

Field Work Report –Pathanamthitta Visit

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SI No	Date	Place of visit	Observation	Suggestions
1	06/10/2017- 07/10/2017	Pathanamthitta District –Attathodu and moozhiyar colony	<p>Attathodu - field visit- 4 families in a temporary settlement of Malambandaram community living in the forest on the way to Attathodu. They live in plastic sheet huts. The men in the community go to forest and collect non-timber produces and sell in the market. They get only a minimal amount for the products. The elder members of the community know to make bamboo baskets but they are not permitted to collect bamboo from forest. Children in the family go to school and Anganvady. There is a premature baby in the community. They have the concept of “Valaymapura” for ladies. The community rear dogs for their protection. Attathodu colony is in Perunadu Panchayath. Attathod is the government provided land for tribal populations. It is a mixed community colony. There are general ,SC families and 3 ST communities such as Malambandaram, Mala-Arayan and Ulladan. Most of the families live in government provided houses. There are 10 active Kudumbashree NHGs in the colony. The colony is known as Perumal Ayyappan Colony and Mr.Narayanan is the Oorumooppan .</p> <p>Moozhiyar- Sayippankuzhy colony- The Malabandaram community is a nomadic people and wishes to live in forested mountain</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.If they got a proper guideline they can start livelihood activities especially to start an enterprise and they are capable to do so 2.Sabarimala, a major pilgrimage destination is near to the community. During the season they will get more profit if they start an enterprises 3.DDUGKY programme have more scope in the community because most of the youth are completed plus two 4. A convergence activity needed for the protection of the community and for fulfilling their basic needs 5. We can promote their main livelihood activity, that is the collection of NTFP and can give a better marketing for that 6.NHG formation needed for moozhiyar Sayippankuzhy colony 7. License should be provided for the families to collect non-timber produces from the forest. 8.Hygienic awareness programmes should be given. 9.Land and housing facilities are required.

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