Annual Report 2019 - Ashana Trust

Section-1

• Land, Forest, water and Commons:

- Attended R.K.S monthly meetings and discussed about the problems related to Ration Card, Pink colored ration card, what are the problem faced by people who are not able to avail ration service and also received information on the changes happening and the latest updates.
- Survey conducted and forms filled and submitted to the R.K.S for rectification in their ration cards. 300 Ration form filled in Bharat Nagar, Gyaneshwar Nagar, Pathar Nagar, Tata Colony and Naupada.

• Labour and Livelihood Rights with focus on Women workers

- New Initiative take by Ashana Trust for women at Nalasopara. Provide basic training to 3 women and provide home based work to help generate income. BMMA is playing the role of a bridge women to agencies to provide work in the hope to bring financial independence among women.
- Awareness meetings organized to awareness of the courses organized by the ICICI vocational training academy. Approx. 30 young adults have enrolled for various courses.
- Soap Herbal soap making training organised at Bharat Nagar. Training attended by approx. 80 women.
- Awareness meeting organized on care work organized at Bharatnagar was attended by approx. 35 women.

• Women's Rights, Women & Property

- Leadership training conducted with 13 women. Session on understanding the qualities of leader and the need for good leaders.
- Session on Islamic feminism and constitution held in office was attended by 15 members
- Discussion held on how to interact with people in the locality and how to plan sessions, topics and the duration of training.
- Triple Talaq victims were provided necessary support to help register FIR in the police station. Successfully registered 3 FIR for Triple Talaq victims. Also providing mental and emotional support as the journey is long and frustrating as there is no support from the State law implementing machinery.
- Organized a Press conference in which the victims of triple talaq spoke of the problems faced by the police station.
- BMMA supported and were part of the promotional team of movie Phir Usi Modd Par (Triple Talaq) 30 BMMA were present for the film premier.

 Awareness sessions on the Quran and Constitution rights and session followed by the discussion on i.e. age of marriage, Meher, Idaat Talaq process etc, were held at Gyaneshwar Nagar, Patthar Nagar, Tata Colony, Bherampada, Navpada. Total outreach in the year for approx. 1500 women

Public Education and Child Rights

- 3 Sessions with 42 children. Gender sensitization game i.e.Lion and Goat played and discussion held on that everyone is equal and should be respected. Role of gender explained in the training.
- Awareness sessions on child abuse at Shantilal compound for 45 children regarding awareness on the bad touch and good touch. Encouraged the children to speak up with parents
- Leadership, communication, time management, social skills through art and fun sessions were organized by internship students for 40 to 45 children at Shantilal Compound.
- Session on child rights and discussion on constitutional rights and responsibilities held at Pathar Nagar with 33 children i.e., 14 boys and 19 girls.
- Gender training conducted with boys. The boys were asked to close their imagine themselves as a girl and feel the problems faced by them as a girl followed by sharing about their thoughts and emotions. This game had a positive result as many of them said that they will bring their sister for the meetings or they would support their sisters.
- Session of gender training held at Nala Supara and Bandra West with 25 girls and gender and MPL training with 31 boys.
- Film screening of movies i.e. Hickki with the children to bring awareness on discrimination.
 - Article 21 A Provides for free and compulsory education of the age of six to fourteen years.
 - Article 23 Prohibits traffic in human beings and forced labour.
 - Article 24- Prohibits employing children below age of 14 in any hazardous employment.
 - Article 25- Prohibits freedom of conscience and free profession, practice and propagation of religion, subject to public order, morality and health.

• Just, Inclusive, and Livable Urban spaces

- 149 cases were registered in the Aurto Ki Shariya Adalat a legal aid system to help resolve marital discrepancies/disputes.
- Out of the 4 of triple talaq registered we managed to register FIR for 3 cases.
- Training session on Mental Health conducted for the community leaders and the members of Aurto Ki Sharia Adalat. 16 women attended the training was on how to work on self-esteem and improve our communication skills as a counsellor while working with women.

- Mental Health Session conducted in Bharatnagar. A special session was taken to create awareness on the topic of Suicide on Mental Health Day. The session was attended by 39 women.
- Free check-up medical camp set up in Bharat Nagar was availed by 220 patients.
- Advocacy and awareness of the need for mental Health to be included in the Insurance policy was held in Church gate. BMMA team leaders attended the meeting in solidarity.
- A session held to create awareness on abortion, treatment and procedure to ensure safety and good health (SRHR).
- BMMA members have actively participated in the protest against the CAA bill. They were part of the protest held at August Kranti Maidan at Grant road.

Peace & Justice, Communal Harmony

- Actively participated in the monthly meetings held on the second Saturday of every month to plan, share and discuss the problem faced and find solutions on ensure peace and tranquility in the communities of Mumbai.
- BMMA actively participated in the 25th Annual Celebration of the Mohulla Committee Movement Trust celebration events and other programs organized by the Mohalla Committee Movement Trust,
- 16 BMMA member's names from the community were registered with the Mohulla C0mmittee Movement Trust.

Section -2

Critical reflections and lessons learned:

Since there is no sustained project based funding, we are focusing on strengthening our business model. Through regular exhibitions and fees from the Aurton ki Shariat Adalat we are able to sustain work of legal aid. Our volunteers continue to work in the communities in their own capacity.