

## Success Story “Farm Innovator in Protected cultivation (off season vegetable and flower cultivation)”

Smt. Sketina Kharbani of Nonglwai village, West Khasi Hills and Villagers of this particular village did not know about growing vegetables or any other high valuable crops. They only grow own traditional crops such as Paddy, Maize, Potato, Sweet Potato and few local vegetables, as they have the concept that no other vegetables could be grown here. Smt. Sketina was pioneering in growing vegetable. Later on she started Growing vegetable in lowcost polyhouse (Area of the Polyhouse=200mx500m). With the Support from DHO, West Khasi Hills she also has successful production of carnations. The intervention of KVK, West Khasi Hills, beds of carnation were used for growing tomatoes after successful production of carnations. She has a Family of 8 numbers. Her Eldest daughter is in Class XII (Before could send only in the village now could send to Head Quarter i.e Nongstoin) where as her youngest son is studying in class I. Moreover she could provides job to 2 male @Rs.300/- and 3 female@ Rs.150/- every day. She encourage other farmers of her village with her dynamic words and deeds that now almost every house in the Village have at least one Polyhouse (167 houses).



Following SHGs were formed 1)Ka Nongrwe Iamonlang SHG,2)Shaphrang Ngin tur SHG,3)Iatreilang Lawbah women SHG,4) Iatyllilang Thiapjah women SHG,5)Shipara SHG and 6)Hinlem SHG. All these SHGs together formed the “Farmers’ Association,Nonglwai”.This association, Conducted trainings to other fellow farmers of their own villagers as well as to their neighbouring villages,Meet officers of different Departments, Seek their help and bring them and their support to the village and Nonglwai farmers’ association, conducted Vegetable show every Winter Conducted Vegetable show.



**Income from Carnation=Rs.2,03,025.00**

Expenditure = Rs.16,968.00

Benefit =Rs.1,86,057.00

**Income from Vegetables=Rs.68,046.00**

Expenditure = Rs.11,043.00

Benefit =Rs.57,003.00

Benefit from Carnation+Vegetable  $(1,86,057+57,003)=\text{Rs.}2,43,060$