Self Help Group & Shanti Sena: The SHG women who were trained last year various livelihood options like candle making, detergent powder, handloom weaving, doll making and natural dyeing etc. are now making these items for sale and earning a good profit. They are progressing economically. Some women are able to meet the daily expenditure of entire household and some are using their income for higher education children. Karabi Mahanta (Charangbari gaon), Nabami Barman (Kachukata Gaon), Bimola Das (Dimilapar) are some such women who are educating their children in colleges.

The handicraft products of the women are sold at the outlet of Asha Darshan. Some customers go and directly buy from the production center also. Gamosa and other handicraft items have a good demand in local market. If the existing sales outlet of Asha Darshan is enlarged with a simple modification in the existing furniture and its interior decoration the sales will be higher, more profit will go the women. This will be possible with financial support.

SHG Management Training: There are lots of new comers to the self help groups. Asha Darshan has created 450 groups. The group members have been trained on accounts cash book, ledger book, monthly savings, fund utilization, interest calculation, meetings proceeding and member enrolment register etc.

Training & skill development for unemployed youth: 120 unemployed women and girls of Tamulpur area were identified and enrolled for training in handloom under PMKVY at Asha Drashan. The training was 3 months duration. The training was completed on 30th June.

Legal awareness: Witch hunting being outlawed in Assam.

Still several incidences of witch hunting have been happening. In Tamulpur also one incidence happened on 7th October at Dongpar village where villagers together murdered an aged woman branding her as a witch. They poured boiling water into the woman’s mouth. To stop more killings, Mahila Shanti Sena organized public meeting at the village with the help of village defense party (VDP) and local police. The villagers were advised not to take law in hand. Law awareness level is very low within the general public. It is necessary to create awareness among the people on the various provisions of law.

Public rally was taken out in Tamulpur on 5 April by Mahila Shanti Sena with some local CBOs. The rally demanded government’s urgent action against widespread anti-social activities of witch hunting, gambling, banned drugs, teer game etc. in Tamulpur area. An official in power of SDO (Civil) received memorandum from the protestors.
**Monthly meeting of Mahila Shanti Sena:** Monthly meetings are regularly organized on Date 6th of every month at Asha Darshan office. In the meeting various social issues discussed and prepare action plan accordingly.

**Teacher’s Training:**
On 16/06/2018 training was organized for teacher’s at Asha Darshan’s office on mathematics and science subject. Total 32 teachers participated. Resource person was Mr. Budha Chetry from Kumarikata Girls High School. Use of TLMs brought from Asha Chennai was discussed in the training.

After the training, review also was done on 4th August at Bogajuli Branch Office. The knowledge gained by the teachers using new TLMs was shared. Resource person further clarified whatever question the teachers had regarding use of kits.

Again on 28 & 29/10/2018 training was organized at Asha Darshan office for LP School teachers. Resource person was Mr. Mukut Bhuyan from Pratham- an NGO. Total participant 18. Also another training was organized on 30 & 31/10/2018 at Asha Darshan for Upper Primary and High School Teachers. Resource person were Mr. Jagdish Bishnoi and Mr. Bishnu & (Piramal Foundation & Niti Ayog) and Mr. Naren Chetry (Teacher Government school). Total participant were 22.

**Handicraft Training:**
Total Participants: 120  
Date: 22-23/ 10/2018  
Venue: Asha Darshan Trust, Tamulpur

**Training on Co-curriculum activity:**
Venue: Asha Darshan, Tamulpur  
Date: 5 to 7 October, 2018  
Total Participant: 20 Students  
1. Anchoring  
2. Group management  
3. Debate  
4. Discipline  
5. Recitation  
6. Yoga  
7. Writing skill

**Construction of School Boundary & Toilet:**
During this period Boundary fencings
constructed in 6 schools using concrete post and metal nets. Community also contributed bamboo posts which were used to strengthen the fencings. Construction of the toilets is complete in 5 schools - Satyanarayanpur ME, Satyanarayanpur LP, Devinagar LP, Simliguri and No. 1 Shantipur LP. Here running water facility is not available. Water collected from nearby ring well or tube well. Nagapur ME School got sanction for a toilet under government scheme, but contractor left the construction half done.

**Activities of different schools:**

**No. 2 Pub-Shantipur L.P. School**
- Conducted first evaluation on 3-10 April, 2018
- Held general meeting on 23-04-2018 to discuss for construction of school boundary fencing. SMC members, members of *Matri got*, Education Coordinator and Field Coordinator were present in discussions.
- Celebrated World Environment Day on 5th June 2018 by planting trees by students in the school ground.
- Did Second Evaluation on 16 to 25 June, 2018
- Summer vacation from 10th to 31st July, 2018.
- Organized game competitions for students on 13 & 14 August 2018 to celebrate Independence day in next day
- Celebration of Independence day on 15th August.

**Satyanarayanpur L.P. School**
- Started construction of School Toilet on 3rd April, 2018
- Now the toilet is ready for use. Only running water supply problem is there.
- Did First Evaluation on 3rd to 7th April, 2018. All teachers did their duty sincerely
- Serving cooked MDM at school regularly. Students are regular to classes now
- Celebrated World Environment Day at school on 5th June, 2018. SMC president Mr. Ganesh Barman inaugurated plantation programme.
- Did Second Evaluation on 18 to 22 June, 2018.
- Rabha Divas was celebrated 20th June, 2018 with great enthuse by organizing singing competitions of *Rabha Sangeet* among the students.
- Games competitions were organised for two days on 13& 14 August jointly with Devinagar L.P. School and Satyanarayanpur M.E. School at Devinagar School Field to celebrate Independence Day next day.
- Independence Day celebration at Satyanarayanpur ME School which was organized jointly by 3 schools Satyanarayanpur M.E. School, Satyanarayanpur M.E. School and Devinagar L.P. School.
- Constructed Boundary fencing on 27 & 28 August, 2018
- Sports Day celebrated at on 3rd September on the eve of birth day of ex Olympiad Mr. Bhugeswar Boruah. Students joyfully participated in the events of the day.
- Celebrated Teacher’s day at school on 5th September.

**Devinagar LP School:**
- Held First Evaluation on 3-10 April
- Joint meeting of SMC and Matrigot organized on 5 May
- Organised plantation programme to celebrate world environment day at school on 5 June
- Conducted second evaluation of the students on 19 to 25 June
- Celebrated Rabha Divas on 20th June
- Celebrated world Yoga Day on 21st June
- Visitors came from Guwahati on 3rd July
➢ Summer vacation from 7th to 31st July,  
➢ Held SMC executive meeting on 7th August to construct school boundary fencing with the material received from Asha Darshan  
➢ Volunteer from Asha Silicon valley chapter came for site visit  
➢ Organised game competitions at school filed on 13 & 14 August jointly with Satyanarayanpur LP & ME schools on the eve of Independence day in next day  
➢ Community members started the construction of school boundary fencing  
➢ Joined Independence Day programme at Satyanaranpur ME School which was celebrated by 3 schools at one venue

**Nagapur ME School:**

➢ **5th June, 2018:** Planted tree with student and Shastra Seema Bal (SSB) to Celebrated Environment Day  
➢ **22-30 June, 2018:** Conducted half yearly examination for class I to X  
➢ **13-14 August, 2018:** Organised game competitions for class I to X students.  
➢ **23rd August, 2018:** Organised vaccination camp where students were vaccinated against rubella.  
➢ **5th September, 2018:** Organised a cultural programme to celebrate Teacher’s Day  
➢ **8-13 October, 2018:** Organised 3rd ASSESSMENT

**Simliguri ME School:**

➢ **25th April:** Went to Kala Nadi (a river) for field study both students and teachers.  
➢ **28th April:** Constructed bamboo fencing to protect newly planted trees.  
➢ **5th June:** Repaired the bamboo fencing.  
➢ **12th June:** Supplied some furniture from Asha Darshan (Table, Black board, and football)  
➢ **15th August:** Celebrated Independence Day.  
➢ **5th September:** Celebrated Teacher’s Day. Organised dance and singing programme.  
➢ **8th September:** Organised teacher’s central meeting for all AD Schools. Also members from SMC and Matrigot were present. Main focus of the discussions were on School’s progress.

**Satyanarayanpur M.E. School:**

➢ **10 April:** Organised first evaluation.  
➢ **18 April:** Organised a special parent’s meeting to encourage their children attend school regularly and to monitor their progress in school.  
➢ **5 June:** Celebrated World environment day at school, planted tree on the school boundary.  
➢ **20 June:** Celebrated Rabha Divas, mentioned about the life of great classical icon and revolutionary figure of Bishnu Rabha.  
➢ **21 June:** Organised yoga for students on the eve of International Yoga Day  
➢ **22-29 June:** 2nd Evaluation of students  
➢ **10-31 July:** Summer vacation  
➢ **27July:** Repairing of school’s boundary
➢ **11 August**: Visitor Dr. Jyotisman Das came from Guwahati to Inspect the school
➢ **13-14 August**: Organised game competitions jointly with Devinagar and Satyanaraynpur LP School.
➢ **15 August**: Celebrated Independence Day. Mrs. Biju Borbaruah unfolds the national flag.

**Activities at Dhemaji Branch:**

The Dhemaji Branch of Asha Darshan working in Dhemaji District which is a very backward district of Assam. It is a flood prone district. The Asha Darshan branch office is working in the district since 2004. Presently it is active in one development block i.e, Bordoloni. The block is dominated mostly by the schedule caste and schedule tribes. The office is situated in the Asha Darshan’s land but the house is temporary constructed by locally available materials.

Presently the Asha Darshan is forming SHGs. There are 17 SHGs and 8 SHGs were link with NRLM. During April to October one training has been organized on SHG management and 5 nos on livelihood activities such as candle making, handicraft, white phenyl making, detergent powder making and tailoring.

Mahila Shanti Sena is formed to work for the development of community. The MSS is trying to stop drinking of alcohol. Also the MSS is trying to reduce domestic violence and working as mediator in such cases. During the period from April to October the MSS deal with such 8 cases.

Last year Asha Darshan done one survey of the flood affected Dhemaji district. We have send the report to the Ms Indu ji and request to provide some housing construction assistance to the victims. The victims are mostly schedule tribes and there is a need for organizing training on livelihood activities for the women. They are very energetic but lack of skill.

**Opening of new branch at Lakhimpur District:**

Lakhimpur district is also backward area of Assam. Some people call us to work in their villages. Accordingly we visited some villages which are situated in the remote area. The villagers of Simologuri village under Narayanpur Development block arrange a plot of land belongs to community and hand over to Asha Darshan. The villagers facing domestic violence problems and unemployed youths and women are sitting without any job as there is no scope of marketing, training on livelihood activities, lack of capital and information. Already one temporary office room constructed by locally available materials. Asha Darshan is planning to form SHGs and MSS. Also Asha Darshan will conduct training on livelihood activities in the next 3 months.

**Success story**

At a time, when there was no basic service available in the area; prevailing extortion,
kidnapping, superstitions etc. the Asha Darshan tried to developed the community through education and empowerment. Students of the first batch of AD Schools are now reaching university level. They are doing good at board, university and professional courses.

Banaraj Singa has last year completed BBA course from Punjab University. He is a brilliant student, now preparing for UPSC Exams for year 2019.

In HSLC exams Janaki Devi (70% marks), Roshan Kharka (70%), Nakul Das (64%) and Nirmala Barman (61%) uplifted the reputations of their Schools.

Ustu Barman and Tilak Barman, have passed HS science stream and doing degree course. Dolma Lama is interested in music; she has completed visaradh in Indian Classical music. She is teaching music at school. Anju Devi who is interested in music also did visaradh. They are not only good in music, they also did very good in HSLC and HS exams. Dolma Lama and Anju Devi both ranked 1st positions in these exams. They are doing degree course.

Joycharan Barman did his primary education at Satynarayanpur LP. He is now doing degree course. Simultaneously, he is volunteering also by teaching other students in Asha Darshan School Satynarayanpur LP.

Likewise many other students passed out from Asha Darshan schools, are continuing higher study. Thirty students from Satyanarayanpur are now studying in HS level, and from Nagapur 82 students. One student achieved letter marks in Bodo Language in year 2018.

It is expected that more brilliant students will be produced in near future.

Requirements for the schools run by Asha Darshan:

➤ Concrete School building for all schools.
➤ Concrete boundary wall for all schools.
➤ Science instruments for all schools.
➤ Drinking water facility (ring well),
➤ Construction of training centre at Dhemaji and Lakhimpur
➤ New staff for Dhemaji and Lakhimpur branch