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- Regn no. **76** of 2010 under Rights for Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016
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## ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATION



 Districts covered for services

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# Director's Message

Chibai!!

Reflecting on the year at the Centre for Community Initiative (CCI), we are immensely grateful for the unwavering resilience and unity that have steered us through 2023-2024. Amidst challenges due to humanitarian crisis in Manipur, we've witnessed significant strides in our mission to empower marginalized communities especially persons with disabilities and drive social change.

Confronting adversity head-on, CCI has been a pillar of support, delivering essential aid to those impacted by humanitarian crises in Manipur. Our initiatives for Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) have spanned from distributing vital supplies to bolstering livelihood programs, ensuring that children displaced internally are not forgotten in these difficult times. We remain committed to preserving the dignity and welfare of each person we reach.

At our core, we continue to champion the empowerment of marginalized communities, especially persons with disabilities. Navigating through complex situations, our focus on education, livelihoods, and advocacy has persisted, fostering sustainable transformation.

As we rebuild and develop our organization, we're thrilled to be part of Rebuild India Fund, a collaboration set to enhance our organizational development and enhancing staff capacity. This year has been marked by invaluable new partnerships with Oak Foundation, Analog Devices, Sahaas, Project Baala, State Bank of India, and Dasra. These alliances have been crucial in pooling resources, exchanging expertise, and expanding our reach.

I am profoundly thankful for our devoted staff, volunteers, partners, and benefactors. Your unwavering support is the cornerstone of our mission, helping us shape a future where inclusivity and opportunity are tangible realities for everyone.

Together, we're crafting an inclusive and equitable world—one step at a time.



Pauzagin Tonsing



# Introduction / About The Organization

**Centre for Community Initiative (CCI)** is a non-governmental, non-political, and not-for-profit organization started in 2002 by like-minded individuals aiming to create a better society through community initiatives and participation. In 2007, CCI was restructured by the Secretary, a father of a blind child, to form a parents' group that meets regularly to share problems, encourage one another, and work towards a more accepting society.

CCI is devoted to Persons with Disabilities (PwD), advocating for, facilitating, and empowering parents, siblings, and PwDs through practical support. It promotes positive and supportive environments for PwDs, encourages an inclusive society, and advocates for their rights and dignity.

With a vision of building a healthy and just society with equal opportunities for all, CCI has expanded its focus to include Livelihood and Sustainability development, Advocacy & Community Empowerment, and Disability Inclusive Disaster Management. CCI is committed to building a responsive society where the community can explore their potential, grow in self-esteem, and enjoy full participation.



## VISION

- To provide a healthy and just society with equal opportunities for all



## MISSION

- To build and strengthen society for health care, education and socio-economic development through community initiatives and participation.

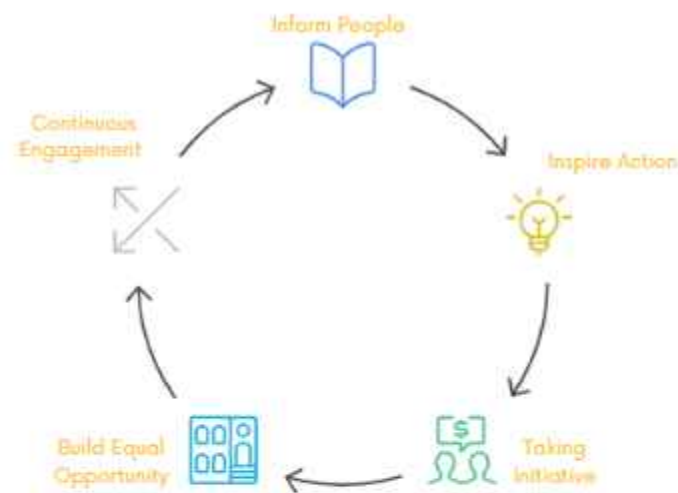


## BELIEVE

- We believe that each individual, communities, institutions and government contribute in their own way to making the world a better place to live in.

## THEORY OF CHANGE

CCI envisions a just society where all humans have equal opportunity irrespective of their physical abilities/disabilities. We believe that every individual, communities, and institutions have their respective share in building equal opportunity for every human. CCI facilitate the creation of equal opportunity by informing, inspiring people to act and by taking initiative.





# MALSAWM ABILITY RESOURCE CENTRE



**MALSAWM ABILITY RESOURCE CENTRE (MARC)**, an all-in-one platform, empowers persons with disabilities by enhancing their skills for independent life, ensuring inclusion in regular schools, sensitizing schools and providing quality education, training teachers on disability issues and effective teaching techniques, strengthening parents' knowledge and confidence and collaborating with community organizations and NGOs to promote disability rights.

Components of MARC





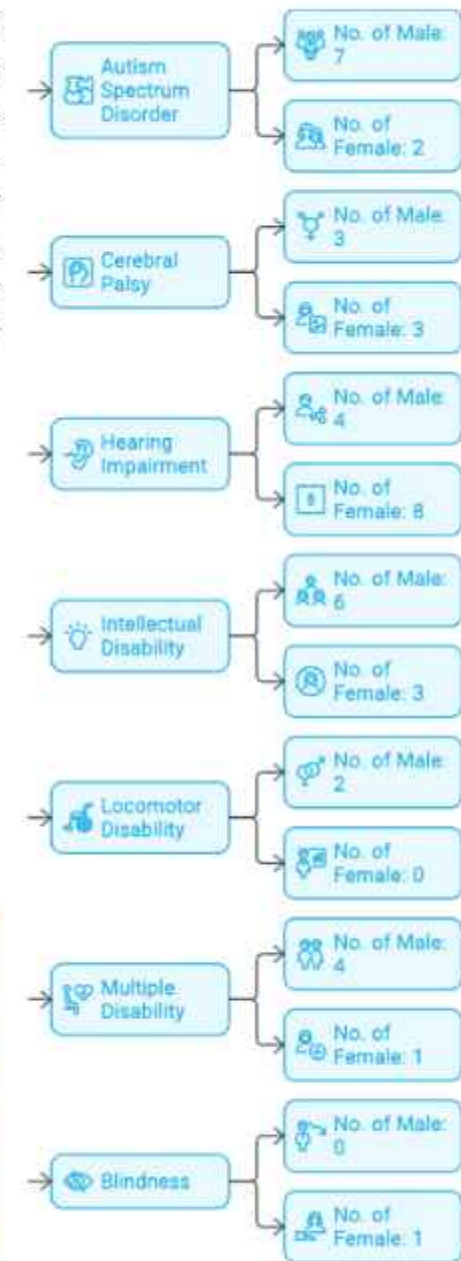
# The Malsawm Initiative (TMI)

The Malsawm Initiative (A School for Children with Disabilities) provides appropriate education based on specifically designed Individualized Education Plan (IEP) to 44 children with various types of disabilities ages ranging from 4-17 years. They are grouped in three sections of Early Education; Level A (Class I-III), Level B (Class IV-V), Level C (VI-VII); and Pre-Vocational Group based on their ability and age appropriateness. Level A, B & C comes under Open Basic Education program of NIOS, of which TMI is an accredited agency since 2019. Through this program, 3 students appeared for Level A, 6 students for Level B and 4 students for Level C examination in 2024. Students are also taught braille and sign language based on their need.



## IMPACT STORY

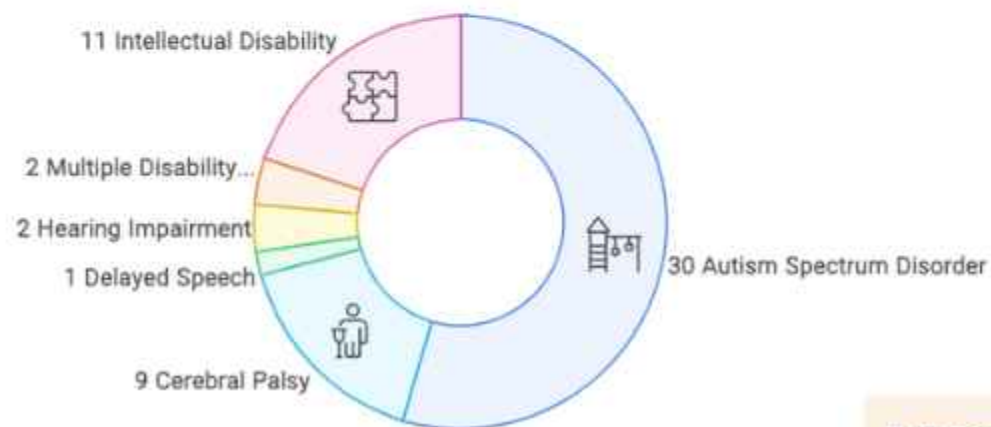
**Pauginsean**, an 8-year-old boy with ADHD, found hope and excitement at TMI. Previously marked by tears and resistance, his school days transformed. The nurturing environment helped him blossom socially and academically, making friends, leading conversations, and improving his writing skills. He even developed a fondness for vegetables. Hesitant and anxious parents once, marveled at his vibrant transformation, a testament to the profound impact of understanding and acceptance in a child's potential.





# Early Intervention Unit (EIU)

EIU provides behavior management, activities of daily living (ADL) skills, school readiness and counseling to 55 children with various types of disabilities ages ranging from 0-17 years. Of the 55 beneficiaries, 20 beneficiaries with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Intellectual Disability and Multiple Disabilities are covered under Disha scheme (Early Intervention and School Readiness) of the National Trust. 12 beneficiaries graduated and successfully transitioned from EIU to TMI.



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**Disha Scheme**  
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## IMPACT STORY

**Jamgunhao** is a 4-year-old boy with ASD, shown significant improvement in various areas since joining EIU since 2023. He had difficulty following instructions, social interaction, verbal communication, and attention, as well as resistance to using the toilet. Through interventions focused on language and communication, socialization, and life skills such as eating, brushing, and toileting, he has made great strides. He starts expressing his wants, needs, likes, and dislikes verbally using a few words, and has shown the ability to play with his friends. As a result of his progress, he is promoted to The Malsawm Initiative.





# Inclusive Education Programme

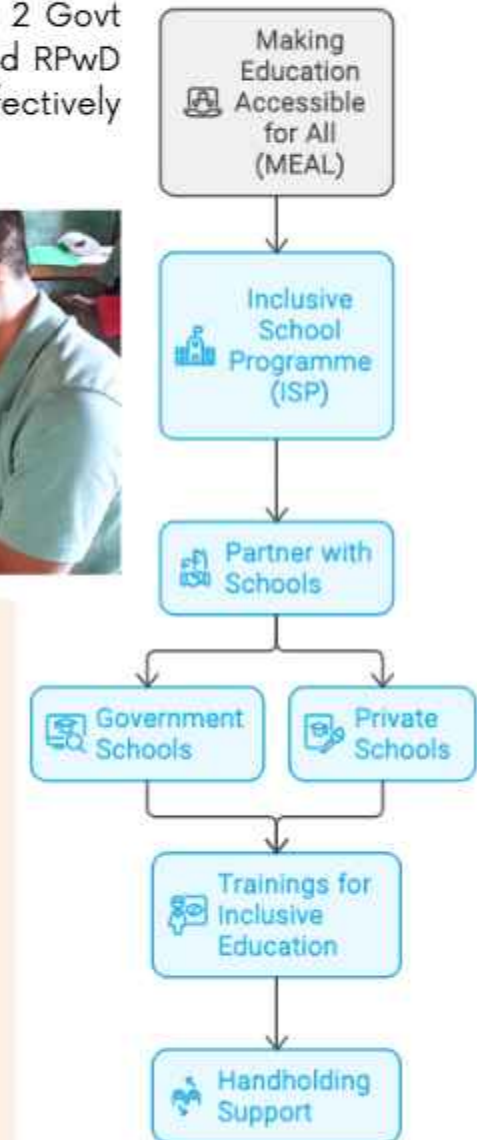
CCI promotes inclusive education and work through its project "Making Education Accessible for All (MEAL)" with support from Wipro Foundation for ensuring every child including children with disabilities can access quality education and participate fully in the school community. CCI partners with 2 Govt Schools and 4 private school for developing them into an inclusive school according to RTE and RPwD Act. CCI Resource Teachers capacitated these schools and provide continuous support to effectively include children with diverse needs and backgrounds.



## RIPPLE EFFECT : Inclusive Education in Action

Effective capacity building for inclusive teaching and preparation for Teaching & learning materials could be made with staff from 6 partner schools. Various Inclusive Teaching and Learning Materials have been developed and proven to be effective with partner schools. As example, **"Parts of a plant"**

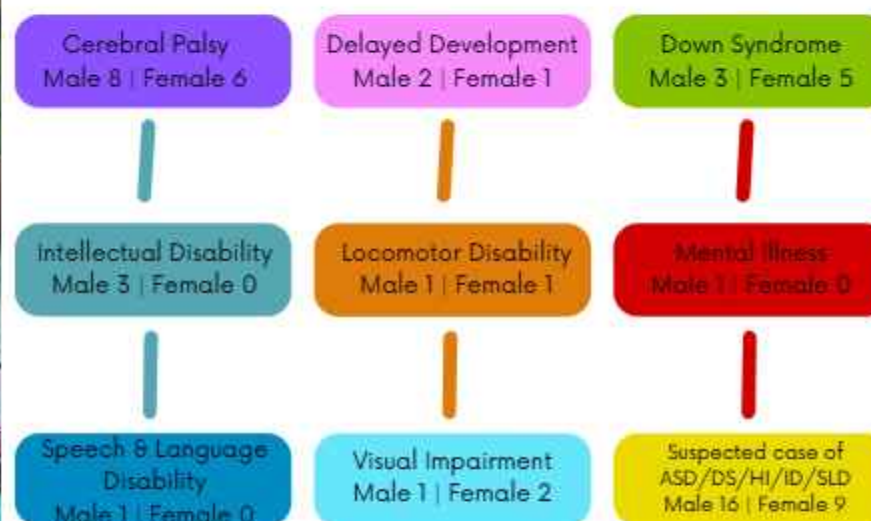
which has had a positive impact on both teachers and students. The materials are locally available and designed to be visual, tactile and kinesthetic providing a hands-on learning experience for students. The 3D model of the petals allows students to not only see and feel the shape and size, but also touch the leaves, roots and soil. Real leaves, stems and soil are used in these learning materials enhancing the sensory experience for the students.





# Home Based Care Unit (HBCU)

**HOME BASED CARE UNIT (HBCU)** caters the age group of 0-17 years who are confined at home due to the severity of their disability and/or other extraordinary challenges in their family. A total a 60 beneficiaries were covered under this program through Home School Program under MEAL . Of the registered 60 beneficiaries, 5 children joined mainstream school, 4 joined TMI and 1 is in our EIU.



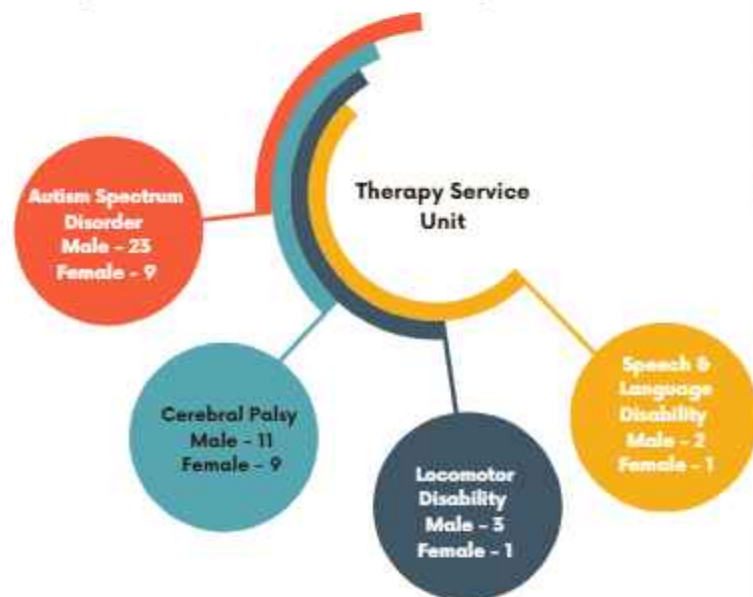
## IMPACT STORY

*Ms Vunghthianhoih with Cerebral Palsy, struggling to stand and walk independently joined our MARC. Her disability confined her at home and never had the opportunity for education of any kind. After registering, her parents and teachers joined hands for the all-round development of the child. She can now brush her teeth independently, and can also spread and fold a mat that has been used for therapy session. Academically, she can now identify alphabets, primary colours, numbers and shapes using pegboards.*



# Therapy Services Unit (TSU)

**THERAPY SERVICES UNIT (TSU)** caters to the therapy needs of students and beneficiaries under TMI, EIU and HBCU of MARC. Therapy includes physiotherapy, sensory integration and speech & language enhancement which were availed by a total of 59 beneficiaries. 20 of the beneficiaries were from HBCU covered under Home School Program of MEAL. As its the only well equipped Therapy services in the town and it is opened to those who could avails our services and lot of services are provided to the community .



## IMPACT STORY

**Nemlunmawi @Mawi**, a 5-year-old with Cerebral Palsy, has surpassed expectations through her journey after enrolling in 2022. Initially standing with support, she quickly advanced to standing unaided for several seconds, and then completely on her own. Mawi now walks independently, even overcoming the challenge of a tactile school corridor, and identifies both upper- and lower-case alphabets, reads simple words. Her ability to pick herself up after falls showcases her resilience and determination, embodying the transformative power of early intervention and unwavering support.

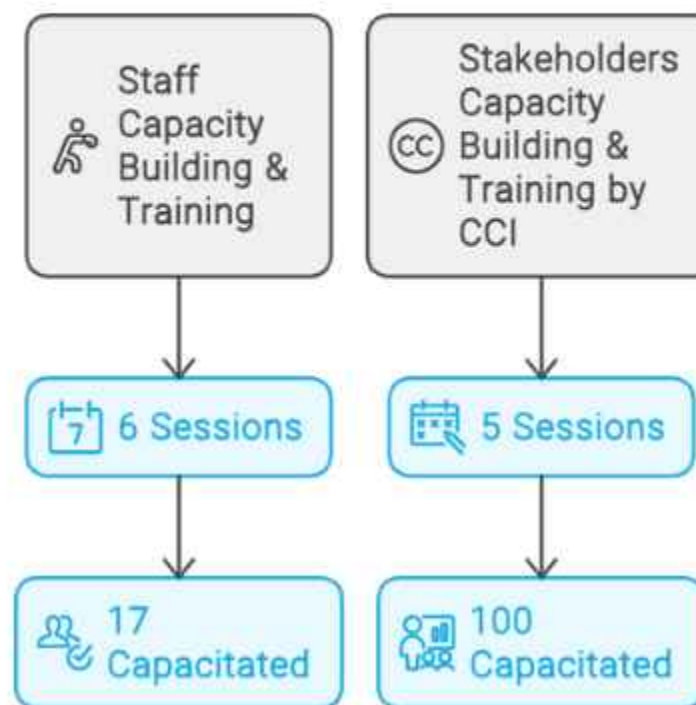




## Capacity Building & Training (CB & T)

**CAPACITY BUILDING & TRAINING** is an essential part of CCI's programmes for its staff members as well as stakeholders like parents, siblings, teachers, etc. Regular in-house sessions are conducted for staff members to enhance their knowledge and skills so that they are equipped with necessary tools to effectively address the diverse challenges they encounter while working with children with disabilities and diverse needs. Awareness and skill-building sessions are also conducted to educate parents, siblings and other stakeholders to empower them so that they can support children with disabilities and diverse needs better within their respective roles and environments.

With shortage of professional staff in the region, CCI sponsored one of its staff for 5 yrs course in Bachelor of Occupational Therapy at NILD, Kolkata





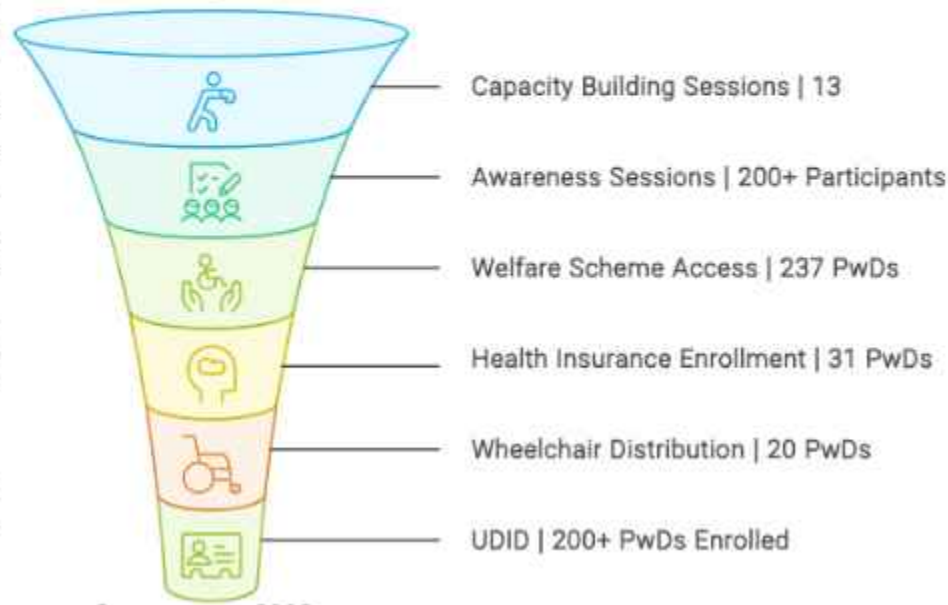
# ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

Centre for Community Initiative (CCI) actively supports persons with disabilities (PwDs) and marginalized communities through various programs. CCI organized a capacity-building session on the RPD Act 2016 at Churachandpur Medical College and awareness sessions at 4 Inclusive Community Learning Centers (iCLC), discussing rights-based approaches and types of disabilities. In collaboration with District Social Welfare Office, CCI also raised awareness about RPWD Act and inclusive elections during the SVEEP campaign.

CCI helped 237 individuals access welfare schemes, conducted sessions on the NIRAMAYA Health Insurance Scheme, and enrolled 200 PwDs for UDID cards.

In response to the crisis in Manipur, distributed 20 wheelchairs to IPDs in relief camps in Lamka, aiding over 8,000 displaced individuals.

CCI's Coordinator (Advocacy) filed a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) in the High Court of Manipur under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, for accessibility of Mini Secretariat in Churachandpur. State authorities are now working to improve accessibility in public buildings.

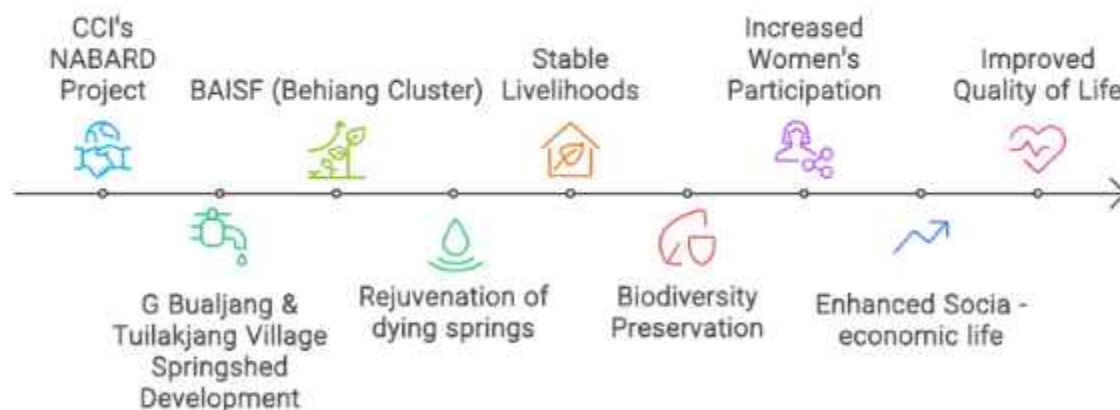




# LIVELIHOOD & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

**Centre for Community Initiative** in collaboration with **NABARD**, is driving two key projects for community welfare and development in remote areas of Churachandpur district. The first project, **Springshed Based Watershed Management Project**, is being implemented in G Bualjang and Tuilakjang villages in Suangdoh Sub Division. This project focuses on conserving and restoring natural springs and their surrounding catchment areas to ensure sustainable water supply for communities. It emphasizes holistic watershed management practices, including reforestation, soil conservation, and sustainable agriculture, to enhance water quality, biodiversity, and resilience to climate change.

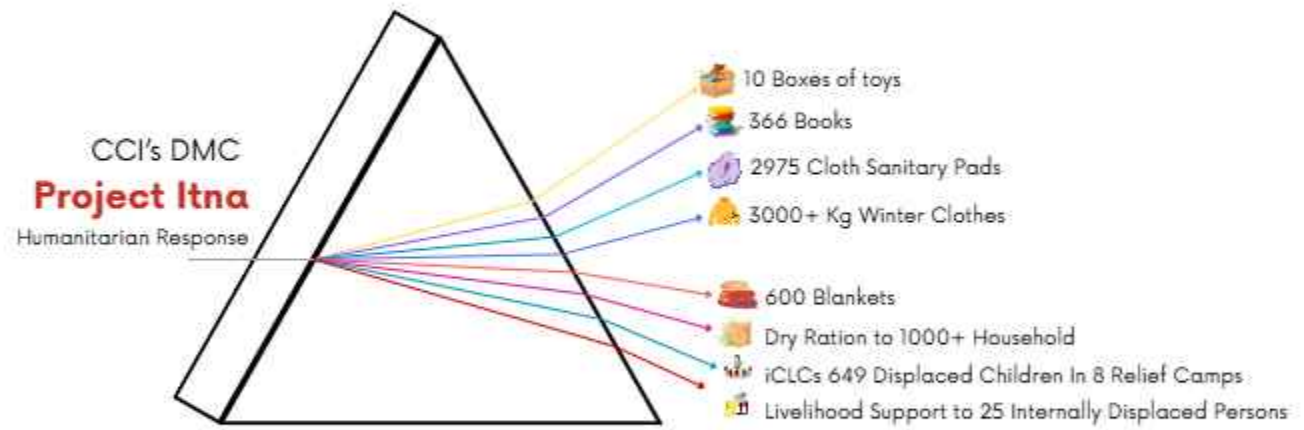
The second project, **Border Area Integrated Sustainable Farming (Behiang Cluster)**, under Tribal Development Fund (TDF) is being carried out in 7 villages under Singngat Sub Division, benefiting 200 farmers. The main crops include Grafted Avocado and Mango (Malda). This project aims to improve the socio-economic lives of tribal families through sustainable farming, promoting stable livelihoods, reducing distress and migration, enhancing quality of life, and increasing women's capacity and participation in the development process.





# DISABILITY INCLUSIVE DISASTER MANAGEMENT (DiDM)

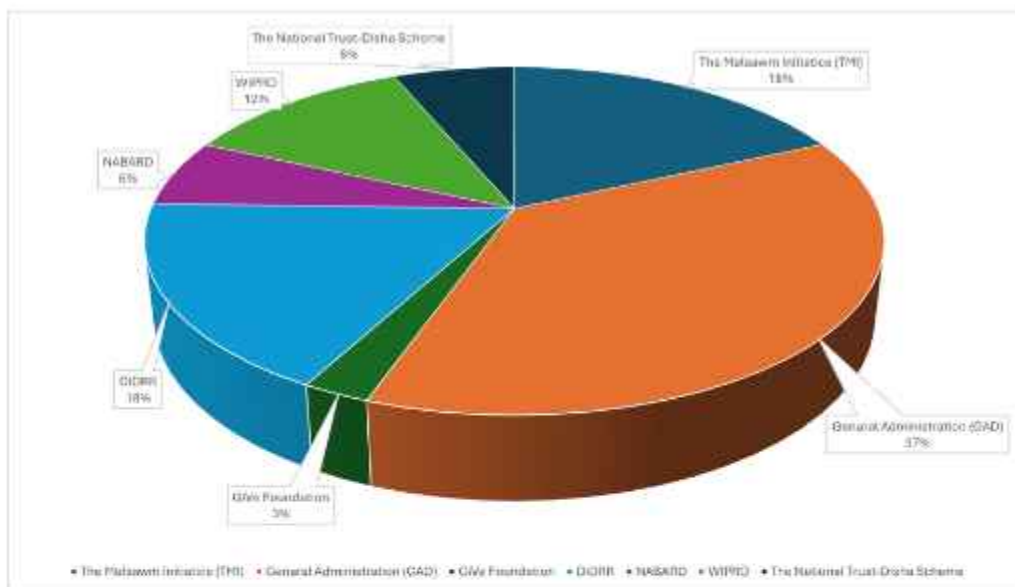
CCI DiDM's Disaster Management Committee (DMC) responded humanitarian crisis in Manipur in the name of **Project Itna (love)** by focusing education, healthcare, hygiene, daily essential needs and livelihoods for Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs). Educational and nutrition food for children under Inclusive Community Learning Centre (iCLC), sanitary pads, sessions on hygiene, and winter clothing & blankets provided at relief camps. Dry rations distributed, organised medical camps for IDPs while providing emotional support. Provide economic sustenance to IDPs including to visually impaired.



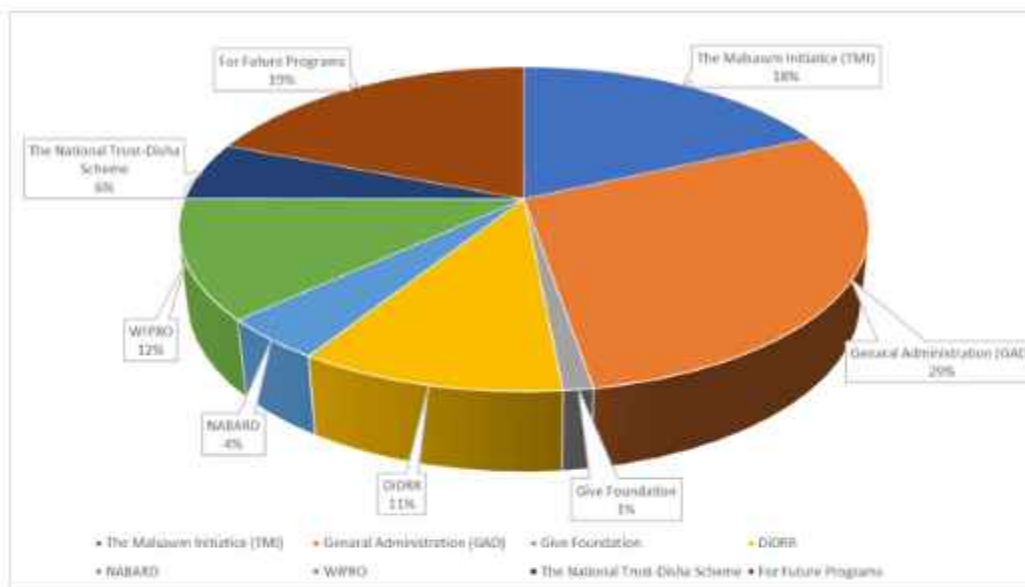


# FINANCIAL REPORT

The Centre for Community Initiative (CCI) is pleased to present the financial report for the fiscal year 2023-2024. This report provides an overview of our income and expenditure, reflecting our dedication to transparency and accountability in managing resources. With humnatirian crisis in Manipur, our income and expenditure is down by just over 7% compared to FY 2022-2023. CCI has an income of ₹ 1,87,12,822.75 in this FY 2023-2024 and excess of expenditure over income of ₹ 3,583,572.51 for future program. Our financial strategy is designed to ensure sustainable growth and effective utilization of funds to advance our mission of supporting persons with disabilities and marginalized communities. We extend our gratitude to our donors, partners, and supporters whose contributions have been instrumental in driving our initiatives forward. This report underscores our commitment to financial stewardship and our ongoing efforts to create a positive impact in the communities we serve.



**INCOME**



**EXPENDITURE**

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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We express our heartfelt gratitude to all our supporters, funders, and donors who have partnered with us, sharing our vision and commitment to meaningful impact. While honoring our existing partners who have brought us this far, we are delighted to introduce our new supporters and donors during FY 2023-2024: Oak Foundation, Analog Devices, CASA, Community Action Colab, Sahaas, Project Baala, State Bank of India.

Project-based supporters: EBCC Bangalore, CCI Team Delhi (led by Chelsea), We Bake Home Bakery, Hannah Lalhlanpuii, SSCBS & Bharati College, Pratham Books, Pricislla, Hemant, Vithika, David Thangkunga, Riway Chhetri, Sumina Chettri, Meghali Guha, Anu, Anil Kumar Sarangi, Nidhi Srinivas, Monisha Murali, Ramaya M Vaidyanath, Kaushik Boruah, Preethi, Bala Chandar, Roshni Ravi, Gladson, Pratiksha, David, Mandy, Khaia, Shandy and all anonymous contributors.

This year, CCI has been fortunate to welcome 20 volunteers and interns. Volunteers from all corners and interns from esteemed institutions such as Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) in Mumbai, St. Joseph College in Bangalore, and Amity University Noida.

**To our current and past supporters/partners, we proudly display your logos as a testament to our shared commitment and respect**





We are profoundly grateful for the generous donation of a school bus by State Bank of India (SBI) through its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative. This gift will significantly enhance our ability to provide safe and reliable transportation for our students, ensuring they have better access to education and opportunities. Your support is invaluable to us, and we deeply appreciate your commitment to improving the lives of the children with disability in our community. Thank you for partnering with us in this important mission.





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