujan communities through awareness, capacity building, advocacy, and sustainable development initiatives that strengthen rights, livelihoods, and social justice.

Beliefs and Core Values



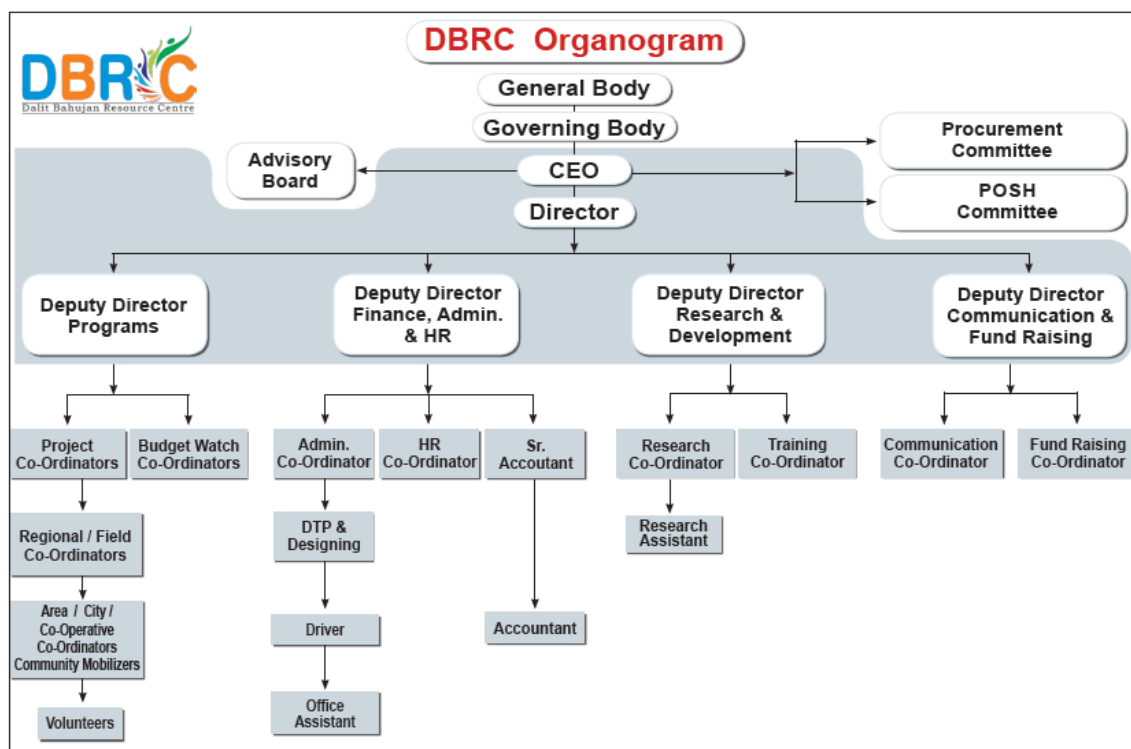
- Dignity accomplished by upholding the self-respect and self-worth, physical and psychological integrity and empowerment.
- Social Justice established to facilitate equal access to wealth creation, opportunities, and privileges within a society.
- Social Democracy achieved by following the principles of liberty, equality and fraternity
- Equality and Inclusion as working principles
- Community Participation in the decision-making processes
- Transparency and Accountability to all stakeholders of development
- Environmental Responsibility for a livable planet

Geographical Presence and Project Locations



Major project locations in Andhra Pradesh: Prakasam, Palnadu, Bapatla, Guntur, NTR, Eluru, Visakhapatnam and Tirupati.

Major project locations in Telangana: Hyderabad, Siddipet, Hanumakonda, Kamareddy, Medak and Warangal



Executive Summary

The Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre (DBRC) continued its commitment to advancing social justice, dignity, and inclusive development for marginalized communities during the period April 2024 to March 2025. Guided by the principles of equity, participation, and rights-based approaches, the organization implemented a wide range of interventions across Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, focusing on sustainable livelihoods, social development, environmental resilience, and accountable governance.

During the year, DBRC strengthened livelihood opportunities for farmers, informal workers, and waste pickers. Through exposure visits, capacity-building programs, and interface meetings with government departments, over 2,900 farmers benefited from improved access to agricultural inputs, schemes, and sustainable farming practices. Informal workers were supported through livelihood assets, awareness programs, and legal assistance. Notably, under the India Labour Line initiative, 802 cases were registered, resulting in wage recovery and compensation of over ₹2.61 crore, significantly enhancing economic security for vulnerable workers.

The Green Workers' Initiative focused on waste pickers and Denotified Tribes, strengthening cooperative governance, promoting alternative livelihoods, and improving income levels. Skill training, asset distribution, and community mobilization contributed to enhanced dignity and economic resilience among these groups.

In the area of social development, DBRC prioritized women's empowerment, child education, and youth employability. Leadership

trainings, gender justice programs, and legal awareness sessions empowered over 1,000 women to take active roles in community decision-making. Outdoor Learning Centres and behavioral change programs improved educational outcomes for children, facilitating school enrollment and reducing dropouts. Youth engagement initiatives connected young people to skill development and employment opportunities, bridging gaps between education and livelihoods.

DBRC also played a critical role in environmental sustainability and disaster response. Through the Swachhata Hi Seva campaign, over 7,000 individuals were mobilized to promote sanitation and eco-friendly practices. In response to floods across Andhra Pradesh, the organization provided relief support to more than 5,500 families and extended humanitarian assistance to thousands more through cash transfers, essential supplies, and rehabilitation support. These efforts not only addressed immediate needs but also strengthened community resilience and preparedness for future disasters.

In governance and social justice, DBRC advanced advocacy through budget consultations, policy engagement, and grassroots mobilization. Over 8,800 individuals were reached through voter awareness programs, enhancing democratic participation. The organization conducted multiple studies on Denotified Tribes, tribal welfare, and housing schemes, generating evidence to inform policy and improve access to social protection. Continued engagement with government stakeholders contributed to improved

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responsiveness and strengthened implementation of the SC/ST Sub-Plan Act.

Organizationally, DBRC invested in capacity building of staff and educators, while also expanding its institutional presence with the inauguration of a new Resource Centre in Guntur. Strategic partnerships with government agencies, civil society organizations, and donors further amplified program impact and outreach.

Financially, DBRC maintained a strong programmatic focus, with total expenditures

reflecting significant investment in community development and disaster response initiatives.

Looking ahead, DBRC aims to deepen its work on livelihood security, labour rights, education, and climate resilience, while strengthening grassroots leadership and partnerships. The organization remains committed to creating an inclusive society where Dalit Bahujan communities can access opportunities, exercise their rights, and live with dignity.



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Programme Highlights

(April 2024 to March 2025)

DBRC implemented a wide range of programmes focusing on livelihoods, education, governance, labour rights, women empowerment, and disaster response.

Section 1.1 Sustainable Livelihoods and Workers' Rights

A. Agriculture Development and Farmer Empowerment

i. Exposure Visits to Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs)

Exposure visits were organized for 117 farmers to Krishi Vigyan Kendras across Guntur, Eluru, and Prakasam districts, enabling participants to observe best practices in integrated pest management, organic farming, soil health management, and efficient irrigation techniques. Farmers interacted with KVK experts and progressive farmers, gaining practical knowledge on improved technologies, high-yield seed varieties, and post-harvest management. The visits strengthened farmers' motivation to adopt sustainable and productivity-enhancing practices, while also increasing awareness of relevant government schemes and financial support. Many participants expressed willingness to disseminate their learning within their communities.



ii. Interface Meetings with Agriculture and Allied Departments

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre facilitated a series of interface meetings across four districts, connecting 274 Dalit and Adivasi farmers with officials from agriculture and allied departments. These platforms enabled farmers to articulate their challenges and needs, while officials provided information on schemes, subsidies, and support services, along with guidance on sustainable and innovative farming practices. The interactions fostered trust, strengthened institutional linkages, and enhanced farmers' access to entitlements and livelihood opportunities.



iii. Promotion of Sustainable and Organic Farming Practices

In addition, 13 thematic meetings were conducted with 564 Dalit and Adivasi farmers to promote sustainable and organic farming practices. Sessions focused on natural pest management, soil health, water conservation, and chemical-free cultivation, while also linking farmers to government support systems and market opportunities. These engagements enhanced farmers' capacity to adopt eco-friendly practices and improve farm productivity.



iv. Awareness Generation on Crop Cultivators Act, 2019

Awareness generation on the Crop Cultivators Act, 2019 was integrated into 13 interface meetings, reaching 564 farmers. Participants were oriented on sustainable agriculture practices, resource-efficient techniques, and access to government schemes, subsidies, and market linkages. The discussions emphasized environmentally sustainable approaches, improved livestock management, and strengthened livelihood resilience.



v. Mandal-Level Orientation for SC/ST Farmers

At the Mandal level, 15 orientation meetings reached 664 SC/ST farmers across multiple villages. These sessions provided inputs on modern agricultural practices, soil health, crop planning, and water management, alongside awareness on government schemes, CCRC cards, crop insurance, bank linkages, and seasonal agricultural support. The program also promoted financial literacy, digital transactions, and the role of Farmer-Producer Organizations (FPOs). Special emphasis was placed on women’s participation and leadership in agriculture. The initiative aimed to build farmers’ capacities, improve productivity, and strengthen access to services, with provisions for follow-up and continued support.

S. No	Particulars	Beneficiaries
1	Crop loans	215
2	Seeds on subsidy	533
3	Fertilizers	463
4	E-Crop	563
5	Crop insurance	449
6	Support from KVK	483
7	Others	216
	Total	2,922

B. Informal Workers' Livelihoods and Labour Rights

i. Support for Strengthening Livelihoods

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre (DBRC) continued to support informal workers—including waste pickers, hair pickers, street vendors, and sanitation workers—facing insecure livelihoods, unsafe conditions, and limited social protection. The organisation focused on strengthening rights, improving working conditions, and promoting sustainable livelihoods. During the year, 26 Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) programmes reached 1,114 workers with messages on health, hygiene, sanitation, and substance abuse prevention, encouraging safer practices and improved well-being. DBRC also supported 30 waste and hair pickers with livelihood and alternative livelihood options, helping diversify incomes and reduce vulnerability. In addition, DBRC provided livelihood assets to 106 community members—including tricycles, vehicles, fishing nets, and small business materials—enabling income generation and market engagement

i. India Labour Line

The India Labour Line (ILL) is a national initiative offering mediation, grievance redressal, and legal support to workers through a toll-free helpline. In Andhra Pradesh, Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre (DBRC) implements the programme for construction workers and migrant labourers facing wage theft, unsafe conditions, and limited legal access. During the year, DBRC registered 802 cases through its Guntur and Vijayawada offices and facilitated mediation with employers, resulting in wage recovery and compensation of ₹2,61,69,921. The programme, initially active in Guntur and NTR districts, has expanded to Bapatla, Prakasam, and Krishna districts, improving access to legal support. Through ILL, DBRC continues to strengthen labour rights and help vulnerable workers secure fair wages and justice.

iii. External Trainings (Bonded Labour and Trafficking)

On November 15, 2024, Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre, Guntur, conducted a one-day staff training on bonded labour and human trafficking for 30 participants. Resource persons from International Justice Mission led sessions on various forms of trafficking, including forced labour, sexual exploitation, organ trade, and other exploitative practices. The training also covered the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976, and Article 23 of the Constitution, strengthening staff understanding of legal frameworks and response mechanisms.

C. Waste Picker Rights and Livelihood Security under Green Workers' Initiative

i. Building Capacities of the Cooperative's governing body

A two-day capacity-building program was conducted on 7–8 February 2025 at D Square Convention Hall for 30 governing body members of the Waste Pickers' Mutually Aided Cooperative Society. The sessions focused on cooperative governance, roles and responsibilities, leadership, and collective decision-making. Key topics on financial management—such as savings, loan processes, and timely repayments—were also covered to strengthen sustainability. The program encouraged dialogue, experience sharing, and commitments to improve the cooperative's overall functioning.

ii. Facilitating General body meeting of the cooperative

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre organized nine Mandal-level orientation meetings, reaching 436 Dalit and Adivasi women with awareness on government welfare schemes. Community leaders and officials provided practical guidance on accessing entitlements, strengthening women's confidence, enabling them to address community issues, and improving their understanding of socio-economic opportunities. In Gandhi Nagar, the organisation addressed critical infrastructure gaps by facilitating access to two tanks of purified drinking water daily and the installation of eight streetlights through engagement with Ms. K.V.S. Sasikala. This intervention improved living conditions for 47 low-income households, strengthening community well-being and resilience.



iv. Skill Training to the Waste pickers & Denotified Tribes (DNT)

A two-day skill training on 25–26 March 2025 trained 46 waste pickers and Denotified Tribe (DNT) members in tailoring, paper bag making, entrepreneurship, hygiene, and workplace safety. Participants were encouraged to explore alternative livelihoods, linked to government skill programs, and supported through follow-up guidance. The program enhanced confidence, economic independence, and living conditions, with many expressing interest in starting small businesses and benefiting from peer learning and mutual support.



S. No	Community	Beneficiaries	Business Support materials	Income increased (%)
1	Waste Pickers	42	3-wheeler Rickshaw	40%
2	Waste pickers/ DNTs	23	4-Wheeler push carts	20%
3	Waste Pickers	72	Sale at Scrap Shop	20%
4	Waste Pickers/ DNTs	138	Aluminum vessels, Fancy items, sewing machines, fishing nets and others.	25%

v. Annual Conference of Waste Pickers

The Annual Conference of Waste Pickers was held at D Square Convention Hall, with 140 participants from five districts of Andhra Pradesh. Chaired by Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar, Executive Secretary of DBRC, the event featured a presentation by Mr. Ch. Samuel Anil Kumar on DBRC's interventions and their impact on waste pickers' livelihoods. Participants discussed challenges such as lack of recognition, health

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issues, and social stigma. The program included cultural performances by children, competitions with prizes, and fostered community bonding, knowledge sharing, and collective advocacy.



D. Initiatives for Inclusive Development

i. State level DNT Summit

On December 10, 2024, Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre organized a State-Level DNT Summit at D Square Convention Hall, chaired by Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar, with around 170 Denotified and Nomadic Tribe participants and key guests including Mr. Adhinarayana and NABARD representatives Ms. Malli Subbarao and Ms. M.S. Parimala. The summit highlighted critical issues: 90% lacked house sites or cultivation land, 60% faced inadequate housing, and 70% lacked basic IDs like ration cards or Aadhaar. Participants shared personal stories, voiced concerns, and advocated for government support, while interactions with officials offered hope for practical solutions. The event also facilitated networking among community leaders to plan collaborative actions.



ii. Tribal Festival

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre organized the Adivasi Dhinotsavam across six districts, engaging 950 community members in 10 meetings. The festival provided a platform to discuss tribal issues, with Tribal Welfare Department officials addressing community concerns. It promoted dialogue on socio-economic and cultural challenges, empowered communities for advocacy and development, strengthened collaboration with government, and celebrated tribal heritage, fostering pride, identity, and unity.

Section 1.2 Social Development

A. Women's Leadership and Empowerment

i. State-Level Training for Women's Leadership

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre organized a two-day State-Level Leadership Training Program for women on February 21–22, 2025, with 45 participants from multiple districts. Led by Mr. Jagadeesh and supported by Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar, Ms. J. Nagalakshmi, Ms. Hemalatha, and Mr. Anil, the program enhanced leadership skills and addressed key issues affecting women leaders. Using interactive methods such as group discussions, presentations, and knowledge-sharing, participants gained practical insights and strengthened their capacity to lead and drive community change.

ii. District-Level Training on Gender Equality and Justice

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre organized five district-level training programs on gender equality and justice, reaching 334 participants. Chaired by Executive Secretary Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar, the sessions addressed gender stereotypes, discrimination, women's empowerment, men's roles as allies, and available legal support, with contributions from a Sakhi One Stop Centre advocate. Participants gained knowledge and motivation to promote gender justice and drive positive community change.



iii. District-Level Training for Women on Protective Laws

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre organized a district-level training on protective laws, policies, and government schemes for women, reaching 427 participants. Led by DBRC coordinators and supported by State Office staff, Women and Child Welfare Committee members, and resource persons from SERP and DRDA, the program empowered women with legal awareness and knowledge of supportive schemes, enhancing their understanding of rights and protections.



iv. Grassroot Women Community Leadership Summit

The Grassroots Women Community Leadership Summit was held on January 31, 2025, at D Square Convention Hall, Guntur, with 193 participants from six districts, celebrating women's leadership at the community level. Mr. Ramanjaneyulu and Mr. Nakka Anand Babu highlighted women as leaders and agents of social change, while discussions focused on their impact, challenges, resilience, and collective action. The keynote was delivered by Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar, Executive Secretary of DBRC, and the summit was jointly chaired by Ms. J. Nagalakshmi and Hemalatha. 25 outstanding grassroots women leaders were honored, and participants developed a charter of recommendations for government action to advance women's empowerment and development.



vi. Livelihood Support for Micro-enterprises

During the reporting period, a special training on Livelihood Support for Micro-enterprises was conducted at D-square for women from the grassroots to strengthen their income-generating capacities and entrepreneurial skills. The program focused on enhancing participants' understanding of small business management, market linkages, financial planning, and sustainable livelihood opportunities. The training witnessed active participation, with women engaging in practical discussions and experience-sharing. It helped build their confidence to initiate or expand micro-enterprises and improve household incomes. Overall, the initiative contributed to promoting self-reliance and economic empowerment among the participants.

B. Child Development and Education

i. Outdoor Learning Centres (OLC)

For children's education, DBRC has established out-of-school learning centers (OLCs) where teachers provide homework support, clarify doubts, and organize educational and recreational activities. This initiative has increased school enrollment and reduced dropout rates among children of waste pickers.

ii. Motivation and Behavioral change communication

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre conducted motivation and behavior change sessions in 40 areas, engaging 2,156 participants. The sessions addressed personal and menstrual hygiene, healthy habits, life skills, and social issues such as child marriage and child labor. Emphasis was placed on education, particularly for girls, as a key tool for empowerment. Through discussions and practical demonstrations, participants learned about healthy practices, breaking taboos, and the importance of education. The sessions led to improved hygiene, a stronger commitment to children's education, and increased rejection of harmful traditional practices.

S. No	Govt. Educational Institute	Children facilitated	Boys	Girls
1	Anganwadi, School and College Enrollments	467	236	231
2	Hostels, residential school	61	32	29
3	Mission Vatsalya	12	6	6
	Total served	540	274	266

C. Youth Empowerment and Employability

i. State-level Workshops on employment opportunities, challenges

A state-level workshop on Employment Opportunities and Challenges was held on December 30, 2024, at D Square Convention Hall, chaired by Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar of Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre and attended by 119 students from various districts. The workshop addressed the education–employment gap for rural youth and the need for enhanced employability skills. Chief guest Ms. Saraswati Aiyer called for government action on unemployment, while Mr. Subba Rao encouraged careers in food processing, health, and education, emphasizing mobile technology for skill acquisition. Mr. Medikonda Suneel urged SC and ST youth to focus on skill development for economic empowerment. Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar highlighted food processing, education, and health as sectors with the greatest employment potential.

ii. Interface Meetings with Skill and Entrepreneurship Development Institutions

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre organized five meetings to promote skill development and self-employment among youth, engaging 283 participants from five districts. The sessions highlighted government initiatives such as the updated Skill India Programme, Startup India, and Stand-Up India, which provide training, financial support, and mentorship for young entrepreneurs. DBRC emphasized the importance of gaining work experience, bridging the gap between education and industry needs through apprenticeships, and developing digital skills. The meetings aimed to empower youth to pursue both employment and self-employment opportunities.

S. No	Initiative	Total no. of youth facilitated	Young Men	Young Women
1	Skill Training	87	18	69
2	Self-Employment Schemes	72	5	67

Section 1.3 Environment and Climate Resilience

A. Swachh Andhra and Environmental Sustainability

i. Swacchata Hi Seva Campaign

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre conducted the Swacchata Hi Seva campaign from 15th September to 2nd October across six districts, promoting cleanliness through human chains, pledges, and rallies in collaboration with government departments, schools, and Anganwadis. The campaign engaged 7,032 participants, including students, teachers, and community members, raising awareness about sanitation, waste management, and eco-friendly practices. It emphasized waste segregation, reducing plastic use, and fostering collective responsibility for a sustainable, garbage-free society.

B. Disaster Response and Climate Resilience

i. Response to Floods

In response to the severe floods caused by heavy rains in Andhra Pradesh, which affected over 600,000 families, Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre sought support from Bread for the World. The organization approved the use of reserve funds for emergency relief, enabling DBRC to assist 1,650 families. Funds were used to provide essential groceries, hygiene kits, and other critical supplies, alleviating immediate hardships and meeting basic needs during the crisis. Distribution was coordinated with local authorities and community leaders to ensure timely, transparent, and equitable delivery of aid.

ii. Flood Relief Programs

In response to the floods in Andhra Pradesh, Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre, with support from Amazon-DonateKart, Azim Premji Foundation, and Aid USA, provided relief to waste pickers, daily wage workers, construction laborers, and agricultural workers in the flood-affected areas of NTR, Guntur, and Bapatla districts. Essential items, including groceries, non-food supplies, water bottles, and mosquito coils, were distributed to the most impacted communities. In total, 5,500 families benefited from this support, receiving critical assistance during this challenging period.

iii. Response to Vijayawada Floods (NTR District)

In September 2024, severe floods in NTR district displaced thousands, submerging low-lying areas and disrupting livelihoods. In response, Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre, in collaboration with Azim Premji Foundation, launched a targeted relief operation for vulnerable groups, including migrant workers, construction laborers, and daily wage earners. A systematic enumeration identified 1,500 beneficiaries across 16 localities, including Payakapuram, Prakash Nagar, Singh Nagar, Kandrika, and Krishna Lanka. Beneficiary cards with unique IDs ensured fairness and accountability, while relief kits with dry rations, hygiene supplies, and essential items were distributed through community events with support from ward secretariats and local leaders. DBRC also conducted sensitization programs in flood-prone areas, educating residents on evacuation planning, health precautions, and disaster preparedness.

iv. Response to Guntur District's Floods

In September 2024, Guntur district was severely affected by floods, leaving hundreds of waste picker families homeless and without income. In response, Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre, in partnership with Azim Premji Foundation, launched targeted relief operations. A detailed enumeration identified 700 waste pickers across 17 locations, including Reddy Pallem, Tadepalli, Kakani, Budampadu, and Kolakalluru, ensuring aid reached those most affected. Relief included dry ration kits for 700 families, hygiene kits to prevent health risks, and 350 tarpaulins for temporary shelter. Educational materials were provided to 450 children to help them resume studies. Distribution was conducted transparently using beneficiary cards, with support from community leaders and ward secretariats. DBRC also organized sensitization programs on flood preparedness, hygiene, and disease prevention, equipping families to respond effectively to future emergencies. These efforts provided essential relief while restoring hope and resilience among Guntur's most marginalized communities.

START NETWORK, CAID, and DBRC provided critical cash assistance to 2,063 families, enabling them to address their most urgent needs and make informed recovery decisions. The impact was significant. Families used the support to purchase food and hygiene kits, reducing immediate hunger and disease risk. Many repaired essential household items such as stoves, fans, and wiring, while others began rebuilding damaged homes to ensure safer living conditions. The assistance also supported health and education. Families covered medical expenses for flood-related illnesses, while others paid overdue school fees and bought learning materials, helping children continue their education. Livelihood recovery was another key outcome. Some households repaid loans, avoiding deeper debt. Farmers and labourers invested in seeds and fertilizers to restart cultivation, while livestock owners purchased fodder and began rebuilding their assets.

Section 1.4 Governance and Social Justice

A. Budget Watch and Governance

i. State level pre-budget consultation

State-level pre-budget consultations were held on 12 July 2024 and 18 March 2025, with participation from Budget Watch team members and community leaders. A total of 338 participants attended, discussing the key needs and priorities of Dalit and Adivasi communities for the upcoming budget. The sessions focused on identifying challenges faced by these communities and ensuring their requirements are effectively represented in the next budget allocation.



ii. Representation of Needs to District-Level official and Peoples representatives

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre submitted representations and memoranda to the District Collector and key departments, including Agriculture, Horticulture, MEPMA, the Municipal Corporation, and SC/ST Corporations, advocating for effective implementation of the SC/ST Sub-Plan Act. The submissions emphasized critical needs such as access to land, housing, government schemes, and essential documentation. This sustained representation of needs has strengthened relationships with district authorities, laying the groundwork for ongoing engagement and follow-up. As a result, several departments have demonstrated greater responsiveness to DNT concerns, and community leaders are now better equipped to participate in local decision-making processes.

S. No	Particulars	Achievements
1	Housing	6
2	House sites	8
3	Benefited by 2 welfare Schemes or more	557
4	Benefited by a single welfare scheme	536

iii. District level budget watch team meetings

During this reporting period, district-level Budget Watch team meetings were conducted across all 12 target districts, chaired by the conveners of the respective district committees. Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar addressed discrepancies in the allocation and utilization of funds under the SC/ST Sub-Plan Act, highlighting inefficiencies and unmet community needs. He emphasized the importance of strengthened advocacy to ensure effective implementation of the Act. Approximately 378 committee members participated in these sessions, contributing to discussions on monitoring and improving fund utilization.

iv. Programs on Voter awareness

For voter awareness, DBRC organized 126 programs across 36 mandals, reaching 8,819 community members with support from 397 government officials. The sessions focused on voter registration, educating the community on the process, and encouraging participation. DBRC assisted 1,231 individuals in applying for voter cards, resulting in 1,111 members successfully receiving theirs, promoting greater inclusion and democratic participation among marginalized groups.

v. Undertaking of Studies by DBRC

a. Study on Denotified, Nomadic, and Semi-Nomadic Communities:

The study examined the socio-economic and cultural conditions, access to services, livelihoods, education, and health of over 1,000 households, focusing on barriers to mainstream development programs. One survey covered 997 Denotified, Nomadic, and Semi-Nomadic Tribe households across seven districts, documenting social exclusion, economic vulnerability, limited access to government services, and the communities' cultural identities and aspirations. Findings were contextualized within the 2024 political shift in Andhra Pradesh, when the Telugu Desam Party – Janasena–BJP alliance assumed power. This led to the discontinuation of the village volunteer system, previously crucial for delivering welfare benefits and resolving local issues. The abrupt suspension of Direct Benefit Transfer schemes – including Amma Vodi, YSR Cheyutha, and Rythu Bharosa—caused significant hardship, affecting education and livelihoods. While new welfare programs were announced, delays in implementation heightened vulnerabilities, leaving social security pensions as one of the few uninterrupted sources of support.

b. Study to assess social welfare and Protection Schemes access to STs

DBRC conducted a study on 300 individuals from the Yerukula, Yanadi, and Chenchu tribal communities across six districts of Andhra Pradesh, assessing their awareness, acceptance, accessibility, and use of welfare schemes and social protection services. The findings aim to guide targeted advocacy and strengthen tribal welfare programs. Both this and related studies provide actionable insights to inform policy and enhance community well-being. Additionally, DBRC collaborated with ICFAI University professors to evaluate the state Housing Scheme through focus group discussions and interviews, examining construction progress, amenities, financing, and socio-economic outcomes.



c. State-level consultation on Dalit Adivasi manifesto

The Dalit-Adivasi Manifesto program, focused on the 2024 agenda, was held in Guntur on March 20, 2025, with 72 participants from 10 districts of Andhra Pradesh. The program provided a platform to address grassroots issues and advocate for better government implementation and development for Dalit and Adivasi communities. Key concerns included disparities in political, educational, and employment access, inadequate housing, and the effective use of SC/ST Sub-Plan budgets. Priority demands highlighted were permanent and transparent SC/ST Sub-Plan implementation, increased housing loan amounts, prioritizing Dalit and Adivasi representation in Safai Karmachari positions, and lowering the eligibility age for old-age pensions.



d. Study on Implementation of Housing Schemes

DBRC, in collaboration with ICFAI University professors, conducted a study on the implementation of Andhra Pradesh's Housing Scheme. The study assessed construction progress, beneficiary preferences, amenities, financing mechanisms, and socio-economic impacts, providing valuable insights into the scheme's effectiveness and beneficiaries' experiences.

e. Representation for Effective Programmatic Partnerships

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre has actively represented the effective implementation of the SC/ST Sub-Plan Act to address challenges faced by Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs). The organization reached 169 MLAs and six state officials via registered post and held personal meetings with 60 MLAs. Key advocacy priorities include funding for SC/ST students' meals, increasing Gurukulam enrollment, establishing residential degree colleges, and securing postgraduate scholarships. DBRC also campaigns for reactivating welfare schemes, providing free electricity, and allocating 500 crore for housing support, ensuring equitable access to education, housing, and essential services for these communities.

B. Advancing Social Justice: Honoring Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's Legacy

To mark the birth anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, DBRC organised a photo exhibition in Bapatla showcasing rare photographs of his life, work, and enduring struggle for social justice. The exhibition was inaugurated by Honorable Member of Parliament Mr. T. Krishna Prasad, alongside district officials and local leaders, highlighting the significance of Ambedkar's contributions to Indian society. The exhibition attracted students, community members, and leaders, who appreciated the initiative as an inspiring reminder of Ambedkar's vision of liberty, equality, and fraternity. Through this event, DBRC aimed to foster awareness of social justice principles and encourage reflection on the ongoing relevance of Ambedkar's ideals in promoting inclusive development and equality.

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Impact Stories

Mrs. Kowragiri Chanti, Woman leader:

Mrs. Kowragiri Chanti (33), from the Yanadi tribal community, lives in the ST colony of the 50th Division in Eluru district. A mother of five, she grew up in a family with no formal education and continues to face extreme poverty alongside her husband. Her family's daily reality once included food insecurity, social stigma, poor living conditions, lack of basic documentation, and persistent health challenges. In 2018, DBRC began working in her community, fostering unity and raising awareness on education and social rights. Inspired by these efforts and supported by a local Anganwadi teacher, Chanti learned to read and write, gaining confidence and a strong belief in the transformative power of education—especially for women and children.



Chanti emerged as a community leader, driven by the conviction that women must break their own barriers to achieve dignity. Actively engaging in DBRC initiatives, she helped community members access essential documents such as Aadhaar cards, ration cards, caste, and income certificates—critical for accessing government entitlements. She also played a key role in mobilizing waste picker households, raising awareness, and establishing the first DWACRA (self-help) group in the colony. Through this, she supported women in reducing dependence on high-interest loans, encouraging savings, and improving financial stability. In recognition of her leadership, DBRC honored her with the Best Women Leader Award in 2023. Today, Chanti continues to amplify the voices of her community, embodying her belief in speaking out—not to shout, but to ensure the voiceless are heard.

Ensuring Access to Education for the Most Marginalized Children

“Today’s children are tomorrow’s citizens” – yet for many children from marginalized communities, barriers such as caste, occupation, and poverty continue to deny them access to education. The Dalit Bahujan Resource Center (DBRC) is working to change this reality by supporting out-of-school and dropout children from waste picker families living in extreme conditions. At the Naidupet dumping yard in Guntur, 33 families live amidst hazardous waste, with no basic facilities. The environment is highly polluted and unsafe, and all residents are non-literate. These families, engaged in waste picking, face deep social exclusion—often unable to access government institutions or receive basic entitlements.

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DBRC engaged directly with the community to understand their challenges and identified education as a critical pathway to breaking the cycle of poverty and exclusion. The organization conducted awareness programs for both children and parents, emphasizing the importance of literacy and using inspirational stories of individuals from marginalized backgrounds who transformed their lives through education. To bring children into the education system, DBRC initiated summer camps focused on building trust and interest in learning through creative activities such as singing, dancing, drawing, and games. Participation grew from 8 to 23 children within just 15 days. A teacher was then appointed to provide foundational learning, including basic literacy, numeracy, and life skills.

Recognizing the importance of health and hygiene, DBRC provided children with essential personal care items—such as toothbrushes, soap, oil, and combs—and encouraged regular use to improve their well-being. After two months of preparation, the children were enrolled in a government school located 4 km away. When lack of Aadhaar cards prevented access to mid-day meals, uniforms, and textbooks, DBRC facilitated the application process, ensuring all children received their documentation and entitlements. To address the challenge of distance and ensure regular attendance, DBRC arranged transportation to and from school. Today, the children demonstrate significant progress. They are regularly attending school, receiving appreciation from teachers, and showing visible improvements in both learning and living conditions—marking an important step toward inclusion, dignity, and a better future.

Empowering Rural Youth: DBRC Facilitates ₹10 Lakh Dairy Farm Venture Under PMEGP

Mrs. Kukatla Bhulakshmi, a Scheduled Caste woman from Lakkavaram village in Thulluru Mandal, Prakasam district, completed her education up to the intermediate level. After marrying within her caste against her parents' wishes, both families initially distanced themselves from the couple, leaving them socially and emotionally isolated. The Dalit Bahujan Resource Center (DBRC) intervened by engaging with both families, facilitating dialogue, and successfully reuniting them with her husband's family. DBRC further supported the couple by encouraging their participation in district-level youth training programs and connecting them with relevant government officials to address their concerns.

To strengthen their economic stability, DBRC created awareness about government welfare schemes, particularly the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme



(PMEGP). With guidance on eligibility, subsidies, and loan repayment processes, the couple decided to establish a dairy farm unit, leveraging their family's agricultural background. With DBRC's support, they applied online for a ₹10,00,000 bank loan under PMEGP for the financial year 2024–25. In March 2025, in coordination with the District Industries Centre, the District Rural Development Agency, and the bank, the loan was successfully sanctioned and disbursed through the Eastern Ganagavaram branch to set up the enterprise. Bhulakshmi now advocates for rural youth to move beyond reliance on limited government job opportunities and instead utilize available government schemes to build sustainable livelihoods and address unemployment.

From Uncertainty to Stability: Mididudla Dwaraka Journey to Dignity and Security

Mididudla Dwaraka (23), from the Yanadi Scheduled Tribe community, lives in New Raja Rajeswari Pet. A mother of three—including two daughters—and the wife of a person with a disability, she previously relied on waste picking as the sole means of sustaining her family. Their living conditions were highly unstable, often depending on temporary shelter or the support of others. The family also lacked basic identity and entitlement documents.

The Dalit Bahujan Resource Center (DBRC) supported Dwaraka in securing essential documents, including Aadhaar cards, ration cards, and caste certificates, enabling access to government services. DBRC also facilitated the enrollment of her two daughters in the Navajeevan Hostel, ensuring continuity in their education. In 2024, with DBRC's support, the family secured permanent housing (Block No. 4, GF-2), marking a significant transition from homelessness to stability. Additionally, DBRC enabled her husband to access a monthly disability pension of ₹6,000, which now contributes substantially to meeting the family's basic needs. Through these interventions—covering education, entitlements, housing, and social security—DBRC has helped transform Dwaraka's life from uncertainty to a more secure and dignified future.



Seeds of Change:

Nandigam Nageswara Rao's Journey into Profitable Natural Farming

Nandigam Nageswara Rao, a smallholder farmer from the Scheduled Caste community, resides in Gorantla Village, Sathenapalli Mandal, Palnadu District, and owns one acre of land. The Dalit Bahujan Resource Center (DBRC) facilitated the introduction of natural farming in his village by organizing a meeting with Mrs. Sailaja, a representative of Zero Budget Natural Farming (ZBNF). Following this, several farmers, including Nageswara Rao, adopted organic and natural farming practices.



In 2024, DBRC supported farmers in accessing inputs through the SC Corporation, including 12 varieties of seeds such as red gram, maize, urad, green gram, millets (sajja and proso millet), and other pulses—21 seed types in total. Each farmer also received essential materials worth 10,000, including storage drums (100-litre and 20-litre), additional containers, and tarpaulin sheets to support cultivation and storage. Farmers reported improved yields and profitability, particularly from maize cultivation. They adopted sustainable practices by preparing organic inputs such as jeevamrutham and ganamrutham, reducing dependence on chemical fertilizers and pesticides. Nageswara Rao highlights that natural farming has not only improved farm income but also contributed to better health and overall well-being, demonstrating the potential of sustainable agriculture for smallholder farmers.

Ramayya Quiet Miracle: A Family Transformed

Initiative: Tetra Pak Program | Location: Tirupati | Year: 2025

Ramayya, a daily-wage labourer living near the C. Rama Puram dump yard in Tirupati, struggled with extreme livelihood insecurity alongside his wife. In the absence of regular work, the couple depended on informal scrap collection from roadsides and public spaces, earning meagre and unpredictable incomes. Without basic identity documents such as Aadhaar and ration cards, they were excluded from government services, and their children remained out of school. In 2025, the Dalit Bahujan Resource Center (DBRC) engaged Ramayya through its Tetra Pak recycling initiative. Initially hesitant, he gradually built trust through consistent outreach and guidance. With DBRC's support, the family transitioned from unorganized scrap collection to systematic waste segregation at the C. Rama Puram dump yard, focusing on recyclable materials, particularly Tetra Pak cartons.

Through training and handholding, they learned safe and efficient methods of collection, segregation, and handling of recyclables. This shift improved both the quantity and quality of materials collected, resulting in more stable and predictable income. While the work remained physically demanding, it became more organized and dignified. In parallel, DBRC facilitated access to essential identity documents, including Aadhaar and ration cards, enabling the family to access welfare schemes. Their children were also enrolled in evening tuition classes, helping them reconnect with education and begin bridging learning gaps. Though life near the dump yard continues to present challenges, the family now experiences greater stability, confidence, and hope. With improved livelihoods, access to entitlements, and renewed focus on their children's education, Ramayya's family is steadily moving toward a more secure and dignified future.

Project: Life-Saving Humanitarian Assistance for the Most Marginalized

Location: Kolluru, Bapatla District

Rebba Yesamma, a 55-year-old widow from Pesaralanka, has faced lifelong hardship. Born into a farming family, she worked as a low-paid labourer, earning less than men. After her husband died in an accident, she became the sole provider for her family. Living in a flood-prone island village, she has endured repeated disasters. During a recent severe flood, her home was submerged, leaving her without food or clean water for two days. Relief came when Christian Aid and DBRC provided financial assistance and hygiene support. Receiving a beneficiary card restored her sense of dignity and hope, and within two days, funds were deposited into her account—bringing immense relief and gratitude. The support not only helped her recover but also renewed hope within her community. Yesamma's story highlights resilience and the life-changing impact of timely humanitarian assistance.

Project Name: Cash Assistance to Godavari Floods affected population

Location: Velerupadu Mandal of Eluru District, Andhra Pradesh

Chilakani Rajyalakshmi, a woman with a disability from Rudramkota village at the confluence of the Godavari and Sabari rivers, lives in a flood-prone area. During an unprecedented flood, rising waters inundated her home in the early hours, forcing urgent evacuation as roads disappeared and panic spread. Despite her disability, Rajyalakshmi carried her children through cold floodwaters to reach a nearby hill, where many villagers had gathered in distress. They remained stranded for 12 days with no electricity, limited supplies, and growing risks of snake bites and illness. Although some food was available, the family lacked cash for essential needs. At this critical time, DBRC/CA provided 4,000 in direct cash assistance, enabling immediate relief. The organization also supported the family in accessing government entitlements for recovery and rebuilding. Reflecting on the experience, Rajyalakshmi shared: “I thought we wouldn’t survive... But DBRC/CA came like a miracle and gave us the help we needed.” This experience, while deeply challenging, strengthened her resilience. Today, she faces the future with greater confidence, knowing that support and hope are possible even in times of crisis.

Chapter-3 Strengthening the Organisation

3.1. Staff Capacity Building

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre staff underwent comprehensive training to enhance skills and program impact. Hari Babu taught techniques for writing case studies and success stories to document and showcase DBRC initiatives, boosting advocacy and awareness. Dr. Uma Maheswara Rao trained staff on practical survey methodologies for accurate data collection, while Bhaskar guided them on



capturing high-quality photographs using seven essential visual documentation skills. Aravind spoke on B.R. Ambedkar's ideology, emphasizing empathy and understanding when engaging marginalized communities. This multi-faceted training equipped staff to engage communities effectively, document successes, and advocate for social change with greater impact.

3.2. Trainings for OLC Teachers

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre engaged a local child protection and development expert to support its initiatives. The trainer provided guidance, conducted assessments, and shared best practices tailored to the local context. He trained OLC teachers on effective teaching methods, creating child-friendly learning environments, and addressing diverse student needs to ensure quality, inclusive education.

3.3. Inauguration of DBRC Resource Centre, Gorantla, Guntur – 2 April 2024

On 2 April 2024, Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre (DBRC) inaugurated its new Resource Centre building at Gorantla, Guntur, with Mr. Ananda Babu as chief guest. Chaired by Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar, the event was attended by DBRC staff, Dalit and Tribal community members, women leaders, and representatives from NGOs and CBOs across the state. The inauguration featured speeches, testimonies, cultural performances by Children's Science Center students, and participatory activities, marking a significant milestone and a long-cherished achievement for the organization.

Mr. Alladi Deva Kumar emphasized that the new building strengthens DBRC's commitment to empowering Dalits, Tribes, and women. He highlighted collaboration with government agencies to ensure SC/ST communities access central and state schemes, supplemented by grassroots surveys to advocate for solutions to community challenges.

Mr. Bolimera Anand Kumar praised DBRC's unique approach and nationwide impact, noting the building as a symbol of self-respect for Dalits and Tribes. He stressed the importance of institutional presence for organizations dedicated to community development and encouraged DBRC to expand its efforts across sectors.

Mr. Korivi Vinay Kumar highlighted DBRC's success beyond DBF's traditional movement focus, achieving social and economic development while preserving cultural consciousness. Mr. Y. Jayaraju underscored the need for selfless collaboration, viewing resource centers as empowerment hubs for SC/ST communities, and commended DBRC as a model initiative. Ms. Gaddam Jhansi observed that the dedicated building strengthens social transformation efforts and serves as inspiration, noting that dominant communities maintain central offices to support development activities. The event brought together dignitaries, coordinators, mobilizers, volunteers, and stakeholders, celebrating DBRC's continued dedication to community empowerment.

Chapter-4

Partnerships and Collaborations

4.1. Partnership under the National Action for Mechanized Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE) initiative

The central government's National Action for Mechanized Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE) initiative aims to improve the living and working conditions of informal waste collectors, hair pickers, and contract laborers across India. It focuses on four key areas: official recognition, better working conditions, social security, and fostering dignity and equality. Under NAMASTE, waste pickers will be registered, provided with mechanized tools, covered under Ayushman Bharat and e-Shram, and offered scholarships for their children, integrating them into the broader economic development framework.

4.2. Interface meetings with Municipal corporation, MEPMA, SC, ST Corporation, Housing, and other departments

DBRC organized interface meetings to strengthen community engagement with government departments, including the Municipal Corporation and SC/ST Corporation. Participants received guidance on government programs, raised concerns, and accessed tailored support for financial aid, housing, and livelihoods. These interactions fostered trust, enhanced sustainable livelihood opportunities, and promoted collaborative partnerships between the community and government.

4.3. Mandal-level orientation meetings for the Dalit Adivasi Women on Government welfare and development schemes

Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre conducted 39 Mandal-level orientation meetings, reaching 1,794 Dalit and Adivasi women to raise awareness of government welfare schemes. Women's group leaders and government officials guided participants on accessing benefits, providing accurate, community-tailored information. The sessions educated women on available programs, boosting confidence and enabling effective use of support. These orientations strengthened empowerment, enhanced awareness, and fostered a more informed and resilient community.

4.4. Collaboration with Municipal Corporations

Following a notification from the National Safai Karamcharis Finance & Development Corporation (NSKFDC), Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre has prioritized waste picker welfare across six districts in Andhra Pradesh, starting with the identification of waste pickers in 30 municipalities and municipal corporations.

4.5. In Partnership with Tetra Pak

In November 2024, DBRC, in partnership with Tetra Pak, launched the "Enhancing Access to

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Entitlements, Livelihoods, Health, and Environmental Sustainability” project in Tirupati, supporting waste picker communities through four pillars: livelihood enhancement with tricycles and pushcarts, education via three Outdoor Learning Centers for ~90 children, health and social security awareness, and training on safety, social security schemes, and leadership. Key achievements include five training sessions reaching 150 waste workers, health and hygiene campaigns, and climate change awareness programs. On March 21, 2025, the project donated 10 steel pushcarts to Tirupati Municipal Corporation, distributed 23 tricycles/pushcarts (totaling 59), and launched a recycling awareness campaign across 21 areas, engaging 10,000 residents. Community visits showed increased incomes, greater environmental awareness, and strong support for a proposed Tetra Pak buyback mechanism. A debriefing session highlighted the project’s rapid, impactful implementation as a replicable model for community empowerment.

4.6. Summary of collaborations

S. No	Partnering Donor	Title of the Project	Area of Operation
1.	Bread for the World	Empowerment of Dalit Bahujan Communities	Guntur, NTR, Eluru, Prakasam, Bapatla, Palnadu Districts of Andhra Pradesh
2.	Azim Premji Foundation	Providing mediation, legal aid and facilitating access to social security entitlements to informal sector workers	Guntur, NTR, Bapatla, Palnadu, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh.
3.	Azim Premji Foundation	Access to Dignity and Justice (Empowering Waste Pickers and Hair Pickers)	Guntur, NTR, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
4.	AID	After School learning Project	Guntur, NTR, Eluru, Andhra Pradesh
5.	National Safai Karmachari Finance development corporation (NSKFDC)	Enumeration of Waste Pickers into NAMASTE Scheme in 7 districts of Andhra Pradesh and 6 districts in Telangana	7 Districts of Andhra Pradesh, 6 Districts of Telangana
7.	Tetra Pak	Enhancing livelihood access and promoting health and safety for waste pickers and sanitary workers in Tirupati.	Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh.
8.	Tetra Pak	Profiling of Waste Pickers	Hyderabad and 5 other districts of Telangana
9	Christian Aid UK, APF, BfDW, Amazon DonateKart	Response to Krishna River floods	Bapatla, Guntur, NTR, Palnadu Districts
10	Christian Aid	Response to Godavari Floods	Eluru District

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4.7. List of Events:

S. No.	Name of the Event	Participant Category	Participants
1	External Trainings (OLC teachers)	Children	35
2	State level DNT Summit	DNT	170
3	Organizing Exposure Visits to the farmers to Krishi Vigyan Kendras	Farmers	117
4	Interface meetings between Dalit Adivasi Farmers and Agri Allied Departments	Farmers	274
5	Promoting Sustainable and organic farming practices	Farmers	564
6	Awareness Generation on Crop Cultivators Act 2019	Farmers	564
7	Orientation to the SC ST farmers at Mandal level	Farmers	664
8	Budget Watch	SC/ST	120
9	State level pre-budget consultation	SC/ST	338
10	Advocacy Intervention with district-level officials and People's representatives	SC/ST	225
11	State level consultation on Dalit Adivasi manifesto	SC/ST	72
12	Interface meetings with Municipal corporation, MEPMA, SC/ST Corporation, Housing and other departments	SC/ST	1,225
13	District level budget watch team meetings	SC/ST/WP/ DNT	378
14	Study to assess social welfare and Protection Schemes access to STs	ST	300
15	Adivasi Dhinotsavam (Tribal Festival)	ST	950
16	District level training on Gender equality and justice	Women	334
17	Organising grassroot women community leadership summit	Women	193
18	District level Training to the Women on their Protective laws	Women	427
19	State level training to women on leadership	Women	45
20	Mandal level orientation meetings to the Dalit Adivasi Women on Government welfare and development schemes	Women	1794
21	Flood Response	Women	5500

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22	Response to Vijayawada Floods (NTR District)	Women	1500
23	Response to Guntur District's Floods	Women	700
24	External Trainings (Bonded Labour and Trafficking)	Women	29
25	Response to Floods	Families	7360
26	Facilitating the General body meeting of the cooperative	WP	436
27	Support for strengthening livelihoods	WP	106
28	Building Capacities of the members of the governing body of the cooperative	WP	30
29	Annual Conference of Waste Pickers	WP	140
30	Motivation and Behavioural change communication	WP/DNT	2156
31	Skill Training to the Waste pickers & DNT	WP/DNT	46
32	State-level Workshops on employment opportunities, challenges	Youth	119
33	Interface meetings with Skill & entrepreneurship development institutions	Youth	283
34	Studies conducted by the DBRC	Youth	300
35	Swachhata Hi Campaign	Youth/ Anganwadis	7,032

Chapter-4

Public Engagements and Recognition

5.1. DBRC Recognized for Service on 76th Republic Day

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S. No.	Category	Amount (₹)
1	Total Income	6,29,97,179.00
2	Programme Expenses	4,25,53,659.00
3	Administrative Costs	49,67,491.00
4	Disaster Response	1,60,01,482.00

Chapter-7

Looking Ahead

As DBRC moves forward, the organization is committed to deepening and expanding its work across livelihood security, labour rights, climate resilience, and governance accountability. Building on its grassroots presence, DBRC will continue to strengthen community-based institutions and nurture local leadership, particularly among women, youth, and persons from marginalized backgrounds, enabling them to actively participate in decision-making processes that shape their lives.

A key priority is the promotion of sustainable and diversified livelihoods for informal workers, including access to skill development, social protection, and market linkages. DBRC also aims to enhance educational support for vulnerable children by improving access, retention, and learning outcomes, while integrating digital tools and community-driven support systems. Strengthening engagement with government institutions and civil society organizations will remain central to ensuring accountability, improved service delivery, and the effective implementation of welfare entitlements.

Looking ahead, DBRC recognizes the need to address emerging and structural challenges faced by Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST), and Denotified communities in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. This includes investing in climate-adaptive livelihoods in disaster-prone and forest-dependent regions, expanding access to digital inclusion and financial services, and addressing barriers to land rights and secure housing. The organization will also explore innovative approaches to support safe migration, reduce vulnerability to exploitation, and improve access to healthcare and nutrition in underserved areas.

In response to evolving socio-economic realities, DBRC aims to integrate data-driven planning, community-led monitoring, and technology-enabled solutions to improve program effectiveness and outreach. There is also a growing need to address issues of identity, social stigma, and exclusion faced by Denotified and nomadic communities through targeted advocacy, legal awareness, and inclusion in mainstream development programs.

Through sustained collaboration, innovation, and collective effort, DBRC remains committed to advancing dignity, equality, and social justice. The organization will continue to amplify the voices of marginalized communities, ensuring they have equitable access to opportunities, resources, and systems that enable long-term, transformative change.

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Abbreviations & Acronyms

ASHA	Accredited Social Health Activist
CSR	Corporate Social Responsibility
CCR cards	.....	Crop Cultivator Rights Cards
CSO	.....	Civil Society Organization
DNT / NT	.....	Denotified Communities and Nomadic Tribes
DBRC	.....	Dalit Bahujan Resource Centre
FPO	.....	Farmers Producers' Organisation
IAS	.....	Indian Administrative Services
IPS	.....	Indian Police Services
KVK	.....	Krishi Vignana Kendra
MEPMA	.....	Mission for Elimination of Poverty in Municipal Areas
MLA	.....	Member of Legislative Assembly
MRO	.....	Mandal Revenue Officer
NABARD	.....	National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development
OLC	.....	Outdoor Learning Centre
PHC	.....	Primary Healthcare Centre
POSH	Prevention of Sexual Harassment
SC	Scheduled Caste
SHGs	Self-Help Groups
ST	Scheduled Tribe

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