

CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES (CDI)

Monthly Newsletter
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THEMATIC FOCUS

1) Promotion of Women's Rights and Empowerment

2) Child Rights and Child Protection

3) Economic Empowerment through livelihood promotion

4) Youth Empowerment through Skill Development

5) Healthcare and Health Promotion

6) Environmental care and Sustainability



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Numerical Data Information

- ❑ Domestic Workers identified and registered – 135
- ❑ Domestic Workers groups formed – 2
- ❑ Group meetings conducted – 4
- ❑ Home/workplace visits completed – 24
- ❑ Employers engaged – 10
- ❑ Domestic Workers assisted for placement – 22
- ❑ Medical Health Camp beneficiaries – 73
- ❑ E-Shram applications submitted – 2
- ❑ E-Shram cards received – 2
- ❑ PAN Card applications submitted – 3
- ❑ PAN Cards received – 5
- ❑ Bank accounts opened – 7
- ❑ Health Card applications submitted – 1

SPECIAL FEATURE

Donor Visit to Doomni, Baksa

On 2nd February 2026, Madam Karina from Germany visited Doomni, Baksa along with Sr. Molly, Sr. Teresa, and Mr. Charles Tudu, Project Coordinator of CDI. During the visit, they interacted with VVC members, women's groups, youth groups, and tuition teachers. The team also visited the project field areas and observed various ongoing community activities. The visit encouraged community participation and strengthened support towards the project initiatives.



Promotion of Women's Rights and Empowerment

Awareness on Rights and Entitlements for Domestic Workers

An awareness meeting on Rights and Entitlements for Domestic Workers was held on 24th February 2026 at Pandu with 18 participants. The session focused on minimum wages, working hours, leave entitlements, social security benefits, and workplace safety, helping workers understand their rights and protections.



Financial Literacy Programme for Domestic Workers

A Financial Literacy Programme was organized for 52 Domestic Workers in Kohima in collaboration with State Bank of India, Nagaland Branch. The programme focused on savings, fraud awareness, and financial planning to help participants manage their finances confidently.



Digital and Financial Literacy Workshop

A Digital and Financial Literacy Workshop was conducted at CDI, Guwahati with 30 participants. The workshop covered digital payments, online safety, budgeting, savings, and government schemes, helping participants improve their digital and financial skills.



CHILD RIGHTS AND CHILD PROTECTION

Visits to Tuition Centres

Project staff visited several tuition centres during February 2026 and interacted with students on attendance, examination preparation, discipline, and personal hygiene to encourage better learning practices.



Awareness on Education among Tuition Students

Awareness programmes on education were conducted at Dihira Village No. 5 and Budlapara Tea Estate to encourage regular attendance and educational participation among children.



CHILD RIGHTS AND CHILD PROTECTION



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SHELTER Project Activities – Learning and Recognition

Under the SHELTER Project, story books earlier provided to children in Baksa and Udalguri districts were observed being effectively utilized during weekly learning sessions. Children were seen reading actively and gaining knowledge during tuition sessions, reflecting improved engagement and interest in learning.

In another activity, prizes were handed over to the teachers to be distributed later during upcoming games and activities conducted at the centres. This initiative aims to encourage participation, motivation, and healthy competition among children, strengthening the overall learning environment under the project.

Economic Empowerment through livelihood promotion



Bi-Annual Meeting of District Level Business Collectives

The bi-annual meeting of the District Level Business Collectives (DLBC) was held at Subansri with the participation of 74 members. Discussions focused on strengthening business collectives and promoting sustainable livelihood initiatives.



Meetings with Income Generating Activity Groups

Meetings with Income Generating Activity (IGA) groups were conducted in Dhubri and Udalguri districts with 38 participants. Discussions focused on revolving fund management, accountability, and strengthening village-level business collectives.

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Detergent Making Skill Training

A skill training on detergent and toilet cleaner making was conducted for Domestic Workers at Pandu. Participants learned preparation methods, safety measures, and marketing ideas to support small income-generating activities.

Micro Entrepreneurship Development Training

A Micro Entrepreneurship Development Training was organized at CDI with 10 participants. The training focused on business planning, financial management, and marketing strategies to encourage small entrepreneurship among Domestic Workers.



HEALTHCARE AND HEALTH PROMOTION

Training on Child Care, Elderly Care, and Hygiene

A training programme on Child Care, Elderly Care, and Hygiene was conducted at Satrapara with 45 Domestic Workers. The training focused on caregiving skills, hygiene practices, nutrition, and workplace cleanliness.



Free Medical Health Camp at Adabari

A free Medical Health Camp was organized at Adabari, Kamrup in collaboration with ERC, a unit of Down Town Hospital. A total of 73 villagers benefited from eye check-ups, blood pressure and diabetes screening, distribution of spectacles, and essential medicines.