A SELF-SUFFICIENT LEARNING CIRCLE GROUP

"*The* we can win" feeling was shared by Mrs. Protima Rani Koch, one of the learning circle members of Panbor learning circle group under Sherpur Area. Discussing with the group members, she shared lots of achievements with a smiling face. Protima is playing a leadership role in the group. She shared that in this village a total of 33 families have been living for a long time. They have a low number of educated families; most of them are engaged in agriculture. The village was backward compared to others but now we are quite ahead in all aspects since 2021. When we started our journey with SIL in December 2020, we started engaging in many social activities. So far, we have learned about behavior, stopping smoking and drinking alcohol, preparing organic manure, nutritious food sources, chicken and cattle raising, schooling, how to save money for future use? leadership, and many other important topics. Day by day we have learned lots of things that we have put into practice." ``We the group members started working in the frontlines in social festivals, wedding ceremonies, and religious festivals.

Highlights

International Mother Language Day Celebration

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has been celebrated through a rally and discussion meeting with 630 (approx.) participants in all working areas.

Key Dates

Mar'22: Kol Youth Conference.

Mar'22: Mahali Youth Conference.

Mar'22: Book Inauguration of the 7th March Speech of The Father of the nation.

Mar'22: Survey Training for the Data Collector.

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We have had good results after realizing that in our village there is a muddy road which normally sinks during the rainy season. In August 2021, we went to the local government office (Union Parishad), talked with the UP Chairman about the road which causes problems for communication, and convinced him to fill at least 6 feet of the road with soil which took one week to fill. Now the road is quite high enough and the water now easily flow off from the road. In the meantime, the Union Parishad had provided 50 stainless still plates and glasses and 3 nutrition cards - From the Livestock Office, we have received 2 sheep for rearing and all the LC members received one day of training on cattle-rearing from the Upazila Livestock Office in October 2021. From the Agriculture Office, a day-long training has been received by all the group members. After the training, we received vegetable seeds of red spinach, coriander, chili seed, and Stem amaranth seeds in October 2021."

``Once when we had no sitting arrangement for group continuation, one like minded NGO provided us with a 6' x 12' heavy plastic sheet. We have started a saving plan in the group and each of us contributes BDT 50.00 every week. So far, we have savings of BDT 10,000.00 (Ten thousand). After a few months, we will open an account and start a loan system among the members so that we will get interest and develop ourselves in the future. Now we have lot of confidence and have built good relationships with the local government, different local different groups, and leaders. So now we can win.''

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Local Feeds of February

Roadmap Design Workshop

Roadmap Design Workshop
with 9 minority Language Communities by the SIL Research Team.

MTBAL Tutor's Refresher's Training

MTBAL Tutor's Refresher's Training
with Usoi Community by the SIL Training & Consultancy Team.