



**INDIGENOUS
PARTNERSHIP
FOR AGROBIODIVERSITY
AND FOOD SOVEREIGNTY**



NO ONE SHALL BE LEFT BEHIND INITIATIVE

Biodiversity for Food, Nutrition and Energy Security
for 3000 Households in Meghalaya and Nagaland, North East India

FEBRUARY 2021 UPDATES



SUMMARY

In February, NESFAS was honored with the 2021-IFAD Indigenous Peoples Award as the best Non-IFAD project at the 'IFAD Indigenous Peoples Awards Ceremony'. A film by NESFAS titled "Sacred Futures: The NESFAS Story" was also produced as a reflection of the organization's journey to date, was officially screened at the award ceremony itself.

To enhance the consumption and livelihood components, cooking demonstrations were facilitated by Chef Joel Basumatari from Nagaland focusing on food presentations, taste and flavours, and the use of locally available resources.

IFAD Indigenous Peoples Awards 2021



Best performing non-IFAD-funded project: Finalists

Africa
Safari Doctors
(Kenya)

Asia
North East
Slow Food and
Agrobiodiversity
Society
(India)

Latin America
and the Caribbean
Cabildo
Indígena de
Guambia
(Colombia)



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Rest in peace

Dr. A. K. NONGKYNRIH

"We at NESFAS are saddened at the untimely death of our Vice Chairman, Dr. Aurelius Kyrham Nongkynrih. We offer our deepest sympathies and condolences to his family members.

We will always remember Bah Kyrham for his love of our young people, our Mother Earth (Mei-Ramew) and for living his motto: "it is in giving that you receive.."

With love and prayers



On another sad note, NESFAS lost an eminent soul Dr. A.K Nongkynrih, who was also the acting Vice-Chairman. As a founding member, he played a crucial role in advocating the works and beliefs of NESFAS. He was a man of great intellect and vision who contributed abundantly to the cause of preserving traditional knowledge, the indigenous food systems and advocating the role of women participation.

SEEDS FAIR & EXCHANGE



Inter-village community seed fair cum seeds display & exposure visit at Nongtraw February 18, 2021; Photo by A. K Lyngdoh,, NESFAS



Seeds exchange between PGS & ALC groups at Nongwah February 16, 2021; Photo by NESFAS

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COMPOSTING



Vermi Composting unit at Belukri February 2, 2010; Photo by SSC

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Setting up of Biodiversity Garden at Marmain February 2, 2010; Photo by SSC



NUTRITION CAMPAIGN



Nutrition campaign for Mid-day Meal cooks at Nongwah February 12 , 2021; Photo by W. Majaw & A.K Lyngdoh NESFAS

1000 DAYS CAMPAIGN



Health check-up for children February 8, 2021; Photo by SURE

AGROBIODIVERSITY WALK



ABD Walk in Samingre February 25, 2021; Photo by NESFAS

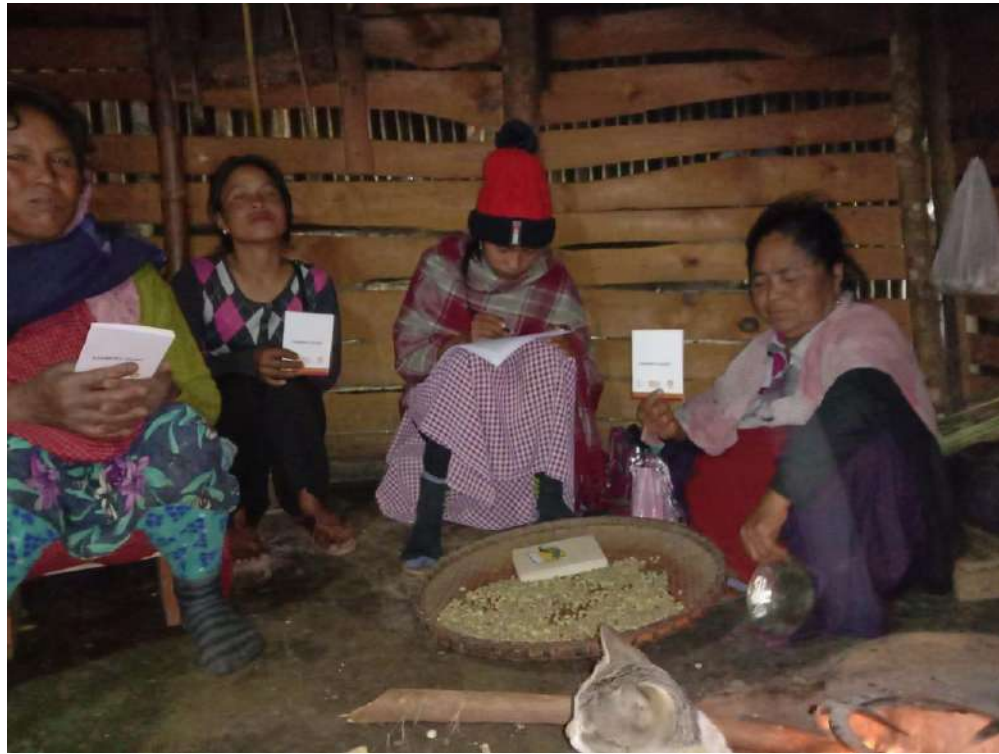
WASH CAMPAIGN



WASH Campaign at Nongkroh February 9, 2021; Photo by SURE

CONSUMPTION

FARM DIARIES



Distribution of Farm Diaries at Muphlang
February 10, 2021; Photo by SURE

BASIC BUSINESS MANAGEMENT TRAINING



Community Level basic business management workshop
at Mulum
February 19, 2021; Photo by SURE

MEI-RAMEW CAFE



Value chain evaluation of Mei-Ramew Cafe
February 2, 2021; Photo by SSC

MEI-RAMEW CAFE



Capacity building workshop for the Mei-Ramew Cafe Cooks at Khweng
February 8 -10, 2021; Photo by W. Majaw NESFAS



BEAUTIFICATION OF COMMUNITY HALLS



15 Community Halls design completed. The construction work for Plasha, Pahambir and Ronghilik community halls has started February 6, 2021
Photo by K. Wahlang, NESFAS

TRAINING ON NESFAS NUTRI APP

Trainings and data analysis: ongoing



Training community members to enter information on the app for monitoring the progress of Dietary Diversity Score.

1. [Success experiment: Khweng community member reaps new tomato variety](#)
2. [NESFAS “Leaves No One Behind” as its project wins recognition on a Global Platform](#)
3. [Communities showcase 50+ types of Indigenous seeds at an inter village seed fair](#)
4. [Remembering Dr. A.K Nongkynrih](#)



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