

SUCCESS STORY ON SWACHH BHARAT MISSION
Name of the Village - Thiebskai
Name of C&RD Block - Pynursla
Name of District - East Khasi Hills District

In East Khasi Hills District, under Pynursla C&RD Block, Thiebskai is a village under the Raid Rangnah of Hima Khyrim, a small, captivating, solitary village with 21 Households and an SSA (*Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan*) School. The people of this village practice broom grass cultivation as the main source of their livelihood besides, bay leaf and black pepper.

On 30th July 2015, Thiebskai embraced a journey of transformation. It is on this day that the village envisaged a new picture for their future. It is a brave, well thought decision that the village took, to set on this journey to transform their village into a Clean & Healthy Sanitary one. It can be proudly said that the village did not venture this mission alone, but with the proper assistance & guidance of the Block coordinator and fieldworkers of Swatch Bharat Mission.

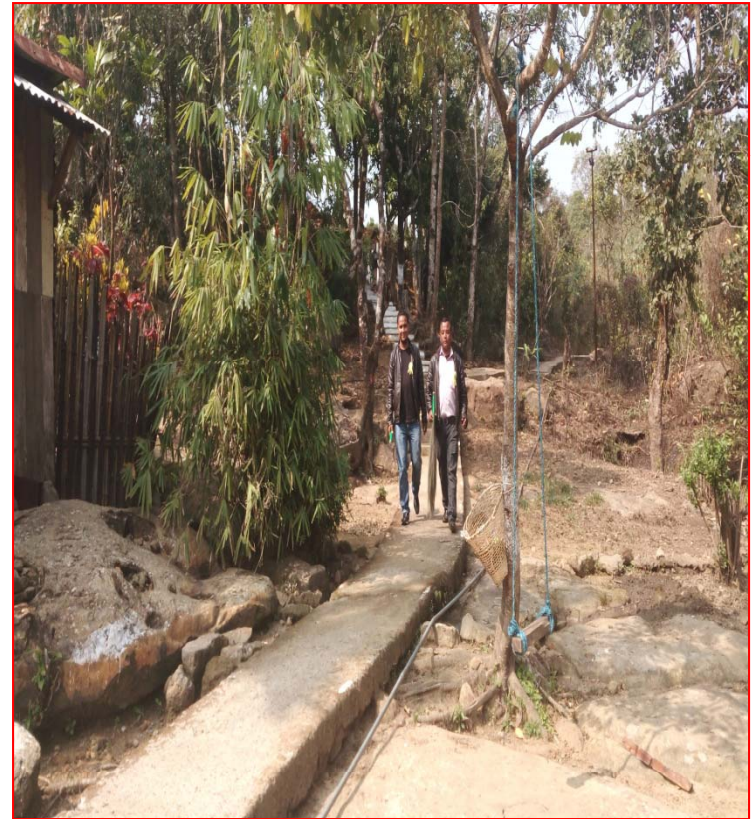
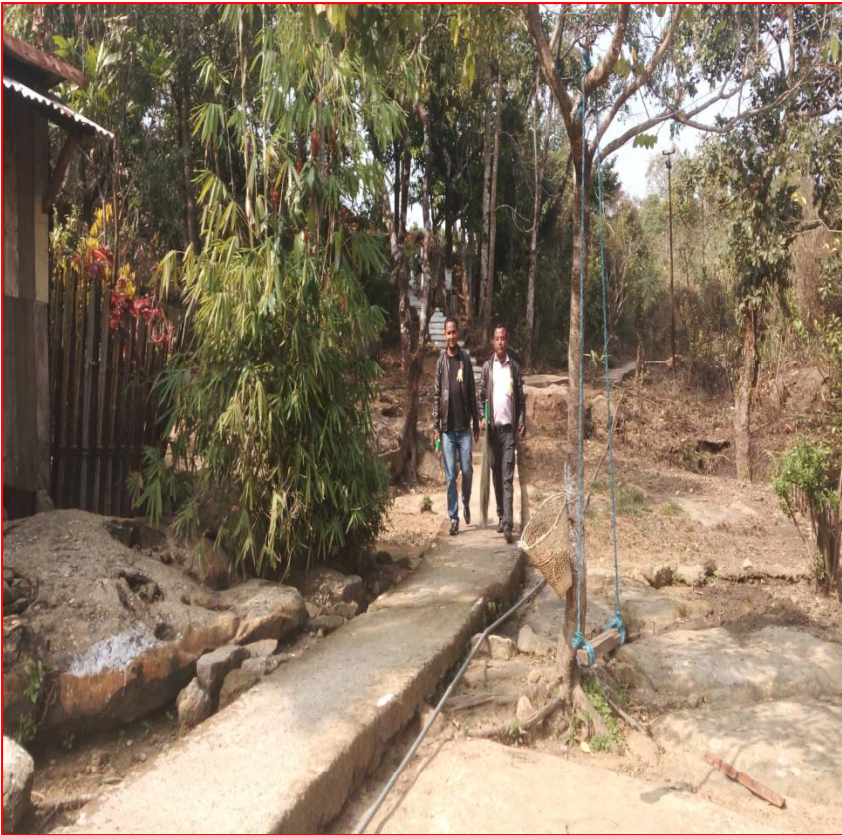
How the Change came

- The Coordinator along with the fieldworkers visited the village and facilitated a brief discussion (*pre-triggering phase*) leading to the consciousness of the public about the benefit of healthy sanitation and community hygiene in general. A workshop (*triggering phase*) organised with the entire community .Healthy Sanitary practices were discussed and the people's consciousness was triggered. Villagers realized their own situation and ill practices (*to defecate in the open*) and felt the need of having a proper sanitation. The people of Thietskai decided to make a change and strive for a goal to stop Open Defecation and secure a clean environment. Subsequently, the village formed Village Water & Sanitation Committee (VWSC) of Thietskai ,for the purpose.

Decency, Safety and aesthetics established with the construction of toilets for children and adults in Thiabskei Village



Clean and Green Surroundings of Thiebskai Village



8/22/2017

The ODF Declaration Day on 16th February, 2016



In a period of 7 months, the people achieved the status of ODF and hoisted the Flag of an open Defecation Free (*ODF*) village, in spite of their busy schedules in the field, where their livelihood dependents.