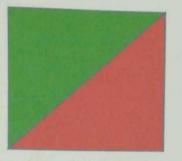
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List of Acronyms

Acronym	Full Form		
APFBC	Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation		
AFD	Agence France de Développement		
BPL	Below Poverty Line		
втс	Bodoland Territorial Council		
COMPELO	Consortium for Micro Planning and Enhancing Livelihood Opportunities		
EPA	Entry Point Activities		
GIS	Geographical Information System		
Ha	Hectare		
IIE	Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship		
EDC	Eco Development Committee		
Kg	Kilogram		
Km	Kilometre		
Manas NP	Manas National Park		
Manas TP	Manas Tiger Project		
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization		
NTFP	Non Timber Forest Product		
PDS	Public Distribution System		
PRA	Participatory Rural Appraisal		
Rs.	Indian Rupees		
SHG	Self Help Group		
VCDC	Village Council Development Committee		

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[Livelihood Development Plan & Forest Development Plan]

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1.

About the Project	The vision of the Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation (APFBC) is 'to enable sustainable forest and biodiversity conservation and management in Assam through multi-scale integrative planning and involvement of forest dependent communities in target areas and giving fillip to their livelihood activities through sustainable use of forest and non-forest resources'. The project's objective has been stated as: 'In collaboration with the forest dependent communities, to restore forest eco-systems to enhance the forest dependent community's livelihoods and ensure conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity'. The above project is being mainly funded by the <i>Agence France de Développement</i> (AFD) - i.e. the French Development Agency, with co-funding from the Government of Assam. The Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Society (APFBC Society) has the mandate for planning, implementation, monitoring, coordination and management of all the activities under the above mentioned project.
Micro-Planning & Livelihood Development	In order to promote livelihood activities through market potential based value addition; the present project intends to take up activities like entrepreneurship promotion, product processing value addition and marketing under this project. This has become necessary on account of the pressures on existing forest resources due to the growth of population. There is a need to explore value addition to the existing forest and biodiversity products and services, based on the market potential. In addition, non-forest based livelihoods need to be explored and the capacities of the community members need to be built-up through skills development initiatives. A consortium comprising of Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE) Guwahati, and <i>Rashtriya Gramin Vikas Nidhi</i> (RGVN) has been formed to implement (<i>inter</i> -alia) the micro-planning and livelihood development under the above project. The above consortium has been titled as 'Consortium for Micro Planning and Enhancing Livelihood Opportunities' - COMPELO in short. As per project guidelines, this micro-plan includes 'various operations of village and forest development livelihood support of forest dependent members and keeping sustainable forest management as the broad objective'. It includes both forest development and livelihood development.
Micro-Plan for the Daoraibari EDC	This document gives the Micro-Plan for the RAJAGARH EDC, which is located in the Udalguri district of Assam. The EDC falls under the jurisdiction of the Dhansiri Forest Division of the Udalguri District. The profile of the community is given in the next section. The present micro-plan has been prepared by members of the community, including both male and female members. This document has emerged as an outcome of a Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) process undertaken by the community and personnel of Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE) Guwahati in 28 th of May 2017. The micro-plan has been compiled by IIE based on the project guidelines. The document has been discussed and finalized for adoption in May 2017.

2. Village Socio- Economic Profile

Location	community dwelling in Rajagat the Rajagarh VCDC, Udalguri d	rh village. The district of Assa	(EDC) has been formed to cover the existing e area covered by the above EDC falls within am.		
Key Information	Appendix-1 gives the Village N The key information of the EDO		halow		
Key mormation	The key information of the EDG		below.		
	Table-A: Key Information of	the EDC			
	Name of the EDC	Rajagarh			
	Habitation	Rajagarh (1	,2,3,4)		
	Name of Revenue	Rajagarh			
	Village				
	Name of the Gram	Rajagarh			
	Panchayat / VCDC				
	Revenue Circle	Harisinga			
	District	Udalguri			
	Forest Division		prest Division		
	Forest Range	Barnodi For	rest Range		
	Forest Beat	-			
	Year Formed	2016			
	Description of	GPS Coordinates(Centre Point)			
	Boundary of EDC	N- 26º45'0"- 26º47'0"			
		E- 90°43′0″- 91°46′0″			
			nodi Wild Life Sanctuary		
		South: Dha	-		
		West: Barne			
		East: Baner			
	Source: EDC Records & Discussions during PRA Exercise in April, 2017				
	Additional details are given at T	Fable-1 of Rec	cord-I. (Given at Appendix)		
Brief Details of the	The brief details of Executive	Committee &	General Body of the EDC are contained in the		
Executive	table, which is given below.		2		
	Table-B: Brief Details of Exec	cutive Commi	5		
	Name of President		Nilratan Roy		
	Name of Secretary		Thungrisa Boro		
	Name of Treasurer		Chandan Deka		
	No. of Members in Committee	Executive	Total- 9, Male-6, Female- 3		
	Registration Number		MTP/EDC/20, Dated 1 st March, 2016		
	No. of Members in the Gen	eral Body	One member from each household		

Households & Population Structure	(a) No. 1 Raj 268 of which 137 Rajagarh belong to	are male	and 131 a			al population is people in No. 1
	Table-2 of Record-I	(Appendix)	6) may be r	eferred for fur	ther details in th	ne above regard.
	From this, it is infer	red that:				
	 The average nu The sex ratio 	-			he village.	
	(b) No. 2 Raj Out of the total po belongs to mix cor	pulation, 7	-			532 population. e too, the people
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	From this, it is infer	red that:				
	 The average r The sex ratio is 	-				
	445, where numb	(c) No. 3 Rajagarh- The village has 75 households. The total population is 445, where number of males and females are 230 and 215 respectively. The population belong to SC, ST and general community excluding OBC community.				
	Table-2 of Record-1 From this, it is infer		6) may be	referred for fu	urther details in	the above regard
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	(d) No. 4 Raja of 1077. Out of 1077 mix community. Table-2 of Record-I From this, it is infer	7, 500 are m (Appendix (ale and 577	7 are female. A	All the village pe	
	 The average r The sex ratio is 	number of p				
	Table C: Age and S	Sex distribut	ion			
	Households (Nos.)	Po	opulation (No.)	Sex ratio	Avg. HH size
	(1105.)	Total	Male	Female		5120
	655	3322	1625	1697	1044	5

Education & Skills Development	 Around 36.1 per cent (1200) of the total population in the village is reported to be literate whereas most of the population reported to be illiterate (63.9%). Most of the population (57.3%) has received school level education. On the other hand, relatively fewer households have received higher education as well as very few numbers of graduate members in the village. Livelihood skills are usually acquired under various settings – formal & informal. In the EDC area, informal means for skills development is the traditional norm. People have traditional skills in the following areas: (a) Tea Plantation (b) Weaving (c) Livestock rearing (d) Wage Labour Although government has been active in promoting formal skills development programmes in the country as well as in the state, the village has receipt very little of the benefits of such programmes that has been carried out in the habitation or in nearby areas.
Soil	The soil is Sandy loam. This type of soil can support different kinds of crops, as the soil is reported to be fertile on the whole.
Water	The EDC does not have any particular water resource. They solely depend on supplied water which is supplied by PHED. They use this water for drinking, washing as well as for cultivation too. Though this is the main water resource for the village people but due to frequent power cut they could not use the water regularly.
Climate: Temperature & Rainfall	The EDC has a sub-tropical humid climate with semi-dry hot summer and cold winter. Agro-climatically, the EDC falls under the North Bank Plain Zone. During summer (May to Early September), heavy rainfall occurs. It is observed that the village receives an average annual rainfall (normal) of about 2,000 mm and the temperature varies between $Max = 34.50^{\circ}C$ and $Min = 13.50^{\circ}C$. Relative humidity ranges between 82% and 88%.
Forest & Biodiversity	The main tree species are Gamari, Teak, Ajar, Khokan, Titasapa, etc found in Barnodi Wild life Sanctuary. Tea plantation is the main cultivation in EDC village. Some other species such as Jack Fruit, Bamboo, Mango, Corn etc. are also grown in the village.
Land Use Pattern	Appendix-2 gives the land-use pattern of the village. From the same, it is seen that the land-use in the village is as follows:
	Paddy field: 12.94%
	Road: 1.62%
	Settlement with tree clad Area: 27.63%
	Riverine Area: 3.70%
	Tea estate- 54.11%
	Total area is 1137.88 Hector.

Land Holdings	The type of households as per land-holding is given at Table-3 of Record-I. From the same, it is seen that:
	 6.9% of households are landless (45 HH) 1.5 % of the households belong to Large farmers (10 HH) 48.9 % of the households are marginal farmers (320 HH) 42.7 % of the households belong to small categories(280 HH)
Livestock	The total number of livestock in the village is 739. The main types of livestock possessed by the households include:
	Cows: 750 Goats: 1450 Pig: 125 Poultry : 4300 Duck: 820 Pigeon: 500 Table-4 of Record-I may be referred to for the details in the above connection.
Village Infrastructure & Communication Facilities	In any community; the availability of basic infrastructure enables the development of sustainable livelihood options. The present condition of infrastructure in the village is not satisfactory. This is borne out by Table-5 of Record-I, (Appendix-6) which gives the present status of the village infrastructure.
	From the above table, the following have been noted with regard to village infrastructure:
	Physical Infrastructure: The habitation is deprived of basic physical infrastructure like paved road, transportation, etc.
	Education & Health Facilities: There is five numbers of primary school and two numbers of M. E. School inside the EDC. For higher education the village people go outside the EDC. As per health facility is concern there is no Primary health centre and veterinary heath centre in the village.
	Govt. Offices: The government offices (such as Police station, Gram Panchayat Revenue office, Forest Beat office, etc.) are located at a considerable distance.
	Financial Inclusion: In case of financial facilities except one Post Office, other facilities are not available inside the EDC. The bank is located at a considerable distance from the habitation.
Agricultural Crops	The details of the agricultural crops grown in the village is available at Table-6 of Record-I.
	(Appendix-6) The above shows that the following are the main crops grown in the village.
	Kharif Crops: NIL
	Rabi Crops: Pumpkin, Water Guard, Radish, spinach etc.
	Others: Tea Plantation, Betel Nuts, etc.

Crop Production Profile	Table-7 of Record-I (Appendix- 6) may be referred to for the production and yield details of the crops grown in the village.			
	The production and yield of these crops is given as follows:			
	(a) Tea : Production 14220 Quintal Yield 18 Quintal /ha			
	(b) Vegetables: Production 100 Quintals Yield 1 q/ha			
	(c) Betel Nut: Production 560 Quintals Yield 10 q/ha			
Fodder Availability	The matter of fodder availability in the village is dealt with at Table-8 of Record-I. The table shows that the main sources of fodder in the village are as follows:			
	(a) Crop residue- Yes (1 to 3 months)			
	(b) Gazing in forest- Yes (> 6 months)			
	(c) Household Wastage- Yes (>6 months)			
	(d) Green fodder- Yes (1- 3 months)			
Markets	Table-9 of Record-I shows the location of the different markets from the village. The main markets used by the community are as follows:			
	(a) Grocery / PDS: Inside the village			
	(b) Weekly / Bi-weekly Market: : Dimakuchi at 12 km away			
	(c) Major Market: : Dimakuchi at 12 km away			
Water Resources	The water resources are tabulated at Table-10 of Record-I. The main water resources with the water availability is as follows:			
	The village people solely depend on the supply water which is Supplied by PHED.			
Energy	Table-11 of Record-I shows the major sources of energy in the village.			
Consumption	The same have been listed below.			
	(a) Fuel wood: Households Depending: 655 Nos. Source: Homestead and forest area(b) Kerosene: Households Depending: 142 Nos. Source: Open Market(c) LPG: Households Depending 202 Nos. Source: Agency			
Socio-economic status	Social set-up: The village is inhabited by mix community and they are from schedule tribe, Schedule Caste, OBC and general. They mainly observed two religions Hindu and Christian.			
	Economic Condition: The economic position is not satisfactory. The main livelihoods are Farming, Daily wages, Horticulture, Livestock rearing etc. Most households earn Rs. 50,000 to Rs. 5, 00,000 per year.			
	Additional details are available at the next section.			

Impact of wild life area	 Positive impacts Soil and water conservation Economic benefits from tourism Environmental improvement Negative impacts Human wild life conflict
	Cattle/crop residue
	• Damage of property by wild animals
Maps	 Appendix-1 & 2 gives the following maps, based on PRA exercise: Village Map Village Social Map (with the names and particulars of members in PRA) Village Resource Map Venn Diagram Chapatti Diagram

3. Livelihood Opportunity Analysis

PRA Exercise	Team from IIE Guwahati carried out PRA exercise in RAJAGARH village as follows:
	Date: 28th April Location: 4 no. Rajagarh Navajyaoti Milan Sangha
	Numbers Present: 47
	In Presence of: Village Headman, community members, Forest Department personnel, etc.
Objective of PRA	The objective was to study the existing household conditions and obtain other primary data about the community for developing the livelihood options and the forest development plan.
Tools Used & Outcomes of the PRA	Different tools were used and outcomes obtained. These include: Social Mapping Wealth Ranking Time Line review Seasonality of Livelihoods Venn Diagram Appendix-3 furnishes detailed information of the above

Rank	Village EPA as ranked	(Detail	5	Pr	ahahla a	
		Details (Appendix-3 has additional particulars)			Probable source of funding/deptt.		
1.	Community Hall	Community meetings can be organized properly.			EPA	EPA from APFBC	
2.	Drinking Water	Water reserved facility	rvoir with	ı boring	EPA	from AP	FBC
3.	Road Connectivity				PMG	SY/PWI)
4.	Weaving	A center with training facilities which link to mass consumption				APFBC	
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Agriculture & Horticulture	Table-12 Under Record-2 may be seen that there is no practice of Agriculture in the EDC area. They mainly focused on Tea plantation. In terms of Horticulture, there are very little area which is used for vegetation.
Weaving	Table-13 Furnishes additional information about opportunities for Weaving. The main constraints are:
	(a) Unable to buy raw materials from market due to poor financial condition.(b) Lack of modern scientific knowledge on machineries, tools.(c) Middleman in selling the products.The opportunities are:
	(a) Higher income from upgraded weaving design.
	(b) Market Exposure(c) Increase in demand
	The suggested programme is:
	(a)Training on modern looms(b)Design clinic schemes
Livestock	Table-13 Furnishes additional information about opportunities for livestock rearing.
LIVESTOCK	The main constraints are:
	(d) Unable to buy fodder from market due to poor financial condition.
	(e) Threat from wild animals which destroys most of the livestock.
	(f) Lack of knowledge about the proper rearing of livestock.
	The opportunities are:
	(d) Higher income from livestock rearing.
	(e) Disease control(f) Increase the life span of cattle
	(f) Increase the fire span of cattle(g) Higher income from milk and milk products
	The suggested programme is:
	(a) Training on making different milk products
NTFP	All village is located adjacent to protected area, there is no scope for collecting NTFP.
Credit Facility	Table-16 under Record-2 discusses this aspect.
	The main constraints are:
	(a) Financial exclusion
	(b) Higher rate charged by the private money lender.
	The opportunities are:
	a) Setting up modern financial institution
	The suggested progarmme is:
	Awareness programme

Strategic	1. Weaving: Training Modern looms, Design clinic scheme.
Interventions	2. Livestock: Piggery, Poultry.
	3. NWFP: No scope
	4. Specialized skills: Training on Modern Tools and Equipment, Providing modern
	technology to the villagers, Skill up gradation & training on new product development
	and product diversification, setting up a raw material bank, providing bulk buy
	arrangement of the finished product with institutional buyers.
	5. Credit facility: Setting up modern financial institution in the area.

4. Livelihood Development Plan

Livelihood opportunity Analysis	 Framework of livelihood Opportunity Analysis has been done with the help of the following criteria: A) Livelihood assets B) Livelihood context C) Priority ranking on potential livelihood The livelihood situation of Rajagarh EDC has been analyzed during the PRA exercise using sustainable livelihood framework of DFDI (Department of Funding for International Development). The existing livelihood situation of EDC is outlined in terms of – Natural Capital Physical Capital Social Capital Financial Capital
Natural Capital	 The present EDC is under the jurisdiction of Barnodi Wildlife Sanctuary. For tea plantation purpose and for livestock rearing, the villagers use the public wells water. Villagers use the supply water (Supplied by PHED) for drinking purpose. They collect leafy vegetables from the forest along with some seasonal fruits. (Refer table 10, 11 of Appendix 6, table 3 of FDP for further details)
Physical Capital	 Majority of the households in the RAJAGARH EDC are involved in Tea plantation and farming of Betel-nuts. They are categorized as marginal farmer. (Detailed land holding pattern is described in the table 3/annexure 6.) The village has 131 numbers of katcha houses, 288 numbers of semi pucca houses and remaining 236 houses are pucca houses. Among the various sources of energy consumption such as kerosene, electricity and LPG, villages depend on firewood and kerosene for household and other uses. There are five L. P. Schools and four Anganwadi Centres available in the EDC. In case of water sources, there are 10 numbers of water resources for drinking water supplied by PHED.

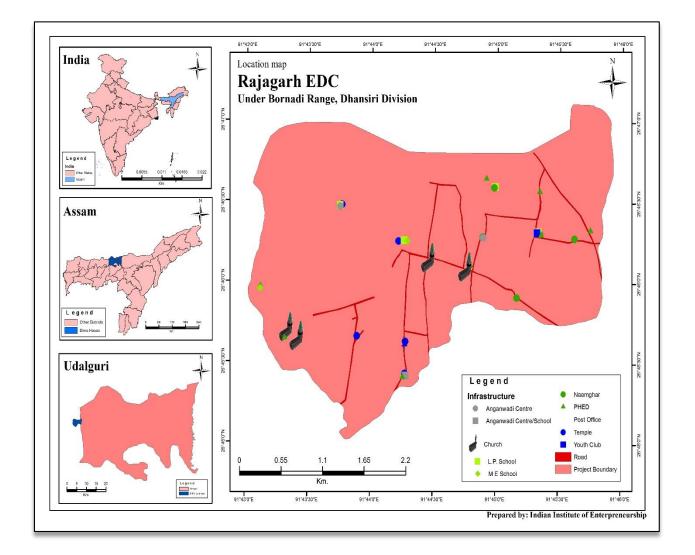
Social Capital	The villagers are not fully involved in the EDCs functioning due to lack of awareness on their roles, functions, and specific benefits they are going to receive. There are nearly fifty Self-help groups (SHGs) and one Youth Club is present in the EDC. The village has no community hall inside the EDC.
Human Capital	36.1 per cent of total population of the EDC are reported to be literate whereas 63.9 per cent are illiterate. Most of the people (about 57 per cent) have crossed the primary level education. Moreover 38 per cent have passed higher education. Whereas very few percentage have completed higher secondary education and graduation.
Financial Capital	There is no government bank available in the EDC area. The bank is available at Dimakuchi area which is 12 km away from the EDC. However, villagers lend from informal lending groups such as SHGs, relatives etc.60 per cent have bank account in commercial banks, but they are not aware of the benefits of financial inclusion.
Livelihood Context	Livelihood activities of the Rajagarh EDC are identifies on the basis of following criteria: (a) Contribution of particular livelihood activity in the total income of the EDC (b) Percentage involvement of income group in a particular livelihood activities. (c) Priority ranking of the potential livelihood activities
Contribution of livelihood activity in the total income of the EDC	 (a) Tea plantation, (b) Betel nuts farming (c) Daily wage earning (d) Livestock rearing (e) Service (f) Small Business
Involvement of income group in a particular livelihood activity	As observed from the household survey and PRA activity that all the households are involved in the above mentioned activities in some or other parts of the year. Primary livelihood : Tea Plantation, Daily wage labour Secondary livelihood: Betel nuts farming, livestock rearing, Small business. Some service sector employees are also there.
Priority ranking of the potential livelihood activities	 Priority ranking of Livelihoods & Skills Development 1. Weaving 2. Livestock rearing 3. Wage Labour

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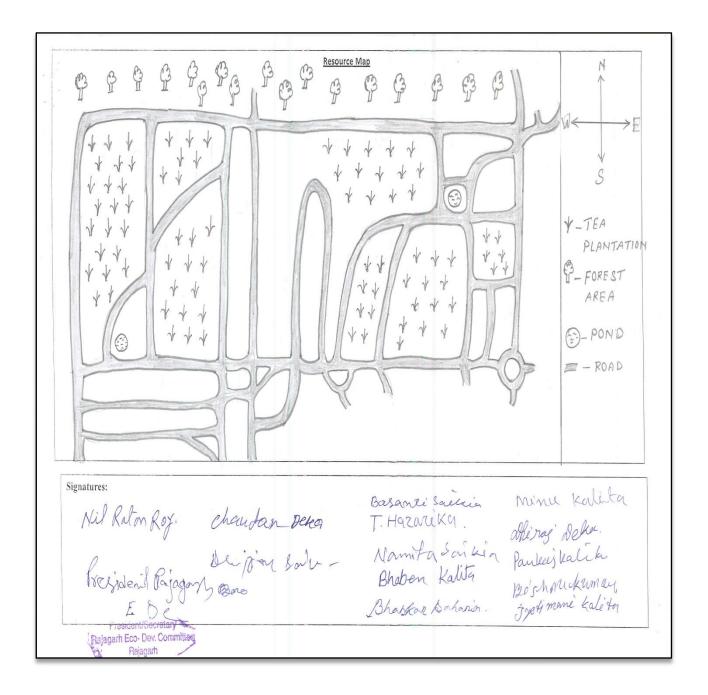
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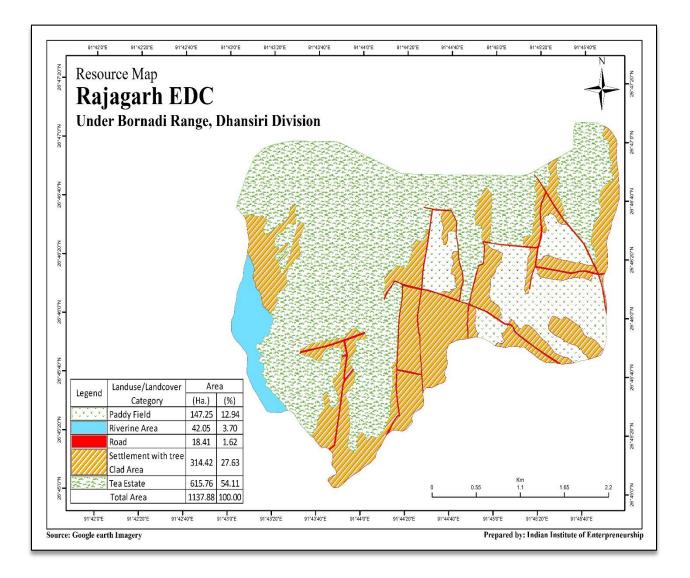


2. Village Map:

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Appendix 2 Land Use Map of GIS



Appendix 3

PRA ACTIVITY

Location and Timing of Participatory Rural Appraisal:

Numbers of participants :	47
Time :	10.30 am, 28 th April 2017
Venue :	No. 4 Rajagarh Navajyoti Milan Sangha

Table – 3.1Brief about the villages under Rajagarh EDC

SI. No.	Name of the Village	No. of households	Population		l
110.			Total	Male	Female
1	Rajagarh (1, 2, 3, 4)	655	3322	1625	1697
	Total	655	3322	1625	1697

Source: Field Survey

Table – 3.2 Education profile Rajagarh *EDC*

Illiterate	Primary	Middle School	High School	Higher Secondary	Graduate	Master	Total
2122	688	280	153	50	25	4	1200

Table – 3.3 Income category of Rajagarh EDC

Income Category(in Rs)Yearly	No. of Households
50,000- 1,00,000	33
1,50,000- 2,00,000	12
2,00,000- 2,50,000	270
2,50,000- 3,50,000	154
3,50,000- 4,00,000	120
4,00,000- 4,50,000	4
4,50,000- 5,00,000	4
>5,00,000	6

Different PRA tools used under the exercise of PRA technique are:

- a) Social Mapping
- b) Wealth Ranking
- c) Time Line Review
- d) Seasonality Analysis
- e) Chapatti diagram

3.1 Social Mapping:

Social mapping is used to visualize the socio-economic aspects of the Rajagarh EDC where the housing patterns of the households, the numbers of schools, social infrastructure, and religious beliefs among households. Due to time constraint and bad weather we have to skip the transect walk. The villagers were enthusiastic about the mapping process and they actively participated in the process.

At first, the people of villagers were asked to draw the main roads of the village and then asked them to locate their houses and locate the important social places and government offices with help of the PRA team members. Two of them voluntarily came out to draw and they were assisted by other villagers and the team members. All the villagers spotted their households in the map.

Total population	
	3322 nos.
Male	1625 nos.
Female	1697 nos.
Total households	655 nos.
Numbers of Pucca Houses	236 nos.
Numbers of Semi Pucca Houses	288 nos.
No of thatch house/Kutcha House	131 nos.
Bridges	Nil
Stream	Nil
River	Nil
PHE	Nil
Community hall	Nil
Community Hand pump	Nil
PHE Well	2 nos.
Embankment	Nil
Check Dam	1 no.
Play Ground cum Grazing filed	Nil
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Table 3.2: Information	about the villages
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Findings of Social Map:

The participants of social mapping have identified all the 655 households out of which 131 katcha households, 288 semi pucca houses and 236 household were pucca house. There are 246 households are below poverty line and nearly 24 percent (805) households have their own MGNERGA job card. Apart from the individual households, important places like LP school, M.E. School, Anganwadi centre, Temples, Churches and Post Office were mapped out. All the people belongs to mix community such as ST, SC, OBC and general.

There are only one source of drinking water facility i.e. supply water (Supplied by PHED). The village people used the same water for washing purpose also. The provision for education facilities is satisfactory. There are four Anganwadi schools, five L. P. schools and one M. E. school. Apart from this, the village people go outside for receiving higher education and collage level education.

Learnings:

All the villagers used firewood as primary source for their cooking purposes, but few of the households have LPG connection. The villagers are not completely dependent on the forest resources for their daily livelihood activities. Though electricity is available inside the villagers but its presence is negligible due to continuous power failure for more than 4-5 hours per day. The villagers of the Rajagarh EDC have to move Dimakuchi which is at a distance of 12 km for their weekly marketing activity. Agricultural and livestock are partly damaged by the wild animals that come from the national park as there were no social fencing constructed throughout the area.

The main institutions such as High school, Primary Health Centre, Bank is located at Dimakuchi which is at a distance of 12 km away from the village.

The villagers of the EDC are fully dependent on crop residue, household wastages, grasses, and green fodder.

3.2 Wealth Ranking:

Wealth ranking, or well-being ranking, involves community members identifying and analyzing the different wealth groups in a community. It enables evaluators to learn about the socioeconomic stratification of project beneficiaries and local people's definitions and indicators of wealth/wellbeing. Wealth ranking was done with the help of the following criteria:

- a) Land holding
- b) Occupation

The analysis revealed that about 6.9 per cent people were poor, 91.6 per cent were middle class family and the rest 1.5 percent were rich people. Poor people were mainly engaged in daily wage labour and sometimes they take lease (adhilua) others agricultural land.



Figure 3.1: Wealth Ranking

3.3 Timeline Review

In order to know the past important cum historical events over time, the team has conducted the timeline analysis. The team members discussed about the local events to the village head, elderly persons and also to some young people to have an idea about how they dealt with those situations and what was the impact of those events on their lives as well as on the development of the village. Our time line illustrates the following events.

Year	Event	Туре
1950	Village road constructed	Constructive
1960	1 st community pond dug out	Constructive
1970	Establishment of 1 st Namghar	Constructive
1983	Community clash	Destructive
1990	Elephant attack	Destructive
1991	Achieved 1 st government service	Achievement

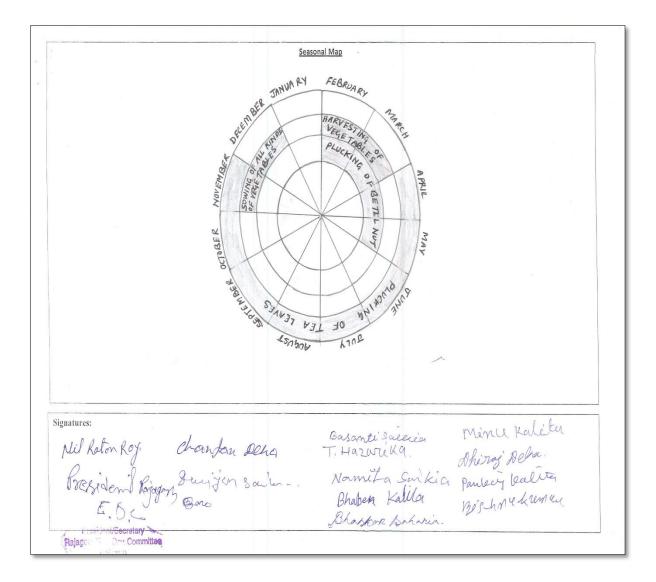


Figure 3.2: Seasonal Map of Rajagarh EDC

Seasonal calendars drawn by the local people are very useful means of generating information about seasonal trends within the community and identifying periods of particular stress and vulnerability.

Best undertaken in the context of a group discussion (to help verify the information obtained), seasonal calendars are often drawn on the ground with the relative trends depicted using stones or seeds, as in a preference-ranking matrix.

In other instances, simple line graphs can be drawn to show seasonal increases or decreases. A whole series of seasonal variables can be included in one calendar to give an overview of the situation throughout the year. These variables can include: rainfall, crop sequences, labour demand, availability of paid employment, out-migration, incidence of human diseases, expenditure levels, and so on. Important periods, such as festivals, can also be shown.

Seasonal mapping mainly covers the seasonal variation of crops. In seasonal mapping, we considered agricultural crops and the timing of three activities viz. showing, cropping and harvesting criteria and collected the details throughout the year.

From the seasonal mapping, it has been noticed that the people of Rajagrh EDC mainly concentrated with the Tea cultivation. Apart from the tea cultivation, the people also cultivate the vegetables. Half of the village people grow the betel nuts. The FGD conducted revealed that other major livelihood options available in the EDC are daily wage laborers, Livestock rearing (Piggery, poultry), weaving, mason, tailoring, carpentry which are not seasonal in nature but is showed in the seasonal mapping.

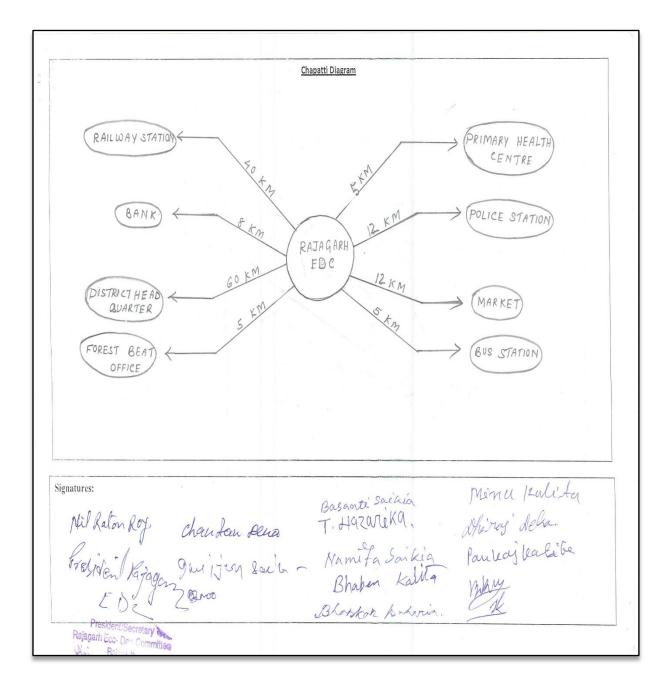
Categories	Types	Time of A	Time of Activity						
Farming		Sowing/Planting	Harvesting	Plucking					
	Теа			April- Nov					
	Vegetables	Nov-Dec	Feb-Mar						
	Betel-Nut			Feb-May					
	Daily Wage								
	Earning								
	Livestock								
	Rearing	Throughout the year							
Non-Farming	Weaving		-						
11011-1 at hing	Masonry								
	Carpentry								

Table 3.4 Seasonal cropping pattern

3.5 Venn Diagram

<u>Venn d</u>	agram
FOREST BEAT	OFFICE
BANK	BUS STAND
RAIL WAY STATION RAIL WAY STATION VCDC DISTRICT HEAD QUARTER	TEMPLE
PRIMARY HEALTH	CENTRE
Signatures: Nil Kalon Koji Chandeen pena bresklent Rojagen Duni fen Baren - President/Secretary Rajagarh - Bare Rajagarh	Basanliseicia Mince Kaleta T. Hazarukaj Aliros Soka Namita Saikaia Pauleezi kaletu Bhaben Kalita Makter Bhastar Saharia.

3.6 Chapatti Diagram



Priority Ranking- EPA:

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Education	F						X	9	14	F	J	K	2	8 th
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APPENDIX 4 PHOTOGRAPHS



Awareness in Rajagarh EDC



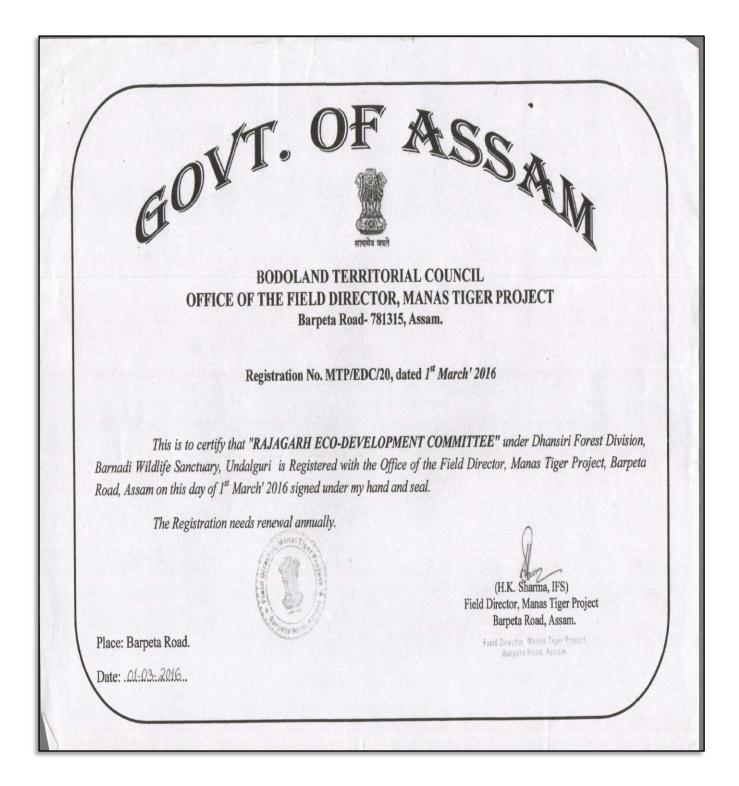
Village Map in PRA Activity

Appendix 5

LIST OF EDC EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Sex
1	Nil Ratan Roy	President	Male
2	Thungrisha Boro	Thungrisha Boro Member Secretary	
3	Chandan Deka	Member	Male
4	Uiliamson Marak	Member	Male
5	Parsu Ram Koirala	Member	Male
6	Krishna Adhikari	Member	Male
7	Bhagya Rani Boro	Member	Female
8	Tika Maya Upreti	Member	Female
9	Tarulata Hajarika	Member	Female

Registration Certificate of Rajagarh EDC:



List of Participants for the Skill Development Programme

SI. No	Name of the Participants	Age	Sex
1	Janoki Devi	18	F
2	Sova Devi	18	F
3	Mamata Das	20	F
4	Panchami Biswas	18	F
5	ManjuKoirala	18	F
6	Anita Upreti	21	F
7	Sarala Deka	22	F
8	GayatriDeka	20	F
9	Narmada Kalita	21	F
10	Uma Upreti	22	F
11	Manisha Koirala	20	F
12	NamitaSaikia	23	F
13	HimashriDeka	20	F
14	TarulataHajarika	24	F
15	JanmoniKalita	19	F
16	ChitraKalita	21	F
17	Bina Kalita	26	F
18	KabitaDeka	24	F
19	ArpanaMajumdar	20	F
20	AnuDeka	21	F
21	AnamikaBaruah	20	F
22	Jamuna Das	20	F

Participants List of the Rajagarh EDC for the Skill Development Training on Weaving and Tailoring

Divisional Forest Officer Dhansiri Forest Division Udalguri, BTC Signature & Seal of the D. F. O

Signature & Seal of the President WY KALON ROY-President/Secretary Rajagarh Eco- Dev. Committee Rajagarh

Appendix 6 (Record I)

Table 1: Basic Data of the Village:

Name of the EDC	Date of Establishment of the EDC	No. of Members in Executive Committee	Name of President	Name of Secretary	Money in village Dev. Fund	Contribution per family or per person	Social fencing used Yes/ No	Remarks on special attainments	Grading % of success of EDC by RFO
Rajagarh	2016	9	Nilaratan Roy	Thungrisha Boro	-	-	No	-	-

Table 1: Basic data of the EDC

Table 2: Village wise population data:

Name of village	Househ olds		ST			SC			OBC		Gene	ral			a 0
village	(No.)	Male	Female	Total	Sex ratio (per 1000) male	Avg. HH Size (Approx.)									
No. 1 Rajagarh	60	7	8	15	121	117	238	6	4	10	3	2	5	956	5
No.2 Rajagarh	305	55	45	100	361	371	732	89	61	150	253	297	550	1021	5
No. 3 Rajagarh	75	190	175	365	23	27	50	-	-	-	17	13	30	935	6
No. 4 Rajagarh	215	10	12	22	125	150	275	55	60	115	310	355	655	1154	5
Total	655	262	240	502	630	665	1295	150	125	275	583	667	1240	1044	5

Table -2: Demographic status of the project villages

Source: - Field survey report.

Table 3: Village wise farmer category on the basis of landholding:

Sl no	Name of the village	Type of famer according to land holding							
		Large farmer >10 ha.	Small farmer 2-10 ha.	Marginal farmer (household) <2ha.	Land less (household)	Total			
1	Rajagarh (1,2,3,4)	10	280	320	45	655			
	Total	10	280	320	45	655			

Table3 Village wise farmer category on the basis of land holding

Table 4: Livestock Population:

	Table 4:	Cattle	Population	of the	EDC
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Sl no		village wise no of cattle's or type of animal									
	the village	Cows	Buffaloes	Goat	Duck	Hen	Pigeon	Pig	Total		
1	Rajagarh	750	-	1450	820	4300	500	125	7445		
	Total	750	-	1450	820	4300	500	125	7445		

Table 5: Village wise Infrastructure:

Table 5 Showing village wise infr	astructure	
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Sl no	Infrastructure	Location	Distance from village		
1	Bus Stand	Suklei	8 Km		
2	Primary Health Centre	Dimakuchi	12 Km		
3	Primary School	Rajagarh	Inside Village		
4	Middle School	Rajagarh	Inside Village		
5	Post office	Rajagarh	Inside Village		
6	High school	Suklei	8 Km		
7	Bank	Dimakuchi	12 Km		
8	Anganwadi centre	Rajagarh	Inside Village		
9	Police Outpost	Dimakuchi	12 Km		
10	Forest Beat Office	Nalapara	5 Km		

11	Railway Station	Khoirabari	40 Km
12	College	Dimakuchi	12 Km
14	Weekly Market	Dimakuchi	12 Km
15	VCDC	Rajagarh	Inside Village

Table 6: Agricultural crops

	Table 6 Agricultu	re Crops			
Particulars	Rain Fed	Rain Fed		Irrigation	
	Name of the crop	Area (in ha.)	Name of the crop	Area (in hc)	
Kharif	-	-	NA	NA	
Rabi	Pumpkin, Water Guard, Radish, spinach etc.	100 Ha	NA	NA	
Others	Betel nut	56 Ha	NA	NA	
	Tea Plantation	790 Ha			

Table 7: Crop production profile of Rajagarh EDC:

Table 7 Crop production profile of Rajagarh EDC

Type of crop	Total Production (approx.) in quintals	No of household growing	Average production (quintal/ hc) approx.	Area under crop (hc) approx.
Tea	14220 q	610 nos.	18 q/ha	790 ha
Vegetable	100 q	630 nos.	1 q/ha	100 ha
Betel Nuts	560 q	360 nos.	10 q/ha	56 ha

Table 8: Fodder Availability (animal)

Table 8 Fodder availability of the EDC

types	1-3 month	3-6 month	>6 month
Crop residue	Yes		
Trees fodder		Yes	
Grasses			Yes
Green Fodder	Yes		
Grazing in Forest			Yes

For Purchase	Location	Distance from village if in other village (in km)
Grocery shop /PDS	Rajagarh	Inside village
Weekly Market	Dimakuchi	12 Km
Major Market	Dimakuchi	12 Km
Forest Corporation Sale Depot.	NA	-
Tendu Patta PHAD	NA	-
Fish Market	Dimakuchi	12 Km
Medicinal Plant collection Centre	NA	-
Forest Corporation Medicinal plant Collection Centre	NA	-

Table 9 Location of market from the village

Table 10: Water Resources Facility:

Water source Number		Availability of	Uses
		water	
Stream	NA	-	-
Tube well	NA	-	-
Ring Well	2 nos.	Perennial	Drinking and Domestic uses

Table 11: Energy consumption:

Table11: Showing the Energy Consumption of the EDC

Type of Fuel	Number of household depending	Number of months dependent	Sources (local, village, forest, other sources)	Major/ Secondary
Fuel wood	655 nos.	Whole year	Homestead/ forest	Major
Kerosene stove	142 nos.	Whole year	Market	Secondary
Gobar/Bio gas	-	-	-	-
LPG	202 nos.	-	Local LPG Agency	Secondary
Electric Healer	-	-	-	-

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Table 12: Agriculture and Horticulture:

Table 12: Showing the agricultural and horticultural status

Constraints	Reason	Opportunities	Programmes
Low Production	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Storage and Production	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Marketing	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Table 13: Livestock

Table 13: Showing the Livestock status

Constraints	Reasons	Opportunities	Programme
Less grazing land	Not Applicable		
Availability of fodder	 Unable to buy fodder from market due to poor financial condition Green fodder is not available for the whole year. 	 Higher income from livestock rearing. The villagers can make it as an alternative livelihood opportunity if they have the easy access of livestock fodder. 	
Veterinary care facility	 No veterinary care clinic Lack of knowledge about the proper rearing of live stock 	 Disease control Increases the life span of cattle. It will also help to aware the villagers and will encourage them for livestock rearing. 	
Production of milk and Dairy Products.	• No scientific knowledge on cattle rearing to increase the milk production.	 Training on the milk production can enhance the skill of milk production. Availability of supplements like cattle "Milk Booster, Milk Plus" etc. can increase the production of milk in the area. 	
Milk market	 Less contact with the direct market for milk Unaware of the market demand of different milk made products. 	• A huge demanded market for milk	

Constraints	Reasons	Opportunities	Programme		
Less collection	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		
Unsustainable extraction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		
Low rates	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		
Value addition	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		

Table 14 NWFP

Table 15: Specialised skill

Table 15.	Specialised skills:	Weaving
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Constraints	Reasons	Opportunities	Programme
Raw material availability	1. Non-Availability of Raw Materials within reachable location (market 25 km away)	• Common place for setting a raw material storage	• Setting up a raw material bank
Product quality	 Lack of using modern equipment's like jacquard machine. 	 As the weavers are equipped with traditional skill and introduction of new technology will help increasing both production and income. Developing Quality Products for new market exploration. 	 Training on Modern Tools and Equipment. Providing modern technology to the villagers
Marketing potential	 No standardized market No pricing policy No linkage with the institutional buyers 	• Exploring new markets with diversified products	• Providing a bulk buy arrangement of the finished product with institutional buyers.
Credit facilities	 Avail credit facility through SHGs. Unaware of the development schemes of banks and government 	• Make financial institutions in touch with the community people for building trust among the members to avail credit facility.	• Linkage with customer service point by linking community people through financial institution.

		 Financial assistance by the Govt. Providing easy access to credit 	Microfinance, Term Loans, Working Capital Arrangement
Product Diversification	 No Product Diversification or New Product Development. Lack of concept for product diversification. 	• Developing Demand Based Products, as per the needs of the modern day market.	 Skill Up gradation & Training on New Product Development and Product Diversification

Table 16:Credit facility

Table 16 Credit facility

Constraints	Reason	Opportunities
Ineptness	Nil	• Setting up modern financial institution in the nearby areas.
Rate of interest	Higher lending rates charged by the private money lender	Subsidized credit arrangement
Availability of loan	Fear of risk taking lack of knowledge of documentation	• Start-ups entrepreneurial venture
Mortgage difficulty	Unavailability of proper documentation of mortgaged property.	• Proper awareness about documentation in the area