

DHARITRI BORGOHAIN

Mahatma Gandhi National Fellow Oct '21 - Oct '23 West Karbi Anglong, Assam, India

Projects Led

- Designed a SANKALP Project for the District
- Initiated the transgender community representation of the two hill districts under Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council (KAAC), through a stall set-up for the first time in 49 years at the 49th Karbi Youth Festival (KYF), 2023 (15th-19th February) which is believed to be the first ethnic festival of India.
- Assisted with the medical examination of 10 transgenders for their medical certificates to reapply for documents like Aadhar Card, PAN Card and Voter ID.
- Facilitated and assisted the registration of 5 transgenders for EDP training of 'Kshyamata Entrepreneurs' under the DICC Department.

Achievements

February 2023 Successfully implemented the transgender representation at the KYF'2023 alongside the administrative support of the KAAC and the Social Welfare Department.

Key Learnings

- Understood the various aspects of a project proposal preparation and budgetary allocation.
- Prepare reports/case studies on the skilling ecosystem and communicate the insights of these reports to relevant stakeholders.
- Learnt about the intricacies present in the bureaucracy and thereby cultivated patience to work though real time challenges with probity.
- Communication and negotiation skills with various stakeholders while engaging as an MGN Fellow.

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Key Areas of Interest

- Research and Analysis
- State, Governance and Sustainable Development
- Policy Evaluation and implementation
- Advocating Social Justice

Soft Skills

- Observation
- Decision making
- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Leadership

Education Background

B. Tech in Electronics and Communication Enginneering

Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology

Completed in 2014

A STORY OF TRANSFORMATION



Dharitri Borgohain (West Karbi Anglong) (Assam)

TRANSGENDER INCLUSIVITY FOUNDATION (TGIF)

- SHG formation for the Transgender community people for their dignified and sustainable livelihood.
- Transgender Individuals.
- Formed on 01/08/2023.
- District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW), Sakhi One Stop Centre, MGNF West Karbi Anglong.
- Formed at Diphu Railway Colony, Ward No. 1, Diphu.

Impact

- The formation of this SHG will help the Transgender Individuals with more confidence and acceptability of who they are.
- They can come out of their remote shells and start living their identified genders.
- This SHG will enable their lives towards a dignified and a sustainable living, through self-independence (earning).
- This SHG aims to ensure their monthly income, apart from 'badhai' earnings.

Way Forward

- Monthly activities of the group to be monitored by the District Social Welfare Office.
- Compulsory attendance of all the SHG members in its monthly meetings.
- The group could focus on providing emotional support, skill development and advocacy for transgender rights.
- Workshops, counselling and collaborations with local organizations can help empower and uplift the members.
- Building a strong network and raising awareness about transgender issues could also be part of their way forward.