

Karbi Anglong Baptist Convention

Activities

Period Covered: 2021-2022

Introduction:

This report details the significant activities undertaken by the Karbi Anglong Baptist Convention during the year 2021-2022 in accordance with our registered objectives, highlighting our continued commitment to serving the community in Karbi Anglong.

Key Activities Undertaken:

I. Strengthening Community Action for Development in Northeast India (SCADNEI):

- Name of the donor: Brut fur die Welt (Bread for the World), Berlin, Germany.
- Nature of work: Social
- Project title: Strengthening Community Action for Development in North East India
- Name of the Program: Community Development Training Program
- Project number: N-IND-2020-0361/5
- Project period: 01.01.2021 - 30.06.2024

Description of project:

This project is focused on strengthening community-based organizations (CBOs), PIOs, and existing institutions/groups by providing skill-building opportunities and technical training in areas such as livelihood, organic farming, climate change, and leadership. Our efforts also included advocacy, networking, and alliance-building through campaigns centered on livelihood issues. We piloted innovative models aimed at promoting collective livelihoods, emphasized gender mainstreaming, and worked to integrate local capacities for peace while addressing conflict-related challenges. These activities were designed to enhance community resilience, foster collaboration, and ensure sustainable development.

January-June 2021: During the period from January to June, no programs were conducted due to the interference of the Covid-19 pandemic everywhere, since movements of people across districts were restricted, and lockdowns observed across the country.

July to December 2021: With the starting of the second phase of the project, the following activities were carried out during the period amidst Covid-19 protocols:

1) Orientation for Project staff and CBO leaders under the thematic head: Strengthening of CBO, PIO's & existing institutions/groups:

The specific objectives were:

- To understand comprehensively the Second Phase of the Project Proposal -- goal, objectives and indicators
- To take stock of the status of achievement of objectives and indicators
- Preparation of roadmap for village level issue-based engagement, problem tree analysis at village level by CBOs and preparation of roadmap for issue-based advocacy
- Problem tree analysis for district level development issues.

The activity was carried out on July 17, 2021 at KABC SCADNEI office from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. During the meeting, the members extensively discussed on the plan to implement the activities as per PAP laid out. The Project Coordinator explained the members on the goals, objectives and requirements of the project. Roles and responsibilities of the project staff and PO leaders were also made clear by the PC for positive participation of implementation of the project. Out of 13 CBOs, 10 CBO leaders were present along with 4 SCADNEI staffs and CEO of KABC.

2) Covid-19 Intervention Program: 20th September, 2021:



The Covid-19 Intervention program was held at Chek Artu village. During the program the Project Coordinator and an animator were the resource persons who spoke on the importance of observing Covid-19 protocols and precautions. The importance of hand-washing, social distancing and compulsory use of masks at crowded places were emphasized by the Project Coordinator. This meeting was organized as a preparatory event for the upcoming Covid Vaccine Drive program to be carried out soon in November.

3) Project Staff meeting on 6th November, 2021:

Objective: To organize the following programs within 30th of November 2021:

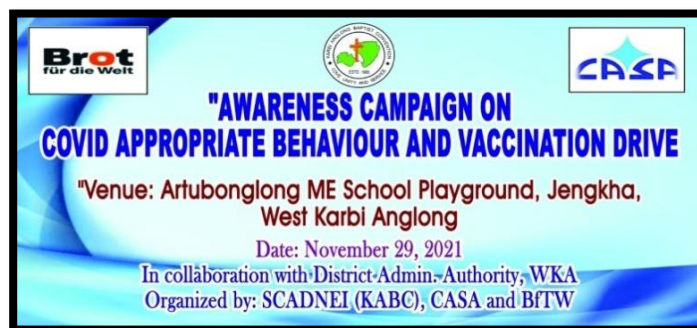
- Capacity building program on appropriate behavior at KABC Office on 12/11/2021
- Awareness Campaign on Covid appropriate behaviour: Dates: 15-18/11/2021
Venues: Artubonglong, Rongtheang, Achek Artu, Langhut, Vo Amek, Norteng Bey, Vena Rongphar, Mohori, Pharkong Pang-eh, Killing Sarpo, Belendi, Binong Vopo, Torte Apam, Mir Langso, Bi Kangjang under Rongkhang Block.
- Vaccination Drive/Vaccination Campaign collaboration with Govt for opening of Vaccination Centers in villages. *Venues:* at 5 locations--Rongtheang, Check Artu, Langhut, Artubonglong

and Norteng Bey. The project staffs met the DC of West Karbi Anglong to discuss about Govt. Resources.

- Livelihood support to affected and seed support to families: *Venues*-- Chek Artu Village area. Provision of ration to affected (identified) families.

4) Awareness meeting on COVID APPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR and VACCINATION DRIVE program:

Challenges: The people are already aware that vaccination drive has been going on through the District Health Department. Rumors have also been doing the rounds that taking the vaccine is risky and often take lives. In order to clarify the minds of the people an invigorated program as per the PAP was followed and organized. Due to the rumors, it was also a big challenge in organizing, making people to come, knowing that there is also a vaccination facility.



Co-operation with District Administration and Health Department:

On 28th Nov. 2021, along with other Animator and CBO/PO leaders we met with the District Administration officers-- Deputy Commissioner of West Karbi Anglong district requesting him to assist us in speaking to the people at the proposed



Awareness and Vaccination program. The said officers were happy enough to positively respond to us.

November 29, 2021:

On the above said day, meeting started from 11 AM during which Sri P.R. Khaund, IAS, Secretary, Immunization Dept & Senior Observer, Vaccination, Assam, along with 3 doctors and many other medical officers and nurses attended. The officers also positively responded to all the

queries raised by the villagers on the reliability of the vaccines. At the end of the day, **16 persons** could be successfully vaccinated as the rest could not be convinced.

After conclusion of the program, meals were arranged for all the participants/ villagers.

5) CBO Leaders' Meet on 17 & 18th December, 2021:



CBO Leaders Meet was organized at Jirsong Asong, Diphu. From 13 CBOs 37 leaders turned out for the program. Project Coordinator Kamson Rongphar, CEO of KABC, Davidson Ingti, and M. Terang were the resource persons.

During the two-day program, the following topics were spoken by the resource persons:

Davidson Ingti: "Current Issues/Challenges"

M. Terang: "Self-sustainable plans"

Kamson Rongphar: 2nd phase project objectives.

II. Village Transformation Capacity Building Program:



A village transformation capacity building program was conducted for community development worker in both West Karbi Anglong and Karbi Anglong districts for 60 participants. This training runs for 15 months duration with 3 days seminar once in three months.

During the training lessons on Food security, water sanitation, micro business for self-reliance, education, health, legal awareness and social transformation were taught by the Resource persons. At the end of the duration we gave the graduation on 14th December 2022 at Jirsong Asong, Diphu.

III. **Capacity Building for Community Development:**

In 2021-2022, we implemented a capacity-building program for community development through training sessions, workshops, and hands-on activities focused on livelihood, organic farming, climate change adaptation, and leadership. We emphasized gender mainstreaming and conflict resolution, fostering inclusive, sustainable growth. The program also supported networking and alliance-building, enabling communities to collaborate and advocate for their rights. These efforts empowered individuals and groups to actively contribute to their communities' development.

