



**CITIZENS REPORT
ON THE
ACTIVITIES & INITIATIVES
TAKEN UP BY THE
DISTRICT BASIN DEVELOPMENT UNIT
WEST JAINTLA HILLS DISTRICT**



**INITIATIVES TAKEN UP BY THE DISTRICT BASIN DEVELOPMENT UNIT, WEST
JAINTIA HILLS
MEDIA CAMPAIGN**

On the occasion of the 56th Republic Day Celebration, the District Basin Development Unit took the opportunity to showcase and display a tableau on Integrated Basin Development and Livelihood Promotion Programme in the District which depicted the 9 (Nine) missions in attaining the objective of sustainable livelihood.



Tableau on IBDLP on 26th January, 2013.

1. Development of Sericulture at Saphai Village.

A convergence effort was initiated by the District Basin Development Unit, WJHD in collaboration with the Sericulture Department, WJHD and Bellefonte Community College for the development of Eri farmers of Saphai Village. The BDU proposed for the setting up of a Training cum Spinning center in the Village. Before initiating the proposal, an Awareness cum-Training Programme on Eri Spinning was organized for the farmers of the Village.

2. Establishment of Fish Sanctuary at Syntu Ksiar

A convergence effort was also initiated between the BDU, Office of the Superintendent of Fisheries Jowai, BDO Thadlaskein and the Jaintia Fishing & Environment Society, Jowai for the establishment of the Sanctuary on the water pool already created by the Soil & Water Conservation Department.

Objective:

- ❖ To conserve the Indigenous and Endemic species
- ❖ To create an un-disturbed breeding ground for Mahaseers
- ❖ To promote and boost tourism.
- ❖ To enhance the livelihood promotion within the area.
- ❖ To create proper sanitation facilities.
- ❖ Gap funding by MBDA has been sanctioned and works is still in progress.



The water pool at Syntu Ksiar

3. Development of Piggery at Nartiang.

The objective of the program is to ensure self sufficiency in meat demand. The success of the programme would be replicated in other areas as well. A model for convergence is being worked out between BDU and AH & Veterinary Department. The BDU has organized Awareness cum Interactive Session with the Partners from the Village on 10th July 2013. Till date 13 partners have been sent by MIE for training at SIRD, Nongsder.



Shri. K.Hynniewta, Nodal Officer, BDU interacting with pig farmers at Nartiang

4. Reviving the Pottery of Larnai Village.

The BDU conducted the PRA exercise in the village to work out viable possible interventions.



Villagers interacting during a PRA exercise at Larnai Village

An interactive session with the Partners involved in the trade was organized at Thadlakein EFC where it was decided that artisans from the village would be sent for an Exposure visit, the task of which was handed over to Shri. I.Z Wreang, FM, DCIC, Jowai.

❖ **Promotion of Herbal Soap produced by Sahsniang Cluster Level Federation**

The BDU will be working on the possible intervention in providing trainings and technical inputs to the Partners who are presently involved in the production of Handmade Herbal Soap. The Proposal will be sent to MIE for working out plans for the project. The objective is to encourage entrepreneurship among rural folk.

❖ **Proposal for setting of a Handicraft Training Centre at Mookyndeng**

The BDU has submitted a proposal to MIE for utilizing the facilities of the Women's Group and Handicraft Multipurpose Co-operative Society Ltd. Mowkyndeng as the training Centre on handicrafts for Artisans of the State.



Sustainable Development Month.

Sustainable Development Week was observed in the District whereby the BDU along with other Departments organized Cleaning Drive along the river Myntdu, cum Tree Plantation Programme at Syntu Ksiar on occasion of World Environment Day 2013.

The programme was attended by Prof. R.C Laloo, Deputy Chief Minister who also graced the function as the Chief Guest. The participation was overwhelming as over a thousand people including Schools and College students, NGOs, Local people and Govt officials attended the programme. The programme culminated with a Tree Plantation and the release of fingerlings at the Myntdu River by the Department of Fisheries.



Cleaning drive at Syntu Ksiar as part of Sustainable Development



Release of fingerlings at Myntdu River by Prof. R.C.Laloo



Prof. R.C.Laloo planting a sapling on the occasion.



Planting of sapling by Shri.P.S. Dkhar,IAS Deputy Commissioner
West Jaintia Hills District on World Environment Day 2013
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INITIATIVES TAKEN AT THE BLOCK LEVEL

An Awareness Programme on IBDLP for Village Headmen & other stake holders of Amlarem Civil Sub-Division was organized on 6th June 2013 at Ennowel Hall, Amlarem. Shri. P.S.Dkhar, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, West Jaintia Hills District was the Chief Guest at the function. The programme was also attended by District Officials from Departments involved in IBDLP.



Shri. P.S.Dkhar, IAS ,Deputy Commissioner receiving the Bouquet at the Awareness Programme



Participants attending the Awareness Programme at Ennowel Hall, Amlarem
On 6th June 2013

An Awareness Program for Turmeric and Ginger growers of Looksi village was organized by Kyntu shaphrang SHG in collaboration with the BDU on 12th August 2013 at the Community Hall, Thlongmoo, Looksi under Laskein C& RD Block.

The objective of the programme is to familiarize the farmers on the concept of livelihood promotion and sustainable development.



Shri. P.S. Dkhar, IAS Deputy Commissioner along with the team of Officials from the District attending the programme.



Participants at the Awareness Programme at Thlongmoo, Looksi under Laskein C& RD Block on 12th August 2013

Seventeen numbers of Partners registered in Amlarem EFC have completed training on piggery farming and eight of them were sent to Vocational Training Centre, Kyrдем Kulai from 4th to 9th Nov 2013 and 19th to 28th May 2014. Four partners were sent to SIRD, Nongsder from 9th to 13th December and five partners were sent to RRTC Umran, from 20th to 24th January 2014. Seven partners have been sent for training on Poultry Farming to RRTC Umran, from 24th to 28th Feb, 2014. Two partners were sent to Umsalait CLF for training cum awareness programme on poultry farming. And three of them attended a one day Training Needs Assessment Programme on 14th, December, 2013 at SIRD Nongsder. Three partners were sent for exposure visit to NIRD Hyderabad and 2 partners were sent to EDI, Gujarat, 3 partners were sent to Vocational Training Centre, Kyrдем Kulai on Dairy Farming and nine partners have been sent for training to RRTC Umran for Beekeeping.

Number of Partners Trained/ Sent for Training/Undergone Training/ Exposure Visit

Sl.No	Activities	Number of partners attended the training	Place of Training/ Exposure Visit	Date	Organised
1	Piggery	4	Vocational Training Centre Kyrдемkulai	4 th -9 th November 2013	MIE
		4	SIRD Nongsder.	9 th -13 th ,Dec,2014	MIE
		5	RRTC Umram	20 th -24 th , Jan,2014	TLS
		4	Vocational Training Centre Kyrдемkulai	19 th -28 th May 2014	
2	Poultry	7	RRTC Umran	24 th -28 th Feb 2014	TLS
3	Nonfarm	5	3 NIRD Hyderabad and 2 EDI Gujarat	17 th -30 th July 2014 Hyderabad and 21 st .Aug-6 th .Sept.2014	MIE
4	Apiculture	9	RRTC Umran	28 th July- 1 st August	DCIC

5	Dairy Farming	3	Vocational Training Centre Kyrdemkulai	25 th .Aug-3 rd .Sept.2014	MIE
	Total	41			

Awareness programme and Workshop

Programme on Capacities building of partners on formation of Co-operative society were conducted during 15th march 2013. Altogether 50 number of participants were attended the programme and the expenditure cost was Rs 2510. The meeting was chaired by Mrs. I. Dkhar OSD MIE Shillong in which she emphasized on the objective of the meeting and at the same time she interacted with the partners who enrolled in the EFC with respect to their desired intervention. She also mentioned that the IBDLP will be implementing through Integrated Village Co - Operative Society and Cluster Approach. The outcome of the interaction with the partners present during the meeting was good and Mrs. I. Dkhar advised that to have another meeting / interaction with all the headmen and discuss with them about the integrated village Co-operative society for the formation of village Cooperative Society.



Capacity building of partners on formation of Co-operative society

PRA exercise Cum Awareness Programme organized on 22nd march 2013 at Mawlong village in which 67 participants attended along with Banferbie Nongrum (ERP Laskien), Justina Shylla (Programme Associate Amlarem), Dajan khonglah (ERP Amlarem), Aity Mary Khongjee (Intern DBDU). The programme was chaired by the Headmen of the village, followed by a

speech on IBDLP by Mr. Benferbie Nongrum (ERP Laskien). After the Meeting the PRA Exercise was initiated with the different tools so as to get information from the villages and all the expenditure was made by the DBDU West Jaintia Hills District.



PRA exercise Cum Awareness Programme

Awareness Programme on IBDLP at Moosakhia Village C&RD Block Amlarem Conducted on 9th April 2013 at Government L.P School Moosakhia village in which 48 participants from Moosakhia and Samanong Village attended and the resource persons are Justina Shylla, (Programme Associate) and Dajan Khonglah, (ERP Amlarem EFC). The programme was chaired by Secretary VEC.



Awareness Programme on IBDLP at Moosakhia Village

The awareness programme on IBDLP for Village Headmen and other stake holders of Amlarem Block was conducted by DBDU West Jaintia Hills District in collaboration with EFC and SDO Amlarem on 6th June 2013 at Enuwell Hall Amlarem. The Programme was chaired by RO planning Branch, Welcome Speech by SDO Amlarem. In this awareness programme,

officials from the different departments, the headman of all the villages ‘falling under Amlarem C&RD Block,SHGs,Cooperative Societies, and Synjuk ki Rangbah Shnong were present, and around 147 numbers of participants are present in this day.

The Resource person in this awareness programme is Sir P.S.Dkhar(IAS),Deputy Commissioner West Jaintia Hills District, S.F.Lyngdoh Project Manegar, MRDS and Mrs. I. Dkhar OSD MIE. Sir P.S.Dkhar(IAS)DC West Jaintia Hills District briefed about IBDLP and its functions. S.F.Lyngdoh, Project Manager MRDS spoke about the 9 missions of IBDLP and its significant for the promotion of rural Livelihood.



Three days awareness programme was conducted at SGSY Hall C&RD Block Amlarem

Awareness programme on Beekeeping and IBDLP at Amtapoh village in convergence with DCIC, Jowai on 8th.July.2014.



Awareness programme on Beekeeping at Amtapoh village in convergence with DCIC.

The Awareness programme on IBDLP conducted at Laskein Block of West Jaintia Hills. The following villages are 1.Samatan 2.Umsalait 3.Thangrain



The Awareness on IBDLP conducted by BDU at BIAR Village under Laskein Block



The Awareness programme on IBDLP conducted by BDU at Kyndong Mynso Village under Laskein Block



The Awareness programme on IBDLP conducted by BDU at Mookyndeng Village under Laskein Block



The Awareness programme on IBDLP conducted by BDU at Mawtyrsiah Village under Laskein Block



The Awareness programme on IBDLP conducted by BDU at Pammanik Village under Laskein Block



The Awareness programme on IBDLP conducted by BDU at Samatan Village under Laskein Block

Livelihood mapping:

- ❖ The consultancy firms engaged by MBDA, WEBCON Ltd. and Total Livelihood School, Hyderabad along with ERPs conducted livelihood mapping in some villages under Laskein and Amlarem C&RD respectively. The villages that were covered were Kyndongtuber, Mowtyrshiah, Mookyndeng, Mynso-A, Mukhap, Nongkynrih, Barato, Khatkasla and Thadmuthlong under Laskein C&RD Block.



Official from WEBCON Ltd during livelihood mapping at Kyndongtuber

The villages covered under Amlarem C&RD Block were Amlaririm, Pdengshakap, Amladkhur, Thangbuli (Jarolod),Hawai Bhoi , Trangbalang, Amtasam, Pamtbuh, Khliehamkhsar, Lamin, Jong-u-Shen, Kudengthymmai, Bakur, Shnongpdeng, Kudengrim, Amsohmeheleng, Mupyut, Samanong and Syndai.



A team from Total Livelihood School, Hyderabad

The Livelihood Mapping exercised of Amlarem Block was conducted on 24th.June to 1st. July. 2013 in five villages (Kudengthymmai, Thangbuli, Umladkhur, Pamtbuh, and Kudengrim) on 28th.Aug to 6th.Sept.2013 in fourteen villages (Shnongpdeng, Bakur, Hawai Bhoi, Lamin, Samanong, Pdengshakap, Amlari rim, Jong-u-chen, Khliehamkshar, Amsohmahaleng, Trangblang, Syndai, Mupyut, Amtasam), with an objective of understanding the major livelihood activities being undertaken by the people in the block, identify gaps in the existing activity if any and suggest interventions as well as to identify any other potential livelihood activities that could be undertaken in the villages under the Block. The livelihood mapping survey/conducted revealed with two livelihood activities which are relevant to the Block are orange cultivation and Broom grass cultivation.

This exercised helps in identifying and understanding the various livelihood activities undertaken by the people at the grass root level. It also helps us to build a strong rapport with the

people. The exercise was conducted with the help of Shri. Wilhelmos Shylla, Rolin Shadap and Pynshngain Rymmai, (Interns MBDA), Smt. Justina Shylla, (Programme Associate) and Smt. Dajan Khonglah, (ERP Amlarem EFC). The entire expenditure of the exercise was borne by the 'The livelihood School'.



The Livelihood Mapping exercise of Amlarem Block

Meeting with partners for the local indigenous practitioners (Herbal medicine) along with Bah. Lanong (Assistant Training Manager) at SGSY Hall C&RD Block Amlarem on 4th July 2014.



Meeting with partners for the local indigenous practitioners (Herbal medicine) along with Bah. Lanong Assistant Training Manager at SGSY Hall C&RD Block Amlarem

The Orientation programme on Integrated Village Development Plan (IVDP) for 21 villages Headmen and Secretaries of Amlarem Block was conducted by MBDA in collaboration

with EFC on 13th. Aug. 2014 at SGSY Hall C&RD Block Amlarem. The Programme was chaired by BDO, welcome speech by Juster Khyriem, (Multi task Amlarem EFC). The Resource Person in this programme is Shri. Shemphang Pohshna, and Shri. Rimi Pongrup (Assistant Manager Training).



Orientation programme on IVDP

DIALOGUE WITH PARTNERS PROGRAMME.

The Dialogue with Partners Programme was organized in all the 3(three) EFC's of West Jaintia Hills with the objective to work out feasible intervention programmes for improving the livelihood of partners in the various sectors.



Shri. E.Shanpru, OSD, MIE interacting with partners during the DPP at Amlarem EFC



Partners at the DPP Programme at Amlarem EFC on 4th May, 2013



Officials from DCIC Jowai briefing partners during the DPP Programme at Laskein EFC



Dialogue with Partners Programme at Thadlaskein EFC.
INTERVENTION TAKEN UP BY

EXPOSURE VISIT

With a view to enlighten the farmers, 22 persons from Saphai village were sent for an Exposure visit to Central Sericulture Research & Training Institute, Berhampur, West Bengal from 9th – 16th April 2013.



Eri Farmers on an Exposure visit to Central Sericulture Research & Training Institute, Berhampur, West Bengal.

TRAINING CUM EXPOSURE VISIT FOR 7 PARTNERS TO NIRD, HYDERABAD

- Training cum exposure visit had been sent for the registered partners in collaboration with MIE, Shillong and DBDU.

Details of Training cum Exposure visit

Sector	Subsectors	No. of participants	Duration	Venue	In collaboration with :
Nonfarm	Solar Energy	2	17 th -30 th July, 2014	Rajendranagar, Hyderabad	EFC, DBDU & MIE.
	Handmade Paper bag Making	1			
	Fashion Jewellerys	2			
	Leaf Plate & Cup Making	2			
	TOTAL	7			



Common demonstration at Solar Energy Section



HANDMADE PAPER BAG MAKING SECTION



FASHION JEWELLERIES



Leaf Plate & Cup Making Section

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Officials of BDU along with the artisans of Larnai village on an Exposure visit to Andretta Pottery Training Centre, Himachal Pradesh



Artisans from Larnai Village putting hands on at Andretta Pottery Training Centre, Himachal Pradesh.

With a view to further promote and as per demand by interested artisans seven partners from Larnai & tyrshang Village were sent for training to Central Village Pottery Village Pottery Institute Centre, Karnataka, Bangalore w.e.f 12th – 22nd September, 2014.

The Team was assisted by Shri.B.J.Kharshandi, MCS and Nodal Officer Basin Development Unit, West Jaintia Hills District and Shri.I.Z.Wreang, Functioning Manager, District Commerce & Industries Centre, West Jaintia Hills District.

TRAINING CUM EXPOSURE VISIT FOR 7 PARTNERS TO CENTRAL VILLAGE POTTERY INSTITUTE, KHANAPUR, KARNATAKA

It was on the 12th September 2014 that the team from District Basin Development Unit, West Jaintia Hills District which constitutes of 7 Artisan registered under Thadlaskein EFC undergoing training at the Central Village Pottery. The partners were guide by one Programme Associate Shri. Olari Nongtdu.

Name of Partners :

1. Shri Manhok Passah, Tyrshang Village
2. Shri Kolding Shylla, Tyrshang Village
3. Smt Themis Shylla, Tyrshang Village
4. Smt Lomida Chadap, LarnaiVillage
5. Smt Hilda Chadap , LarnaiVillage
6. Smt Sammuris Pyrtuh , LarnaiVillage
7. Smt Plitis Pyrtuh, LarnaiVillage

During the Training programme the Partner were introduced to different type of clays used in the making of pot clay namely Black clay, Shadow Clay and Tank Clay. A mixture of these three forms the clay used for making pot. These 3 types of clay are mix in the ratio of 5:3:2 which are then mix in the Blenger which is in the form of a tank. Before the mixture of these 3 types of clay proper filtration should be done by the use of mesh jar so that a powdery nature is achieved for the mixture process. Later on we were introduced to the 4 section of trainings namely Wheel Section, Bonsai Section, Wheel ware Section (Used of China Clay) and Firing section.

Benefits:

The trainees have been blessed with the opportunity acquired on the Capacity building for Pottery with the use of the Electric Wheel and the different method taught to which are not known to us .It has enlightened them to work hard and it has benefited a lot to learned the different style and design to make pots using the wheel, Bonsai and Flower pot.





KVIC instructor explaining the art of pottery for the partners from the District.



Artisans making Bonsai.



Artisans removing the frame for making Garden Pot

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- Field visit and inspection to Mynsngat & Mukhla Nongrim village for three partners who are ready for Bank Linkage on piggery activity on the 11th March 2014.



FIELD VISIT TO LAPANGAP VILLAGE ON HANDICRAFT MATTER

- Some partners and 2 (Two) SHGs had registered in the EFC regarding Handicraft Activity (making of traditional stool, cone basket etc) in this connection, field visit has been conducted on the 28th March, 2014 and found that the whole village is engaging in this activity which is their primary occupation and on interacting with them they express their desire for Skill Up-gradation and report had been prepared and submitted to DBDU for further necessary action.



- 3 partners had been sent for training on weaving at HDC, Ummulong.

Details of Training

No. of Participants	Duration	Venue	Organised by :
Three (3)	10th February-10th April,2014	HDC, Ummulong Center.	EFC in Co-ordination with DBDU and the Office of the District Handloom & Weaving Dept. Jowai, West Jaintia Hills District

- Field visit to partners engaging on piggery activity at Moodymmai and Ummulong village and also visiting the Banks at Ummulong



ORIENTATION PROGRAMMES & WORKSHOPS

- Orientation Programme to the Registered Volunteers, on Integrated Village Development Plan (IVDP) by Shri S.R.G Lanong, Assistant Manager in Training ,MBDA, and Shri. Shemphang Pohshna , Zonal Co-ordinator at Thadlaskein EFC on the 28th July, 2014.



- Meeting with Block Development Officer, Thadlaskein C&RD Block and Shri S.R.G Lanong, Assistant Manager in Training, MBDA, for the implementation of the IVDP under Thadlaskein C & RD Block and copy of the minutes has been submitted to Deputy Commissioner, Cum Chairman DBDU, and to the Nodal Officer IBDLP West Jaintia Hills District.
- One day workshop cum awareness programme on IVDP at Block Headquarter for the Headmen & Secretaries of the 20 selected villages with the Block Development Officer, Thadlaskein C&RD Block and Shri R.Pyngrope, IVDP Coordinator, MBDA on the 8th August, 2014.



- Six Partners attended National Work Shop on Packaging of Fresh Fruits & Processed Food Products at Shillong, Pinewood Hotel organized by the Indian Institute of Packaging sponsored by Govt. of Meghalaya, Directorate of Commerce & Industries on the 21st March, 2014

The Basin Development Unit (BDU), West Jaintia Hills in collaboration with the Meghalaya Institute of Entrepreneurship (MIE) & Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies Jowai, organized a one day Orientation programme for the Departmental Officer and members of Cooperative Societies on the **19th August 2014** at Science Hall Jowai Circuit House, Shri P.S.Dkhar.IAS,Deputy Commissioner and Chairman, Basin Development Unit was the Chief guest in the occasion.



Shri. P.S. Dkhar, IAS
Deputy Commissioner &
Chairman, DBDU giving speech
During the programme.



Shri. B.J. Kharshandi, MCS, EAC & Nodal
Officer DBDU, giving speech during orientation
Programme.

Bank Linkages:

1. Opening of Bank account at Meghalaya Rural Bank, Wahiajier for assisting of KCC loan of 3 Partners
 - a. Shri. Joyphul Pale
 - i. Activity: Ginger Plantation
 - b. Shri.Molsing Dkhar
 - i. Tomato plantation
 - ii. Cabbage Plantation
 - c. Smt.Iainegskhem Mukhim
 - i. Tomato Plantation

2. Preparation of Detailed Project Report for purpose of availing PMEGP scheme

Name: Shri. Daniel Samati
Activity: Music Studio

Bank Linkages:

1. Submission of Partner document to Meghalaya Institute of Entrepreneurship for availing loan on Piggery farming Through DBDU
 - a. Shri.PyrkhatBha Jungai
2. Submission of Partner document to Meghalaya Institute of Entrepreneurship for availing loan on Piggery farming through TLS
 - a. Shri.Stanly Dkhar
3. Interviewing of Eleven partners on Piggery Activity who are ready for Bank Linkage at EFC by the FBA& ERPs on the 8th Feb, 2014.

CONVERGENCE

The BDU in Convergence with District Sericulture Office, Jowai & Bellefonte Community College, Shillong set up the Eri –Spinning -cum spinning Centre at Saphai Village. The convergence matrixes are as indicated below.

Total Project Cost- Rs.9.00 lakhs

Sl. No	Name of Dept/Organization	Amount (in lakhs)
1	Bellefonte Community College, Shillong	5.24
2	District Sericulture Office, Jowai	2.00
3	Basin Development Unit, Jowai	1.74



Inauguration of Eri Spinning Cum Training Centre at Saphai Village, Laskein Block on the 11th July 2014

**Construction of Fish Sanctuary at Syntu Ksiar.
Total Project Cost-Rs.8, 21,750.00**

Sl.No	Name of Dept/Organization	Amount (in lakhs)
1	Office of the Superintendent of Fisheries, Jowai.	5.00 lakhs
2	DRDA through NREGA	1,16,313
3	Basin Development Unit, Jowai	2,05,437

- The whole Project is entrusted to the Fisheries Department that will act as the Nodal Agency.
- An amount of Rs. 2, 05,437 which is the share of BDU has been placed with the Nodal Agency.
- In addition, DRDA West Jaintia Hills (through NREGA has also contribute the Rs. 1, 16,313 as wage employment).
- The Project is in the final stage of completion.

