

Hare Krishna Das: transformation of a frustrated educated youth into a happy and confident professional!



Shri Hare Krishna Das of Ganganagar village under Ambassa RD Block is one of the five youths who had undergone bike repairing training under vocational training programme of IGDC project from May to October, 2013. Today, he is a skilled mechanic and in great demand. His monthly income on an average stands at Rs. 5000/-. He has been successful in this competitive profession by adopting a novel approach, “Repair your bike on call”. He has been able to earn up to Rs. 500/- a day only through his mobile calls.

Hare Krishna, the eldest son of the family, whose father is the only bread-earner owns a small grocery shop in the village and earns about Rs. 3000 a month. It was indeed difficult to manage the family of 5 with this meagre income. Hare Krishna still could study up to class X but could not clear his Madhyamik examination. Frustrated with his life, Hare Krishna started working as a daily wage labour to support his family. At this juncture, he approached the VDPIC for his skill improvement through IGDC project. Assessing his interest in motor mechanics, the project arranged his training for motor bike repairing. He was trained by an expert mechanic who is the owner of a leading bike workshop in Ambassa Bazar, with whom IGDC project had arranged his hands-on training.

With a small investment of Rs. 900/- towards the cost of the tools, Hare Krishna has been able to solve most of the problems. He takes the help of his mentor workshop in solving relatively complicated problems. He says, “IGDC has given me a new lease of life. I have come out of my frustration and today I am a confident mechanic. I shall be grateful, if IGDC supports me with Rs. 10,000 so that I can buy some additional tools so that I can solve most problems of the bike that gets stuck on the road in the middle of a dense forest.”

IGDC project is arranging a sum of Rs. 10,000 for Hare Krishna through Ganganagar VDPIC under its Revolving Fund programme.