

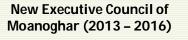
Moanoghar News Bulletin

(July – September'13)

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Mr. Nikhil K Chakma, Chairman of RHDC speaking at the Annual General Meeting of Moanoghar held on 6 September 2013

Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Moanoghar Held

The Annual General Meeting of Moanoghar was held on last 6 September 2013 at the Moanoghar conference room. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Sukumar Dewan, President of Moanoghar Executive Council and attended by 48 general members out of the total members of 55 in the presence of Mr. Nikhil Kumar Chakma, Chairman, Rangamati Hill District Council and member, Advisory Council of Moanoghar. The AGM had the following agenda;

- Approval of Annual Activity and Financial Report of 2012
- Approval of Audit Report (2012) and appointment of auditor for 2013-14
- Approval of Annual Budget (July'13 June'14)
- Approval of Updated Asset List of Moanoghar
- Election of new Executive Council for the Term (September'13 – August'16)
- Celebration of 40th Anniversary of Moanoghar in 2014

After the initial welcome speech by the Chairperson, Kirti Nishan Chakma, General Secretary of the Executive Council presented the annual activity and financial reports, audit report, budget for the next financial year and the updated asset list. He was assisted by Samar Bijoy Chakma, Treasurer for the presentation of the financial report, audit report and the budget. The AGM, after thorough deliberation, duly approved all the reports presented before them. The AGM subsequently elected the new Executive Council for the period of next 3 years and also decided to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the institution in 2014.

Moanoghar Bakery Launched

The Moanoghar Bakery launched its commercial production from mid-September. It has obtained the requisite government licenses from the Rangamati Municipality (trade license), Bangladesh Standard Testing Institute (BSTI) (on the standard of the products) and Civil Surgeon Office, Rangamati (hygiene). In fact, the commercial production launching was waiting for obtaining these licenses.

The products are sold in the Rangamati municipal area through a distribution network and as well as the shop (called Jirani Hola) Moanoghar has set up adjacent to its campus.

The Bakery is set up with financial grants from Manusher Jonno Foundation and Douglas A Campbell Foundation, USA. The profits generated from the venture will be spent for the education of the Moanoghar children.



Rana Jyoti Chakma in a training session with the students



Photo of the Moanoghar Bakery and Shop "Jirani Hola"

Funding Information

Moanoghar gratefully acknowledges the support it has received from the following donors;

- Les Amis des Jummas from France have agreed to provide sponsorship to 50 children at Moanoghar for the next 5 years.
- AJHA from France has also similarly agreed to sponsor 50 children at Moanoghar for the next 5 years, in addition to sundry support for income generation and maintenance and repairing of the children's dormitories.
- Buddhist Global Relief has agreed to provide a grant of approximately 2.85 million taka over the next years for child sponsorship, afforestation on Moanoghar land and sundry logistics support.
- Peuples des Collines from France has provided a grant of 600,000 taka for repairing of the girl's dormitory – Bishakha Bhavan.
- In addition, Moanoghar also acknowledges the small grant it receives from the Rotary Club.

Trainings for Staff and Children and other Information

- Two workshops on 'Life Skills, Character and Success' and 'Better Parenting from Parents to Coaches' were held on 2-3 August 2013 at Moanoghar Conference Room facilitated by Mr. Rana Jyoti Chakma, Faculty at the Higher Colleges of Technology, Fujairah, United Arab Emirates (UAE). All of the college students were present in the first day's session and the house tutors and staff in the second day's session.
- A training workshop on 'Chatra Bandu' was held on 19-21 September 2013 at Moanoghar Library Room, facilitated by Mr. Arupan Bikash Barua, Assistant teacher of Moanoghar Residential high school.
- A workshop on 'Short Film Making' was held on 19-29 September 2013 by 'Amar Bhuban' a Dhaka based organization and facilitated by short film maker Mr. Abid Rashid Mamun and anthropologist Mrs. Moushumi Shabnam Joyee. A group of students from class seven and nine attended this workshop. On this occasion, 'Amar Bhuban' also donated 6 digital cameras to Moanoghar for the further use by the students.

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