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FROM THE DESK

The quarter spanning the months of January to March 2023 witnessed plethora of activities under the NFMP in all project villages. The quarter also witnessed the visit of members from IUCN, Indian Environment Law Organisation & The Nature Conservancy to the project village of Terogvunyu village in Kohima Forest Division.

Meetings for obtaining FPIC were also conducted in various project villages during the period.

Convergence of activities by various departments in the project villages is a major success under the project. Under Convergence programme, various activities like training programmes, Skill development trainings and Capacity Development programmes were conducted in various project villages.

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IUCN members' visit Terogvunyu village

Members from IUCN, Indian Environment Law Organization & The Nature Conservancy, visited Terogrunyu village on 25th January 2023 and were accompanied by senior officials from Nagaland Forest Department, Haryana Forest Department and three members from Khonoma Nature Conservation and Tragopan Sanctuary.

During the visit, various Forestry Intervention Models being taken up in the village and the ongoing EPA's were briefed to the visiting officials. The visiting team also reviewed different types of registers, maintained by the JFMC members. The visiting team gave positive remarks on the conservative initiative of the Community and Forest Department. They also remarked that the SHGs have great potential to enhance their livelihood.



Visit of IUCN members to Terogvunyu Village

Celebration of Republic Day 2023 at Amrit Sarovar site:

The Field Staff of Chiephobozou Range observed the 74th Republic Day 2023 at Amrit Sarovar site, PEC Model Tuophema Village. Shri SasieviKaco, JFMC Vice Chairman unfurled the National Flag. DMU staffs, FNGO members &JFMC members of Chiephobozou Range were present during the occasion.



Tata AIG CSR Project in NFMP villages

Under the support of Tata AIG CSR Project Financial Year 2022-2023, Integrated Rural Development - Pathways for Rural Prosperity through Piggery enterprise in 5 villages in Nagaland has been implemented in NFMP project villages. The Project focuses on piggery to increase the income of the community for a period of 4 months, i.e., from Dec 2022 to March 2023. In NFMP Batch-II villages, namely Phenwhenyu, Ehunnu, Terogvunyu, and Tsosinyu, 115 beneficiaries has received the support in the form of 1 cost of piglet.





Beneficiaries receives piglet under Tata AIG CSR Project

Sensitization Program with SHGs:

A sensitization programme with SHGs was held in Tseminyu village (Batch-III) on 44th February 2023 in collaboration with NABARD. The purpose of the programme was to sensitize the SHGs on financial managements.



Sensitization programme with SHGs

Visit to Tuophema village:

DMU support staff visited Tuophema Village (Batch-I) under Chiephobozou Range on 10th March 2023 had an interaction with the JFMC members and sought information on loan repayment status of the SHGs. Tseikhe and Hezou SHG's had paid the Revolving Fund along with interest to the JFMC, while Nourhe SHG is expected to pay the 2nd installment of the loan along with interest in April 2023.



Free & Prior Informed Consent (FPIC) for Batch–IV villages:

For the implementation of NFMP in a village, the first activity to be conducted is the Free & Prior Informed Consent or FPIC, to ensure that the project is implemented with the consent of the village community. The FPIC exercise is conducted by the DMU/ ADMU Head/FMU Head, DMU Support staffs and FNGO members in presence of Village Council members and the village community.

DMU Kohima: Village members of Sishunu, and Zisunyu under Tseminyu signed Free Prior Informed Consent (FPIC) for implementation of NFMP in their villages under Batch–IVon 30th& 31st March 2023 respectively. During a brief interaction with the village community, Dr. Sevono ADMU Head Kohima, Shri Yhuntilo Kent FMU Head, FNGO and DMU support staffs briefed them about NFMP aims and objectives and its components.



Sishunu Village council members signing the FPIC



Zisunyu Village council members signing the FPIC

DMU Kiphire: Meeting for taking Free & Prior Informed Consent (FPIC) was conducted in two villages namely Thingar village & Langzanger village under Batch-IV on 30th Janurary2023 and Nitoi village & Honito village under Batch-IV on 20th March 2023. The FPIC was carried out by DMU Head Shri. Chisayi, IFS, along with ADMU Head, FMU Head & DMU Support staffs. The purpose of this exercise is to take the consent of the village council members and the village community for implementation of the project.







Honito Village council members with officials of DMU Kiphire after signing the FPIC



Nitoi Village council members with officials of DMU Kiphire after signing the FPIC



Elumyo Village council members at the signing of FPIC on 15th March 2023



Humtso Village council members at the signing of FPIC on 16th March 2023



Mungya Village council members at the signing of FPIC on 23rd March 2023



Seleku Village council members at the signing of FPIC on 23rd
March 2023



Koio Village Council members at the signing of FPIC on 23rd March 2023

Engagement of SHGs in Income Generation Activities (IGA):

Unity SHG Members packed their value-added products and had submitted to 'Made in Nagaland Centre' Kohima. Some of the value-added products are Yonchak Pickle, Ginger &Goose berry candy, Ginger digestive biscuit, wooden spoon, etc





Medziphema Village: The SHGs of Medziphema Launching of SHGs Brochure of Value Village (Batch-I) under Medziphema Beat harvested Added Products: the potatoes which were distributed to them in convergence with KVK. Two SHGs (Peselie & Kroselie) were distributed 100kgs of potato seedlings out of which 70 kg was sown and 140 kgs was harvested.









The DMU Head Dimapur launched the SHG Value Added Products Brochure for SHGs under DMU Dimapur during the Annual Review Meeting on 22nd March 2023 at Conference Hall. Forest Office Complex Dimapur. All the products mentioned in the brochure are being sold at 'Made in Nagaland Centre', and the products are all prepared by the Unity SHG of Hekheshe Village (Batch-I) under Medziphema Beat. The YouthNet FNGO Dimapur helps in the packaging and transportation of finished products to the 'Made in Nagaland Centre'for sale.

SHGs under FMU Meluri participates in Republic Day:

Two SHGs under FMU Meluri- KIIROTSIESHG &LONASHG participated at the exhibition stalls in Republic Day at Meluri on 26th Jan 2023. The exhibited products/ items for sale by the SHGs

includes the produce from their fields and garden as well as local food items prepared by them. Some of the items exhibited at the stalls includes Naga Dal, Carrot, Cabbage, Dried Wild apple, Sticky rice roti, Fried Chips, Kholar, Local turmeric, etc. NFMP is helping the SHGs to showcase & promote their products in various important programmes. For promotion of their products, the SHG's are assisted by DMU support staffs, FMU staffs and FNGOsin every way possible.

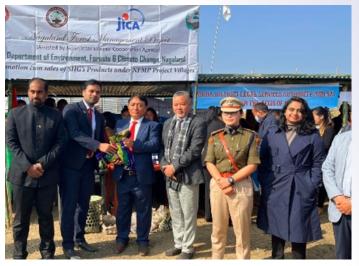


SHG stall at Meluri local ground on the eve of Republic day

Promotional Cum Sales Stall for SHGs Product:

6 SHGs from Wokha Range and Doyang Beat (Yingaro, Tsurhyu, Myanta, Yingaren & Yanthantju SHG's) under Batch-I & II have set up stalls for the 74th Republic Day celebration 26th January at Wokha Local Ground.

Product like fruit juice, dry fruits, pickles, Sticky rice cookies, Bamboo basket, Jaggery, Organic vegetables were exhibited and sold. Honorable Minister of Rural Development & SIRD, Shri. Metsubo Jamir, Adviser of Law & Justice Department Dr. Chumben Murry, DC Wokha, Shri. Ajit Kumar Ranjan IAS and SP Wokha Smit. Aotula T. Imchen IPS accompanied by DMU Head, Shri. Suman W M Sivachar IFS visited the stall.







Processing of Beef Pickle by Yanchanchi SHG as a part of Income Generating Activities (IGA)





Piggery Unit managed by Nikini SHG at Yesholuto village (Batch-II)

Training on Pickle Making:

Training on Traditional Pickle making (Yanchak)for SHGs of Batch-II villages was organized by the FNGO team on 13th – 17th March 2023 at Atoizu Beat Office. The training was organized to promote and improve the skills of SHGs in IGAs by utilizing the available products in the village and to preserve for further consumption of food. The training was imparted to 3 SHGs of Vekuho New Village.



Convergence Activities with Allied **Departments:**

DMU Kiphire conducted convergence activities with allied departments in the NFMP villages. The main objective is to support the village community through convergence of various activities. It also aims to add to their livelihood income through various skill training & programmes.

DMU Kiphire organized Two weeks training for SHGs on "Post-Harvest Management on Fruits & Vegetables" in collaboration with DUDATECH Skill Entry Point Activities Centre - Nagaland Tool Room & Training Centre Harvesting Structure under the Entrepreneurship & Skill Development Programme (ESDP) sponsored by Ministry of MSME Govt of India at Anatongre village (Batch-I) on 3rd-9th Februrary2023 & Pokhpur village (Batch-II) on 10th February 2023.

Two weeks training for SHGs on "Natural Fibre Extraction & Handicrafts" was conducted at Zhimkiur village (Batch-II) on 2nd February 2023. The training was initiated by DMU Head Shri. Chisayi IFS, ADMU Head, FMU Head, DMU Support staffs and FNGO members.



Participants at the "Post-Harvest Management on Fruits & Vegetables" Training in Pokhpur village on 10th February- 2023





Demonstration on Fibre Extraction at Zhimkiur on 4th February 2023

& Water









Longpa village EPA – Construction of Agri-Link Road (Complete)







Longpa village WHS - Distribution of water tank sintex (500 ltr) to every household in the village





Kelingmen village EPA – Renovation of Community Hall (Completed)





Water Harvesting Structure (WHS) atChungtia VIllage

Plantation



JAF model site at Yaongyimsen village on 26th Jan. 2023



PEC model site at Changtongya New village on 26th Jan. 2023



JAF model site at Chi



JAF model site at Changtongya New village (Batch-)





DMU Staff measuring the plant sapling (Bogi poma) at JAF model site New Riphyim Village (Batch-I) on 31st March 2023



DMUStaff measuring the plant sapling at JAF modelNew Wokha Village (Batch-II)



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FMU Field staff putting up NFMP Model board at JCF Model Pherima A village (Batch-II)



Chungtia Village Nursery





FMU staff along with JFMC members retrieved the camera traps that were installed at JCC and PEC model area at Sungratsu village

PMC visit DMU Office Peren:

Project Management Consultants – Shri. Anurag Gupta, (MIS Expert), Shri. Shailesh Nagar (M&E Expert) & Shri. Pravanjan Mohapatra (Capacity Building Expert) visited DMU OfficePeren on 23rdFebruary, 2023 and held meeting with DMU Officials and Support Staffs. Dr. Prabhat Kumar IFS, DMU Head Peren chaired the meeting.

Shri. Shailesh Nagar gave a presentation on the analyses of Baseline survey conducted by the FNGO in Batch-I villages. He discussed on analyses of the economy lifestyle, social activities &occupation. Shri. Anurag Gupta presented on setting up of King chilly cluster system at DMU Peren, and had a brief discussion on the planning and setting up of the cluster system. He also discussed on the production of required quantity and its profits. The DMU Head requested the PMC to bring about a feasible and detailed plan/ work structure for the

better understanding and mobilization of cluster system in the DMU level.

The PMC members urged the DMU staffs to resolve all the issues and updates regarding MIS on or before 15th of March, 2023 by coordinating with the PMU staffs.



DMU Officials & Staffs with the members of Project
Management Consultants at DMU Office Peren on 23rd Feb
2023.

Chairman PRC-cum-CF (STC) visits Pfutseromi village:

Chairman PRC-cum-CF (STC) Smti. Zuthunglo Patton, IFS visited Pfutseromi village on 47th February 2023. The Chairman was accompanied by the DMU Head Thepfuhusie IFS, ADMU Head, FMU Head, FMU and DMU Support Staffs and interacted with the JFMC members.

The visiting officials visited the nursery of JFMC Pfutseromi, Drainage(EPA) and the Renovated Pond (WHS) in the village.





Chairman PRC-cum-CF (STC) Smti. Zuthunglo Patton, IFS inspecting the Nursery of JFMC Pfutseromi and Drainage (EPA)

PMC visit Pfutseromi village & Review Meeting at Pfutsero Range Office:

PMC Team consisting of Shailesh Nagar (M&E Expert), Anurag Gupta (MIS expert) and Pravanjan Mohapatra (CB Expert) along with the ADMU Head Phek, DMU support staffs & FNGO visited Pfutseromi JFMC and held interactions with the JFMC, SHGs and Village council on 20th February 2023.

The JFMC chairman warmly welcomed the team to the village and expressed his happiness for having the thought and the concern to visit the village. The village council chairman emphasized on the flow of funds to the JFMC and stressed the need for timely disbursing of funds for plantation activities as plantation is a time bound process. He

also assured that the Village Council will assist the project in any manner when called for.

The PMC team discussed with the JFMC & SHGs on different aspects regarding the project activities carried out under the project and visited the Nursery, EPA, WHS and one of the SHGs house project.

A review meeting consisting of the PMC, DMU, and FMU & FNGO was held at Pfutsero Range Office.

The PMC team reviewed the status of MIS entry and called for early completion of all entries at the earliest time possible.

Refresher Training on components of NFMP and Role of JFMC:

A one-dayRefresher training on components of NFMP and Role of JFMCs was held at Meluri on 26th March 2023 at Community hall Meluri Village. The Training was attended by FMU Meluri Head, DMU support staffs and FNGOs. The refreshers training was conducted to keep the villagers updated on the current progress of the project and also the role and responsibilities of the JFMCs and stakeholders.



Visit of International Union of Conservation of Nature (IUCN) at Longsa Village:

The members of IUCN visited Longsa village on 25th January 2023. The team was led by Ms. Archana Chatterjee (IUCN India Head) and Shri Vivek Saxena IFS, APCCF, Haryana Forest Department. The field visit was conducted on capacity building under IUCN-MoEF& CC Project on "Enhanced Capacity Building of Stakeholders and State Government on Forest Landscape Restoration and Reporting Mechanism on Bonn Challenge".

The International Union of Conservation of Nature (IUCN) delegates visited the JAF & JFF model area

and was accompanied by DMU officials & staffs. The team were fascinated by the plant's natural regeneration ability in the model as well as in the region. The team had discussions cum interaction session with the SHGs and JFMCs at Longsa Village community hall. During the session the IUCN team enquired about the type of product the SHGs are making and the types of activities SHGs are involved in, to which all the three SHGs representative explained how they produce their own products and sold and how the NFMP JICA Wokha team is helping them in quality control, packaging, promotion, and sales. The JFMC member also explained about the project activities such as EPA & WHS and how it's helping the village as a whole and later thank the IUCN delegates for visiting the village. The team also inspected the office of DMU Wokha.





Convergence with KVK Wokha on Capacity Building Training:

DMU Wokha organized a Convergence with Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) on Capacity Building Training On "Livestock Farming For Sustainable Income Generation". Members from the 9 villages under NFMP (Phiro Village, Longsachung Village, Pongitong Village, Wokha Village, Longsa Village, Tsungiki Village, Old Riphyim Village, New Riphyim Village, Yikhum Village and Nungying Village) participated in the training. The participants were imparted training on Integrated Farming System, Entrepreneurial Approach of Piggery, Poultry &

Mushroom farming for IGA and Hygienic Meat Production under rural condition by KVK specialist. During the training, the trainers also highlighted on the objective of Chief Minister's Finance Initiative and procedures for availing CMMFI Scheme. After the training, the participants were taken for field visit cum demonstration of the Integrated Farming System.







DMU Dimapur Annual Review Meeting:

The Annual Review Meeting for DMU Dimapur was held on 21st -22nd March 2023 at Conference Hall, Forest Office Complex Dimapur. The ARM was attended by all the DMU Staffs, FMU Staffs

and JFMC members from all 7 NFMP villages. DMU Head Dimapur presented the welcome address, while the review and closing remarks was given by the ADMU Head. One representative from each JFMCs shared experiences on the progress of the activities implemented in their respective village.



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