

# **Millennium Development Goals to current CFM issues in Asia**

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# MDGs in CPF projects

- Poverty reduction
  - Promotion of the role of women
  - Environmental sustainability
  - Human security
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- **Lobbying and advocacy** with the collaboration of Forest Department, CBOs & other government agencies

# Adda Leaf (*Bauhinia Awhile*)

**Objective:** Livelihood security of Adda leaf collectors through creation of alternate model to sell their produce through leaf plate making

**Mode:** Collaboration with PMU (CFM- WB) of APFD and GCC

**Beneficiaries:** Tribal communities who depend on Adda leaf collection

**Inception:** March 2005



# Adda Leaf (Contd..)

## Highlights:

- 192 VSSs covered under three forest divisions
- 30 NGOs involved
- 3200 tribal women trained in leaf plate making and are pursuing the activity

# Adda Leaf (Contd..)

## Support from Forest Department

- **Financial:**
  - Facilitation cost to NGOs
  - Training and revolving fund to community
- **Market Linkages:**
  - Secured order from TTD to market leaf plates
- **Systems:**
  - Developed system of book keeping at the village and cluster level
  - Given trainings for the same
- **Procedures:**
  - Developed Procedures for procurement and supply of leaf plates to TTD
  - Given trainings for the same

# Adda Leaf (Contd..)

- **Implemented by:**
  - Local NGOs and CBOs
  - Field functionaries of the department
- **Supervision by:**
  - NGO coordinators, CPF & FD
- **Key learnings:** Earlier, tribal women were not involved in making leaf plates but collected Adda leaf and marketed through GCC or middlemen. Now they are doing collective marketing which has also doubled their income

# Embroidery

**Objective:** Alternative livelihood for fuel wood collectors

**Beneficiaries:** 45 Lambada tribal women of 7 VSS from Narsapur forest range, Medak

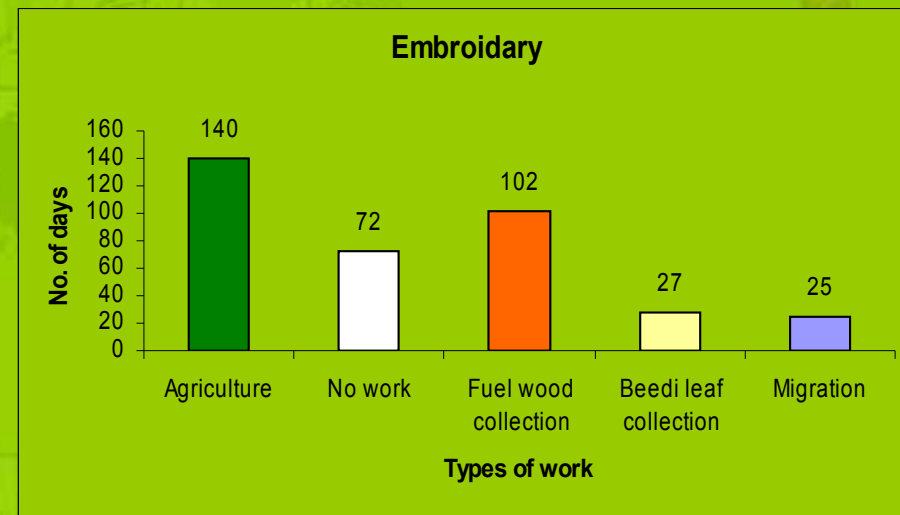
**Aim:** Reduction of forest degradation and revival of traditional art form

**Inception:** June 2005

**Funding Agency:** NOVIB & APFD



**Livelihood Pattern (days) of Lambada Tribals**



# Embroidery (Contd..)

## The Context:

- The Lambada women earn Rs.10 to12 a day by collecting fuel wood
- Long hours of searching and carrying heavy loads of fuel wood creates health problems
- As Lambada women are known for embroidery, CPF explored possibilities of linking this traditional art form to the urban markets with a project on Embroidery
- The project facilitates market linkages, training, design support, skill upgradation, marketing skills and activity monitoring
- Presently, the Lambada women earn an average Rs.50 for 3 hours of work

# Embroidery (Contd..)

## Highlights:

- Marketing links with 3 boutiques and several individuals
- Design catalogue in place
- 10% income saved as corpus fund
- Certain boutiques have expressed their interest for a long term tie-up
- FD has agreed to extend skill upgradation training to other areas also
- **Key learnings:** The women have gained more in confidence and self esteem and have fine tuned their traditional art form which has opened new avenues of income. Chopping of trees also have been stopped

# Fodder Management

- **Project Title:** Promotion of Fodder Generation and Management by Village Level Institutions towards sustainable livelihoods of communities
- **Beneficiaries:** Communities dependent on livestock among VSSs & Forest Fringe Villages
- **Project Duration :** Aug 2006 - Sept 2008
- **Funding Agency :** IC & CALPI



# Fodder Management (Contd..)

## Objectives:

- Fodder generation in different types of lands to support VSS
- Strengthening capacities of the communities in developing and managing pasturelands, rotational grazing systems and fodder/feed banks in and around VSS
- To sensitize government to identify needs of livestock rearing communities and focus on fodder generation

## Aim:

- Enhancing coordination and dialogue between key government players, CBOs and NGOs
- Finding out suitable mechanisms for sustainable use of lands through convergence

# Fodder Management (Contd..)

## Highlights:

- Formation of four Fodder managing Committee (FMC) consisting of multi stakeholders
- FMC covers 11 habitations under one Panchayat
- FMC focuses on...
  - Generating and managing fodder in different types of lands in and around VSS
  - Facilitating health care for small ruminants
  - Addressing livestock & fodder scarcity issues by linking NRM and poverty alleviation programmes

# Fodder Management (Contd..)

- **Plans ahead for FMC:**
  - Fodder development in Panchayat by linking FMC with ongoing watershed and APREGA programme
  - Linkage with FD to develop existing bio-diesel plantations in to silvipasture in VSS
- **Key learnings:** While moving towards management of fodder, the collaborative project has been reducing much and the needed gaps among the various players involved in the project. The success has given hopes for more project initiatives

# New Projects

- Rock bee Honey harvesting for Chenchu tribal community
- Mainstreaming HIV/AIDS and disaster concerns
- Revised micro-plans for Eco Development Committees by *Vanasamakhya*

# Flood Relief Activity - 2006

- To give moral support & needed material for the flood affected families
- CPF took up the activity for the first time and implemented through *Vanasamakhya* from three districts (Khammam, Vizianagaram & Srikakulam of A.P., India)
- Budget: 51 Lakhs
- Supported by: Oxfam Novib
- Beneficiaries: 4465



**Key learnings:** The maiden initiative of CPF and *Vanasamakhya* in such a venture has gained respect and applause from various corners owing mostly to its transparency in the activity



**Thank you**