

Summary of the Completion Report

**Literacy Classes
And
Income Generating Skills Development (Tailoring) Training
Conducted for the Women
in
Devpura Rupaitha Village Development Committee,
Dhanusha District, Nepal.**

Conducted by

**Women Development Services Center
Janakpur
Dhanusha**

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by**

**Living Earth Institute
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Procedure followed during the Program Implementation.

The WDSC followed the following procedure while implementing the LEI supported programs of Women's Literary Classes and the Tailoring Training Classes.

Selection of the Candidates:

1. A general meeting of the men, women, youths and the intellectuals was organized in the Devpura Rupaitha VDC. This gathering formed a Project Management Committee (PMC) of nine members, and Mrs. Nirmala Misra was elected as its chairperson. The main functions of this committee were:
 - To supervise and monitor the programs conducted in their wards.
 - To identify the problems in the wards and to resolve them.
 - To request the WDSC for necessary support, if necessary.
2. With the help of the PMC, two separate meetings of the women in ward nos. 8 and 9 were held. In these meetings, 40 illiterate women were identified for the literacy classes (Annex 1). Similarly, a VDC level meeting also identified another 20 women (Annex 2) who were able to read, write and do simple arithmetic, from the nine wards of the VDC.

Recruitment of the Instructors:

3. A public notice for recruiting two instructors (women having passed the class 10 examination) from ward no. 8 and 9 were posted in the VDC. Mrs. Chandra Kala Bhandari from ward no. 8 and Mrs. Asha Thakur from ward no. 9 were recruited. Similarly, a women instructor, Mrs. Meena Thakur from Ghodghas VDC, ward no. 3 was selected as the instructor for the Tailoring Training.

Teachers' Training:

4. The WDSC organized a nine day Teachers' Training for the two literacy class teachers from 058/9/2 to 058/9/9.
5. A refreshers' training for the instructors were conducted for three days from 058/12/5 to 058/12/7.

The Classes:

6. The Literacy Classes began on 058/9/15 for a period of six months and was completed on 059/3/3.
7. The Tailoring Training Class began from 058/10/15 and lasted till 058/4/4.

Lessons Learnt by the Trainees:

8. **Literacy Classes:** The participating women learned, in the course of the six month period, to (i) read and write in Nepali alphabets and the numeral, and (ii) do simple arithmetic like addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
9. Tailoring Training: The Trainees learned to cut and sew 35 different types of garments for children and women, e.g. (i) vests, underwears, 'Bhoto', shirt, pants, 'salawar', jumper, cap, baby frock, 'kurta', pajama, for children, and (ii) blouse, half-sleeved and full-sleeved, 'chaubandi cholo' frock, 'kurta salawar', maxi etc.

Concluding Ceremony

A Concluding ceremony for distribution of certificate to the trainees of the Tailoring Training was organized in the VDC office compound at Devpura Rupaitha. The PMC Chairperson, Mrs. Nirmala Misra, chaired the function and Mrs. Meera Kansakar was the chief guest representing the Living Earth Institute. The function was also graced by Mr. Yogendra Sah, the immediate past VDC Chairman, and Mr. Indra Kanta Misra, the VDC Secretary. Speaking on the occasion, the PMC chairperson Mrs. Nirmala Misra highlighted on the benefits of this training to the trainees and to the upliftment status of women in this VDC. Similarly, Mr. Sah, the VDC Chairman thanked the LEI and the WDSC and asked the trainees to make the best use of the skills they have developed during the training.

Annex 1

Women Literacy Class I Ward no. 8	Women Literacy Class II Ward no. 9
<u>Instructor:</u> Mrs. Chandra Kala Bhandari Ward no. 8, Devpura Rapaitha VDC	<u>Instructor:</u> Mrs. Asha Thakur Ward no. 9, Devpura Rapaitha VDC
<u>Women Participants</u> 1. Mrs. Asha Devi Bhandari 2. Mrs. Sanyogika Bhandari 3. Mrs. Nidha Bhandari 4. Mrs. Jamuna Bhandari 5. Mrs. Raj Kumari Devi 6. Mrs. Sunaina Bhandari 7. Mrs. Rita Devi Bhandari 8. Mrs. Pinki Bhandari 9. Mrs. Soshila Bhandari 10. Mrs. Ekabari Devi Mahato 11. Mrs. Bina Devi <u>Bhandari</u> 12. Mrs. Tetari Devi <u>Bhandari</u> 13. Mrs. Kushmi Devi Bhandari 14. Mrs. Ram Dulari Bhandari 15. Mrs. Somani Devi <u>Bhandari</u> 16. Mrs. Sudha Devi Bhandari 17. Mrs. Rajwati Devi 18. Mrs. Shanti Devi Bhandari 19. Mrs. Manju Mahato 20. Mrs. Munnii Pundit	<u>Women Participants</u> 1. Mrs. Indu Devi 2. Mrs. Radhika Kumari 3. Mrs. Devaki Kumari 4. Mrs. Kalawati Kumari 5. Mrs. Shreewati Devi 6. Mrs. Radhe Devi 7. Mrs. Ramjhari Devi 8. Mrs. Sumena Devi 9. Mrs. Geeta Devi 10. Mrs. Tetari Devi 11. Mrs. Meera Devi 12. Mrs. Ram Dulari Devi 13. Mrs. Lalita Devi 14. Mrs. Tetari Devi 15. Mrs. Suryakala Devi 16. Mrs. Rina Kumari 17. Mrs. Indra Kumari 18. Mrs. Sumaina Devi 19. Mrs. Kurela Devi 20. Phul Kumari Devi

Annex 2

Tailoring Training Class Devpura Rupaitha VDC
<u>Instructor:</u> Mrs. Meena Thakur Ghodghas VDC, ward no. 3
Women Participants
1. Mrs. Sudhira Devi Jha
2. Mrs. Sandhya Kumari Jha
3. Mrs. Sujita Kumari Jha
4. Mrs. Kiran Devi Sah
5. Mrs. Kari Devi Mahara
6. Mrs. Rita Devi Jha
7. Mrs. Jyoti Kumari Jha
8. Mrs. Kabita Devi Jha
9. Mrs. Raj Kumari Mahara
10. Mrs. Sanju Devi
11. Mrs. Nirja Devi Jha
12. Mrs. Sunaina Devi Mahara
13. Mrs. Chanda Devi Jha
14. Mrs. Renu Devi Jha
15. Mrs. Shivawati Devi Mahara
16. Mrs. Punita Devi Mahara
17. Hira Devi Jha
18. Mrs. Lalita Devi Jha
19. Mrs. Kamda Jha
20. Mrs. Nabina Khatun