

## Carving the Life of a Youth



Kutrupala is one of the forest village of Singhpur Gram Panchayat in Kalahandi District where Tikechan Patra living with his wife, two sons and a daughter.

He was dropped out from class 7<sup>th</sup> due to poor financial condition. Tikechan was working as a daily wage laborer and earning 120 rupees per day. Last year he was migrated to Andhra Pradesh to work in construction work as a daily labourer but he returned to house after six months due to some health issues. In leisure time he did woodwork with his own interest, but he was not able to give good finishing to the products. Tikechan had desire to become a carpenter but he does not get any scope in their locality.

In between Seba Jagat promoted the skill training program for rural youth in same area through SCOPE model approach with the support of FVTRS, Bangalore. He was selected through SDT for the 2 months training program for carpenter trade. Seba Jagat has provided the two months training with the help of a local trainer. During the training period he made 15 varieties of wooden products. He has successfully completed the 2 months training program with proper instruction and handholding support of master trainer as well as proper monitoring, supervision and encouragement of SDT and community members. At the end of training programme he was provided with a tool kit and certificate.

Now Tikechan Patra is independently handling the carpentry work and able to making varieties of wooden materials like Coat, Chair, Table, Box, Window, and doors etc. He has engaged one person for helping in his work. Tikechan is now able to earn Rs.8000/- to 10000/- per month. He is now able to fulfill the basic need of family and his child education.