

# ANNUAL REPORT



## **Greater Action for Unity Right Advocacy and Visibility Year: 2010 - 2011**

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## Gaurav Registration Certificate

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## **Introduction & Background:**

Gaurav is a registered Community Based Organization (CBO) with registration number -567/2010/GBBSD dated 5<sup>th</sup> March 2010.

Gaurav has been nurtured by The Humsafar Trust and works within its community of MSM in sex work and their partners in Mumbai District.

The aim is to promote health-seeking behavior in the community and to reduce STI and stabilize HIV.

The community based organization started with donations from seven committee members because of their passion and drives to improve the lives of their fellow MSM in sex work and their partners in Mumbai District.

Gaurav is a member of Aastha Parivaar which is a larger federation of sex workers in Mumbai and Thane District.

Gaurav is a member of Integrated Network of Sexual Minorities (INFOSEM).

## **Vision Statement:**

Self sustaining, (MSM in sex work and their partners) Community continue implementing scaled prevention programmer with strong focus by networking & advocacy which will help for project management, skill building and livelihood.

## **Strategies:**

- a. Strengthening program management systems and structure to initiate intervention with MSM in sex work and their partners in Mumbai District inclusive of community sustainability
- b. To promote safer sex messages through consistent condom usage and distribution of IEC materials (Information, Education and Communication materials) so as to reduce high – risk behaviors and encourage among MSM in sex work and their partners in Mumbai District
- c. Access to health related services and increased accessibility to STI/ VCCTC and other services in MSM in sex work and their partners.
- d. Facilitate and Increase access to a safe space for MSM in sex work and their partners leading to healthy sexual attitudes and behavior and create a non judgmental environment through Community mobilization, Advocacy and Networking.
- e. To extend care and support services for MSM in sex work and their partners living with HIV/AIDS through Gaurav and by referrals to other positive people's support groups.
- f. To promote Advocacy, Sensitization and Networking with inter and intra community

**Gaurav covers geographical areas from Colaba to Andheri on the western line and on the Harbour line it operates in Wadala, Sion and Chembur.**



## **Gaurav focuses on two main areas of work:**

### **Income Generation:**

- Participating in the Aastha Enterprise –Selling of compacts, pancakes and condom.
- Cultural activities - planning/organizing parties.
- Donations from community
- Fashion designing
- Embroidery

### **Empowerment Activities:**

- Outreach programs with key stakeholders; such as the police and the local leaders
- HIV/AIDS/STI prevention and care & support awareness generation.
- Strategic Behavior Communication (SBC) sessions to improve Safe sexual behavior.
- Counseling sessions with lawyers and doctors via camps.
- Income generating Activities for the MSM in sex work and their partners.

## **Achievements:**

- Representation at 12<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission in Dec 2010 in New Delhi.
- Awarded grant of Rs 25, 000 by UNAIDS in Dec 2010 on account of World AIDS Day.
- Needs assessment Focus Group Discussion with MSM in sex work and their partners.
- Conducted for developing life skills.
- DIC (Drop in Clinic) and Clinic established.
- Daily free condom distribution through outreach on 28 beats in Mumbai.
- Bank accounts and PAN cards provided for most of MSM in sex work and their partners.
- 3 self help groups formed who hold monthly meetings.
- More than Rs.17, 000 earned through income generating activities.
- Advocacy meetings conducted with the police on a regular basis.
- Monthly health camps conducted for MSM in sex work and their partners.
- Advocacy strategy for the project being rigorously implemented.
- Treatment of Opportunistic Infections (OIs)& enrollment in accessing ART
- Nutrition counseling and nutritive supplement support

**Area need to be strengthened:**

- Fund raising.
- Employment services for MSWs
- Presentation/Documentary/Films for Donor Agencies
- Mobile Health Van.
- Old Age Homes and support for aging MSWs.
- Free Condom/Medicine Distribution
  
- Account and Audit Management
  
- Training in Income generating skills such as: Acupressure, Massage, Art, Grooming, Fashion designing, Naturopathy.
- De-addiction and Rehab Centre for alcohol dependency.
  
- Testing for HIV/ STI/ AIDS
  
- Literacy and advanced education.
- Computer literacy.
- Volunteers for legal issues.
  
- Office space.
  
- Strong Advocacy and Human Rights Program
  
- Strong Networking Program
  
- Facilitate Formation of Own Saving Groups





**WAD Activity-December-2010**



**WAD Activity Closing Ceremony**



**Advocacy with Deputy Commissioner of police**



**Health Camps**