

Matlub's life Turns Tragedy into Victory through Financial Empowerment"

Matlub Ali Sai, a 30-year-old resident of Khajura, faced a tremendous challenge after devastating accident in 2015 where he lost his right hand in a grass cutting machine. Having just basic education on hand at the age of 22, Matlub was losing hope as he was considering himself a burden to his family of 8 members who were already struggling to meet the daily needs.

Things were not the same once he joined the Self Help Group formed with the support from USAID Inclusive Livelihoods-West project. Through the program's employment readiness training, Matlub regained hope as he learned valuable skills that reignited his drive to succeed. He was connected to the Local cooperative and was able to start up a small mobile retail shop with a loan of rupees 40,000. Now, he is able to support his family with daily sales of range Nrs.1000-2500 and saves 200 rupees each day and plans to expand his business with support from his wife.



Figure 1 His financial independence has allowed us to support our children's needs, something that once seemed out of reach. Matlub's wife feels more confident that his husband has been able to generate some income

"The skills and knowledge that I gained from the project have transformed my life. Now I am eager and confident to help other people with disabilities to find their own paths to success"

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