



ANMA INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION SALESIANS OF DON BOSCO, DIMAPUR







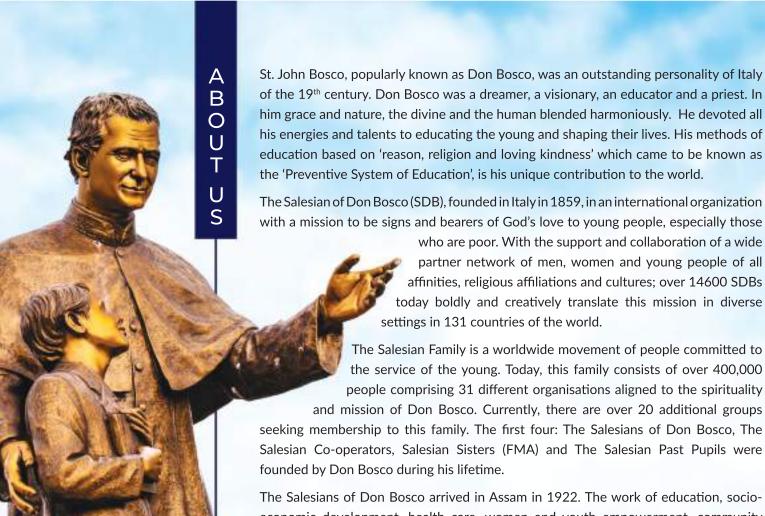












economic development, health care, women and youth empowerment, community development, skill training, vocational training along with many other development works continues today in every state of North East India, through a network of numerous Salesian centres. The Saleisans and their collaborators in the province of Dimapur render their services in the states of Upper Assam, Nagaland, Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh.

# ANMA INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (AIDA)

ANMA Integrated Development Association (AIDA) is the development wing of the Salesians of Don Bosco, Dimapur Province, North East India. It collaborates with the Provincial (the head of the province) and the SDB institutions to articulate interpret and realize the development dimensions of fidelity to the vision of Don Bosco in the dynamic socioeconomic and cultural realities of the North Eastern sates namely Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Assam.

AIDA is a non-government, non-profit voluntary association working for the socio, economic, educational development of the marginalized in the four north-eastern states for over 36 years now. Founded on 8 December 1985, the society was registered in 1986 under the Societies Registration Act 1860, as amended by Registration of Societies (Nagaland

First Amendment Act) 1969, with Provincial House, Dimapur, Nagaland as its registered office. AIDA is registered with the Home Ministry of India under the Foreign Contributions Regulatory Act, and under Section 12A and Section 80G of the Income Tax Act, 1961. AIDA is registered with the MHA in its CSR portal and has the NGO Darpan.

AIDA is committed to the integral development of the marginalized, excluded and weaker sections of society in Upper Assam, Nagaland, Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh and its approach is **inspiring**, **enabling** and **empowering** individuals and communities through systematic long-term interventions, and leadership and capacity building at grassroots level. Currently we reach out directly to over 200 villages.



## THEMATIC AREAS OF INTERVENTION

The following thematic areas have been identified for concerted action in order to achieve synergy and impact:

- ★ Quality education of rural children empowerment of individuals, organizations and communities, digitalization of education, education of children from marginalized communities
- Livelihood enhanced and sustained life security, Agro-based and animal husbandry livelihood promotion; Non-formation and vocational trainings, skill education
- Water, health, nutrition & sanitation access to healthy food, safe drinking water and basic health care facilities, promotion and construction of Rain Water Harvesting Tanks
- ★ Woman empowerment and child right responsibility for own growth, development, and freedom
- **★** Peace building deep, long-term transformations
- **★** Renewable Energy and Environment

## **VISION**

We envision a developed North East India where its diverse communities foster peaceful co-existence, care for creation and strive together for a society based on justice and equality

# **MISSION**

We are committed to the integral development of the poor and the marginalised, engaging in empowering relationships and processes that enhance capacities, build and express solidarity, change systems and structures that promote injustice and violence.

# CORE VALUES

## a) Solidarity

We affirm the innate dignity and potential of those who live in poverty. Our solidarity with them is our commitment to empowering them to meet their basic needs, develop their full potential and work to change structures that undermine justice and freedom.

#### b) Inclusion

We believe that development is the result of concerted effort by all the stakeholders. Everyone can contribute to the development of the society irrespective of social, economic background and status, religious affiliation, ethnicity, rich or poor, literate or illiterate etc.

## c) Justice, Equality and Equity

We believe injustice is the consequence of broken relationships at family, community, national and global levels. We are committed to restoring right relationships, valuing diversity and solidarity among various ethnic and religious groups and working to create a world where everyone shares equitably in the goods of the earth.

#### d) Excellence

We are committed to providing the highest quality of professional service to our partners, colleagues and the people with whom we work. We pursue excellence in all that we do by encouraging feedback, introspection, initiative and creativity.

#### e) Collaboration

We are committed to partnerships with institutions, groups, organisations and movements, recognising that we are part of a larger alliance to build a better world. We learn from and with others, and model integrity and modesty in our dealings with others.

## f) Accountability

We are accountable to God for the use of our time and resources. We are accountable to our partners, supporters and the communities we work with, being trustworthy and transparent in all we do. We are responsible for the effectiveness of our actions and we are committed to making what we do consistent with what we say.

# **PROJECTS**

#### 1. QUALITY EDUCATION FOR THE MARGINALISED RURAL CHILDREN AND YOUTH

AIDA believes that every child has the right to Quality education and that, Quality education should lead to *empowerment*: a process of strengthening individuals and communities so they get more control over their own situations and environments. The organization is thus, committed to facilitate the process of empowerment of the rural poor by taking on the task of ensuring quality education to every child in 90 rural villages across Assam, Nagaland, Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh. The primary focus of the education projects is to ensure enrolment of every child below 14 years to school, improve their learning levels through additional support programs and prevent school dropout through mentoring and follow up. But also provides other learning platforms and technologies by setting up libraries, smart class room, science and computer labs. The projects also provide basic literacy to out of school vulnerable youth above 15 years to enhance the quality of their lives.

Three, out of six education projects intervenes in the existing education system - Anganwadi Centers and Government Primary schools through awareness and capacity building programs for Anganwadi workers, teachers, parents, village leaders and School Management Committees; networking and advocacy with concerned government departments and other likeminded groups to address the several stumbling blocks on the road to achieving the goal of universal education in the country.

## SPECIFIC EDUCATION SUPPORT PROGRAMS:

\* Over 2000 children (7-14 years) are supported annually through after school supervised study program. This programme runs in 36 rural villages across 5 districts of Manipur, in 31 Tea garden villages across 6 districts of Assam and 5 villages in Dimapur under the Chumukedima subdivision.







★ Over 800 school dropouts (7-14 years) are provided remedial education and are mainstreamed annually through Intensive Course Program. The beneficiaries are from 36 rural villages across 5 districts of Manipur and in 31 Tea garden villages across 6 districts of Assam.





Over 600 out of school youth (15-25 years) are provided basic literacy, numeracy and life skills annually through Community School Program (CES) implemented in 20 rural villages of Bishnupur, Imphal East and Imphal West, Manipur and in 31 Tea garden villages across 6

districts of Assam.

of Manipur. The coaching classes have been a great help to the students appearing for their board exams every year. It has enabled students to face their public exams with confidence and preparedness.









Over 200 matric students (15-20 years) are given coaching classes annually through Special Matric **Coaching program** in Tamenglong and Noney districts \* Over 1500 Anganwadi children (3-6 years) are supported through Anganwadi intervention program, implemented in 12 villages of Longding district, Arunachal Pradesh and in 16 villages of Tamenglong and Noney districts, Manipur.





\* Over 900 government school students and 800 village people are empowered through *Child Rights education program.* 60 children's parliaments are formed in government village schools and community study centres' of AIDA in the states of Manipur, Assam and Nagaland promoting the children's entitlements.





\* 30 children are engaged in learning through **Digital Night School** in a remote village of Manipur. MiniiPads are provided and Learning is facilitated by a
teacher. This method of education creates more
interests in the children.





\* 1079 students are assisted in their high school studies through education *sponsorship program* in Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland and Manipur. This education programme is supported by Fratelli Dimenticati ONLUS. This programme assists the students either through and schools or the hostels.





Over 300 children are provided basic literacy and other skills through Boscome Slum School, Dimapur. Bosocome School provides an opportunity to the deprived sections of the society to avail free education. They are also provided with the uniforms, text books and note books. Don Bosco Mondo and Fratelli Dimenticati supports the cause of these children.





#### **★** Adult Women Literacy

Mothers are given basic education in 5 villages through Adult literacy programme in Tamenglong District of Manipur. The adult learners are very enthusiastic, interested and highly motivated about their learning. This special programme runs as part of the Rural Education and Appraisal Programme (REAP).



## 2. LIVELIHOOD

By livelihood, AIDA refers to the means of supporting one's existence, especially financially or vocationally to secure the necessities of life. AIDA designs socially relevant and constructive strategies to achieve livelihood security. Our target groups are the poor, vulnerable and the marginalized, unemployed youths, the unskilled, women, children, rural farmers, entrepreneurs, persons with disability and artisans.

This projects aim to enhance livelihoods and ensure food security by promoting land based and non-land-based activities; facilitating skill development trainings to improve agricultural yield, enhance household income and encourage selfemployment; building partnerships and linkages with other skill training agencies, financial institutions and government departments for access to information and technology, government schemes, loans and greater market access.

- 33 farmer's groups work directly with over 500 marginal farmers in 60 villages of Assam through trainings in agriculture and livestock development. This has enabled the marginal farmers to appropriate the entitlements avail for the agriculture and livestock. They also learn the proper ways of do agricultural activities and rearing livestock.







empowered through this.



**★** Over 200 farmers are linked to Agriculture and Animal

Husbandry departments annually for benefits, grants

and subsidy in 60 villages in upper Assam. Small

rural farmers and rural marginalised people are also

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\* 250 Income Generation Activities (IGA) groups are formed and engage with over 500 unemployed in Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Assam to help them become self-reliant and productive members in the society. This has also paved way to the starting of many self-employment possibilities among the youth and the farmers.





\* Training on pig rearing was provided to those interested from 5 villages of Dimapur. They underwent training at RSETI-Jalukie and availed loan under *PMMY piggery loan programme* for setting up piggery unit in their respective villages. Over 80 people are trained and linked to the PMMY scheme so far from the adopted villages.





★ Villagers of Bade and Urra, Dimapur district are trained on *Banana Fibre Extraction* in order to set up Banana Fibre Extraction units in the village, which could become another means of livelihood for the people.



\* Training is provided to the youth and farmers in the various project villages on *Mushroom cultivation* to encourage setting up of mushroom farm for income generation as well as training of other villagers.





\* Training on pig rearing and awareness on management practices for feeds and disease control of piggery farm is provided to 62 villages in Tinsukia district of upper Assam and villagers of 5 villages adopted under AIDA-SBI Gram Seva project, Dimapur district.





\* Awareness on Integrated Nutrient Management and Bio-control of Pest and diseases is provided to 82 village marginal farmers of 5 villages adopted under the Gram Seva project, Dimapur district.





\* Farmers from the villages on an exposure visit to Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) at Medziphema, Dimapur district to learn about Vermin culture, pig rearing and poultry farm.





\* Farmers and youth are trained in vermin compost and vermin culture in Tinsukia district and by experts in this field from ICAR, Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Medziphema, Dimapur. This training is to encourage farmers to take to organic agriculture in their farming practices.





#### • 3. HEALTH AND NUTRITION

In spite of so many efforts made by the Government of India and so many health care infrastructures built (like NHM) the condition of the rural North-East India is still below national average. There is high rate of child mortality due to lack of immunization and malnutrition in the villages. And health care facilities are very meagre and diseases like Malaria, Tuberculosis, Cancer, Anaemia cholera, Typhoid, Diarrhoea etc are some of the most prevalent diseases in operational areas of AIDA.

AIDA intervenes in the health sector by creating awareness on health and nutrition; conducting health camps, upgradation of health centres for providing quality health services and mobile medical van. Through intervention in the Anganwadi centres, the projects educate the beneficiaries on Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) under ICDS which involves the supply of food materials to mothers and children (0-6 years) and also promotes Kitchen garden to improve nutrition and health outcomes of rural communities.

Over 600 are reached out through health camps in convergence with district health departments. The SBI-Sanjeevani mobile health facility began by AIDA in the month of July 2021. Over 600 patients have been treated so far in 23 villages in Nagaland and Assam. The health facility moves to villages accompanied by a doctor and nurse and a pharmacist. Doctor's consultation fee and medicines are provided to the patients free of charge.









\* Free AYUSH health camp conducted in collaboration with PHC Chumukedima, Dimapur. Dr. Liza Aye, Medical Officer and her team Dr. Premy and Dr. Esther Livi Shohe in the villages with patients. Over 175 patients availed this medical camp facility.





#### • 4. WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

Major issues concerning women in the operational areas of AIDA include: domestic violence, gender discrimination, exclusion from decision making process, victims of polygamy and exploitation. AIDA's interventions therefore, focuses on enabling women to take responsibility for their growth, development, and freedom by educating them on their rights, promoting self-employment.

This enabling includes awareness and capacity building at various levels, promoting social responsibility and voluntarism, building and strengthening community-based, people-owned economic and rights-based organisations like SHGs, equipping them with responsible and competent leadership, and linking them with resources, technology and expertise.

Formed and linked over 1150
Self Help Groups (SHGs) to National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) in 226 villages and continues to support and strengthen the groups across Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Assam.





\* 12 semi-literate women from the rural villages of Tamenglong district, Manipur are trained as *Solar Mamas (Solar engineers)* and they effectively provide services in solar installation, repairs, maintenance, etc., to 450 households in 6 solar electrified villages through AIDA in collaboration with Barefoot College, Tilonika, Rajsthan.





\* Over 75 village women are trained on *Handloom and weaving* every year and every two months 15 women are trained to encourage self-employment and assistance is provided to find market access. On completion of their training, the successful candidates are to start their own weaving centres.





\* 80 rural women trained in *tailoring* and provided with Sewing machine who in turn have trained over 600 other women in their respective villages in Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland. The programme is in collaboration with Usha International. They also provide certification to the successful candidates.





#### 5. COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

Tribal communities of the NE are characterised by the contradictions and dilemmas of societies in rapid transition. While some sections of society and some regions have benefited from progress and the fast pace of change, a large number of these communities are disadvantaged and live-in situations of poverty, deprivation and denial of rights.

Attentive to the legitimate needs of the tribal communities of all our four states, and without being exclusive, we engage specially with the many tribal communities through awareness training, networking and meeting to enhance collaborative and participatory actions.

Over 49 Village Empowerment Committees (VEC) are formed among Adivasi communities of Assam. They actively participate in village development processes through village level Gram Sabha. Village communities Training on Goan Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP)





The Gram Seva Committee (GSC) is a consultative body at the village level in all the five adopted villages (Bade, Diezephe, Khreizephe, Urra & Tsithrongse) of SBI Gram Seva programme where AIDA carries out Integrated Rural Development Activities. The GSC is an inclusive body, representing various

sections of the stakeholders such as; Village Council, SHGs, Youth, Elders, Women Association, Students, various village level organizations and other key stakeholders. The GSC is not a political or religious body and representation is not based on political or religious affiliations. The

GSC acts as an apex consultative and coordinating body that takes leadership in organizing the community towards achieving development goals mutually agreed upon by the community and AIDA and liaises between the SHGs and the village community as a whole.



## 6. MORUNG: PROMOTION, REVIVAL AND PRESERVATION OF TRIBAL CULTURE.

The Morung used to be the key institution and the center for social life of all the unmarried male members of the society in the Naga society. It was the place where the youngsters learned about social practices and beliefs from their elders. However, today Morungs are almost extinct. Tribal culture is on the decline like most of the other cultures around the world. Much of the traditional and value based practices of our various tribes is almost at the point of extinction. Today there is an urgent need to create awareness of tribal culture and promotion and preservation of it. AIDA is taking a leading role in this through the Morung programme, where the children are taught traditional values, practices, games, folktales, folksongs, dances, weaving, archery, etc. We believe that teaching these to the young children will help to revive, promote and preserve the good aspects our tribal culture.





#### 7. WASH (WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE) AND ENVIRONMENT:

In many parts of the region good health and hygiene still remains a major challenge; water scarcity is a major issue in the hills. Jhum cultivation and deforestation are the main reason for the declining of water level in the region.

Our intervention includes, awareness building on hygiene and environment; ensuring safe drinking water, building community toilets, providing waste management/collection vehicle, water conservation to increase the ground water levels and improve access to irrigation facilities; solar electrification and afforestation to increase green coverage through social forestry and community pasturelands.

★ 50 Dustbins, 25 for degradable and 25 for bio degradable under Waste Management program were installed in the 5 adopted villages under SBI Gram Seva Project implemented by AIDA in Dimapur District. The waste collected will be used for vermin compost for organic farming. Organic kitchen garden too is encouraged under the SBI, Gram Seva programme.







Village public toilet facilities which are incomplete or non-useable are completed or repaired and made usable under SBI Gram Seva programme in the adopted villages. In some villages running water facility is made available by plumping, setting up immerse pumps and water tanks for storage. Bore wells are also made to provide good drinking water to the villagers.







#### • 8. RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT:

- It is estimated that 26% of the world's electricity today is obtained from renewable energy sources, and this share is expected to reach 30% in a couple of years. One of the most abundant and freely available energy resources in world is sunlight. In the future the use and demand for renewable energy will be on the increase as it becomes more economical. Renewable energy can reduce your electricity bills to a great extent. By installing a renewable energy system, one can become less reliant on the national grid and would lead to economic saving.
- AIDA has taken a lead in the use and promotion of the use of solar energy one of the components of renewable energy.
   AIDA's intervention in the promotion of renewable energy includes electrification of houses in the remote villages and the use of solar lamps by assembling them and selling them to the villages.

Solar Mamas: Solar Mamas are women who are trained and graduated after six months of training in solar engineering. After the training they return to their respective villages and electrify the households with solar lighting units. They also take up the responsibility of repairing and maintaining these units for a minimum period of 5 years. 450 households are electrified in the 2 districts of Noney and Tamenglong of Manipur. The beneficiaries are in 9 villages. There are 8 solar Mamas under AIDA





Women Prosper Initiative: This is another model like the solar mamas to empower women economically and in skill. This is an enterprise model where the women who are trained in solar engineering are enabled to bring a range of products to the communities that are fabricated and assembled by the Mamas. It enables the Mamas to create an additional source of income besides empowering themselves with a new income generating skill. Under this initiative the women

assemble and sell solar products like: Bindi (Torch light with panel); Solar Rakshak Plus (Torch light with panel); Diva 5200 (Lantern – 5200 mAh); Divya 7800 (Latern – 7800 mAh); Divya Solar (Solar Lantern 10 Wp); Viti 20 (home lighting system-2); Laxmi 20 (Home lighting system -3) and Laxmi 40 (home lighting system).





Installed solar street lamps, at important locations in the villages, under AIDA-SBI Gram Seva project areas in the adopted villages. This service has enabled the people to use the public roads to the village and other common facilities late in the evening and at night. By installing solar street lamps, the consumption of the electric power has been cut to a great extent. Through the use of the solar street lamps promotion of renewable energy is encouraged among the villagers.





32 KVA offline solar power plants each are installed at two degree colleges in Nagaland and Assam respectively; beneficiaries would be thousands of students both in the colleges and hostels. The installation of the solar power plant is expected to cut down considerably the consumption of hydro-electricity in these institutions. Besides, these could become models which could inspire the students and staff as well to go solar in their homes.







## • 9. AIDA - JOB PLACEMENT SERVICES

Job Placement service for the poor and the marginalized rural youths has been an important Initiative by the Don Bosco Network in India since 1996. The primary goal of the job placement service is to improve the economic standards of poor youth who are skilled and semi-skilled by providing career options and job opportunities across India through the National Job Placement Services.

The AIDA-DON BOSCO Job Placement Network service started in October 2019. Since its inception, AIDA-Don Bosco Centre has made several remarkable interventions to create awareness among marginalized youths about career options and impart necessary skills in view of placing them in suitable jobs and making them independent citizens. The AIDA job placement center keeps networking with registered institutions, NGOs, and companies. Job placement, career guidance, soft skills services and Organizing Job fairs are also provided offline for youths in communities, social institutions, colleges, and skill training centers. Online services are available to registered beneficiaries through Web portal and Mobile application.





## 10. CHILD FRIENDLY DIMAPUR

Child Friendly Dimapur is a new initiative of AIDA- ANMA Integrated Development Association, the social development office of the Salesians of Don Bosco, Dimapur Province. It is coordinated by DB YaR Forum- Don Bosco National Forum for the Young at Risk, a network of over 85 Don Bosco organizations and institutions, across 20 states in India, engaged in care and protection, and promotion of the best interests of children, with special attention to the most vulnerable and disadvantaged.

Child Friendly Dimapur's approach is based on the Child Friendly City initiatives (CFCI) of the United Nations, which

was founded in 1996. A child friendly city is, as articulated by UNICEF and UN Habitat, "a city, town, community or any system of local governance committed to fulfilling child rights as articulated in the UNCRC. It is a city or community where the voices, needs, priorities and rights of children are an integral part of public policies, programmes and decisions.







#### 11. RELIEF ACTIVITIES

Relief activities during emergency situation, disasters, natural calamities are an integral part of AIDA as an NGO. The role of the NGO's during a disaster is to have quick response and to try and save as many lives as it can. NGO's have a faster response to emergency situations. AIDA in the last 36 years has engaged itself in a variety of relief activities like, flood, fire, natural calamities, covid-19, etc., in the four states of Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Assam.

## Flood

AIDA has played a very significant role in the region, especially in the states of Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Upper Assam providing emergency relief activities. In the past years Assam and some areas of Arunachal Pradesh bordering Assam have witnessed yearly flood which used to displace a lot of people and many lost their precious lives. In these disastrous moments AIDA has reached out to many of them by providing them relief.





## Covid-19

In the last two years the Covid-19 pandemic which affected the whole world was another occasion when AIDA very responsibly responded as an NGO for the people affected by the pandemic in various ways. In the first and second waves of the pandemic AIDA did commendable relief works by providing grocery items, Sanitisation materials, provided for the covid-19 quarantined people, provided face masks, created awareness among the people on how to deal with the pandemic, etc., in the states of Assam, Nagaland, Manipur and Upper Assam. So far AIDA has reached out over 80,000 beneficiaries providing dry ration, nutrition, sanitizers and

accessories. 52 educational institutions were provided with sanitizers and sanitizing equipment benefiting over 1lakh students, staff and parents.





















#### **AIDA**

inspiring... enabling... empowering persons – communities – institutions

since 1985

The vertical arcs and the circles symbolize people's striving, their aspirations.

AIDA brings together in a harmonious blend the rich diversity of the land and people of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur and Nagaland symbolized by the four horizontal circles in shades of green.

AIDA's role is that of supporting, strengthening, "inspiring... enabling... empowering" symbolized by AIDA at the base of the arcs and circles.

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