



# Taungya E-Bulletin

*A Bi-Monthly News Letter of Taungya*

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## Editorial Message:

We ask apology to delay of our Bi-Monthly News Letter publication of May ~ June, 2018 issue. Here, we focused only the activities of CHTRDP-II project in this period. However, highlighted major achievement and some important activities in regard to involvement of different stakeholders with this project. We invite short writes-up on development related issues from our valued readers to add the value of this publication. For any kind of query, please contact with us at taungyacht@gmail.com.— Editors.

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## Additional Grants Distribution Programme of RHDC

A programme to distribute compensation money to the affected HH members of Raikhali GC Ferry Ghat-Rajsthal HQ via Mitingasori Road 1 & 2 and Marishay Bazaar to Maynimukh Bazaar via Babupara Bottoli, Dhakkin Sarotoli Road sub-project-1 under ADB funded CHTRDP-II Project. The programme was held on 30 May 2018 at the Conference Hall of RHDC. Chief guest of the programme was RHDC honorable chairman Mr. Brisha Ketu Chakma and among others Deputy Project Director, Mr. Abirata Chakma of District Project Management Office of ADB, Social Safeguard Specialist -SSS Adv. Mrinal Chakma, Project Implementation Consultants- PIC, Income Restoration Specialist Mr. Chanchu Chakma from Taungya, Project Manager, Mr. Reetesh Roy from Taungya were present in the programme. After formal procedures Mr. Chairman distributes compensation cheques among the affected persons of the above mentioned three sub-projects. According to Taungya project staff District Field Facilitator, Mr. Khanos Chakma- “a total amount of 4,24,136/- tk. to two affected persons from Raikhali Part-1 out of 9,53,221.69/- BDT, 4,68,071/- tk. to 7 affected persons of Raikhali Part-2 out of 34,63,090.83/- BDT including additional grants for land and 16,38,488/- tk. to 9 affected persons out of total 21,36,188.16/- BDT of Marishya Bazaar Part-1 sub project were distributed in the programme. The additional grants cheques were distributed on transfer grants, reconstruction grants, land development grant and business resettlement grants.”

At the end of the programme, during speech delivery chief guest honorable Chairman Mr. Brisha Ketu Chakma says- “CH of RHDC requests the affected persons to use or invest their compensation money for betterment of their own or in profitable sectors.”

As per information of Project Manager, Mr. Reetesh Roy- “there were 9 acres and 7 decimals lands at Raikhali Part-1, 30.35 decimals lands at Raikhali Part- 2 and 10 acres and 8 decimals lands at Marishya Bazaar Part-1 acquired to construct connective roads under the CHTRDP-II Project.”

## Notice Under Section-3 has been issued for Marishya Bazaar Part-2 Sub-project

On the 19 June 2018, Deputy Commissioner, A K M Mamunur Rashid of Rangamati District has issued *Notice Under Section-3* to acquire 15 acres 95 decimals of land for constructing a connecting road. The road will join Marishya Sadar to Dakshin Sarwatali Joutha Khamar and contribute to communication, local trade & business expansion, marketing of local products, improvement of health service, education etc. However, it will directly affect total 221 HHs, 16Para/Villages Under 2 unions namely Sarwatali and Marishya municipality of Baghaisori Upazila. Assumed beneficiaries of the project will be approximately 9007 communities. After joint verification visit by concerned LA Section representatives compensation will be distributed to the affected persons.



*RHDC hon'able chairman Mr. Brisha Ketu Chakma distributes compensation cheques to the project affected HH members*



*DPD Mr. Abirata Chakma also distributes cheques to the project affected persons*



*Project Manager Mr. Reetesh Roy hand overs cheque to Md. Nazrul Soudagor of Raikhali Part-2*



*Rangamati Hill district PVAT meeting held on 14 May 2018 under CHTRDP-II project*

## PVAT Meeting of Rangamati Hill District Held

Two Property Valuation Assessment Team-PVAT meetings under CHTRDP-II Project (RR component) were held on 14 May 2018 & 21 May 2018 at the Conference Hall of RHDC. Both the meetings were presided over by district PAVT chairperson and chairman of RHDC, Mr. Brisha Ketu Chakma. Among the other participants LAO Ms.

Shahida Akhter, DPD- DPMO Mr. Abirata Chakma, Income Restoration Specialist of Taungya Mr. Chanchu Chakma, PM Mr. Reetesh Roy, project affected persons, Thui Aong Marma, Secretary of District Headman Association, UP Chairman, Mr. Barun Kanti Chakma & representative from LGED were present in the meetings. Project Manager, Mr. Reetesh Roy says- “The meetings were very important to proceed and take decisions for three sub-projects of the district. Without decisions of the PVAT it could not be possible to fix land rate for compensation distribution.” The PVAT members of the district take decision to land rate of per decimals for Raikhali Part – 2 as 91,666/= BDT for total land 30.35 decimals and as per decision total distributed amount would be 15, 24,526.03/= BDT to three government institutions- School, Bangladesh Agriculture Research Institute, Raikhali and a Cooperative Society beside an affected person Ms Ruby Chowdhury. It is mentionable that concerned DC Office will distribute 41,434.50/- BDT including 50% premium with the total amount of compensation. He also adds that most of the decisions were made on the 14 May meeting except land rate only for Raikhali Part-2 which finalized on the 21 May meeting after direct verification by the GoB concerned department”

The PAVT also decides to allocate grants on transfer grants, reconstruction grants, land development grant and business resettlement grants for Raikhali Part-2 and Marishya Bazaar Part- 1 sub-projects.

## Joint Verification Visit by GoB

Joint verification visit conducted by LA Section of the Rangamati DC Office on 19-23 June 2018 at Betbunia Shantir Hat Sub-project. Taungya Project staff DFF Mr. Khanos Chakma facilitate and coordinates the 5 days long visit. The visit the team were led by Kanungo Mraggya Marma besides LAO, Ms. Shahida Akhter joins one day with the team. Surveyor Nirupam Chakma, Kazi Farid Uddin, Surveyor, Rangamati LA Section, Mithun Chakma, Tracer, Rangamati LA Section also join the team. During the visit they inquire and verify the information as per LARP prepared by RBGO Taungya on land, structures that to be acquired for the connecting road construction of Betbunia Chairi Bazaar with Rangunia upazila. Project Manager Mr. Reetesh Roy says- “15 villages including 58 HH will be affected for the 4 killo 680 meters BC road connection.” He also adds that the visit would have been completed in 2016 but due to dispute for land as forest department claimed the acquired mauza land as their own property. Assumed budget for compensation for the sub project is BDT 2, 35, 70, 362/-. The visit team talks with the headman of 95 No. Kash Khali mauza Mr. Tushar Kanti Dewan, Kya Sa Khoi Marma kaarbari, Mong Shila Marma, Ex Member of Betbunia UP. Kong Hla Aong, karbari and other affected persons.



*Kanungo Mraggya Marma and surveyor Nirupam Chakma inquiries information of land at five villages*



*The team talks with the affected persons and verifies their documents*