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## **Hatching a Better Profit**

In the tiny village of Kishorinagar in northern India, Rupchard and his wife, Rhada struggled for years to make an income from the land. They managed to piece together an existence from fishing, raising pigs and growing vegetables.

Through a joint micro-finance initiative between Episcopal Relief & Development and the Church of North India, the couple received chicks and chickens, allowing them to begin a small poultry business. They determined just how many chickens they would need to make a profit, and even built a special shed to protect the chickens.

“With 30 eggs in a day, it’s possible to recover the cost of the feed, multiply our stock and sell older chickens for profit,” Rhada says.

Now, Rupchard and Rhada are on the road to self reliance, thanks to a small investment from Episcopal Relief & Development.