

Mask Making: A New Opportunity of Self-dependent



pandemic situation. She started making good quality of mask as per the market demand.

Now she is making more than twenty masks in a day and selling through GPLF and CLFs to SHG members @ Rs.35 to Rs.50/- per mask. She is also selling masks to OPELIP, LDA, Morada as per the order placed to her which is distributed in awareness campaign.

She is getting net profit of Rs.150/- to Rs.200/- per day after her material expenses.

She is able to earn by selling of masks in her village in such pandemic situation.

Nini Mallik is the Secretary of Narichetana PVTG SHG, Tiansi, Barakanda GP under Morada Block. When the world is in panic due to pandemic situation of COVID-19, OPELIP focused on providing PVTG Empowerment fund to SHGs for promotion of livelihood to each PVTG women through GPLF. OPELIP has come forward to help needy PVTG women. To combat the situation, Maa Singhabahini GPLF, Barakanda has come forward proactively to save lives of the community by providing training on health and hygiene practice as preventive measures for COVID-19. Apart from the above, GPLF is providing fund @ Rs.10,000/- per PVTG member of the SHG group under PEF for livelihood activities like goatary, duckery, salleaf business, tailoring activities.

21 years old Nini is the eldest daughter in her family. Her marriage was fixed in her village. Her MIP was prepared on tailoring for an amount of Rs.10,000/-. After getting mobilized by CLF and GPLF, she has taken an amount of Rs.10,000/- PEF loan through Narichetana SHG where she is a member. This amount gave her new hope. She has the skill on tailoring. She bought a tailoring machine with accessories and raw materials to start work. She understood the current market demand of mask in the present COVID

She is expressing her thanks to OPELIP and thanks to the staffs of the programme for their timely financial, technical as well as moral support to her. In her words, "Now I am living my life with great pleasure and satisfaction with dignity".

