## Relief Organization for Handicapped, Hindupur, AP

Relief Organisation for Handicapped (ROH) (H.No. 17-6-13 is based in New Hasnabad, Hindupur-515201, Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh, India (Phone: +91-8556-225052, Email: roh hdp@rediffmail.com, http://roh hdp.tripod.com). It is a registered organization under Societies Act XXI of 1860 with District Registrar in the year 1993. It is also exempted for tax under 80G and has the facility of receiving foreign contributions through FCRA registration. Mr. Nimton, a visually impaired person by birth struggled in life for being disabled and poor. In the face of problems and lack of opportunities, he went on to do M.A. Litt. (gold medal) and became the Principal for a school for the blind. Mr. Nimton along with Mr. Abshalam with a vision to promote equal opportunities and empower the lives of marginalized sections established ROH. ROH works in a span of 100 villages in Hindupur area and in the coastal villages of Prakasam district. The activities of the organization involve persons with disabilities as the core target group while women and children are covered for education and income generation activities. organization employs 25 staff members including those at its branch office in Chirala. The major activities are inclusive education for children with disabilities, income generation training, self-help groups and healthcare programs. Through its activities, the organization helped about 650 disabled persons and additionally 500 persons through informal services like facilitating concessional services etc. The annual budget of the organization for 2005-06 was Rs. 5 million in which 15% was funded by government sources, 75% from various funding agencies (domestic and international) such as GiveIndia, AID, Edukans etc. and 10% from local sources. 70% of the funds are spent on developmental activities and remaining towards administration, salaries etc.