SUSTAINABLE ENERGY (SDG7) DRIVEN SOLUTIONS FOR LIVELIHOODS DEVELOPMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
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Barriers faced by Persons with Disabilities

- Social stigmatization
- Limited options for formal employment
- Lack of opportunities for inclusive livelihoods
- Disproportionate effects of climate change

Local economies and last mile communities gain from livelihoods in multiple ways

- Show a Higher Degree of Resilience to Shocks and Stresses
- Help in diversifying enterprise or household income sources
- Help in creating new job opportunities and transferring skills
- Help in creating safety nets with decentralized assets and systems

COMPONENTS OF HOLISTIC SDG7 DRIVEN SOLUTIONS FOR LIVELIHOODS DEVELOPMENT FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

- Built Environments
- Assistive Technologies
- Finance and linkages
- Training and Capacity Building
- Policy and Advocacy
**UNLOCKING 14TH/15TH FINANCE COMMISSION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

**Key Facts:**

In the last 1.5 years, Selco Foundation has unlocked **INR 46 lakh** under the Gram Panchayat 14th-15th Finance Commission Fund in Raichur.

**191 livelihood solutions** have been implemented over a period of 1 year. The livelihood solutions were implemented in partnership with gram panchayat as a key stakeholder.

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**LIVELIHOOD SOLUTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

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**Existing Solutions**

- **Roti Rolling**
- **Petty shops**
- **Chips Making**
- **Beauty parlour/Salon**
- **Blacksmithy**
- **Printing/internet cafe**
- **Pottery**
CASE STUDY

Gowrama, Agarbatti Entrepreneur

Gowrama, a resident of Devisguru, faces the challenge of a left hand disability. Prior to engaging in the agarbatti business, Gowrama, inspired by their proximity to a temple and their existing coconut business associated with the temple, decided to embark on this new venture. The agarbatti business serves as a secondary source of income for the family, supplementing her household income.

Hanumanthappa Bhujang Kurubar, Roti Rolling Entrepreneur

Hanumanthappa resides in Balligere village, Athani Taluk in Belagavi district, with his family. His father is a marginal farmer and his mother used to work as a daily wage labor. In 2003, he met with an accident, which led to a severe spinal cord injury and was bedridden for 10 years after. Hanumanth did not get access to any livelihood opportunity due to limited mobility. The household income of the family was less than INR 1 lakh per annum prior intervention.

Nagamma, Sugarcane Juice Entrepreneur

Nagamma from Chandrabanna, grapples with a locomotor disorder. She previously earned a living as a manual labourer, earning INR 200 daily alongside two family members. The family runs a fruit shop, also venturing into seasonal fruit juice sales, operating for five months during summers, while engaging in farming during the remaining months. Inspired by their juice shop, Nagamma opted to diversify their income by embracing a solar-powered sugarcane juicer.

Overall Impact

Revenue - INR 48,000 per month  Profit - INR 9,600 per month  Production - 100 glasses a day

Technological Solution

A sugarcane juicer was implemented.

Testimonial by Nagamma -

"Before this I had to endure the physical exertion of manual labour in scorching heat all day. Now, with the Juice Machine, it has helped me a lot..."

Overall Impact

Revenue - INR 27,000 per month  Profit - INR 9,000 per month  Production - 300 rotis per day

Technological Solution

A solar powered roti rolling machine was implemented for Hanumanthappa to start a home-based livelihood.

Testimonial by Hanumanthappa -

"The intervention has proved to be a boon for me and my family. Now, my mother doesn’t need to go to a strenuous job of daily wage labor. My confidence level has also increased. In the future, I am planning to open a printer xerox shop near the highway. In that Kendra, I will provide service of filling forms for the government schemes."