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Handing over of Cheque for Arabina Chakma and Parul Chakma Memorial Scholarship by Mr. Arabinda Chakma

Documentary on Moanoghar and Rangapani Village Wins International Award

A documentary, titled “Our village Rangapani” has won two awards in the United for Peace Film Festival in Japan in last September. The two awards are; Arukikate Prize (Chiku No Arukikate is a famous travel book in Japan) and JOCV (Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers) 50th Anniversary Award.

The documentary is released on the JICA/JoCV homepage in 195 countries of the world where JICA (Japan Overseas Cooperation Agency) has office.

The documentary is shot by Ms. **Natsumi HARADA** who is currently staying as volunteer in Moanoghar. It can be seen at; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B1xiN2zYmjE&feature=youtu.be>.

Moanoghar Arabinda Chakma and Parul Chakma Memorial Scholarship Launched

The Moanoghar Arabinda Chakma and Parul Chakma Memorial Scholarship was formally launched on 26 July 2015 through an official ceremony at Moanoghar, in presence of Mr. Arabina Chakma and his extended family including his eldest son Manas Mukur Chakma. The other endower of the scholarship Ms. Parul Chakma, wife of Arabinda Chakma could not attend due to illness.

The endowments donated by both will be kept in separate bank fixed deposit accounts and the interests will be disbursed to the deserving students every year. The scholarship will be awarded to a student from CHT indigenous minorities for subjects in the field of Engineering & Technology.

Mr. Arabinda Chakma is known across the Chittagong Hill Tracts for his philanthropy and support for education. He is also one of the first entrepreneurs from the indigenous minorities in the region.

The scholarship will be administered as part of Moanoghar’s Higher Education Loan Programme. Currently, Moanoghar supports 80 students for tertiary level education. More information are available at the Moanoghar website; <http://moanoghar.org/index.php/moanoghar-higher-education-loan-programme-help-management-policy>

Moanoghar Support Group, Chittagong Meeting Held

A meeting with the CHT Indigenous communities in Chittagong was held on 6 August 2015. The meeting was organized with the objective of raising donations for the Moanoghar Higher Education Loan Programme (HELP). Currently, 80 students receive support under HELP from Moanoghar, studying the various public universities, polytechnic & nursing institutes, medical colleges and technological universities across the country.

Moanoghar would like to support at least 400 students from the CHT indigenous communities over the next 5 years under HELP.



Cultural Performances by the Moanoghar Children During the Scholarship Launching Ceremony

Khagrachari Hill District Council (K-HDC) Makes a Grant to Tarabunia School, Dighinala

Moanoghar gratefully acknowledges a grant of 1,000,000 (one million) taka to its branch, Tarabunia School in Dighinala, by the Khagrachari Hill District Council (K-HDC). The grant is provided for construction of 2 classrooms of the school.

The Tarabunia School currently receives 90 students from Class VI to VIII from the Tarabunia village and the neighbouring communities. After class VIII, students take admission in Moanoghar for further studies.

The expansion of the 2 classrooms will allow the school to receive more students and as well as to set up a science laboratory in the future.



Moanoghar Football Team (Junior Section)

Miscellaneous News

- A meeting of the Moanoghar Support Group, Khagrachari was held on last 24 August 2015 at the Tong restaurant. The convenor of the Support Group Prof. Bodhisatta Dewan presided over the meeting. Also a further meeting of the Moanoghar Support Group, Rangamati was held on 22 September 2015.

Upcoming events

- The opening ceremony of the new extension building of the Moanoghar School will be held on next 5 December 2015. A number of guests from Bangladesh and abroad are expected to attend the ceremony.
- A meeting to set up Moanoghar Support Group, Bandarban is scheduled for the 3rd week of November 2015 in Bandarban.

Acknowledgement

- Moanoghar gratefully acknowledges the donation made by Peoples des Collines and Paul Kohler (France) for the installation of the deep tube well and repairing of the water supply system.
- Moanoghar expresses its gratefulness to Mr. Emil Wolter and his friends for the donation for installation of LED lights in the campus.
- Moanoghar is grateful to Mr. Douglas Polunin for his donation for the electrical wiring and accessories in the hostels of the Moanoghar campus.

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