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DEVELOPMENT IN MIZORAM IN REPUBLIC OF INDIA (Mizo-CESAID)

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## 1. Activities in this month

- Continuation of 2<sup>nd</sup> pilot activities, promote understanding of new methods through pilot activities of BAIDC members
  - Monitoring of the status of winter crops (Rajima, carrot, watermelon and pea) cultivation in three villages
  - Progress of "BN-04 Lungzawn M.I Project" using maintenance funds of IWRD (at Bikhawthlir North Village)
  - Construction of Tanky using PMKSY funds of DOA (at Tlangsam Village)
- Continuation of activities according to the follow-up activity plan for 1st pilot, progress management and payment procedures for remaining work in irrigation pilot
  - Conduct broom grass yield survey
  - Monitoring of the status of orange and conduct sales status survey
  - Monitoring of the status of winter crops and conduct guidance on site
- Holding a PMT meeting and confirming the contents of progress
- Holding 5<sup>th</sup> JCC
- Creation and submission of monitoring sheet ver.7
- Conduct COVID-19 impact survey
- Publicity activities through Facebook

## 2. Activities Photos

- As shown on the next page

## Project activity photos



### Monitoring of Rajima cultivation

Ms. Laltlunpuii (AEO, DOA Kolasib) and JPT members monitored the growth of Rajima cultivated in winter in paddy fields of the Chemphai area at Bilkhawthlir North. (Bilkhawthlir North, shot on December 9, 2020)



### Guidance and monitoring on Orange cultivation

Mr. Jacob Larmar Soma (HEO) monitored the orange cultivation of pilot farmers with JPT. The quality of fruit was observed to be lower and smaller than the previous year. HEO commented on the need for fertilization and replanting tree. (Sailam, shot on December 4, 2020)



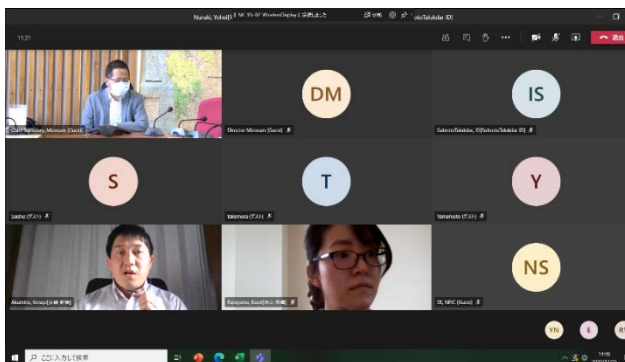
### Confirmation of water tank under construction

Ms. V. Lalhriatpuii (AEO) and Mr. Lalmalsawma (J.E., DOA) confirmed the progress of tank construction with JPT. All pilot farmers were confirmed the cultivation status of winter crops. (Tlamsam, shot on December 2, 2020)



### Monitoring of field pea cultivation

Mr. Lalremmawia Colney (SMS) and JPT members monitored the cultivation status of Field Pea, which was introduced as second crop in paddy field, and recorded the contents of activities. (Hnalhan, shot on December 2, 2020)



### 5th JCC

The 5th JCC was held online with chairmanship of the Deputy Secretary of State for Mizoram. The progress of the 1st and 2nd pilot activities and capacity building through the activities was confirmed, and the progress according to the roadmap for institutionalization of the method was reported. JCC members approved those activities. (Aizawl, shot on December 15, 2020)



### Conduct winter crops cultivation training

Mr. Ramhluna Kawilam (DHC, DoH Kolasib) and JPT conducted on-site training on the cultivation of winter crops. Pilot farmers were also distributed watermelon and carrot seeds in the WRC area of Chemphai. (Bilkhawthlir North, shot on December 14, 2020)