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Biodiversity for Food, Nutrition and Energy Security
for 3000 Households in Meghalaya and Nagaland, North East India

NOVEMBER 2020 UPDATES
During this pandemic, NESFAS has been able to advocate the importance of growing diverse crops in their own kitchen gardens. With the help of community facilitators, around 2294 households from 45 different communities were actively involved in this activity. It is a major outcome as community members have set up these kitchen gardens at the household level and as a collective initiative through unity gardens. At the same time, the team also held awareness campaigns across several communities on the importance of Indigenous Food Systems, how to incorporate them in people’s daily life and adapt to local conditions in order to revive indigenous food crops. On the other hand, SURE also launched a Mei-Ramew Cafe in Cham Cham, West Jaintia Hills as part of the livelihood component. The communications team also published its second podcast episode where they were able to highlight Food Sovereignty. The podcast is one of NESFAS’ main tools to help reach a wider audience through digital audio media.
KITCHEN GARDENS

Pest management at Mawpynthymmai
November 30, 2020
Photo by N Pyngrope, CF Mawpynthymmai

SEED SAVING

Seed harvesting at Jongksha
November 3, 2020; Photo by Pdiangshailin, SSC

COMMUNITY GARDENS

Setting up of composting unit at Mulum
November 27, 2020; Photo by H. Suchiang, SURE

Land preparation by Youth club at Mulum
November 19, 2020; Photo by D. Bareh, SURE

SCHOOL GARDEN

School garden preparation at Nohron
November 27, 2020; Photo by J Lyting, CF Nohron
NUTRITION CAMPAIGN
Nutritional campaign for children held in Nongwah
November 7, 2020; Photo by Sisalinda Khasain, CF of Nongwah

WASH CAMPAIGN
WASH Campaign in Umkhoi
November 6, 2020; Photo by Rebanjohn, SSC

AGROBIODIVERSITY WALK
ABD walk at Thangbuli
November 13, 2020; Photo by F. Pohleng SURE

Nutrition Campaign cum Mid Day Meal for the MGNREGS
at Rapleng
November 27, 2020; Photo by A Lyngdoh, PV Fellow, SSC

WASH Campaign in Umkhoi
November 6, 2020; Photo by Rebanjohn, SSC

ABD Walk at Nongwah
November 7, 2020; Photo by S Khasain, CF Nongwah
Training community members to enter information on the app for monitoring the progress of Dietary Diversity Score.

Trainings and data analysis: ongoing

Mrs. Bie Nongrum’s safety home which is under construction in Umsawwar November, 2020; Photo by K Wahlang, NESFAS

Mrs. P Klein’s safety home which is under construction in Plasha November, 2020; Photo by K Wahlang, NESFAS

Distribution of PA System at Wakritongre November 9, 2020 Photo by J C Momin, FC, NESFAS

Creating safety rooms for traditional knowledge holders Work in progress

TRAINING ON NESFAS NUTRI APP

P A SYSTEMS SUPPORT

ELDERLY PROJECT

INNOVATION
1. Ri-Bhoi communities to diversify their crops by reviving Millet
2. National Education Policy-2020 and Indigenous Knowledge System
3. NESFAS helps community members of Nongpriang, Umwang Nongbah pave way to healthy future
4. Umsawwar takes step forward in achieving a chemically free farming system
5. Community children at Khweng identify aquatic life to strengthen biodiversity
6. Nohron community members’ obtain good quality Berkeley Compost
7. NESFAS grieves the passing of Mr. Lawrence Diengdoh
8. Aman A•song Café owner pioneers using local ingredients in the kitchen
9. NESFAS team guides communities on how to improve value added products
10. The pilgrimage of a few: Mawpynthymmai sets as model community
11. Two community members learn the art of Eri-Weaves at 55 & 65 years