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**P.O. SEPPA, DIST EAST
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Seppa, East Kameng, Arunachal Pradesh

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(Established in 2017)



Apropos the earnest request of the Arunachal Pradesh Government, the Ramakrishna Mission, Belur Math had ultimately agreed to set up a new center in the District of East Kameng which will cater proper education for the children of the State. Apart from academic pursuit in future there will be some Vocational Trainings as well so that the youth of the locality may stand up on their own feet and become a true citizens of the Country. Swami Vivekananda said "Education is the Manifestation of The Perfection Already in Man" and accordingly he wanted the students to become perfect in every respect in order to prove that they are truly Educated. He also emphasized on

Technical Education. Sir Jamshedji Tata was inspired by Swami Vivekananda before he started his industry at Jamshedpur

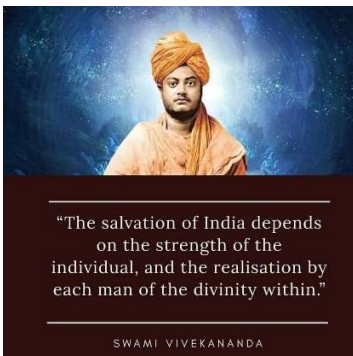
Accordingly in the first week of March, 2017 a Memorandum of Understanding



was signed between the Government of Arunachal Pradesh and the Ramakrishna Mission to start up a new center at village Lumdung, P.O. Seppa, Dist : East Kameng on a parcel of land to be provided by the Government or local community and the fund for Infrastructure Development would be provided by the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh. Subsequently Rupees 15.00 crore Grant in Aid

was provided to Ramakrishna Mission Lumdung in June, 2017 and the work started.

Since last 50 years or more, Ramakrishna Mission is running two more academic institutions at Aalo (Dist. East Siang) and at Narottamnagar (Dist. Tirup). This is the third institution on the western half of Arunachal Pradesh. There are Higher Secondary Schools, fully or partly residential for both girls and boys. At Lumdung also it is decided to establish a Secondary School with Boys' Hostel whereas the local girls also will study as day scholars. Later this can be upgraded to Higher Secondary School.



Shri Hari Natung, Ex Minister, told to our monks, 'now you have become one of our family member at Lumdung.' It is true. The missionary zeal which Swami Vivekananda wanted his soldiers to cherish must include practising oneness with the local culture and socio religious well being of people while spreading the message of "man making and character building" that emanated from Swami Vivekananda, the world teacher .

In the 4th week of June 2017 Swami Bodhasarananda accompanied by Swami Sarvagananda came to Itanagar, the capital of Arunachal Pradesh to finalize the Agreement. Hon. MLA Sri Mama Natung and ex-students Dr Tannie Natung and Dr. Radhe Natung escorted the Swamis to Lumdung near Seppa where 14.69 Hectares of land was gifted by the Natung Community at Vill. Lumdung. The Registration





was done with the concurrence of Sri Rajeev Takuk, the then Deputy Commissioner of East Kameng Dist. while Sri Shishu Natung signed on the Deed of Gift on behalf of the Nanghi Natung Moya Tacha Welfare Society of East Kameng. The land situated on the erstwhile Tagungfu village, now deserted, is just above the Papu Valley which is also called the Rice Bowl of Arunachal.

Before the construction work for the school should start there seemed to be a lot of preparatory planning to be accomplished. The place gifted by the Natung Society is on the hilltop above the Lumdung village. Telephone connection or mobile Tower was not there. As such there was no road to ply heavy vehicles for construction work. And without water there cannot be any construction of buildings. Water source was found only on another neighbouring hill called Pate Cheda, 6 km away from where the Pipe line was to be laid for the said purpose. Moreover no Electricity was available and only way out was to deploy Diesel Generator. In fact the whole thing was like a town planning from scratch.



Secondly the Soil Survey has to be done along with Total Station Land Survey before we go for the Master plan. Thanks to Hon. Chief Minister Sri Pema Khandu who personally requested Sri Rajagopal Reddy, ex MP and Chairman of Sushee Infra Company to make from their CSR fund, an approach road, 3 km long linking the National Highway 13 to RKM construction site at Tagungfu. Of course on condition that the Fuel and Cement, required for Road making will be provided by the Mission. However the road was primarily built without blacktopping by end of March 2018. DRB Infrastructure, the sister organization of Sushee helped the Mission initially to start construction work in the month of October 2018, for a specific building called Dispensary building.

The District Town Seppa is 21 km from the village Lumdung. Whereas the local people along with all the ex-students of R K Mission working in different capacity at Arunachal Pradesh, are very keen that a School will come up at the Hilltop at Lumdung, the monks of RK Mission are also very hopeful that a great academic institution is in the offing under the aegis of Ramakrishna Mission, Belur Math, Howrah, West Bengal.

Mr. J K Paradesi, Project Director of Sushee Infra took personal interest to build the 2.83 KM long road through jungle where only one small jeep could somehow move through mud and bolder. Sri Swapan Kr. Dey, OSD of Hon. Minister Sri Mama Natung used to visit the construction work of the Road regularly and would report to the Secretary of RKM Lumdung. Now it is a 10 metre wide road where two buses can comfortably cross each other. As on 31stDecember, rock cutting and dozing for the road was almost complete which was to be followed by constructing 10 culverts and subsequent smearing with bitumen. Then the work of laying almost 6 KM. long Water Pipe-line started by the PHED, Govt. of Arunachal under the supervision of Sri Mayan Kino, AE.



Barin Chatterjee, Retd. Scientist, GSI and Field Engineer who came and visited the place and submitted their reports. For Master Plan we approached School Serv of Bangalore who would also provide the Architectural and Structural Drawings of the buildings according to the said plan.

Simultaneously the soil testing was done by Ma Kamakhya Engineering Co. of Guwahati in September 2017 while the geological survey and the Contour Mapping was done by Precision Surveying Co. of Guwahati in September as well as in November 2018. In the end of 2018 we invited Civil Engineer Mr. S.N. Bhoumik, of Kolkata and his senior friend Mr.



In May 2018 Swami Pradiptananda came from Itanagar to perform a special Puja for starting the Fencing work on the gifted land. Local youths made about 2000 concrete pillars to provide fencing on the outskirts of the land of RK Mission. The first pillar was installed at the crossing of the Sushee Road and the Village Road going towards Hati Matha, the boundary of RK Mission on the North.

FOUNDATION STONE LAYING : 2018

The Master Plan was ready by January 2018 and on 9th October 2018 the Foundation Stone was laid by Hon. Chief Minister Sri Pema Khandu and Union Minister Hon. Sri Kiren Rijju. A grand celebration was organized by Sri Mama Natung and local Nyishi Community on this occasion. More than 5000 people were fed sumptuously not



withstanding the threat of monsoon downpour. Sri Mama Natung, the then Parliamentary Secretary and MLA helped us get some fund from his colleagues that is Hon. MLA's of different neighbouring districts like Tawang, West Kameng, Kurung Kume, Chyang Tajo etc. His cooperation is always being continued and shall continue to make us ever grateful to him !

The extra ordinary natural beauty of the Pappu Valley and long behind towards Kra Dadi the view of the snow peaks are of special attraction from the new plot of RKM Lumdung. The people of East Kameng now believe that in near future Lumdung will become a place of tourist attraction as well. On 26th February every year the Indigenous Faith of Arunachal Pradesh organizes their Annual Meet through a Festival in Seppa as well as in other parts of Arunachal Pradesh. At Seppa usually this is organized in the premises of Central Nyedar Namlo at Seppa where thousands of Nyishi people gather to witness a great Cultural Meet.



Thanks to Shri Prasenjit Sil Sharma of Naharlagun who worked relentlessly hand in hand with Swami Mukundanandaji for the renovation of the School Building at the premises of the Govt. Secondary School. Carpenters have come from Medinipur, Masons have come from Coochbehar, Plumber from Assam and so on with the untiring Mukundananda ! We expressed our gratitude to Hon'ble Chief Minister and Shri Mama Natung, MLA, for providing us the necessary fund for this renovation work.

By the grace of the Holy Trio the Foundation Stone Laying ceremony was exquisitely brought about with wonderful team-spirit on 9th October, 2018, the auspicious day-one of Nava Ratri. This was the second milestone event in the history of Ramakrishna Mission Lumdung preceded by the former one i.e. the inauguration of the Primary School “Ramakrishna Mission Shishu Vidyamandir”, at Lumdung on the 11th September, 2018.

The threat of monsoon could not defeat the spirit of Sri Mama Natung and his team on either of the occasions. Since last 7 days before 9th October it was providentially dry and the damaged road up to the hilltop could be well repaired to facilitate people and vehicles to go up to the hilltop. An audience of 5000



people were to sit to hear from Sri Pema Khandu and Sri Kiren Rijiju, Hon. Union Minister of State, Home Affairs. The public meeting was presided over by Swami Bodhasaranandaji Maharaj, Asstt. General Secretary of Ramakrishna Math and Mission. Very well dressed newly admitted children of Class 1 and Class 2 of Ramakrishna Mission Shishu Vidyamandir escorted the guests up to the Puja Sthanam. The Meeting was attended by seven Hon. MLA's. Laying of foundation stone was followed by symbolic Tree Plantation program by all dignitaries on the adjacent land. Cultural Troupe of Aka community received the guests with music and dance. After the Puja the honorable guests were escorted by the students of EMRS, Bana with Band Party to the main Venue. The entire audience who came from three districts of Arunachal Pradesh to attend the meeting were later entertained with rich lunch. The Chief Minister as well the Union Home Minister expressed their gratitude and high expectation from the Ramakrishna Mission in the improvement of Educational environment of Arunachal Pradesh. It was a real marvel to see the huge arrangement made on that difficult terrain at this remote place. Perhaps the people of Papu Valley had never witnessed a grandeur of this ilk. Many thanks to the youth organization of Lumdung and to Sri Suren Natung, EE, WRD, as well as Sri Kapil Natung, AE, PWD for back-end support to the entire programme. All together eleven monastic member from different branch centers of Ramakrishna Mission had attended the Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony.

[EXPANSION OF MASTER PLAN](#)

In future our school will require a Medical facility for all inmates for sure. Then why not this be used for Public Service like a Charitable Dispensary ? This thought motivated us to expand our Master Plan. Then we felt one more necessity e.g. a vocational Community Computer Centre. The land we have received as donation has been found to be inadequate to include these two and there we extended our future plan accordingly. Of late, in April 2019 we approached the NNMTWS (Nanghi Natung Moya Tacha Welfare



Society) for a piece of land where we proposed to build the charitable medical dispensary for local people and a community Computer Centre as well as a general guest house. They donated us the mainland for the school at the erstwhile Tagungfu Bustee. And this time also they have gracefully donated the piece of land which we needed. For this the Mission is grateful to Sri Shishu Natung and other GB's and HGB's for this kind initiative.

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POST FOUNDATION PROGRESS OF CONSTRUCTION WORK :

Since the laying of the Foundation Stone on 9th October the entire workforce was concentrated on Construction Work of 7 buildings in Phase I. construction work of the upcoming school could speed up though, but the progress could not faster as the R K Mission management could get a good network for on time communication over phone and email or whatsapp etc. from the Construction site. Because of irregular Power Supply there has been disruption of normal Telephone connection which is dependant on power. The entire logistics for this big construction job, whoever executes, is bound to be slow due to this lack of network and subsequent minimum communication. The Govt. has helped in water supply in to our construction premises though. the power problem persists. This has been arrested by a newly purchased DG set installed on the hilltop.

It is quite cold at Lumdung during the Winter. From October 2019 onward an average of 120 laborers have been working at the construction site under the supervision of the Mission. In spite of biting cold our laborers work hard to achieve as much progress as possible remembering the retrograde situations that prevail during the rainy seasons which last for 5 months a year. There are several teams of labourers spearheaded by



Safiullah Seikh, Muzibur Sekh, Dilip Majumdar, Narayan Joardar, Jagannath Sarkar etc. – all from Assam and West Bengal. The entire Carpentry work is looked after by Sri Raghunath Singha while the Electrical part is looked after by Sri Debayan Biswas under the guidance of Sri Robin Roy of Kolkata. Our

Structural and Architectural Engineers Sri P. Lahiri and his assistants Sri Divyendu Saha, Sri Satyajit Sarkar, Ms Ishita Banerjee of Kolkata occasionally visit the construction site have a overall supervision. We arrange for their shelter and food and water at the construction site. But it is quite challenging for all to stay over there due to cold, less accessibility on road, limited supply of power and extremely poor tele-com facility barring them to communicate with their families. (In the end of 2019 Airtel company has installed a Tower near our construction site which is not yet operative). Usually they collect dry wood for fuel from the forest and put fire in chilling cold and enjoy the happiness of the heaven. They are also happy with their ultra simple daily menu – rice, dal and one vegetable curry. Once or twice in a week they get fish or egg or meat. But the happy facial expression of these poor men is hardly found with many rich people in the urban areas.

PROGRESS OF CONSTRUCTION WORK (APRIL 2021)

As on 31st March 2021, seven blocks are simultaneously progressing with about 150 labourers and three civil contractors. Local people are allotted to construct Guard Wall/ Retention wall and concrete Drains. Other teams are also at work e.g. Plumbing, Carpentry, Tiles Mistry, Brick Making, Welder, Painter, Electrical mistry and above all the Civil workers. They are all working under the supervision of two qualified Engineers and with the overall guidance of Swami Mukundananda. Technical support is taken from Structural Engineer Sri P. Lahiri and Co. Kolkata.

1. THE BOYS' ACADEMIC BLOCK :
WORK PROGRESS:of Civil Construction : **50% done**

EXTRA WORK for Protection from Monsoon and Earthquake **REQUIRED:** Drainage system and Guard Wall needed to protect the building.



2. THE GIRLS' ACADEMIC BLOCK :
WORK PROGRESS: Civil Construction : **70 % done**

EXTRA WORK for Protection from Monsoon and Earthquake **REQUIRED** civil work : Guard Wall and drainage provision

3. THE KITCHEN BLOCK :
WORK PROGRESS: Civil Construction : **25% done**

The terrain is very risky and Land Slide prone.

EXTRA WORK for Protection from Monsoon and Earthquake **REQUIRED** civil work : Guard Wall and protection of water supply line.



4. THE DISPENSARY BUILDING:
WORK PROGRESS: Civil Construction **95% remaining** done.

EXTRA WORK for Protection from Monsoon and Earthquake : Guard Wall and Plinth Protection with sufficient Plantation



5. THE COMMUNITY COMPUTER CENTER :
WORK PROGRESS: Civil construction **80 % done**

EXTRA WORK for Protection from Monsoon and Earthquake **REQUIRED:** Plinth Protection and Guard wall with Sufficient Plantation

6. **ACTIVITY BLOCK** : PROGRESS OF WORK – **10 % DONE**

7. **ADMIN BLOCK** : PROGRESS OF WORK – **30% DONE**

8. INTERNAL ROAD CONSTRUCTION:

WORK PROGRESS: CC road is being done as per urgent need from within the budget only. The State Government has not yet sanctioned any fund for this purpose. The Deputy Commissioner of East Kameng is working on it.

The progress of work could be much faster but for the rains which continue for about 5 months a year. The link road needs to be repaired and blacktopping must be done by the respective department to facilitate our progress with improved logistics.

Before the beginning of any new construction usually a brief Puja is performed at the site. Moreover, Sri Sri Viswakarma Puja is organized every year at the Construction Site. Irrespective of religion every one gets the Prasadam after the worship. We have our own people working as civil labors, Carpenter, Tiles mistry, Electrician, Plumber, Motor Mechanic and fitter, Civil Engineers, painter, Brick manufacturer, JCB driver and so and so, These poor people of our country appear to us much more Secular in the true sense of the term than the so called intellectuals of our society. Swamiji said, true India live in the poor.

STARTING A PRIMARY SCHOOL : **RAMAKRISHNA MISSION SHISHU VIDYAMANDIR, LUMDUNG**



It was fascinating to see the high expectation of the people of East Kameng Dist. to collect the Admission Form for Class one and Class Two. Distribution of admission form was start for the first time, since June 01, 2018 at the existing Govt. Secondary School at Lumdung. If we look back, there was a **meeting on 30th March 2018** arranged at the said Govt. Secondary School,

Lumdung which was attended by most of the Heads of Govt. Departments (Executive Engineers) and the Depty Director of School Education, Seppa along with Ex Minister and Gram Buras to consider the proposal of the Mission to start a Primary School in the premises of the current Govt. Secondary School. All the villagers spontaneously agreed to our proposal with admiration and welcomed Ramakrishna Mission to their village.v

Swamis Visweshananda, Mukundananda and Naravirananda were also present along with Swami Sarvagananda to witness the villagers' appreciation for good kind of education. Hon'ble MLA Sri Mama Natung, though could not attend the meeting, assured the undersigned to give all kinds of support, financial and otherwise, in order to initiate the Primary School at Lumdung. Pending the NOC from the Head Master of the said school, the DDSE wholeheartedly agreed to give his permission to the Mission to use the premises. The undersigned informed in the meeting that the school buildings are not in usable condition. They need thorough repair before the classes start. It was decided that Forms be given from 1st June while classes to start in September 2018.

IN 2018 the Universal Brotherhood Day i.e. 11th September was earmarked for commemorating the 125th anniversary of the famous Speech of Swami Vivekananda at Chicago in 1893. Though actual Foundation was laid on 18th October 2018, the first ever milestone event was the inauguration of a Primary School on 11th September, 2018, by Sri Mama Natung in presence of Swami Divyanandaji Maharaj, Trustee and Secretary of Ramakrishna Mission Saradapith, Belur Math and Sri Gaurav Singh Rajawat, Dy. Commissioner, East Kameng. The School started with total 81 students in Classes 1 and 2, with Education for Free. They are also given good nourishing diet for free everyday during their recess time. Swami Divyanandaji unveiled a statue of Swami Vivekananda in the precincts of Govt. Secondary School, Lumdung. In the same evening he also inaugurated a small Shrine room with the pictures of Holy Trio - Bhagavan Sri Ramakrishna, Sri Sri Ma Sarada Devi and Swami Vivekananda at the PWD Inspection Bungalow. The evening prayer was started on the very same day.



Admission Test was held on June 23rd 2018. On the very first day 300 forms



were sold @ Rs.20.00 for Classes 1 and 2 with admission capacity for 35 students in each class. And, in 10 days it went up to about 960 for 70 student all together! That also for 'nonresidential' primary school. And then conducting the Admission Test on 23rd June, 2018 was a big challenge for us due to non-availability of suitable venue and man-power shortage. But such event was for the first of its kind in Seppa. Because the people of Seppa

have never seen such a craze for School Admission. We are really thankful to one and all for every cooperation from the District Administration who extended all help to us. The



small hill town experienced a big traffic jam on 23rd June faced incidentally by Hon'ble Home Minister and the Chief Secretary, GoAP who came to Seppa for official visit. Next day in a meeting the Chief Secretary had a proposal to hand over the entire Secondary School infra- structure to Ramakrishna Mission for the use of Primary School whereas the existing students would be absorbed by the

Mission as far as practicable, The teachers of the Govt. School may work for the Mission on deputation or may be transferred to other Govt. School. By way of conversation Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Pema Khandu also mentioned to Secretary, RKM the same idea to hand over the secondary school to the Mission. This was, of course, not materialized. However this was an evidence of faith that people of Arunachal Pradesh hold for Ramakrishna Mission in the field of education. However the Result of the Admission Test was published on July 01, 2018 and Admission process was closed on 8th July, 2018. Classes started as



proposed on 11th September, 2018

– the 125 anniversary of the famous lecture by Swami Vivekananda at Chicago in 1893.



By that time the Renovation work for the portion of the Secondary School should have to be completed and a beautiful **statue of Swami Vivekananda** to be installed in the said premises. Ramakrishna Mission Vidyapith, Deoghar, Jharkhand had already started a noble venture of making Statues of the Holy Trinity and this time also sculptor Bandeb Ram's contribution will be remembered by a lot of people for a long time.

Strength... Strength ... Strength.... Say that to yourself day and night, you are strong, pure and free -- Swami Vivekananda

There was overwhelming response for admission to the Primary School in June 2018. Thanks to the Education Department for allowing us to operate on a portion of the GSS, Lumdung. Of course the buildings needed thorough renovation at our own cost which was later partially reimbursed by the State Govt. Teachers have been appointed to teach Languages, Mathematics and EVS. These local children are partially provided with a transport from Seppa, the nearest District Town. Ex-Students of Ramakrishna Mission are there everywhere in Arunachal Pradesh. We are happy that their enthusiasm got highly boosted by the inspiration of Sri Mama Natung, Hon. MLA who has a dream to make his native people get well educated. Over and above the East Kameng district has been successful in consecrating RKM in the Nishyi belt and the people of Nishyi tribe are determined to make this project a super success above all other educational institutions in Arunachal Pradesh. And, the dedicated monks of Ramakrishna Mission are there to make their dream come true.

Sri Chief Secretary, GoAP visited the construction site and expressed his great expectation for a vibrant and progressive educational institution which Ramakrishna Mission alone can achieve. The cooperation of all the relevant departments deserve mention with thanks. The entire sequence of events proved that Swami Vivekananda's messages have a great demand among the masses of our



nation and moreover the people of Arunachal have testified their genuine hunger for the best Education. Swami Bodhasaranandaji Maharaj mentioned, in his lecture during the Foundation Stone laying ceremony, about Nalanda and Takshila and expressed his dream to see this School also become like one of them in the North-Eastern region of our country. Swami Vivekananda said, 'Education is the panacea of all the evils of our country' which is yet to be understood and translated with our own honesty, sincerity and true love for the nation.

On the other hand the Academic Team associated with the Primary School, Ramakrishna Mission Shishu Vidyamandir, Lumdung started working hard to develop a genuine academic environment in the campus with various learning methods, festivities and cultural competitions apart from regular studies and examination as a routine. Occasional meetings with the Guardians and teaching staff have become more effective over and above mere notifications hung up on the notice board.



In early 2019 the DDSE had kindly taken needful action to provide Mid-day Meal from June 2019. Currently in June 2021 Ramakrishna Mission Shishu Vidyamandir has on its roll 131 students with one non-APST student from class 1 to class 5. The academic session starts from the month of April every year. In early 2021 with active cooperation of the DDSE Sri Kata Rangmo we

could organize a district level seminar on Swami Vivekananda which was attended by many Teachers from Government and private schools.

The children of Ramakrishna Mission Shishu Vidyamandir, Lumdung has already well proved their existence through participating in the district level cultural events occasionally organized by the District Admin. Even in a time-range of less than one year from the inception of the school the children participated and enchanted the audience during the District Level show on 15th August 2019. In January 2020 the



Deptt. of Sports and Youth Affairs organized at the instance of Sri Mama Natung, Hon'ble Minister, 'Hangpan Dada', under -18 Volleyball and Football Tournament. The most remarkable event organized by Hon. Minister Sri Mama Natung was the " Save Wild Life, Save Arunachal -- Surrender your Gun" program. He organized this through out Arunachal. Now we can hear the songs of the birds around our residential places. Students of RKMSV actively took part there to move the spectators as

usual. Credit goes to the group of teachers whose loving and untiring efforts brought about the success of the program.

Every year Sri Sri Saraswati Puja is organized in the School. There is no religion in the worship of VIDYA. Everyone can worship the Goddess of VIDYA. This is an inspiration without any logo of religion. All our students participate wholeheartedly in all our Cultural Activities.



During the Lockdown period and post COVID19 period the School is organizing Online Classes and Home Work with Unit Tests with the help of Internet. There was Police Camp during COVID19 lockdown started in March 2020. RK Mission fed the team of Police forces continuously for two months free of cost with a spirit of providing Relief to the distressed people. The District Health Department organized Vaccination Camp at Lumdung and all our staff have thus been vaccinated. At the Construction site there is no problem of Street Light now, as the Deputy Commissioner has provided us 25 Solar Street Lamp which we have installed on the Village Road as well as at the construction site.



Swami Vivekananda often used to say : *The older I grow, the more everything seems to me to lie in manliness.* This has been proved to be true during last four years at Lumdung village of East Kameng dist. of Arunachal Pradesh. The entire environment started changing at this remote village after the

advent of Ramakrishna Mission as it started working here for a new School on the hilltop. The terrain is sandy and absolutely hilly and scary at times. The work-environment is also resistive. Now-a - days the **Trans Arunachal Highway (TAH)** has made it much accessible no doubt. The commuters between Itanagar and the remote villages like Lumdung, Sede, Patiwa, Beo, Rilo, Pakke Kesan, Sagalee etc. have increased hundredfold during last 5 years. Naturally subjective as well as objective exposure of the villagers have been enhanced. Manliness was already there in the Tribal people. But



lack of Education and exposure to outer world was the main reason that they had no



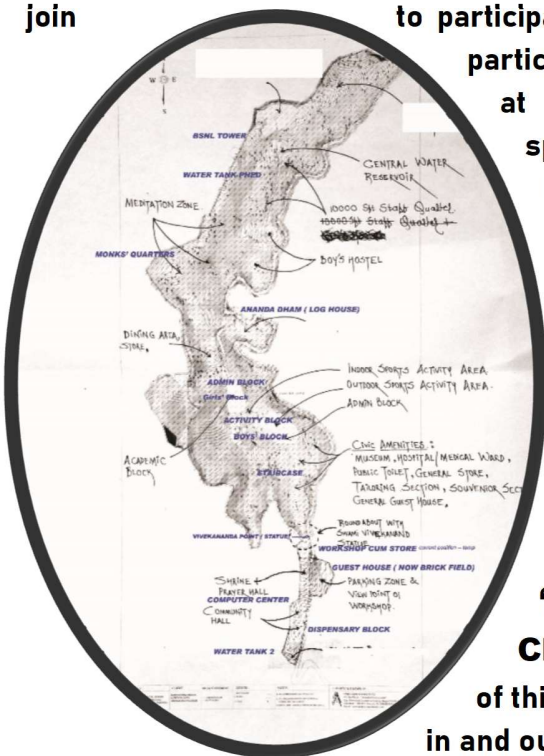
good idea of the main stream culture of our country. They are proud of their own rich culture. Gradually Arunachali Tribes are getting a clear understanding that they can well maintain their own tribal culture as well as they can develop their society to take part in the competitive and modern outer world. As the construction of the upcoming

Secondary School has been progressing in full swing since 2019, there have been some untold stories also, behind the curtain. By the grace of the Holy Trio a good team of monastic members has been working here at Lumdung for the good of the local people as well as for people of Arunachal Pradesh at large. Local people are found to be eager to



help the Mission authorities in whichever way possible. The liberal and broad ideology of Swami Vivekananda that is followed in the Mission has made people of different faiths join

to participate at RKM Lumdung. For example, local people participated in the Christmas Eve celebration organized at RK Mission Lumdung. They also participated spontaneously during the Dipavali Kali Puja Celebration and enjoyed the “sumptuous blessings” in the form of Prasadam at the end of the Puja! We also join them saying ‘Paya lincho’ - Let us depart with the blessings of the Lord !



Currently by the grace of the Holy Trio the impact of a good ‘team work’ is trading its way through the threats of tyrannizing situations and natures warnings in the winter and in the rainy seasons. The Motto of Ramakrishna Mission e.g. **‘Atmano Mokshârtham Jagad-Hitâya Cha’** is absolutely the watchword of the members of this team along with all the well wishers and alumni in and outside Arunachal Pradesh. Thank God.

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**Swami Vivekananda*