OPINION

We are blessed to have HRDP Sikkim Citizens Foundation supported by HDFC PARIVARTAN working hard in our villages. The installation of solar lights in our villages has enlightened the entire GPU. I have myself been a member of Tailoring Unit Producer Group as a beneficiary of vocational skills and have been selected as electoral representative. The effort of team Citizens Foundation in Sikkim for the development of community is commendable. Wishing them all the best.

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FROM THE SECRETARY’S DESK

It brings me immense pleasure to share that Citizens Foundation will be completing 26 successful years of its services to the society this month. Our endeavors have furthered to an enhanced comprehensive interventions as signatories of Sustainable Development Goals set by the United Nations to attain a dream of a completely sustainable society by 2030. We look forward to abounding partnerships in succession of our endeavors. I also take an opportunity to dedicate this milestone to the invaluable contributions made by people associated with the organization. They will forever be an asset for the organization.

Mr. Ganesh Reddy
Secretary Cum CEO
New Year Brings New Opportunities

CITIZENS FOUNDATION PARTNERED CII NATIONAL CSR SUMMIT

Citizens Foundation is proud to be part of the 17th edition of CII National CSR Summit ‘Future of CSR - The Enablers’, organized on 23rd January 2023. Citizens Foundation was one of the co-sponsors for the event. Mr. Ganesh Reddy, CEO Citizens Foundation attended the Summit and met several delegates. The summit brought together companies, CSR Foundations, Government Agencies, Nonprofits, Social Businesses, and Advisory Firms to network, collaborate and deliberate on the enablers that will help scale-up initiatives in the development sector.

MDoNER JOINING HANDS WITH CITIZENS FOUNDATION

Mr. Alok Ranjan, Sr IAS, Secretary and Mrs. Anuradha S. Chagti, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) and Deloitte representative had a meeting with Mr. Ganesh Reddy, CEO, Citizens Foundation, at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi to join hands for their flagship program SAMBHAV. Under this umbrella program a special project UTKARSH is proposed for the development of 75 villages in saturation mode in the North East region.

MoUs SIGNED WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF JHARKHAND

Citizens Foundation Joined Hands with Dept. of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry & Cooperative, Govt. of Jharkhand to Implement & Manage "Krishak Pathshala and Birsa Gram under Samekit Birsa Gram Vikas Yojna Sah Krishak Pathshala in Jharkhand"

MoUs SIGNED WITH LIC HFL

Citizens Foundation signed MoU with LIC Housing Finance Limited for implementation of CSR program, HRIDAY, “Holistic Rural Initiative for Development Action & Yield” in Hailakhandi district, Assam.
TEAM HRDP SIKKIM CROSS LEARNING VISIT TO ASSAM

Citizens Foundation HRDP Sikkim team visited HRDP Assam project area for cross learning, where both the teams engaged in fruitful conversation on documentation process, field work and implementation. The cross learning helped them to identify their potentials, improving efficiency of staff, and helped in collaboration through problem solving.

HANDING OVER THE RENOVATED SCHOOL TO THE COMMUNITY

Citizens Foundation handed over the Baranghati Senior Basic School renovated by HRDP Assam with support of HDFC Bank Parivartan to the community. District Officials & the Headmaster felicitated & appreciated the efforts in renovating the school, as it facilitates a better and cleaner learning environment for the students and promotion of digital learning through digital classrooms in the school.

INITIATING NEW CHAPTERS IN HEALTHCARE

On 20th January Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) to be operated by Citizens Foundation supported by Adani Foundation was inaugurated by Chief Guest, Mr. Dharmendra Dubey, General Manager, in presence of DGM & CO, Adani Group, Barkagaon, Hazaribagh & MOIC Barkagaon. The MMU will outreach 25,000 people at nearby villages with health services.
CASE STUDY

IMPACT STORY ON MARKET OF BARANGHATI VILLAGE

The weekly market of Baranghati village was established in the 1950s according to the Market Committee president Mr. Bhabendra Deka. The market holds a special sentiment for the people of the village. The market is visited not only by people from Baranghati village but also from other nearby villages. The market opens on Monday and Friday every week and more than 20 vendors sell their goods including vegetables, fish, meat and other household items.

The market was not concrete and it was in ruins. During the monsoon season the vendors faced a lot of problems to sell their goods. The rain weakened the foundation of the stalls which made selling items difficult for the vendors. In the year 2021 the vendors decided to renovate the market area and build concrete sheds where vendors can sit inside to sell their goods in all seasons. Therefore, with the help of HDFC Parivartan they were able build the market shed of Baranghati village. Public toilet, a drinking water unit and a solar street light were also constructed to make the market shed complete with all the basic amenities.

Mr. Deka said, “The new market shed has given us a hope that we can continue this century old market for generations to come and I am very grateful to Citizens Foundation and HDFC Parivartan.”