About Us
The Rural Development Training Centre (RDTC) is geared towards inviting youths to join skills training that allow them to gainfully employ themselves and contribute to nation building based on agriculture.

The main goal and objective of RDTC is to:
• Enhance skills and knowledge on agriculture production, marketing & rural development
• Contribute towards enabling environment for self-employment, and employment & income opportunities
• Support market-oriented farming through training in sustainable production methodologies
• Support institutional strengthening of producers’ groups

The RDT team consists of the Director II, Seven Instructors and Support Staff. The location of RDTC is in Zhemgang and it was established in 2004.

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Rural Development Training Centre is committed to helping the farmers help themselves!
FARM BUSINESS TRAINING PROGRAMME

Introduction
The Farm Business Training Programme was developed for early school leavers/Rural youth who are interested to specialize their knowledge and skills in an area of production that has a good economic potential. The programme provides in-depth theoretical knowledge and supports the participants in the development of entrepreneurial skill to start a small farm business.

Target Group
- Early school leaver/Rural Youth with interest and motivation to start a small farm business.
- Age 25 or above, basic reading and writing skills.

Contents and Duration
The Farm Business Training Programme consists of a verity of independent training modules of 3 weeks duration, covering all important theoretical and practical aspects of production.

Modules offered at present are
- Vegetable production
- Mushroom production
- Pig production
- Fruit Farming
- Dairy production
- Poultry production
- Postharvest/Processing

Due to its central importance for any farm business, the module “Farm Economics and project planning” is included as part of all the other modules.

Methodology
The FBT modules is aimed at adult learners and consist of both theoretical inputs as well as practical application of the lessons learnt in theory classes.

Community Leaders’ Training
With the slow change from subsistence farming to a market-oriented production and with the ongoing proves of decentralization of governing powers the working in groups has become very essential and useful. The main focus and purpose of such groups are quite varied ranging from marketing, input procurement and saving to the lobbying for the interests of users groups or communities. However, in spite of all these differences, the skills and knowledge needed for a successful functioning of such groups are essentially the same. Leadership, planning and monitoring of activities, decision taking and documentation record keeping and accounting, solving of conflicts and management.

Objectives:
- To provide active and potential leaders and administration of self-help groups with the knowledge and practical skills needed for a successful establishment management and administration of group.
- To enhance the functioning of existing groups
- To support the rural population in taking up bottom-up initiatives at community cooperative or village level.

Target Group:
- Working secretaries, treasurers and other functionaries of farmers groups.
- Persons with potential and prospects to take up any of the above functions.

Contents and Duration:
The programme consists of a variety of short training modules of 2 to 3 days, covering all important aspects of farmers groups. The modular structure of the course makes it easy for the participants to choose the module(s) relevant to their particular situation.

Modules:
- Leadership Training
- Record Keeping
- Meeting Management
- Book Keeping
- Planning
- Conflict Management

Timing & Location of Course Modules
The different CLT modules are offered in various location in the country to make them easily accessible for all. For specific location and dates of the modules please refer to the annual course programme of RDTC or contact us at the address indicated below.

Methodology
The CLT courses are aim at adult learners and consist of both theoretical inputs as well as practical application of the lessons learnt in group and individual exercises. The RDTC team puts special effort in making the courses valuable and useful for both literate and non-literate persons.

Other Training
Short training for School agriculture club members and focal school agriculture teachers are conducted. Beside, training for in-service personal are farm economics, business planning and book keeping is also conducted.