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A MINORITY COMMUNITY : HUDI

“*Hudi*” is one of the minority communities in our country. We discovered that the Hudi community people are living in the Sherpur district of Bangladesh. This year we added the Hudi community to our research study.

Last month, I went to Baganbari village, Sherpur, to visit the "Hudi community." I met with the community people and one of their community leaders. His name is Subash Chandra Biswas and he is 52 years old. He is the vice-president of the Adivasi Front of the Sherpur district. He described his community and people as backward community in Bangladesh.”

Then I described SIL to them, and we specified the specific objectives of our work and research activities. However, no one was paying attention to us because they said many other NGOs or government organizations visited several times in their community and committed to working for the Hudi community, but in reality, they never got any help from others. "You come to us only for your own needs," Basanti Rani Biswas said after listening to us.

Highlights



Youth Ambassadors Training

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51 participants from the Kol community.

Key Dates

July'22: Social Action Plan Monitoring Visit with the Mahali, and Kol communities.

July'22: Re-useable Sanitary Napkin Training with Kol, Mahali, Oraon, Koch, and Hajong communities.

July'22: Focus Group Discussion with the Banai community.

July' 22: Couples seminar with the Kol community.

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She also said, "What is the benefit to us? We do not have any profit." she bemoaned, "You just take (data) from us, you don't do anything in return." This is a huge challenge for us, and I also faced it here during my field visit to the Hudi community. We talked to them about SIL International Bangladesh and its activities with indigenous community people all around the nation. Subash Biswas said "As an ethnic group, we are far behind other ethnic groups,". When they came to know that we will work with their mother tongue they were very happy. Because they lost their mother tongue and they cannot speak in their mother tongue. Subash Biswas said, "A language is an identity. But we already lost it." Whoever does it the Hudi community expects SIL Bangladesh will work not only on their language but also on the development of their whole community.

So, it is a new journey with the "Hudi" community. We have faced lots of challenges to work with the Hudi community. We hope our research work will help them to make positive changes.

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Local Feeds of June

Adolescent Health Care Animators' refreshers Training



Adolescent Health Care Animators' refreshers Training

with the Kol, Mahali, Oraon, Koch, and the Hajong communities .

Couples Seminar



Couples Seminar

with the Kol, Oraon, and the Mahali communities.

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