

16th Annual Activity Report (2025-26)



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Profile of the Organization

We, the founding members of **Life Foundation**, united by a shared commitment to human dignity, equality, and sustainable development, hereby establish this organization to serve as a catalyst for positive change in society. Recognizing the urgent need for social justice, empowerment of women and children, protection of the environment, and inclusive rural and urban development, we pledge to work collectively and selflessly for the upliftment of the marginalized, underprivileged, and disadvantaged sections of our community.

Established in the year 2010 by Shri Bijoy Mondal along with a group of like-minded individuals, Life Foundation is committed to building a more just, inclusive, and compassionate society.

Life Foundation is registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, bearing Registration No. RS/NG/254/J/94 dated 25/11/2010.

Guided by the principles of compassion, transparency, and service to humanity, we dedicate this Foundation to the creation of a more equitable and empowered society.

SLOGAN/THEME

Empowering Lives.

MOTTO

Serve with Purpose, Empower with Love.

MISSION AND VISION

Mission

To promote inclusive development by empowering women, children, and marginalized communities through education, health services, livelihood opportunities, environmental stewardship, and human rights advocacy, ensuring sustainable growth and social justice for all.

Vision

To build a just, inclusive, and compassionate society where every individual—regardless of gender, class, or background—has the opportunity to live a life of dignity, health, security, and fulfillment.

The detail information regarding the organization i.e. its activities, legal status, other registrations, etc are given below:

Sl.No	Particulars	Remarks
01	Name of the Organization	LIFE FOUNDATION
02	Address of the Organization	<u>Registered Address</u> Pub Dhaniram Pathar, PS, PO & District Hojai, PIN 782435, Assam <u>Correspondence Address:</u> Dakhin Bidyanagar, PS, PO & District Hojai, PIN 782435, Assam
03	Contact Person	Mr. Bijoy Mondal, Secretary, Life Foundation Email: lifefoundationngo@gmail.com , Mobile : 09862059664
04	Legal Status of the Organization	Registered under Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860, Vide Registration No. RS/NG/254/J/94, Dtd. 25/11/2010
05	Income Tax Registration	i. PAN No. AAAAL4267F ii. 12A No. AAAAL4267FE20141 Dated 20.09.2023 iii. 80G No. AAAAL4267FF20211 Dated 20.09.2023 iv. TAN No. SHLL01874F
06	FCRA Registration number	Registration no: 020820082 Dated: 02.12.2023
07	NPO Darpan number	AS/2011/0040481
08	CSR Registration number	CSR00001817 Dated 12/04/2021
09	GuideStar India Number	2163
10	Children Home Registration number	03/2022 dated 19.11.2022
11	Specialized Adoption Agency (SAA) registration number	JJR/02/2024-25 Dated 10.07.2024
12	Aims and Objectives	➤ “Enlightenment of Human Values and equitable social order and economic development” ➤ The Strategy is empowerment of the people

1. CAR HANDOVER EVENT

Heartfelt Gratitude

Life Foundation expresses its heartfelt gratitude and immense joy in extending sincere thanks to the Respected Honorable Chief Minister, Shri Himanta Biswa Sharma, CMO Assam, for generously donating a Maruti Suzuki Ertiga car to Life Foundation. This noble gesture has further strengthened the organization's commitment to work tirelessly for the welfare of society, especially children.

Life Foundation conveys special thanks to Honorable MLA Shri Ramkrishna Ghosh for recommending the organization to the CMO Office and for being a constant source of support, always extending help in times of need.

Life Foundation also deeply appreciates the efforts of the District Commissioner, Hojai, for facilitating the necessary paperwork and recommendation to the CMO Office. The organization remains ever grateful for this support.

Life Foundation extends sincere gratitude to Honorable MP Shri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa, Kaziranga Constituency, for inspiring the team with his motivational speech and making the occasion truly memorable and a day of great achievement through his esteemed presence.

Life Foundation is also thankful to Honorable MLA, Lumding LAC, for taking time out of his busy schedule to attend the car handover ceremony. The organization feels honored and blessed by his presence.

Life Foundation further extends its gratitude to the DCPO, DCPU Hojai, and the Chairman, Child Welfare Committee, Hojai, for their warm presence, which made the program inspiring and meaningful.

This generous gesture has not only enhanced the operational capacity of Life Foundation but also reaffirmed its commitment to serving the community. Life Foundation sincerely thanks all supporters for their trust and belief in its mission.

Below are the photos of the event where The Honorable District Commissioner of Hojai District handed over the car to Mr. Bijoy Mondal, Secretary of Life Foundation, in the presence of media personnel and esteemed dignitaries.



2. NGOs Capacity Building Cohort 2025

Growth Sustainability & Leadership Program (SSL-P) For Grassroots NGOs-NE

Life Foundation actively participated in a Capacity Building Cohort for Grassroots Nonprofits! Organized by OASIS India where, 25 nonprofit organizations and cooperatives have been selected from the states of Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya and Nagaland to participate in this program at Guwahati, held from February 11–14, 2026.

The workshop was very good and resource person like Mr. Prashant Pal from Pure India Trust and others have made the program more successful.



3. 'Empowering Lives and Livelihoods of Gender-Sexuality Minorities'

The project is being implemented in partnership with Bridge, Kolkata, ATMA Manipur, and queer-trans activists from Assam. The project aims to strengthen communication, trust, and solidarity among gender-sexuality minority communities at the grassroots, and also create conversations around better livelihoods for them, across five districts of Manipur and Assam.



4. CLIMATE ACTION

Climate Change Affecting Cultural Practices of Indigenous Peoples of Northeast India

Project Overview

Indigenous communities in Northeast India maintain strong relationships with their land, forests, and traditional agricultural systems. These relationships are deeply connected to cultural practices, seasonal rituals, and traditional knowledge systems passed down through generations. However, climate change has increasingly disrupted these relationships.

Communities across the region are experiencing irregular rainfall, shifting agricultural cycles, reduced forest resources, and environmental changes that affect both livelihoods and cultural traditions. These challenges are creating growing concerns about food security, sustainable livelihoods, and the preservation of Indigenous knowledge.

In response to these challenges, Life Foundation in partnership Karbi Human Rights Watch (KHRW), implemented a project titled “**Climate Change Affecting Cultural Practices of Indigenous Peoples of Northeast India.**” The project aimed to strengthen awareness and capacity among Indigenous communities through dialogue, learning, and community-based discussions.

The initiative focused on promoting sustainable farming practices, exploring alternative sources of income, and examining the impact of climate change on Indigenous cultural practices.

Challenges Faced During Implementation

While implementing the project activities, several challenges were encountered:

- i. Limited transportation and accessibility in some rural areas affected participant mobility.
- ii. Weather conditions and changing schedules required adjustments to activity planning.
- iii. Some participants had limited prior exposure to climate change discussions, requiring additional time for explanation and dialogue.
- iv. Despite these challenges, the activities were successfully implemented with active participation and engagement from community members.

Participants

The workshops included participation from Indigenous youth, community leaders, farmers, women representatives, and local stakeholders.

Outcomes:

- Increased awareness among participants about the impact of climate change on Indigenous cultural practices.
- Strengthened understanding of sustainable farming approaches and alternative livelihood options.
- Improved dialogue among Indigenous community members, youth, and local leaders.
- Greater recognition of the role of traditional knowledge in addressing environmental challenges.
- Development of community-based insights that can inform future policy discussions.

The project successfully created opportunities for Indigenous communities in Karbi Anglong to discuss the challenges posed by climate change and explore practical responses. Through the capacity-building workshops and collaborative discussions, participants were able to reflect on how environmental changes affect both livelihoods and cultural traditions.

By promoting sustainable farming practices, alternative income opportunities, and the protection of Indigenous knowledge, the project contributed to strengthening community resilience and supporting ongoing efforts to address climate change in the region.

Activity Gallery

Activity 1: Planning and Preparation Online Preparatory Meeting



Activity Gallery

Activity 2: Capacity Building Workshop – 1

“Capacity Building Workshop- Sustainable farming and alternative income sources” 23 May 2025 – Karbi Anglong



Activity Gallery

Activity 3: Capacity Building Workshop – 2

“Climate Change Affecting Cultural Practices of Indigenous Peoples of Northeast India” 27–29 June 2025 – Diphu





5. **Building Indigenous Youth, Women & Person with disabilities (pwd)'s Leadership on Legal Empowerment and Capacity Building**

Project Overview

Indigenous communities in North East India continue to face barriers in accessing justice, legal protection, and decision-making processes. Indigenous youth, women, and persons with disabilities (PwDs) are particularly affected due to limited legal awareness, geographic isolation, and lack of access to legal support services.

Recognizing these challenges, Life foundation in partnership with Karbi Human Rights Watch (KHRW) implemented a project titled “**Building Indigenous Youth, Women & Persons with Disabilities Leadership on Legal Empowerment and Capacity Building.**”

The project aimed to strengthen legal awareness, advocacy skills, and leadership capacities among Indigenous youth, women, and persons with disabilities through community workshops, stakeholder engagement, and networking activities. The initiative focused on promoting rights-based understanding, strengthening community leadership, and improving access to justice mechanisms in Indigenous areas.

Key Findings and Observations

Several important findings emerged from the activities:

- i. **Low legal awareness:** Many participants reported limited knowledge of legal rights and grievance mechanisms.
- ii. **Barriers to accessing justice:** Geographic isolation, language barriers, and lack of legal aid services limit access to justice.
- iii. **Gender and disability discrimination:** Indigenous women and persons with disabilities face multiple forms of marginalization.
- iv. **Strong potential for community advocacy:** Participants demonstrated strong interest in learning about rights and engaging in advocacy efforts.

Policy Recommendations

- i. Based on discussions during the workshops and stakeholder meeting, participants proposed several policy recommendations:
- ii. Strengthen community-based legal literacy programs in Indigenous areas.
- iii. Ensure inclusive participation of Indigenous women and persons with disabilities in leadership and decision-making processes.
- iv. Expand legal aid outreach services in remote Indigenous regions.
- v. Promote collaboration between customary institutions and formal legal systems while ensuring respect for constitutional rights.
- vi. Support Indigenous youth as community advocates and rights educators.

Challenges Faced During Implementation

Several challenges were encountered during the implementation of the project activities:

- Limited legal awareness among participants requiring additional explanation and facilitation time.
- Coordination challenges in bringing together participants from different communities.
- Despite these challenges, the activities were successfully conducted with active participation and strong engagement from community members.

The project successfully strengthened legal awareness and advocacy capacity among Indigenous youth, women, and persons with disabilities in North East India. Through stakeholder engagement and participatory workshops, the initiative created important spaces for dialogue, learning, and community empowerment.

By building knowledge and leadership among marginalized Indigenous groups, the project contributed to improving access to justice and strengthening community-based advocacy for rights and inclusion.

Photos- Activity : Networking and Stakeholder Meeting



Photos- Activity 3: Advocacy and Community Legal Empowerment Workshop



6. Impact of Climate Change on Indigenous Peoples in Northeast India

Project Overview

Indigenous Peoples in Northeast India maintain deep cultural, spiritual, and livelihood connections with their land, forests, and natural ecosystems. However, climate change is increasingly affecting these relationships through irregular rainfall patterns, changing agricultural cycles, and declining forest resources.

These environmental changes have significant consequences for Indigenous communities, particularly affecting traditional farming systems, food security, cultural rituals connected to seasonal cycles, and the availability of forest-based resources.

To address these concerns, Karbi Human Rights Watch (KHRW), in partnership with Life Foundation, organized a regional workshop titled “**Impact of Climate Change on Indigenous Peoples in Northeast India.**” The workshop aimed to strengthen understanding of climate challenges faced by Indigenous communities and to create a platform for dialogue, knowledge sharing, and collaborative action.

Participation and Regional Representation

The workshop brought together Indigenous community representatives, youth leaders, researchers, and resource persons from several states in Northeast India. Participants traveled from different regions including: Tripura, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland, Assam.

The diversity of participants allowed for a broader discussion on climate impacts across different Indigenous territories and ecological contexts.

The workshop also included resource persons and community leaders who shared experiences and perspectives on climate change, Indigenous knowledge, and environmental protection.

Key Discussions and Workshop Themes

The workshop focused on several key themes related to climate change and Indigenous communities.

Climate Change and Indigenous Livelihoods

Participants discussed how unpredictable rainfall patterns, increasing temperatures, and environmental degradation are affecting traditional agricultural practices. Many participants highlighted declining crop yields and increased difficulties in maintaining traditional farming cycles.

Impact on Cultural Practices

Climate change is not only affecting livelihoods but also disrupting cultural practices that are closely linked to seasonal cycles and agricultural activities. Participants shared concerns about the gradual erosion of traditional rituals, festivals, and ecological knowledge.

Indigenous Knowledge and Climate Resilience

The workshop also highlighted the role of Indigenous knowledge systems in environmental stewardship and climate adaptation. Elders and community leaders emphasized that traditional knowledge can provide valuable insights for sustainable resource management.

Regional Dialogue and Collaboration

Participants exchanged experiences from their respective regions, identifying both shared challenges and locally specific climate impacts. The dialogue strengthened regional collaboration among Indigenous leaders and organizations.

Key Outcomes

The workshop resulted in several important outcomes:

- i. Increased awareness among participants about the cultural and livelihood impacts of climate change.
- ii. Strengthened dialogue among Indigenous representatives from different states.
- iii. Recognition of Indigenous knowledge as an important component of climate resilience.
- iv. Greater collaboration among Indigenous organizations and community leaders on climate-related advocacy.

Policy Recommendations

Based on discussions during the workshop, participants proposed several policy recommendations:

- i. Climate policies should recognize and integrate Indigenous traditional ecological knowledge.
- ii. Governments should support sustainable farming practices adapted to changing environmental conditions.
- iii. Indigenous communities should be actively included in climate decision-making processes.
- iv. Greater support is needed for community-led climate adaptation initiatives in Indigenous territories.
- v. Programs addressing climate change should also consider cultural impacts on Indigenous traditions and livelihoods.

Challenges Faced During Implementation

During the implementation of the workshop, several challenges were encountered:

- i. Travel logistics for participants from different states required careful coordination.
- ii. Limited transportation options from remote Indigenous areas created scheduling challenges.
- iii. Differences in local climate experiences required additional time for discussion and contextual understanding.
- iv. Despite these challenges, the workshop was successfully conducted with active participation and engagement from all participants.

The regional workshop on the **Impact of Climate Change on Indigenous Peoples in Northeast India** created an important platform for dialogue among Indigenous leaders, youth, and community representatives from across the region.

By sharing experiences and discussing the cultural and livelihood impacts of climate change, participants strengthened regional understanding and collaboration. The workshop highlighted the importance of integrating Indigenous knowledge and community leadership in climate responses.

The initiative contributed to raising awareness, strengthening regional networks, and supporting continued advocacy on climate justice for Indigenous Peoples.

7. SWACHH BHARAT ABHIYAN

As part of the celebration of Good Deeds Day, Life Foundation organized a Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, at Hojai encouraging community participation in maintaining cleanliness, spreading awareness on hygiene, and fostering a sense of civic responsibility.

Theme: CLEAN HOJAI GREEN HOJAI



8. State Orientation & Training on Adoption Regulations and CARINGS

Attended at a State Orientation & Training on Adoption Regulations and CARINGS at Guwahati organized by State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA) State Child Protection Unit (SCPS) Department of Women and Child Development, Govt of Assam.



9. Workshop on Legal Compliance and Financial Management

Life Foundation attended a workshop on Legal Compliance and Financial Management in Dimapur, organized by CAN Youth. The session was facilitated by expert resource person Mr. Puran Jha, and the program proved to be highly informative and fruitful.



10. Meeting with Honorable Union Minister of State Shri Ramdas Athawale Ji

Life Foundation is delighted to share that a meaningful meeting was held with the Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, Ramdas Athawale, in New Delhi at his official residence.

As a gesture of respect and appreciation, our team, led by Secretary Shri Bijoy Mondal, had the honour of felicitating the Hon'ble Minister with traditional Assamese symbols of pride — a Japi, Gamchha, and a handcrafted wooden Rhinoceros statue, representing the strength and resilience of Assam.

The Hon'ble Minister expressed his appreciation for our initiatives and lauded the philanthropic contributions of Life Foundation. His encouraging words have further strengthened our resolve to continue our mission with renewed energy and commitment.

This interaction marks another important milestone in our journey towards serving society and uplifting the most vulnerable sections of our community.



11. CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFEGUARDING ACTIVITIES



Participated in an Awareness program for prevention of Child Marriage in collaboration with District Child Protection Unit, Hojai



Participated in an Awareness on Child Protection program in collaboration with District Child Protection Unit, Hojai



District Child Welfare and Protection Committee Meeting at Conference Hall of Honorable District Commissioner Office, Hojai



District Level Task Force Meeting at Conference Hall of Honorable District Commissioner Office, Hojai



Spreading smiles and light this Diwali—our children celebrating hope, happiness, and a brighter future.

PHOTO GALLERY FOR RESCUE OF CHILDREN ENGAGE IN CHILD LABOUR



Taking a stand against child labour—rescue drive underway in Hojai District to restore childhood and dignity.

PHOTO GALLERY OF RECRETIONAL ACTIVITIES AND YOGA



Governing Board Members of Life Foundation

Life Foundation places on record its deep appreciation and gratitude to all well-wishers—individuals, families, institutions, and organizations—who have extended generous support for the welfare of children. While it is not possible to acknowledge each by name, we sincerely pray for abundant blessings upon all.

Thank You