



MONTHLY PROGRESS **REPORT**

DECEMBER 2025



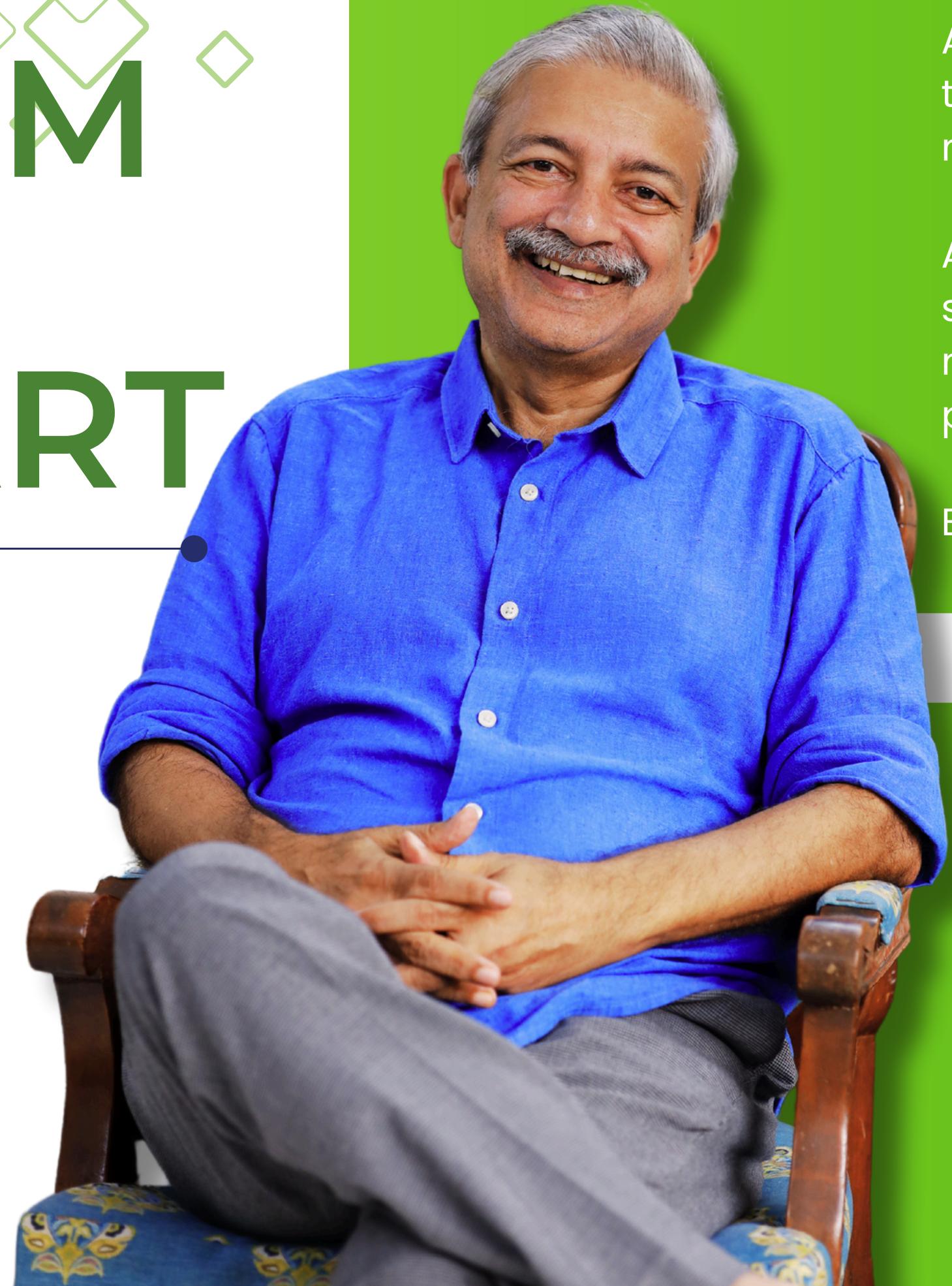


OUR VISION

GVT is passionately committed to transforming Indian economy back to the '**Sone ki Chidiya**' period by multiplying farmers' income through sustainable agriculture at scale

FROM MY HEART

***Saluting the
Resilience of Our
Farmers***

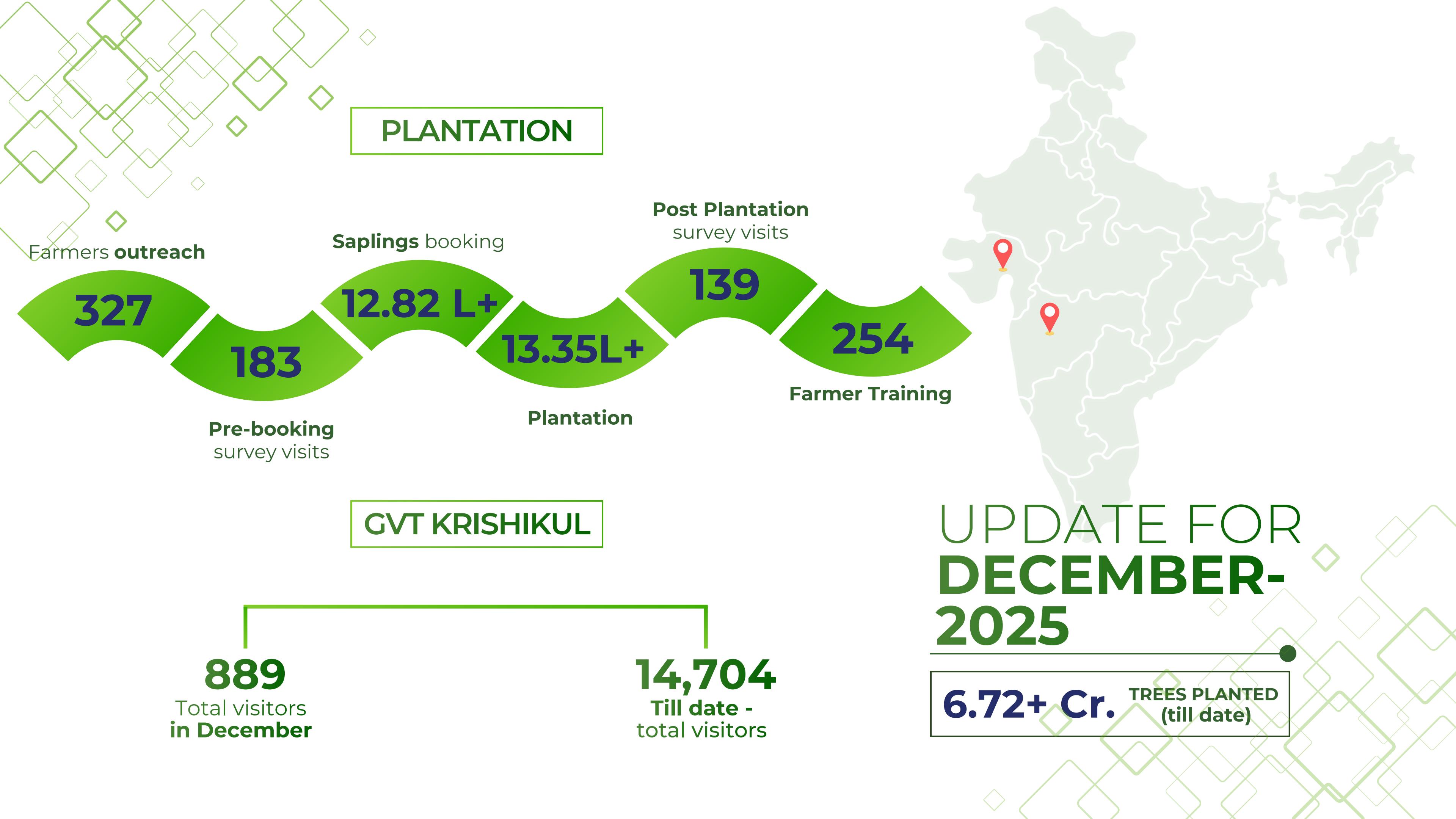


As the year ends, we honor the farmers who worked through challenges, kept our fields alive, and fed the nation.

At Global Vikas Trust, we stand beside them — strengthening irrigation, orchards, technology, and market access so their hard work leads to dignity and prosperity.

Because when farmers thrive, India grows.

INDIA CAN WAIT NO MORE!





NOTEWORTHY ACTIVITIES



MARATHWADA

PALGHAR

EVENTS

SUCCESS STORIES

EXPOSURE VISITS — BUILDING TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE & PRACTICAL INSIGHT

GVT's Marathwada and Palghar teams visited KISAN 2025, one of India's largest agricultural exhibitions held at Moshi, Pune, to explore innovations aligned with GVT's ideology of promoting organic, low-cost, farmer-centric, and sustainable farming, with a transition toward fruit-based and high-value agriculture. The exhibition showcased advancements in mechanization, irrigation, biological inputs, and precision farming. This visit helped the team understand emerging technologies and identify practical, scalable solutions to further strengthen programme implementation.



To strengthen technical capacity, the Palghar team conducted exposure visits to Banana Tissue Culture laboratories (Namo Biotech, Nashik and Callus Biotech, Kolhapur) along with a field visit in Sangli. These visits helped the team understand laboratory processes, hardening, quality control, sapling selection, and on-ground field challenges. The interactions with farmers further provided practical insights into cultivation practices and feedback that will support refining strategies and strengthening future program implementation.



GUEST VISIT: EMPOWERING FARMERS THROUGH EXPERT ADVICE AND EXPORT INSIGHTS

To provide farmers with expert guidance and market insights, GVT Krishikul hosted distinguished leaders to strengthen knowledge-driven and export-oriented agriculture.

A press conference and farmer interaction session was held at the Krishikul Training Centre with Dr. Ashok Gulati, National Agricultural Economist, and Mr. Mayank Gandhi, Founder & Managing Trustee of Global Vikas Trust, focusing on farmers' income enhancement. The discussion highlighted the need to reduce input costs, adopt modern technology, improve market access, and shift from low-income crops to high-value fruit cultivation. Emphasis was also placed on value addition, FPCs, e-NAM, and direct market linkages as key pathways to sustainable income growth.



Mr. Harry Asher, Managing Director of Trident Agrocom Exports, provided a detailed session on banana exports, including quality standards, best cultivation practices, post-harvest handling, grading, packaging, and compliance with international norms. The discussion highlighted opportunities for value addition, cold storage development, and market linkages, enabling farmers to access better prices and stable export markets.



EMPOWERING FARMERS THROUGH FRUIT PROCESSING SKILLS



To enhance income opportunities and promote value addition for farmers and rural entrepreneurs, Global Vikas Trust conducted a practical training program on banana fruit processing at GVT Krishikul. The program aimed to equip participants with skills to convert raw fruits into high-value products such as powders, and dehydrated items, thereby increasing profitability and reducing post-harvest losses.

Participants were trained on step-by-step processes including selection, cleaning, slicing, blanching, dehydration, storage, and packaging, with guidance on maintaining hygiene and quality standards. The session also highlighted market potential and practical strategies for establishing small-scale fruit processing enterprises, enabling participants to generate additional income and develop sustainable livelihood opportunities.

PROMOTING SOIL HEALTH THROUGH COW-BASED NATURAL FARMING



GVT distributed Go Krupa Amrutam (GKA) to farmers this month as part of our sustainable agriculture initiative. Developed by Shri Gopalbhai Sutariya, Founder of Bansi Gir Gaushala, Ahmedabad, and Knowledge Partner of Global Vikas Trust, GKA is a natural, cow-based organic formulation prepared using cow dung, cow urine, jaggery, and other natural ingredients. It helps rejuvenate soil health, enhances microbial activity, improves nutrient absorption and moisture retention, strengthens plant growth, and reduces dependence on chemical fertilizers—thereby lowering input costs and promoting long-term sustainable farming. Farmers were also guided on its proper usage to ensure effective adoption and improved crop productivity.

[For more information click link](#)

CAPACITY-BUILDING OF GVT STAFF FOR IMPROVED FIELD SUPPORT

To strengthen the technical capabilities of our team and enhance farmer handholding, Global Vikas Trust periodically conducts advanced training programs facilitated by subject experts. During the month, a comprehensive training session was organized focusing on sustainable and scientific horticulture practices. Experts from Biome Technology delivered an insightful session on soil health and biological farming, emphasizing the role of living soil, bio-fertilizers, and beneficial microbes in improving productivity. This was followed by a technical session by RNS Biotech, Pune; Namo Biotech, Nashik; Callus Biotech, Kolhapur; and Patil Biotech, Jalgaon, providing practical guidance on banana cultivation and addressing key field challenges such as uneven fruiting, plant mortality, and growth management. Additionally, a focused session on lemon and mango orchard management by Dr. M. B. Patil, an Horticulture expert highlighted best practices in pruning, flowering, fruiting, and productivity enhancement. This capacity-building initiative has further strengthened the team's technical expertise, enabling them to deliver more informed, scientific, and effective field-level support to farmers.



FIELD LEARNING FOR BETTER AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES

To strengthen technical understanding and support evidence-based decision-making, two focused field studies were undertaken.

Banana Farmers' Plot Visit – Solapur District:

The team visited Akluj, Pandharpur, and Karkamb villages to study export-quality banana production, fertigation practices, and cold-chain systems. Key observations included well-drained soils, double-drip irrigation, and science-based fertigation contributing to yields of 25–30 kg per plant. Established cold storage, careful fruit handling, and year-round production have strengthened the export ecosystem, despite challenges such as chilling.

injury affecting prices.

Discussions with local vendors and growers opened avenues for future collaboration with Krishikul



Kisan Biogas Project – Farmers' Field Visit:

A visit to Nimgaon Wagha village assessed the performance of farmer-installed biogas units, focusing on gas output, maintenance, and practical use. Farmers reported benefits in cooking energy, reduced fuel costs, and availability of nutrient-rich slurry for fields. The review also identified operational challenges and improvement areas to enhance reliability and long-term sustainability of the units.



AGRICULTURAL DRONE AWARENESS SESSIONS



Village: Malwada, Tal.Wada



Village: Gargaon,Tal.Wada



Village: Pinjal,Tal.Wada



Village: Ambivali, Tal.Vikramgad



Village:Poshera,Tal.Mokhada

As part of promoting technology-driven farming, GVT conducted agricultural drone spraying awareness sessions across villages in Wada, Vikramgad & Mokhada Talukas of Palghar District.

The demonstrations highlighted how drones reduce labour, avoids human intervention, save time, and ensure precise application on mogra and mango crops. Farmers showed strong interest, while Agriculture Department officials appreciated the initiative and encouraged wider adoption across villages.

EMPOWERING MOGRA FARMERS: GVT PROVIDES ESSENTIAL TOOLKITS

To enhance productivity and reduce farm costs, Global Vikas Trust continued its initiative to support small and marginal farmers with essential tools and practical guidance.

With the generous support of Ms. Vandana Mehta, fourteen farmers from Malwada and Karsud villages earlier received subsidized farming toolkits. This month, seven farmers from Mangrul village (Wada Taluka) were also equipped with comprehensive tools — including a 20-litre spray pump, fertilizers, sticky traps, a segeter, pruning shears, a head torch, and a Mogra flower collection bag.

Along with distribution, farmers were trained on fertilizer application, crop management, and sustainable practices, while also being briefed on GVT initiatives and donor support.

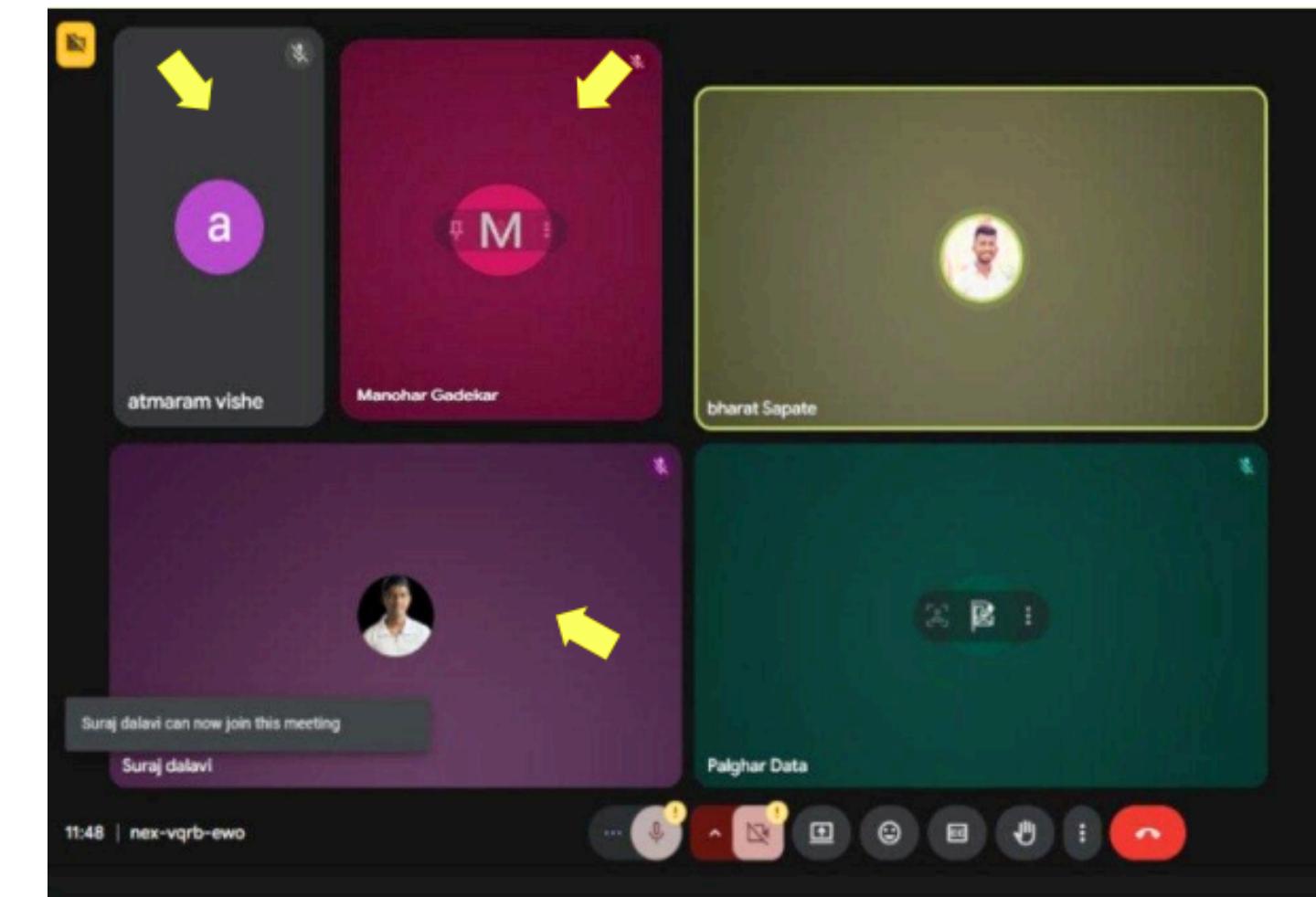
By combining tools with knowledge, the program is helping farmers improve crop quality, protect plant health, increase confidence, and strengthen their livelihoods.



GVT CONNECTS WITH FARMERS THROUGH ONLINE MEETING

As conducted every month, this month too an online farmers' interaction session, "Shetkari Charcha Satra," was held to guide farmers and address their queries.

During the session, the participating farmers raised concerns mainly related to pest management and low flowering in their crops. GVT agronomists explained that the low flowering is largely due to low temperature conditions, which commonly affect crops during this period. Farmers were advised on appropriate fertilizer sprays and crop protection measures to help maintain plant health and support recovery. It was also communicated that flowering will remain low during winter season, and improvement can be expected once the temperature rises. Such regular interaction sessions help farmers gain clarity, adopt timely corrective measures, and feel confident in managing crop challenges, reinforcing GVT's commitment to continuous guidance and sustainable farming practices.



KNOWLEDGE, CONVERSATION & CHANGE: AT WELINGKAR INSTITUTE



To inspire future leaders on the role of social change in nation-building, a meaningful interaction session was held with students of Welingkar Institute, Mumbai. The discussion explored how NGOs and civil society can reshape rural development through integrity, innovation, and empathy. Reflections from Global Vikas Trust's journey were shared, reinforcing the belief that when people unite around a shared purpose, villages transform and communities thrive.



PRINT MEDIA

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सिर्वाळा (प्रतिनिधी)- देशासाठी आणि शेतकऱ्यांसाठी सर्वांगीक महत्वाची कोणती गोष्ट असेल तर ती आवे मारी. १७२२ साली आपल्या देशात सेने की चिंडिया महल्या जायचे. ज्या वेळेल मातीतील जीसरचल्या लिंगेपे २.५ होता त आज ०.३ झाला आहे. ही अतिशय चिंडाजनक आणि गंभीर चाच आहे. मातीची गुणवत्ता टिकवणे आणि युद्ध संपर्कात करणे ही काढाची गरज घटलेली असांतां मात्र भोडवा प्रभागावर रासायनिक खालींचा मारा केला जातो. जलद गेली शीर्षंत होण्याचा हव्यासच जगाला संकटाच्या खाईत लोटत आहे. उत्पादन वाढीसाठी बेगाप रासायनिक खालींचा वापर करताना मातीची उपजत गुणवत्ता आपण खारब करत आहेत याकडे होण्यारी डोळेजाक



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DIGITAL MEDIA

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कृषीदूत मयंक
गांधी यांनी
काय केली घोषणा**

A medium shot of two men in an outdoor setting. The man on the left, wearing a plaid shirt and a red wristband, holds a microphone with the 'Mauli News Network' logo. He is looking towards the man on the right. The man on the right, wearing a blue polo shirt, is looking slightly away. They are seated in black chairs. In the background, there is a modern building with a red brick facade and a green roof covered in plants. Large green plants are in the foreground.

SPECIAL GUEST VISIT AT GVT KRISHIKUL

Mr. Dhiraj Mankapure & Mr. Abhijeet Chaugule
GeoJit Financial Services



Mr. Amol Dhavan & Ms. Anjali Ritu
ADM Agro Industries, Latur



Mr. Arvind Latkar
Sub-Divisional Officer, Parli



As part of our ongoing capacity-building efforts, GVT Krishikul had the honour of welcoming several distinguished guests this month: Mr. Dhiraj Mankapure and Mr. Abhijeet Chaugule from GeoJit Financial Services; Mr. Arvind Latkar, Sub-Divisional Officer, Parli; and Mr. Amol Dhavan and Ms. Anjali Ritu from ADM Agro Industries, Latur. They explored our world-class farming centre, interacted with farmers, and shared valuable insights on advancing sustainable and profitable agriculture.

 **Till date - Total visitors**
14,704

 **Total visitors in December**
889

This month, 889 visitors from across the agricultural ecosystem — farmers, FPO/NGO leaders, students, and government and private sector officials — participated in sessions led by our agronomists on key farming techniques. The growing participation underscores the strong interest in adopting innovative and sustainable farming practices.

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SUCCESS STORY - 1

Our farmer from Khamkarwadi village, Dharashiv has transformed his life by shifting from **Soyabean to Mulberry cultivation**. This has led to a significant boost in his annual profit showcasing the success of crop diversification. now he earns a profit of **₹2,87,500 per acre per annum**.



MARATHWADA

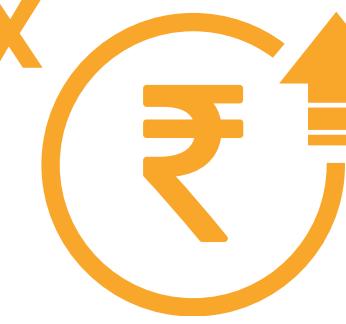
PANKAJ POPAT LUGADE

DIST - DHARASHIV, TALUKA - WASHI

 1.0 Acre (40 Guntas) Plantation area	 5,000 Plantation Qty
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 Soyabean Previous Crop	 ₹ 32,000 Previous income
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 Mulberry Current Crop
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9X  ₹ 2,87,500

CURRENT ANNUAL NET PROFIT/ACRE

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SUCCESS STORY - 2

A farmer from Savarkhand village, Palghar, has transformed his livelihood by adopting **Mogra (Jasmine)** cultivation, achieving a remarkable profit of **₹1,89,474 per acre per annum** as per pro-rata calculations.



PALGHAR

SUKARYA RAMA BHOYE

DIST. PALGHAR, TAL. WADA

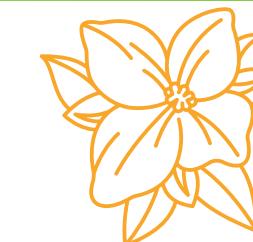


0.57 Acre
(22.8 Guntas)
Plantation area



1,000
Plantation Qty

NO PREVIOUS AGRICULTURE INCOME



Mogra (Jasmine)
Current Crop



₹ 1,89,474

Current annual net profit/acre

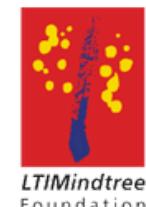
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