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Sanshnong Cluster Level Federation receives National Award for excellence in Inclusive Development

The Sanshnong Cluster Level Federation (CLF), operating under the Block Mission Management Unit (BMMU) of Wapung Block in East Jaintia Hills District under the aegis of the Meghalaya State Rural Livelihoods Society (MSRLS), C&RD Department, has been nationally recognized for its exceptional work in community-led development. On August 14, 2025, the CLF was honoured in New Delhi with the 2nd Prize in the "Best Federation (Below 5 Years)" category at the *Atmanirbhar Sangathan* Award celebrating its impactful role in Federation-led Inclusive Development.

One of the CLF leaders had the honour of personally interacting with the Hon'ble Union Minister of Rural Development, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan where she shared her transformative journey from a Self-Help Group (SHG) member to becoming a "*Lakhpati Didi*" and a CLF leader. Her story, along with the Federation's collective efforts, inspired many and highlighted the effectiveness of the National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) model.