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UPDATES OF THE WEEK

Newsletter

The Meghalaya Community Led Landscape Management Project (MCLLMP)



The Meghalaya Livelihood Improvement through Forest Enhancement Project (MegLIFE)



The Meghalaya Livelihood and Access to Markets Project (Megha-LAMP)



Farmers' Collectivization for Upscaling of Production and Marketing Systems (FOCUS)



The Meghalaya Basin Management Agency (MBMA)



The Meghalaya Basin Development Authority (MBDA)



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East Garo Hills

DPMU EGH held a meeting at Songsak Block in the villages of Dalbot Chiwatgre and Dalbok Rongbok on GREEN PES to clarify the villagers' questions about community reserve forest registration. The villagers were unsure whether the land might entirely belong to the government. However, the MBMA officials have clarified their doubts, and they are ready to submit an application.



Ri Bhoi

On January 5th, the VCF and bookkeeper joined EE Accounts in assisting the VNRMC of Nongpyrdet village under the Bhoirymbong block M&E in preparing procurements and requests for quotations (RFQs).



North Garo Hills



DPMU NGH and Green Field Associates, organised a one-day orientation and sensitization for PES in Thapa Dajonggate village under Resubelpara Block.

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On January 6th, the Environment Manager from SPMU conducted a site inspection and met with the core VNRMC members of Mawdngung, Sohiong Block.

VIDEO DOCUMENTATION ON LAND RECLAMATION

Click on the link below or scan the QR code to watch the video documentation on Land Reclamation:

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THE USE OF ARECA LEAVES BY THE NANGRIMA SELF HELP GROUP

The use of plastics at various events has become a practice that everyone is highly engaged in. Despite knowing the impact it has on the planet, our negligence and irresponsible attitude towards our environment is affecting not just human lives but everyone living in it. A time has come where we need to shift towards a healthy practice and do our bit in keeping our environment plastic free. To begin with, we can start using eco-friendly products.



Considering the environmental problems, an initiative has been taken by the Nangrima SHG, under the leadership of President, Mijit Marak and Secretary, Prothoni Sangma. This SHG comprising of 10 members, work towards a sustainable and eco-friendly business that is by making food plates out of Areca leaves.

The process starts by collecting dry areca leaves and leaving it to further dry up for a minimum of three days. After this comes the process of turning these dried leaves into a fine product in the form of biodegradable food plates that can be used at various events and occasions.

In order to improve and polish their work, the members of this SHG have attended various trainings related to making such bio-degradable plates. Further, to make things easier, this group has invested in a cutting machine which can reduce manpower and helps in turning these dry leaves into fine products which are then eventually sold in the market.



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In their journey as a small group they have been able to get funds from final Institution and Village Organization, and through this they have been able to scale up their business further. Their eco-friendly food plates come in two sizes, of which a smaller one is sold at 4 rupees per piece while the bigger one at 7 per piece.

Although their initiative has somewhat proven to be successful in terms of saving the environment, however they have not been able to generate much income due to the lack of marketing knowledge. Undeterred, these women are putting on an effort to sell and showcase their products at various events.

Their story is proof that humans just need to look up to nature to provide for our needs without causing harm to the environment. The women of Nangrima SHG turned towards mother nature and are aspiring to be financially stable as they make use of the available gifts in a sustainable manner that is freely available.



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PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

GREEN (Grassroot level Response towards Ecosystem Enhancement and Nurturing) Meghalaya Scheme under Payment For Eco-System Services (PES) model is meant to support villages, communities, clans or individuals who commit to conserve and protect Natural Forests for a minimum period of 30 years.

Villages, communities, clans or individuals that have a minimum of 2 Hectares of Natural Forest, including pine trees and natural bamboo reserves, are eligible under this scheme.

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Awareness program at Mawphyrnai village. GFA from Mairang block.



Awareness program at Laitmawroh village of Khatarshnong Laitkroh block.

PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES



A meeting with the Headman and Secretary of Umeit village, Bhoiryembong Block was held in which they were briefed about the Payment For Ecosystem Services (PES) .

A GLIMPSE OF THE AWARENESS PROGRAMME HELD IN VARIOUS DISTRICTS



Iongnoh. Thadlaskien block



Nongbareh Lyntiar, Amlarem block



Sohiong Len Mawtap A, Sohiong block



Mawiapbang village, Mawkyntrew block



Bangsi A.pal, Resubelpara block.



Rajasimla Dandakol, Kharkutta block

PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

UPCOMING

MAIMAI & PAK'LA



Topic : Payment For Ecosystem Services

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**MEGHALAYA
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MEGHALAYA LIVELIHOOD IMPROVEMENT THROUGH FOREST ENHANCEMENT (MegLIFE)



Exercise on Focus Group Discussion, HH surveys, Causation diagram, Land use zonation & intervention map conducted at Laitmynsang Village



PLUP and Microplanning related exercises including Land Ownership Map, Land use zonation, Forest condition Map, Species Ranking, Causation Diagram, etc as well as Capturing of Prospective Interventions in CLART app and focused group discussions continue to be conducted in the MegLIFE project villages.

Following are the villages where the activity has taken place in the last 3 weeks.

NORTH GARO HILLS -

Resubelpara Block, Rongpetchi,
Nokatgre village, Ajasiram

WEST GARO HILLS -

Gambegre Block, Abendagre Village,
Sisogre village, Rongram Block,
Manggakgre village
Tikrikilla Block, Bawagre Village,
Dalu Block, Songmagre Village

SOUTH GARO HILLS

Gasuapara Block, Dompaigne village.
Bhagmara Block, Dobakol
Chengalgitim

EAST KHASI HILLS

Mawkynrew Block, Pashang Village
Laitmynsang Village

RI BHOI

Umling Block, Umden Nongtluh
Cluster, Jermanai
Umsning Block, Mawkorblang

SOUTH WEST KHASI HILLS

Mawkyrwat Block, Mawkhyrwang

SOUTH WEST GARO HILLS

Zikzak Block, Koraitola Village
Betasing Block, Skagre village

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Micro planning at Dompaigne village.



Community taking part in wealth ranking exercise



Capturing of Prospective Interventions in CLART app and FGD exercise with the community was completed at Koraitola village, Zikzak Block, South West Garo Hills



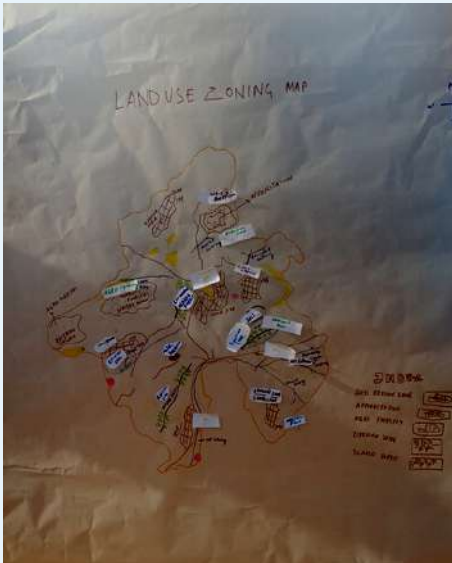
Micro Plan activity at Rongpetchi



PLUP & Microplan activity at Abendagre village

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PRA activity at Bawagre



A Cheque distribution program for construction of new community hall under EPA was conducted at Zikzak MFC Building, Zikzak Block for 5 VPIC.

The cheques were distributed by Shri Ian Botham.K.Sangma, Co - Chairman of State Planning Board



Cheque distribution program was conducted at Gaobari village of Rongara Block for 7 VPIC distributed by Shri Rakkam A Sangma, MLA of Rongara constituency.



Meghalaya Livelihoods And Access To Markets Project



Ri Bhoi

A District-Level Workshop for Recognizing the Performance of the IVCS under Umling C&RD Block in Ri Bhoi District was conducted at the District Library Hall in Nongpoh. IVCS recognized for their strong performance and operations were Umkon IVCS Ltd., Pillingkata B IVCS Ltd., and Umshaken IVCS Ltd. who placed 1st, 2nd & 3rd and awarded Rs. 5000, Rs. 3000, and Rs. 2000 respectively. 5 IVCS namely Umden Pyllun, Kuswai Area, Umdihar, Mawphrow and Santipur IVCS were also recognized as Promising IVCS and awarded Rs. 1000 each.



East Garo Hills

An awareness programme and hands-on training on usage of Micro ATMs for the IVCS selected as Business Correspondents of the Meghalaya Cooperative Apex Bank Ltd. (MCAB) was held at EFC Kharkutta C&RD Block in North Garo Hills. Shri. D Talukdar, Deputy General Manager, MCAB Ltd., Head Office Shillong, Shri RD Sangma, Branch Manager MCAB Ltd. Mendipathar, and Shri BN Marak, Branch Manager MCAB Ltd., Tura were present during the programme along with officials and staff of the NGHD DPMU, Megha-LAMP.





North Garo Hills



The Field Engineer (FE) visited Tinsimina IVCS for Ginger Processing Unit site for site survey & geo tagging .



Laying of foundation stone of Adokgre and Baghabatta Market under North Garo Hills Dist by Hon'ble CM of Meghalaya in presence of MLAs and othe dignitaries at Adokgre.



Site clearance and final measurements have started at Nangrime IVCS for Ginger Processing Unit, under Kharkutta, NGH

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DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES



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Field visit at Wahlyngkien for Layout of new intervention under Challenge Fund wherein GPS coordinates was taken.

Training cum Field Demonstration of CHC farm tools and machinery at Laittyra village under Shella Bholaganj Block.



South West Khasi Hills



Site inspection for construction work on Farmer's Market with Market MC & Officials of JC INFRA Corporation Ltd at Nolikata on the 4th January, 2023

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