

NEW INITIATIVE OF DONGARIA WOMEN THROUGH RICE MILL UNIT UNDER OPELIP



INTRODUCTION- When Odisha PVTG Empowerment and Livelihood Improvement Program implemented with the Collaboration of Dongaria Kandh Development Agency (DKDA) which is Supported by IFAD. The Project management Unite (PMU) Bhubaneswar is designing the strategically planning Through the local FNGO Shakti in two Gram panchayat namely Sibapadar and Munikhhol of Muniguda block of Rayagada and started with strategically effort on Empowering the tribal's and enabling them to enhance their livelihood promotion, food security, to increase their income and improve overall quality of their livelihood with specific objectives through various scope for implementation of different work with specific activity for PVTG. The promotion of livelihood program through Community mobilization and community Participation Process of the community in the OPELIP planning. The overall strategy focuses on empowering of the community. The FNGO@Shakti Livelihood & Rural Finance Officer and local CRP Mr. IndramajhiJakaka were special emphasis on financial inclusionsand promotion of sustainable livelihood program for poorest of the poor individual, active SHG for different Income Generation Activities, in this connection VDC were selected one active SHG named Tapaharu SHG for the purpose of Promotion of Rice Milling Unit under OPELIP-AWP&B-2018-19.

The women Self Help Group named Tapaharu SHG is situated in OPELIP Project Operational PVTG villages name Sakata closely located in nearby Bhaliapadar villages under Munikhhol Grampanchyat of Muniguda block of Rayagada district. Village Sakata is distance 5Km away from the FNGO Project Office Muniguda block head quarter and 30km away from MPA@DKDA Chatikana office and 68km away from District Head Quarter Rayagada. There is only PVTG category households are living in this village. The main occupation of this village is cultivation, NTFP collection & daily wages and Maximum are BPL categories out of them the Tapaharu SHGfamily members are belongs to BPL category.

Action taken by Tapaharu SHG members for promotion of sustainable Livelihoods activities through Rice Milling Unit under OPELIP-AWB&P-2018-19 accordingly Tapaharu women SHG has been selected for Promotion of group Income Generation Activities with the initiative of local CRP Mr. Indramajhi Jakaka. As a result the VDC provided one Rice Millalong with all necessary equipment for smooth running of unit and started one old building of DKDA Chatikona Now12-15 Hill Top PVTG village are getting benefit through this Rice Milling Unit because all PVTG village are around 10-20km from Rice Mill Unit and it is the nearest Mill of the all PVTG villages.

After the intervention of OPELIP project MPA Team along with FNGO @ Shakti professionals were visited and especially Livelihood & Rural Finance officer and local CRPhavebeen taken strong initiative for inclusion of Tapaharu SHG for promotion of sustainable livelihood through Rice Mill Unit. With hole hearted of MPA, FNGO professionals and VDC members

	<p>were provided moral and technical support to SHG members, as a result now group members are very happy and their weekly income is coming around Rs1000/- to 1500/- and now SHG members are trying to self-stand with the strong support of local CRP with FNGO team and VDC members. Now Tapaharu SHG members were created a new identity in the project operational areas through this small initiative.</p>
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