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We are not worried about what we can cook

“I don’t have to think about having something to cook for the daily meal for the family” shared Mrs. Ohola Koch of Jhinaigati under the Sherpur Area Office. She shared, ***“In the present Covid situation its difficult even risky to leave home to purchase food or anything else, even through the cost of food items is very expensive they are scarce and hard to get. Thinking about this situation over the past few years, I have started vegetable gardening on twenty small plots of land, growing sweet pumpkin, white gourd, Malabar spinach, papaya, string beans etc.”***- Ohola Koch share the feelings while visiting a vegetable garden at Rangtia village.

Ohola Koch is one of the beneficiaries of livelihood activities that have been taking place. In December 2020 we at SIL provided four kinds of improved vegetable seeds to 1660 families, and Ohola was among the ones who received the benefits. After receiving the seeds, she planted them beside her house, all the seeds grew. She is very much happy to see her garden producing fruits and vegetables. By selling the vegetables, she has been covering cost of her son’s study who is in higher studies at Hazi Danesh Schience and Technology University, Dinajpur district.

Sumari Tirki from Shaldanga village of Naogaon Area is another one of the beneficiaries of livelihood activities. After receiving the seeds, she planted them beside her house and she has grown all the seeds. She is very much happy to see her papaya garden in which getting blossoms. Very soon she will have the fruits from the papaya trees. She is using the produce already harvested from the other seeds for cooking, and so they are now getting nutritious food. (Page: 2)

Special Comments

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Highlights



Materials:

- * Adolescent Health Care Module
- * Gender Awareness Module

Key Dates

Sept 1 - 4, 2021: Adolescent Health Care Animators Training. (Kol, Mahali, Koch, Hajong & Oraon.)

Sept 5 - 9, 2021: MLE Materials Training. (Usoi Tripura)

Sept 7 - 16, 2021: Research Survey Field Test. (Teli, Turi, Vuimali, Rajoar, Malo & Mushohor.)

SIL Bangladesh helps communities achieve their development goals while retaining their Ethnolinguistic identities.

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There have lots of examples such as Ohola and Sumari Tirki in the rural the areas within the areas of Bangladesh where SIL Bangladesh is working that are now get nutritious food because they have their own vegetable gardens. They don't have to go to the market anymore, they don't have to spend money, they grow their own vegetable at home, and now they own the produce.

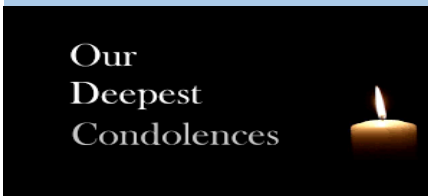
Before providing vegetable seeds, SIL organized an orientation session that were the govt. agriculture officers facilitated, led by field-level officers. The orientation sessions helped the families to know how to plant and growing their own vegetables and fruits properly. Now the families are well known for how well they to take care of their vegetable gardens and they are committed to continue having their own vegetable gardens.

"With what I learnt from SIL Bangladesh and am applying to my life, I am getting benefits for my family, and now we are not worried about what we can for cook," Amita Koch, another recipient of the seeds, shared with me while I was visiting her garden.

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Local Feeds of August

We Mourn



Mrs. Beauty Roy, wife of Mr. Suresh Roy, honorable board member of SAIL Society, passed away. Our deepest condolences with the family.

Emergency Response



837 people got emergency relief during pandemic in different place.

Kurux Orthography Workshop



17 people from Kurux community participated on Kurux Orthography workshop.

Research Training & Recruitment



- ◆ 14 Data Collectors recruited for Research Survey and received Training.
- ◆ Recruitment of Part time Research Assistant.
- ◆ Senior Officer in Training and consultancy Team.

MSC Story Collection



MSC story collection from 19 male & female groups with Koch, Hajong, Mahali, Oraon, Kurux communities has conducted in August '21

Local Awareness



Local awareness on COVID-19, Community Ownership & Good Relationship have done with Kurux, Hajong & Usoi Tripura communities.

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