

Academy of Root Development (Australia) Incorporated

2021-2022 Annual Report



**Women's Empowerment in Indian Villages (WEIV)
is a programme of ARD(Australia)Inc**

ARD has been working with communities in rural Bihar since 2005. Initially we were working to support women and their families through Self Help Groups, Micro-finance and Income Generating Activities. In 2013/14 the Indian government implemented a nation-wide rural support initiative covering these areas, so since then we have been working in the field of Reproductive and Child Health and Literacy Centres for illiterate adolescent girls.

Reproductive and Child Health

The Reproductive and Child Health programme addresses family planning awareness, antenatal education and support, maternal and child well-being and nutrition. Gender discrimination awareness is a strong focus of our work. The RCH programme has now entered its eighth year of operation.

This year as part of our family planning initiatives, we have employed a new male staff member to advocate for vasectomies for men, rather than the more invasive tubal ligation for women.

“Despite being a complex procedure, female sterilisation is the most commonly used family planning method, accounting for 35.7% of all procedures in India. In comparison to female sterilisation, a vasectomy is a much simpler and safer procedure yet, male sterilisations account for only 0.3% of all family planning procedures in the country.

Overall involvement of men in health and family planning remains low and there’s been little effort to involve them. The responsibility eventually falls on women – whether it is to ensure a proper age gap between two children, avoid an unwanted pregnancy or opting for permanent birth control.” National Family Health Survey, conducted between 2019-2021



Report from RCH staff member Renu:

When I conducted meetings of adolescent girls in Kolheya village, Priyanka Kumari would always attend. One time during a meeting of the teenagers, when the exact age of Saadi (marriage) was being discussed, Priyanka said that her mother and father were proposing her marriage as soon as she took the matriculation examination (Year 10 in India).

After the meeting, staff member Renu went to Priyanka's house to explain the proper age of marriage, tell her parents about the troubles caused by doing marriage at an early age, tell them about the government rules and regulations and to inform them about the facilities available from the government. Priyanka's parents agreed not to marry her at such a young age.

Renu explained to them they must think about Priyanka's future, to let her be physically and mentally mature, so that she can take care of her family. "If you have the knowledge to spend a happy life with your family, then do so". After explaining these things, Priyanka's parents agreed to marry her when she turned 21. After passing her Intermediate examination (Year 12 in India), her parents arranged the wedding with great fanfare!



ARD/WEIV has a staff of fourteen (14) in the RCH programme and eight (8) teachers in the Literacy Centre programme.

Once again WEIV staff have been on paid leave for brief periods due to the Covid-19 pandemic and on exceptionally hot days during the Indian summer. We continuously monitor the situation to ensure all staff are working in a safe environment.

Literacy Centres

Since May 2015 ARD(Australia)Inc has been operating eight Literacy Centres for poor adolescent girls who otherwise would not be engaged in the education system. The girls are taught Hindi reading and writing, functional maths and basic English.



This year we have provided uniforms for the girl students and are in the process of establishing small mobile libraries that can move from Centre to Centre.



Funding

ARD(Aust)Inc currently has sixty-five (65) members making monthly or occasional donations. ARD also receives funds through transactional giving facilitated by Buy1Give1, a fully accredited Charity registered in the United States.

Each month we send more than AU\$3,000 to pay the staff and meet our administration expenses in India. **100% of your donations go directly to India.** All work in Australia is done on a purely voluntary basis and any Australian administration expenses are met by local fundraising initiatives.

Please see the enclosed Financial Statement for a full breakdown of incoming and outgoing monies.

For more information, please visit our website www.weiv-india.org

With thanks to our donors and supporters.

Committee of Academy of Root Development (Australia) Incorporated
July 2022



Financial Statements

ARD (Aust) Inc
For the year ended 30 June 2022

Prepared by Connect Accountants & Advisors Pty Ltd

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Committee's Report

ARD (Aust) Inc

For the year ended 30 June 2022

Committee's Report

Your committee members submit the financial report of ARD (Aust) Inc for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

Committee Members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Committee Member	Position	Date Started	Experience	Qualification
Graeme Batterbury	President			
Wendy Royston	treasurer			

Principal Activities

Not-for-Profit Organisation - Academy of Root Development (Australia) Incorporated has been established in Australia to source donations and on-going funding to support the work of Academy of Root Development (ARD) in India. Academy of Root Development is a Non-Government Voluntary Organisation and Charitable Trust that has been actively engaged in social service to poor and marginal communities in Gaya District, Bihar, India

Significant Changes

No significant changes during the year.

Operating Result

The surplus after providing for income tax for the financial year amounted to, as per below: \$9,233.97

Going Concern

This financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The ability of the association to continue to operate as a going concern is dependent upon the ability of the association to generate sufficient cashflows from operations to meet its liabilities. The members of the association believe that the going concern assumption is appropriate.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee on:



(President)

Date 18/08/22



(Treasurer)

Date 18/08/22

Income and Expenditure Statement

ARD (Aust) Inc

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Gross Surplus	-	-
Other Income		
Interest Income	11	17
Donations & Fundraising	55,993	44,104
Ipex	-	11,504
Total Other Income	56,004	55,625
Expenditure		
Accountancy Fees	242	242
Administration Costs	140	79
Bank Charges	80	174
Overseas Projects	46,308	41,662
Total Expenditure	46,770	42,157
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax Adjustments	9,234	13,468
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit) Before Income Tax	9,234	13,468
Net Current Year Surplus After Income Tax	9,234	13,468

Assets and Liabilities Statement

ARD (Aust) Inc
As at 30 June 2022

	NOTES	30 JUN 2022	30 JUN 2021
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents		37,085	27,851
Total Current Assets		37,085	27,851
Total Assets		37,085	27,851
Net Assets			
		37,085	27,851
Member's Funds			
Capital Reserve		37,085	27,851
Total Member's Funds		37,085	27,851

Notes to the Financial Statements

ARD (Aust) Inc

For the year ended 30 June 2022

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act NSW. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

	2022	2021
2. Cash on Hand		
Cash at Bank - SCU Everyday	270	334
Cash at Bank - SCU Gift	24,796	15,559
Cash at Bank - SCU Savings	11,773	11,761
Petty Cash Imprest	246	196
Total Cash on Hand	37,085	27,851

Movements in Equity

ARD (Aust) Inc

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Equity		
Opening Balance	27,851	-
Increases		
Profit for the Period	9,234	13,468
Retained Earnings	-	14,384
Total Increases	9,234	27,851
Total Equity	37,085	27,851

Statement of Cash Flows - Direct Method

ARD (Aust) Inc

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Operating Activities		
Interest received	11	17
Cash receipts from other operating activities	55,993	55,608
Cash payments from other operating activities	(46,770)	(42,157)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	9,234	13,468
Financing Activities		
Other cash items from financing activities	-	14,384
Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities	-	14,384
Net Cash Flows	9,234	27,851
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	27,851	-
Net change in cash for period	9,234	27,851
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	37,085	27,851

True and Fair Position

ARD (Aust) Inc

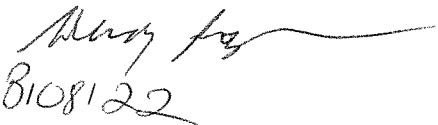
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Annual Statements Give True and Fair View of Financial Position and Performance of the Association

We, Graeme Batterbury, and Wendy Sue Royston, being members of the committee of ARD (Aust) Inc, certify that –

The statements attached to this certificate give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of ARD (Aust) Inc during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending on 30 June 2022.

Signed: 
Dated: 18/08/2022

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Dated: 18/08/22

Compilation Report

ARD (Aust) Inc

For the year ended 30 June 2022

Compilation report to ARD (Aust) Inc.

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of ARD (Aust) Inc, which comprise the asset and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2022, income and expenditure statement, the statement of cash flows, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is set out in Note 1.

The Responsibility of the Committee Member's

The committee of ARD (Aust) Inc are solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements, the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information and for the determination that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet their needs and for the purpose that financial statements were prepared.

Our Responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the partners we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in Note 1 to the financial statements and APES 315 *Compilation of Financial Information*.

We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to compile these financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements. We have complied with the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants*.

Assurance Disclaimer

Since a compilation engagement is not an assurance engagement, we are not required to verify the reliability, accuracy or completeness of the information provided to us by management to compile these financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion on these financial statements.

The special purpose financial statements were compiled exclusively for the benefit of the committee who are responsible for the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information used to compile them. We do not accept responsibility for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.

Independence

We are not independent of ARD (Aust) Inc because *(reasons why not independent, for example, the member is a close relative of a member of the entity)*.



Connect Business Solutions

Andrew Stevens

Dated 6/8/2022 .