

# **RURAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY**

**NAHARLAGUN, PAPUM PARE DISTRICT  
ARUNACHAL PRADESH**

**ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2017-18**

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**PREFACE**

The Rural Development Society with its office at Damsite, Naharlagun, Papumpare District of Arunachal Pradesh is an NGO (Registration No. SR/ITA/349, Registered under the Society's Registration Act, 1860) Since its inception, back in year 1996, the society has been engaged in various charitable activities. For the inclusive socio economic development, the society has been dedicated to uplift the Indian society in general and the Arunachal Pradesh Society in particular. To initiate and reach out with various socio-economic developmental schemes and programs to the grass root level in the tribal communities of the state of Arunachal Pradesh, the society has been approaching various Central and State Govt. Deptt., agencies and institutions for the support. Not merely the financial supports but also with technical, HRD, skill, consultancy and counseling support.

By struggling with our scarce resources, the Rural Development Society has executed and implemented a series of activities in the year 2017-18. We present here a brief sketch of our activities in form of Annual report of the Society.

**WEAVER'S CREDIT AWARENESS PROGRAMME:**

A Programme was organized at Naharlagun focusing on the issue of weavers, artisans and farmers empowerment through dispersion of know how towards modern techniques and availment of credit facilities provided by the state/central



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government. A large group of weavers, artisans and farmers turned up for attending the program. They were encouraged to access the benefits forwarded by the government and play a pivotal role in the socio and economic development of the nation.

**BANK LINKAGE PROGRAM:**



Our Self Help Group-Bank Linkage Programme (SBLP) aims to deliver financial products & services to the section of the people of the state that lacks access to formal banking. This segment, often from the lower income, meets its financial needs through informal sources such as money lenders, traders, family and friends etc. However, these sources have their own limitations. Under this programme, individuals are organised in groups known as Self Help Groups (SHGs) by Rural Development Society. The SHGs are also encouraged to take up livelihood activities, for which skill training is provided by the NGO. The members of the SHG are encouraged to save and internally lend

  
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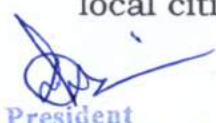
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the savings to members during times of need. They were also provided with knowledge on managing books of accounts. SHGs get linked to banks via Rural Development Society, for opening savings account and for their credit requirements. Banks lend to SHGs after assessing their credit worthiness on parameters such as group discipline, regularity of meetings, savings, rotation of funds, maintenance of books of accounts, group record keeping, repayment of loans etc. Access to finance by the poor and vulnerable groups is a prerequisite for poverty reduction and social cohesion. This has to become an integral part of our efforts to promote inclusive growth. In fact, providing access to finance is a form of empowerment of the vulnerable groups. Financial inclusion denotes delivery of financial services at an affordable cost to the vast sections of the disadvantaged and low income groups. Through graduated credit, the attempt must be to lift the poor from lower level to the higher one so that they can come out of poverty.

**CITY GARBAGE COLLECTION AND MASS SOCIAL SERVICE:**



Under the aegis of the Itanagar Municipal Corporation(IMC), our society had taken the initiative of garbage collection from the city and its nearby areas. The initiative has been applauded by the local citizens and hence IMC has been trusting us over the

  
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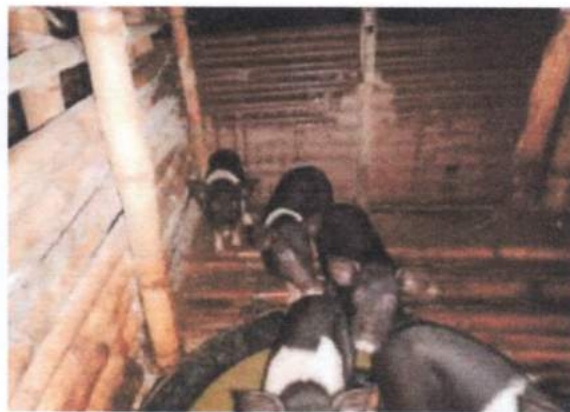
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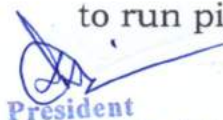
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months to conduct the garbage collection. The worker strength has grown over the months and the initiative is expected to reach to more areas of the city so that the citizens can live in a garbage free society. This initiative has also helped in giving employment to the some of the people from the lowest strata of income and help them in earning their livelihood. The society has also been conducting regular cleanliness drives to teach the citizens of the importance of living in a clean and garbage free environment. One such similar initiative was the cleanliness drive "Swachhata hi Seva", a ward wise social service program sponsored by the IMC which received a very positive response from the local community. The people took an active part in the drive and spread the message of cleanliness.

**NABARD PIGGERY AND DAIRY PROGRAMME:**



Pork is very popular and in high demand in the state. Pig farming is economically profitable provide the same is done in a scientific and proper manner. Through knowledge of all aspects is essential to run piggery profitably. With the aim of popularizing pig

  
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farming and imparting the required knowledge, the society has been conducting training camps on piggery under which participants from different villages attend the camps. They are taught about the selection of exotic variety, breeding, feeding, medicine etc.

The society has also been imparting know how and awareness on dairy farming which can provide good opportunities of income for the weaker sections of the society. Under this initiative, the society gave knowledge on the means to acquire milk producing cattle and effective ways to maximize the dairy output without causing harm to the cattle. The society has also been providing with information on the local markets where the dairy farmers could sell their produce at the optimum rates to enable them to earn decent profits.

**MUDRA BANKING LOAN AWARENESS PROGRAMME:**

The society had conducted Mudra banking Loan Awareness Programme, under which the common people with a zeal to start their own business were invited. These were the people who wanted to start up a new business but did not have the requisite finances to start with. The programme focused on explaining the people about what Mudra loan is, who is it for, what are the various stages of the loan and the ways to avail the loan facility. There was a good response from the society with people asking questions they had in mind to which solutions and recommendations were provided as best they could have been.

  
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Various retired ex-bankers and respected dignitaries from the society also graced this occasion with their presence and made it a grand one.

**BANKING COMPLIANCE (KYC) SEMINAR:**

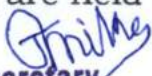
A seminar was conducted by our society for educating the masses about the banking compliances and regulations. Banking facilities still being new to some strata of people in the city, they find it difficult to adhere to the everyday changing regulations brought in by the banking authorities. This seminar was aimed at informing the people on how to use the banking facilities and comply with the rules and regulations and avoid penalty charged by bank due to various reasons. People turned out in good numbers to attend the seminar.

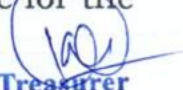
**FORMATION & TRAINING OF SELF HELP GROUP/ CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY:**

The Society has given importance for the income generation of the rural and poor people of the society. The society has been trying for the betterment and uplift of the poor and needy since inception. It has been trying its effort to build the concept of self help group among villagers and gaining fruitful result. It has helped in the formation of many SHGS and Co-operative societies in the district of East Kameng of Arunachal Pradesh. These SHGs and Co-Operative societies are mainly engaged in Handlooms, Cutting and Knitting, Agriculture, Poultry, Piggery and Goattery. Various kinds of training are held from time to time for the

  
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capacity building and skill development of the society. To promote financial inclusion, microfinance is also encouraged among the SHGs and co-operative societies.



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