COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMMES IN EAST GARO HILLS DISTRICT

Civic Action Programme:

On building bridges with Public, Shri D. N. R. Marak, IPS, the Superintendent of Police, East Garo Hills, Williamnagar, attended the Civic Action Programme conducted by 120 Battalion, CRPF in which Football Tournament was organised at Dobetkolgre, under Williamnagar Police Station on Saturday, the 30th July, 2016. Public turned out in big numbers to witness the tournament. The District Superintendents of Police seized the opportunity to share his thoughts with both the members of the public and the police / CRPF personnel on importance of role of community in policing.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMMES UNDER WILLIAMNAGAR POLICE STATION

The Officer In-Charge of Williamnagar Police Station, UBSI B. Chanda teaming up with Traffic In-Charge SI J. M. Momin and Proby DySPs V. N. Sangma, MPS and C. Ch. Momin, MPS organized an orientation programme on community policing on the 10th July, 2016 at Williamnagar under the Chairmanship of Shri Anil K. Sangma, MPS, DySP (Hqrs), Williamnagar. The Secretary of Williamnagar Bazaar Committee along with the President of Williamnagar Sumo Association represented the citizen members in the meeting apart from other community members.



Highlights of the Programme:

The programme was successful in achieving the following objectives:

- i. The public expressed concern over the incidents of some drinking and gambling activities in the Supermarket area. Police party has been detailed to cover the area to provide public safety.
- ii. The members of public wanted the Police to check the underage driving and control speed driving. They also wanted the Police to check vehicles plying without registration numbers and motor cycles plying dangerously with three riders. It was also highlighted that entry of vehicles into the Williamnagar market compound on the market day should be restricted as the market gets crowded and entry of vehicles only adds to nuisance and inconvenience to the people. The SP has detailed Traffic patrol and intensified strict vehicle checking.

Water Pollution

- iii. The public showed concern that the water of the **Simsang River** is getting polluted as the people settled alongside its course release waste matters to the river The septic tanks and the general drain from the main town market and adjoining area are diverted to the river. They requested the Police Department to take up this issue with the public and also with the District Heads of concerned Govt. Departments.
- iv. They requested the police to keep an eye on the sale of illegal liquor and called for more vice raids by the Police to curb this social menace.
- v. A lot of people are also becoming aware that suspicious vehicles with Assam registration comes to the main town. NAKA checking of vehicles has been taken up.
- vi. The members of public asked the police if they could do random checks on people during the Weekly Bazaar day as a lot of suspicious looking people come and leave in the local sumo. The police have drawn up plan of action to deal with such issues.
- vii. Certain section of the public expressed their view that in the coming years when the population of the town would increase it would be necessary to set up a different location for the Weekly Market. They wanted to sit and have another round of meeting along with the police department and other Govt. departments to discuss the future of the town in its various dimensions.



One of the Community members speaking on issues

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMMES UNDER RONGJENG POLICE STATION

Police-Public meeting was also held at Rongjeng Police Station and Songsak Police Station on the 9th July, 2016 in which several prominent public personalities, village elders, village committee members and leaders of various NGOs attended. They had a discussion on various issues directly affecting social life of the community such as crimes, insurgency and other social evils and how police-public working together and sharing information can solve such problems.

