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Under the Financial Literacy Campaign (FLC), BAKDIL successfully conducted awareness programs across all 6 Centre for Financial Literacy (CFL) locations—Dadengre, Dalu, Baghmara, Betasing, Resubelpara, and Rongjeng. The sessions covered key topics including the Kisan Credit Card (KCC), Social Security Schemes, Cyber Crime Awareness, Sukanya Samridhi Yojana, Re-KYC/KYC, and the opening of Minor and Regular Savings Accounts. The programs witnessed active participation from men, women, and students, many of whom enrolled in the various financial schemes. These initiatives enabled eligible farmers to access timely and affordable agricultural credit through KCC, while social security scheme provided financial protection through insurance and pension benefits.

Participants also gained awareness of cyber fraud prevention, helping them protect themselves from online financial scams. The sessions on Sukanya Samridhi Yojana promoted long-term savings for the education and marriage of girl children, while Re-KYC/KYC awareness ensured uninterrupted banking services and minimized account-related issues.



Awareness on crop insurances (Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana) cum FLC program was conducted by CFL staff in collaboration with Union Bank, MCAB and Rongram Block Crop Insurance Company at Oragitok, Rongram Block, West Garo Hills. Awareness on PMFBY, KCC, Social security schemes and Opening of Saving Accounts for students and Adults are also discussed. Around 70 people have attended the program.

NRLM: Inauguration of Chidare Village Organization (VO) Office, Selsella Block, West Garo Hills.



The Chidare village Organisation (VO) Office at Abima Village Under Selsella Block, West Garo Hills, Was /inaugurated on 21/07/2026 with great enthusiasm. The Vo Office building was constructed through convergence of the NRLM and MNGREGA programmes, marking an important step towards strengthening community institutions and supporting rural development. The program was grace by Shri. Albinstone B. Marak, Hon'ble MLA, Selsella, as the Chief Guest, with Smt. Brithney Sangma, Junior Rural Development Officer, Selsella Block as the Guest of Honour.



The event was attended by BAKDIL NRLM staff, the Village Headman, members of the village Organisation (VO), Community Facilitators (CFL), and Self-Help Groups (SHGs). Their presence and participation reflected the collective commitment towards strengthening grassroots institutions, Empowering SHG members, and promoting sustainable Community-led development.

Micro Enterprise Development Programme (MEDP): Conducted a15-Day Training Program at BTC Baghmara, Exposure visits to Mendipathar.



The MEDP project has conducted a 15-Day Training Program on Scientific Mushroom Cultivation and Vermicomposting for 32 SHG members at Baghmara BAKDIL Training Centre, The Resource Person for Training, Ms. Bidanchi Marak from ATMA has successfully engaged for this training.



The SHG members learned both Theory and Practical on Mushroom Cultivation and Vermicomposting scientifically in order to upgrade their skills on these activities that will help their day-to-day livelihood. All the members were successfully completed the training.



An exposure visit to the Mendipathar Multipurpose Co-operative Society was conducted. Mr. Anoop warmly welcomed the participants and Sr. Rose conducted an informative session on mushroom cultivation and related livelihood opportunities. The visit provided valuable practical knowledge on scientific mushroom cultivation.

MSSDS



A Mobilization Program was conducted on **7th July 2026** at **Koksi Nengsat**, under **Songsak Block**, East Garo Hills. The program witnessed the participation of **108 attendees**, who were informed about the opportunities and benefits of the Skill Development Training programme and encouraged to enroll for skill-based training.



An Orientation Program on Skills Development Training was held on **8th July 2026** at **Godalgre Village**, under **Betasing Block**, South West Garo Hills District. The program was attended by Training Provider Partners (TPPs), Master Trainers, and Mobilizers.

The orientation was organized by **Madam Tesilchi C.H. Marak**, Skill Development Officer (SDO) to familiarize participants with the objectives and implementation of the Skill Development Training programme, while strengthening coordination among all stakeholders.

Rongram TDF: Main Crop Plantation Progress



On **14th & 15th July 2026**: An enumerator from NABARD conducted a two-day field visit to assess progress across the project area.

- Day 1: The team visited Urenggre villages under Rongram TDF.
- Day 2: The visit continued to Chibokgre, Gambarigre, Boldakgre Village, where farmers showcased their thriving plantations and shared their experiences.

Watershed Project:



On **2nd July 2026**, officials from **NABARD Regional Office**, along with the **District Development Manager (DDM)**, visited the **Sadolpara Watershed Project** to review the project's progress, interact with stakeholders, and assess the implementation of watershed development activities.

Intensified Malaria Elimination Project (IMEP-III)



A Health Mela was successfully organized on **22nd July 2026** at the **Kenegre School Playground**, under the **Kenegre Sub-Centre**, by the **BAKDIL IMEP-III team** in collaboration with **Chokpot CHC**. Over **100 participants** from four villages benefited from free health check-ups and health awareness sessions. The programme was **welcomed by Mr. Henry R. Marak of BAKDIL**, who delivered the welcome address. Awareness sessions covered topics including communicable diseases, mental health, elderly care, leprosy, immunization, malaria, tuberculosis, and the **Meghalaya Health Insurance Scheme (MHIS)**. A health quiz was also conducted, with prizes awarded to the top three winners.

Doctors, nurses, laboratory staff, an eye specialist, and other healthcare personnel provided on-the-spot health screening and consultation services, making the event a great success.

Livelihood Programme for Farmers (LPF)-Manos Unidas



A Resource Person conducted a training programme for beneficiaries under the **MANOS Project** on the cultivation of **Rambutan** and **Vietnam Jackfruit** across **Samanda, Jengjal, Rabhagre, Bajengdoba, Sesella, Dalu, Dumnikura, Rongara, Baghmara, and Siju Parishes**.

During the training, farmers learned improved cultivation practices, including site selection, land preparation, planting techniques, spacing, nutrient management, irrigation, pest and disease control, and proper orchard maintenance to ensure healthy crop growth and higher productivity.

Following the training, saplings of Rambutan and Vietnam Jackfruit were distributed to beneficiaries, with **25 beneficiaries from each parish** receiving the planting materials. The initiative aims to enhance farmers' knowledge and skills, diversify agricultural production, improve household income through high-value fruit cultivation, and promote sustainable livelihood opportunities in the region.



ECDM



During July 2026, a series of awareness programmes were conducted by BAKDIL Facilitators across different villages and parishes focusing on maternal and child health, brain development, and adolescent well-being. On **18/07/2026**, an awareness programme on the **First 1000 Days, brain development, and birth spacing** was conducted at **Minabazar**, attended by **40 participants**. On the same day, another awareness session on **brain development and the 10 Best Practices** was held at **Bolchugre AWC**, with **19 participants**. On **23/07/2026**, an awareness programme was conducted at **Meguagre Sommonpara Parish** on **teenage pregnancy, early marriage, and brain development**, attended by **28 youths**. On **24/07/2026**, an awareness programme was organized at **Akelgre, Dawagre Parish** on the **First Foundation, the First 1000 Days, and**

birth spacing, with 25 participants. On **27/07/2026**, an awareness programme was conducted at **Ganchi Rondegre Village under Deku Parish** on **brain wiring, brain development, foundation, breastfeeding, high-risk mothers, and birth spacing**, attended by **20 participants**. Another awareness programme was conducted at **Nengru** after the **Village Health and Nutrition Day (VHND)** covering **foundation, brain development, breastfeeding, high-risk mothers, the importance of vaccination, institutional delivery, and birth spacing, with 20 participants**. These programmes collectively helped raise awareness among community members and youths on key issues related to maternal, newborn, and child health, as well as early childhood development.

SIDBI Project:

Mobilization program was conducted in Zikzak Bakdil Training centre, South West Garo Hills. A total of 22 members attended the program.





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Established in 1987, BAKDIL is a registered non-governmental organization headquartered in Tura, West Garo Hills, Meghalaya. Dedicated to the sustainable development of indigenous communities, BAKDIL works across 22 blocks, reaching nearly 20,000 farmers and their families. Our initiatives span health, education, agriculture, women empowerment, disaster response, micro-finance, entrepreneurship, and skill development. With a committed team on the ground and in the office, we deliver holistic, community-driven support to the most marginalized populations.

MOTTO:

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Ongoing BAKDIL Projects

- Integrated Tribal Development Program **(ITDP - IV & V)**
- Micro Entrepreneurship Development Program **(MEDP)**
- Springshed based Watershed Development Program
- Micro Enterprises Promotion Program **(MEPP)**
- National Rural Livelihoods Mission **(NRLM)**
- Management of 5 Government AAM Primary health Centers **(PHC)**
- Social Welfare Department, South West Garo Hills (Short term Trainings)
- Livelihood Programme for Farmers **(Manos Unidas)**
- Intensified Malaria Elimination Project **(IMEP-III)**
- Meghalaya Early Childhood Development Mission **(MECDM)**
- **Dairy Farm** at Mebon Rongsep
- Financial Literacy **(FLC)**
- Meghalaya State Skill Development Society **(MSSDS)**
- **FARM-IV**

Training Centres of BAKDIL

- BAKDIL Training Center, Walbakgre
- BAKDIL Training Center, Baghmara
- BAKDIL Training Center, Dadenggre
- Spark Hills, Songsak
- BAKDIL Training Center, Zikzak.
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