

COVID-19 warriors: How Assam's tribal community Mishings brought agroforestry back into practice

This Shillong-Based NGO Has Saved Over 72,000 Victims of Human Trafficking!

NGOs help lockdown-hit workers from northeast



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Assam: Nagaon based NGO among three Indian groups to feature in 'Elephant Champions NGOs distribute country boats to flood-affected villages in Lakhimpur, Majuli

Northeast fights Covid-19 , NGOs play a major role.

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Ashadeep is an Assam based nonprofit organisation that works to transform lives of underprivileged people with mental disabilities. They run an extensive psychiatric rehabilitation program to equip and empower children and adults with mental disorders

Challenges faced in the region



Low priority given to Mental Health



Limited players to address the issue



Lower funding due to limited corporate offices



Lack of resource mobalisation due to less awareness of the region

Approaches



Work with community to bring about positive treatment seeking behaviour towards Mental Health



Support other NGOs in the region to incorporate Mental Health into their agenda

6000+
Individuals with mental disorders reached



To know more about the organisation, click here- https://www.ashadeepindia.org/

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Ayang Trust works toward building the ecosystem for sustainable self-empowered communities in Northeast India through interventions in quality education and dignified livelihoods

Challenges faced in the region



Lack of proper infrastructure and services for the communities



Geographically isolated and flood prone region (Majuli)



Massive destruction of agrarian land and property due to floods



Few quality educational institutes and lesser opportunities for skilled persons to earn an adequate living

Approaches



Collaborate with local communities for sustainable growth through the interactive community-educational spaces and provide alternative flood-resilient livelihood opportunities and market linkages within remote villages in Majuli

7400
individuals benefited through different interventions



Picture: Team Ayang visiting flood impacted communities

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NesDi-RNBA is a non-profit, secular and non-governmental organisation actively engaging for the last 36 years for the relief and holistic development of tribal and other vulnerable people in Manipur

Challenges faced by minority tribes in the region



Encroachment of land and displacement of small and vulnerable tribes



Lack of political representation



Low levels of literacy and less access to important government schemes

Approaches taken by NesDi-RNBA



Actively lobbying Government officials and advocating the cause of minority tribes to include them in the PVTGs list of the Central Government



Formalising land records to reduce chances of conflict and displacement



Conduct sessions on land rights, entitlement to welfare schemes, skilling and capacity building

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Tribal representatives working with NesDi-RNBA to advocate for their constitutional rights



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SeSTA was conceived in 2011 and aims to put systematic effort into the socio-economic development of Northeastern states by enhancing the capabilities of poor communities, promoting and strengthening their institutions to facilitate them out of poverty

Currently, SeSTA works with 71,270 families in 2087 villages spread across 24 districts in three states - Assam, Meghalaya, and Tripura.

Challenges faced in the region



Low female workforce participation



Approaches

Conducts training programs to encourage leadership abilities and income-generating activities around the livelihood interventions that they can carry out



Poorer health conditions among women



Provide technical expertise, skills training, and marketing strategies from time to time to help women develop sustainable businesses and support them in capacity building



Lack of freedom for women in terms of decision making



Grooms community-based cadres to support women's institutions

1 Lakh
Women farmers have a
more strengthened
livelihood system



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Sunbird Trust works with the motto of "Peace through Education" in remote, conflict-affected parts of northeast India. It does this through providing access to education either physically (through helping raise schools, hostels and educational infrastructure) or financially (through child sponsorship) as well as through community engagement

The ultimate objective is to leverage the work to achieve "mindset change" of people impacted by conflict and militancy and help build peace and amity

Challenges faced in the region



Widespread armed militancy



Existing historical rivalries impede growth and collaborative mindset





Remoteness and inaccessibility to electricity, mobile connectivity and essential healthcare services



Inefficient teaching methodologies and resistance to change

Approaches



Works with community to build trust and confidence



Facilitate amity and harmony amid turbulence



Work in the most remote regions to provide education to children



Conduct regular training sessions for teachers and staff

10,000+
People positively impacted



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North East Network (NEN) is a women's rights organisation that supports women and civil society organisations on issues of social and environmental justice in Northeast India. NEN's vision is to build a society in the Northeast Region (NER) that upholds gender justice, equity and respect for human rights of all

Challenges faced in the region



Patriarchal controls on women in tribal and non-tribal communities



Lack of women's representation and participation in decision making



Increasing trends of gender based violence on women



Gaps and challenges in institutional and justice mechanism

Approaches



Enabling youth and women's agency via capacity building and trainings on transformational leadership



Establishing the Gramin Mahila Kendra model as safe and vibrant spaces for women



Collectivising knowledge and voices at the grassroots. Training and supporting regenerative livelihood initiatives for women

6257

women benefited from NEN trainings and counseling in last one year

