

Different Projects of Kudumbashree –Visit

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Self Help Group

I went to Puthur Panchayat for visiting Self Help Group. The group is made up of 12 active members. Group name is Akshaya. The main income of the group members is farming, mainly plantain and vegetables. The Akshaya Self Help Group is started from the same year of Kudumbashree has established- 1998. At first there were 20 members but now it is 12 members. Some members are died and some are moved out from the area because of marriage. The CDS Chairperson is Smt.Omana Jhony. Their weekly meeting is on every Sundays. Their savings of one week is 30 rupees. This year they have got 12 lakhs rupees loan. The members are active participants of 'Onachanda'.

There are two JLG under this SHG. One is Panchami and other is Nattupacha. The main cultivation is vegetables like pumpkin, long beans, ladies finger and bitter gourd. The main issue they have faced is marketing of their products. The demand of the product is very less and most of their products are being unused and they haven't got any benefit from the farming.

They have submitted one proposal for fish-farming, it is under process. There is no Micro Enterprises Unit under this SHG.



(SHG Meeting- Mannamangalam)

CDS

I have visited vettukad CDS office in Puthur Panchayat. The name of the CDS chairperson is Smt.Omana Jhony. There are 307 SHG's registered in Puthur panchayat. Out of this 5 are ST SHG's. CDS is the main part of every SHG. Through CDS only, every projects of Kudumbashree has implemented.

Micro Enterprises Unit

A group of members under an SHG group is act as a main role of every Micro Enterprises Unit.

I have visited 2 ME unit, One is in Pananchery Panchayat and one is in Puthur Panchayat.

In Pananchery Panchayat, I have visited one organic farming products marketing unit. They also sell saplings of vegetables. They have started this 'Haritha' ME unit only six months back. They couldn't get any profit from the unit, so they are planning to expand their unit with some more products.

The other ME Unit is 'Rani Honey in Marottichaal. An active member of 6 people is working hard under this beekeeping unit. The main woman is Ms. Sujatha, who got best farmer award once. Rani Honey is the only one apiculture ME Unit in Thrissur. Beekeeping helps to increase agriculture productivity through pollination. Honey bees also produce honey,beewax and royal jelly. So they get additional income to the farmer. In their unit, they sell only honey. The productivity is less but the market of the honey is high, thus they plan to expand their unit in a larger scale. They have only 10 honeybee traps.



(Rani Honey ME Unit)



JLG

I have visited one JLG in Puthur Panchayat. The name of the JLG is 'Jaikisan'. There are 4 members are including this group and Ms. Sathi is the main person who has 4 acres land as their own. They are cultivating seasonal vegetables like bittergourd, long beans, pumpkin. As an experiment, this year they have planted corn. The main issue they have faced is marketing of their products. They sell their one by third of the products in 'Nattuchantha' once in a week. If they get good marketing, they will get high benefits



(Jai Kisan JLG- Puthur Panchayat)

Asraya Beneficiary.

I have visited one asraya shelter home in Puthur panchayat. The name of the beneficiary is kuttappan, pottayil. They are in need of food, medicines, cloth and home. He lives in ward no.14. House number is XIV-50. Only two persons are living in this Asraya home. Their home is not yet completed fully. Toilet work is still pending. They are waiting for the next phase of fund. Kuttappan, the house owner is a blind person and he is partially paralyzed. He is not at all able to do any daily works. He is moving with one person's help.