

CHAPTER - VISOCIAL IMPACTSOCIAL IMPACT OF THE SHRI PANCHGANGA SUGAR FACTORY :

Shri Panchganga Sugar factory has been successful in creating the deep rooted social impact in the command area. In fact all the co-operative sugar factory distributed large share of profit for social development in the command area. Shri Panchganga Co-operative Sugar factory has its old pattern of social development in respect of -

1. Educational development programme.
2. Cultural and social activities.
3. Special efforts for improving economic conditions of backward class farmers.
4. Training and study of workers and farmers.
5. Housing scheme for homeless poor under 20 point programme.

1. Educational Development Programme :

True to the spirit of the aims and objects incorporated in the bye-laws of the factory. Shri Panchganga sugar factory has undertaken number of social activities directed towards bringing about an all round social and cultural development of its command area. The management was found to be aware of the fact that the long term economic development

can accurately rest on an appropriate change in the attitudes of the people, their educational level and value system. The management showed an awareness that a tradition bound superstition ridden and conservative society can never be able to meet the challenge of the rapidly changing time. Unless the community gets rid off its parochial tendencies and narrow outlook get rid off casteist consideration gives up its blind superstitious and obsolete customs and unless it adopts a scientific outlook, it will not be able to make the best use of the opportunities placed at its disposal by modern science and technology. The change in attitudes, habits of mind and values accompanying them is a slow process. This slow process, however a can be initiated through education. Education can serve as a catalytic agent not only by imparting certain skills but also by broadening the mental horizons of the people and by creating new aspirations among them. The management of the factory therefore, decided to make investment in education. It was decided to establish an education society for organising and conducting the educational activities. The education society runs a secondary and primary schools and also college. The secondary school runs on the public school pattern in the Ganganagar campus with emphasis on character building and

disciplines. As a result of the reputation earned by the school in respect of high academic standards and discipline, guardian of student from far off places like Bombay, Poona and Nasik have sought admission to the school hostel for their wards. The factory has not however confined its educational efforts to the Ganganagar campus only. It has devised a number of schemes to help and improve. The educational facilities and standards in the existing schools and to encourage the establishment of new schools in the area of operatives. The factory also helped colleges, schools in the commanding area of factory.

**Educational impact of Shri Panchganga Co-operative**

**Sugar factory :**

**Expenditure on educational , social and cultural activities  
1971 to 77 and 1978 to 1982.**

TABLE NO.6.1

Lacks

S.No.	Particulars of Expenditure	1971 to	1978 to
		1977	1982
		₹. in lack	₹. in lack
1.	Development of colleges	3.14	3.70
2.	Purchase of scientific instruments of schools and colleges	4.55	5.59
3.	Assistance to rural libraries	2.03	2.04
4.	Construction grants to high schools	2.89	3.98
5.	Play grounds for childrens	0.36	0.69
6.	Ladies clubs and kinder gardens	0.45	0.55
7.	Construction of Gymnasium	0.24	0.75
8.	Grants to Temple for society	0.92	1.00
9.	Loans to students taking higher education	1.75	2.05
10.	Education to physically handicapped	0.49	0.70
11.	A building for physically handicapped	0.05	0.10
12.	Scholarships to students	0.35	0.46
13.	Constructions and repairs of Temples	0.16	0.25
14.	Construction of hospitals, building	0.76	1.02
15.	Scholarship to students in merits of SSC Examination	0.31	0.45
16.	Housing provisions to homeless	0.15	0.25
17.	Grants to social institutions	1.42	2.05
18.	Wrestlers	0.14	0.20
19.	Family planning	0.22	0.75
20.	Shivaji University	0.05	-
Total expenditure		19.98	25.68

Sources: Annual Reports 1971 to 1982.

(2) SOCIAL SERVICES RENDERED BY THE FACTORY :

Factory provides various social services to rural areas. It usually collect some amount from the the farmers. This amount is straight way collected by way of deduction made from the amount payable to farmers, for their sugar cane. This fund is used for social and cultural activities. A detail account of such funds and its utilisation is shown in the table No.1 It seems from the table that the factory has assisted in developing college and school education playgrounds, etc. It also took active part in introducing the programme of family planning. Besides above assistance the factory has exploited a separate programme of Rehabilitation of low caste people by relieving them from the clutches of monay lenders.

At present the following villages are included in the above schemes.

Kutwad, Ghalwad, Hupari  
Alate, Ichalkaranji, Danwad, Huroli, Hasur,  
Kawthegaland, Shirati, etc.

The low caste people have been lands for the cultivation purposes in the above villages. The loans are also being given to such farmers for undertaking cultivation. These lands are cultivated under the guidance and supervision of the factory.

(3) SPECIAL EFFORTS FOR IMPROVING ECONOMIC CONDITIONS  
OF B.C. FARMERS :

The factory has been making special efforts in its humble way to improve the economic conditions of the Harijan. Loans and grant-in-aids are given to them for agricultural development works construction of wells, irrigation and land development. The grants are also provided for construction of samaj or community centres. Following table show the special efforts for improving farms of Harijan.

TABLE : 6.2

Special efforts for improving farm of Harijan.

Particulars	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82
1. Area under cultivation and supervision (Hectors)	137.10	159.10	160.29	150.00	136.34
2. Factory sanction the loan	3,33,400	3,68,400	3,75,300	3,65,000	1,97,000

Sources : Annual reports of Factory 1977 to 1982.

General Community Services :

The factory is aware of the importance of Gobar gas plants as a source of energy particularly in the context of energy crises. The factory has taken up construction of Gobar gas plants for the producer members.

Medical Services :

The factory has established hospital primarily for its workers but the facilities are also made available to the rural population. Moreover the factory periodically organises free medical camps to make available to common expert advice of specialist doctors in different branches.

(4) REFRESHER COURSES, SYMPOSIUMS, EXCURSION :

Through the sugar factory experts are called upon to guide the farmers workers from time to time. Further more workers deputed for further refresher course. Expert from the Sugar Research Institutes are invited and they are requested to guide and enlighten the worker and farmers on the view point of sugar cane cultivation. The workers and farmers are given necessary information and guidance in reference to fertilisers, seeds, soils etc.

Special guidance and coaching is given in the above matter by paying visits to the Maharashtra State, Karnataka, Gujarat and neighbouring states. With this intension educational trips and excursion are being arranged and participants derived much benefit from it. Each year 53 members get an opportunity to participate in it. The Sugar factory spends Rs.440/- as an expenses per capita.

(5) HOUSING SCHEME FOR HOMELESS POOR WORKER  
UNDER 20 POINT PROGRAMME :

It Lion's share of this sugar factory in getting houses built for the homeless workers and that too under the scheme of 20 point programme of India Govt. The factory spent ₹.21,47,621/- on construction of 778 new houses.

The factory granted an amount 1,13,000/- for construction of 113 houses for the homeless workers coming under the Karnatak State but coming under the factory jurisdiction.