



BALA BATA



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Balabata 15 years Crystal Celebrations at Deenapur.

15 years Crystal Celebrations of Balabata were conducted on a grand scale on national level. Speakers expressed their views in the public meetings about the benefits and progress of SC's and ST's through Balabata. These views were expressed in the conferences of Dalit people's consciousness conducted in Telangana and Andhra pradesh states. In the 15th crystal celebration public meeting conducted in Luxetpet, Adilabad district, while speaking RCO Ravi said that Adilabad is a district where dalits and Advaisis are mostly backward in education. Before CARDS organisation started Balabata in our area people had not known anything about opportunities of education. That is the reason why dalits have been lagging behind in education. After the establishment of Balabata best training was given to dalits, advasis and gondos through Balabata and gained best results in the competitive examinations. Awareness was created in the parents of Balabata children about educational opportunities and we achieved progress in education, economic and social sectors. We are achieving Dr.Ranjan Babu's goal of vision 2020. We are putting maximum effort for the growth of standards of living in dalits. Director, deputy directors, Rcos, Acos, Dos all are working together for the development of dalits.



Welcome to chief guest Xaver, Ella and Director Rev.M.Swarnalatha Devi



Cultural programme of Balabata



Successful events of 15th Crystal Balabata

Social Service Experiences of Regional Co-ordinators (RCO)

Balabata was started 15 years ago. I have 8 years of association with Balabata. During this period I have conducted so many programmes which are beneficial for my dalit community.

1. I joined nearly 3000 poor dalit students in SC residential schools, Kasturibai, Tribal welfare and Sc Hostels.

2. I joined 400 students in colleges.

3. I have joined some students who have no economic potentiality in colleges and reduced the number of drop outs in the regions where I have been working.

4. In the four villages named Itikyala, Luxetpet, Utukur and Venkatarapet

Borewells were set up through borewell ministry and for some extent water scarcity in dalit localities was prevented.

5. With the co-operation of the government 26 houses in Itikyala, 6 houses in Maripalle, 4 in Modela and 8 in Timmapur were being given and bills were also handed over to them.

6. In 2015, 50 toilets were sanctioned in Itikyala and Maripalle villages and till now 23 toilets were provided to the beneficiaries along with bills.

7. I saw that Kalyana Lakshmi Scheme which was started in 2015 for S.Cs was given to Nagar Rama S/o Jakraiah and Gorre Sailaja D/o Bheemaiah of Itikyala village and in Marripalle village to one Gandham Sravanthi S/o Sanjeev.

8. I also provided private jobs to the unemployed youth T.Rajaiah, G.Sudhakar, K.Mouli, M.Lukaiah in the companies known to me.

9. Kannama Raju belonging to higher caste thrashed a dalit youngman named Gorre Bheemaiah. I made the members of the victim to file SC atrocity case and saw that justice was done to the sufferer. In the villages where the people do not know about SC atrocity case. I made them know about it through Ambedkar Associations.

10. In the Residential schools seats for SCs were curtailed and opportunities were created for the students of other castes. We expressed our protest on behalf of our CARDS and demanded to continue the old system. On behalf of Balabata Dr.Ranjan Babu gave a representation to the then CM Rajasekhara Reddy. As part of the programme on behalf of my region

I gave a representation to the MRO and the Collector. Later this new policy was cancelled by the government. CARDS is wholly responsible for the implementation of the old system till now.

11. In nearly 23 villages where Balabatas are working 1200 ration cards were being given.

12. I talked to the officials and village sarpanches and saw that pension given by the government was sanctioned to 80 old people, widows and physically challenged.

14. I am trying my best to see that nutritious food given to girls through Anganwadi centres is given to them.

15. I see that nutritious food is provided to some dalit pregnant women. In every village where Balabatas are working I am maintaining good relations with Anganwadi teachers, ANM and Doctors in Mandal headquarters. With this some help is done to our dalit children and elders on health grounds.

16. Besides clothes we give to children during Christmas festival, through church, clothes and blankets are being distributed.

17. On health basis I am taking many poor people to Osmania Hospital and Sarojini Hospital in Hyderabad for treatment. I take five to six people every year for treatment. I take some to Private Hospital, Kareemnagar under Arogya Sree. I have been doing such social, educational, Progressive Programmes since I joined Balabata.

Yours faithfully
A.Ravi.

To, Sri Dr.Ranjan Babu.

Social Service - My experience

Ours is a remote village. Totally it is forest area. There mostly gonds reside and nayik pods and Lambada reside. They mostly reside in the forest area. There are no proper facilities. I joined Balabata 8 years ago. Then I did not know what we need or how to live. What we know was whether we ate, went to work and earned some rupees. After completion of my intermediate I thought of not going to degree. Then I came to know about Balabata. Then I attended the meeting. Then I came to know how we would be if we were educated and what responsibilities we would have. Then and there I took a decision to continue my studies. Now I have completed my MBA. Now I am earning Rs.12,000 a month. On one hand I am looking after Balabatas, doing my job and on the other I am preparing for group exams.

Some good deeds I had done.

1. After taking training from CARDS in our area the First thing I did was arranging a meeting for Do's. Then I Invited the local MPTC as guest. All attended the meetings. In that ST Lambada gudem I asked the MPTC about the non availability of water and current. I asked him Whether it was for this we voted for him and elected him. When I asked my first question he said, " who are you to ask me?" I told the MPTC that I am the area coordinator of CARDS. Then he said that Rs.10 lakhs were sanctioned for this colony but who has to do the work. Nobody is coming forward. Our Do took the contract and set up water taps. Now they have no problem. At that time those who were doing their degree courses worked as Do's with me.

2. 350 seats were gained in the residential schools and the children of the tribal area were joined the residential school. With that enthusiasm I worked more.

3. When officers were not paying attention, I talked to them and saw that pension was given to 8 members old age pension.

4. I told two SC girls how to apply for the Kalyan lakshmi scheme introduced by Telangana government and what certificates were need to apply and made them apply for it. They got 50,000/- Rs.

5. The gonds who had constructed latrines did not receive their bills. They came to me and said that bills were not given to them even after 3 months were completed. I took them to MPDO and talked to him. MPDO sanctioned the bills for them with in 9days.

6. After giving permission to two families to construct houses their names were removed from the list. I spoke to J.E and saw that their names were included in the list and two houses were sanctioned to them. Now they have constructed two houses. Presently for SC colony of Our village there are seven committee members of grama Jyothi.

7. Under the auspices of CARDS. We are conducting health camps and medicines for knee joint pains and fever are being given freely. We have also started Mahila Mandali saving Societies. The work I have been doing through Balabata is very small but its results are at a higher level. Once I was not known to anybody but now I am known to all. The season for this transformation is CARDS gave me training for three days and made me such a big man. I am developing and developing those who associate with me. Thus I am going ahead.

Now I am a responsible citizen in the society. If I had not joined CARDS I would not have gained such a great name and status. The truth I have learned from CARDS is that if the work we do is sincere, the sincerity it self makes us stand above all. I wish to move forward with CARDS slogan and CARDS Philosophy. My name which has remained in a remote area now extended to the mandal. My sincere thanks to the Director, CARDS and Frank viswanath sir for giving me this opportunity. At the same time I express my thanks and gratitude opportunity. At the area DD for always giving me advice and suggestions.

K.Ravi.

Experiences of Area Co-ordinators (ACO)

* My greeting to CARDS for conducting Balabata's 15th year Anniversery Crystal celebrations. I have been working as Aco for the last 4 years. During these 4 years I have joined 80 4th class and 5th class children in the residential schools. In the same manner this year also just like every year I will join more children in Residential school. At the same time I am making the parents of the children do employment generating works. With the co-operation of NABARD the mothers of the children were given training in the employment generating works like sewing machine, making of chalkpieces, zendubalm and candles. These training programmes are very helpful them. We made the mothers open Bank saving accounts in their names and by saving Rs.100 per month they are now able to start the employment generating works in which they were given training.

M.Aruna kumari, ACO.

* My heartly greeting to Dr.Ranjan Babu, Founder of Balabata.

I have been working in Balabata since 2005. Some of the good things. I have done are I made my dalit people know the government schemes; applying for indiramma houses for those who are eligible and seeing that bills are issued to them. Crop loans have been given to farmers. Women societies were made groups. Funds have been given to them through Mandal Mahila Samakhya. I talked to the parents of child labour and joined the children in schools. Through Indira Jala Prabha 10 Bore wells have been sanctioned poor students were given Kishora girls rice. Cases were registered against higher caste people. I saw that medical tests were done to chenchus. Money was given to youth under Kalyana Lakshmi scheme. 35 members were given rice under eradication of poverty sceme.

Yella Swamy

Opinions of Head Masters

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To, Sir Dr.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS, Guntur.

In the mandal Itchoda, dalit children of 25 villages were given awareness and I am joining them in various schools. The students of 8th, 9th and 10th studying residential schools are also encouraged and making them move forward in the direction of progress. 4th class children are studying well and are preparing them selves for competitive examinations. All are behaving in a disciplined way. I feel very happy to inform you that above information and assuring you that I am conducting duties as CRO well.

**With thanks
Venkateswarlu**

* To, Hon. Director, CARDS.

Sir, In our village, Balabata is functioning well. D.O sir is conducting it will in the morning and evening. Since the establishment of Balabata all the children are coming to school without fail and teachers also feel relieved of so much burden. For the year 2014-2015 8 students of 4th class were selected to the residential school. Children are preparing well for the competitive examinations. They are also taking the exams well. An officer visited our school recently asked us who is giving training to these children in sports, songs and movies-dance. The children informed the officer that Balabata Do is giving the training. After knowing about Balabata the officer expressed his happiness saying that it is like a boon to the poor families. My heartful thanks to CARDS for conducting Balabata in such a good way.

**K.Raja Rao
Principal**

Parents Opinions

• To, Honorable Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS.
Sir, Our son is studying 4th class in Balabata. Now he goes to school at 7.30a.m after washing his face and eating cold food. Again he returns from school at 6 p.m. Our village D.O Sujatha is looking after the children well. She gives good training in sports, songs, education and culture. My son is not behaving mischiversly as before. My son should study well and teach others like D.O Sujatha. My thanks to you.

**Bhagyamma
Mother.**

• To, Honourble Director, CARDS.
Sir, My name is Sailamma. Iam a native of Madhavanipalle and mother of Ambedkar Balabata student. My son kiran is studying 3rd class. I feel happy as he is studying well in Balabata. In our village only the children of rich people go to private tutions after the school is closed. But poor parents like us cannot send our children to tution. So we express our happiness as you have started Balabatas and helping our children. For it my humble thanks to you.

**Sailamma
Mother of your Balabata student.**

• To, Honorable Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS.
Namaste : My son tells me about Balabata everyday after the school is over. Now our children are spending most of their time on studies. We believe that the future of our children will be well with the effort of Balabata D.O I wish that the Director of CARDS will make so many children study well. Because of Balabata all of our children passed with good marks last year. This programme makes our children study well.

Lakshmibai Mother

• To,
Honourble Dr.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS.
Sir, Previously my son used to do mischief and did not study after coming home from school. On seeing how the D.O Krishnaveni was giving training to children in sports, songs and studying I asked my son to go there. From joining Balabata onwards he has been studying well. I made him write the entrance test for Residential school.

Sowjanya.

• What I want to inform Dr.Ranjan Babu is my son sai goes to Balabata every day. He transplanted the seeds given in Balabata in our yard and grew them by watering them everyday. Now they are yielding vegetables. My son is concentrating both on studies and growing of kitchen gardens. He is keeping our compound neatly. He is giving us awareness about cleanliness. Though he is young, he is studying well and making us aware of greenery and cleanliness thanks to you.

**T.Lakshmi
Mother.**

• To,
Honourble Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS.
Sir, Our son was not used to go to school regularly. But now as Balabata is started in our village he is going to school without fail. He is also studying well and getting good marks. I express my gratitude for helping our children belonging to poor families to study well through Balabata.

**K.Latha
Mother.**

Opinions of D.O's

◆ I am working as Do in Itikyala Balabata. I am conducting Balabata properly. In this month, as part of Swatch Bharat, My Balabata students and I cleaned our church compound and our street way. For this woak our village sarpanch felicitated us. We transplanted the seeds you have given us two months ago and watered them well. Now they are yielding vegetables. We are consuming them now. It resulted in the reduction of expenditure for vegetables. My parents are appreciating me. I am very happy.

**Vinay
D.O**

◆ To, Honourble Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS.

I have been working in CARDS organisation for two years. Every child now a days needs this CARDS. This organisation should remain like this for ever. Children come to me every day

after they return from school. I am training them sports, Songs and drill. Later they do their homework given in the school. Jai Balabata

Jai Jai Balabata.

U.Rajkumar.

D.O

◆ To, Honourable Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS.

Sir, You are a grace to us and the children of Balabata like Dr.Ambedkar. I have been working as DO in Balabata for the last 4 years. After coming here we have learnt how to teach children. I feel happy as I teach and train the children in sports, Songs, Movies, dance and drum etc., Children are learning with greater interest. My heartfelt thanks for each and everyone who have given me this great opportunity.

J.Dayakar

D.O

◆ In the Balabata training class we were trained how to teach children. We were taught about greenery and cleanliness. We were taught that first we must

be clean. This training programme is very good. I also teach my children Balabata Oath, Sports, Songs and education everyday. I have learnt many things after the inception of Balabata. We transplanted the seeds given as part of greenery and cleanliness, watered them and grew them. Now they are being used as vegetables. My parents are also very happy. I express my thanks and gratitude to Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, founder of Balabata programme. I wish that this programme must go forward in the same manner for ever.

V.Akhila

D.O

◆ I conduct Balabata in the morning and evening every day. RCO Jaipaul visit our Balabata ask the children to say the oath and sing songs. Most of the children are getting good marks in the school. They bring good name for their parents also. I feel proud to be working as Do in Balabata. Our RCO also tell

us all matters. My thanks to Balabata.

Nagender, DO

◆ My heartfelt greetings to Honourble Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS.

Sir, I feel very happy to work as Do in Balabata. I organise Balabata from 5 PM to 7PM everyday. I am teaching them sports, songs and study. All the children learn happily. All the children learn Balabata oath and songs. By working as Do in Balabata I too get interest in studies. I feel very happy for teaching while studying. All the children go home only after completing home work given in the school. They are getting good marks. Their parents are also expressing their happiness. With this Balabata all the children go to school regularly and their lives also move forward successfully. For this I express my thanks to CARDS.

Priyanka

D.O

Opinions of students

◆ My name is Ranjit. I go to Balabata everyday. I study there from 5 P.M. to 7p.m. This time I got more marks than previous time. Seeing this my parents appreciated me. I am very happy. I express my heartfelt thanks to Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director who is conducting this Balabata.

**Ranjit
Student**

◆ In our village there is Balabata organised by CARDS. Our sir teach us in the morning firstly oath, Balabata songs and then drill. In the evening we are taught songs along with sports. Our Balabata children and I do the homework given in our school. I learn everything in Balabata with disciplin. Our sir told us come to Balabata with proper combing of hair and well dressed. I studied with determination and went to Residential school.

**Vinay
Student**

◆ I am studying 4th class. I have been preparing for the entrance examinations of Residential school from now itself. I transplanted the seeds your given me two months ago. Now they are yielding vegetables. Now we have get ridden of the expenditure of Vegetables. My parents are appreciating me. Seeds were also given to my colleagues. Their parents were also felt happy. I have learnt about growing of kitchen garden even at this young age only by attending Balabata. My thanks to you for giving me this opportunity.

**K.Banni
Student.**

◆ Before coming here Madhavi madam told me about Balabata but I did not pay attention to it. But now I felt ashamed as everyone speak about Balabata during these three days. I felt that I havenot done this small help. Now I start Balabata and prove that Balabata is the light of hope

of our dalit people. R.Priyanka To, Honourable Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS. I like the songs and sports of Balabata. Now I comb my hair properly, take my bath and go to school wearing good dress. I am also getting good marks. I go to Balabata school in the morning and evening everyday. My wishes to you for organising Balabata.



Sri Lakshmi

◆ To, Honourable Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS. Sir, I go to Balabata and learn sports and songs along with studies. Our D.o sir teachers us well. We sing Balabata oath and songs. My parents feel happy as I am attending Balabata. In my school my teacher is also appreciating me as I am doing my homework well non as against the past habit. My thanks to you for giving me such a great opportunity for studies.

A. Siddhu

To, Honourable Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS.

I go to Balabata everyday. Previously I was very poor in multiplication tables Now after joining Balabata I have learnt all the multiplication tables. Now after joining Balabata I am able to read well. Through Balabata I have learnt many things. I got discipline as I attend Balabata regularly. Jai Balabata Jai Jai Balabata.

Kethan

◆ To, Honourable Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS. Sir, I goto Balabata everyday. In Balabata we are taught songs well. I like songs. So I go to Balabata as well as school. Previously I was not used to go to school regularly. Now I am studying well. I am preparing well for the 4th class exams. I showed my mother the seeds given in Balabata. We transplanted them, watered them. Now they are yielding vegetables. Balabata is very helpful to me to study so well.

Ajay

Opinions of People's Representatives.

♣ Wishes to Dr.Ranjan Babu.

Balabata programme is continuing well in our village. I went to the school on children's day. All the children are very neat. The teachers told me that the children are getting good marks. They also told me that the children are studying in the morning and evening without wasting their time in playing. In Balabata the children are being trained in Sports, Songs and studies in the morning and evening. I felt happy on learning that seeds are given to children and provisions are given to D.O's. They will be helpful for their life. Some good programmes like joining children in residential schools and preparing them for competitive examinations are being implemented. On behalf of my villagers, children and myself. **T.Lakshmi Devi** I thank you for doing so many good programmes.



♣ To, Honourable Dr.P.Ranjan Babu, Director, CARDS. Balabata is being conducted well in our village. The parents are expressing their happiness by saying that their children were not used to go school regularly in the past but now they are attending the school regularly. All the students are studying well with discipline. The students are coming to school with properly combed hair and wearing good dress. I like the songs of Balabata. At the end they are taking the Balabata oath. The education system with sports and songs attracted me. Children are participating in the competitive exams and gaining seats in the Residential schools. This has become a boon to the families which are in poor condition. Parents are expressing their happiness. I felt happy on seeing the sports, Songs, Drum, Morris, Dance and stick fight. My greetings to you celebrating 15th anniversary of Balabat.D.O's are also progressing. My thanks to the organization taking up such a great programme. **A.Ramesh**



Rev.Dr.P.Ranjanbabu, Swarnalatha Devi with Balabata family.



Dr.P.Frank Viswanath at Karimnagar Balabata Crystal Celebrations.



CARDS Women Cultural Team.