## SUCCESS STORY ON CONSTRUCTION OF CHECK DAM UNDER FOCUS-SERCHHIP

## **PROFILE**

Name of Activity: Construction of Check Dam and Water Storage Structure

(Protection of water source)

Name of Village: Sialsir District: Serchhip

**Amount**: Rs 70,500 per unit (3 units per village)

Sialsir is a village in East Lungdar Block in Serchhip District located 23 KM from Serchhip. The main source of water for domestic purposes is 1 km away from the village which they used to go and carry by foot. Due to this water scarcity is the main problem and constraints faced by the villagers during dry season. Upon hearing their problem, DMU-Serchhip District have allotted 3 units for Construction of Checkdam and Water Storage Structure under Protection of water source - CCA FIG. From this assistance, they have constructed 2 units of Checkdam and 1 unit for water storage structure in convergence with Rural Department Serchhip. As this serves as the main source of irrigation eliminating several irrigation constraints faced by villagers /farmers. The rain water has been checked after construction of the dam and increases the availability of water for irrigation of their farm crops and for domestic use.

Village Council President even informed and thanked DMU-Serchhip FOCUS Staff that his villagers finally realized the importance of conserving water and the water source as well thus further leading them to won the 3<sup>rd</sup> National Water Award under the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Water Sources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation, Govt. of India, held at New Delhi. This considered a significant success owing to the immense requirement by the villagers and its impact seen just days after the completion of the activity



Sialsir village water intake point before checkdam construction.



After construction Checkdam



Under the same activity, water harvesting structure was constructed in convergence with District Rural Development Dept. under MGNREGS



After construction WHS