



PROGRESS & IMPACT REPORT 2018-2020

Assam Investment Advisory Society



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Areas covered by Assam Investment Advisory Society





HIGHLIGHTS

2018 - 2020



- **1000+** women and young youths benefited from vocational and Skill training programs.
- **20%** increase in enrolment in the Forest Community School.
- **250** students received support in the form of basic educational aids.
- **1** student supported for Higher Studies abroad.
- **2.85** lakhs saplings planted.
- Alternative livelihood activities for **9,500** families.
- Girls hostel at Rawta benefited **200** young women.
- Rs. **30** lakhs added to Corpus Fund.



PLANS

2020-21

- To implement **5** new projects.
- Create a Corpus of Rs. 10 lakhs for Forest Community School, Baligaon, Bhalukpong.
- Provide Vocational Training to **900** students & **250** village women.
- Alternative livelihood generation for **800** families.
- Enhance Foundational Skills for **500+** students in **20** village schools.
- Add Rs. **50** lakhs to corpus of **AIAS**.
- Budget for **FY 2020-21** is Rs. **232.49** lakhs
 - AIAS: Rs. **112.49** lakhs
 - Other sources: Rs. **120** lakhs

OUR PROJECTS

2018-19

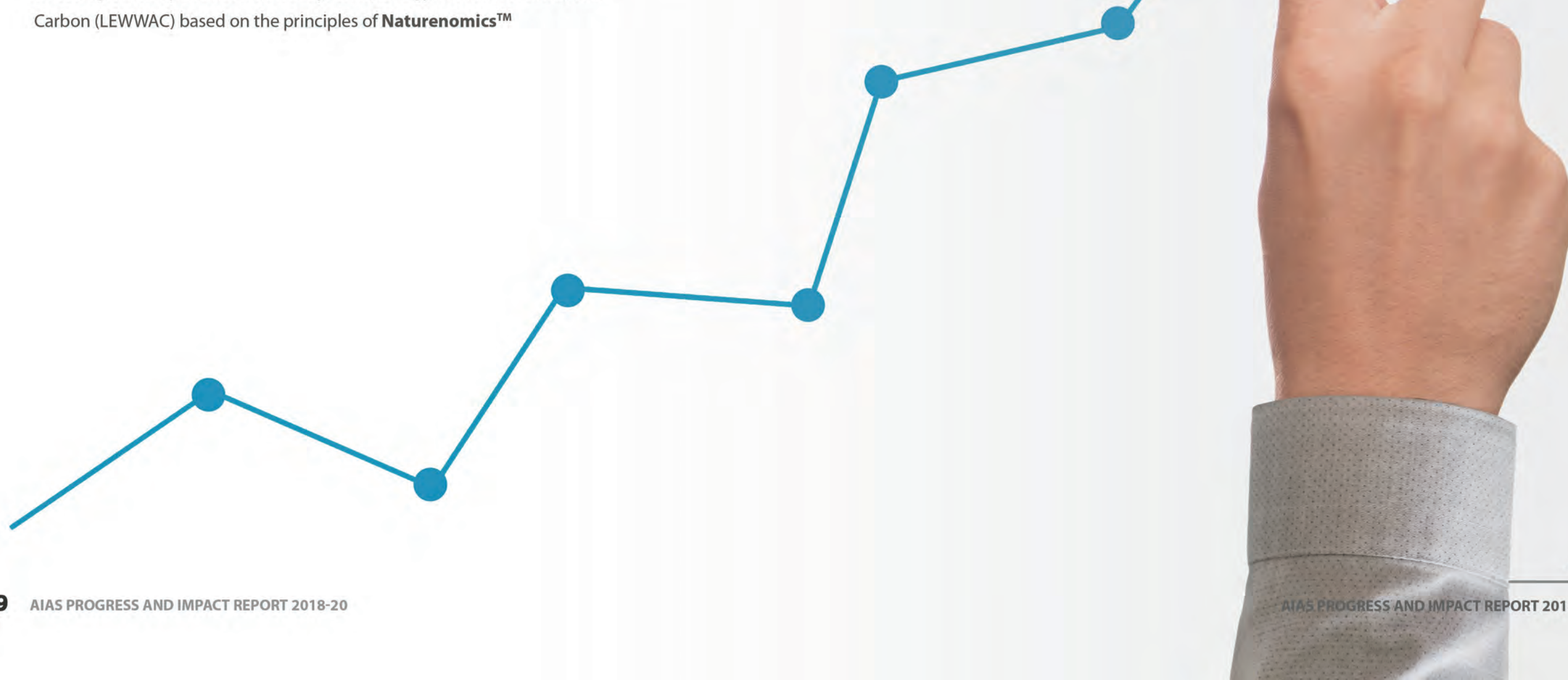
- Educational Aids distribution
- Educational Assistance
- Elephant Monitoring program
- Construction of Women's Hostel
- Empowering women through promoting homestay

2019-20

- Construction of School building
- CommuniTree Project
- Financial support to ShishuSarathi for Wheelchair Basketball Championship.
- Common Grounds Workshop
- Empowering Women through promoting homestay
- Ghar Bari program
- Jacquard based Handloom skill upgradation training
- Lawn Mower training
- Tourist Guide Training program
- Women Skill enhancement training

Guiding Principle of **ASSAM INVESTMENT ADVISORY SOCIETY**

Established in the year 2010, **Assam Investment Advisory Society** promotes development activities in the region by enhancing investment inflows through design and implementation of ecologically driven strategies across the six forces of ecological competitiveness, namely, Land, Energy, Waste, Water, Air, and Carbon (LEWWAC) based on the principles of **Naturenomics™**



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Ranjit Barthakur
PRESIDENT

The Assam Investment Advisory Society was born out of a desire to bridge the gap between disadvantaged communities in Assam, and the key universal basic assets needed for real socioeconomic mobility: education, energy, access to water, livelihoods and healthcare. Women have been the centrepiece of this vision, as visionary leaders who see the bigger picture for their communities and are unafraid to demand more and work for the well-being of their communities.

To build sustainable livelihoods for women, we expanded our vision to include investment in nature-based solutions and environment. Good ecology is economy and investing in nature invests in resiliency – for both communities and for women's incomes. Through nature, we believe women will have the means to achieve true financial independence.

Educate a girl and you educate a nation – reminds us of the power women have to shape the future of countries. The truth of this maxim has never been more important than now, with global progress on closing the gender gap under threat as COVID-19's economic effects have disproportionately fallen on rural and urban women to bear.

We have a long way to go in achieving this vision, but through critical investment in education, communities and creating economic opportunities for women, the Assam Investment Advisory Society takes one step closer to its vision of communities taking control of their futures and using collective action to generate solutions to common problems.

Women inspire – 2019 in review

Partnering with the NGO ASTHA in Bhairabkunda, we worked alongside the women of the community to curate a unique forest homestay experience for tourists to experience the biocultural richness of the region. Blending natural and cultural heritage, the initiative would create alternate, nature-friendly sustainable livelihoods for the community, while highlighting the area's diverse heritage. A group of 10 women were given special training and skill development to take on a hospitality role and manage the homestay, earning INR 134,000 over the past year.

In Balipara county, we undertook a tourism training with indigenous women from the Garo, Boro, Adivashi, Nyshi, Mech-Kachari, Assamese, Mishing and Nepali communities, to instil an understanding of the immense value of their cultural and traditional knowledge and the opportunities for tourism in their backyards. The training targeted over 60 women with special knowledge training and exposure visits. Over 6 women began their own homestays as a result of this training, and 2 other women are now working in a similar field as well.

We further invested in enhancing skills for fostering financial independence in women in collaboration with the Centre for Microfinance & Livelihoods and Don Bosco. Partnering with indigenous Mising women in Baligaon, Sonitpur district, we provided jacquard looms for 20 women of the community, as well as training and skill upgradation for them to augment their weaving and maximize their earnings. The training enabled them to broaden their design range and enhance the overall quality of their products, enhancing their livelihood opportunities by 50%. With Don Bosco University, we conducted a hands-on workshop for over 40 rural women to enhance their hospitality and digital skills – with a special focus on creating self-sufficiency through the use of digital technology.

2019 in review – Nature-centred Inclusivity

Our society deeply values cultural inheritances deeply intertwined with nature. Nowhere is this more evident than among Assam's indigenous communities. In July 2019, in celebration of Van Mahotsav, we partnered with the Balipara Foundation, 134 Eco Task Force and Mahila Shakti Kendra (with support from the Assam State Forest Department and Assam State Rural Livelihood Mission) to secure and propagate natural assets of the Eastern Himalayas. In 30 minutes over 9000 households across Sonitpur district came together to plant over 2.85 lakh saplings and seed balls. Over time, these saplings will promote alternate sources of livelihoods among the communities and restore green cover for critical climate action.

Placing nature at the centre of education, we enhanced infrastructure in a community run village school, providing solar power and access to water for 250 students at the school. Environmental education and agricultural skilling is now a critical part of the school's curriculum, using real in-situ learning among regenerated forests as learning tools and giving students the opportunity for a hands-on understanding of the circular economy through nature tourism components, as well as the school's food forest based revenue generation programme. Equipped with these skills, students graduating after school who wish to continue doing agricultural work no longer need expensive formalized training as they already have the practical knowledge and skills needed to take up agriculture, nature tourism or nursery work. Through food forests and sustainable fisheries, the school will earn revenue to be completely self-sustaining post-exit.

We were also fortunate to have the opportunity to support the physically challenged players of Assam to participate in 6th National Championship of Wheelchair Basketball Championship in Mohali, Punjab, alongside Shishu Sarathi.

Looking ahead: 2020 and beyond

A sustainable future for Assam is a green future. As we continue to work towards creating opportunities for women, and strengthening education, we broaden the scope of our vision and work to centre nature positive outcomes.

In addition to expanding nature education at the Baligaon Forest Community School, we will be deepening our engagement with nature-based solutions through food forestry in Baligaon village – the Ghar Bari programme – impacting 350 households. The sustainable livelihoods provided through agroforestry will be further augmented by proposed projects in mushrooms for livelihoods and the seeding of a nursery in Baligaon Mishing village, as well as another at the Baligaon School to support agroforestry and regeneration programmes – providing income to pay for the school's infrastructure as well as giving children the opportunity to learn hands on skills in farming and agriculture. Women continue to be our special focus, with over 250 women targeted for training and capacity building through these projects.

The Society continues its community-based elephant monitoring programme with Mahila Shakti Kendra (MASK) in Sonitpur District of Assam, which has already successfully reduced property loss in target areas from 20 to 15 instances of property damage, and supported 5 families in restoring their destroyed homes. In addition to tracking elephants, managing dispersal and an insurance scheme for the community to mitigate human-elephant conflict, we aim to bring this information online for publicly accessible real-time updates. Together, this will play a critical role in helping communities along elephant corridors to coexist peacefully with these endangered creatures.

At this critical juncture in our global future, ecology is economy has never been more important. Our broadening of focus to include environment reflects this: more than 85% of Assam's population lives in rural areas and agriculture provides employment to over 50% of the state's employment. Without the ecosystems services provided by healthy forests and riverine systems, rural communities in the state face a barren future. Investing in building this natural capital through agroforestry, diversification of incomes through mushroom livelihoods, cultivating stewardship through nature-based education and mindful tourism and creating community resilience through elephant resilience is critical to drive a future of ecological security in which ecology is economy.

We continue to be inspired by the women of our communities – the social fabric that binds our diverse people together and natural capitalists building our natural assets for successive generations. With women at the centre of our programmes, we see a bright future for the communities of Assam through better education, better livelihood, better natural assets and better opportunities. After all, we are because she is.



ABOUT US



VISION

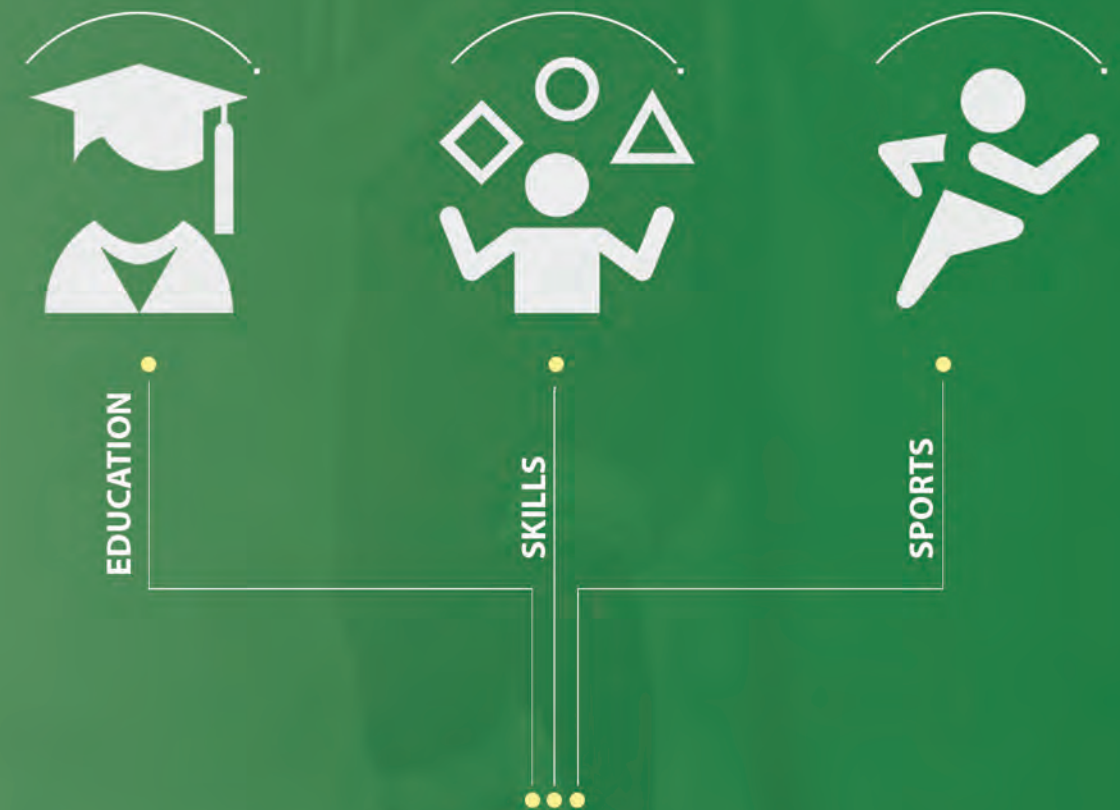
- Imparting skills to create a future in which women become self-sustaining and independent.
- Providing quality education to children for a better future and to help them realize their full potential.



MISSION

- Promoting social and economic empowerment of women through programmes, creating awareness about their rights and facilitating institutions to develop to their full potential.

EDUCATION, SKILL UPGRADATION AND SPORTS



Assam Investment Advisory Society believes that for empowering different communities in Assam, creating equal opportunities and guiding a pathway towards the goal of sustainable development, EDUCATION, SKILL UPGRADATION AND SPORTS are the key force.

Education & Skill Development

FOREST COMMUNITY SCHOOL BALIGAON

Assam Investment Advisory Society aims at providing a holistic development of Education for children.

In the Baligaon area, a project – Forest Community School was initiated in the year **2000** with the vision to modernize educational infrastructure equipped with proper amenities, solar light and water supply.

The project's major objectives are -

- Providing quality education to more than **250** students per year
- Creating a model of sustainable education through farming and other income generating activities, and
- Creation of a corpus fund for continued sustainability



PROGRESS OF THE YEAR 2018-19

BUDGET



PLANNED: 23.43 LAKHS

ACTUAL: 25.39 LAKHS

- A reassessment of infrastructure needs led to a marginal increase in expenses

TARGET



- Quality , practical , nature based education for **300** students
- Self Sufficiency through circular economy
- Food Forest Nursery to generate Rs . 5 lakhs / year
- Corpus of Rs . **10** lakhs in **3** years
- **1000** lts per day of surplus milk in **3** years

PROGRESS



- School building with amenities , solar lighting , water supply etc completed
- **20 %** increase in enrolment in **1** year
- In Campus Farm and Fishery started
- Forest regeneration with **15,000** saplings



ESTABLISHED YEAR

2000



NUMBER OF STUDENTS

180



NUMBER OF VILLAGE COVER

22



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS ● ●



- School building with amenities, solar lighting, water supply
- Forest regeneration with 15,000 saplings
- Farm and Fishery started in campus
- Classrooms with attached toilet
- Teacher's Room
- Incentives to Teachers



WOMEN'S HOSTEL IN ROWTA

AIAS envisioned of providing under privileged women coming from remote rural areas with a Skill development and Education and quality accommodation. On 19th July **2018**, President Mr. Ranjit Barthakur inaugurated a girls hostel in Rowta, Udalguri District to help scale up training activities at Rowta Polytechnique.

- The project has successfully provided safe and comfortable accommodation for **100** women at a time.
- The project has provided women with comfortable living rooms equipped with amenities like bathrooms, healthy drinking water and electricity.





MR . RANJIT BARTHAKUR WITH THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ASSAM INVESTMENT FUND AND MR . DHIRAJ KAKATI MANAGING TRUSTEE APPL FOUNDATION AND MR . SAROJ MOHAN BORAH ADMINISTRATOR APPITI ROWTA AFTER INAUGURATION OF THE WOMEN'S HOSTEL

BUDGET



- Planned: **130** lacs
- Actual: **130** lacs

TARGET



- Safe and hygienic accommodation for **100** girls students
- Help improve enrolment of Girls at the Rowta Polytechnique
- Enable under privileged women from remote areas to get skill training

PROGRESS



- 155** girl students have so far completed various vocational programs
- 133** trainees secured jobs at Tirupur, Tamil Nadu

SUPPORT FOR WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

AIAS provided financial support to “Shishu Sarothi” to support differently abled players of Assam to participate in the 6th National Championship of Wheel Chair Basketball Championship at Mohali, Punjab. Shishu Sarothi has been working in this area for last three decades in the Northeast India.

The primary objective of this project for differently abled children and other persons with disabilities –

- To contribute towards creation of equal opportunities.
- Effective participation in sports and recreational activities in an inclusive society.





BUDGET



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Planned: INR1.50 lakhs

Actual: INR 1.50 lakhs

TARGET



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- To use sports as tool to promote equality and right to life under article 21 of the Indian Constitution
- Inclusion of students and behavioural changes towards the values of holistic development

PROGRESS



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- Financial aid provided to the team enabled them to attend the 6th National Wheelchair basketball Championship.

SUPPORT FOR GIRLS EDUCATION IN MORAN BLIND SCHOOL

Moran Blind School is a residential school which offers free education to poor children from the tea garden community. The students get free uniforms and educational aids from the school. **AIAS** has decided to provide educational aids, cost of tuition, cost of uniform and cost of food for **50** girl students for a year.



Proposed Budget:
INR 18 lakhs



- To provide enable the education of **50** girl students by providing financial support



- Grant letter has been signed.
- Release of Fund has been delayed due to COVID19 situation.

A woman is shown from the side, focused on weaving a textile on a traditional wooden loom. She is wearing a light-colored, short-sleeved shirt. The background is slightly blurred, showing more of the weaving area. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter.

WOMEN **EMPOWERMENT**

HOMESTAY IN BHAIRABKUNDA

The project is a unique model that offers one of the fastest growing segment in the Tourism Industry, i.e Nature Tourism. It may be emulated by others in the area and could help develop the area as a tourism destination.

The project is established with an aim to promote “*women community managed forest home stay*”. It focuses on providing tourists with an opportunity for explorative bio-cultural walks and engagement with local communities and experiences that intricate symbiotic relationship between nature and the guardians of natural assets.

AIAS supported ASTHA, an NGO in Bhairabkunda, Udalguri that focuses on working overall development of on Key Issues of Agriculture, Drinking Water, Education & Literacy, Health & Family Welfare, Micro Small & Medium Enterprises, Rural Development & Poverty Alleviation, Vocational Training to bring holistic development in the community level.



TARGET



- Provision of basic amenities necessary for a homestay
- To train 50 women on basic hospitality skills
- To leverage nature, culture and heritage for tourism
- Promote homestay tourism as a alternate livelihood option
- Generate revenue of Rs. 1.00 lakhs during the first year of operation



PROGRESS

- 📈 The project has achieved all its short term objectives enabling the community to plan for a long term goals
- 📈 Direct revenue during the 1st year was Rs. 1.34 Lakhs
- 📈 Hospitality skills training provided to local women



GHAR-BARI PROGRAM IN BALIGAON

The project was taken up at Mishing village in Baligaon of Sonitpur District to enable RURAL FUTURES for economically and ecologically sustainable growth.

The overall concept of the project is to be able to build strong rural forefronts and make the communities sustain through a holistic arrangement.



HABITAT RESTORATION

- 1 Forest Assets
- 2 Biodiversity Preservation
- 3 Value & Respect For Ecosystems

ANTHROPOGENIC NEEDS

- 1 Forest Essentials
- 2 Food, Water and Clean Air
- 3 Health and Happiness

The primary objectives of the project are:

- Self sufficient villages through the cultivation of crops and medicinal plants
- Preserving traditional knowledge of medicinal plants
- Livelihood generation by selling the surplus harvest of vegetables in the local markets
- Ecological balance through plantations in and around the village
- Using mushroom cultivation as a tool to empower women living in the fringe areas of forests.

BUDGET



Planned:
INR 1.50 lakhs

Actual:
INR 1.50 lakhs

TARGET



Skill training for **350**
women

Alternative livelihood for
350 households

INR 5.29 lakhs revenue
generation per household
per year

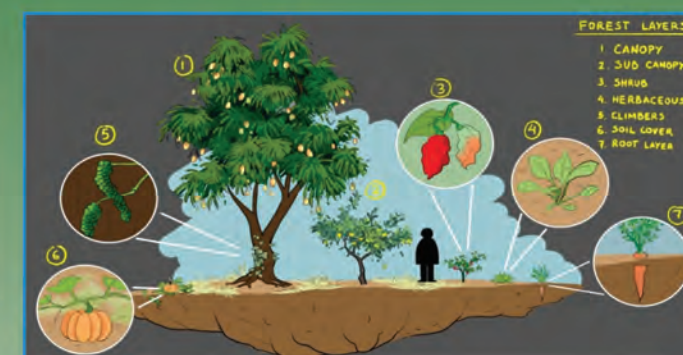
PROGRESS



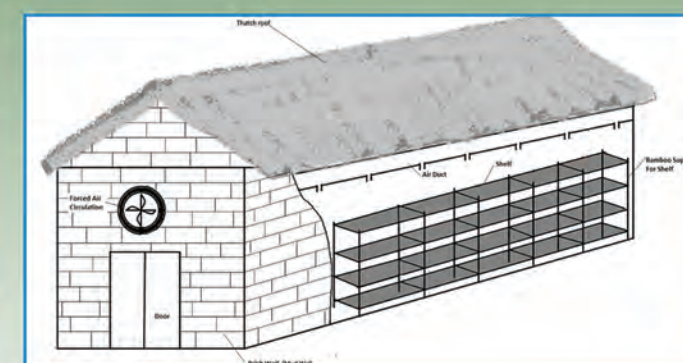
Food forest established for
206 households

200 women and **50** youths
trained

INR. 10,000 revenue
Generated from **2**
Mushroom units
in one month



**PICTORIAL INSIGHT OF THE
FOOD FOREST MODEL**



**PICTORIAL INSIGHT TO THE
COMMUNITY MUSHROOM
UNIT MODEL**



JACQUARD BASED HANDLOOM SKILL UPGRADATION

AIAS and Centre for Micro Finance and Livelihood (CML) undertook a “Jacquard based handloom skill upgradation training program” in Baligaon Mising village, Sonitpur and Gogamukh, Lakhimpur.

The primary objective of the project –

- Skill upgradation of weavers on Jacquard based weaving to improve efficiency and product quality
- Professionalize the handloom tradition to make it an alternative means of livelihood practices
- To familiarize weavers’ community with the supply chain management and merchandising
- To bridge the gap between the weavers’ community and the global market





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BUDGET



Planned:
13.88 lakhs

Actual:
13.88 lakhs

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TARGET



Skill Upgradation of weavers

Efficiency in operation

Improved livelihood
conditions

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PROGRESS



20 weavers provided with
jacquard looms & necessary
training

50% improvement in time
efficiency

Improved product quality &
more variety in design

100 individuals benefitted

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TOURIST GUIDE TRAINING PROGRAM

AIAS and Harupeswar Foundation undertook a “Tourist Guide training” program in Balipara, Sonitpur, to enable women to take up tourist guiding as a profession. The main aim of the guide training programme was to encourage the women about the possibility and potentiality of tourism resources in their own locality/villages. Training was given to collect all the information about the resources available in the locality and how the resources enhance the livelihood among rural populace. It included field visits, focused on enabling them to collect information about biodiversity, history, culture, society, cuisine, etc and present them as interesting story.





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BUDGET



Planned:
5.56 lacs

Actual:
5.56 lacs

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2

TARGET



Tourist services as an
alternative source of
livelihood

Promotion and conservation
of indigenous knowledge

Dissemination of information
about biodiversity

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PROGRESS



60 Participants were trained

Two of the participants
secured jobs as tourist guides

Six of the participants started
their own home stays

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SOFT SKILL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM FOR WOMEN IN AZARA

AIAS in association with Women Empowerment Cell 'VanitAgrata', Assam Don Bosco University conducted a two-day 'Soft Skills Enhancement' program at Azara.

This hands-on workshop was aimed at raising the soft-skills of the underprivileged rural women of Assam by imparting training on Housekeeping and Digital awareness skills.





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BUDGET



Planned:
INR 0.25 lakhs

Actual:
INR 0.25 lakhs

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2

TARGET



Enhancement of basic digital skill sets.

Basic housekeeping training to promote homestays as an alternate source of livelihood for women.

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3

PROGRESS



40 underprivileged women were trained on basic digital skill and housekeeping

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SKILL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM IN NAGAON

- Women Skill Enhancement program on use of Lawn Mower was conducted by Misa Polo Club, Nagaon with support from **AIAS**.
- 20 under privileged women took part in the training program in two groups.



WOMEN, COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENT



COMMUNITREE PROJECT

- Project '**CommuniTree**' was conceptualized by Balipara Foundation, 134 Eco Task Force & MASK, with support from AIAS, and others.
- The aim of the project was to create a mass community awareness and plantation drive which would have direct economic, social and ecological benefits to the forest-fringe communities of Balipara County.

Apart from contributing to global efforts to mitigate climate change, the consequences of this plantation would also increase social resilience of the community in a sustainable manner, address food security and empower vulnerable communities, especially women, through optimization of natural resource. It would also bring about economic stability through alternate source of livelihood and reinvestment of income in other agricultural practices.





1

BUDGET



Planned:
INR 23.5 lakhs

Contribution by
AIAS:
INR 1.5 lakhs

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2

TARGET



2.5 lakh trees to be planted

Socio-economic mobility
and food security through
habitat restoration for 9,500
households

Women empowerment

Alternate sources of
livelihood

Increase Green Cover

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3

PROGRESS



Successfully planted 3.25
lakh saplings in one day

Project created a world
record by planting 2.85 lakh
saplings in 30 mins

Visible change in outlook
towards restoration of
ecology

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COMMUNITY BASED ELEPHANT MONITORING SONITPUR

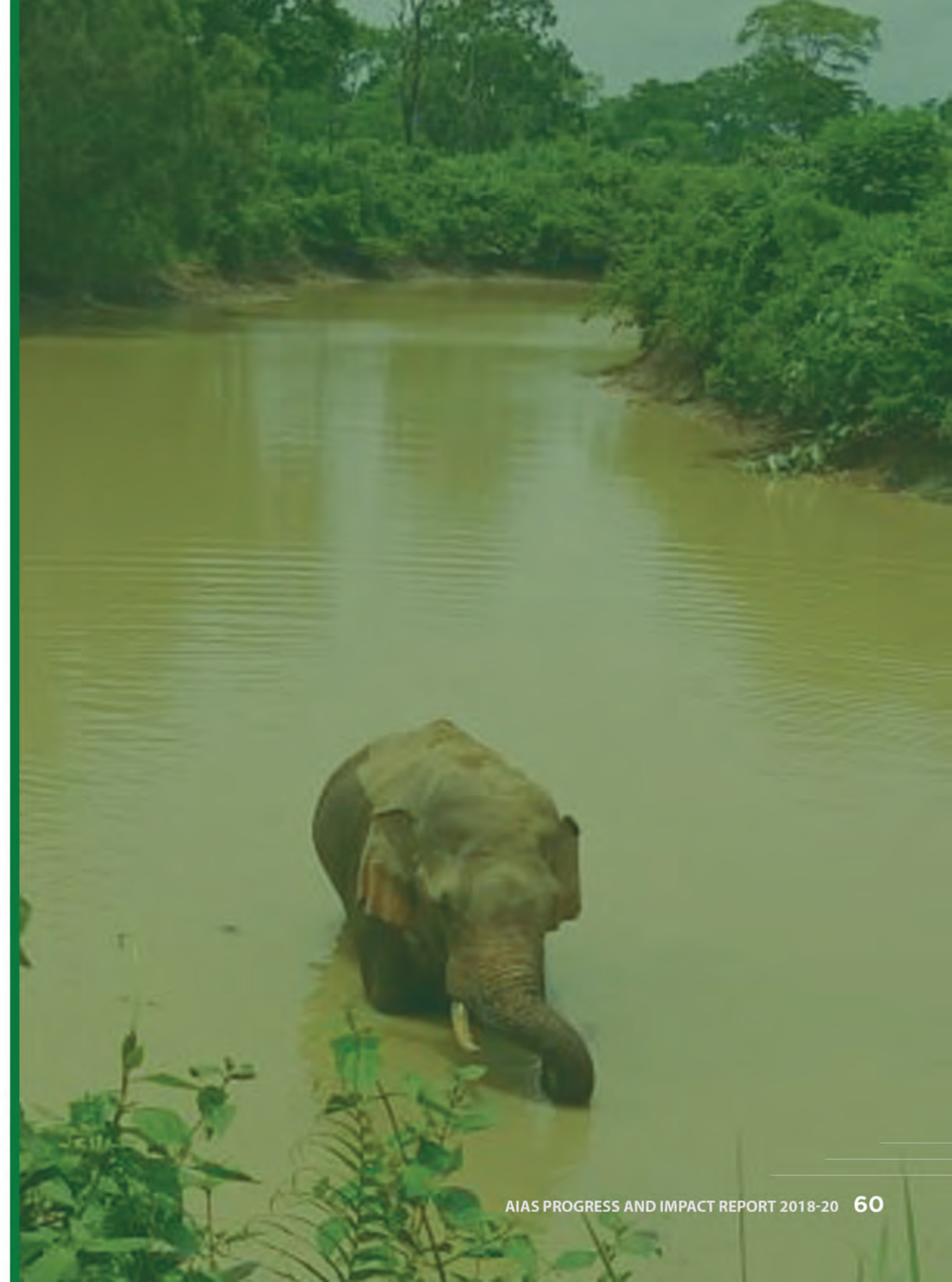
“ We are grateful to our donor, to the volunteers, and our staff for providing their resources, time, and effort for this ambitious project”

Implementing Agency: Mahila Shakti Kendra (MASK), Balipara

The Project started as a result of Human - Elephant conflict which has been increasing in Assam and communities and women face a lot of hardship. To avoid and mitigate conflict situations, communities must learn to live with Elephants

The project aims to gather information such as their movement patterns, their behaviors and especially how they respond to human contact from the communities who are regularly in contact with elephants.

This program is bringing the local people into wildlife management and encouraging locals to manage their resources and problems. This initiative has also helped the volunteers to learn and keep their wildlife inventories.





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BUDGET



Planned:
5.61 lacs

ACTIVITIES



Establishing a network of
community observers for
monitoring Elephants

Support the observers
through community-based
compensation system

Create an online database
and a real time map of
elephant movement

Paper based on observations

IMPACT TARGET



Reduce Human-Elephant
Conflict from 50 to 20

Off-set loss of Income due to
Elephant damage, for 25
families

Train 100 local youths for
monitoring

Reduce instances of crop
damage from 20 to 10



WORKSHOP ON SUSTAINABLE FASHION & ITS IMPACT ON CLIMATE CHANGE

AIAS organised a workshop on sustainable fashion and its impact on climate change at Royal Global University with the following objectives :

- Get holistic understanding of sustainability and fashion in today's context
- Understand impact of fast fashion on bio-ethics & economy
- Deliberate on the concept and demand for 'slow fashion'.
- Propagate local sourcing for high fashion.
- Build a movement for empowering weavers



POE-TREE SLAM/DIALOGUE/WORKSHOP SESSION

“ HAVE YOU EVER HUGGED A TREE ”

- To build dialogue on ecological sustainability with people from all walks of life.
- To create awareness on the need for urban rural collaboration, afforestation/ecological restoration.
- Express bond with nature through creative mediums such as poetry, essays, craft etc.
- To build a platform for people to share their experiences on working towards environment friendly.
- Distribution of saplings for participants to propagate the concept of **#Trees4Earth**



PARTICIPATION AND FIELD VISITS



1 AGRICULTURE UNIT, GOGAMUKH, INITIATIVE OF CML



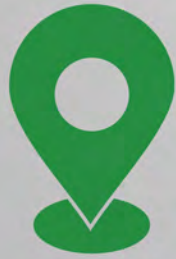
2 WATER ATM, NALBARI, INITIATIVE OF TATA TRUST



3 WEAVERS GROUP, GOGAMUKH, INITIATIVE OF CML



RONGALI FESTIVAL



SONARAM FIELD, BHARALUMUKH, GUWAHATI

OBJECTIVES

1

Create awareness through the Identification Game – the game entailed identifying certain stamps with endangered species on them. The idea was to accurately name the species and the person who identified the highest number of species would win a sapling.

2

To showcase Elephant Country products made by the people of the communities.

3

To showcase the work done through the Project and Impact reports displayed in the stall.



FINANCIALS



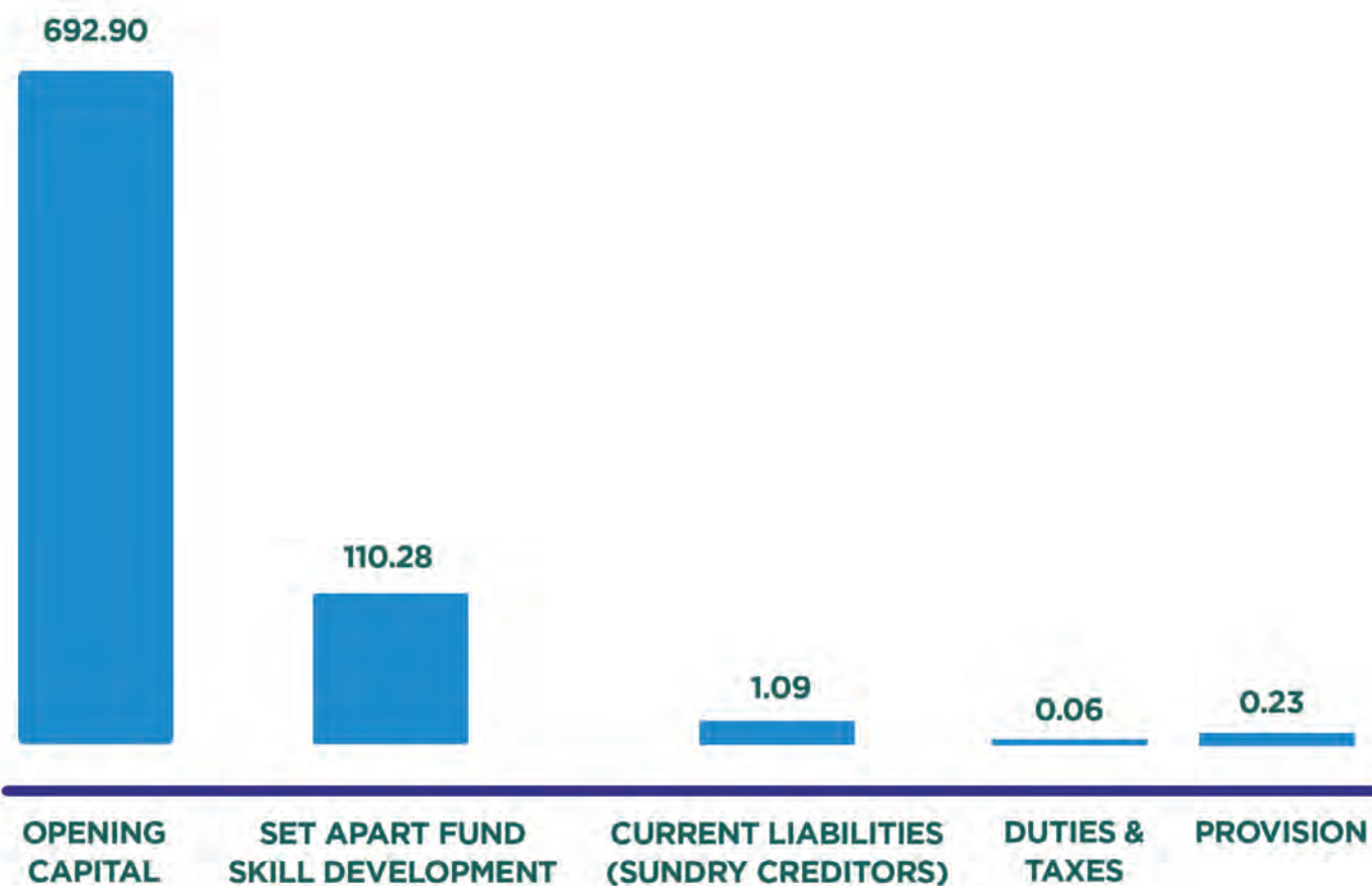
CORPUS FUND AS ON 31ST MARCH 2020

DONOR'S NAME	AMOUNT (IN CR.)	PURPOSE
Tata Education & Development Trust	5.00	• Corpus Fund • Income from investment to be applied for supporting Vocational Training Programs particularly for young women in Assam.
Corpus increase in TEDT fund	0.30	• Income from investment to be applied for supporting Vocational Training Programs particularly for young women in Assam.
Tata Global Beverages Limited	1.00	• Corpus Fund • Income from investment to be applied for skill building projects for youth of Assam, particularly the girl child/ women
Amalgamated Plantations	0.70	• Corpus Fund • Income from investment to be applied for enhancing skill building projects for youth of Assam, particularly the girl child/ women.
TOTAL	7.00	

BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31ST MARCH 2020

LIABILITIES

AMOUNT (LAKH)
TOTAL 804.55

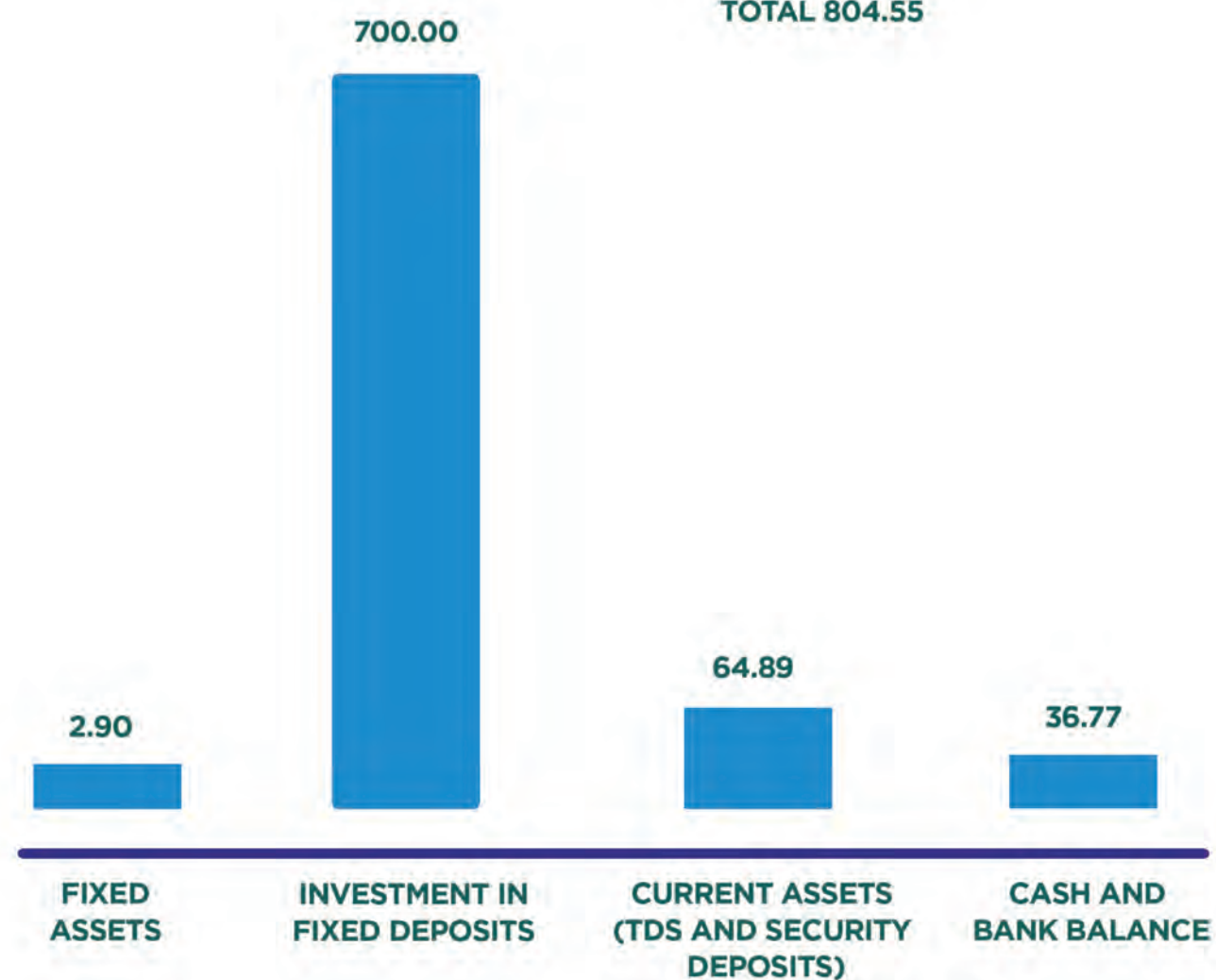


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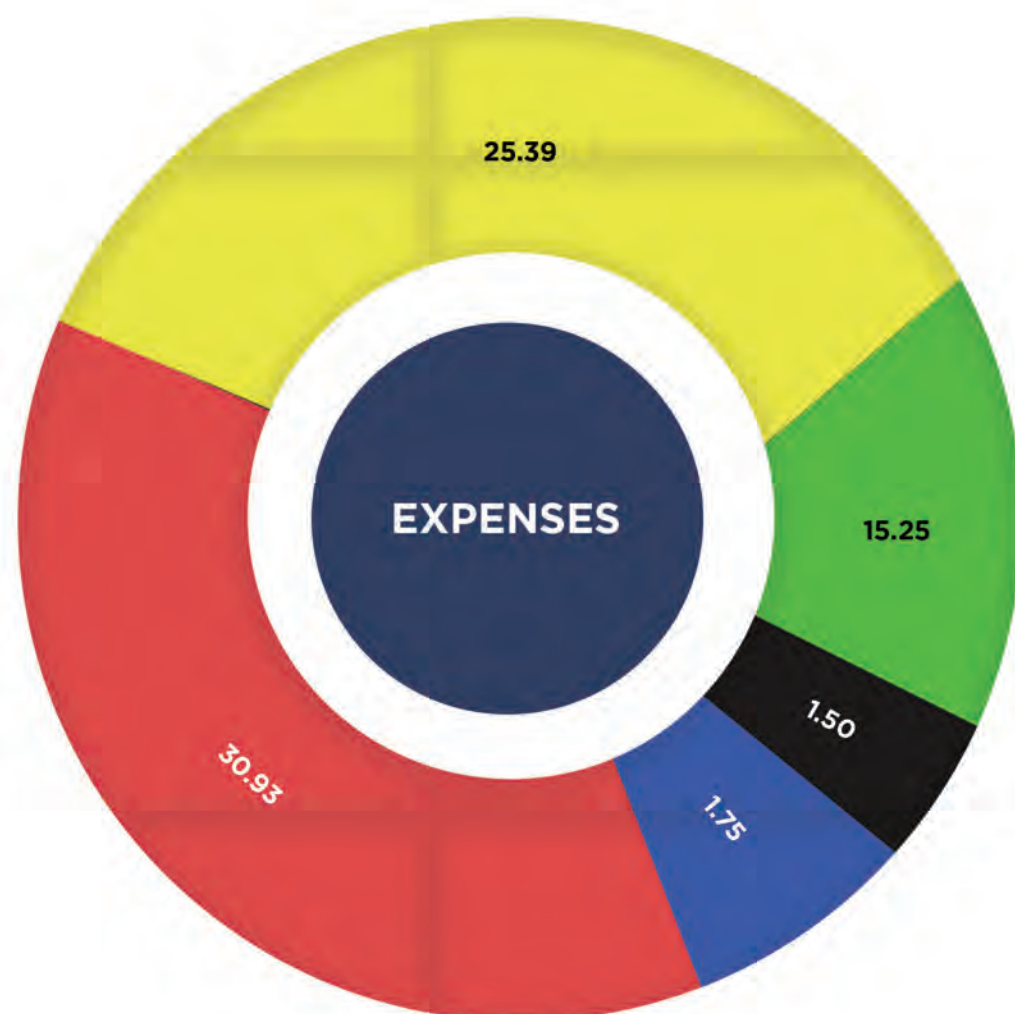
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LAKH

ASSETS

AMOUNT (LAKH)
TOTAL 804.55



INCOME & EXPENDITURE FY 2019-20



- VOCATIONAL TRAINING - WOMEN EMPOWERMENT
- SKILL DEVELOPMENT & EDUCATION
- ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES
- SPORTS
- COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

INCOME GENERATED DURING THE YEAR		AMOUNT (RS.)*	%
1	MEMBERSHIP FEES RECEIVED	0.01	0.01
2	BANK INTEREST RECEIVED	52.07	99.99
TOTAL RECEIPTS		52.08	100.00

EXPENSES TOWARDS OBJECT OF THE TRUST		AMOUNT (RS.)*	%
1	SKILL DEVELOPMENT & EDUCATION	25.39	33.93
2	COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT	1.75	2.34
3	VOCATIONAL TRAINING - WOMEN EMPOWERMENT	30.93	41.34
4	SPORTS	1.50	2.00
5	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	15.25	20.38
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		74.82	100.00

* IN LAKHS

YEAR AHEAD



WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

NURSERY FOR FOREST COMMUNITY SCHOOL, BALIGAON

PROPOSAL

To provide financial assistance for development and one year of operation of a nursery in the School Campus to be managed by the School Committee. The nursery will have a capacity of **1.5** lakhs saplings per year. The project will include training for **100** women from the village and exposure visits to Balipara Foundation Nursery Proposal: To provide financial assistance for development and one year of operation of a nursery in the School Campus to be managed by the School Committee. The nursery will have a capacity of **1.5** lac saplings per year. The project will include training for **100** women from the village and exposure visits to Balipara Foundation Nursery.

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

- To create a corpus of Rs. **10** lakh for the school in 3 years.
- To give the students a hands on experience on nursery preparation.
- Skill building for **100** women.

PROPOSED BUDGET



RS. 4 LAKHS

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

NURSERY AT BALIGAON MIRI VILLAGE, BALIPARA

PROPOSAL

It is proposed to develop a nursery with capacity of **1.5** lac saplings per year, at Baligaon Miri village. The project will be developed by the village development committee with financial and technical assistance from **AIAS**. The project will also provide training to **100** women and arrange for exposure visit to Balipara Foundation Nursery.

IMPACT TARGET

- Training on Nursery Preparation for **100** women in **3** years.
- Alternative livelihood for **250** families
- Revenue generation of Rs. **7.5** lacs per year from Nursery

PROPOSED BUDGET



RS. 5 LAKHS

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

MUSHROOM CULTIVATION

PROPOSAL

It is proposed to develop 5 mushroom cultivation units, at Baligaon Miri village.

- The project will be implemented by the village development committee with financial and technical assistance from **AIAS**.
- The project will also provide training to **50** women on mushroom cultivation.

IMPACT TARGET

- Train **50** women.
- Alternative livelihood for **50** families.
- Revenue generation of Rs. **2.4** lakhs per unit per year.

PROPOSED BUDGET



RS. 5 LAKHS

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

GHAR-BARI PROGRAM IN KAZIRANGA

PROPOSAL

This is an ongoing project which is proposed to be extended to Kaziranga.

The project will include:

- Forestry model in on **250** bighas of land.
- Five mushroom cultivation units.
- Training on mushroom cultivation and preservation.

IMPACT TARGET

- The project will aim at achieving self-sufficiency for villagers through cultivation of crops & medicinal plants (Rs **7** lakh revenue per household per year).
- Ensuring food security through skill development campaign on mushroom cultivation.
- Maintain Ecological balance through plantation of trees in and around the villages.
- Skill Training and livelihood generation for **250** women.

PROPOSED BUDGET



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RS. 50 LAKHS

(AIAS- RS.10 LAKHS, OTHER SOURCES- RS.40 LAKHS)

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

Biodiversity Learning Centre for Women and Children

PROPOSAL

The project will include:

- Creation of a Botanic Ark by preserving the existing forest and planting **1** lakh saplings
- Learning programs for local schools
- Tourist Guide training program

IMPACT TARGET

- Restoration of **11** ha of forest
- Tourist Guide training for **120** youth per year
- Train **400** students per year

PROPOSED BUDGET



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RS. 16 LAKHS

(AIAS- RS. 06 LAKHS, OTHER SOURCES- RS.10 LAKHS)

BUDGET FOR FY 2020-21

(Rs. In Lakhs)



- FOUNDATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR 20 SCHOOLS
- GHOR - BARI PRGRAM (PANBARI-KAZIRANGA)
- ADMINISTRATION
- MORAN BLIND SCHOOL
- BIODIVERSITY LEARNING PROGRAM FOR WOMEN & CHILDREN
- FOREST COMMUNITY SCHOOL BALIGAON
- CONTINGENCY
- NURSERY MAKING & TRAINING (2 UNITS)
- MUSHROOM CULTIVATION (5 UNITS)
- ELEPHANT MONITORING
- JAGUARD BASED HANDLOOM SKILL UPGRADATION

SL NO.	PROJECTS	BUDGET (RS. IN LAKHS)		
		TOTAL	AIAS	OTHERS
1	FOREST COMMUNITY SCHOOL - BALIGAON	12.00	12.00	--
2	MORAN BLIND SCHOOL	18.00	18.00	--
3	ELEPHANT MONITORING	2.28	2.28	--
4	NURSURY MAKING AND TRAINING (2 UNITS)	9.57	9.57	--
5	MUSHROOM CULTIVATION (5 UNITS)	5.00	5.00	--
6	GHOR- BARI PROGRAM (PANBARI - KAZIRANGA)	50.00	10.00	40.00
7	BIODIVERSITY LEARNING PROGRAM FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN	16.00	6.00	10.00
8	FOUNDATIONAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM FOR 20 SCHOOLS	60.00	10.00	50.00
9	JAQUARD BASED HANDLOOM SKILL UPGRADATION	20.00	--	20.00
10	ADMINISTRATION	30.00	30.00	--
11	CONTINGENCY	9.64	9.64	--
TOTAL		232.49	112.49	120.00

NEW PROPOSAL : HIGHLIGHTS

OVERHEAD	PROJECT	IMPACTS TARGET	BUDGET (Rs. In Lakhs)
EDUCATION & SKILL DEVELOPMENT	Nursery: Forest Community School Baligaon, Bhalukpong	• Create a corpus of Rs. 10 lakh in 3 years. • Skill building for 100 women on nursery preparation in 3 years. • Skill training for 900 students on nursery in 3 years.	4.00
	Bio-diversity learning centre: Kaziranga	• Train 400 students and 120 youths per year • Restore 11 Ha of land.	16.00
WOMEN EMPOWERMENT & LIVELIHOOD	Foundation Education program	• Educate 1000+ students in two years. • Basic Infrastructure upgradation for 20 village schools.	120.00
	Ghar-Bari Program: Kaziranga	• Rs. 7 lakhs revenue generation per household per year. • Skill training and livelihood for 250 women.	50.00
	Nursery at Baligaon Miri Village	• Train 100 women in nursery preparation, in 3 years. • Alternative livelihood generation for 250 families. • Rs. 7.50 lakhs revenue per year from a nursery of 1.50 lakh saplings.	5.57
	Mushroom Cultivation	• Revenue generation of Rs. 2.40 lakh per unit per year. • Train 50 women on Mushroom Cultivation and provide avenue for alternative livelihood	5.00
TOTAL BUDGET			200.57



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