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Director's Message

Women empowerment is a vital pillar for sustainable social and economic development. When women are given access to skills, health care, and opportunities for self-reliance, they not only improve their own lives but also uplift their families and communities. Training programs in food processing, soap and phenol making, along with free medical camps, play a significant role in empowering women by enhancing their skills, income potential, and overall well-being.

Training in food processing equips women with practical knowledge to convert locally available agricultural produce into value-added products such as pickles, jams, spices, snacks, and preserved foods. These skills enable women to start small home-based enterprises or cooperatives with minimal investment. Through such training, women gain confidence, learn basic entrepreneurship, and achieve financial independence. Income generated from food processing activities helps improve household nutrition, children's education, and overall quality of life.

Similarly, soap and phenol making training provides women with technical and business skills to manufacture essential household and sanitation products. These products are always in demand, making them a reliable source of income. Women trained in this area can establish small-scale units, supply local markets, schools, and institutions, or work in self-help groups. This not only promotes economic independence but also encourages hygiene and cleanliness within the community, contributing to better public health.

FASCE India too is known for its service to the underprivileged school children in the region. Various activities are being organized incessantly to enhance their skills and to strengthen their social life. A child right week was observed by children of supplementary centre at Narengi to educate them of their rights and duties subsequently to empower them as well.



As we bring out this News Letter of the last quarter of the year 2025, I am glad to appreciate your cooperation and support in our effort to educate the young generation of our region and to empower the weaker and marginalized section of the society. Wishing you all a joyous Christmas and prosperous new year ahead.

Fr Antony Kattathara MSFS
DIRECTOR, FASCE INDIA

EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN

Training on Food Processing

Ghaguwa: A one-day training program on Food Processing was conducted at Ghaguwa on Dec 3rd 2025, facilitated by resource person Mrs. Minakshi Goswami, DST Resource Person in RSETI, Assam, and Meghalaya. The training was attended by 55 women from Self-Help Groups (SHGs).



The program aimed to equip participants with skills and knowledge on food processing techniques, highlighting its potential for income generation and entrepreneurship. The training covered various aspects of food processing, including food safety, preservation methods, and value addition. The participants engaged actively in the training, sharing their experiences and learning from the resource person. The training will empower the SHG women to start their own food processing ventures, enhancing their livelihoods and contributing to the local economy.

Ekrabari: A training program on Food Processing was successfully conducted at Ekrabari on December 10, 2025, led by a well known trainer Minakshi Goswami. The event saw participation from 83 women members of Self-Help Groups (SHGs). The training covered practical aspects of food processing, focusing on techniques for preservation, value addition, and ensuring food safety. Participants were enthusiastic about exploring income-generating opportunities through food processing entrepreneurship. The program empowered the SHG women with skills to initiate food processing ventures, aiming to boost their livelihoods and contribute to the community's economic growth.





Training on Soap Making and Phenol

A training session on Soap Making and Phenol Production was conducted at Hatishila on December 04, 2025 facilitated by resource person Rita Malakar. The program saw active participation from 73 members of Self-Help Groups (SHGs). The training covered hands-on techniques for soap making and phenol production, emphasizing quality control and market potential. Participants showed keen interest in exploring entrepreneurship opportunities in these areas. The program aimed to equip SHG members with skills to start small-scale soap making and phenol production units, enhancing their income and livelihood prospects.



PROMOTION OF HEALTH

Free Medical Camp

Forestgate, Hajong Basti: A free medical camp was organised at Forestgate, Hajong Basti on November 30, 2025, benefiting 139 individuals from the community. The medical team comprised 2 doctors, 2 nurses, 4 MSW interns, and volunteers from FAsCE.

The camp provided essential healthcare services, including general check-ups, consultations, and basic medications. The team addressed health concerns and offered guidance on preventive care, receiving positive feedback from participants. The event highlighted the importance of accessible healthcare in underserved communities, with plans to organise more such initiatives.



Dakshin Sarania L.P. School: A free medical camp was conducted at Dakshin Sarania L.P. School on December 12, 2025, benefiting 65 students. A team consisting of 1 doctor, 1 nurse, and 4 volunteers provided healthcare services, focusing on early detection and prevention of health issues. The camp included general check-ups, health screenings, and distribution of medications. The children received valuable guidance on maintaining good hygiene, balanced nutrition, and healthy habits, empowering them to prioritise their well-being. The event underscored the importance of regular health check-ups in schools, aiming to create a supportive environment for students to thrive.



MAJOR NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL DAYS

World Mental Health Day

World Mental Health Day was observed at FASCE Supplementary Education Centre, Narengi, on October 10, 2025, for school children. The event was led by Fr. Nibin James, Associate Director, FASCE India, addressing 102 students.



The interactive session focused on promoting emotional well-being, stress management, and building resilience among children. Fr. James shared simple yet effective coping strategies, encouraging students to express their feelings and emotions. Assisted by 4 MSW interns from Assam Don Bosco University, the event created a supportive environment for children to understand and prioritise mental health. The observation aimed to sow seeds of mental health awareness, empowering students to navigate life's challenges with confidence and emotional intelligence.



Global Handwashing Day

Global Handwashing Day was observed at FAsCE Supplementary Education Centre on October 15, 2025, with 95 participants. The event was led by Resource Person Simran Sulanki, highlighting the importance of hand hygiene in preventing diseases.



The interactive session included demonstrations and practical exercises on proper handwashing techniques, emphasizing its role in maintaining health and well-being. Participants enthusiastically pledged to adopt regular handwashing habits, promoting a healthier community. The observation aimed to instill good hygiene practices, empowering individuals to protect themselves and others from illnesses.

Diwali Stall

A Diwali Stall was organised at FAsCE Supplementary Education Centre, Narengi, on October 18, 2025. The children showcased and sold products made by them, including handmade crafts, decorations, and sweets. The event saw enthusiastic participation from parents, who appreciated the creativity and effort put in by the children.

The stall provided a platform for kids to develop entrepreneurial skills, build confidence, and connect with the community. The initiative promoted creativity, teamwork, and financial literacy among the children, making it a fun and learning experience.



Children's Day

Narengi: Children's Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm across FAsCE Supplementary Education Centres, including Gobardhan, Hatishila, Amsing Jorabat, Narengi, and Swaliluka. The celebrations included cultural programs, art competitions, sports activities, and special assemblies, highlighting the importance of childhood and paying tribute to Jawaharlal Nehru. Students showcased their talents through dance, skits, and songs, while also participating in sports events and art competitions that encouraged creativity and teamwork. The events promoted a sense of community, cultural values, and created memorable experiences for the children, emphasizing Nehru's love for children and his vision for India's future.



Chapar: A grand Children's Day celebration was held at Chapar on November 14, 2025, bringing together over 500 children from various FAsCE Supplementary Education centres. The event was a vibrant showcase of talent, featuring cultural performances, sports activities, and fun-filled games. The celebrations aimed to create a memorable experience for the children, promoting unity, creativity, and joy, while highlighting the importance of childhood and paying tribute to Jawaharlal Nehru's vision for India's future. The children enjoyed a range of activities, including dance and music performances, sports events, and educational competitions, making it a day filled with laughter, learning, and cherished memories.



Child Rights Week

Child Rights Week was observed at FASCE Supplementary Education Centre, Narengi, from November 14-20, 2025, with over 150 children participating in a range of activities and events. The week-long program aimed to educate children about their rights and responsibilities, promoting awareness and empowerment.

The activities included interactive sessions on the Right to Education, Right to Health, and Protection from Abuse, as well as workshops on Life Skills and Personality Development. The children also participated in art competitions, essay writing, and debates, showcasing their creativity and understanding of child rights.



The program aimed to create a safe and supportive environment for children to express themselves and understand their rights, as enshrined in the Convention on the Rights of the Child. The event concluded with a pledge to promote and protect child rights, and to work towards creating a more just and equitable society for all children.

World AIDS Day

A public awareness program on World AIDS Day was conducted by MSW interns from TISS at Panikhaiti on December 1, 2025. The event aimed to educate the community about HIV/AIDS, its prevention, and the importance of awareness.

The interns organized a spot-based event, which drew a significant crowd from the local community. The program included interactive sessions, discussions, and awareness materials distribution.



The community members appreciated the efforts of the students in addressing a critical public health issue affecting the area. The event helped raise awareness about HIV/AIDS, reducing stigma and promoting a culture of understanding and support for those affected by the disease.

FasCE Pre-Christmas Celebration

FASCE recently organized a Pre-Christmas Celebration in villages Swaliluka, Ekbari, Chandrapur, Hatishila, and Narengi bringing together community members and spreading joy. The event aimed to foster a sense of community bonding, peace, and love, characteristic of the festive season. The objectives were to connect with community people, promoting togetherness, develop social cohesion, and share the love and spirit of Christmas.

The celebrations featured cultural programs, including dances, songs, and games for children, fostering community bonding, peace, and love. Christmas gifts and food were distributed, and interactive sessions promoted community engagement. The event strengthened community relationships, encouraged community members, and spread joy, reflecting the true spirit of Christmas.



The celebration was a success, thanks to the support and participation of community members, and will have a lasting impact, fostering a sense of community and togetherness in the villages.

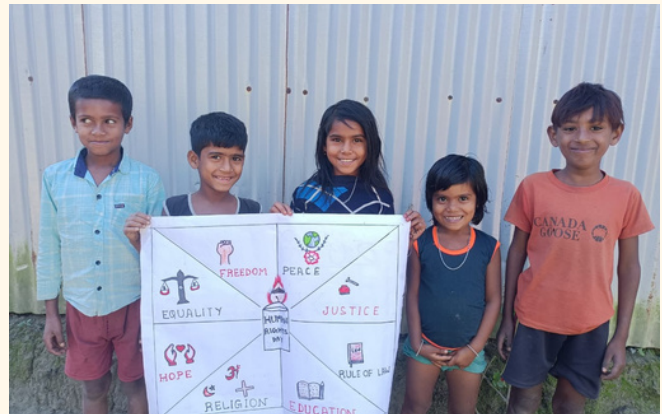
Human Rights Day

Narengi: Human Rights Day was celebrated at Chapar and Narengi on December 10, 2025, commemorating the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) by the United Nations General Assembly in 1948. The event aimed to promote awareness and protection of human rights, emphasizing equality, justice, and dignity for all.

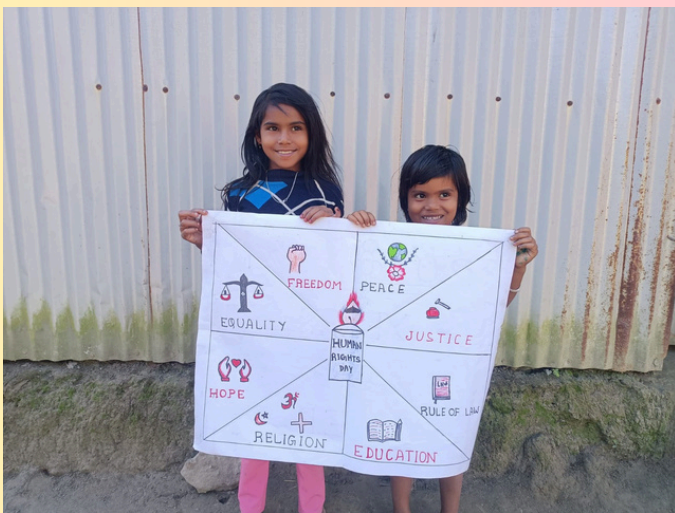


Various activities, including discussions, workshops, and interactive sessions, were conducted to engage participants and highlight human rights issues. The theme for Human Rights Day 2025 was "Human Rights, Our Everyday Essentials", focusing on the role of human rights in daily life and human dignity. The celebrations underscored the importance of human rights and the collective responsibility to uphold these rights, ensuring a more just and equitable society.

Chapar: Human Rights Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at our FAsCE Supplementary Education Centre, Chapar, on December 10, 2025. The event brought together 150 students from various supplementary centres, along with their parents, to mark the occasion. The programme aimed to raise awareness about the significance of basic human rights, which are inherent to every individual from birth.



A range of competitions, including painting, quiz, and essay writing, were organized to engage children and educate them about human rights. The students also showcased their talents through vibrant cultural performances, adding to the festive atmosphere. The special guest, Mr. Wahid Hussain shed light on the often-overlooked aspects of basic rights, emphasizing how they are essential for individuals to function meaningfully in society. He encouraged students and participants to educate themselves about their rights, empowering them to live fulfilling lives as human beings. The event served as a valuable platform for promoting awareness and inspiring action towards a more just and equitable society.



Awareness program on Women Rights, Sanitation, and Education

The MSW Interns from TISS Guwahati organized awareness programs on Women Rights, Sanitation, and Education in rural villages, focusing on empowering women and promoting community development. The programs were conducted in Hatishila, Hajon Bosti, and Amsing Jorabat on November 25, 26, and 27, 2025, respectively.

The events focused on educating villagers about women's rights, promoting sanitation practices, and highlighting education's importance. Interactive sessions and discussions engaged participants, empowering them with knowledge to improve their lives. The programs covered key topics, including women's rights and empowerment, sanitation and hygiene practices, and education's role in personal and community development. The awareness programs fostered community engagement, inspiring positive change and development in the villages. The MSW Interns from TISS Guwahati effectively facilitated the discussions, ensuring consistent messaging and impact across the villages. The programs were well-received, with participants showing enthusiasm and interest in the topics discussed.



Village Organisation (VO) Meeting

A Village Organisation (VO) meeting was held at Panikhaiti on November 14, 2025, under the Assam State Rural Livelihood Mission program. The meeting saw participation from 10 Self-Help Groups (SHGs), coming together to discuss and promote rural livelihood initiatives.

Key highlights of the meeting included discussions on group savings, income generation activities, and social issues affecting the community. The participants shared experiences, best practices, and challenges, fostering a sense of solidarity and cooperation. The meeting aimed to strengthen the SHGs, enhance their capacities, and promote sustainable livelihoods in the rural areas. The Assam State Rural Livelihood Mission program focuses on empowering rural communities, particularly women, through SHGs and promoting economic growth. The VO meeting at Panikhaiti was a step towards achieving these objectives, empowering the SHGs to take up income-generating activities and improve their socio-economic status.



Bed Sheet Distribution

On December 6, 2025, FAsCE India organized a bed sheet distribution event in Swaliluka village, led by Programme Coordinator Chaya Kalita, along with FAsCE staff and volunteers. 69 bed sheets were distributed to villagers, providing warmth during the winter season. The event supported vulnerable community members, reflecting the community's care and solidarity. FAsCE India's initiative brought joy to the recipients, demonstrating their commitment to community support.



Distribution of Blankets – Amarpur

On December 29, 2025, FAsCE India undertook a heartwarming initiative by distributing 100 blankets to families struggling in Amarpur. This timely intervention brought much-needed relief to individuals facing the harsh winter, many of whom belong to economically weaker sections of society.



The blankets were handed out to residents of Amarpur, providing them with a layer of warmth and comfort during the chilly winter months. The distribution was facilitated by Fr. Lijeesh Mathew, reflecting the collaborative spirit of the effort. FASCE India's initiative aimed to alleviate the difficulties faced by these families, who often grapple with limited resources and tough living conditions. The effort underscores FASCE India's commitment to supporting vulnerable communities and addressing their basic needs.

Distribution of Computers

FASCE India recently donated 10 computers to St. Francis De Sales School, Lengpui, Mizoram, aiming to bridge the technology gap for underprivileged students. This initiative seeks to equip less fortunate children with basic tech knowledge, opening doors to a world of opportunities. Computers will play a pivotal role in enhancing their learning experience, enabling them to acquire essential digital skills that are crucial in today's tech-driven era.



The donation will support the school's efforts to foster a more interactive and engaging learning environment, benefiting the students' overall growth and development. FASCE India's contribution underscores its commitment to supporting education and uplifting disadvantaged communities.



"Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much" (Helen Keller)



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