

SIX MONTHLY REPORTS (01-01-2009 TO 30-06-2009)

Project Title: FOOD SECURITY TO TRIBAL AND LIVELIHOOD FOR SUSTAINABLE INCOME WITH TRADITIONAL AND CULTURAL HABITATION IN THE HILLS THROUGH 25 TRIBAL INCOME GENERATION PROGRAMME.

Project Location: Arunoothu Hills of Ayothiapattinam Block of Salem District, Tamilnadu, India.

Project Duration: One year (From 1st January 2009 to 31st December 2009)

Target Beneficiaries: 25 Tribal women in Ayothiapattinam Block of Salem District.

RPDS Activities carried out in the reporting period:

During the month of January, RPDS interacted with the women SHG members in our target area, especially in Arunoothu Hill area of Ayothiapattinam Block and motivated them to involving in the project.

Based on the motivation, RPDS identified most needy women in tribal women SHGs in the following villages:

Arunoothu Hills
Valathu Hills
Aladipatty
Semmedu and
Kallikadu

RPDS formed 5 women SHGs each in above mentioned villages. Out of these 15 women SHGs, RPDS identified 40 tribal women in the initial stage.

Later RPDS organized a meeting for the selected beneficiaries and confirmed their participation in the process. Out of 40 women, initially we got confirmation from 25 women beneficiaries who are the needy from the SHG members and they gave their consent to receive loan for dove rearing, flower cultivation and bee-keeping activities.

Further RPDS promised to revolve the money to another 15 beneficiaries, we selected initially.

Then, RPDS done the preparatory work for organize training program the selected beneficiaries on dove rearing, flower cultivation and bee-keeping. For this, RPDS invited Mr. K. Munusamy, M.Sc.,M.Phil, who is a botanist and having enough knowledge in floriculture.

Mr. Maria Charles, who is trainer in bee-keeping and Mr. Sundarajan, B.V.Sc., from Veterinary Hospital, Ayothiapattinam for dove-rearing.

From 14th to 17th February 2009, RPDS organized a training programme for the selected beneficiaries. The resource persons demonstrated the methods of bee keeping, honey collection; safety measures followed during honey collection etc., and land preparation for floriculture, pest and disease Management, application of fertilizers and pesticides etc., and dove-rearing technologies.

Later, RPDS took efforts for search quality flower seeds/seedlings and bee hive boxes and doves.

25th to 28th February, 2009, RPDS distributed the seed money to SHGs and give the revolving loan to the selected 25 beneficiaries for purchase of doves, dove hives, bee hives and utilize the money for land preparation activities and purchase of seeds and seedlings. RPDS observed that dove hives are made from wood and iron gauges. The beneficiaries wanted to purchase both the types. So, RPDS took steps to purchase the 2 different types of dove-hives for the beneficiaries.

Before, we provide revolving loan to the beneficiaries, RPDS insisted to repay the loan from the month of April onwards.

During the reporting period, the target beneficiaries started to repay their loans (Rs.400/- per month) from April 2009. The total amount collected from the beneficiaries is Rs. 30,000/-. This amount was redistributed to the 3 new beneficiaries who are selected initially (remaining 15 women) and they are also started their activities. These new beneficiaries are trained by the old beneficiaries who are already doing the activities. The balance amount is kept in the SHGs itself and it will be added the repayment amount and it will be redistributed to more new beneficiaries.

Date: 29/06/2009

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Sl.NO	Name of beneficiary list	Signature
1.	Rajakumari	ரஜகும்ரி
2.	Chitra	
3.	Menaga	.S.மெனாதி
4.	Jayanthi	ஜயாந்தி
5.	Malar	மலர்
6.	Sendhamarai	
7.	Selvi	செல்வி
8.	Minila	V. minila
9.	Shanthi	P. Sainthe
10.	Kasi	காசி
11.	Dhanalakshmi	
12.	Nirmala	Niyala
13.	Kamala	கமலா
14.	Muniammal	
15.	Amala	அமலா
16.	Chinnammal	சின்னம்மா
17.	Lakshmi	லக்ஷ்மி
18.	Alamelu	அலமேலு
19.	Anjalam	
20.	Palaniammal	பலாணம்மா

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21.	Birundha	V. Birundha
22.	Papathi	
23.	vasanthi	T. Vasanthi
24.	Amutha	Amutha
25.	Sumathi	N. Sumathi