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Participants in the 'Gender Training'

Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Moanoghar Held

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Moanoghar was held on 24 July. The current Executive Committee was re-affirmed to the end of its tenure – next May 2010. The Composition of the Committee as follows;

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| 14. Latika Talukder | Member |
| 15. Rebati Chakma | Member |

The meeting was also attended by various known personalities of CHT, including the honourable CHT Regional Council Chairman and former Chairman of Rangamati Hill District Council.

Gender Training Held

A Gender Training session for all Moanoghar Staff was held at Moanoghar on 17th and 19th September 2009. 57 staff including some Executive Committee members participated in it.

The training was organized with the support of UNDP/CHTDF. It was conducted by the UNDP/CHTDF Human Rights Cluster Leader Ms. Jhuma Dewan and Gender Consultant Ms. Tuku Talukder.

The training is very useful for Moanoghar in raising awareness among the staff which is directly relevant to their work with the children and the communities.

Visit of Ven. Bimal Bhikku

One of Moanoghar founders, Ven Bimal Bhikkhu, visited Moanoghar on 24 August. He led a religious ceremony, held at the Wonmyung Meditation Center and later on participated in a meeting with Moanoghar staff, children and Executive Committee members and as well as villagers from the nearby communities.

He was briefed on the situation of Moanoghar and gave valuable advice about how to improve it.

He later on visited the nearby Rangapani village and met there with the village elders.



Ven. Bimal Bhikkhu in the meeting at Moanoghar

2nd Terminal Examination Results of Moanoghar Residential School

The 2nd terminal examination of Moanoghar Residential School was held from 2 August to 18 August 2009. The results were brought out shortly there after.

Overall, the results were very good. There are marked improvements from the 1st terminal examinations. The children have scored well in all subjects; however, the results were still not very satisfactory in English. Consequently, the 'coaching programme' has been intensified. It is hoped that the results of the Annual Examinations will see the necessary improvements.

Fund raising news

Moanoghar received a grant of 200,000 taka from Save the Children UK for education expenses of the children in last July.

A Deed of Agreement has been recently signed with Manusher Jonno Foundation for the 2nd phase of the Integrated Socio-economic Development of Moanoghar's Children project. This second phase started from August'09 for a period of 3 years.

Moanoghar recently received a donation of medicines from the Rangamati Civil Surgeon office. The medicines include essential drugs such as malaria test kits, paracetamols and as well as treatment for common cold and some anti-biotics.

Moanoghar expresses its deepest gratitude to all its donors for their precious support.

Miscellaneous News of Moanoghar

The football team of Moanoghar school took part in interschool football competition. They became champion at Upazilla level and subsequently also won at district level. They were then selected for divisional level competition in Chittagong where they won runners-up award.

The swimming team also won at Upazilla and District level and is currently competing at Divisional level

Moanoghar held a meeting with the parents and guardians of the children in September where they were appraised of the performance of their children and as well as the overall situation of Moanoghar.