

8th March 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)



# MEGHALAYA BASIN MANAGEMENT AGENCY

*wishes all womenfolk*



*Happy Women's Day*





**MCLLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**South West Khasi Hills**

The External Expert, Social Management conducted a field visit to Shngimawlein VNRMC. During the visit, the expert reviewed the Minute Book to check all the meetings of the GB and EC, and assisted the VNRMC with updating the training register, purchase register, and community contributions. The expert also visited several sites for social safeguard implementation, including the Spring Chambers at Domkhlaw, Langdoh, Mawjunai, Blein Blein, Phorkyrtep, and Liewlong.



The EE-SM visited the Sohma VNRMC under Mawkyrwat block to review the minute book to ensure that all GB and EC meetings were recorded accurately, as well as to help the VNRMC update their registers. The team also conducted a site inspection of the spring chamber in Tyngkur.



The External Expert of Social Management visited Mawkohphet VNRMC on February 28th, 2023 to conduct a follow-up on various documents, including the Minute Book, Purchase Register, training register, and community contribution records.

**MCLLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



A site inspection was conducted at Shngimawlein to review the progress of a new activity involving the construction of a protection wall and site for a traditional hall. The inspection was related to excess funds, and participants included the field engineer, a member of the VNRM Committee, among others.



**East Khasi Hills**



The environment team conducted a Forest Management Plan activity and Testing of the application for collecting enumeration data at Lum Nongkhlaw, Kyndong Nongkyntir under Myllem Block on 1st March 2023.



**Completed Protection Wall at Mawngianglah Village under Myllem Block**



**MCLLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



In Mawngianglah Village under Myllem, a jalkund was built as a part of the ongoing Forest Management Plan (FMP) to aid in water retention.



Leguminous plants such as beans were sown at Mawngianglah Village with the main goal of nitrogen fixation and soil fertility enhancement.



Inspection of irrigation canal and retaining wall at Mawngianglah village under Myllem Block



**MCLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**Ri-Bhoi**



DPM and Block Technical Assistant(TA) visited Saiden, Quinine and Narang villages to evaluate the newly proposed interventions and to oversee the ongoing NRM activities. The team also held a meeting with VNRMC members and VCF and conducted site inspections of various interventions.

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The District Project Manager (DPM) met with BDO of Umsning to discuss the work order and Technical Assistant's (TA) plan estimate, followed by a visit to Mawdiangum Village to review the implementation progress.

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**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**West Garo Hills**



District DM-EM, PA-SM, EE-SM & FE conducted an inspection of the project activities in Upper Bamonpara, Kongtopara, Marapara, Chanangre, and Lower Bamonpara (referred to as Catalytic Villages) on February 28th, 2023. Additionally, on the same day, the program Associate - Social Management endeavored to capture women's priorities and success stories at Upper Bamonpara where one woman is now able to participate in the project from the decision-making stage through to the implementation stage. She also participates in meetings, is paid equally, and gains access to various other project-related activities.



District Dy. Manager- Environment Management, PA-Social Management, Manager- Knowledge Management, and a Hired-Field Engineer (FE) visited two villages, Rebugre and Dipogre Villages, under Dadenggre Block to carry out Cluster Development Fund (CDF) activities.

**MCLLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**North Garo Hills**



DPMU NGH conducted a field visit to Snalgre village under Bajengdoba block to document women's activities related to the CLLMP implementation. followed by a site inspection of spring chamber and check dam.



A meeting was held to discuss the implementation of FMP activities such as plantation and boundary management, as well as to submit the UCs (Utilization Certificates) for the implementation of CLLMP activities.



A site visit was conducted at Kawak village to inspect the construction of a check dam and a green house for a permanent community nursery. The visit also aimed to assess the repair and maintenance needs of damaged check dams and spring chambers. Additionally, the matter of submitting UCs (Utilization Certificates) in the office was looked into.



**MCLLMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**East Garo Hills**



Site inspection on FMP fire line control in Dimit Warikatchi



Site inspection on RCC dam and Water storage tank under catalytic fund



**South West Garo Hills**

Installation of information board at Jamanggre by Field Engineer.



Inspection on RCC check dam Catalytic Fund by Field Engineer (EE)



Field visit for the inspection of spring chamber by Field Engineer (EE)



# PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES & SPRING MAPPING



Lyngkynshieh village, EKH

**Awareness Program**  
(Meeting the  
Headman/Nokma)



Umthli village, EKH



Dompaigne Village, SGH



Myllat Village, EKH



Rukolpara Village, SWGH



Rongchadengre village, SWGH



# PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES & SPRING MAPPING

A meeting was held with the headman of Ladwah Wapung, Khliehriat block on the 6th of March, 2023. During the meeting, it was mentioned that there are two community forests in the area and the headman expressed a keen interest in the scheme. However, he indicated that he would need to consult with the other members first before arriving upon a decision.



Awareness Program with the committee members of Balang Patharkhmah Presbyterian Church



Awareness at Pomdikhar (Mawshynrut)  
2 application forms distributed.



A meeting was conducted on March 6th, 2023 in Pomlahier Village, Mawrynkneng Block, with the participation of the BPM, Headman, VPIC member, and a representative from meglife JICA. During the meeting, it was reported that four individuals expressed their interest and were given the application forms.



# PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES & SPRING MAPPING

## PES Verification

Umsning block  
GFA: Kitborlang Madur



Khliehriat block  
GFA: Jingshisha Bareh



Baghmara block  
GFA" Amachi AM Sangma



Rongara Block  
GFA: Jaksilchi



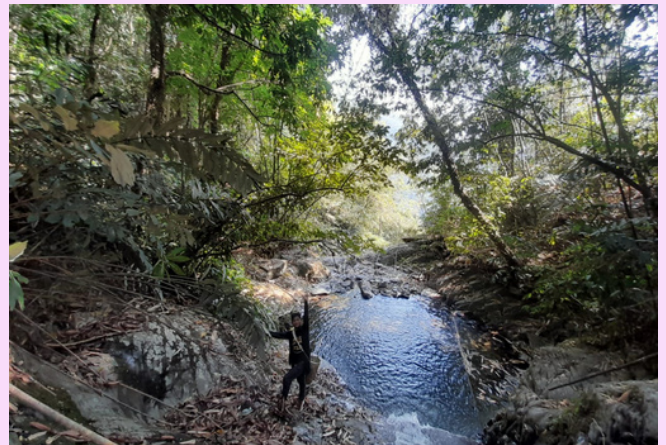
Rongram block  
GFA: Smarthe Momin



# PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES & SPRING MAPPING

Green field associates (GFAs) play a crucial role in creating awareness on Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) scheme across various districts.

They face several challenges in achieving this goal as they come across challenging routes and terrains. Additionally, resistance from community members who do not fully understand the benefits of these initiatives can also make the awareness-building process difficult.



Wahmawlein village, Mawkyntew Block (GFA: Kyrshanskem Mylliem)



Umbluh mysnsing, Thadlaskein block (GFA: Vicky D Lapsam)

GFAs sometimes encounter community members or headmen who are uninterested in the PES scheme, nevertheless they persist in their tasks with determination.

*GFA, Azarian Sangma with Headman of Godalgre, Betasing block*



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LIVELIHOOD  
IMPROVEMENT  
THROUGH  
FOREST  
ENHANCEMENT  
(MegLIFE)



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



**PULP AND MICROPLANNING**

Activities related to PLUP and Microplanning were carried out at Khaldang Tunaturam Village (Agitok), Resubelpara, NGH.



**COMMUNITY NURSERY**

Ground clearance has been carried out for the community nursery at Songmagre Village, Dalu, WGH



Site inspection for the community nursery was carried out at Khaldang Tunaturam Village (Agitok), Resubelpara, NGH.





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



Ground clearance has been carried out at Dopananggre Village for the community nursery in Dalu, West Garo Hills.



The Rencha Apal (VPIC) under Rongram, West Garo Hills has completed preparations for the community nursery. Sixteen households who registered in VPIC were involved in the nursery's preparation, contributing bamboo and wages for one day, amounting to Rs. 5216/- as a free contribution over three days of work.



In light of the MegLIFE project's aim to benefit the entire village, it was suggested that other members of the village be allowed to participate in future activities, with a registration fee of Rs. 100/- deducted from their contribution.



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



The community members of Chibokgre in Rongram, WGH have shown great commitment and dedication in their efforts towards the community nursery work. Their hard work and dedication are commendable, and their efforts will undoubtedly contribute significantly to the success of the community nursery project.



**Community Nursery work at  
Bibrage, Rongram,  
West Garo Hills.**



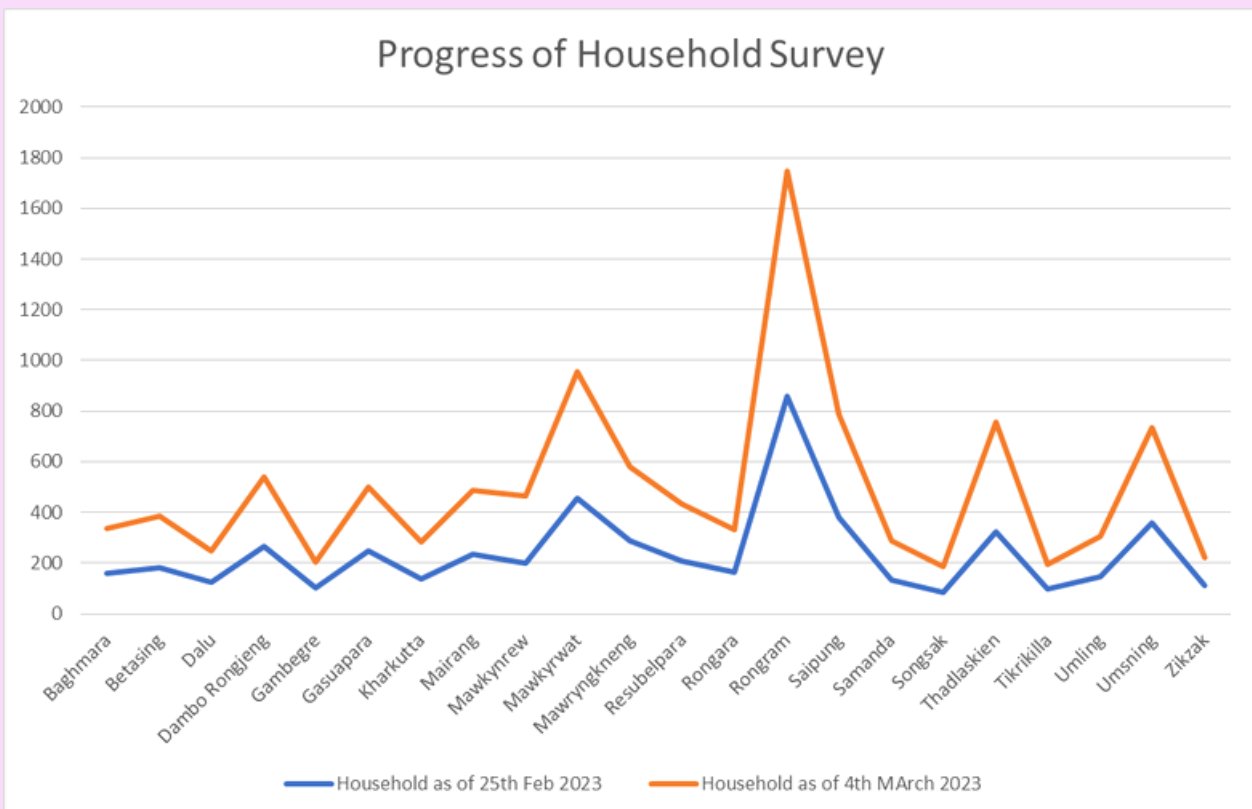
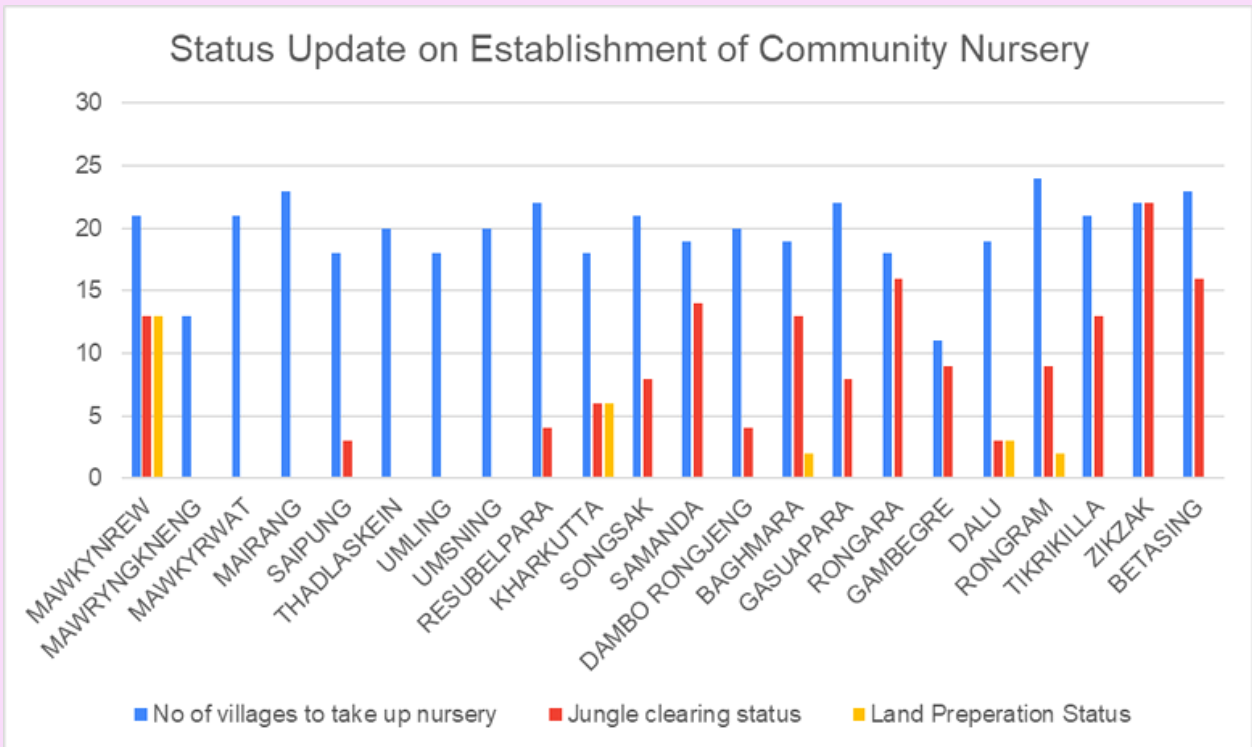
On March 6th, 2023, an orientation training session was conducted for 25 farmers in Gasuapara Block, South Garo Hills, on Sloping Agriculture Land Technology (SALT).

The farmers were pleased to learn about SALT and showed enthusiasm towards implementing it on their farms. All the farmers expressed their willingness to adopt the SALT technique on their agricultural land.





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





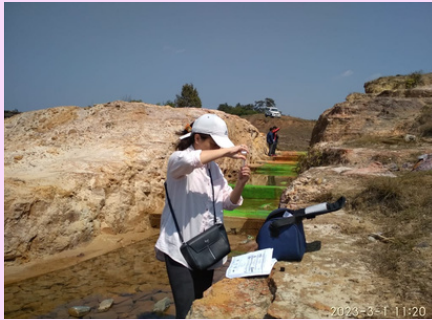


Institute of  
Natural Resources  
(INR)



**CENTRE FOR WATER RESOURCES**

The Water team conducted various site inspections, instruction and demonstration to the VECs, VCFs of various villages on procedures to check the water quality analysis using a water tracer and test kit.



Cham Cham Village, Khliehriat, East Jaintia Hills District.



Laitryngew Village, Shella Block ,East Khasi Hills District.



Umladkhur Village, Amlarem Block ,West Jaintia Hills District.



Shkentalang Village, Amlarem Block ,West Jaintia Hills District.



**CENTRE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION & MITIGATION**  
**(GREEN ENERGY)**

**NAME OF THE PROJECT: DECENTRALIZED GREEN ENERGY**  
**DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

**Successful installation of Hydroger**



Successful installation of Pico-Hydro generator at Thangbuli, Amlarem Block, West Jaintia Hills District and Khliehshnong Village, Shella Bholaganj, East Khasi Hills District.



Successful installation of Pico-Hydro generator at Amkyrbai Village, Jirang Block, Ri Bhoi District.





In collaboration with the Emsys team, the INR Green Energy team successfully installed Hydrogers in two districts: Umshru Village, Jirang Block, Ri Bhoi District, and Mawthawpdah Village, Mawkyrwat Block, South West Khasi Hills District.



Site supervision for Installation of Hydroger conducted by the Green Energy team at two locations: Pyrda Village Mairang Block East West Khasi Hills District and Nongbri village, Ri Bhoi District.





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



Bio-resource Team conducted a field visit to Tluh, East Jaintia Hills District, to collect biomass for phytoaccumulation studies as part of land reclamation project.

Bio-resource Team conducted a Field Visit to Pyndenglitha, East Khasi Hills District for inspection of Geranium & Lavender plantation.



Monitoring and Mulching of Geranium Plantation completed at Umdohbyrthih,  
Bhoirymbong Block, Ribhoi District.

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# Meghalaya Livelihoods And Access To Markets Project

**MLAMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**



**East Khasi Hills**

Farmers selected from Entrepreneur Facilitators Centre (EFC) Mawphlang and EFC Khatarshnong-Laitkroh took part in a one-day training on potato seed production facilitated by Central Potato Research institute (CPRI) under Seed Secure Meghalaya on March 6th, 2023. As part of the training, each farmer received 100 kilograms of Chipsona potatoes.



**North Garo Hills**



Field engineer from North Garo Hills visited Gairong market Nangrime IVCS on March 1st, 2023, to hold a discussion with the laborers and members regarding the civil work foundation for the cold storage, and finalize the site selection.



**MLAMP**

**DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES**

On March 3rd, 2023, BPM, along with the NGO Bakdil, visited Khaldang Tunaturam in the Resubelpara block as part of the MegLIFE JICA project, to conduct PLUP and micro planning.



**VOICES OF WOMEN LEADERS**

Celebrating the role of women in various sectors under #MeghaLAMP, here are the voices of women who overcame challenges and have set an example for others to rise in their field of expertise. Happy #Women'sDay to all.

Click the link to watch the video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9HKDMnk7Ds>



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



## FOCUS

## DISTRICT WISE ACTIVITIES



## North Garo Hills



On March 1st, 2023, a block level bookkeeping training session was held for FOCUS Volunteers under the Resubelpara Block, as part of an activity under the FOCUS project.

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A block level bookkeeping training session for Focus+ Volunteers under the Bajengdoba Enterprise Facilitation Center was conducted on March 6th, 2023.

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