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## **BLOCK LEVEL CELEBRATION OF “AAJEEVIKA EVAM KAUSHAL VIKAS DIWAS”**

Nagaland State Rural Livelihoods Mission, Department of Rural Development, Block Mission Management Unit, Sanis RD Block organized a Block Level celebration of “AajeevikaEvamKaushalVikasDiwas” at Block Ghar, SanisWokha on 5th May, 2018.

Block Programme Manager BMMU/NSRLM Sanis block, ChibeniNgullie highlighted the various schemes and policies under the programme and urged the people to avail the opportunity created by the government with a view to up-lift the economic standard of the rural populace.

EAC Lotsu, Wanmei C. Phom, who also spoke during the programme, said various schemes and policies are being introduced by the Government of India with a view to facilitate the rural populace and urged the participants to take the training programmes seriously. He urged the Self Help Groups (SHGs) to increase their activities with an aim to up-lift their economic standards.

Progressive farmers awardees, ATMA and SHGs members, who shared their experiences, expressed gratitude to the department and government for providing assistance to carry out their projects effectively and also suggested to their fellow workers to take up projects which may help them generate income to support their livelihood.

ACCT-cum-DEO BMMU/NSRLM Sanis Block, Areni also briefed the participants about the activities of DeenDayalUpadhaya-GrameenKaushalya (DDU-GKY). After the programme, registration of skill Training for unemployed youths under the age group of 18 to 35 was also done.

Around 150 SHG members from 21 villages under Sanis block attended the function.

*(Zubenthung, IA Wokha)*

## **PUGHOBOTO SDPDB MEETING**

The monthly meeting for the Pughoboto Sub Divisional Planning Board meeting was held under the SDPDB Chairman and MLA, Y.VikhehoSwu in the presence of Land Resource Director, HotoYeptho, DPO Zunheboto V. VikuqhaSema and all the 24 village chairmen and VDB secretaries at the customary court hall, Pughoboto on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

ADC, AveluRuho reviewed the last meeting minutes. Director Land Resources who once served as SDAO, Pughoboto gave a Powerpoint Presentation Coffee Plantation. He said Pughoboto is one of the best and feasible zone in Zunheboto district to plant coffee due to topography, soil and altitude. He mentioned two types of coffee; Robusta grows between 400m to 1000m altitude and Arabica, grows between 1000m to 1500m and added that Pughoboto area is suitable for Arabica. He mentioned that coffee is a highly eco-friendly crop, therefore, he encouraged the people to focus on coffee plantation for their source of income. The Director also

explained how the Government of Nagaland signed the MoU with Noble Cause Coffee Company from South Africa. He also mentioned that Coffee was a failed crop in our state some thirty years back due to the failure of market prospects but now growers are earning good money in some of the districts since it is in high demand from the international market. Director also advised the Council members not to depend on the subsidy given for labour charge but to give hard work to become rich coffee growers. According to DPO Zunheboto, about 14 thousand saplings were distributed to Lazami village and Ghathashi area. He informed those interested to contact him for more information.

SDO Civil gave a short Powerpoint presentation on the importance of Biodiversity Conservation, Tree Plantation and Cleanliness of Villages and Towns. He informed that the Tree Plantation will be carried out as planned under the supervision of District Administration and Departmental Heads from 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018 in the 4 ranges of the Sub-Division. Saplings are being contributed by Forest Department officials and individuals.

In the meeting, the house also discussed about Pughoboto Rest House in Zunheboto and to write a letter to the DPDB Zuheboto to allot a certain amount from the common pool for maintenance /repair works. The house also approved to write a letter to the concern department for Approval of room extension at Heboli Primary Room Construction. The ADC requested all departments to give their full co-operation in the upcoming bye election.

*(APRO Pughoboto)*

## **AAJEEVIKA EVAM KAUSHAL VIKAS DIWAS CELEBRATED AT CHEN TOWN**

Along with the rest of the country, AAJEEVIKA EVAM KAUSHAL VIKAS DIWAS, an event of the Gram Swaraj Abhiyan, was celebrated at RD Conference Hall, Chen Town on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018. The programme was organized by Nagaland State Rural Livelihood Mission and Department of RD.

BPM NSRLM Chen Block, Manlem said the objectives of AAJEEVIKA and KAUSHAL VIKAS Mela is to motivate the poorest of women and youth. He said Kaushal Vikas helps the unemployed youth to link themselves to sustainable livelihood opportunities and nurture them till they enjoy a decent quality of life. He said that the overall framework of NLRM is to enhance livelihood of the poor and it is achievable through various interventions such as access to financial capital in the form of revolving fund, community investment fund and bank loans.

He said since the inception in 2016, there are 136 Self Help Groups (SHG) in Chen Block. 113 SHGs received start-up cost of Rs 2000/- each, 133 SHGs received Revolving fund of Rs 15000/- each. There are 11 VLOs, 22 BMKs and VF, 3 ICRP, 8 Community Service Provider – 4 Farm and 4 nonfarm under Chen Block. He urged the NGOs, Village leaders and Head of Departments under chen block to cooperate for the success of this mission.

He highlighted the annual action plan for the year 2018 – 2019.

1. To launch VLO.
2. To train the VLOs and monitor them.
3. To encourage opening of individual Bank Accounts.
4. To encourage the SHGs to focus on income generating activities.
5. To encourage the SHGs to avail Bank Loans/ Credit Linkage.
6. To select and Train Community Service provider.
7. To Impart the Vocational and Entrepreneurship training to the unemployed youths through NRLM initiative.
8. To organize a financial Literacy Camp through FI initiative.
9. To converge with allied departments like Horticulture, Agriculture, Medical, Veterinary etc.
10. To organize Livelihood activities with DFS initiatives.
11. To organize sales day for SHGs.

12. To engage VDBs/ Stakeholders for Educational trip.

PM Nokpai, Village Council Chairman of Chenwetnyu village encouraged the SHGs members to Cooperate and utilize the Government fund and scheme properly as the aim of NRLM is sustainable improvement in the household incomes, livelihoods, well-being and empowerment status of the rural poor. He said unity and cooperation is very important among the SHG members for their success. He urged the department to be transparent in any government plan, fund or any scheme and assured to give his cooperation.

While delivering a short speech, Yawing, thanked the Government and the concerned Department for taking such an initiative for bringing up the poor rural women to sustainable livelihood.

Lihnyu, one of the SHG members from Chenwetnyu Village shared her experiences and her tour to Hyderabad. She said, as a member or through SHG, women can create peace and cleanliness in society.

Success stories were shared by three members from different SHGs on cultivation of vegetables like potatoes, beans, green leaves, rearing of chicken, cultivation of cardamom, sale of firewood etc.

Meritorious certificates were given to three best SHGs under Chen Block, cultural song was presented by VLO Chenmoho Village.

The programme was chaired by YK Daniel, AC NSRLM Chen Block. Welcome address was delivered by BDO cum BMM, Wakho. Vote of thanks by ChinghamKonyak, AC Chen Block.

*(M. Pelih, IA Chen)*

## **AAJEEVA EVAM KAUSHAL VIKAS DIWAS CELEBRATED AT NIULAND**

Celebration of AajeevikaEvamKaushalVikasDiwas was held on 5th May, 2018 at the conference hall of ADC Niuland.

Under Secretary and Nodal officer, Government of India, A.K. Mishra said he came as an observer to oversee the arrangements and implementation of various schemes of Government of India. He said that Gram SwarajAbhiyaan was a special intervention by Prime Minister, NarendraModi to oversee whether the various schemes of GoI are implemented and benefiting the people. He explained the 7 schemes being initiated by the present government and also enquired from the villagers about their awareness of the schemes. He encouraged the women folk to avail the benefit of the schemes and said that they can start earning only if they become independent.

BDO cum BMM, Nuiland block; AkumenlaAierin her keynote address said that the main purpose for organising the event was to approach the villagers and to encourage the SHGs besides enlightening them of their entitlements and benefits. She also stressed on KaushalPanjee which is basically for the upliftment of unemployed youth in the age group of 18 to 35 years. She called upon the youth to avail the opportunity and upgrade their skills in various sectors including hospitality, woodwork, automobile, customer care executive etc. where GoI is giving the chance for free enrolment.

In the programme, Block Programme Manager, BMMU Niuland, KhebottoChishi presented the status report of NRLM Block Niuland through power point while representative of Thulun SHG shared the vision of their group. Hovishe village women folk presented a folk song.

The programme was organised by Nagaland State Rural Livelihood Mission, BMMU, RD Block Niuland. Presidents GB union, student bodies, SHGs from different villages attended the programme.

*(DPRO Dimapur)*

## **AEKVD OBSERVED AT LONGLENG**

Nagaland State Rural Livelihoods Mission, Longleng Block observed Aajeevika Evam Kaushal Vikas Diwas on 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 at DRDA conference hall with Deputy Commissioner of Longleng, John Tsulise Sangtam as the Guest of honour.

In his short speech, the Guest of Honour encouraged the overall team members under NRLM for the achievement of NSRLM in the district. He also stressed that with gender disparity still prevailing in our society, NSRLM will prove to be a mechanism to fight against discrimination and stigma in Longleng. He later presented awards to four best SHGs and one VLO for their outstanding performance in the district and state level. He also congratulated Awangthemla VLO, Yachem for being declared as the best performing VLO in the state.

Earlier, the program was chaired by Hamlen Phom, BPM Longleng while the progress of NSRLM under Longleng Block was presented by Ongle Phom, Area Coordinator followed by sharing of success story by individuals and SHGs. The progress of VLO was presented by Awangthemla VLO, Yachem while Action plan of BLF was presented by BLF, Longleng Block.

The WLOABAP SHG, Yongshei village enthralled the participants with indigenous song in NSRLM theme. The event concluded with cultural dance by Apeinyuthei VLO, Bhumnyu.

*(DPRO, Longleng)*

## **SAKSHI BLOCK OBSERVES AEKVD**

Nagaland State Rural Livelihood Mission, Sakshi Block under Longleng District Celebrated “AAJEEVIKA EVAM KAUSHAL VIKAS DIWAS” with Rohbi Sangtam, EAC Sakshi as the resource person on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at Council Hall, Yimchong Village. It is one of the main events of “Gram Swaraj Abhiyan” and besides it also observed DDU-GKY Kaushal Panjee (Skill Register). The program was initiated for creating awareness regarding Women Empowerment, Entrepreneur Livelihood and various government schemes and programs.

The resource person of the program encouraged the SHGs for Livelihood activities and Socio-Economic upliftment of rural areas with their innate skills like handicraft and other indigenous products. He encouraged the masses to be aware on various government schemes and programs for their benefit. He also urged the VDB Secretary to help the deplorable villagers and bring positive changes under Sakshi block.

VDB Secretary of Yimchong village, in his short speech, expressed his contentment over the success stories of SHGs and institution of the poor being built up at the base in the society. He further encouraged the womenfolk to be more participative and pro-active towards socio-economic development to boost rural economy and empowerment of women.

Brief Report of NSRLM was presented by Alemla, Area Coordinator Sakshi while brief introduction on DDU-GKY Kaushal Panjee, skill development training opportunities to the unemployed youth was highlighted by Sangribo, Accountant-Cum-DEO Sakshi. The Program was chaired by C. Litoi Avenoho, Block Program Manager Sakshi. Three SHGs shared their success story, achievements and their experiences before and after joining NSRLM.

The department awarded the best performing SHG to HEMANG NYUTHU SHG of Pongo Village. At the end of the program, womenfolk from Yimchong Village presented Indigenous song which gave the splendid image of the program. The program successfully concluded with words of appreciation from Chulen Phom, Area coordinator Sakshi.

*(DPRO, Longleng)*

## **AEKVD OBSERVED AT PHEK**

Nagaland State Rural Livelihoods Mission (NSRLM) BMMU, Phek observed “AajeevikaEvamKaushalVikasDiwas” on 5<sup>th</sup> May at DRDA Conference Hall, Phek.

Exhorting at the programme, Deputy Commissioner, PhekShanavas C, IAS expressed gratitude towards the Mission and the Government for providing a platform to uplift the rural poor. He highlighted about various government schemes and poverty alleviation programmes and stressed on the importance of agriculture and its allied activities, which is the main occupation of the rural sector of Nagaland. He mentioned about the need for modern village, food processing units and how to link with markets and other institutions. He said poor connectivity of road is the main challenge for the rural poor.

Speaking at the event, Project Director, DRDA and DMM, NSRLMPhek, AzenuoPienyu stressed on the aims and objectives of the Mission and expressed that the mission witnessed appreciable achievements with dedicated Mission Management Unit of 29 blocks and 9 districts. The mission with an aim to reduce poverty through building grassroots community institutions by targeting to reach out to the poorest of the poor rural women and to enable them to come out of poverty through meaningful engagement in livelihood. She dwelt on the importance of forming SHGs and encouraged them to put more effort and to work in team spirit.

Director of DONER, GoI, MercyEpaio highlighted on various government schemes and programmes and individual rights as a citizen of India. She spoke on the various schemes which the rural areas are availing like electricity, immunization etc. She also asked the community to avail all the rights and entitlements besides stressing on the bank linkage and further asked them to pay the loan timely for a better economy.

Field Officer NSCB LTD Phek, S. KahotoZhimomi spoke on the various schemes and credit linkage, where SHGs as well as individuals can avail loan from the bank provided they are following all the Panchasutras.

Asstt. Manager, Phek EATACOL, WelhikhroMero mentioned about the micro finance bank, saving schemes, loan schemes and home based activities.

Senior Call Responder, State Resource Centre for Women, ChothaluPhesaospoke on gender equality, violence and abuses face by the women. She also encouraged the women to come forward to fight for their rights and not just sit and accepting our fate. She mentioned the importance of 181 toll free no, a Govt. programme to help the women in distress and to empower them.

Welcome address was delivered by DPO, DRDA and DPM, NSRLM, PhekChuba Jamir. Overview of NSRLM and block status report was shared by Block Program Manager, SezokholuRhakho. Other highlights of the program were Folk tune by Phek Village SHGs, Success stories shared by Lurhukro SHG from Kustapo village, winning the best SHG Award. Sensitization of DDU-GKY KaushalPanjee by DEO cum Acct. PeleneizoChadi followed by a video show on the documentary film on NSRLM. Vote of thanks was delivered by Area Coordinator, Tavikho. The program was chaired by Area Coordinator, BMMU, Phek, JohnKhesoh. Invocation prayer was pronounced by Women Secy. Phek Village Baptist Church, SerhoneluKeyho. A total of 150 participants attended the programme including Govt officials, bankers, NGOs, SHGs and the Mission staff of DMMU and BMMU.

*(Kedutsho, IA Phek)*

## **AVEKVD PROGRAMME HELD AT TSEMINYU**

Nagaland State Rural Livelihood Mission under RD Block Tseminyu organised a program for Gram SwarajAbhiyaan (Village Self Governance Campaign) and AAJEE VIKA EVAN KaushalVikasDiwas (Livelihoods and Skill Development Meet) which was held at Town Hall Tseminyu on 5th May 2018.

John Wesley Magh, BDO cum BMM, Tseminyu Block delivered the keynote address of the program in which he highlighted the primary focus of NSRLM such as program for income generating activities of the poorest village people for their livelihood. Wesley John, BDO cum BMM also appreciated the team members/staff of BMMU RD Block Tseminyu for giving their sincere effort in execution of the Mission programs till date. Wesley also requested the thousand SHGs members gathered there to take advantage of the various schemes provided by the Government for the better livelihood of the poorest village people.

Neikesanuo, AC BMMU delivered the status report of NRLM Tseminyu Block, and she said that there are 26 villages, 124 SHGs, 7 VLOs, and 1042 SHGs registered Members.

Neisetuonuo Lucy, Accountant cum DEO of BMMU informed about DeenDayalUpadhyaGrameenKaushalyaYojana (DDU-GKY KashualPanjee-Skill Register, where she requested the SHGs Members to be cooperative with the NRLM initiative programs even for going outside State for Skill Training.)

Assistant Manager SBI Tseminyu, K. Sawian spoke about Financial Literacy and Entitlement in which he encouraged the gathering to adopt the habit of saving manimum 25% from one's income.

Officials from Social Welfare and V&AH of Tseminyu participated in the program. They highlighted various schemes for Women under Social Welfare department, and also the importance of availing opportunities for assistance like Free Vaccinations of anti-Rabies for domestic animals.

The leader of the program was Shwenlozu Thong, BMM NRLM RD Block Tseminyu. Kekhrietshunuo said the vote of thanks for the program. More than 1000 members of SHGs, women NGO leaders, and Government officials from various departments attended the function.

*(APRO Tseminyu)*

## **NBSE INFORMS ON NSEE 2018 EXAMINATION**

The Nagaland Board of School Education, has notified for information of all concerned that the Nagaland State Entrance Examination (NSEE) 2018 for Para Medical/Agri and Allied degree courses will be held on 23rd May, 2018 (Wednesday) from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm. The examination centres shall be notified at a later date.

- i. The Provisional Admit cards shall be issued from the 21s' to 22nd May 2018 in the Office of the NBSE.
- ii. Candidates are informed to collect the provisional admit card personally.
- iii. The signature in all the required places i.e. forms, counterfoil of the admit card, attendance register, etc. must tally.
- iv. Examination fee of Rs. 600/- (Rupees six hundred only) is to be paid during collection of admit card.

- v. As proof of identity, the candidate must produce the original/photocopy of the admit card of the HSSLC or HSLC Examination while collecting the NSEE Admit card and also have it in their possession in the examination hall.
- vi. No admit cards will be issued on the day of the examination.

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## **NCS PROBATIONERS TREK TO DZÜKOU**

As part of field training, NCS (P) along with officers and staff of Administrative Training Institute trekked to Dzükou Valley on 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2018. Deputy Director & Course Coordinator, ATI, Dr. HovithalSothu led the team of 24 trekkers.

Besides trekking, a devotional service was also held where Addl. Director, ATI, Kevekha Kevin Zehol urged the officers to endure hardships like a soldier so as to become a successful NCS officer. He also challenged the newly inducted officers to stay focus and be the responsible officer wherever they get posted. 'We should be the torch bearer not only in words but even more in deeds', he encouraged.

The two day trekking programme was organized with an aim for the probationers to face any physical eventuality during their service career.

*(DIPR)*

## **WOMEN DEPARTMENT BTBC ORGANIZES SEMINAR**

Bhandari Town Baptist Church, Women Department held a one-day Seminar-cum-Workshop with the theme, 'Be a Godly Woman' on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at the Church premises. NyanchumiKithan, Women leader, Kohima Baptist Church, N.LilyNgullie, APRO Bhandari, Dr. AtulaAo, (Dentist) CHC, Bhandari and Gladys Kikon were the resource persons.

Later in the day a workshop on 'cake baking' and 'dessert making' was conducted by Gladys Kikon from Kohima, where she imparted lessons and demonstrated on the know-how of baking and dessert making.

Sharing her success story, she narrated how she had ventured out from a humble beginning of trial and error, and through patience and perseverance became economically independent and self-sufficient. She encouraged the women to move out of their comfort zone and to try making a difference in life.

During the day break, APRO N.LilyNgullie presented special numbers as part of musical entertainment.

The day's programme which was attended by around 280 participants was chaired by AchumloMozhui, women leader of the Church.

*(Kanili, IA Bhandari)*