

Title: Neighbourhood Mission

Objective of the practice:

Visioning an educated, developed, sustainable and economically growing Meghalaya with initiatives beginning from the Neighbourhood

The context:

Thrust was to create a sustainable plan against critical issues & challenges in the field faced earlier. Economic up-gradation was addressed and focus was on organic farming.

The Practice:

USTM adopted villages of nearby areas to **uphold development of community around the SDG objectives**. This initiative was revised in more precise manner where departments were allotted activity considering their domain knowledge. Department wise Neighborhood Mission Activity Charter is in supporting Documents uploaded. The main focus areas are given below:



Evidence of success:

- Poverty reduced through skill development
- Economy became better as handholding provided
- Lifestyle became healthier with campaigns on sanitation and hygiene
- School dropouts decreased with mass awareness & counseling sessions
- Environmental sustainability ensured through plantation drives

Problems encountered and resources required

- **Distance of marketing facility:** Rural Hatts
- **Village road:** Construct Roads
- **Sanitation knowledge:** Awareness campaigns
- **School dropouts:** Community library.
- **Environmental sustainability awareness:** plantation drives & awareness

Notes:

Neighborhood Mission developed with objective to provide facilities to poor community of nearby areas therefore **Rural Hatt for Village Produces** worked as support for community.

Solar lighting facility to community is another initiative under this mission where all the community of nearby areas are getting facility as this is the minimum requirement of the life.