

“Maintenance of Solar Overhead Water Tank”

Subject: Defunct Solar Overhead Water-Tank for past 2-3 months.

Address: Village-Arangloya, Panchayat-Amtipani, Block-Bishunpur

Previous Scenario: Overhead solar water tank was defunct from last 2-3 months. Due to which villagers were facing problem of drinking water. About 150 families reside in the villages that were dependent on just one handpump. So early morning at 4am onwards they have to queue up for collecting water. Because of such rush people continued to consume pond water. One of the villagers Kaleshwar Oraon shared this information with us.



Activities carried out: Kaleshwar Oraon raised the issue in the VCEC meeting where the VCEC members took the decision that they would write a letter to the Development Officer. Every VCEC member signed it and submitted the letter to the mukhiya but he didn't sign the letter and said if they wanted they can take it to the Development Officer and also gave the contact no of the nodal agency's service technician. When the

serviceman was contacted he gave a date of 08 September, 2020 and visited the site and concluded that its submersible pump is damaged so new submersible pump is to be fitted. On 25th September, 2020 the team came with new submersible pump and got the work done.

Impact: With efforts from everyone the problem of drinking water was solved.

Key Learning: The community was empowered to address their issues with their own efforts, and learnt how to approach the authorities to realize their entitlements. Now, they regularly have VCEC meeting and plan for the development of the village.

