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

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## 1. Activities in this month

- Collect additional data on pilot activities in 4 villages of 1st pilot
- Start 2<sup>nd</sup> pilot activities (Selection of pilot farmers, conduct training), monitoring
- Distribution of self-evaluation sheet regarding achievement of ability development of BAIDC members, and data collection
- Consultation with JICA headquarters
- Meeting with local staff regarding forward works, formulating and confirming schedule
- Publicity activities through Facebook

## 2. Activities Photos

- As shown on the next page

## Project activity photos



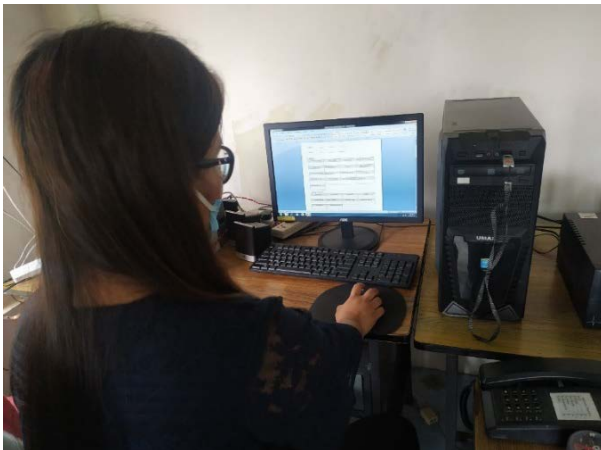
### Preparation for slope vegetable cultivation of pilot farmers

Pilot farmers have begun preparations for cultivation of the rainy season based on the BAIDC Annual Plan. Beans, French Mustard, Cowpea, Okura, Cluster Bean, Bitter gourd, Cucumber, Chilli, Longyard Bean and Cabbage are planned to be cultivated in this rainy season. Cultivation training is scheduled to be held in the 2nd week of May. (Tlansam, shot on April 17, 2020)



### Follow-up of terrace construction training

Mr. K. Lalrochhara, a member of Aibawk BAIDC, confirmed the construction status of pilot farmers at Lamchhip as a follow-up to the terrace construction training conducted last month based on the BAIDC Annual Plan. In addition, the cultivation status of vegetables grown in the rainy season was shared with the members of DOH, and the future training process was formulated. (Lamchhip, shot on April 30, 2020)



### Preparation of Monitoring Sheet for 2nd Pilot

Lockdown was partially eased from April 20, and government official's work was limited but resumed. BAIDC members updated the 2nd pilot activity monitoring sheet created in February, reconfirmed the planned activity and made necessary revision. (Champhai, shot on May 6, 2020)



### Conduct paddy cultivation training and variety selection

Ms.V Lalhriatpuii, a member of BAIDC, and JPT conducted paddy cultivation and selection of appropriate varieties training on Mr. K. Lalsanguia, pilot farmers. The main contents of training are Land Preparation, Line Transplanting, Weeding, Water Management. In consultation with pilot farmers, it was agreed to carry out trial cultivation of RCM-13 in this rainy season. (Tlansam, shot on May 6, 2020)