SUCCESS STORY

Name of the Beneficiary: **Mrs. Joshoda Baruah**
W/o. Mr. Ratnakanta Baruah
Village: Batabari, Darrang (Assam)

Mrs. Joshoda Baruah

Mrs. Joshoda Baruah is a very successful farmer under the project, "All India Co ordinate Research Project on Goat Improvement", Assam Hill Goat at Batabari Field Unit. Her husband is a daily wage worker and she is a landless goat-keeper. She was rearing the goats as a backyard venture to supplement family income. At the very beginning of the commencement of the project in her locality in the year 2009 she had only reared only four goats. While trying to increase her flock strength she was facing many difficulties including kid mortality, disease control and proper feeding management. With the intervention of the Project Mrs. Baruah has been able to increase her flock strength and augment her income regularly and substantially. This has increased her interest in goat rearing more seriously and increased effort. In her own words, Mrs. Baruah said with the increased income from selling of the goats she could merry off her two daughters of her two daughters without much financial hardship. More importantly Mrs. Baruah said due to her success as goat farmer she has gained much self-esteem and recognition in her society. Mrs. Baruah who is 51 years of age now, is presently rearing 13 numbers of healthy goats. She has earned a sum of Rs. 14,900.00 by selling 3 numbers of castrated goats and two numbers of buckling in recently.

Her only son is also helping her in housing and feeding management of goats.

Mrs. Baruah is very much thankful for the help and knowledge provided by AICRP on Goat Improvement. At present she planned to increase the flock strength and has made a new house for the goats for better management.

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