



# DEVELOPEMENT ASSOCIATION OF NAGALAND



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## About DAN

The Development Association of Nagaland, a non-governmental, non-profit, secular organization, serves as the social mission arm of the the Diocese of Kohima. Drawing inspiration from the social teachings of the Church, the Association empowers communities to overcome emerging challenges and fosters inclusive growth and harmonious coexistence.

**Committed to the holistic development of the people of Nagaland, the association intervenes in various sectors that include health, education, skill development, employment and livelihoods, social harmony and peace, disability, children and women, environment, and disaster response.**

The organization reaches out the length and breadth of Nagaland with focused community interventions with the support and guidance of local educational institutions and community organizations in every district of Nagaland.

**In the 39 years of its existence, the organization has been a pioneer in reaching out to the remotest parts of the Nagaland with the support programmes that has brought hope and resilience among the most vulnerable sections of the society.**

### Vision

“A developed and Harmonious Society based on Gospel Values of Love, Justice, Peace and Unity.”

### Mission

To empower the marginalized and underserved by advocating for their rights, fostering collaborative partnerships, and promoting their dignity and well-being.”





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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

As the Development Association of Nagaland (DAN) completes its 39th year I am filled with a profound sense of gratitude and admiration for the organization's unwavering commitment to the people of Nagaland. DAN's journey has been marked by a steadfast dedication to serving the most vulnerable sections of our society, from children and differently abled individuals to women, farmers and marginalized communities.

Throughout its history, DAN has consistently demonstrated a remarkable ability to identify pressing needs and implement innovative solutions. The organization's focus on child rights protection has ensured that children in Nagaland have access to education, healthcare, and protection from exploitation. The community-based rehabilitation programs for differently abled individuals have empowered them to lead fulfilling and independent lives.

DAN's efforts to promote education for democracy and citizenry through children's parliaments have nurtured the next generation of leaders and instilled in them a deep sense of civic responsibility. By supporting subsistence farmers and providing skill development programs, DAN has empowered individuals to improve their livelihoods and contribute to the economic growth of Nagaland.

The organization's emergency relief services have provided critical assistance during times of natural and man-made disasters, demonstrating its unwavering commitment to the well-being of the people of Nagaland.

As DAN looks ahead to the future, I am confident that its legacy of compassion, innovation, and service will continue to inspire and guide its work. I commend the Director, dedicated staff, volunteers, and partners who have made DAN's achievements possible. Together, we can build a brighter future for Nagaland, where every individual has the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential.

With prayerful wishes,

Most Rev. James Thoppil,  
Bishop, Diocese of Kohima





## *FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK*

Dear Friends,

We live in a world of uncertainties and complexities. We are surrounded by challenges from various corners. In such a situation we need people and organizations that are committed to pursue in bringing positive changes in the lives of people and society. DAN from its time of inception has been relentlessly working for the promotion of health, education, livelihood and women empowerment in the state of Nagaland. Besides these we are making a tremendous effort in advocating child rights through various children-friendly activities in many Districts of Nagaland.

This year has witnessed many undertakings, training and capacity building programmes for the empowerment of people with disability and vulnerable children through the volunteers and stake holders at different locations, who are assisting our team to execute various activities that bring change in the targeted individuals and the communities especially in remote areas of the state Nagaland.

As I place before you the annual report of our organization for the year 2024, I express my profound gratitude to each and every one of you for accompanying us with your valuable prayers, support and encouragement. I would like to place on record my heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to the faithful and committed staff of DAN. Let us rise above all the hurdles and join our hands together to bring hope for better life with what we have and what we can.

With the support and collaboration of the people of Nagaland, the government and the national and international agencies, the organization look forward to lead the interventions for positive social change in the days to come.

God bless you!

Fr. Sajan Joseph  
Executive Director, DAN



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# THE MORUNG

Community Responses for Advocating Right to Education and Protection from exploitation for the poor and marginalized Children in Rural Nagaland

The project Morung focuses on ensuring the protection and promotion of the rights of the children in the targeted locations primarily through ensuring the right to education for the children.

**The key strategies adopted are remedial learning programmes, scholarship support for poor and needy children, follow-up through home visits to the families of vulnerable children and the setting up and nurturing of the community Child Protection Committees for coordinating the community-level child protection initiatives.**

The support services for the out-of-school children in the region involved back-to-school programmes and skill development programmes. The out-of-school children were motivated to re-enroll themselves in the schools as well as encourage the government school children to be more regular in school. The collaboration with the government school teachers was very effective in motivating the children.

**Skill Development programme focus on children aged 15 and above and are out of school. These children were provided with skill training in arts and crafts. . These trainings not just focused on skilling itself but also on generating interest and motivation among young people for productive engagement.**

## GEOSCOPE

### 50 COMMUNITIES

- 8 communities in Tuensang
- 4 Communities in Tobu- (Mon)
- 10 communities in Zunheboto
- 10 communities in Phek D
- 4 Communities in Niuland
- 10 Communities in Tseminyu

## ACTIVITES & OUTPUTS

**Remedial Learning**  
in 40 centres with 1200 children

**Child Protection Committees**  
in 50 communities with the participation of community leaders

**Volunteer Mentors**  
50 trained volunteer mentors for remedial learning programmes

**Children's Activity Groups**  
in 50 communities with fortnightly activities covering 1526 children

**Vulnerable Outreach**  
identification, provision of support and linkages in 50 villages

**Skill Development**  
258 out of school children and youth trained and linked

**Community Sensitization**  
50 communities consistently sensitized on Child rights

**Life Skills and Career Guidance**  
Annual Training programmes in each community for children & youth

**SHGs Collaborations**  
Training for SHGs as Child Rights Champions in 40 villages

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# FARM NORTHEAST

## Facilitating Agricultural Resilience Measures PHASE-IV

The FARM North East Project is a focused intervention among the subsistence farmers, aimed at enhancing their capacities to address the challenges in ensuring optimal utilization of available resources, enhancing marketing opportunities for agricultural produce and enabling them to achieve food sovereignty through climate adaptive, organic agricultural practices. The project is implemented in 12 villages in Jalukie and Athibung Blocks in Peren District.

### Strategies & Activities

1085 targeted families can produce enough food for their needs and can also meet their food requirement in terms of quality.

Small Holder farmers experience better nutrition and health

Small Holder farmers are able to sell their produced at the local market.

Targeted families have increased their resilience against the expected massive climate impact



- Organic shed for farmers from 12 villages
- Community seeds saver
- IFS model
- Seeds Resource Centre

- Revival of Millets
- Promotion of Livestock in integrated Farming
- indigenous and improved variety of seeds
- 51 varieties of wild edibles promoted

- Training on processing Value addition and Packaging for Agri Products
- Construction of Local Marketing Shed
- Periodic Organic Mela

- Fruit Tree Plantation on fallow land
- Awareness programme on climate change
- Involvement of youth and children in fighting climate change
- Biodiversity Gardens

# CARE DISABILITY

## COMMUNITY ACTION FOR REHABILITATION AND EMPOWERMENT OF PERSON WITH DISABILITIES IN NAGALAND

CARE Disability - Nagaland implemented since 2021, seeks to reach out to all differently abled persons with support service to enhance their lives and livelihoods through a comprehensive community led approach. In the current phase of the project, 50 communities are being reached out in the districts of Dimapur, Chumoukedima, Kohima, Tseminyu, Phek and Kiphire

**Engage with the community stakeholders to ensure inclusive families and communities conducive to the growth & development of the differently abled**



- 30 communities have been sensitized,
- 300 community leaders have been engaged, 30 disability response teams have been nurtured,
- 30 disability advocates have been trained
- All communities and churches organize inclusive activities.

**Engage with the Differently abled persons and family members to ensure enabling family environment, and utilization of services**



- 220 persons were facilitated to access disability certificate & UDID Card,
- 62 persons have been linked to disability schemes
- 540 family members have been trained on responding of disability related issues.
- 321 families are followed up through family visits.

**Engage with the differently abled and the district and state level stakeholders to enhance their participation and access to services**



- Beneficiaries in 30 communities have been sensitized on Differently abled People's Organizations (DPOs).
- 25 DPOs are being nurtured.
- 4 block level DPOs have been formed and linked to state DPO federation.
- DPO leaders have been linked to the local and district level Govt Officials.

**Facilitate Access to services, education, skill training, employment and livelihood opportunities**



- 60 persons have accessed assistive devices
- 29 children have been admitted to special and inclusive schools
- 48 persons have undergone skill development programmes
- 37 persons have accessed livelihood support programmes



# THE CHILDREN'S PARLIAMENT INITIATIVE

PROMOTING EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN'S RIGHTS, DEMOCRACY, PARTICIPATORY GOVERNANCE AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

Being implemented since 2019, the project focuses on nurturing the innate abilities and aspirations of the children through the children's parliament platform in 60 educational institutions and 20 communities covering the districts of Dimapur, Chumoukedima, Peren, Wokha and Kiphire.

Mobilize and Nurture children in Communities and Educational Institutions through the Children's Parliament Mechanism

Build Capacity and mentor children on democracy and governance, leadership, career development and life skills through focused training programmes



- Institutional Children's Parliaments (ICP) 60 - 4073 children
- Neighbourhood Children's Parliament (NCP) 20 - 1854 Children
- 4 district parliament - 529 children,
- 1 state parliament - 68 children
- 279 ICP sessions, 93 NCP sessions held

- 47 Democracy, Governance and Citizenry skills - 1857
- 42 Personality Development and Leadership Trainings - 2536
- 27 Career Guidance workshops - 245
- 25 mental Health Awareness Programmes - 964
- 49 Sexual & Reproductive Health Trainings - 2131
- 415 One to One & Group Counselling Sessions - 1265

Facilitate opportunities for participation and engagement of children in governance, community life and decision making processes

Participatory Development of Process that would sustain in initiative



- 47 observations of important occasions - 4203 children
- 32 environmental and social initiatives - 2321 children
- 7 participation in local government meeting - 62 children
- 36 guided visits to govt offices - 934 children

- 4 Trainings of volunteer mentors - 103 volunteers
- 4 Workshops for District Stakeholders - 115
- 1 state level workshop - 69 persons
- 1 Guided visit to the State Assembly - 63 children
- 5 outreach with the district administration - 152 children



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# A HAND TO HOLD

## A Comprehensive Intervention for the protection and fulfillment of the rights of the children in the Post COVID scenario in rural Nagaland

The post-Covid intervention sought to reach out to the children in distress due to the covid induced socio-economic problems in the 10 communities spread across 4 districts. The focus was to ensure that no children are left out of the education system due any socio-economic problems arising out of the pandemic.

Children have improved opportunities in education as well as opportunities for all around growth and self-actualization



- 210 Children in remedial learning programme
- 40 support through scholarships for school fees
- 25 supported with nutrition, medicines, etc.
- 12 children with disabilities supported
- 458 home visits have been carried out

Families have adequate skills and opportunities to sustain their livelihoods and ensure nutrition, education and health.



- 62 Out of school children in skill development programmes
- 30 women underwent upskilling programme
- 48 children for skill development programmes in the schools
- The 30 women given seed money

Children have been capacitated in managing their health, attitudes and behaviors, social life and planning their future



- 595 children in life skill education programmes
- 482 children in health education programmes
- 875 children in prevention of substance abuse, mental health etc.
- 8 health screening benefitting 533 children .
- 8 activity groups - 177 group activities were held

The stakeholders are empowered to sustain the child protection interventions .



- 84 persons in FGDs in 8 villages.
- 3 sensitizations on child rights with 539 persons
- 1 training programme for training 32 child rights champions.
- Teachers training with 111 teachers



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## REMEDIAL LEARNING

The Remedial Learning Programmes are implemented through the “Morung” and “A Hand to Hold” projects, aimed at providing academic and psychosocial support to children at risk of dropping out of school. Currently, there are 52 remedial centers conducting 1½ hour sessions thrice a week, with an average attendance of 25 children.

These remedial classes primarily focus on fostering a love for learning among children. They also aim to build trust and confidence, encouraging students to approach their teachers for help with any difficulties they face. Mentors in these classes ensure that each child is treated with empathy and understanding, taking into account their unique needs and abilities.

The classes not only include learning sessions but also feature recreational activities, celebrations, and sports events from time to time. The remedial classes are regularly monitored by representatives from the child protection committee supported by the project.

Currently, there are 1,560 students enrolled in the remedial programs, comprising 873 girls and 687 boys.



## VOLUNTEER TRAINING PROGRAMMES

The organization draws strength in reaching out to the far flung villages on a regular basis with the support of the dedicated volunteers. The 52 volunteers mentors support in carrying out remedial learning programmes and home visits of the children. 120 volunteer mentors are engaged in mentoring the Children’s Parliaments in the schools and neighbourhoods. The 40 disability advocates are our pillar of support in ensuring regular outreach support to the differently abled persons. The volunteer training programmes are conducted in smaller homogeneous groups of different projects. In-depth training on the concepts, objectives and strategies provided with the support of experts in the sector.

The volunteer training programmes ensure that the volunteers have opportunity in learning and expanding their perspectives. they are also given opportunity to explore new possibilities in the chosen field of expertise. The volunteers are constantly guided by the project teams.

6 training programmes were organized during the year with the participation of 185 persons.

## SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

Skill Development activities are integral to every intervention carried out by the organization. Targeted skill development programmes were implemented for out-of-school adolescents and young adults through Project “Morung” and Project “A Hand to Hold.” Additionally, these projects facilitated training for women’s self-help groups, aiming to enhance their income sources, enabling them to better meet their children’s needs.

In the Project Morung, the dropout youths were identified by the Child protection committee from the community and were trained on different trade considering the child interest. 38 girls who were trained on Accessories and basket making are further engaged in other trade and 22 boys who were trained in bamboo crafts are engaged in income generation activities and are earning profit of a minimum of Rs.3000 in a month.

The Hand to Hold Project trained 65 young persons on different trades and supported them with raw materials and tools to carry out income generation activities.



## FAMILY FELLOWSHIPS OF PWDS

The Family Fellowships and Home-Based Care Training for individuals with disabilities and their family members were part of the CARE Disability Project. These events were organized in partnership with local churches, community organizations, and government departments, led by the leadership of Disabled People's Organizations (DPOs).

The gatherings featured capacity-building sessions that addressed various disability-related topics and solutions, led by prominent disability advocates and DPO representatives. Additionally, they served as a celebration of the lives of individuals with disabilities and their primary caregivers. Spiritual sessions conducted by pastors and religious leaders, along with recreational activities and games, were also part of the events.

The community played a vital role by voluntarily providing space for activities, food, and accommodation for participants. Volunteers, including children, youth, women, and elders, assisted the team in ensuring that the events were a memorable experience for individuals and families.

The capacity building sessions were animated by Ms. Ashe Kiba, Secretary, Nagaland State Disability Forum.

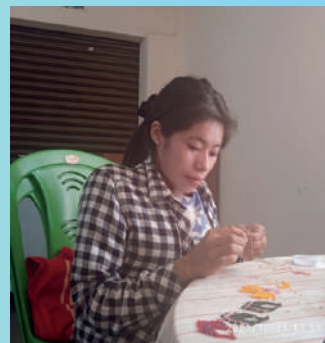
During the year, four family fellowships were conducted, involving 129 families with disabilities, alongside community representatives and volunteers.



# CARE DISABILITY ENHANCING LIVELIHOOD OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PWDS

Project “CARE Disability” focused on reaching out to differently-abled individuals in their homes, offering training in various skills of their choosing, facilitated by local resource persons. These training sessions were supplemented with material support to help them initiate production and earn their livelihoods. A total of 49 individuals received training assistance in different trades. Leaders from Disabled Persons Organizations (DPO) actively followed up with the trainees to ensure they remained committed to their activities.

In collaboration with Angels’ Home, Dimapur, the organization also reached out to the beneficiaries with one time financial support to the PwDs or their family members to take up any income generative activities. 45 PwDs and their families received one time support of INR10000 each to start their venture.



### COMMUNITY REACH-OUT PROGRAMME

The children's parliament of Holy Child School organized a community outreach program for the people affected by the fire accident at East Block, Burma Camp in April 2023. The Principal of the school consented for this activity and a general announcement was made in the school for those who wanted to contribute for this activity. Many students and teachers donated clothes, bags, footwear, etc. Rs. 1000 was also donated by one class 10 student. 47 families were identified by the Training Associate and the Volunteer Mentor. On 13th May, 2023 18 members of children's parliament and 1 volunteer mentor gathered in the school and sorted the donated items. Later, they visited East Block, Burma Camp and distributed the clothes and other materials to the 47 identified families.



### FUNDRAISING FOR SUPPORT OF THE NEEDY

Two fund raiser activities were conducted by the neighbourhood children's parliament of Diphupar F Khel. The first activity was held on 4th June, 2023. The members made pani puri and sold it to the community members in the afternoon. They collected a sum of Rs. 2550 out of which Rs. 1220 was the profit. The purpose of the fund raiser activity was that with the fund collected they can provide help to vulnerable children or family, and also to support themselves for their activities and programmes. 10 members (above 13 years), 2 volunteer mentors took the initiative to execute this activity. The other members contributed to this activity by providing firewood. The local catechist provided the church premises for this activity. The second activity was conducted on 10th September, 2023. The members sold the stationery items (pen and pencil packets) to the households where there are school going children. They collected a sum of Rs. 2020. Few packets are yet to be sold.

The children visited Mr. Achung Ignatius (a cancer patient) on 17th July, 2023. They contributed a sum of Rs. 1000 to him from their fund.



### ETHNIC DAY

Ethnic Day was organized by the Children's Parliament of St. Anthony's High School on 24th April, 2023. The ethnic day was observed to make the students appreciate their culture and also to make the students learn the proper way of adorning their traditional attires. All the members above class 6 and the students from class 8 to 10 wore their traditional attires to school instead of their school uniform. This event was organized as per the decision made during the monthly session. Observation of Ethnic Day has been strongly recommended by the Art & Culture Minister of Children's Parliament.



## FLOWER GARDEN

The children's parliament of All Saints Hr. Sec School in Peren Town convened to discuss the promotion of the flower garden, as outlined in the first general session on February 10, 2023. The children enthusiastically purchased flower plants to cultivate in the garden, resulting in the planting of approximately 18 plants. Mr. Suiyipeube generously provided a notice board for the flower garden. The school's administration commended the children's initiative, recognizing that the goal of maintaining the garden is to foster development and enhance the beauty of the school's surroundings.

Bulletin Board: The Art and Culture and Social Welfare Minister is responsible for maintaining the bulletin board at the school each month. The theme of the bulletin board is chosen based on the significance of that month.



## VEGETABLE GARDEN IN THE SCHOOL CAMPUS:

The children's parliament of Ikiesing Memorial School, Nkwareu had created the vegetable garden on 2nd of October, 2023. The agenda/bill was put forward by the Education Minister and discussed during the monthly session through the voting system, the bill was passed.

The initiative was held on 2nd of October where the works were divided and the area of land was decided along with the President. The members cleaned the school compound, cleared the area for garden, dug the area and mixed with manure. Stones were collected to make the boundary for the garden. The members planted 10 mango and 10 lemon plants in the school compound. The seed for the vegetable garden were bought by the children and were planted. The vegetables were Green chili, King Chilly, Mustard Leaves, Egg Plant, Beans, Squash, Ginger, Bitter Gourd and lettuce. The Principal, Headmistress, volunteer teacher mentor and the teaching staff took part in the initiative.



## DRAWING COMPETITION ORGANIZED BY CHILDREN'S PARLIAMENT

The children's parliament of Gilgal School, Wokha conducted drawing and Painting competition in collaboration with the school management on World No Tobacco Day (31st May). The members of the children's parliament collected money, an amount of Rs. 50 each and contributed a total amount Rs. 1500 to give prizes to the winners. The Prime Minister in the assembly gave an awareness speech on the harmful effects of consuming tobacco.



## NURTURING INTEGRATED FARMING SYSTEMS

The Integrated Farming System (IFS) promotes sustainable livelihoods for smallholder farmers by integrating various enterprises like crops, livestock, and aquaculture. The FARM NE IV team trained farmers in livestock management, organic practices, and biodiversity conservation. They also provided essential resources such as piglets, bee boxes, and traditional seeds to 33 smallholder farmers (SHFs) adopting the IFS model. This approach helps SHFs meet food needs and sell surplus, increasing their income. The FARM NE team facilitated connections with local authorities for support and resources, contributing to food security through diversified agricultural production.



## PROMOTION OF MARKETING SYSTEM



The FARM NE IV project aims to enhance the marketing system for smallholder farmers (SHFs) in the local market, addressing a significant challenge they face. Caritas India's initiative has created market opportunities for SHFs to sell directly, improving their income through various interventions, including:

- Orientation on the cultivator-consumer connection concept (CCCC).
- Mapping potential products and linking with credible agencies.
- Organizing interface meetings for marketing connections.
- Hosting an Organic Mela for product sales.

The project facilitated the establishment of a marketing shed, inaugurated on October 29, 2023, where 20-25 farmers sell daily, earning Rs. 800-1500. This initiative also empowers female farmers by promoting their products and enhancing their confidence and leadership skills. The FARM NE team continues to strengthen connections with institutions and the Organic AC market in Chumoukedima as farm production increases.



## SEED RESOURCE CENTRES

The Facilitating Agricultural Resilient Measures (FARM) North East IV project has successfully facilitated the movement of indigenous seeds from individual households to a centralized institution known as the Seeds Resource Centre (SRC). These informal institutions, primarily managed by smallholder farmers, focus on the conservation, preservation, and promotion of indigenous seeds.

Initiated by the Development Association of Nagaland (DAN) in collaboration with smallholder farmers from 12 villages in Nagaland, the SRCs play a crucial role in collecting, preserving, and enhancing indigenous seeds. They work alongside progressive and lead farmers, ensuring proper documentation to track both collectors and contributors.

However, the project faces challenges, such as transitioning from individual seed banks to SRCs, recognizing the nutritional and cultivation value of indigenous seeds, addressing climate change impacts, combating the loss of traditional knowledge, maintaining soil fertility, and overcoming the lack of access to indigenous seeds. Additionally, there is a growing reliance on hybrid and high-yield variety (HYV) seeds among smallholder farmers. In response to these challenges, the FARM NE team has conducted a seed mapping exercise with smallholder farmers to identify potential crops and their availability within communities. They organized a seed exchange program, identified lead farmers and seed savers, and provided training to promote the use of indigenous seeds. As a result, the project has successfully established three SRCs, identified 43 indigenous seeds, and directly benefited 389 smallholder farmers. Key indigenous seeds preserved at the SRCs include paddy, maize, millets, and various vegetables.



## STITICHING THE INCHES TO FUTURE



Mongsen, a 15-year-old girl from Nyaklangbou ward, Tuensang district, dropped out of school in 2021 during class 9 due to difficulties in her studies, despite her parents' wishes for her to continue. After dropping out, she helped with household chores and felt helpless seeing her friends in school. In 2022, she learned about skill development training for dropouts by the Morung project DAN and enrolled in a 15-day training program in tailoring, weaving, embroidery, and basket weaving. She excelled in tailoring but returned home confused about how to practice her skills without proper tools.

She started making hand-sewn scrunches for Rs 30 each, selling them locally. Her parents supported her by purchasing a sewing machine, which she bought using her savings and their help in February 2024. Now, Mongsen regularly sews custom baby suits, tops, and scrunches, with prices ranging from Rs 80 to 1500. She earns about Rs 6000 monthly and plans to pursue further training to enhance her skills.

## THE STORY OF TEMTEM

Temtem Pongnyu participated in a weaving skill training program in Tobu in September 2020, marking a significant turning point in her life. As the second youngest of six siblings, she grew up in a farming family where her parents worked tirelessly to provide for their children. After completing only the eighth grade, Temtem made the difficult decision to drop out of school to assist her mother with household responsibilities and farming tasks.

Despite her initial struggles to grasp the techniques in weaving and patterns, she persevered, driven by a desire to contribute to her family's income. The training equipped her with the skills to make a variety of beautiful handwoven items, including shawls, mufflers, and mekhehas.

Temtem is deeply grateful for the training and ongoing support from the organization that facilitated her learning. She recognizes the potential for her products to reach larger markets, where they could attract more customers and generate higher sales. Despite the challenges she faces, Temtem remains committed to her weaving journey, as it not only helps her contribute to her family's expenses but also allows her to cherish the invaluable skills she has acquired. With determination and hope, she continues to weave her dreams into reality, one thread at a time.



## Charity Outreach by CP Members



On October 13, 2023, the children's parliament of St. Mary's Hr. Sec. School, Padumpukhri, held its monthly session where they discussed organizing a charity initiative to support orphaned children. Students, teachers and parents were encouraged to donate or contribute to this cause. The collection of materials began on October 16 and continued until November 10. On November 10 and 11, members sorted and packaged the collected items. The volunteer mentor, Mr. Peteneizo Zao, helped the members identify the orphanages to support.

On November 13, 2023, five members of the children's parliament, along with their mentor and a training associate, visited the Nagaland Children's Home (orphanage) in Diphupar. They donated clothes, stationery, and food items for the 49 children residing there.



On the same day, Mr. Peteneizo Zao, along with one teacher and two members of the children's parliament, visited the Ebenezer Orphanage Home in Indisen Village, Dimapur. During this visit, they donated materials for the 14 children living in that home.

## FARM NORTHEAST

## Transformation through livestock Management

Pig farming has shed its former stigma among farmers, transforming from a societal taboo. This shift has been a tremendous benefit for me and my family, allowing me to provide for my children. My passion for livestock has deepened, and I truly enjoy developing a bond with domestic animals. In 2022, the FARM NE project supported me by providing a female piglet, to which I dedicated myself wholeheartedly in raising and caring for it. Today, my pig has littered seven piglets. With this success, I plan to assist my fellow farmers by sharing three piglets. I am eager to continue improving and expanding my efforts, including venturing into poultry farming as well.



## Marketing Support for Farmers

In an effort to support smallholder farmers, the Development Association of Nagaland (DAN) carries out the FARM NE project, which targets the empowerment of farming families in the Peren and Chumoukedima districts. This initiative has successfully reached 1,612 smallholder families, providing them with the resources and training needed to enhance their agricultural practices and improve their livelihoods. One of the significant challenges these farmers face is the marketing of their produce. Many have historically relied on middlemen, which often diminishes their profits and limits their market reach.

To tackle this issue, with assistance from Caritas India, farmers have initiated the establishment of a marketing shed. This facility, inaugurated on October 29, 2023, serves as a vital hub for local farmers, enabling approximately 20-25 individuals each day to sell their agricultural products directly to consumers. This direct marketing approach has proven beneficial, with farmers earning between Rs. 800 to Rs. 1500 daily, thereby enhancing their economic stability.



The initiative has also significantly empowered women in the community, with 72 women from 12 different communities actively participating in the project. They showcase a diverse array of agricultural products and handcrafted goods, highlighting the rich cultural heritage of the region. The FARM NE project not only aims to improve individual farmer's incomes but also to strengthen connections with institutional frameworks and expand access to broader markets. By doing so, it seeks to enhance productivity and sustainability within the agricultural sector, ensuring that these small and marginal farmers can thrive in a competitive economy and continue to uphold the rich agricultural traditions of Nagaland.



## HEALTH SCREENING CAMPS

The Comprehensive Health Screening Camp for Children was organized to ensure that every child in the targeted community receives screening for physical, psychological, and emotional distress, with follow-up treatment initiated. Additionally, registration for Ayushman Bharat Health Cards for all children in the designated areas was conducted during the health camp.

The health camp took place in eight selected communities served by the Morung Project, with four health camps held in villages supported by the “A Hand to Hold” initiative. In total, 1,825 individuals were screened, including 1,637 children and 188 adults. Furthermore, 166 people registered for the Ayushman Bharat Health Card, and 224 individuals were screened for malaria.

The health screening camp also featured awareness sessions on health and hygiene, dental care, and menstrual hygiene for adolescent girls, along with information on various communicable diseases and their prevention. These camps were conducted in collaboration with district health departments, with support from doctors and nurses provided by district hospitals and community health centers.



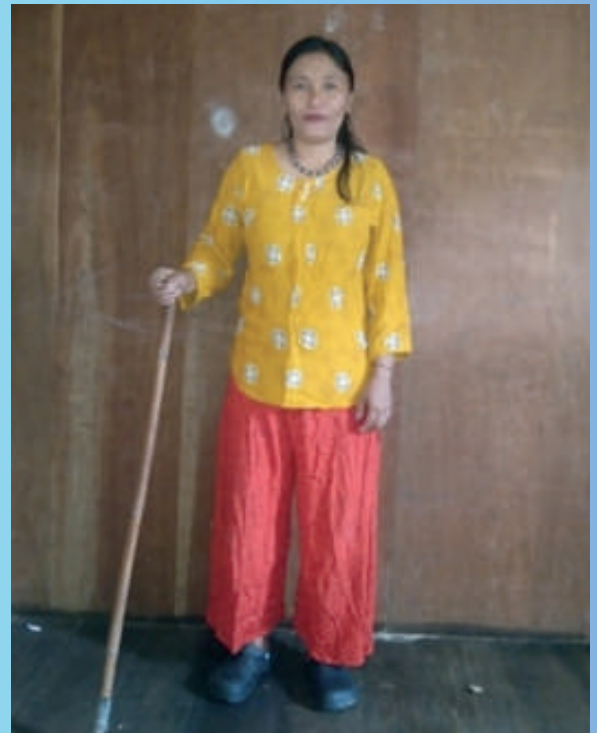
**“ AS A DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSON, LET MY LIFE BE A REFLECTION OF THE ENDLESS AMOUNT OF ABILITY THAT EXISTS IN EACH AND EVERYONE OF US.”**

Mrs. Pisangla is a 45-year-old housewife from Kiphire village, living with locomotor disability. She lives with her husband, who is a government Servant, and her son, who is in second grade in a private school in Kiphire Village. Being a mother with a disability presents its own challenges. Following an injury in 2012, she became completely bedridden. By 2017, she was able to walk a little. Facing society as a person with a disability was difficult for her, but her determination to learn and grow motivated her, refusing to let her condition be an excuse.

Mrs. Pisangla was unaware of the CARE-Disability project until May 2023 when she learned about it from a neighbor. Eager to find out more, she began inquiring about the project and eventually connected with the project team. After being introduced to the initiative, she enrolled with their assistance. The team and the DPO offered her the chance to participate in skill training, that focused on empowering persons with disabilities.

She signed up for training in cowrie and later participated in an exhibition on August 15, 2023. At the event, she sold her products, earning Rs. 5900. Following the exhibition, she received numerous orders and had already earned Rs. 9500 by September. The impact of her participation was remarkable; not only did she receive many orders, but the community's perception of persons with disabilities began to shift significantly. She noted that society is now more accepting, showing her respect and appreciation for her talents as they encouraged and purchased her creations.

Mrs. Pisangla is eager to help others, offering to teach beadwork to persons with disabilities and youth at no cost. She expressed her heartfelt gratitude to the DAN Organisation and the project staff for their relentless efforts to uplift the lives of persons with disabilities. They empower individuals to advocate for themselves and inspire them to look beyond their disabilities.



## KIPHIRE BLOCK DPO

The Disabled Peoples Organisation of Kiphire District successfully organized skill development training through their project. During the 77th Independence Day celebration at the local ground in Kiphire Town, twelve Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) showcased their art and crafts. The stall received a formal blessing from Rev. Fr. Philip Magh, Parish Priest of St. Peters Church. DPO members also presented their artwork to esteemed guests, including Shri Nuklutoshi, Hon'ble MLA of Nagaland, Shri John Tsulise Sangtam, Deputy Commissioner of Kiphire District, Rev. Fr. Philip Magh, and Sr. Alice, Vice Principal, as a gesture of gratitude. Mr. Tsaliba performed a special number on behalf of the DPO during the event. Many generous individuals contributed by donating and purchasing materials for the organization. The Smoky Pots Restaurant & Café donated 390 rupees to the DPO. Additionally, Rev. Fr. Philip Magh contributed Rs 2,000 to support and commend the DPO, while the administration also donated 2,000 rupees as a sign of support. The total revenue generated from the sale of art and crafts during the exhibition amounted to 26,500 rupees, bringing the overall total received that day to Rs30,800.



## MELURI BLOCK DPO

The Disabled People's Organisation in Meluri Block, after participating in skill development training provided by the project, had the opportunity to showcase their art and crafts. Five Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) took part in the 77th Independence Day celebration at the local ground in Meluri Town. The stall was blessed by Rev. Fr. Tomy, the Parish Priest of St. Xavier Church. Additionally, the DPO members presented their art and crafts to the special guest, Shri Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe, Hon'ble MLA for New & Renewable Energy and NSDMA, Government of Nagaland, along with Rev. Fr. Tomy, as a gesture of gratitude and appreciation. Many kind individuals supported the organization by purchasing materials, and the administration contributed a donation of Rs.3,000 as encouragement. The total sales from the art and crafts during the exhibition amounted to Rs15,700, bringing the overall total received to Rs18,700.

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SCHEDULE FORMING PART OF CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31.03.2024


**SCHEDULE 'II A' PROJECTS FUND POSITION AS ON 31/03/2024**

Sl No	Project Title	Opening bal. as on 01/04/2023	Current Receipts	Total	Capital Utilisation	Revenue Utilisation	Adjustments	Total Utilisation	Closing Bal. as on 31/03/2024
<b>A (FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION)</b>									
1	Children Sponsorship Program	-	466014.00	466014.00	-	466014.00	-	466014.00	-
2	Children Parliament	3058392.42	3756083.00	6814475.42	-	2699496.00	-	2699496.00	4114979.42
3	Farm North East (NRM)	323281.00	2347181.50	2670462.50	-	2364173.00	-	2364173.00	306289.50
5	CARE Disability Project	1352411.00	3945131.00	5297542.00	-	3687174.00	-	3687174.00	1600368.00
6	Monung Project	65970.06	7241875.00	7307845.06	-	7113299.18	-	7113299.18	194545.90
7	Hand to Hold Project	222338.40	3501772.00	3724110.40	-	3056397.36	-	3056397.36	667713.04
II	Other Receipt	6052.00	-	6052.00	-	-	-	-	6052.00
<b>SUB TOTAL (A)</b>		<b>6027444.90</b>	<b>21258056.50</b>	<b>26285501.40</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19396553.54</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19396553.54</b>	<b>6888947.86</b>
<b>B (LOCAL ACCOUNT)</b>									
1	NAI rostrin	(321975.00)	-	(321975.00)	-	-	(321975.00)	(321975.00)	-
<b>SUB TOTAL (B)</b>		<b>(321975.00)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(321975.00)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(321975.00)</b>	<b>(321975.00)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>GRANT TOTAL (A+B)</b>		<b>4705469.90</b>	<b>21258056.50</b>	<b>25963526.40</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19396553.54</b>	<b>(321975.00)</b>	<b>19074578.54</b>	<b>6888947.86</b>

For and on behalf of Development Association of Nagaland

Place: Shilong  
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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2024

Previous year amount	LIABILITIES	Sche Ref.	Current year amount	Previous year Amount	ASSETS	Sche Ref.	Current year amount
36850745.53	Capital Fund	I	34399031.70	32781398.51	Fixed Assets	V	29712845.05
4705469.90	Project Funds	II	6888947.86	2350000.00	Investments	VI	2950000.00
16823.00	Reserves	III	-	7340936.02	Current Assets	VII	9150375.61
899286.10	Current Liabilities	IV	525241.10				
<b>42472324.53</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>41813220.66</b>	<b>42472324.53</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>41813220.66</b>

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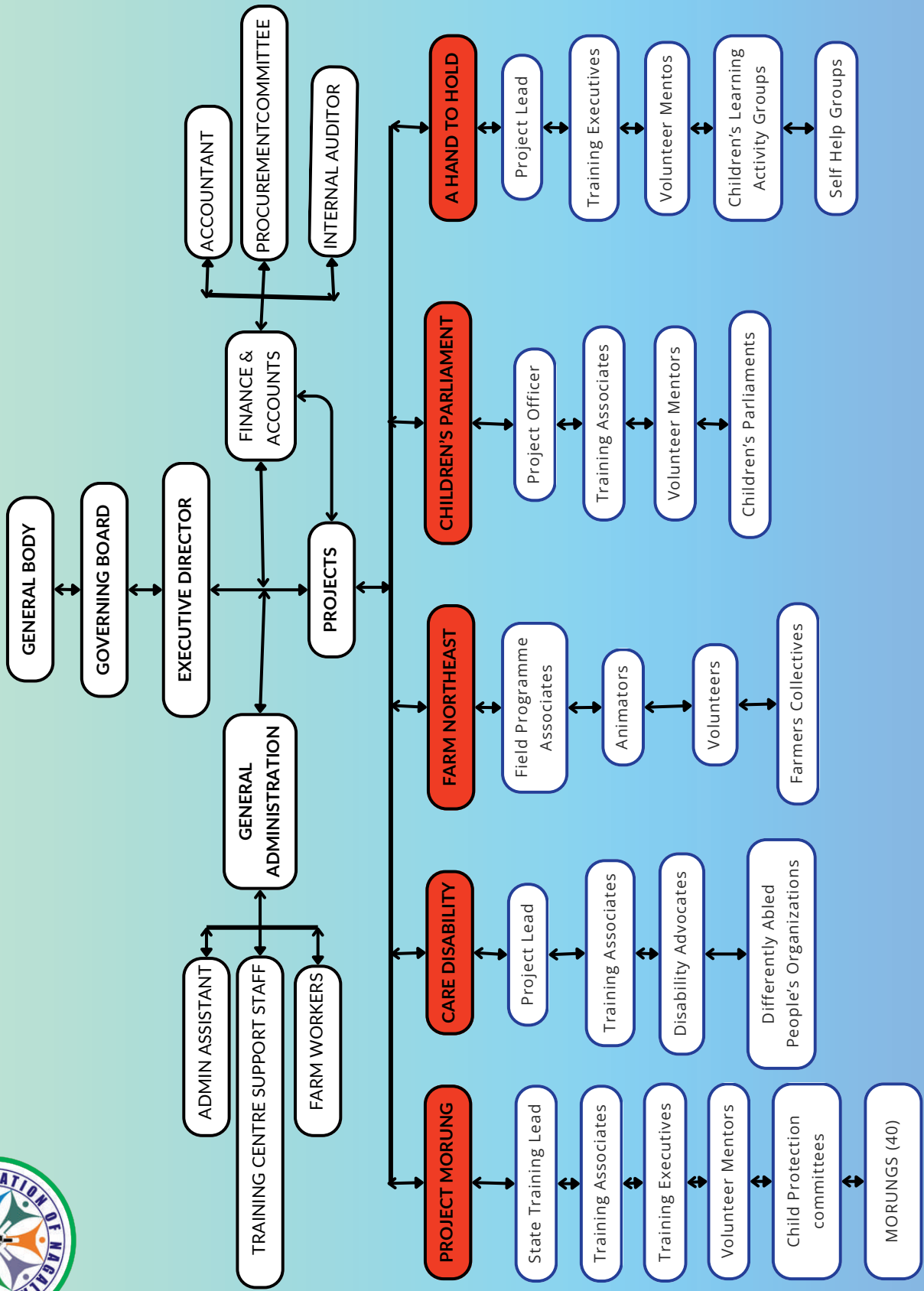
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