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9.1 Introduction:-

Kavathepiran village has now become a Nirmal Gram. The communication officers from Zilha Parishad provided all the information about the Total Sanitation Campaign. The village used different sources of information such as Radio, TV, Seminars, Daily, Magazines and Pamphlets etc. They also implemented messenger activity door to door with the help of the youngsters. Women also participated actively in the same work. The Gram Panchayat encouraged villagers by providing 22 public toilet units. The core message in the propaganda was the relation between sanitation and health, diseases caused by improper sanitation and unhygienic behaviour and practices and how it results in the standard of life.

It is a great pleasure that Village Kavathepiran has started its development through Total Sanitation Campaign. As a consequence the village has become very much sensitive to some important aspects such as environment, sanitation, health, social integrity, women participation etc. The Gram Panchayat and villagers are succeeded in solving the crucial problems of drinking water and in a way of health. All the villagers have become very enthusiastic and responding due to this developmental change. The people have become less addictive and new employment opportunities are opened leading to a new paradigm.

After all these changes even this is just a starting of the development. Unfortunately the basic targets such as 'total and sustainable development' of Total Sanitation Campaign are not achieved yet successfully. To achieve these goals is very important and needful to

continue the campaign endlessly. Whatever changes done are not complete in all sense, unfortunately. Hence, in accordance to the sustainable development the following observations and suggestions are the outcome of the present research study.

9.2 Environment:-

Under the Total Sanitation Campaign the villagers have become aware of environment and as a consequence the various steps towards tree plantation and protection are taken by the villagers. It's a great pleasure that above one Lakhs of trees are planted. With the endless efforts from all the villagers, Kavathepiran have received First Prize Nirmal Gram Purskar at the state level has earned a very good reputation and fame in the entire state.

Unfortunately, the kind of participation and enthusiasm shown by the villagers is decreasing day by day after receiving the award. It is very sad to note that the rate of plantation is reduced drastically after the award. At the same time the protection of planted trees seems to be ignored more or less with the reducing response from the villagers to the campaign.

Some projects such as horticulture, fishery, and vegetable production were started initially on the saline land. Unfortunately, due to the failure in above projects, no more projects were started to utilize the saline land. Basically the root cause behind these saline lands was not found out ever and hence, the process of conversion of agricultural land into the saline land was continued. The village is situated on the bank of river **Warna** and farmers are keen to make use of excess water. Unfortunately, the farmers are not made aware of the fact that the excess

unwanted use of irrigation should be avoided. It is the need of time to train the farmers about proper irrigation and multi-crop cultivation to maintain the quality of soil in the land. More a way it is required to encourage the villagers to make use of their saline land for various possible purposes with some financial aid from Gram Panchayat itself.

9.3 Health:

Under the Total Sanitation Campaign, the villagers are become sensitive to their health. The utilization of private toilets, facility of good drinking water and good habits of hygiene has resulted in satisfactory standard of life of overall villagers.

As a matter of fact, the research revealed exposes that still some villagers are keen to use open defecation leading foul smell and many communal diseases in the village. Though it is true that the alcohol from breweries and distilleries are inhibited permanently with strong lead of women, still some villagers could not kick the booze and still are keen to drink now from outside villages. Some people are still habitual to chewing tobacco. It is required and expected to abstain such people from alcohol and tobacco. To change the total mentality of such addicted people, the special orientation programmes must be conducted.

9.4 Social Development:

It is really inspiring the ways the villagers have shown the teams work to change the entire village. 'Ek Gaon Ek Ganpati', 'houses painted with the same colour', 'Mashzid and temples painted with same colour' are some of the ideal examples of social integrity to be followed by all the villages and towns across the country. It is required and expected to

maintain the same integrity among the coming generations. It is very important to care of political interference that can cause interruption in the social integrity of the village.

The rural sector holds the key to the future growth efforts. Agriculture is the main business of Kavathepiran. At present about 63% people are engaged in agriculture out of them about 80% are so poor that they are deprived of basic needs such as safe drinking water, proper hygiene and sanitation etc., Thus it offers the greatest potential for widespread development. The two main areas of focus should be connectivity and water management in all parts of the village. The government of Maharashtra gives promotion to proper hygiene and sanitation to improve the health status of the society. It is true that improvement in the quality of standard of living is not possible unless improved drinking water supply and proper hygiene and sanitation facilities are not provided. It is know as the prime need to develop the good health.

At present, a major weakness of the village is the inadequacy and poor quality of infrastructure facilities i.e. electric power, roads, ports, telecommunication and also urban and rural drinking water supply and sewage etc. The growth of the economy is only possible if the supplies of these services are increased. It is needed to improve their quality also. The high quality of infrastructure is helpful to face the competitiveness and other dynamic changes of the open economy. Thus, there is need for major policy reorientation.

9.5 Role of Women and Institution:-

It is a notable fact that the overall development of Kavathepiran under the strong leadership of the women is the most admirable and notable fact. Now after the award, it is equally important to keep the women participation with the same motto and enthusiasm and it must be maintained by regular encouragement to women through different projects and programmes. If some new small business for women are encourage then it will definitely help them to increase their economical status and strengthen them too. Under the women employment, the saline land can be utilized for some projects such as **poultry farm**, **rabbit and emu cultivation** and this will definitely add to their income.

The research revealed says that the adult education programmes are not continued. It is very required and expected to become the classes regularly, and the schools must take initiative for this. And then only the target of 100% literacy can be achieved. At the same time, the special coaching classes must be conducted towards the Maharashtra public Service Commissions for strong students leading to their bright future. Along with this the special coaching and training sessions, exploring the geological, historical, political and cultural, historical present status and future trends of our state and country must be conducted adding to the general knowledge of common people.

All the suggestions given above can lead better upliftment of the village sustainable development.