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Health

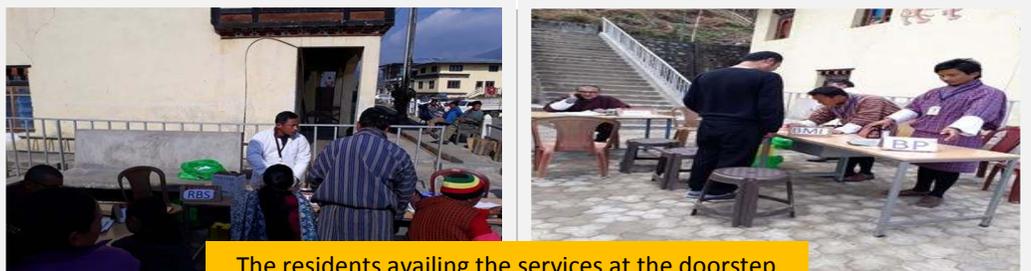
Zero Unscreened, Zero Untreated NCD cases for Daga Town Residents



The Health Officials involved in the health screening programme

Daga BHU-I screened the Daga town Residents for Non Communicable Disease (NCDs) including hypertension, diabetes and obesity. It was targeted towards the theme, "Zero unscreened, Zero untreated NCD cases for the Town Residents". A one day screening program, as a part of Community Nursing Service was carried out in the heart of the town on 27 January 2018 for all town residents aged between 25 to 65 years, the age window of high NCD cases. The fraction of the town population who couldn't turn up during the screening day was followed up at the BHU and some traced as already screened from the NCD registers. With this follow up, 100% of the town residents are now screened for NCDs.

The service was also provided to non-town residents who came forward for the check up. Those diagnosed with the diseases are receiving treatment currently.



The residents availing the services at the doorstep

Keeping the Health Workers on Toe against Malaria Cases



Participants during the training at Dagapela



Participants during the training at Drujeygang

For the last five consecutive years, Dagana Dzongkhag has zero report of indigenous malaria case. And the Dzongkhag is due for certification for zero indigenous malaria case from the Vector Disease Control Program (VDCP), according to the Program's Chief Program Officer. Bhutan National Strategic Plan 2015-2020 aims to achieve zero indigenous malaria in Bhutan by 2018 and obtain WHO malaria free certification by 2020.

To ensure smooth road towards malaria elimination and to be vigilant at all times, Dagana Health Sector has trained almost all doctors, nurses and HAs of the hospital, BHU-Is and BHU-IIs in two batches; one at Drujeygang from 18-19 February 2018 and the other at Dagapela hospital from 25 - 26 February 2018. The Health Workers of Dagana Dzongkhag commit to continue doing their best.

Lhamoizingkha Dungkhag Awarded a “Dungkhag Malaria Free” Certificate



Dasho Dungpa receiving the Certificate

Lhamoizingkha Dungkhag under Dagana Dzongkhag was awarded a certificate for not reporting a single case of locally transmitted malaria in the last three years from 2015-2017 despite being one of the malaria endemic area in the country. The recognition certificate was awarded in Sarpang Dzongkhag on 25th April 2018 coinciding with World Malaria Day, themed “*Ready to Beat Malaria*”.

The certificate was received by Lhamoizingkha Dungpa from the WHO Representative to Bhutan.

Education

45th Dzongkhag Education Conference



Dasho Dzongdag sharing the ideas and recommendations to achieve academic enhancement

The 45th Dzongkhag Education Conference for Dagana Dzongkhag Education Sector was conducted at Drujeygang Central School from 2-4 March, 2018. The Conference deliberated on the National Education Conference’s theme, “*A King’s Vision, a Country’s Future, and a People’s Dream*”.

45th Dzongkhag Education Conference Cont...



Cultural Norms-Dasho Dzongdag gracing the *Marchang* Ceremony

The Conference was attended by all the Principals, two Vice Principals and two teachers of Drukjegang Central School, two Dy. Chief Dzongkhag Education Officers and Adm.Assts. from Dzongkhag Education Office.

The opening was graced by Hon'ble Dasho Dzongdag. Dasho highlighted on the responsibilities of the School Principals to address issues and challenges faced by the Dzongkhag Education Sector. Dasho Dzongdag asked every Principal on the follow up actions from the last Dzongkhag Education Conference taken in the respective school. Dasho also shared numerous recommendations and steps to improve the academic performance of the students in 2018. Further Dasho reminded the Principals on the importance of their remaining apolitical and maintaining community vitality.

The Conference reviewed the resolution of the 44th Dzongkhag Education Conference. The Legal Officer made a presentation on the Workplace Harassment. Similarly, the Asst. HR Officer presented the updated information on BCSR 2018. The Dzongkhag Scouts Secretary also presented the resolutions from the Scouts Conference and created the Accounts for Messenger of Peace. This was followed by discussion on the agenda items submitted by the schools and on the reminders from the Dzongkhag Education Office. Extensive discussion on planning strategies for academic enhancement in 2018 also took place.

Dzongkhag Tshogdu

4th Dzongkhag Tshogdu

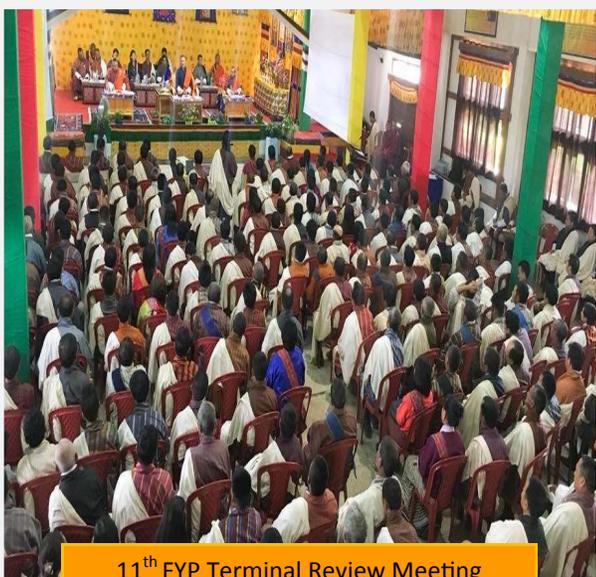


Dzongkhag Tshogdu participants offering His Majesty's Zhabten at the end of two day meeting

The fourth session of Dagana Dzongkhag Tshogdu was convened from 31 May to 1 June 2018. Besides discussion on many important agenda items, the Regional Heads also presented their Work Plans & Programmes. The team from the Anti Corruption Commission led by the Director also presented the "Findings of National Integrity Assessment". Dasho Dzongdag, Dzongkhag Tshogdu Thrizin, Dasho Dzongrab, DT Members (14 Gups and Mangmis), DT Secretary, Sector Heads and Regional Heads attended the two day programme.

Planning

Dagana's 11th Five Year Plan Terminal Review Meeting



11th FYP Terminal Review Meeting

The Terminal Review of 11th Five Year Plan (FYP) for Dagana Dzongkhag was conducted on 14 June 2018 in the auditorium of Dagapela Middle Secondary School graced by Hon'ble Prime Minister, Dasho Tshering Tobgay. Dasho Dzongdag, Dagana Dzongkhag Administration reported that out of 48 Key Performance Indicators of Dzongkhag Key Result Areas, 41 have been achieved successfully. 4 Indicators were reported to be "On Track" while 3 were "At Risk". Hon'ble Prime Minister presented a detailed account on the overall achievement of 11th FYP followed by a brief presentation on 12th FYP of Dagana Dzongkhag by Mr. Karma Jamtsho, Chief Planning Officer, Gross National Happiness Commission.

Livestock

Farmers Trained on Basic Beekeeping



Participants from Tsangkha Gewog

A total of 40 participants (2 females and 38 males) from Gungpa Sumchu, Zinchella, Peteykha, Tsangkha, Salamjee and Gelechu villages under Tsangkha Gewog of Dagana Dzongkhag attended the training on beekeeping at Zinchella from 22-28 January 2018. The participants gained experiences in rearing local bees in traditional hives (log and wall hives) and they were enthusiastic to learn and experience rearing bees in improved box hives.

The training was organized by Regional Livestock Development Centre (RLDC), Wangdue in collaboration with the Queen's Project Office (QPO), Thimphu and Dzongkhag Livestock Sector (DLS), Dagana. The budget for the training was partially funded by QPO and RLDC. The resource persons for the training were the officials from RLDC Wangdue, NHRDC Jakar and DLS Dagana. The Livestock In-charge of Tsangkha Gewog was also involved as a facilitator.

The objectives of this training were to :

- Impart basic knowledge on improved beekeeping practices to the beekeeping farmers group ;
- Build capacity of farmers on modern method of beekeeping to improve and increase honey production in the region and
- Start with more beekeeping farmers group in the region and support income generation and livelihood.

Farmers Trained on Basic Beekeeping cont...



Practical hands-on-training in handling bees

The training was provided through lecture using power point presentation, brainstorming and group discussion. It also included practical hands-on-training in handling bees and bee equipment, colony inspection, dividing and uniting colonies and transferring bees.

Daga Throm Gets a Livestock Products Sale Counter



Dairy products & Honey displayed for Sale

A Livestock Products Sale Counter was opened at the Sunday market premises of Daga Throm on Sunday, 6 May 2018. The members of dairy groups in Tseza and Karna Gewog brought their products for sale during the opening event. The products sold during the opening event were dairy products (fresh milk, curd, cheese, butter), eggs and honey. The Sale Counter will open on Sundays simultaneously with Sunday Vegetable Market of Daga Throm. The Livestock Sector would like to encourage the sale of local pork and fish during Sunday market for customers with prior approval from BAFRA in future. The construction of the structure was funded through the Dzongkhag Development Grant.

Culture

Trelde Tshechu of Dagana



Trelde Tshechu of Dagana Dzongkhag is held every year on the 10th day of second Bhutanese month coinciding with Guru's Birthday. During the one day *Trelde Tshechu*, all the mask dances of the five-day Annual Daga Tshechu are performed in one day. This year the Tshechu fell on 26 March 2018.

Consecration of Butterlamp Offering House



Glimpses from the Consecration Ceremony

Coinciding with Lord Buddha's Parinirvana, Venerable Lam Neten of Daga Trashie Yangtse Rabdey consecrated the butter lamp offering House (*Karmoe Choekhang*). The structure was constructed by the Dzongkhag Administration and was formally handed over to the Rabdey on 29 May 2018.

Information Communication & Technology (ICT)

ICT Skills for Non-ICT Staff



The participants with Dasho Dzongdag

ICT training for non-ICT staff of Dagana Dzongkhag and Lhamoizingkha Dungkhag was conducted from 3-4 May 2018 in Dagana. Dasho Dzongdag graced the opening of the two day training. Dasho highlighted on the importance of ICT for good governance and asked the participants to actively participate in the training. The ICT Sector of the Dzongkhag organized the training with the objective to enhance basic ICT skills of the staff and sensitize the role of ICT in e-governance. A hands on training was also conducted to maximize the usage of the paid Google Apps to further improve efficiency of the day-to-day operations and to reduce cost to the Government. Around 25 staffs attended the training.

Taking advantage of the gathering, the Dzongkhag Internal Auditor also sensitized the participants on five tools of Ethics and Integrity, namely 1.Code of Conduct 2.Conflict of Interest 3.Asset Declaration 4.Gift Rule and 5.Grievances Redressal Mechanism.



The Dzongkhag Internal Auditor presenting the Five Tools of Ethics and Integrity



Mr. Lhakpa Dorji & ICT equipment

Mr. Lhakpa Dorji Thingh, 28, a youth from Goshi Gewog, Dagana Dzongkhag took up ICT business startup in Daga Throm on 10 May 2018. Dagana Dzongkhag Administration supported him with ICT equipment such as photocopier machine, desktop set and binding machine to help the youth of the Dzongkhag raise local economy, reduce rural urban migration and provide ICT services such as printing, scanning, photocopying, binding and other ICT related services to the public at minimal cost. This ICT project was funded through the Dzongkhag Development Grant. Besides ICT services, he also provides mobile repairing services. Anyone requiring such services, please visit him.

Tashiding Gewog

People of Lower Shamdolay Gets a New Farm Road



The construction of farm road at Lower Shamdolay in Shamdolay Chiwoq, Tashiding Gewog was completed on 27 March 2018 benefiting nine households. The farm road is about 1200 meters and the road was constructed using the Dzongkhag Excavator. The fueling was provided from the allocated budget of Nu.3,20,000 (three lakhs twenty thousand) of the GDG (Gewog Development Grant) for this fiscal year.

The farmers here grow cash crops such as ginger and this road has helped one of the beneficiaries and the Chairperson of the newly formed Group to easily sell more than 700 Kilograms of ginger, not needing to carry the load till the road point any more.

Environment

Towards “A Clean Dagana Forever ” Initiatives



Dasho Dzongdag with waste management women group & Daga Central School's waste management club members

The Dagana Dzongkhag Waste Management Committee organized one day "Waste Management Awareness Programme" on 8 June 2018 in Dagana. The Waste Management Group of Daga Throm comprising 27 women and the Waste Management Club members of Daga Central School attended the programme.

Dasho Dzongdag shared with the participants that they had a very important role to play. The waste management program in Daga Throm and Daga Central School (Waste Management Club) was being initiated as a pilot program. If this succeeded, it would be introduced in other Schools, Towns and Gewogs of the Dzongkhag.

The Doctor from Daga BHU presented to the gathering the health issues related to waste. The Dzongkhag Agriculture Officer demonstrated on how to compost kitchen waste while the Dzongkhag Education Officer covered various waste management ideas and plans. The participants at the end of programme committed to be the ambassadors to help the community manage waste properly and keep Dagana Dzongkhag green and clean.

They also proposed to ban the use of plastic bags in shops, add value to plastic waste, compost kitchen waste and plant flowers to keep their surroundings green and clean.

Towards “ A Clean Dagana Forever ” Initiatives Cont...



30 March 2018– Trees & Flowers Plantation



27 April 2018– Cleaning Programme



25 May 2018– Flower Plantation in & around Dzong premise

The last Friday of every month brings all the Dzongkhag Administration staff together for creating a clean Dagana. Besides cleaning, tree and flower plantation in and around the Dzong premise also takes place.

World Environment Day Celebration



The Waste Management Club and the Scouts of Daga Central School organized a road show to observe the World Environment Day on June 5, 2018.

The Road Show on the need to “*BEAT Plastic Pollution*” was staged in Dagona Throm to urge and advocate to the shopkeepers and community people to avoid excessive use of plastic materials which is harmful to our environment.

MAY GREEN BHUTAN ALWAYS TAKE PRIDE IN ITS GREEN COLOR.



Some Glimpses of Road Show

Engineering

Inauguration of Newly Constructed Lhamoizingkha Dungkha



The newly constructed Lhamoizingkha Dungkha was inaugurated by Honb'le Home Minister, Lyonpo Dawa Gyaltsen on 16 June 2018. Venerable Lam Neten of Daga Trashi Yangtse Rabdey, Dasho Dzungdag, Dasho Dunga and the public of Lhamoizingkha attended the inaugural ceremony. The construction funded through Royal Government of Bhutan (RGoB) was completed on 21 May 2018.

Inauguration of Londachu Brigde



Glimpses from the Inauguration Ceremony

Venerable Lam Neten of Daga Trashi Yangtse Rabdey inaugurated the newly constructed *Londachu* bridge on 28 June 2018. The inauguration ceremony was attended by Dasho Dzungdag, Dasho Drangpoen, Dasho Dzungrab, Sector Heads, Regional Heads and the public of Khebisa Gewog.

The bailey bridge was constructed with funding assistance from Government of India under Small Development Project scheme. The bridge connects the two Gewogs of Tseza and Khebisa.

Priority Sector Lending (PSL)

Dagana Dzongkhag Priority Sector Lending Program Updates

Conforming to the Guidelines of Priority Sector Lending and the Government Order vide C-2/823 dated 1 January 2018, the Priority Sector Lending Committee (DPSLC) of Dagana Dzongkhag was constituted on 5 March 2018 and on the same day the first meeting was conducted.

Dasho Dzongdag is the Chairperson of the DPSLC with the following members:

1. Dzongkhag Agriculture Officer, Member Secretary
2. Dzongkhag Planning Officer, Member
3. Chief Dzongkhag Education Officer, Member
4. Dzongkhag Livestock Officer, Member
5. Dzongkhag Land Record Officer, Member
6. Offtg. Environment Officer, Member
7. Officer Incharge, BAFRA, Dagana, Member
8. Chief Forestry Officer, Dagana Territorial Division, Member

The 3rd PSLC meeting approved two additional members, Asst. Finance Officer and ICT Officer.

Subsequently, a series of PSL activities have been carried out by the Committee. The Committee has conducted several awareness programs on PSL targeting the Local Leaders and the civil servants working in the Gewogs.

Highlights of PSL activities carried out by the DPSLC as of July 2018:

5 March 2018: 1st PSLC Meeting

15 March 2018: Celebration of Global Money Week. Facilitated opening of Saving Bank Accounts for the students of Daga and Drujeygang Central Schools

16 March 2018: Celebration of Global Money Week: Conducted Business Idea Pitching in Tsendagang Gewog. The participants were also given awareness on PSL

19 April 2018: 2nd PSLC Meeting

4 May 2018: Awareness on PSL to the Gups

1 June 2018: Awareness on PSL to the Dzongkhag Tshogdu members during the 4th session of the DT

Dagana Dzongkhag Priority Sector Lending Program Updates Cont...

8 June 2018: 3rd PSLC Meeting

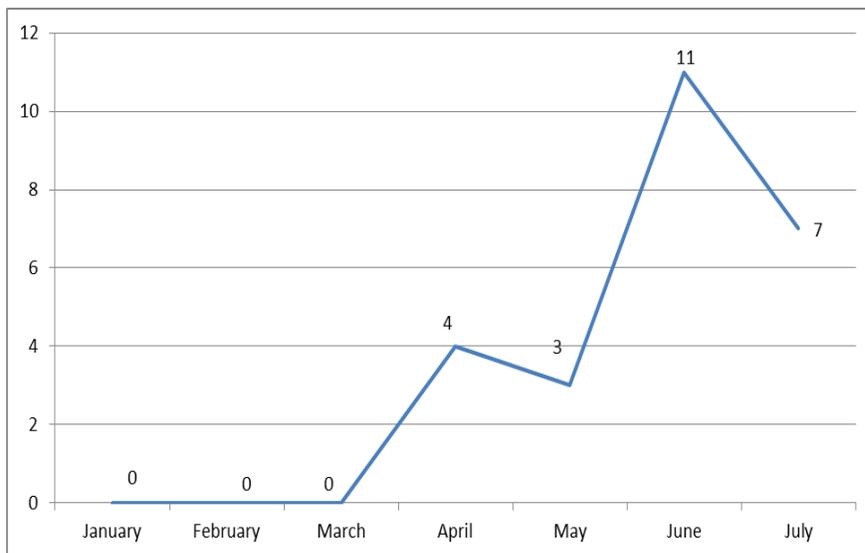
20 June 2018: One day workshop on PSL for Gewog officials which include Gewog Administrative Officers, Agriculture and Livestock Extension Supervisors of 11 Gewogs

6 July 2018: 4th PSLC Meeting

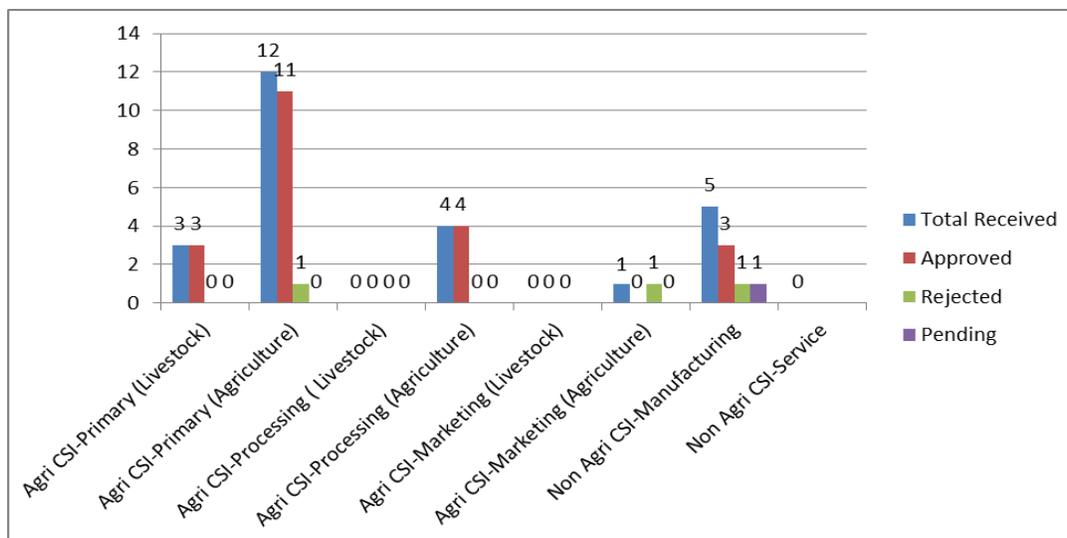
The DPSLC has received 25 applications, out of which 21 applicants were approved while 3 applications were rejected. One application is on hold.

The details of applications are as described below:

a. Trend of applications received as of 15th July 2018

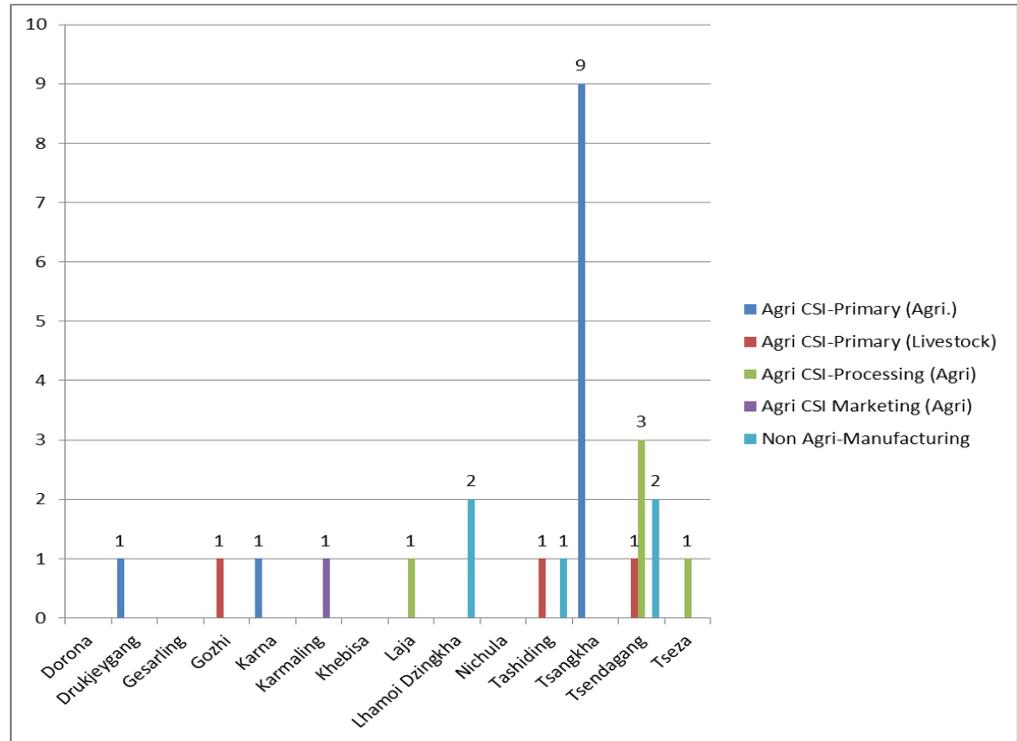


b. Applications received by CSI Types



Dagana Dzongkhag Priority Sector Lending Program Updates Cont...

c. Gewog wise PSL application received



Capacity Enhancement Workshop on PSL



A capacity enhancement workshop on Priority Sector Lending (PSL) for the Gewog Administrative Officers and Agriculture & Livestock Extension Supervisors of 11 Gewogs under Dagana Dzongkhag was conducted on 22 June 2018 by the Dzongkhag PSLC.

Global Money Week (12-16 March)

Global Money Week was celebrated in Dagana by conducting two main programs:

1. Opening of Saving Bank Account for students of classes XI & XII

On 15 March, 2018; a total of 364 students of Daga and Drukjeygang Central Schools opened saving bank account, with the Bank of Bhutan Ltd., Bhutan Development Bank Ltd. and Bhutan National Bank Ltd.

As part of the program, students were educated on the importance of saving habits in life.

The Bank officials also made presentation on saving schemes provided by the different banks.

Sl.No.	School	Bank wise SB Account Opened (Nos.)				Remarks
		BOBL	BDBL	BNBL	Total	
1	Daga Central School	65	20	0	85	The students are from Class XI and XII
2	Drukjeygang Central School	120	68	91	279	
	Total	185	88	91	364	



Students of Daga Central School and Drukjeygang Central School participating in the Global Money Week celebration

Global Money Week (12-16 March) Cont...

2. Business Idea Pitching on 16 March 2018

As part of the Global Money Week celebration, the Dzongkhag Priority Sector Lending Committee (DPSLC) organized Business Idea Pitching to encourage entrepreneurship in the Dzongkhag at Tsendagang Gewog Centre.

9 young entrepreneurs attended the programme. They presented their proposals to the Committee. After much deliberation, each proponent was provided with recommendations to improve their proposals.

Prior to the Business Idea Pitching, the DPSLC Member Secretary made a presentation on Priority Sector Lending to create awareness among the Gewog officials including Gups and Gewog Administrative Officers of Tsendagang and Gozhi Gewogs, Gewog RNR staff and the youth attending the programme.



Glimpses from Business Idea Pitching in Tsendagang Gewog



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