

23rd August 2023

# UPDATES OF THE WEEK

## Newsletter

The Meghalaya Community Led Landscape Management Project (MCLLMP)



The Meghalaya Livelihood Improvement through Forest Enhancement Project (MegLIFE)



Institute of Natural Resources (INR)



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)



**MCLLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**West Garo Hills**



On August 17th, 2023, District Project Manager (DPM) along with the M&E in-charge, and Field Engineer, conducted a visit to three Cluster Villages, namely Darong Adu Cluster, Damal Onthapara and Doldengagre Cluster, all located under the Dalu Block. The purpose of the visit was to inspect the progress of work under the Cluster Development Fund.

Additionally, the team also assessed issues related to Social Safeguard and any potential environmental concerns within these three activities. As a result of this assessment, appropriate initiatives have been undertaken to ensure Social and Environmental Safeguard



On August 18th, 2023, DPMU team, visited Dollonggre Village in Rongram Block. They met with VNRMC members to discuss pending activities related to FMP, Apalgre Chimik dam with storage tank, permanent nursery, and other matters. The VNRMC committed to completing these activities by September 15th, 2023. A site inspection also covered the dam, storage tank, nursery, and 60% of ANR work under FMP.



**MCLLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**North Garo Hills**



On 22nd August, DPMU team visited various project villages under the Resubelpara and Bajengdoba blocks to assess the status of pending UCs. They held meetings with the presidents and secretaries of the VNRMCs to gather information about the delay in UC submissions. The team also discussed various project-related issues, such as resource allocation, community participation, and coordination among stakeholders. They offered suggestions and potential solutions to address these issues, emphasizing the importance of effective communication and collaboration to overcome obstacles.



On August 22nd, 2023, DPMU team in collaboration with School Net India, conducted a smart classroom training on the use of the Kyan Kit for the second batch schools from North and East Garo Hills at Mendipathar Cooperative Society, North Garo Hills District.

## MCLMP

## DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES



## Ri-Bhoi



On August 17th, DPM conducted a visit to Umdohbyrthih and Umtung Villages. The purpose of the visit was to follow up on the construction of the Community Information Board wall, confirm its completion, take measurements of the board for the printing of necessary information, and hold a meeting with the Umtung Bookkeeper. The objective of the meeting was to ensure the submission of Utilization Certificates (UCs) for completed projects and signboards.



On August 19th, DPM inspected activities in Mawpun Village, Bhoirymbong Block. Collaborating with VNRMCS members and VCFs, the DPM evaluated plantation sites and oversaw tree sapling planting from the community nursery, emphasizing environmental preservation. Trees were strategically placed around key areas, enhancing green spaces. The inspection also included measuring the completed Community Information Board wall for essential details, highlighting the DPM's commitment to community engagement, sustainable growth, and precise project execution.

**MCLLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



DPM visited Nongpydet village, under Bhoirybong Block, to conduct a comprehensive inspection that included the following aspects: First, the DPM assessed the construction site of the Community Information Board wall and measured the board in preparation for upcoming printing of essential details. Second, the DPM interacted with the President of Nongpydet VNRMCS to gather Utilization Certificates (UCs) pertaining to horticulture and afforestation maintenance funds. Lastly, the completed sites of waste management bins and spring chambers were visited by the DPM during the inspection.



On August 18th, District Project Manager conducted an inspection in Tdoh Umsiang & Kdohhati village under Umsing Block. The visit focused on tracking the Community Information Board wall's construction progress and taking measurements for printing. The inspection also included visits to the Vermi-Compost unit and the check dam at Tdoh Umsiang, showcasing a commitment to sustainability and social safeguards.

**MCLLMP****DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**

On August 16th, DPM conducted an inspection in villages under the Umling Block to follow up on the construction of the Community Information Board wall. The DPM verified its completion and took measurements of the board in preparation for printing the required information.

**East Khasi Hills**

DPMU EKH, in collaboration with School Net India, conducted a smart classroom training on the use of the Kyan Kit for 27 schools under the East Khasi Hills District on August 17, 2023, at MIIT Shillong.

**MCLLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**South West Khasi Hills**



A review meeting to assess the progress of project implementation was conducted by Shri. T. Lyngwa IAS, the Deputy Commissioner of South West Khasi Hills (SWKH), on August 16, 2023. Staff members from CLLMP, MLAMP, FOCUS, MEGLIFE, and NRLM participated in the review.



**Eastern West Khasi Hills**



DPMU conducted community mobilization and awareness on FMP working scheme for Umkrem, Mawroh and Lyngdoh Maram VNRMCs.

**MCLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**West Khasi Hills**



The second phase of KYAN Training was held at BDU Hall, DC Office Nongstoin. Six new schools were added, along with the four that were absent during the first phase of the training. The training took place from August 17th to 18th, 2023. KYAN equipment was distributed to the teachers of the schools on the second day of the training.



DPMU conducted community mobilization and awareness on FMP working scheme for Mawruksoin, and Mawkaton VNRMCs.



**South West Garo Hills**



DPMU conducted community mobilization and awareness on FMP working scheme for Chapahati II VNRMCs.



# PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES



Initiation of tree planting activity on August 17, 2023, in North Garo Hills District's Resubelpara Block.



On August 17, 2023, Green Field Associate Amachi Aletheia M Sangma visited Sudugre village to conduct an orientation program for the beneficiaries.



Efforts were launched within the Jongdikgre village Community Reserve to undertake various activities, including tree plantation and demarcation of forest boundaries.

The process of planting trees is currently in progress within the Dimit Warikatchi village reserve, situated under the Songsak Block.

## PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

Under the guidance of Dr. Ashutosh and the CoE team from Shillong and Tura, the practical training in MRV concluded on August 23, 2023.



On August 23, 2023, GFA Raymosh S Marak made a substantial contribution by assisting the District Project Management Unit (DPMU) of North Garo Hills District in organizing a KYAN training session and overseeing the distribution of KYAN kits.

## PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

Meetings are underway with beneficiaries of the payment for ecosystem services scheme. The sessions encompass guidance on effective fund utilization and timely submission of Utilization Certificates (UC).



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Shella Block



Dadengre Block



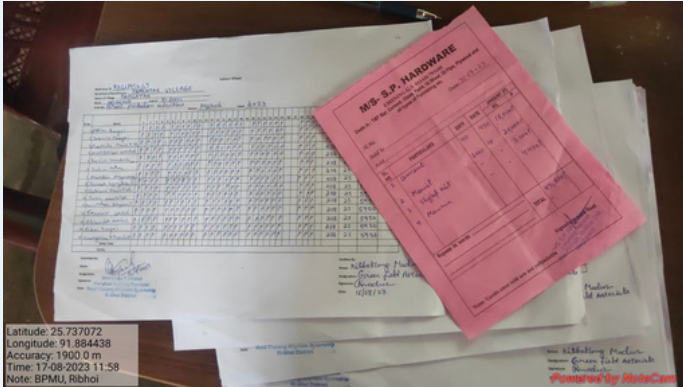
Khliehriat Block



Umsning Block

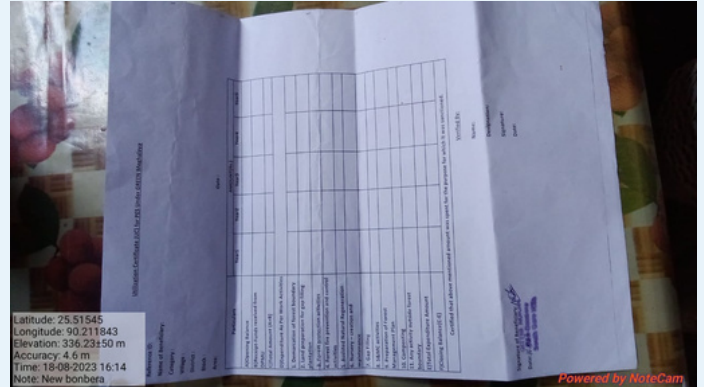
# PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

## Collection of Application Forms and Utilisation Certificates



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Umsning Block



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Rongara Block



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Gasuapara Block

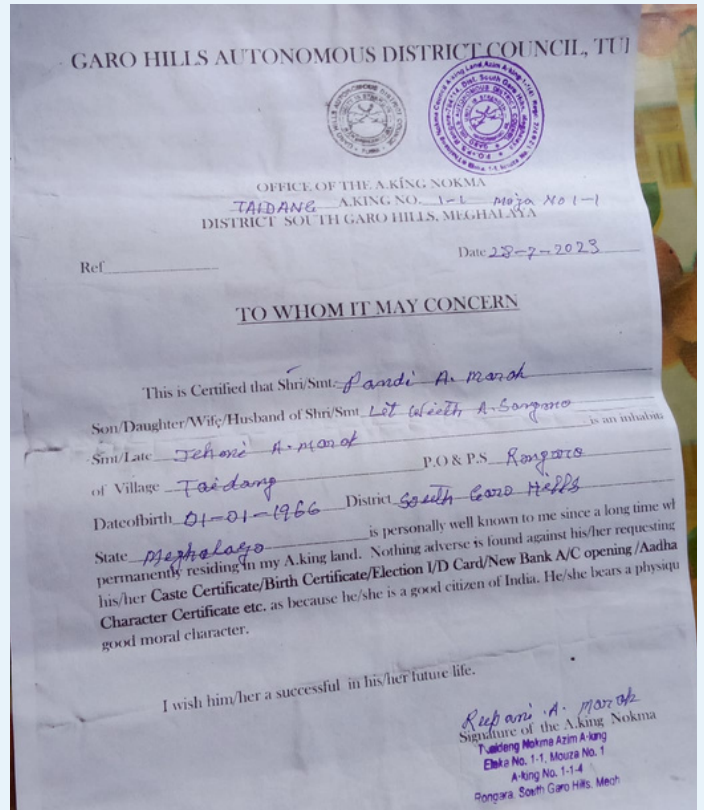


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Khliehriat Block



Resubelpara Block



Rongara Block

## PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

### Verification and Boundary Mapping



On August 17, 2023, GFA Sanjibirth D Shira visited Rongchek Chambugong village to carry out a site inspection and offer support for natural regeneration efforts.



GFA Eveningson Shadap conducted a visit to Lura village on August 17, 2023, to oversee a year's worth of community forest activities. During the visit, accompanied by DPM EJH, the completion of a fencing project and afforestation efforts in the region were successfully acknowledged.

## PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES



GFA Smarthe G Momin paid a visit to Masuchipotgre village on August 18, 2023, and observed that the village had effectively implemented pillar posts to ensure the protection of the forest.



PES verification at Sarin village under Ranikor Block

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IMPROVEMENT  
THROUGH  
FOREST  
ENHANCEMENT  
(MegLIFE)

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

**PLANTATION**

MegLIFE communities are hard at work to achieve the project's goal of covering 22,500 hectares of plantation. Plantation of saplings is currently underway.

 **South Garo Hills**



Ring weeding is currently underway in Gnengkolsi Songgitcham village.



On August 16, 2023, Darang Akepgittim village completed bamboo fencing.

700,000 citronella and lemon grass slips were planted in mining affected area at Arenggittim village, and their growth is flourishing.





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



**North Garo Hills**



Ring weeding at Nokatgre village.



Ring weeding at Nokatgre village ANR plantation.



Ring weeding completed at Rongmatcha village on August 17, 2023.



Ring weeding at ANR Community Reserve



Fencing at Ajasiram village.

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



Fencing at Khaldang Tunaturam village is being rebuilt after recent elephant damage.



Ongoing fencing at Rongmatcha Community Reserve.

 **East Jaintia Hills**



Ring weeding at Tuituk village.



Ring weeding work at Tlangpui village.



Fencing on private land was successfully completed at Buangkhor Mual village on August 22, 2023.

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**East Garo Hills**



Ring weeding is underway in Dambo Chare village.



Agricultural planting underway in Dangkong Songgital village.



Fencing in progress in Dambo-Chare village.



On August 18, 2023, the fencing task was completed in Rongchek Akong village.



Ring weeding at Gitokgre village.



Ring weeding and climber cutting are being carried out in Mejlgre Nokat village.

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 **South West Garo Hills**



Ring clearance at Malchapara village.

 **West Garo Hills**



Fencing work at Derikgre village.



Fencing work at Anogre village.



Fencing work at Renchagre village.

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

Dr. Ravi Thupalli, along with the BPMs of Dalu Block, visited the plantation sites in Daranggagiri and Rangdapara village on August 18, 2023.



Gindopara VPIC completed fencing reworking on August 21, 2023.



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 Note: Anogre plantation, Ring cleaning and weeding at Anogre village.  
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Ring cleaning and weeding at Anogre village.

 **East Khasi Hills**



On-going weeding and ring cleaning at Mynsang & Mawjatap village.

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

**COMMUNITY NURSERY**

433 Villages under MegLIFE Project have elected to set up community nurseries.



**South Garo Hills**



Agrenggitim village.



**North Garo Hills**



Committee members are currently cleaning the nursery in Chorepahar village.



Extension of nursery beds at Kara Majipara village.



On August 16, 2023, the clearing weeding at Kara was successfully completed.

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East Garo Hills



On August 12, 2023, Dr. Ravi Thupalli visited Rongrong Antidam and Rongronggre nurseries, holding a productive discussion with the VPIC members under Songsak Block.



Ring weeding at Thaugittim village.



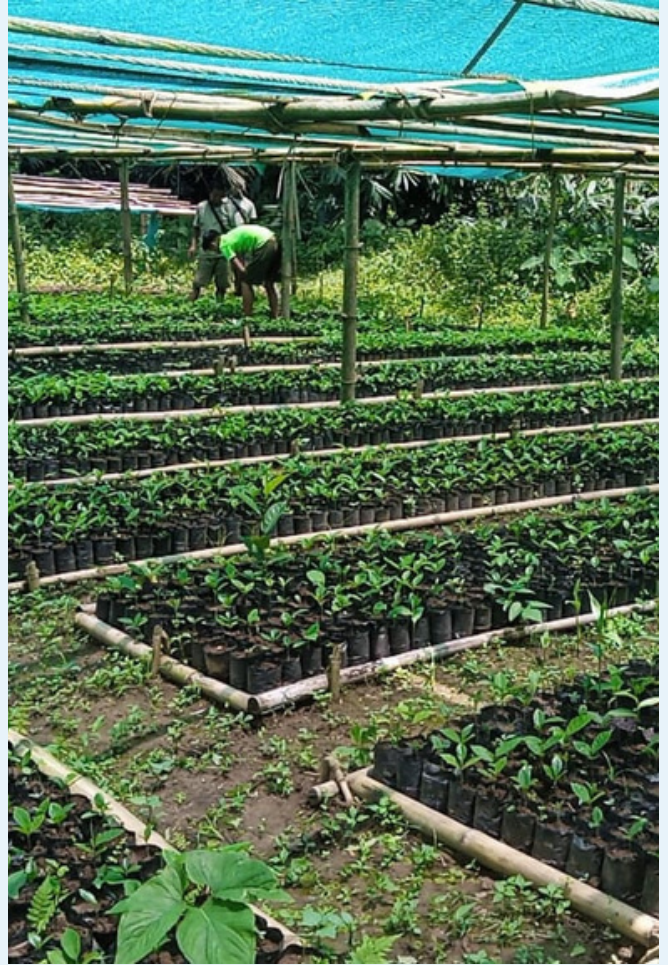
Simseng village.

Dr. Ravi Thupalli's visit to Rongribo Watregre and Kalak Songgital villages on August 16, 2023, involved inspecting the community nursery and offering suggestions for its enhancement. He observed the effective use of betel nut leaves by Rongribo Watregre VPIC for weed control. The visit also encompassed discussions on community forest preservation and conservation. Dr. Thupalli applauded the villagers' dedication to forest preservation and shared valuable insights, earning gratitude from the community for his visit and knowledge sharing.

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Simseng Gading village.



Simseng Nakol village.



Rongchong village.



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



**West Garo Hills**



Sasatgre village.



Gindopara village.



Anogre village.



On August 17, 2023, Dr. Ravi Thupalli visited four community nurseries - Balupara, Marakapara, Bugakolgre, and Daljagre. He guided and motivated the VPICs (Village Project Implementation Committee) to ensure sustainable community nurseries with a focus on future benefits and pest control strategies. The interaction led to positive results, highlighting the VPICs' commendable input and support.

## MEGHALAYA LIVELIHOOD IMPROVEMENT THROUGH FOREST ENHANCEMENT (MegLIFE)

On August 18, 2023, Dr. Ravi Thupalli and the BPMs of Dalu and Gambegre Block visited Mandanggre community nurseries in Upper Mibonpara and Balikimgre.



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



On August 21, 2023, with PA Sir Rakban G. Momin and NGO TL's oversight, Ading Nokat VPIC in Rongram block is setting up their community nursery.



Weeding tasks are being carried out by the VPIC members of Manggakgre.



Weeding is being cleared by the VPIC of Rencha Apal.

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

Under the supervision of Valentine Sangma and NGO staff, the Anogre VPIC in Rongram is expanding the community nursery.



Balupara village.

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**South West Garo Hills**



Kasibil village.



Sowing seeds at Ritekpara village Self-Help Group's extension community nursery.

Dr. Ravi Thupalli conducted an inspection of the community nursery in Nokatgre village on August 19, 2023. During the visit, he engaged with the members of Wagipara VPIC, offering valuable insights and suggestions that proved highly beneficial to them.



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



Weeding and refilling of polybags by the VCFs in Malchapara village.



**West Jaintia Hills**



On August 18, 2023, Raju and Bratati from SPMU visited SWC Mukla's Central Nursery in Thadlaskein Block, having a productive discussion with officials.

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

**East Jaintia Hills**



Daistong village.

**Ri Bhoi**

On August 21, 2023, Raju, along with the SPMU Team, inspected the Permanent Central Nursery in Marngar, Ri-Bhoi District, with the presence of Divisional Officer, ASCO, and Range Officer from the S&WC Department.



On August 22, 2023, Dr. Ravi Thupalli, visited Umtasor Nongjyrmie and Nongmawlong Community Nurseries in Umsning Block. His valuable guidance and insights were greatly appreciated.



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

**SALT - SLOPING AGRICULTURE LAND TECHNOLOGY**

SALT training is being imparted to farmers of the MegLIFE Project wherever feasible to improve land productivity and fertility. The technique is enthusiastically being adopted by the trainees.



**West Garo Hills**



SALT farm of Shri. Chanang Sangma from Sasatgre Rongram village.



On August 18, 2023, at Balupara village, cotton seeds were planted for Experimental Research on Shri. Rasen Sangma's plot. This project is supervised by Dr. Reddy, Assistant Professor of Plant at CAU Tura, and monitored by two Young Professionals from the university.



MEGHALAYA LIVELIHOOD IMPROVEMENT THROUGH FOREST ENHANCEMENT (MegLIFE)



East Garo Hills



SALT farm in Bandigre village.

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

**ENTRY POINT ACTIVITY - COMMUNITY HALL**

The construction of 370 community halls has been sanctioned under EPA of MegLIFE. Initial phases of site preparation is underway.

 **North Garo Hills**



Dokasaram village.



Nokatgre village.



Ajasiram village.



Thapa Matronggre village.



Chorepahar village.

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

**West Garo Hills**



Gambaregre village.



Santogre village.



Elevation of footings and columns at Mandagre village.



Rangdapara village.



Earthwork at Adugre community hall.



Borogobol village.



Menggotchigre A'ding village.



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



**East Garo Hills**

On August 12, 2023, Dr. Ravi Thupalli visited the construction site of the Rongronggre community hall and engaged in conversations with the village's Nokma.



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Rongreng Nokat village.



Gitokgre village.



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 Time: 16-08-2023 14:27

Gindil village.

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

**East Jaintia Hills**



Myntriang village.

**Ri Bhoi**



Earthwork in excavation of footing at Bleishiah village.

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

**PLUP And Microplanning Exercises**



On August 16, 2023, Ajay Rai, PMC of Shillong, paid a visit to a Group 2 village, Shallang Sohbar-A VPIC, situated under the Mawshynrut C & RD Block in the West Khasi Hills District. The purpose of his visit was to oversee the ongoing and sustained PLUP and Microplan exercises. His presence provided valuable insights and enlightenment to both the BPms and the VPIC members.



On August 17, 2023, Ajay Rai from PMC visited a Group II village, Pamlatar, as part of the Microplanning & PLUP exercise in Umsning C&RD Block. His insights enhanced current activities, benefiting knowledge sharing, livelihood projects, and the formation of cooperative societies. Interactions with the headman and members also enriched the understanding of the village.

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



On August 18, 2023, Ajay Rai from PMC visited Group II village of Nongsangu. During this visit, he had a productive discussion with VPIC EC regarding the ongoing Microplanning and PLUP activities. Notably, this interaction resulted in the collection of significant village-specific information, which holds great utility for the ongoing initiatives. His presence and insights during the visit have provided valuable inputs and support, effectively enhancing knowledge and the execution of the exercise.



On August 21, 2023, Ajay Rai visited Srop Addingre village (Group II). This visit led to a constructive dialogue regarding diverse livelihood opportunities. The community actively participated and maintains optimism regarding the transformative potential of the project for their lives. Moreover, his assistance in microplanning activities proved exceedingly advantageous to the team.

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

**MIS and Procurement Training**

A 4-day VCF training on Accounting-Register Maintenance & Procurement in West Jaintia Hills District concluded on August 19, 2023.



A 4-day VCF training in South Garo Hills District at Bakdil Training Centre concluded on August 19, 2023.





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

On August 22, 2023, the first day of Residential Training took place for VCFs from Mairang, Eastern West Khasi Hills and East Garo Hills. The training covered Accounting, Register maintenance, and Community Procurement.





Institute of  
Natural Resources  
(INR)

**CENTRE FOR BIO RESOURCES (MEGH AROMA MISSION)**



Site feasibility for cultivation of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants at Tyrso village, Bhoirybong block.



Monitoring on citronella cultivation and Site feasibility of the new plantation site at Nonglang village, Mairang block.

**Training on Skill Development on Primary Processing of essential oils and Management**



A training on Skill Development on Primary Processing of essential oils and Management was carried out on 21st August 23 . The training took place at Mynska Village, West Jaintia Hills which was led by the Bio-resource team with the aim to train the farmers on FDU operation and distillation of essential oils.

## CENTRE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE, ADAPTATION & MITIGATION (GREEN ENERGY)

**Electrification and completion of work at different sites under the Decentralised Green Energy Development Project.**



Glimpses on the successful completion of electrification work under the Decentralised Green Energy Development Project implemented by the Green Energy team of INR in Pomshutia, Hatthymmai, Burma, Wahkhen and Pashum Village under Pynursla Block and Chibe Teteng village under Baghmara Block, South Garo Hills. This project has played a pivotal role in illuminating these villages through the innovative utilisation of a Hydro Power technology. As a result of this endeavor, the community now enjoys a multitude of lighting benefits, including household, street, and community lighting. Additionally, various parts of the village have also been illuminated for eco-tourism purposes, thanks to this impactful project.



Site Inspection conducted by the Chairman of NePED at Hydroger site located at Nongpuir Village, Myllem Block, East Khasi Hills District.

**CENTRE FOR WATER RESOURCES**



Supplying of vetiver sapling to OLC sites to help in retaining heavy metals in their roots hence improving water quality also effective in removal of Biochemical Oxygen Demand and Chemical Oxygen Demand and Coliform at Laitmawsiang, Laitryngew & Laitduh Village and Amlarem Block.

Site Inspection conducted by the Director of INR Shri L Shabong to check the ongoing progress of JAC project at Khlieh Umtrew, Umsning Block, Ri Bhoi District.



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Access To Markets  
Project  
(MeghaLAMP)

## MEGHALAYA LIVELIHOODS AND ACCESS TO MARKETS PROJECT

### Kyiem Launches Bio Fertilizer Unit and Travellers' Nest for Sustainable Future.



Bio fertilizer Unit with a capacity of 30 Metric Tons per day was inaugurated in Kyiem, East Khasi Hills by Chief Minister Shri Conrad Sangma on the 16th August 2023.

Covering about 4000sq ft, the factory aims to produce granules, soil charger, liquid and immunity booster. Through this unit many naturally grown agricultural products will be promoted. It will also reduce the use of chemical fertilizer and farm inputs.

About Rs. 150 Lakhs have been utilized in setting up the unit with contribution from various sources.

Simultaneously, Travellers' Nest, was also inaugurated, which will be run by the Kyiem IVCS. Also, present at the inauguration were Shri Paul Lyngdoh, MLA, Tourism, Shri. Beyond Kurbah, MLA, Mawphlang AC, Dr. Vijay Kumar, CEO MBMA, and Shri. Augustus Suting, Deputy Project Manager MLAMP.

# MEGHALAYA LIVELIHOODS AND ACCESS TO MARKETS PROJECT

## MeghaLAMP and IVCS Delegation Explores International Food Tech Kolkata 2023 Expo

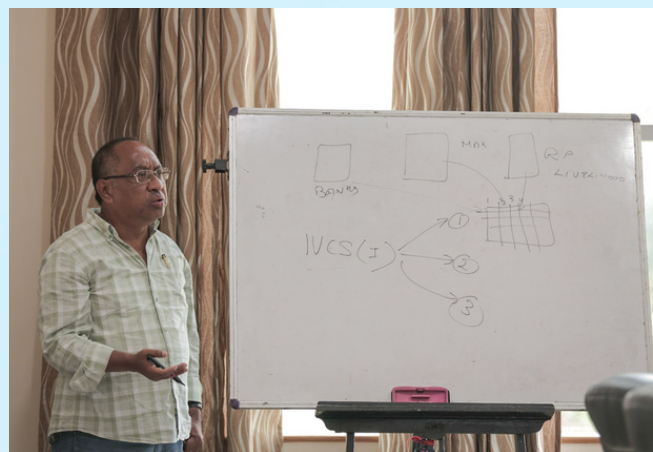


A total of 80 members from the IVCS (Khasi, Jaintia & Garo region) and MBMA staff, MeghaLAMP, participated in the International Food Tech Kolkata 2023 expo, hosted at Bishwa Bangla Mela Prangan, Kolkata from the 18th to 20th August 2023. This event is recognized as Eastern India's premier Hospitality & Bakery Industry exhibition, with a primary focus on the Food Processing, Bakery & Confectionery, and Food Service sectors.



## MEGHALAYA LIVELIHOODS AND ACCESS TO MARKETS PROJECT

### Elevating Performance: District-Wide KPI Orientation for Strengthening Monitoring and Evaluation



The Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) component, along with various Component Heads of M-LAMP, SPMU, organized a one-day orientation on Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for District Project Managers (DPMs) and all M&E staff on August 17th, 2023, at the State Convention Center in Shillong. This program aimed to orient the staff regarding their roles and responsibilities, especially in terms of data collection, collation work in their respective districts, and timely submission of data to SPMU.

# MEGHALAYA LIVELIHOODS AND ACCESS TO MARKETS PROJECT

## ISC & ED

A 2-day training program on Piggery Value chain was successfully conducted for PG (Producer Group) members. The training took place on three distinct dates: July 24th & 25th, July 26th & 27th, and August 1st & 2nd 2023. The sessions were held across various venues, namely Domapara, Baksapara, West Garo Hills and Chapahati Village, South West Garo Hills.



## RURAL FINANCE



An informative session on the amendment of by-laws was conducted by Mr. T. Kharshiing, consultant MBMA. This orientation was dedicated for the staff of West Jaintia and East Jaintia District Project Management Units (DPMUs).

# MEGHALAYA LIVELIHOODS AND ACCESS TO MARKETS PROJECT

## RURAL FINANCE



An awareness program and special meeting for formation of IVCS - Phase III took place in Myllat village, East Khasi Hills on August 18, 2023. Shri. Ivan Marbaniang, DPM, was present as the Resource Person, with attendees including Smti. M. Rapthap, Senior Cooperative Officer, Shri. D. Warjri, Junior Coopertaive Officer, and EFC staff. The program concluded with the election of new office bearers and the Managing Committee (MC) for Btinlangti IVCS.



An awareness program regarding the formation of IVCS under Phase III for Jatah Nonglyer IVCS was successfully conducted at Jatah Nonglyer, Mawkynrew C&RD Block, East Khasi Hills on August 21, 2023. The event was graced by the presence of Shri. Ivan R Mabaniang (DPM) as the resource person, along with Shri. Remark Kurbah, Junior CO), EFC staff, the Headman, President, Secretary, and all members of the existing IVCS.

# MEGHALAYA LIVELIHOODS AND ACCESS TO MARKETS PROJECT

## RURAL FINANCE



On August 22, 2023, an awareness program about IVCS under Phase III took place at Mawlam village in Pynursla C&RD Block. The session was led by Resource Person Shri. Aibor Nongkhlaw, Manager East Khasi Hills, and attended by Smti. M.Rapthap, Senior Cooperative officer), Shri. D.Warjri, Junior Cooperative Officer, and Smti. I.Dkhar. Notably, the existing Mawlam IVCS expressed interest in adopting the model by-laws under the MLAM Project. The program saw a substantial turnout, with around 250 participants in attendance.



Two IVCS groups in West Khasi Hills District, namely Nonglang IVCS and Tynghor IVCS, conducted their Multi Stake- holders Platform cum Annual General Meetings on August 22, 2023. Discussions included the adoption of new Bye Laws, reports from IVCS Secretaries, budget planning for 2022-23, renewal/election of office bearers, and conversations on Service Providers, training, CMC, IVCS reporting, Farmers Field School, and more.

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