

SABUJ SANGHA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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01- Launch of ICDP- A New Chapter for Purba Bardhaman

Empowering communities through digital, financial and climate resilience.

Sabuj Sangha, in partnership with L&T Finance, launched the Integrated Community Development Project (ICDP) in Purba Bardhaman — bringing together Digital Sakhi, Jalvaibhav and Project Utthan to drive digital and financial inclusion alongside climate impact management through water management, smart villages, renewable energy and agriculture-aligned livelihoods. The launch saw 200 newly recruited Digital Sakhis step forward as community changemakers.

The event was graced by Chief Guest Shri Rohan Joshi (IAS), ADM Purba Bardhaman; L&T Finance's Mr. Sudipta Roy (MD & CEO), Ms. Apurva Rathod (Company Secretary & CSO), Mr. Partha Dasgupta (Retail Business Head, East), Mr. Samir Sharma (Head, CSR & Sustainability) and Mr. Kiran Kadam (Chief Manager, CSR); and Sabuj Sangha's Mr. Saradindu Banerjee (Vice President), Mr. Ansuman Das (Secretary & Director), Mr. Shivnath Karmakar (Project Director, Digital Sakhi), Mr. Arunabha Das (Head – Programme Development, Partnerships & Operations, Sabuj Sangha) and Mr. Soumitra Jana (Chief Finance & Compliance Officer, Sabuj Sangha). Also present were representatives from CRIF, IMI Kolkata, L&T Finance's CSR and Micro Loan teams, farmers, women entrepreneurs, and CAP members.



IMPACT AT GLANCE

- 200 Digital Sakhis Empowered as Community Changemakers
- Purba Bardhaman will be shaped through Digital and Financial Inclusion across 800 villages in 4 years
- Stronger Climate Resilience Through: Water Conservation, Renewable Energy, Agri-Aligned Livelihoods, and Enterprise Promotion



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02 — Entering Digital World with the IBM Computer Literacy Programme (IBM-CLP)

Since 2023, Sabuj Sangha has been co-hosting the IBM-CLP in partnership with IBM, enabling around 120 children from marginalized communities across the Sundarbans, Kolkata slums, and suburban areas to learn basic computer operations and emerging topics such as data security, phishing, and AI, with IBM employees serving as volunteer mentors. So far, 43 children from Sabuj Sangha have participated at the IBM Kolkata Office. This year, 13 children are participating from Sabuj Sangha along with 17 other children from 3 other Partner Organizations in the programme (4 July–19 September 2026)—5 from railway squatter colonies supported through Aalor Disha Child Support Centre, Champahati, and 8 adolescent girls from the Sundarbans empowered through the Kishori Bikash Nayantara Programme.

03 — Building Confidence Through Life Skills Training

The Nayantara Programme convened a two-day Life Skills Training on 23-24 August, engaging 45 adolescent girls of Classes VII and VIII, focused on Good Practices and Bad Practices alongside leadership qualities, team building, decision-making and self-awareness. Through evocative role plays, illustrative charts and immersive interactive games, participants cultivated confidence, sharpened communication skills, and learned to make informed everyday choices — concluding with a reflective feedback session.



04 — SBIF Team Reviews SBI-SAMMAAN Project Progress

SBI-SAMMAAN, Birsingha Gram Panchayat, Ghatal Block, Paschim Medinipur

This month, Ms. Debajani Gohain, Assistant Manager, SBI Foundation, visited the SBI-SAMMAAN project village to meet with key stakeholders — school teachers, panchayat members, community leaders and the project team. Her visit included stops at the high schools, primary school, ICDS centres, health centres, the Vidyasagar Memorial, BPHC, and the children's park.



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05 — SBIF Review Visit at SBI Gram Saksham

SBI Gram Saksham, Kalyani Block, District Nadia

During this month, the SBI Foundation (SBIF) Assistant Manager–Gram Seva, Ms. Debajani Gohain conducted an official visit to review ongoing project activities and assess the progress of programme implementation under SBI Gram Saksham.

06 — Celebration of Independence Day

Across All Project Locations, Sabuj Sangha

The spirit of the 80th Independence Day resonated across every project location of Sabuj Sangha, with patriotic processions, flag hoisting and cultural performances bringing communities together in unity and pride. Beyond commemoration, the day gave children and beneficiaries a meaningful chance to reflect on the true meaning of freedom and their own role in building a stronger, inclusive nation.



07 — Celebrating Bonds of Friendship on Rakhi Purnima

Nayantara, Natun Alo, Nabadiganta & KSSN

The celebrations featured dance, songs and cultural performances, adding vibrance to the day. Alongside the festivities, girls were sensitised to the historical and cultural significance of Rakhi Purnima. The day left lasting memories and a stronger sense of togetherness among the children.



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