



Swabalamban

changing the quality of lives of low-income people

A glimpse of activities of Swabalamban Laghubitta Bittiya Sanstha Ltd.

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CEO'S CORNER

Dear Readers,

Welcome to October 2018 edition of Swabalamban Newsletter of SWBBL!

The months of September, October, November and December are the months of many festivals in Nepalese society. Festivals and cultural rituals bring together the family members, bring joy and freshness and enhance family and social binding and bonds. These festival months are also economically active months with high consumption, trading and business activities.

Celebrating festivals is challenging to socio-economically marginalized community because of resource constraints. SWBBL like other MFIs is sensitive about this issue and has implemented special saving products so as to smoothen consumption during festivals. The Financial literacy intervention about family budgeting, saving, credit, remittance mobilization are very critical for microfinance clients. Sound financial literacy intervention with proper communication mechanism compounded with micro insurance schemes could save microfinance clients from over indebtedness and other misfortunes.

May our clients, shareholders, Board of Directors, regulators, well wishers and readers have happy and peaceful festive seasons!

May these festivals bring new energy and prosperity!!!

-Bhoj Raj Bashyal

Look a short takes of SWBBL

As on Mid October 2018 (Ashoj end 2075)

Amount in NPR'000'

Total Loan Disbursed	NPR	81,780,798
Loan Outstanding	NPR	11,075,748
Savings	NPR	6,150,243
No. of Active Clients	No.	226,510
No. of Borrowers	No.	151,939
No. of Centres	No.	10,724
No. of Staff (incl. trainees)	No.	635
No. of Female Staff	No.	96
No. of Branch Offices	No.	128
Working Districts	No.	57
No. of Area Offices	No.	9
Currency Conversion		USD 1.00=NPR 117.84



Januka Devi Mishra, a member of Gaighat Branch is maintaining successful buffalo farming. She has monthly income of about NRs.40 thousand from her business.

Swabalamban changed the faces of Dhubidaha Village of Saptari district

- Phuleshwori Chaudhari, She joined SWBBL in 23 Feb, 1994



Since 1994, I am associated with Saraswoti Swabalamban Mahila Kendra, a women's centre of Mahuli branch of Swabalamban Laghubitta Bittiya Sanstha Ltd.(then Centre for Self-help Development' Self-help Banking Program). When SWBBL entered in our village as a financial service provider, there was a different kind of social scenario of our village. A very innocent, uneducated and poor people resided here in our village. We all were same condition. Many people were not motivated to enroll in the centre formulated for saving and credit activities. The staff member of SWBBL came frequently and convinced us about the awareness of saving and credit as well as other socio-economic activities.

Before implementation of banking program of SWBBL, we had no access of formal banking system. We didn't have saving habit. We earned and expensed all money. Swabalamban educated us about the importance of savings. We had hard to join our hand to mouth daily. All shelters were weak and made from thatched roof. Most of the people were suffered from cold. We had no toilets, no health awareness.

Swabalamban implemented Self-help Banking program became a milestone in our daily lives in terms of education, health, environment, economic activities etc. It helped to change our socio-economic condition. Being one of the oldest members of SWBBL, I claim that most of the people have gotten benefit from the campaign of institution. Due to the awareness of SWBBL, many children are enrolled in different school, most of the locals involved in different income generating activities and every household aware to construct own toilet for clean environment. Economic activities raised day by day. Economic sources expanded due to the involvement of women in different income generating activities. All houses made from concrete with the roof of tin and other concrete materials. It is our changed lifestyle. We had lots of troubles before but nowadays no worries about daily lives. The source of transformation was Swabalamban. That time, it was only one institution in our village which was worked for welfare for the people.

Currently, most of the people in Nepal have faced major economic challenges to run enterprises and a large number of Nepalese youths have gone abroad to work due to lack of local employment opportunities. The learning from Swabalamban about the self-reliant as well as credit assistance to the deprived... (Cont...)

Area Managers visited Sri Lankan MFIs First Quarter ends with mixed results



Mr. Megh Bahadur Khadka, Area Manager of Ghorahi, Dang and Mr. Ram Prasad Pokharel, Area Manager of Lahan, Siraha visited different MFIs situated in Sri Lanka from September 15-22, 2018.

The main objectives of the exposure visit were to gain knowledge of currently operated microfinance program in Sri Lanka, product of MFIs including issues, problems, opportunities as well as international scenario and strategies of Sri Lankan MFIs. The program was organized by Nepal Microfinance Banker's Association (NMBA) and Lanka Microfinance Practitioners' Association (LMFPA) had assisted to manage the program.

During the exposure visit, participants visited Sri Lanka based MFIs like Business Development co-operative Bank, HNB Grameen, Silvereen Micro Credit Co. Ltd. and Sarvodaya Development Finance and sharing the both experiences of Nepalese and Sri Lankan scenario of current microfinance.

Branch Offices Handed-over Maternity Allowance to 22 Clients

Branch offices of SWBBL distributed maternity allowances to the respective clients. A total number of 29 clients get benefit under the provision of life and housing protection scheme and client protection fund for the month of October 2018.

Nine branch offices namely Dhadingbesi, Ghorahi, Hetauda, Ilam, Lele, Shreepur, Surkhet, Tityang and Jumla have distributed one thousand rupees to each client under its scheme. Fee amount of hundred rupees for the each successive year had been deposited for life and housing protection scheme. Currently, after the provision of loan insurance, the allowances will be distributing from the client protection fund. SWBBL is providing a maternity allowance to strive for safe motherhood to the members for the first two delivery cases.

Likewise, financial support has been provided to the victim of cancer of branch office Maisthan of Parsa district. A member of Centre No. 68 is suffering from the gynecologic cancer since a long time. Branch has provided her financial support amounting of NRs. 28,500/-. SWBBL has been providing such financial support to the members who suffers from a serious type of diseases like cancer, kidney failure etc. under its client protection fund.

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family fenced to some extent to go abroad here in Dhobidaha. Swabalamban has left the message to run micro enterprise for income generation and create employment locally.

The people who returned from the foreign employment engaged in different income generating activities. Swabalamban encourages them and provides skill development training and launch awareness program for economic empowerment. Many women member among the residents of Dhobidaha supports to the small entrepreneurs of own family with small loan taken from Swabalamban. Most of the members of Saraswoti Swabalamban Mahila Kendra have taken loan and supported for different types of business run by their family member. Such a business have supported to increase the financial activities of family and village as a whole and changed the quality of lives of people of Dhobidaha.

SWBBL has published unaudited financial report of the first quarter of fiscal year 2075/76. It has posted NRs. 85.6 million net profits in this first quarter. It is increased by 10.80 percent with comparison of the same period of the FY 2074/75.

SWBBL could increase its loan portfolio to NRs.10.88 billion till the first quarter of the current FY. It is able to mobilize savings of NRs. 6.15 billion and the commercial borrowing has come to Rs 4.16 billion in this quarter. However, loan portfolio quality has been deteriorated with NPL 1.02 percent compared to the last year's 0.88 percent.

Its paid up capital stands at NRs 503.11 million and it has NRs. 1 billion in reserve and surplus. It has been serving to 226 thousand 5 hundred and 12 women clients with micro loan, savings, remittance, and insurance with some credit plus programs. Currently, it has 128 branch offices situated in 57 districts of all 7 provinces of Nepal.

S. No.	Particulars	This Quarter Ending (Asoj end 2075)	Previous Quarter Ending (Asadh end 2075)	Corresponding Previous Year Quarter ending (Asoj end 2074)
1	Total Capital and Liabilities	12,740,992	11,868,998	10,573,389
1.1	Paid Up Capital	503,111	503,111	418,963
1.2	Reserve and Surplus	1,008,272	925,988	803,545
1.3	Debenture and Bond	-	-	-
1.4	Borrowings	4,167,511	3,845,494	3,928,705
1.5	Deposit (a+b)	6,150,243	5,761,436	4,604,803
	a. Domestic Currency	6,150,243	5,761,436	4,604,803
	b. Foreign Currency	-	-	-
1.6	Income Tax Liability	-	-	-
1.7	Other Liabilities	911,856	832,970	817,372
2	Total Assets (2.1 to 2.7)	12,740,992	11,868,998	10,573,389
2.1	Cash and Bank Balance	75,263	76,038	125,818
2.2	Money at Call and Short Notice	654,894	564,980	1,287,497
2.3	Investments	564,423	522,207	425,581
2.4	Loans and Advances	10,889,186	10,150,307	8,249,225
2.5	Fixed Assets	47,017	44,687	50,400
2.6	Non Banking Assets.	-	-	-
2.7	Other Assets	510,210	510,780	434,868
3	Profit & Loss Account	Upto This Quarter	Upto Previous Quarter	Upto Corresponding Previous Year Quarter
3.1	Interest Income	472,023	1,656,626	406,134
3.2	Interest Expense	226,647	789,887	190,202
	A. Net Interest Income (3.1-3.2)	245,377	866,739	215,932
3.3	Fees, Commission and Discount	1,159	641	159
3.4	Other Operating Income	55,435	190,670	40,800
3.5	Foreign Exchange Gain/Loss(Net)	-	-	-
	B. Total Operating Income	301,971	1,058,050	256,891
3.6	Staff Expenses	130,144	367,365	105,544
3.7	Other Operating Expenses	24,410	99,283	21,737
	C. Profit Before Provision	147,417	591,402	129,610
3.8	Provision for Possible Losses	12,851	50,527	8,163
	D. Operating Profit (C-3.8)	134,566	540,875	121,447
3.9	Non Operating Income/ Expenses (Net)	-	1,895	36
3.10	Write Back of Provision for Possible Loss	-	-	-
	E. Profit from Regular Activities	134,566	542,770	121,484
3.11	Extra-ordinary Income/ Expenses (Net)	40	1,611	-
	F. Profit before Bonus and Taxes	134,606	544,381	121,484
3.12	Provision for Staff Bonus	12,237	49,489	11,044
3.13	Provision for Tax	36,711	148,468	33,132
	G. Net Profit/Loss (F-3.12-3.13)	85,658	346,425	77,308