

## **‘Nukad-Natak’ at village BORIAKALA:-**

- **Date-** 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2005 (Sunday).
- **Timings-** 8:00 pm - 9:15 pm
- **Beat No.-III**
- **No. of CLGs participants-** 6.
- **No. of Police Personnel present-** 4.
- **No. of viewers-** Around 300-400 people.
- **Venue-** At ‘Kala Manch’, Village Boriakala, Mana Police Station area, Raipur.
  
- **Role of Village Boriakala Panchayat in the programe-** Here although the new elected Sarpanch was Mr Nand Kumar Sahu but as the oath of the Panchayat here was not conducted till the day, so the last Sarpanch Mr. Sahu ( who is the younger brother of the present Sarpanch) helped in making the arrangement of light & sound as well participated in the programme(the other reason was that the Sarpanch had to attend his party meetings) along with the present Dy. Sarpanch. This previous Sarpanch is well aware to the Community Policing as he had participated in the 2 Beat meetings as a guest.
  
- **Role of CLGs-** From this village the CLGs participation was very high specially the women CLGs. The Dy. Chairman of this Beat-III Mrs Urmila Sahu belongs to this village, so she & along with the her other women’s CLGs & memb (she is the leader of the village women group) made the arrangement of tea & snax for everbody. They did helped in propaganda/announcement of the play along with the ‘Kotwar’ (who is also a women). They also discussed the problems of the villages. The CLG also helped in filling the questionnaire regarding the public perception of Mana police & Nukad-Natak performance.
  
- **Role of Mana Police personnel** - Along with Beat-III officer HC Mr Ramnath Bhagat there were 3 more police personnel present. Before the beginning of the program the CHRI staff along with the Beat Officer, ex-Sarpanch, and few villagers (including women) discussed about the problems in the village and the solutions as well role of the police in these cases. The Beat Officer gave the information about the process & methodology of community policing adopted in Mana and also told the villager to meet them without fear and take & give help to police (like witness, suspicious & criminal activities, during raid).
  
- **The Process adopted for the Nukad-Natak-** Before the programme it was known that there was a quarrel between one CLG and some of the villager about 3 months back and as these two party belongs to different caste some tension is still going on, which is also confirmed by the ex- Sarpanch. And also it was found that many of villagers who surrounded the stage were drunk and doing some nonsense talk. After discussion with the Beat Officer it was decided that no open discussion would take place, as the situation could get violent. The theme of play “ Hum Sab Hain Police” was elaborated and the respective duties of the citizen were discussed. Then the villagers were informed of the reason for the 3 months break as well the new additional things that will now feature in this community policing process in Mana. Then, the Beat –III officer Mr Bhagat told more about his beats

function and the beat meetings and the problems could be discussed where due to my emphasis he added that the small quarrel & fight should be solved with the discussion and how they can involve him in it, so that these issues should not become big. At last CHRI & the areas covered by CGHRC were briefed. It was also informed to the villager that now the Panchayat becomes the partner in Community Policing so they can raise their problem through Panchayat also and should made an effort to maintain peace & order in the village

➤ **The queries by the villagers-**Some villagers including the ex-Sarpanch raised some queries & discussed some problems with the Beat officer and me. The queries & problems that were raised by villagers:

- Gambling and police action.
- The ex- sarpanch asked how to improve the standard of school study here.
- The CLGs, who had a quarrel with some of the other villager, came to the Police staff and CHRI representatives and narrated the whole incidence while requesting to facilitate her to get the fair justice. He mentioned that about 3 months back he & his wife were beaten by its neighbours and 2-3 other people of different caste( ST/SC) over just a small discussion. Due to beating, his wife's hand got fractured (still not yet recovered) and he just survived as the other villager came and stop them from beating. Just after the incidence he rushed to the Mana P.S. where he launched the FIR and did the medical chek-up of his wife. But on the same day the other party went to the special ST/SC P.S. in raipur and launch complaint against him. He continued saying that although he got the copy of FIR but he didn't received the medical report although the doctor did plaster his wife. After some time the police personnel from that Special P.S. came and talk to both the party. Then he blamed that as the other party know some DSP, once more the police from ST/SC P.S. came and take the statement of other party while neither he & nor his wife statement recorded. So, now he comes to know that charges against him is fixed by the Special P.S. and a non-bail able warrant soon going to comeup. After knowing this about a week ago he contacted some villager including ex-sarpanch and requested & apologize the other party (he told that although he & her wife didn't made a single attack). So, now the other party is demanding quite big sum of money from him in order to take the case back. He pleaded that he is very poor and didn't have any money to give them. So he asked me that whether CGHRC could do something. I told him that first he should contact the Mana police and should ask about his complaint and should try to get the medical report of her wife, while regarding CGHRC , it might interfere on the basis that he didn't got the chance for appropriate hearing.

➤ **Comments-**

- The play was first scheduled to be conduct on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup> March at 8:00 pm but due to the late arrival of the artists the natak was postponed to the next day, Sunday at 11 am.
- Here it quite reflected that mostly on the Sunday evening even the village like this where the active women's group by getting together had to some

extent reduced the sale of illicit liquor, etc faces the problem of chaos & disorder by the drunkards.

- Although the village is quite calm & peaceful, but here also the caste factor works.
- Here even the women's CLGs of Boriakala called the SHO Mr Dubey to come to the program, but he didn't come saying that he is busy in some VIP's duty.