



*“I believe that Coady offers a platform in which knowledge, skills, and techniques are integrated in a way to develop my competencies towards the best practices through mutual learning with Coady staff and with the other participants of the Diploma program.”*

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The work I do at my organization consists of coordinating the earthquake relief and rehabilitation programme in 16 villages of Uri Sector in Kashmir. In the past six years of engagement with the communities we have been able to provide a stable platform for people to rebuild their lives. We have been able to train local leaders, form self help groups and establish village health committees that are solely managed by the local people with adequate participation by all sections of the community.

The vision of the Catholic Social Service Society of the Diocese of Jammu-Srinagar is the establishment of a just social order wherein every human person enjoys human dignity. This vision is being manifested through various activities that include (a) formation, strengthening, training and networking of women, men, youth and children for social cause, (b) building up local resource team and local leadership, (c) enabling rural population to become agents of community health, (d) formation and linkage of Self Help Groups etc. These and many other programmes have helped in responding to local needs and strengthening the livelihood options of the target groups.

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