

## **Case Studies**

## Devanoori Laxmi

Laxmi is the elder daughter of Pochaiah and Suguna and she has a sister and a brother and resident of Pothureddypalli of Huzurabad mandal. When she was 8 year old she was affected with fever and that led to Polio. At the age of 10 while playing accidently she fell down and her hand was injured. The doctor suggested her for surgery but the surgery was not successful and her hand became paralyzed. The co children used to tease her with the name of disability at school she managed herself and used to keep calm in the school. During the period of the board examination the family members joined her in hostel but the discrimination even carried up to that place. She was unable to stay at that place. After her education she joined as a field assistant in Grama Depika but due to the disability she was forcibly removed from there. Due to these situations she went into deep depression.



Once she was invited to the network meeting on the rights of the disable persons and it was very much impressive. After some time she gradually started opening her mouth to ask for her rights. The villagers were shocked she demanded for the work provided by the government, Slowly the other villagers and the persons with disabilities began their interaction with her now she is able to guide them in a proper way and creating awareness regarding the rights of the PWDs.

As she is very active now she is able to interact with the government officials at all levels. She is assisting the persons with disabilities. She is thankful to the team of NPdo for making her bold, strong and confident.