

# AMFI-WB WE-LEAD Project

## Individual Case Study

### Background:

Beneficiary Name – Anna Sutradhar  
Age - 45  
ID Number – 005586  
Address – Kadighat village under Belbari 2  
Gram Panchayat under Gangarampur Block  
District Name – Birbhum



### Anna Sutradhar - Empowered through WE LEAD

#### Introduction:

This case study highlights the positive impact of the WE LEAD project on the life of Anna Sutradhar, a 45-year-old woman from Kadighat village, Dakshin Dinajpur district, West Bengal, India. Facing financial hardship, Anna Sutradhar found a path to empowerment and improved livelihood through the project's skills training.

#### Challenges:

Anna Sutradhar's family consists of her husband, Pradeep Sutradhar (a carpenter), herself, and their two wives and three sons. With Pradeep as the sole breadwinner, supporting a family of this size proved incredibly challenging. The two wives had married into the family, and their combined struggles were significant. Anna Sutradhar had long desired to contribute financially but lacked the means and direction.

#### The WE LEAD Intervention:

Anna Sutradhar learned about the WE LEAD project from a neighbour and approached the program for assistance. She enrolled in the fish net making training program.

#### Impact:

- **Economic Empowerment:** After completing the training, Anna Sutradhar now earns Rs. 2000 per month from home by making fish nets. This income supplements her husband's earnings and significantly contributes to the family's finances.

- **Improved Livelihood:** While challenges remain, Anna's income has led to a noticeable improvement in the family's overall situation. She has been able to pay off a significant portion of their debt.
- **Increased Self-Reliance:** Anna's ability to earn a living has undoubtedly boosted her self-esteem and sense of independence. She is now an active participant in the family's financial well-being.

**Conclusion:**

Anna's story is a testament to the power of the WE LEAD project in empowering women and transforming lives. By providing skills training and opportunities for income generation, WE LEAD has enabled Anna Sutradhar to overcome financial hardship and contribute to her family's prosperity. Anna Sutradhar expressed her gratitude to AMFI-WB WE-LEAD PROJECT for the valuable skills and support she received.