

Establishment a Responsive Civil Society Through Animation & Empowerment in WB "UTTARON"

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CASE STORY

"SUCHONA" - The Beginning

A small village named "Arpara" situated at the side or 0 meters away from the "Chari Ganga" in Bikrampur Panchyat of Nakashipara Block under Nadia District. The economic condition of the area is very low. All the families belong to BPL category. The main source of income of the area is agriculture and daily labour. The rate of migration is very high. The main means of communication is boat or a weak bamboo pool. Every year the area get detached from main area due to flood.

I, Tapas Maitro live in this village. I passed BA , married and have two children boy of 5 years studying in class KG and a girl only 8 months old. I am the only earning member of the family but I am land less. I took 1 Bigha land lease from Shri. Samor Ghosh for 3 years. By using tradition methodology and chemical pesticides I could not get good result.

Often I see shri Dipak Mullacik of KCCSS conduct meetings with the farmers in our village. One day after coming back from the field saw that Shri Dipak Mullick & other KCCSS staff having a meeting with the local farmers. I went and joined the meeting. The meeting was about the Govt. schemes and benefits of farmers group like subsidized loans, Rs.60,000/- on purchasing of hand Tractor and Rs.1,20,000/- subsidy on purchasing of normal tractor and the reimbursement the cost of medication used for cultivation by submitting the bills through farmers groups etc. On that very day they were forming the farmer's group. After learning I was eager to be a member of that farmer's group but I had some doubts, because I heard that landless farmers are not eligible to be the member of farmer's group and KCC also. So I asked Shri Suman coordinator of KCCSS regarding the matter and learnt that land less farmers has to have written agreement copy of land lease by the owner to get the membership of the farmer's group and will be eligible to get all the benefits from the Govt. , provided to that group.

After one week again we gathered together in our village with required documents for the submission to form the group. We were 20 farmers. Shri. Tarun Kumar Das was selected as the secretary by the group members. Shri Tarun Kumar Das along with treasurer and president went with all the documents for the group registration.

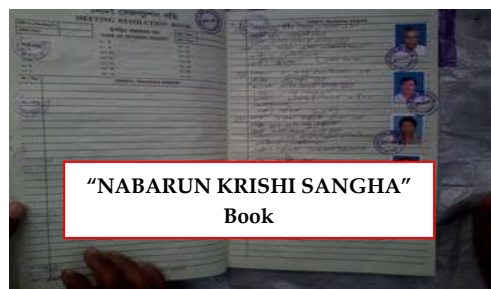
I was lucky to attend the meeting on that day, now I am one of the members of "NABARUN KRISHI SANGHA" and have KCC card. Our group received Rs.36,000/- out of Allotted Rs.72,000/- by the Govt. the balance amount will be given soon. The total amount Rs.72, 000/- is not refundable. I also attended three trainings by the Govt. on organic farming & substitute of poly farming. 03 member of our group got the loan of Rs20,000/- each. 10 members including me got the crop loss compensation from the Block.

After the training I cultivated onion in off season bought high quality 500 Gram onion seeds, the price of the seed was Rs.2700/- per kg. But through ADA got the seed Rs.1,000/- subsidy per kg. in first stage I sold Onion seedling of Rs.2,000/- and remaining planted in 10 Khatas, got 40 Mons of onion and sold the onion in wholesale market at Rs.22/- per kg. I earned profit of Rs.10,000/- . It would not happen if I would not be the member of the farmer's group.

Thank you is a small word because the information and knowledge we get from KCCSS and get benefited from so many ways. Dipak Da and KCCSS is always with us and want them with us.



"NABARUN KRISHI SANGHA"
Meeting



"NABARUN KRISHI SANGHA"
Book



Shri. Tapas Maitro



Farmer's Group Meeting