

## **Shri Bitri Basyrngaid Mairang, West Khasi Hills: Vegetables grower.**

This gentleman live at Mairang, he earned his livelihood only by farming in his land of 2.2 ha. He grows different vegetables in such a way that ensures year around production. This hard work and dynamic farmer, by his own experienced and excited to earn more from the same plot of land to feed his family, he invented a system of growing POTATO+CHOW-CHOW in the same area i.e by growing Potato from February to June and during this period, Chow-Chow also starts germinating and do not disturb the Potato cultivation since they are still small. Gradually when Potato is ready to harvest, Chow-Chow which is still growing and ready to harvest only in July up to November. In this way he could harvest these two important crops of West Khasi Hills in ten months only.

Our KVK found him while conducted PRA in this adopted village, since then our friendship never end. Our intervention is that we advice him to i) maintained well these two crops and the farm as a whole ii) to get more schemes from SDAO,DHO,DAO, West Khasi Hills, iii) to grow Kiwi fruits i.e 81 plants and our SMS Horticulture thought and help him to multiply his Kiwis by cutting to 50 nos. this February,2013 which cover 1186m<sup>2</sup> of his land iv) give him seeds, conducted OFT, FLD, v) we bring other farmers to visit as well as conducted trainings in his farm and give incentive to him and some of these farmers follows his examples. Now his whole family members involve in this farm and engaged some labours to help them and earned handsome money from it.



POTATO+CHOW-CHOW



KIWI PLANTS