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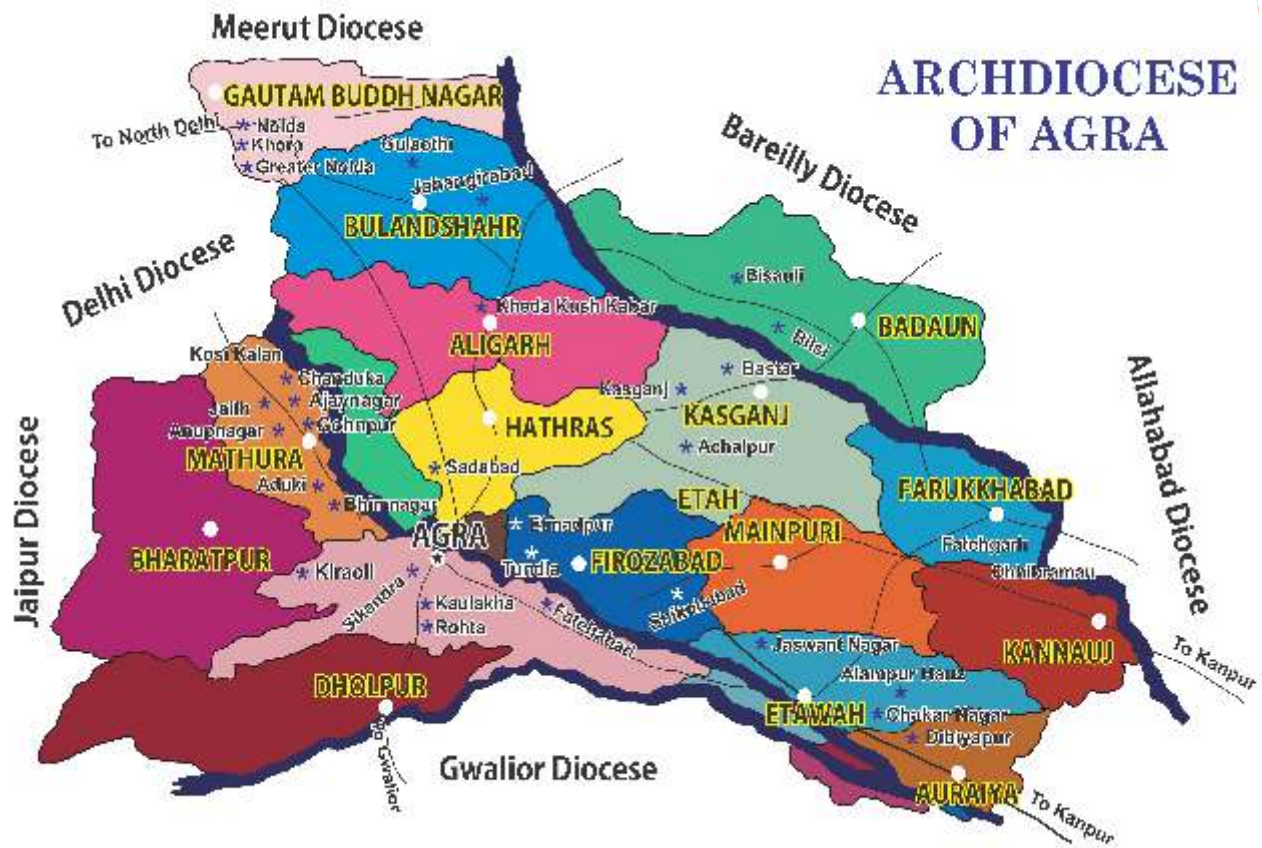
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TRANSFORMATION FOR BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE



AGRA CATHOLIC DIOCESE SAMAJ SEVA SANSTHA



Visit by Italian Bishop Conference, Italy



Visit of Don Claudio Francesconi (Economor General of Italian Bishop Conference) and Bishop Johannes Gorantla (Bishop of Kurnool)

BACK GROUND

Agra Catholic Diocese Samaj Seva Sanstha (ACDSSS) is a non-profit making, charitable voluntary organization registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860. The organization is the Social Service Unit of the Catholic Archdiocese of Agra encompassing 16 districts of U.P. and 2 districts of Rajasthan. It came into existence in the year 1993. The main thrust of ACDSSS is to organize socio-economic, educational and health promoting activities aimed at improving the quality of life of the deprived and the underprivileged people of the society.

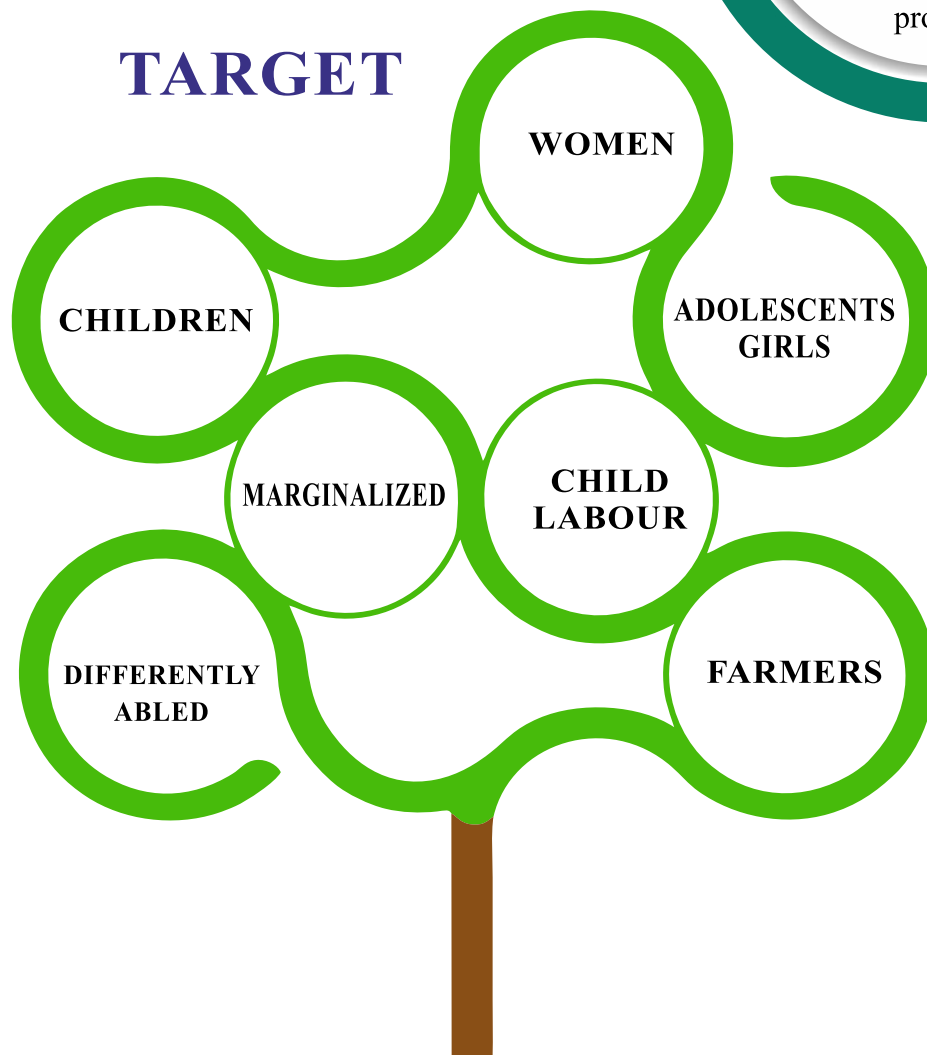
VISION

Visualize a humane society based on the values of equality, distributive justice, secularism, love, brotherhood, Peace, respect and dignity.

MISSION

To strive for humane society of sustainable development based on the principles of equality, distributive justice & secularism in solidarity with marginalized through the empowerment process.

TARGET



Forward By The Director

It gives me great pleasure to present the Annual Report of Agra Catholic Diocese Samaj Seva Sanstha (ACDSSS) for the year 2025–26. This report reflects our continued commitment to serve the poor, marginalized, and vulnerable sections of society with dedication, compassion, and integrity.



Throughout the year, ACDSSS has remained steadfast in its mission of reaching out to those in need through various developmental and humanitarian initiatives. Our efforts have been focused on empowering communities, promoting sustainable livelihoods, improving health and education, and upholding the dignity of every individual.

The year 2025–26 has been particularly significant as we witnessed the successful completion of several important projects. The EED project in 20 villages of Tundla and the CHDP project in 20 villages of Marhara Block, Etah District, have been brought to a fruitful conclusion, leaving a lasting impact on the communities they served. These initiatives have contributed meaningfully towards community development, especially in the areas of health awareness, women empowerment, and child development.

We are also grateful for the successful implementation of the Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) project in Bastar, carried out in collaboration with JVS, Varanasi. This partnership has enabled us to extend our reach and provide inclusive support to persons with disabilities, ensuring their integration and participation in society.

While we celebrate these achievements, we remain aware of the ongoing challenges faced by the communities we serve. ACDSSS continues to strive towards innovative and sustainable solutions, strengthening partnerships, and responding effectively to emerging needs.

I take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all our partners, donors, staff, volunteers, and well-wishers for their unwavering support and cooperation. Their contributions have been instrumental in making our mission a reality.

As we move forward, we renew our commitment to serve with greater zeal and dedication, working together for a more just, equitable, and compassionate society.

Fr. Anthony Maria Jude

Director
Agra Catholic Diocese Samaj Seva Sanstha (ACDSSS)

PASSING ON THE BATON



On 26th July 2026, Rev. Fr. Vergheese was transferred from ACDSSS. Rev. Fr. Anthony Maria Jude was appointed as the new Director of the organization. In the Governing Body meeting held on the same day, Fr. Vergheese formally handed over the charge and all official documents to Fr. Anthony Maria Jude. After the meeting, His Excellency the Archbishop Raphy Manjaly, President along with the Governing Body members, ceremonially installed the new appointed Director by inviting him to take his seat in the Director's office. The staff members also extended a warm welcome to Director Fr. Anthony Maria Jude.



Governing Body Members



Welcome by ACDSSS Staff

Women Empowerment (WEP)

The Women's Empowerment Program is a structured initiative aimed at equipping women with essential skills, resources, and opportunities to overcome systemic gender discrimination. It enables women to gain control over their lives, make strategic choices, and actively participate in social, economic, and political spheres.

The program adopts a holistic approach through multiple empowerment strategies: education for rights awareness and skill development; economic empowerment via training, microfinance, and entrepreneurship support; social and psychological empowerment to build confidence and community participation; health and safety interventions addressing gender-based violence and reproductive well-being; and legal empowerment to ensure access to justice and awareness of rights related to marriage, inheritance, and protection from violence.

Key Achievements (Reporting Period): 113 Self-Help Groups (SHGs) were formed, comprising 1,576 members, along with the creation of 15 clusters.

Self Help Group

❖ No. of Self Help Group	-	113
❖ Total Saving till Now	-	39,52,150/-
❖ Total Member	-	1576 women
❖ Individual Loan for productive Activity	-	50 women (Provision shop, Buffalo Purchased, Bangals making, Cow Purchased, Petty Shop)
❖ Loan for Group Activity	-	2 villages- 22 women (Bangle Design)

Health Entitlements

Sl. No.	Entitlements	Beneficiaries	Sl. No.	Entitlements	Beneficiaries
1	Weight and Height	3540	11	Pregnant Women T.T. 1 st & 2 nd	500
2	Nutritional food for children	2959	12	Iron Tablets	684
3	Nutritional food for pregnant women	1167	13	Antenatal Care Check up	152
4	N Nutritional food for lactating women	2024	14	ASHA, ANM, Anganwadi visit	297
5	TT for Adolescent Girls	305	15	CHC/PHC VISIT	66
6	BCG	188	16	Block visit	10
7	Penta	747	17	Pradhan visit	93
8	Measles	704	18	Jan Seva Kendra	113
9	Booster	1002	19	CMO visit	4
10	Polio	2176			

Resource Mobilization

Sl. No.	Resources	Received	Sl. No.	Resources	Received
1	Old age pension	52	12	Bore Well	04
2	Widow pension	50	13	Old age pension KYC	51
3	Sukanya Yojana	37	14	Widow pension KYC	43
4	Marriage grant	14	15	Bank KYC	54
5	Toilets	113	16	Ration Unit	94
6	Caste certificate	67	17	Bank Account	18
7	Aadhar Card	176	18	E Shram card	62
8	Income certificate	72	19	Aayushman Card	282
9	Ration Card	109	20	Janane Suraksha Yojana	44
10	Drainage Cleaning	30 villages	21	Pond Cleaning	09
11	Housing Scheme	02 for PWD	22	Mosquito Spray	20 villages

Impact (Success Story)

My name is Mrs. Nirmala Devi, wife of Mr. Vinod. I have four children — three daughters and one son — and we live in Beherampur village. My husband works as a daily labourer, but his earnings were very low. It was extremely difficult to manage the family. I could not provide proper food or education for my children. I heard about the ACDSSS organization from Mrs. Meena (Animator). She told me how the organization works with women through Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in the villages. I attended one of their meetings and joined the Gayathri Ma SHG, which was formed on 23/11/2023. I started saving ₹200 per month.

In August 2025, I requested a loan of ₹20,000 from the group. With this loan, I purchased a masala grinding machine. I went to the wholesale market and bought items such as dals, garam masala, and other provisions that could be ground using the machine. Women from different villages now come to my house for grinding masala and other items. I also sell provisions from my home. By the end of September, I earned a profit of ₹1,500. The next month, my profit increased to ₹2,000. Now I am able to provide good education and better food for my children.

I am very happy and grateful to the ACDSSS organization for making me a confident and empowered woman in my village.





Awareness Through film Show



Remedial Classes



Training on Cluster formation for SHG members



Training on Entrepreneurship



Exposure visit



Goat distribution for livelihood



Women's Day celebration



Medical Camp

Community Health Development Programme (CHDP)

Introduction

Uttar Pradesh, India's most populous state, faces a high burden of diseases. Malaria, diarrhoea, tuberculosis, hepatitis, HIV/AIDS, and dengue are major public health concerns in Marhera Block of Etah District. Skin diseases are also common in rural areas due to poor sanitation and hygiene.

A large proportion of the population suffers from water-borne and airborne diseases, mainly due to limited access to safe drinking water, inadequate sanitation, and low hygiene awareness. The state's literacy rate is 67.68% (male: 77.28%, female: 57.18%), with lower female literacy affecting health and nutrition awareness.

Over the past year, the project team conducted awareness programs focused on empowering women, promoting immunization, safe institutional deliveries, breastfeeding, and nutritious diets for mothers and children.

Training/Events

"Under the project, **201 events** were successfully organized, reaching **9,186 participants** (primarily Health Workers, ASHAs, Anganwadi Workers, community members, parents, and adolescent girls). The interventions focused on strengthening capacities of frontline workers, promoting key MCH/RCH practices, improving nutrition awareness through practical demonstrations and kitchen gardens, and enhancing community-level awareness on TB, HIV/AIDS, dengue, menstrual hygiene, and sanitation through camps, talks, and coordination with PHCs and VHSNCs

Resource Mobilization

Sl. No.	Resource	Received	Sl. No.	Resource	Received
1	Old age Pension	4	15	Widow pension	10
2	Handicap Pension	2	16	Income Certificate	26
3	Aadhar Card	1 (44 KYC)	17	Grant for Marriage	25
4	PM Housing	3	18	ABHA Card	130
5	New Hand Pump	15	19	Hand Pump Repair	24
6	Pavement New	760mt.	20	Pavement Repair	411mt.
7	School visit	45	21	Toilet facility	11
8	New Drainage	1360mt.	22	Drainage Cleaning	48655mt.
9	Call to CM Helpline	11 times	23	BPL/APL Card	5 (10 KYC)
10	Caste Certificate	25	24	BDO visit	25
11	CMO visit	9	25	PHC visit	74
12	CHC visit	45	26	Ayushman Card	56
13	Birth Certificate	7	27	Vermi Composed	46
14	KYC for Nutrition food distribution	1702			

Major Achievements

- ❖ 313 women have started drinking boiled water for safe consumption.
- ❖ 246 women are regularly using mosquito nets to prevent mosquito-borne diseases.
- ❖ 374 women are now paying serious attention to personal hygiene.
- ❖ 877 Women and 845 adolescent girls are fully aware of HIV/AIDS.
- ❖ 614 Women and 528 adolescent girls are now aware of tuberculosis (T.B.)
- ❖ 117 Mahila Mandal meetings were conducted with the participation of 1,537 women.
- ❖ 302 adolescent girls are focusing on maintaining proper hygiene during menstruation.
- ❖ 214 women and adolescent girls have become aware of the importance of organic and nutritious kitchen gardens.
- ❖ 942 pregnant women, lactating mothers and adolescent girls are now consuming more nutritious diets.
- ❖ 907 mothers have fed their newborn babies with first milk (colostrum) immediately after birth.
- ❖ 366 safe institutional deliveries took place in hospitals.
- ❖ 873 Pregnant women had their weight monitored during pregnancy.
- ❖ 114 kitchen gardens were established in the project area.
- ❖ Vaccination of (0-1years) children –BCG-361, Penta-773, IPV-443, PCU-474, Rota-456, Booster-448

Impact (SUCCESS STORY)

Community Initiative Leads to Cleaning of Pond in Nagla Manshi Village

For nearly a decade, the pond in Nagla Manshi village had remained neglected and filled with stagnant water. During the rainy season, the situation worsened as water from the pond overflowed into nearby houses and flooded village roads. This waterlogging created unhygienic conditions, increased the risk of mosquitoes, and heightened the threat of infectious diseases, causing great inconvenience to the villagers. Through the Community Health Development Programme (CHDP) implemented by Agra Catholic Diocese Samaj Seva Sanstha (ACDSSS), regular awareness meetings were conducted with Mahila Mandals (Women's Groups), Kishori Mandals (Adolescent Girls' Groups), and children's clubs. These meetings encouraged community members to discuss local problems and find collective solutions. On 7 June 2025, during a Mahila Mandal meeting in Nagla Manshi village, the women raised the issue of the neglected pond. They collectively decided that action must be taken to resolve the problem. With the support of the project team, a request letter was prepared by field worker Ms. Ruby. The letter was handed over to Mrs. Rekha Devi, a member of the women's group. Taking the initiative, she involved her son Sachin, who submitted the complaint through the Chief Minister's online grievance portal on 16 June 2025.

Soon after, on **20 June 2025**, the **village Pradhan, Mr. Dhaniram**, contacted the villagers regarding the request. Responding promptly to the community's concern, he arranged for the pond to be cleaned. On **25 June 2025**, the long-neglected pond in Nagla Manshi village was finally cleaned.

Impact

The cleaning of the pond brought immediate relief to the community. The removal of stagnant water significantly reduced mosquito breeding and helped lower the risk of waterborne and vector-borne diseases. The roads became accessible again, and waterlogging around houses was eliminated.

More importantly, the initiative strengthened the confidence of the villagers — especially the women's group members — who realized that their collective voice could bring about positive change. This

experience has encouraged the community to actively raise other development issues and collaborate with local authorities for the overall betterment of their village.

This success story highlights the power of community participation, awareness, and collective action in addressing local challenges and improving living conditio

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Orientation training for the project staff



Project Orientation, Capacity Building To CHDP Staff on
RBM : Result Based Management
MIS: Management Information System



Workshop on IEC Designing & Planning



Village level campaign on Mother Child Health



Training on nutritional diets making at village level



Promoting Nutrition Kitchen Garden



Community Cooking, display of indigenous food products



2.5 Health talks by the Health workers



Session on Menstrual Health and Hygiene for Parents and Adolescent Girls



T.B. Test Medical camp through Government



Medical camps in collaboration with PHCs (T.B., DOT, Waterborne diseases, etc.)



Village level awareness classes on T.B., HIV/AIDS, Dengue etc. and cleanliness drive



Monitoring & Evaluation Meeting with Director



ACDSSS IN PAPER MEDIA

SIGHTSAVERS

National Trucker Eye Health Programme (Agra, Mathura, Hathras & Palwal District in Uttar Pradesh and Haryana State) (January 2025 to March 2026)

ACDSSS partnered with **Sightsavers** to provide essential eye care services to truckers, cleaners, conductors, Professional Drivers and mechanics.

- ACDSSS conducted 81 camps in collaboration with Gial Gas, Chola 9 and Cubu Roots.
- **5534 beneficiaries** screened
- 3979 spectacles distributed to those in need
- 185 referrals made for advanced treatment
- 1370 people eye site were ok.
- Awareness campaigns on the importance of eye health for safe driving

Truckers play a vital role in India's economy, yet remain highly vulnerable to vision problems. This programme ensured accessible and affordable eye care, directly contributing to **road safety and driver well-being**.





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Monitoring visit done by the local representative (Gail Gas, Cube Roots)





Disability Day



Awareness Through Film Show



Exposure Visit



Training on Gender



Training on Environment



Mahila Diwas



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