

# ANNUAL REPORT

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## BOLPUR MANAB JAMIN

Bolpur Manab Jamin started its developmental work through the Society for Equitable Voluntary Actions on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1998. The Bolpur Manab Jamin Project is situated in a dry zone area that has laterite soil and Vindhya Alluvial soil. The area has mono cropping with rice, which is entirely rain fed. The project area is near Santiniketan; however, the area is underdeveloped and has a large population of landless farmers. Sustainable agricultural systems are needed to boost higher production by managing resources effectively. An agricultural development programmes must stress on the utilization of rainwater through water harvesting and adopting suitable cropping system. Only agricultural development programme can tackle the aforesaid problems including extension of benefits to the landless farmers.

### Programme Objectives:

- To improve Food Security
- To increase the Nutritional Status of families
- To achieve 100 % Enrollment of Children in school up to class VIII
- To reduce school dropout
- Improve financial inclusion
- Involve more people in Income Generation Schemes.
- Increase environmental awareness

Manab Jamin first started to work in 3 villages under Raipur Supur Gram Panchayet of Bolpur-Sriniketan Block. Gradually it spread into 15 villages of Bolpur-Sriniketan Block. In the year 2010, Manab Jamin registered as “**BOLPUR MANAB JAMIN**” in order to achieve the smooth running of administration matters. It has been registered under the West Bengal Societies Registration Act, 1961.

### FARMERS CLUB

National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) encourages banks to promote Farmers' Clubs in rural areas under the Farmers' Club Programme, earlier known as “Vikas Volunteer Vahini (VVV) Programme”. The Programme was launched by NABARD in November 1982.

During 2011, Bolpur Manab Jamin promoted 10 Farmers' Clubs in 10 villages within the Bolpur Manab Jamin project area with the support of NABARD. All Farmers' Clubs have opened their bank accounts at their respective operational banks.

Sl. No.	Name of Farmers' Club	Village	No. of Farmers Covered	Operational Bank	Date of Inauguration
01.	Supur Srijani Farmers' Club	Supur	31	UCO Bank, Raipur Branch	19.08.2010
02.	Sristi Farmers' Club	Nurpur	37	UCO Bank, Raipur Branch	19.08.2010
03.	Durgamata Farmers' Club	Mirzapur	33	UCO Bank, Raipur Branch	28.09.2010
04.	Sabuj Farmers' Club	Rajatpur	40	UCO Bank, Raipur Branch	28.09.2010

05.	Radha Madhav Farmers' Club	Islampur	34	Paschim Banga Gramin Bank, Sriniketan Branch	19.10.2010
06.	Lohagarh Krishi Unnayan Chasi Samity	Lohagarh	59	Paschim Banga Gramin Bank, Sriniketan Branch	19.10.2010
07.	Mahula Mangalchandi Krishak Sangha	Mahula	36	Vijya Bank, Kankalitala Branch	27.12.2010
08.	Pallyshree Farmers' Club	Paruldanga	41	Vijya Bank, Kankalitala Branch	27.12.2010
09.	Bahadurpur Durgamata Farmers' Club	Bahadurpur	41	Paschim Banga Gramin Bank, Sriniketan Branch	27.01.2011
10.	Benuria Pragati Farmers' Club	Benuria	30	Paschim Banga Gramin Bank, Sriniketan Branch	27.01.2011

### SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMME FOR UNORGANIZED SECTOR

Bolpur Manab Jamin has facilitated the social assistance scheme for the benefit of labour of Unorganized Sector with the help of Labour Department, Govt. of West Bengal. The name of the scheme is State Assisted Scheme of Provident Fund for Unorganized Workers (SASPFUW). The subscribers who are involved in self employment occupation and work at unorganized industries may get the benefit from this scheme. Through this scheme, the subscriber deposits Rs.20 per month and an equal amount has been released by the Government as Matching Contribution.

There are few eligibility criteria for the subscribers. He/She should be between the age of 18 and 55 years. He/She should be working under the listed employments/ occupations. Their place of work should be West Bengal. The average monthly income of the Worker's Family should be not more than Rs. 3500/-. Workers already covered, under the Employees' Provident Fund & Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 are not eligible.

The other scheme is West Bengal Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare.

All building and construction workers within the age limit of 18 to 60 years and who have worked for not less than 90 days in the preceding 12 months are eligible for registration as a beneficiary under this scheme. An application with necessary documents and a onetime registration fee of Rs.20/- is required. Along with it tri-monthly contributions of Rs.60/- (monthly Rs.20/-) is also to be deposited against which a receipt will be issued by the office and an equal amount has been released by the Government as Matching Contribution. The respective Bank branches will make a yearly transfer to a consolidated account.

During 2011, 135 villagers registered under the scheme of SASPFUW of 8 villages under this Bolpur Sub Division and 126 villagers of 10 villages registered under the scheme of WBBOCWW. All identity cards of the registered beneficiaries under SASPFUW and WBBOCWW have been distributed through and 4 awareness programmes were held at the Bolpur Manab Jamin campus office.

Name of the village	Beneficiary under SASPFUW	Beneficiary under WBBOCWW
Nurpur	54	35
Kankutia	2	05

Mirzapur	27	25
Supur	12	10
Lohagarh	10	10
Hatrasulganj	01	01
Bahadurpur	10	07
Kendradangal	19	–
Benuria	–	05
Paruldanga	–	11
Islampur	–	17
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>126</b>

#### AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT, DOWRY AND EARLY MARRIAGE

In 2011, Bolpur Manab Jamin organized a daylong awareness programme on women's empowerment, dowry and early marriage with the help of Sub-Divisional Information and Cultural Office of Bolpur Sub-Division. The Sub-Divisional Officer of Bolpur Sub-Division, the Additional District Judge of Bolpur Court, the District Information and Cultural Officer, Birbhum District, the Sub-Divisional Information and Cultural Officer of Bolpur Sub-Division spoke on this subject. SHG members, youth leaders, villagers participated in this programme. A documentary film on the above mentioned subject was shown. Ninety five persons participated in the programme.

#### LEGAL LITERACY AWARENESS PROGRAMME

In 2011, an awareness programme on legal literacy was organized. The Sub Divisional officer of Bolpur Sub-Division, the Additional District Judge & First Track Sub Divisional Judge of Bolpur Court and the Assistant Labour Commissioner spoke on the importance of the programme. Seventy one villagers and members of Bolpur Manab Jamin participated in this programme. There was a question and answer session at the end of the programme.

#### CONSUMER PROTECTION RIGHT

Bolpur Manab Jamin organized awareness meetings on Consumer Protection Rights at 2 Puja Pandals at Hatrasulganj Sarbojanin Durgotsav and Nurpur Sarbojanin Durgotsav on 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October with the help of Consumer Affairs and Fair Business Practices, Birbhum Regional Office, Suri. Poster were displayed, Documentary Film was shown and a seminar was organized on Consumer Rights and its Protection. The programme reached nearly 1000 consumers.

#### TRAINING CUM WORKSHOP ON CONSUMER RIGHTS

Bolpur Manab Jamin organized a 2 days training workshop for NGOs / VCOs on Consumer Awareness and Consumer Rights with the help of the Consumer Education and Its Protection, Burdwan Division and the Consumer Affairs and Fair Business Practices, Birbhum Regional Office, Suri. Thirty five (35) participants from different NGOs and VCOs participated in this programme. The concerned departments and a few State Government Officials were the resource persons of the aforesaid programme and enriched the participants regarding different Govt. Policies for protection of the general consumer.

AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION, THE MAHATMA GANDHI NATIONAL RURAL EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE SCHEME AND CONSUMER RIGHTS.

In 2011, Bolpur Manab Jamin organised a daylong awareness programme on the Right to Information, the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme and Consumer Rights with the help of National University of Judicial Science, Kolkata. Self Help Group members, Youth Leaders and Bolpur Manab Jamin members participated in this awareness programme.

OBSERVANCE OF ECOLOGICAL GROUP DAY

During 2011, Bolpur Manab Jamin observed the day for Ecological Group (Eco Group) on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at Bolpur Manab Jamin campus. Members of the Future Generation Farmers' Group, Youth Leaders, villagers and guest participated in this programme. Prof. Malay Mukhopadhyay, Prof. Sakti Bhattacharya, Mr. Asok Ghosh have spoken on the importance of Eco Groups in the present scenario. Eco Group members exhibited charts and posters on Climate Change and Water Conservation. Eco Group members performed a short cultural programme.

EXPOSURE VISIT BY THE STUDENT OF PATHA BHAVAN

On 16<sup>th</sup> March 2011, a group of students and teachers of Patha Bhavan; Visva Bharati; Santiniketan visited Bolpur Manab Jamin campus. It was mainly an exposure visit of the students of Patha Bhavan where Eco Group members shared their experience on the activities of Eco Groups. Charts and posters prepared by Eco Group have been shown to the students

**BOLPUR MANAB JAMIN**  
**SOUTH JAMBUNI, BOLPUR, BIRBHUM – 731204**  
**REGISTERED UNDER WEST BENGAL SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT. XXVI OF 1961**  
**REGISTRATION NO. S/IL/75418**

**MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION**

- 1 Name of the Association : This society will be known as '**BOLPUR MANAB JAMIN**'.
2. Address of the Registered Office of the Association : Society shall be situated at South Jambuni, P.O. Bolpur, Dist. Birbhum, Pin 731204, West Bengal, India.
3. Aims and Objectives of the Society : The objective of the Society will be as follows :
  - a) To acquire, establish, start, aid, run, maintain, or manage educational institutes, libraries for the benefit of the public.
  - b) To work for the promotion of mainstreaming of Government programmes by providing workshop, awareness camp, training, seminar for the upliftment of the community people, to cooperate with governmental and non governmental agencies for the benefit of people.
  - c) To organize activities for the people residing in India belonging to any religion, caste & creed, sex or any shade of opinion.
  - d) To promote and encourage scheduled caste, scheduled tribe and economically weaker groups for their advancement of literacy, culture, health and general upliftment of life.

- e) To organize and arrange, workshop, training sessions, lectures, debates, discussions, seminars and excursions for the diffusion of knowledge & skill and also modern modes of communication like computers etc.
- f) To create opportunities for the formation of Self Help Groups and diffusion of knowledge of arts and crafts for the benefit of the common people.
- g) To give necessary relief to the affected people by any Natural calamity as flood, famine, pestilence, earthquake etc, war as manmade, civil disturbance or other hazards.
- h) To help the aged, sick, helpless and indigent persons.
- i) To alleviate the sufferings of animals, or other living creatures as may be deemed appropriate.
- j) To arrange and assist different health programmes and activities like immunization programme, eye donation, blood donation, dead body donation, eye camp etc. for the benefit of the common people.
- k) To arrange drinking water supply and sanitation facilities in the rural and urban area
- l) To arrange improved irrigation technique for water harvesting and water conservation for small and marginal farmers.
- m) To introduce new and appropriate crops, which are eco friendly and indigenous.
- n) To make people aware of the limitations, problems and prospects of Green Revolutions/Modern agriculture.
- o) The income and profits, properties of Bolpur Manab Jamin whatever derived or obtained shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the object of Bolpur Manab Jamin and no portion thereof shall be paid to or divided amongst any of the members by way of profit.
- p) To support, research and action oriented studies on social problems and to publish useful booklet, newsletter, magazine, literature, books etc. to help in the field of social welfare, social policies and social development.
- q) To provide meaningful service to the weaker sections of the community including formation of co-operative societies, Khadi Gramodyog etc. to propagate and popularize Khadi, small scale industries etc. enabling them to earn livelihoods and lead a dignified life;
- r) To get affiliated with, or to affiliate any Institution or Society (national or international), having similar objective to those of Bolpur Manab Jamin and to co-operate with person or persons in aid of such objects on a voluntary basis;
- s) To arrange renewable energy / alternative energy like solar, compost etc in micro-modes.
- t) The income and profits of Bolpur Manab Jamin whatsoever derived or obtained will be applied solely towards the promotion of objects of Bolpur Manab Jamin and no portion thereof shall be paid to or divided amongst members by way of profits.

### **REGULATION OF BOLPUR MANAB JAMIN**

Under the context otherwise requires words and expression contained in those regulations shall bear the same meaning as in the West Bengal Societies Registration Act XXVI of 1961 or any statutory modification thereof :

#### **Chapter One**

1. Membership: There shall be four types of members namely:

- a) Founder Member

- b) General Member
- c) Life Member
- d) Guest Member

a) Founder Member

The signatories to the Memorandum of Association and office bearers of the First Governing Body of the Society shall be Founder members of Bolpur Manab Jamin. The Founder Members shall pay Rupees One Hundred per accounting year as membership fees.

b) General Member

The Governing Body may admit membership to any person of any caste, creed or religion who has attained the age of 18 years or above and agreed in writing to be bound by the Memorandum of Association and rules and regulations of the Society and who in the opinion of the Governing Body will be interested in advancement of the object of the Society. General Members also pay membership fee of Rupees One Hundred only per accounting year.

c) Life Member

The eligibility and the procedure for Life Member shall be same as per General member. Life members shall pay a donation of Rupees Ten Thousand only at a time.

d) Guest Member

The Governing Body may admit membership to any person of any caste, creed or religion who has attained the age of 18 years or above and agreed in writing to be bound by the Memorandum of Association and rules and regulations of the Society. Guest Member will pay Rupees two thousand per Accounting year.

2. Procedure for admission of membership. Rights and duties of the members.

- 2.a) Application for General membership and Life membership shall be made in the manner prescribed by the Governing Body to the Secretary. The Governing body has the right to accept or reject any application.
- 2.b) All members shall have the rights to participate in all activities of the Society in accordance with the rules.
- 2.c) All members shall agree to further the objects of the Society and obey the rules and regulations of Bolpur Manab Jamin.
- 2.d) Any member may be removed or suspended from the membership due to his/her conduct prejudicial to the interest of Bolpur Manab Jamin. Provided that on the recommendation of the Governing Body resolution to that effect is adopted at a General Meeting.

3. Cessation of Membership

Any member shall cease to be a member

- 1. On the acceptance of his/her resignation from membership.
- 2. Membership for non-payment of subscriptions for three continuing years except Life members.
- 3. Removable by the decision of the Governing Body.

u) Register of Members

The Society shall maintain a Register of members containing the name, address, occupations, and date of admission and of cessation of membership. The Register shall be kept open for inspection of the members of Society on requisition, and with a due notice.

## **Chapter Two**

### **1. Formation of the Governing Body.**

1.1 There shall be a Governing Body consisting 7 (Seven) members.

1.2 Three representatives from Founder members elected by themselves.

1.3 One from Life members elected by themselves.

1.4 Three representatives from General members elected by themselves.

### **2. Terms of the Governing Body**

2.1 The term of office of the Governing Body shall be 3 (three) consecutive years.

After election the old Governing Body continue to function till the new Governing Body take over charge which shall under no circumstances be more than 30 days from the date of election.

#### **2.2 Meeting**

The Governing Body shall meet at least once in three months at such place, date and time as the Secretary may determine. Seven days clear notice of the meeting specifying the place, date, time and the nature of the meeting to be mentioned and shall be given to each Governing Body members. Emergency meeting may be called with 24-hour notice. More than 50 % members personally present shall make a quorum for the meeting.

#### **2.3 Procedure of the meeting.**

The President or in his/her absence the senior most member shall preside overall meeting of the Governing Body.

2.4 Governing Body shall have power to make and amend such rules, regulations and by laws for the development of Bolpur Manab Jamin as per necessity.

2.5 Governing Body shall have power to create Advisory Committee or other bodies for betterment of Society.

2.6 Safe custody of property is the responsibility of the Governing Body.

The Governing Body shall be responsible for the safe custody of the funds properties and assets of the society. The fund of the society shall be kept in Bank, Post Office, Mutual Funds and investment in any securities specified under Section 20 of the Indian Trust Act, 1882.

## **Chapter Three**

The following 5 (Five) office bearers elected by Governing Body shall comprise of :

1. President
2. Vice-President
3. Secretary
4. Assistant Secretary
5. Treasurer

Power and Duties of Office Bearers:

#### **1. President**

1.1 He / She shall preside over all meetings of the society.

1.2 Advice to Secretary in any matter requiring urgent attention, call emergency meeting etc.

#### **2. Vice President**



2.1 The Vice- President shall assist the President in all activities of the Bolpur Manab Jamin

2.2 Preside over the meeting of the Bolpur Manab Jamin in absence of the President,

2.3 Function as the Acting President and shall have the power and duties of the president under the Rules, when so authorized by the Working Committee, during the absence of the president.

3. Secretary

3.1 The Secretary shall be the Chief Executive of the society.

3.2 Maintain all papers and documents of the society.

3.3 Convene and attend all meeting of the Society and Governing Body.

3.4 Make all expenditures in consultation with treasurer.

3.5 Take administrative decisions and report to the Governing Body time to time.

3.6 Operate the bank account jointly either with Treasurer or President

4. Assistant Secretary

4.1 The Assistant Secretary shall assist the Secretary for all activities of the Society.

4.2 During the absence of Secretary, Working Committee shall authorize Assistant Secretary to act as Secretary except financial matters.

5. Treasurer

5.1 Shall collect and receive all sorts of subscription, donation, deposit of money, grant received, thereof, maintain and keep cash book and such other accounts as necessary.

5.2 Operate bank account jointly either with Secretary or President.

5.3 Prepare the budget in consultation with the Secretary for consideration of the Governing Body.

6. Auditor

6.1 An Auditor shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting to audit the Annual Accounts of the Society and shall be entitled to such remuneration as may be fixed at the Governing Body meeting.

Accounting Year

The Accounting year of the society shall be from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March of the following year.

**Chapter Four**

1. Annual General Meeting

1.1 Notice

The Secretary shall call the Annual General Meeting with 30(thirty) days notice after the end of the last financial year. The notice shall contain place, date, day and time of the meeting.

1.2 Agenda

Adoption of Annual Report adoption of statement of Accounts, appointment of an Auditor, revision or amendment of rules if any for which at least 7 (seven) days notice has been given, declaration of result of the election of Governing Body members if 3 (three) years term is over. To transact



such business as may be fixed by the Governing Body or other business 7 (seven) days previous notice from any members.

#### 1.3 Quorum of the meeting

One third members personally present at the commencement of the meeting shall constitute the quorum.

#### 1.4 Special General Meeting

Special General Meeting may be convened by the Governing Body or Secretary at any time in the view of urgency of the matter. Seven days notice shall be given to the members for Special General Meeting. Members may request the Governing Body for Special General Meeting by placing a requisition signed by 50 percent of members.

#### 1.5 Maintenance and Audit of Accounts

The Society shall maintain the Books of Accounts as required U/s 15 (1) (a, b) of the act. The account shall be audited by a qualified Auditor stated in Section 15 (2) of the Act.

#### 1.6 Alteration of Memorandum and Regulation

The Memorandum and Regulation may be altered, modified or added to by special resolution passed by the two third of the members in a General Meeting called for the purpose. The Governing Body shall have power to make, alter, and modify such by law and rules as may be considered necessary in the interest of smooth functioning of the Society.

#### 1.7 Suits and Proceedings

Bolpur Manab Jamin may sue or may be sued in the name of the Secretary.

#### 1.8 Dissolution

Bolpur Manab Jamin shall not be dissolved except in accordance with the provision of the Societies Registration Act.

### **Details of Working Committee Members of Bolpur Manab Jamin**

	<b>Name &amp; Address</b>	<b>Designation</b>	<b>Occupation</b>
1.	Pijush Mukhopadhyay South Jambuni; P.O.: Bolpur; Dist. : Birbhum; Pin. : 731204	President	Retired Principal
2.	Debiprasanna Mukhopadhyay Andrewspally; P.O.: Santiniketan; Dist.: Birbhum; Pin: 731235	Vice President	Retired Professor and Principal
3.	Supriya Mondal South Jambuni; P.O.: Bolpur; Dist. : Birbhum; Pin : 731204	Secretary	Teacher
4.	Chanchal Paul Nayekpara, P.O.: Bolpur Dist. : Birbhum; Pin. : 731204	Asstt. Secretary	Social Service
5.	Debasis Mukherjee Vill.: Surul; P.O.: Sriniketan; Dist.: Birbhum; Pin : 731236	Treasurer	Social Service
6.	Santosh Paul Trishulapatty, P.O. : Bolpur; Dist. : Birbhum; Pin. : 731204	Member	Service

7.	Srikanta Mondal South Jambuni , P.O= Bolpur, Dist Birbhum, Pin -731204	Member	Farmer
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#### TEAM MEMBERS

Alpana Mete, Anima Garain, Balika Kisku, Chanchal Pal Debashish Mukherjee Debasis Mitra Dharam Kisku Gopal Chandra Saha Gouri Haldar, Hira Rani Pal,	Jharna Pal, Jhuma Das, Julekha Mondal, Kabita Sardar, Kanan Mete, Krishna Ray, Madhavi Das Monoyara Begum, Rinku Das, Sabita Saha,	Saunak Kar, Shefali Das, Shibani Mondal Mazumdar Srikanta Mondal Subhra Pal, Supriya Mondal Surovita Sarkar, Swapna Mazumdar
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The Society takes the privilege to express its sincere thanks to National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development, Asst. Labour Commissioner Office, Bolpur; Consumer Affairs and Fair Business Practices.

We express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Institute of Agriculture, Palli Shiksha Bhavana, Visva Bharati; Seva Vibhag, Ashram Sammilani, Patha Bhavana, Visva Bharati.

We give our sincere thanks to PRI representatives, Non Government Organizations, Mr. Alan Rousham, Dr. Monika Golembiewski, Society for Equitable Voluntary Actions, AHIMSA Trust, DRCS.

***Your donation can ensure the continuation of livelihood upliftment for the poor.***

Bolpur Manab Jamin

#### **Bank Details:**

Bank : UCO Bank,  
Branch : Raipur Branch  
SB A/c number : 17100110006832  
Branch Code : 1710