

Animal Husbandry and Dairy Management Skill Development

Animal Husbandry and Dairy Management Skill Development Training was organised at *Krishi Vigyan Kendra*, Chittorgarh, Rajasthan on October 20-23, 2016 involving the participation of around 40 physically challenged people. The objective of livelihood promotion training was to learn about advanced techniques in animal husbandry including dairy



farming; selection of appropriate breeds of animal; cattle sheds, feeds and health check-ups; information about government schemes; and establish dairy as an enterprise. The participants also made exposure visit at milk collection centre in *Devri* (Badi Sadri Taluk of Chittorgarh) and a milk corporative society at *Segwa* village to know about the work.

Depositor Education and Awareness Programme

Depositor Education and Awareness Programme was held on August 31, 2016 at Chittorgarh. The programme was supported by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and CUTS CART, Jaipur. Key speaker included: Munish P Kothari, Chief Counsellor, Disha Trust Financial Literacy and Credit Counselling (FLCC) Jaipur; District Development Manager, National Bank

for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD); Assistant General Manager, State Bank of Bikaner and Jaipur. They spoke on promoting education and awareness in depositor's interest in safe and secured deposit. Around 74



bank depositors attended the programme and got benefitted from the programme.

ASER Survey Conducted

CHD Centre conducted survey in all 11 blocks of Chittorgarh and submitted its report to ASER. Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) is the largest citizen-led survey



supported by Non-government Organisation (NGO) *Pratham*. It aims at providing reliable annual estimates of children's status of schooling and basic learning levels in Chittorgarh district.

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Organic Farming Workshops



District-level Organic Farming Workshops were held in presence of 95 farmers at Pratapgarh and Chittorgarh (Rajasthan). Deputy Director Agriculture; Head, Agriculture Science Centre; Agriculture Officer; Chief Scientist, Agriculture Science Centre; Assistant Seed Certification Officer were among the main speakers. They spoke on various concerned issues to discuss the basic methods of organic agriculture and sensitised about importance of organic farming. They advocated to adopt replicable models to enhance the livelihood options and make organic farming a sustainable and profitable occupation. In addition, village and block-level workshops were also organised where about 275 farmers participated.

Skill Development Camp

Skill Development Camp on 'Vegetable Production and Marketing' was organised on September 08-09, 2016 for People with Disabilities (PoDs) at *Krishi Vigyan Kendra* in Chittorgarh. The participants learnt about advanced techniques to grow vegetables in greenhouse and polyhouse; selection of vegetable varieties; best practices, use of pesticides, prevention of diseases and weeds, environmental disorders, marketing strategies etc. Rajesh Jalwaniya, Nathu Lal Meghwal, Abhay Singh Bhaati, Ratan Lal Solanki along with other all experts from *Krishi Vigyan Kendra* delivered sessions on other related issues. About 30 disabled people participated in the event and got benefitted.



Vocational Training to Support SHGs

Vocational training for 11 disabled people was organised at Bassi block (Rajasthan) with the objective to support the Self Help Groups (SHGs), so that they can be engaged in livelihood related activities. Lalit Jaroli from Sankalp Credit Cooperative Society from district Udaipur (Rajasthan) trained the participants about the formula of preparation of detergent making, dishwash liquid, phenyl, detergent powder and marketing technique to the participants.



Film Shows in Rural Areas

Awareness generation on disability issues through documentary films developed by CHD Centre were shown in various selected villages of Chittorgarh focussing on bringing about a change in the outlook towards disabled people among all stakeholders including government. The film shows were organised



for developing an enabling environment for disabled people to avail their rights. Besides, awareness generating materials were distributed in the community. The event was attended by about 300 people.

Training on 'Business Development Plan'

A training on 'Business Development Plan' was organised from August 08-09, 2016 at Jaipur. Nearly 37 participants from CUTS, *Astha Sansthan*, *Urmul Trust*, *Jan Chetna* attended the training to enhance the understanding of the project staff on various issues like business development plan, terminology, basic concept of SHGs and microenterprises, analysis of microenterprises, financial planning etc.

Farmer's Producers Organisation Meetings

Night outreach awareness meetings were conducted to increase the shareholding membership of wheat and orange producers in farmer's producer organisation where concerned experts and stakeholders discussed about the benefits of scheme; input/output management; agribusiness operation; and documentation etc. About 110 farmers acquired shareholder membership.

Consumer Care Collection Centres

Grahak Suvidha Kendra (GSK) collection centres at Bhilwara and Chittorgarh held various community-level meetings by involving SHGs, farmers, disabled people, community-based organisations and consumer networkers to understand about the functioning of the GSK and informing them about the services available at GSK at CART, Jaipur.

Farmer's Orientation Workshop

Farmer's Orientation Workshop was conducted on October 06, 2016 at Kisan Bhawan Chittorgarh. Rajaram Sukhwai, Plant Manager, Seed Corporation and



O P Sharma, Agriculture Research Officer shared their valuable views regarding organic promoting related to techno-managerial information. Besides, organic farming-based documentary films were shown and awareness material and quality seeds were distributed to 58 farmers.

Farmer's Exposure Visit

In an exposure visit organised at Jaisingpura village of Chittorgarh on October 07, 2016 where nearly 42 farmers including 11 female members participated.



During the event, the farmers visited the organic farm developed by Nand Lal Dhakad, a local farmer. He shared important aspects related to the significance of organic farming; methods of making organic products; and marketing and responded to the queries of the participants. During the visit, the farmers were sensitised about the importance of organic farming and they showed keen interest in adopting organic farming.

Developing Skills to Access Financial Services

On October 20, 2016, CUTS, CHD Centre and Accion Centre for Financial Inclusion jointly organised an event as a part of the 'Financial Inclusion Week' to enhance skills to avail financial services. Nearly 60 women from Ochri village of Chittorgarh district participated in the event. During the event Alok Jain, Regional Manager, Baroda Rajasthan Kendria Gramin Bank (BRKGB) and other renowned experts spoke on social security schemes, such as life insurance, pension plans and banks credit linkages for promoting income generating activities. SHG's traditional ironsmith work was much appreciated in the event.



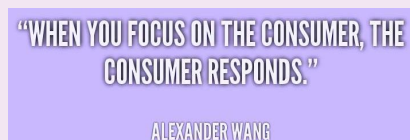
Clean India Mission Week

'Clean India Mission Week' was observed from October 20-27, 2016 was observed in Gandhi Nagar slum area and Gaadi Lohar colony of Chittorgarh in the presence of 115 women. The purpose of seminar to promote habit of clean house, streets, road, sanitation, clean environment, construction of toilets etc. Arvind Vyas, Assistant Engineer, Municipal Council addressed the community and requested that everyone should take this campaign as a challenge and contribute in such a way to make the campaign successful. All the participants took a pledge to keep their surroundings clean.



Consumer Awareness Week

On October 20-27, 2016 initiated by Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of India, CUTS CART observed three events in the rural areas of Chittorgarh and Bhilwara to promote consumer advocacy and awareness. Around 135 people participated in the event and acquired useful information on consumer issues.



CHD REPRESENTATIONS

- On September 08, 2016 Jasbir Singh, Chairman, Rajasthan Minority Commission visited Chittorgarh for 'District Minority Related Schemes Review' meeting, which was attended by many eminent persons. About 35 head officials attended the meeting. CUTS CHD presented an insight into 'Nai Roshni Leadership Development' programme and provided an overview of the programme, its objectives and success acquired so far in this initiative.
- On September 26-27, 2016 a two-day workshop on financial management was attended by Kamlesh Kumar Jangid, Project Coordinator, and N S Choubisa, Accounts Assistant of CHD at Sightsavers in Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh).
- On September 21, 2016 Shiv Lal Prajapat participated in Regional Consultation Meet on SHG-Bank Linkage Programme/Joint Liability Groups at NABARD (Jaipur).
- On September 16, 2016 Radhey Shyam Vaishnav, Project Officer of CHD attended 'Customer Outreach Programme' at Bhilwara in Rajasthan organised by MTS Communication.
- Gauhar Mahmood, Centre Coordinator and Madan Giri Goswami, Assistant Centre Coordinator of CHD attended monthly District-level Monitoring Committee meetings on National Tobacco Control Programme at District Rural Development Agency (DRDA) Hall in Chittorgarh.
- On September 06, 2016 Madan Giri attended 'First Seed Community' meeting on 'Green Growth and Energy Transformation in Rajasthan', which was organised by CUTS CCIER in Jaipur.
- On August 11, 2016 Kamlesh Kumar Jangid, Project Coordinator, CHD attended a workshop on 'Minority Issues and Budget Analysis' held at Astha Sansthan, Jaipur.
- On August 19-20, 2016 Gauhar Mahmood and Madan Giri attended 'CUTS Strategic Review Meeting' held to review CUTS progress, challenges, opportunities and remedies.
- On August 19, 2016 Madan Lal Keer met Jasbir Singh, Chairman, Rajasthan State Commission for Minorities (RSCM); and Ashish Kumar Sharma, Secretary Rajasthan State Commission for Minorities (RSCM) regarding Nai Roshni project progress and sanctioning of project grant.
- Child Labour Task Force monthly meetings were held in the presence of Additional District Magistrate of Bhilwara district regarding child rights issues; awareness on stopping begging practice; case interventions; and educational survey in slums of the district.

VISITORS

- On October 18-19, 2016 Noorjahan from Sightsavers reviewed the project activities and its financial implications and made a field visit and interacted with the SHGs regarding their planning on livelihood related activities and social inclusion.
- On October 25, 2016 Dharmendra Chaturvedi, Project Officer of CART visited CHD regarding the submission of the project proposal on 'National Environment Awareness Campaign (NEAC)' on the theme 'Clean India Mission', Ganga Rejuvenation and River Cleaning through networking NGOs.
- On September 26, 2016 Rajender Kumar, Associate Professor, Department Social Work, Mewar University, visited Chittorgarh regarding the field exposure of his six social work students in CHD's various projects.
- On September 05-06, 2016 Deepshikha Prasad from CHILDLINE India Foundation, New Delhi visited various schools, monitored outreach activities, met child club members and attended the stakeholders' meeting with the Superintendent of Police; Head, Anti-human Trafficking Unit; Chairperson, Child Welfare Committee Chittorgarh; Deputy Director, Social Justice & Empowerment. During the visit, project progress, follow-up of cases and other child related issues were also discussed.

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