In the name of God

Summary of performance report of

Iran Association of Social Workers

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Summary of the most important activities of Iran association of social workers in the year of 1394 (March 2015-March 2016)

A. Continuation of social workers recruitment

Many social workers and people who are active in social work became members of the association via the central office or provincial branches during the year. It should be noted that only persons with social work or social service academic degrees are considered as main members.

B. Scientific and job consultation to students and graduates

A lot of social work students or graduates recourse to the association and consulted with the board of advisor, professors and association experts to find solutions to their questions about social work job fields, scientific discussions etc. during the year.

C. Connecting social work job seeker graduates with the labor market (informing)

Organizations which needed social workers during the year, contacted with the association and it was informed to the job seekers by the association website or SMS system.

D. Innovation and design of “Social health award” for the first time in the country and grant it to three country social health pioneers

Iran association of social workers with the belief to this fact that health has different dimensions and the necessarily of paying attention to all the different dimensions of health and to express the importance of this fact that social health and its components including solidarity, advocacy, social responsibility and participation is the neglected field of social prevention and intervention, designed “Social health award” for the first time in the country to grant it to those who have taken roles in different fields of social health in the country.
During the year, this award was granted to three noble persons of social field in the country including Dr. Seyyed Ahmad Huseyni, Dr. Mohamad Kamali and Dr. Habib Aghabakhshi that was well received and had a great reflection. The association hopes to grant this award to other qualified persons who have been effective in strengthen country’s social health by checking history of plans that have performed in this field.

E. Holding national social work day conference

According to the association’s slogan this year and to develop the concept of social responsibility in the society, the association’s annual conference which is being hold on the occasion of Imam Ali birthday was hold with the title of “Social work and social responsibility” on 6th of May 2015 with the presence of more than 1000 social workers across the country. At this conference which was hold with the collaboration of tens of governmental and non-governmental organizations, vice President of Women's Affairs and Family, The head of the state welfare organization, Welfare deputy minister of cooperatives, labor and social welfare and a number of national authorities and many ministries and provincial managers participated.

F. Appreciation from social administrators, pioneers and sample social workers of the country

As it does every year, at the day of association’s annual conference, with the collaboration of related organizations, a number of active and effective managers in the social field and social worker experts working in governmental and non-governmental organizations were appreciated.

G. Innovation and holding social conversation meeting series

Iran association of social workers tried to develop the atmosphere of social dialogue in the country by holding 8 professional meetings with the title of social conversation. Base of these meetings is on conversation and governmental administrators and managers beside non-governmental social masters and social workers analyze these
fields’ subjects. During the year, the association holds 8 professional meetings with the subjects that have priority in the society as below:

i. Discussion about new social work explanation components
ii. Social dimensions of accidents
iii. Social dimensions of working with children
iv. Social dimensions of aging
v. Social dimensions in education
vi. AIDS and social issues
vii. Rehabilitation affairs in the sixth development national program
viii. Social dimensions of child labor

H. Participation in national seminars and conferences

As the association is one of the most active and oldest non-governmental organizations that is professionally working on social field, during the year so many social seminars and conferences invited the association and it participated in some of them i.e.

a. Participation and secretary in the sixth congress of the hidden injuries of student life- June 2015 Kurdistan
b. Participation in the Family and Sexual Health Seminar of the martyr Foundation and Veterans Affairs- December 2015 khatamolanbia hospital
c. Participation in the National Conference on Violence against Women and its effects on family health- November 2015 Kermanshah
d. Participation in the Seminar on higher education and welfare and social security policy- Link comment and practice- December 2015 social security research institute/ The associations representative was member of panel of issues and challenges in the field of social policy and welfare in Iran
e. Participation in the conference of Poverty reduction, education for children and NGOs- learned experiences- November 2015/ The
associations representative was member of one of the professional panels of this conference.
f. Participation in the professional session of empowerment and civil rights of disabled groups- December 2015 Allameh Tabatabaee university
g. Participation in the seminar of pathology of street children- November 2015 Iranian figures architecture association
h. Participation in the commemoration ceremony for red crescent society social workers- May 2015 Volunteer organization
i. Participation in the global conference on vision of child rights- June 2015 human rights council
j. Participation in the national congress of Iranian psychological association- May 2015/ the association’s representative was a member of a panel in this congress with the title of addiction prevention socialization in Iran.
k. Participation in the international congress of addiction- September 2015 Iran medical university/ An independent panel was hold by the administration and presence of the associations members in this congress

I. New year meeting

As it does every year, New Year meeting as an unofficial and friendly event took place in central office of the association. A number of young and old social workers met each other in the meeting.

J. Holding commemoration ceremony and publishing collections of notes

In order to promote appreciation culture from social pioneers, hold commemoration ceremony for three pioneers of social work and rehabilitation field separately during the year. In these ceremonies, that took place in collaboration with the state welfare organization, these pioneers colleagues and students expressed their worthy activities during their careers.
a. Dr. Huseyni Haji Bekandeh (holding commemoration ceremony and publishing collection of notes with collaboration of Tehran state welfare organization)

b. Dr. Mohammad Kamali (holding commemoration ceremony and publishing collection of notes with collaboration of national state welfare organization)

c. Dr. Habib Aghabakhshi (holding commemoration ceremony and publishing collection of notes with collaboration of Tehran state welfare organization)

d. Also because of sudden death of Dr. Mozaffar Karimi, social security distinguished scholar, holding memorial)

K. Membership in committees and participation in policy meetings

• membership in the board of the National Committee for the Prevention of divorce and the National Council for Protection of the Family- crime prevention and social assistance of judiciary

• Membership in the Advisory Committee of Sixth Development Plan-state planning and management organization

• Membership in the Coordinating Council of the Headquarters for Combating Narcotics

• Membership in the Headquarters for Combating Narcotics of Provinces

• Membership in the advocating committee of empowerment and social problems reducing of welfare and social security planning council of codification of sixth national development plane

• Membership in the expert panel of social support and empowerment of sixth national development plane of the national Relief Committee

• Membership in the supportive empowerment expert panel of Social Harm Reduction of National Council of the elderly

• participation in the meeting of headquarters for national document for urban poor areas and provide with the presence of Minister of Roads
and Urban Development and present a performance report the Association in Sabzevar project

• Participation in the regional meeting of mandated Group of civil society in North Africa, the Middle East and Central Asia Laleh Hotel Tehran, February 2016

• Invited to attend meetings of the General Directorate of Roads and Urban Development, Tehran Province

• Experts' Meeting about new corrective ideas for activities of labor relations and social work of national oil company of Iran- December 2015

• Participation in the Seminar of aspect of student life- Student Affairs organization of Ministry of Science, Research and Technology- August 2015

• Study enforcement mechanisms for the plane of formation the database of street children- Tehran City Council August 2015

• Participation in the Seminar of the effect of social work telephone counseling lines and reduction of Children's crime - Human Sciences scholars’ home August 2015

L. Agreements

Agreement between the associations with red crescent youth organization was revised and signed. Similar agreements were signed between the association and some other governmental organizations.

M. Publications

As regards one of the associations’ missions is presence in the production and dissemination of cultural products field, the following products were prepared and presented in continuation of previous actions in the field of compilation and publication of books.
I. Treasury 2 (memories and learned points of Iranian social workers- volume II)

II. A collection of articles and conference presentations and reports of women in social development conference (with emphasis on the sixth development program)

III. Proceedings and reports of third social work Gonabad Conference- Social Affairs in the Sixth Development Plan

IV. Published four volumes of the pioneers of public health

N. Presence in medias

The associations’ representatives were present in different channels and related programs of Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting (IRIB), different news and analytical websites including Fars, Irna, Isna, Ilna etc. and also Shahrvand, Arman, Etemad, Sharq, Iran... newspapers.

O. Holding workshops

- Workshop on women heads of households- Gilan
- Workshop on New Approaches to Social Work- Relief Committee of Mazandaran province
- Workshop on social service management- Relief Committee of Mazandaran province
- Workshop on Social Work report writing- Foundation of martyrs in Tehran
- Workshop on Empowerment of NGOs in the field of social problems in Hamedan- commissioned by the Ministry of Sport and Youth
- And a few other workshops.....

International activities

A. Translation and publishing world social work day banner
World social work day banner which was published by IFSW was translated to Persian and moreover than sending to the federation which was inserted to its website, sent to related organizations in the country.

B. Translation of new social work definition and uploading in the association and federations websites

The new social work definition which had been approved in 2014 by the international federation of social workers and Association of Schools of Social Work and Social Work Education Council, was translated by the associations colleagues was sent to the federation, uploaded on its website, then sent to related organizations in the country.