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MONTHLY PROGRESS **REPORT**

September 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

*Turning Loss into
Learning: Farmers
Journey with GVT*



This season, nature tested our strength. Floods washed away crops, homes, and dreams across many villages. But even in the mud and silence, one thing still grows—the farmer's courage.

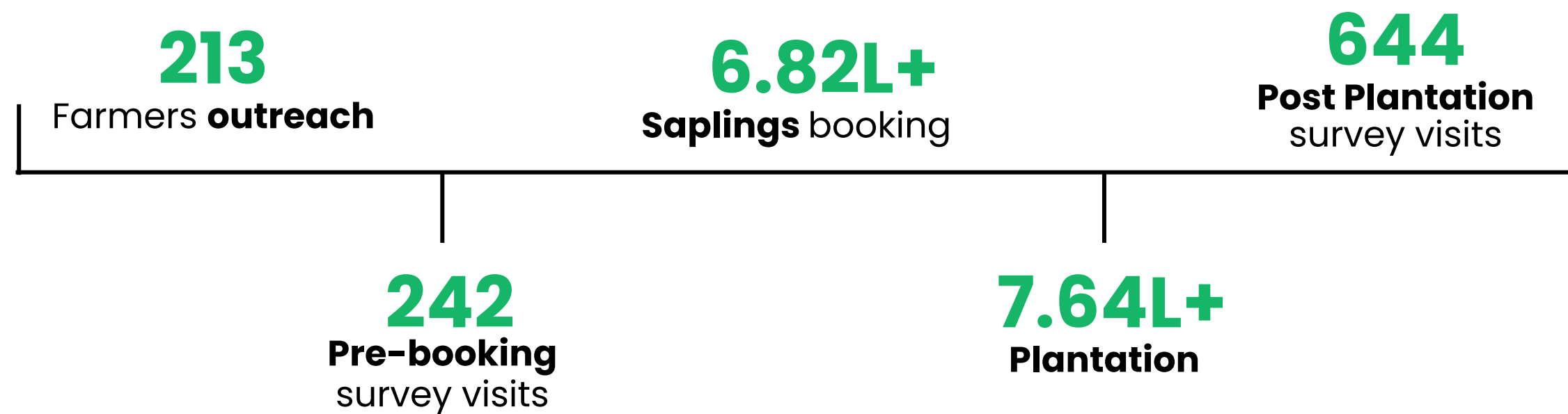
At Global Vikas Trust, we stand with every farmer picking up the pieces, helping them restore their soil, replant their fields, and rebuild their confidence. Through guidance, training, and support, we are turning loss into learning, and despair into determination.

Because farming is not just about growing crops—it's about growing hope.

And as long as the farmer stands tall, India will keep rising.

INDIA CAN WAIT NO MORE!

PLANTATION



GVT KRISHIKUL



UPDATE FOR
SEPTEMBER- 2025

6.47+ CR. FRUIT TREES PLANTED
(TILL DATE)

NOTEWORTHY ACTIVITIES



MARATHWADA

PALGHAR

BHARUCH

EVENTS

SUCCESS STORIES

ADVANCING ORGANIC BANANA CULTIVATION AT KRISHIKUL

A knowledge-sharing session was held at GVT Krishikul, where experts and the GVT team engaged in a detailed discussion on organic banana cultivation, focusing on sustainable ways to enhance productivity. Led by Mayank Sir, along with Dr. M.B. Patil, Dr. Sayyed Ismail, and Dr. Dayanand, the session explored strategies to maximize yields through organic practices, enrich soil health, address common cultivation challenges, and review new trials being conducted at Krishikul. The discussion underscored the value of blending scientific guidance with practical experience to strengthen organic farming and promote sustainable productivity for farmers.



AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON WATER CONSERVATION AND WATERSHED MANAGEMENT



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Global Vikas Trust (GVT) organized an awareness program on watershed management in the villages of Mankeshwar and Bhandgaon, located in the Bhum and Paranda talukas.

The session began with the local Sarpanch introducing the purpose of the GVT team's visit and providing an overview of the organization's mission and activities. GVT staff Gulab Rupnar further elaborated on the objectives of the meeting, highlighting Mayank Gandhi's vision and GVT's ongoing initiatives in sustainable water management.

The discussion focused on the region's prevailing water scarcity, the current status of local water resources, and the future roadmap for watershed development. The meeting served as an important step toward community awareness and participation in long-term water conservation efforts.

DONOR VISITS – FIELD ENGAGEMENTS BY PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

 MARATHWADA



Mr. Saurabh Anand from the EY Foundation visited farms across Bhoshe, Pirachi Kuroli, and Patwardhan Kuroli in the Akluj Cluster. During the visit, he interacted with local farmers to understand the yield differences between traditional farming and fruit orchard cultivation. He also observed the banana harvesting and box-packing processes at the farmers' plots. The visit concluded with a meeting at the Patwardhan Kuroli Gram Panchayat office, where further discussions were held on agricultural practices and ongoing initiatives with the farmers.



Mr. Faraz Ahmad, Project Director of the Rotary Club of Delhi Premier, along with Mr. Swayang Bikas, Project Coordinator, visited mango farmers in Wagholi, Dharashiv District, who initiated plantations in 2024. They assessed the mango orchards, reviewed the drip irrigation systems, and engaged with farmers to understand challenges in crop management. The visit included discussions at the Gram Secretariat in Upala village with the Gram Vikas Officer, Sarpanch, and Deputy Sarpanch, focusing on the potential for tree plantation initiatives on vacant forest land adjacent to the village.



MakeMyTrip CSR team members Mr. Yuvraj Srivastava & Mr. Rajneesh Kumar Sharma visited their intervention area in Aurangabad with reference to a potential collaboration for the GVT project. The team interacted with farmers, reviewed ongoing activities, and discussed possible avenues of partnership aimed at strengthening rural livelihoods and promoting sustainable development.



These visits reinforced the shared commitment to improving farmer livelihoods through field-based understanding, collaboration, and sustainable agricultural development.

EMPOWERING FARMERS: UNITY, ADVOCACY, AND ACTION IN BEED DISTRICT

The agricultural community of Beed district witnessed a series of impactful initiatives aimed at empowering farmers, addressing challenges, and promoting sustainable rural development.

Gram Vikas Manthan – Fostering Unity Among Farmers

The Gram Vikas Manthan program in Bodhegaon brought together thousands of farmers with a shared goal: strengthening the voice of agriculture in the region. Honourable Mayank Gandhi emphasized the necessity of unity, urging farmers to transcend caste, creed, and political affiliations to embrace a singular identity. Highlighting that farmers, despite being the backbone of the nation's food supply, often face neglect and suppression, he encouraged a united front as a means to compel government attention. Held on September 19 at the Bodheshwar Temple, the event featured engaging discussions with local dignitaries and provided a platform for farmers to deliberate on rural development and agricultural advancement.



FROM FIELD TO GOVERNMENT: FARMERS TAKE ACTION AGAINST CROP DAMAGE

Village-Level Advocacy – Addressing Crop Losses

The Marathwada region recently experienced heavy rainfall and subsequent flooding, causing significant damage to crops across multiple villages. In Kaudgaon Huda (Parli Taluka) and Rakshaswadi & Mandwa Pathan (Ambajogai Taluka), village meetings were organized to inform farmers about a memorandum campaign seeking government compensation. Farmers were urged to participate collectively, emphasizing the strength of unity in advocating for their rights and ensuring that their grievances are formally recognized.

Tehsil-Level Action – Formal Submissions for Relief

To tackle the hardships caused by recent floods, memorandums were submitted to the Parli and Ambajogai Tehsil Offices after extensive village consultations. The documents emphasized the damage due to heavy rainfall and sought prompt field assessments (panchanamas) and compensation to support affected farmers.



FROM VILLAGE TO DISTRICT: FARMERS' RELIEF INITIATIVES WITH THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR

District Engagement – Government Response and Support

To address the flood situation at a broader level, a group of farmers met with the district administration to discuss the crop losses caused by excessive rainfall. The authorities assured them that detailed assessments would be carried out and appropriate relief measures implemented to support the affected farmers.

This engagement reflects the collaborative efforts between farmers and government officials to ensure timely assistance and safeguard rural livelihoods.



EXPLORING PINEAPPLE CULTIVATION FOR FARMER PROSPERITY

The GVT team has been consistently visiting the pineapple nursery of Mr. Hemant Chhabra in Zadpoli village, Vikramgad Taluka, to monitor crop performance and evaluate its potential as a feasible, economically viable option for marginal farmers. On 3rd September, a focused assessment was carried out to study the economics of pineapple cultivation, including profitability, sapling sourcing, and sustainability.

During the visit, the team closely observed the farm operations and engaged in detailed discussions on cultivation costs, labour needs, expected returns, and potential profit per acre. Key challenges in cultivation were also reviewed, with practical, field-based solutions explored to enhance productivity and strengthen farmer livelihoods.



IMPOWERING FARMERS WITH MOGRA: FIELD INSIGHTS AND FUTURE READINESS



As part of its preparation for the upcoming financial year, Global Vikas Trust (GVT) initiated a detailed field assessment to plan large-scale procurement of mogra saplings. The GVT Palghar team conducted visits to nurseries across Jawhar and Vikramgad talukas to evaluate production capacity, assess sapling quality, and understand nursery operations.

The visits focused on key aspects such as stick selection, nursery practices, sapling preparation techniques, and the overall readiness of farmers for bulk supply. Over the course of several days, the team interacted with 7–8 nursery groups to gather comprehensive data and insights into their operational capabilities.

As a follow-up, GVT has requested nursery owners to review the proposed supply plan and confirm their potential sapling output. The collected information will serve as the foundation for finalizing MOUs for the next financial year, ensuring timely and efficient sapling distribution to farmers.

PLANTING FOR THE FUTURE: AURUM FOUNDATION JOINS HANDS WITH GVT

As part of the annual plantation initiative, members of the Aurum Foundation visited the GVT Wada office to understand Global Vikas Trust's vision, journey, and developmental work in the Palghar region. The GVT team shared insights into ongoing projects, highlighting key challenges faced by farmers such as water scarcity, unstable income, and agricultural uncertainty.

To gain on-ground perspective, the visitors interacted with Mogra farmers in Malwada village, where Ashish Sir explained the technical and economic aspects of Mogra cultivation, including land suitability, cost structure, climate requirements, and post-plantation management.

The visit concluded with a symbolic plantation activity, where the Aurum team planted Mogra saplings, reaffirming their support for sustainable farming and farmer empowerment.

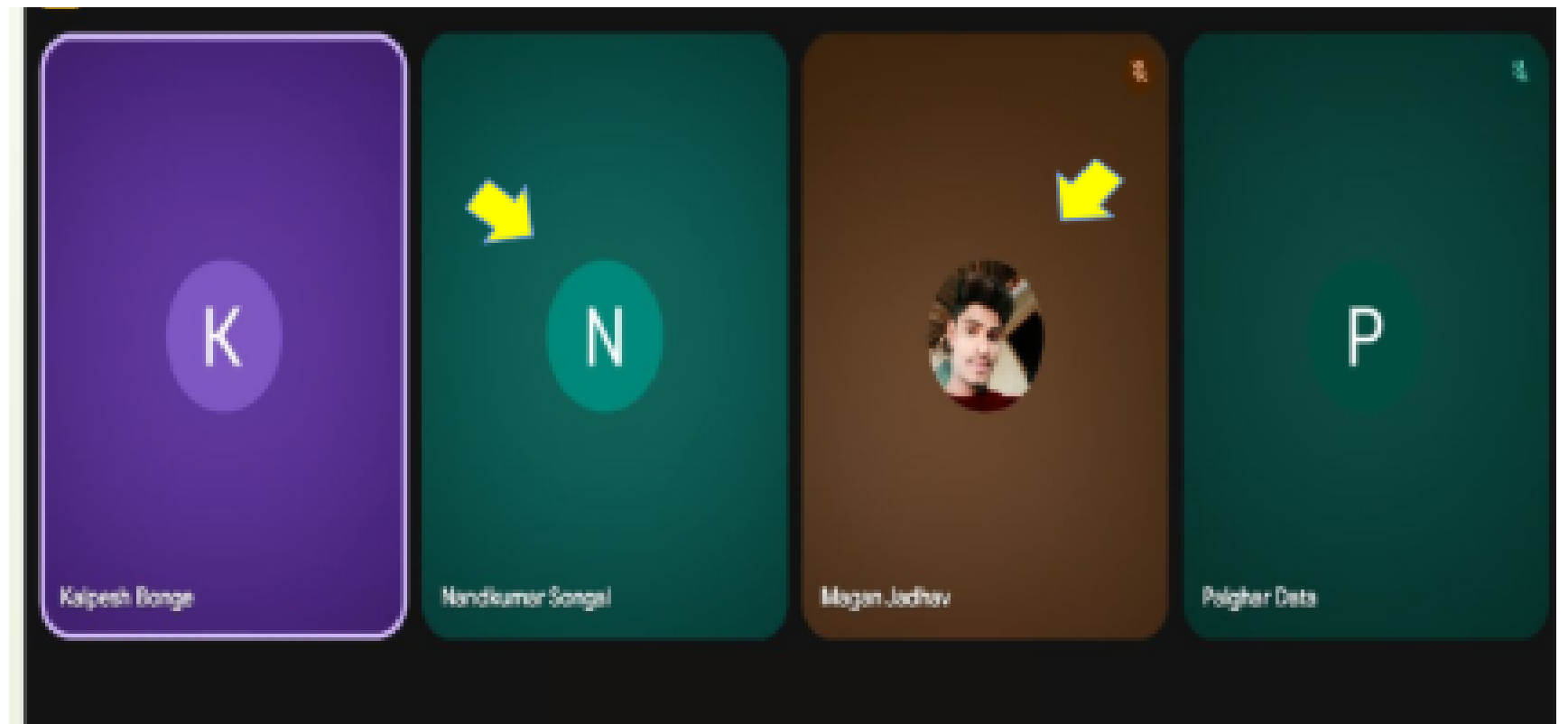


GVT CONNECTS WITH FARMERS THROUGH ONLINE

Online meeting – 25 September:

As part of GVT's ongoing monthly farmer engagement initiative, interactive sessions were held online this month as well.

An online farmers' session was conducted from the Wada office, with participation from farmers of Jawhar and Shahapur talukas. The session was highly interactive, with farmers sharing their experiences and raising queries on Mogra cultivation practices, fertilizer use, and pest management. In response, Kalpesh from the GVT team provided detailed guidance, explaining fertilizer types, dosages, and schedules for each growth stage, along with a recommended spray management plan highlighting safe and effective application methods. The session fostered a meaningful exchange of knowledge, enabling farmers to clarify doubts and receive tailored advice for improving crop management and productivity.



EMPOWERING FARMERS THROUGH PRACTICAL TRAINING ON BANANA CULTIVATION



A comprehensive farmer training program was organized by Global Vikas Trust (GVT), led by the agronomy team, focusing on banana cultivation, soil health, and the effective use of vermicompost. The session covered essential aspects such as pre- and post-plantation care, pest and disease management, fertilizer application, and root growth enhancement techniques.

A total of 21 farmers, including both registered and non-registered participants, actively took part in the training. They engaged enthusiastically, raising practical queries related to root damage, leaf caterpillar control, and nutrient management, which were effectively addressed by the agronomist.

The participants found the training highly insightful and practical, expressing appreciation for GVT's efforts and requesting that such knowledge-sharing sessions be organized regularly to further strengthen their farming practices.



Honoured to receive the Transformative Leadership Award in Community Upliftment at the Sustainability Convergence Summit and Awards 2025. This award is dedicated to our farmers, the true backbone of the nation, whose struggles must remain at the center of our national agenda. Grateful for this honour and committed to keeping their cause alive in our hearts, minds, and actions.



AWARDED FOR LEADERSHIP, ENGAGING FOR RURAL TRANSFORMATION



In a high-level discussion with Mr. R. Venkataramanan (Venkat), CEO of Karkinos Healthcare, Mr. Mayank Gandhi, Founder & Managing Trustee of GVT, shared the vision and initiatives of GVT Krishikul, highlighting efforts to drive sustainable agriculture, rural development, and livelihood enhancement across India. The conversation offered valuable insights from Venkat's diverse experience — from leading Tata Trusts to revolutionizing technology-driven cancer care — and opened possibilities for future collaboration to amplify impact in rural Bharat.

STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS & SUPPORT FOR GVT INITIATIVES



Mr. Mayank Gandhi, Founder & Managing Trustee of GVT, and CA. Sanjay Parmer, Trustee, met Dr. Anand Bang, Joint Director of SEARCH, Gadchiroli, and Advisor to the Chief Minister of Maharashtra, to discuss GVT's initiatives supporting farmers through cluster-based cultivation and water conservation programs. Dr. Bang shared valuable insights on scaling these efforts across Maharashtra, and we anticipate his visit to GVT Krishikul to discuss collaboration possibilities.



In a productive discussion with Mr. Pavithra Kumar, CEO of JSW Foundation, and Mr. Lakshman Sivasubramanian, Chief Strategy Officer of JSW Foundation, Mr. Mayank Gandhi, Founder & Managing Trustee of GVT, shared the vision and initiatives of Global Vikas Trust. The conversation focused on strengthening farmer livelihoods, exploring collaborative opportunities to scale GVT's impact across rural communities.

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ओला दुष्काळ जाहीर करून शेतकऱ्यांना मदत करा : गांधी

सिरसाळ / प्रतिनिधी:

परळी, अंबाजोगाई तालुक्यातील शेतकऱ्यांचे अतिवृष्टीने नुकसान झालेले आहे. त्याबरोबरच संपूर्ण बोंड जिह्वा आणि मराठवाड्यातही शेतकरी संपूर्णतः भोसळला आणि कोलमडला आहे. न दसरा आणि दिवाळीचा सणासुदीचा काळ समोर असताना संकटाच्या गर्तेत पडलेल्या शेतकऱ्यांना तत्काळ आर्थिक दत्त करावी तसेच मराठवाड्यात ओला व्हाऊन जाहीर करावा अशी तीव्र मागणी नीबल विकास ट्रस्टचे अध्यक्ष मयंक गांधींनी शासनाकडे केली आहे.

अंबाजोगाई तालुक्यातील शेतकऱ्यांच्या समस्यांवर उपजिल्हाधिकारी कार्यालयात भेद न देण्यात आले. यावेळी हजारो शेतकरी उपस्थित होते, तर याच सर्व मागण्या आणि इतर अनेक मागण्या घेऊन

अंबाजोगाई उपविभागीय अधिकाऱ्यांनाही शेतकऱ्यांचे निवेदन



नुकसान झाले आहे. अनेक गावांत जाऊन जलनायक मयंक गांधी यांनी शेतकऱ्यांशी चर्चा केली. त्यांच्या अडचणी आणि व्यथे समजून घेतल्या. नैसर्गिक आपत्तीमुळे शेतकरी संपूर्णतः खचले आहेत. कोणाच पिके गेली, गुरे-जनावरे गेली, शेतातील साहित्य वाहून गेले तर कोणाची राहट घरे पडली आहेत. या संपूर्ण नुकसानीला वस्तुनिष्ठ पंचनामे करावेत व तत्काळ मदत जाहीर करावी. पाण्याने वाहून गेलेल्या जमिनीला आर्थिक मदत दिल्यानंतर त्या जमिनीची पोटखराब क्षेत्र म्हणून ७/१२ कॅनॉन घेऊन नवे तसेच संपूर्ण मराठवाड्यात ओला दुष्काळ जाहीर करावा अशी मागणी मागणी जलनायक मयंक गांधी यांच्या वतीने करण्यात आली आहे.

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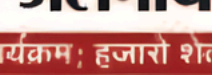


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शेतकऱ्यांनी जाती-पाती, पक्षीय भेद विसरून एकत्र यावे-जलनायक मयंक गांधी

बोधेगाव येथे ग्रामविकास मंथन कार्यक्रम; हजारो शेतकरी बांधवांची उपस्थिती

परळी (प्रतिनिधि)

“शेतकरी जर एकजुट आला नाही, आणि जाती-पाती-पक्षीय भेद विसरून फक्त ‘शेतकरी’ हीच एकमेव ओळख स्वीकारली नाही, तर त्याचा आवाज काधीच ऐकला जाणार नाही,” शेतकरी हा समाजघटक देशाच्या अन्तर्भवदत्ताचा कणा असूनही त्याला आजपर्यंत योग्य न्याय मिळालेला नाही. शेतकऱ्यांचा आवाज नेहमीच दडपला गेला आहे. वेगवेगळ्या गटांमध्ये विभागल्यामुळे शेतकऱ्यांची ताकद कमी झाली आहे, परंतु जर शेतकरी एकजुट आला, एकच ओळख मान्य केली, तर त्याचा आवाज शांमनालागी ऐकावा लागेल असे प्रतिपादन जलनायक मयंक गांधी यांनी केले. परळी वैजनाथ तालुक्यातील मीजे बोधेगाव येथे शुक्रवार, दि. १९ सप्टेंबर रोजी बोधेश्वर मंदिर येथे आयोजित ग्रामविकास मंथन कार्यक्रमास उपस्थित शेकडो शेतकऱ्यांना मार्गदर्शन करताना ते बोलत होते. या कार्यक्रमास डॉ. हरिश्चंद्र वगे, (पान ४ वर)

रिपोर्टर

Sunday 31-08-2025

शेतीत परिवर्तन घडवण्यासाठी माहितीची नांदी

कृषीकुलच्या माहिती गाडीचे जलनायक मयंक गांधी यांच्या उपस्थितीत लोकार्पण

परकी वैजनाथ(रिपोर्टर):
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उत्पन्नात पूर्वीपेक्षा जवळपास दहा

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संस्थेचा प्रामाणिक आणि शुद्ध हे
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फिररया मोबाईल गाडीद्वारा
पान ७ वर

A group of men are walking outdoors on a paved path. In the center, a man in a blue t-shirt and grey trousers is walking. To his left, several men are wearing white shirts and traditional Marathi hats (pheta). One man in a white shirt is raising his right hand. On the right side, a person is holding a smartphone to record the group. The image has a red border. At the top left, there is a red banner with white text 'परळी-वै'. At the top right, there is a red circular logo with white text 'न्यूज महाराष्ट्र 1'. At the bottom, there is a black banner with white text 'शेतकऱ्यांसाठी ग्लोबल विकास ट्रस्ट मैदानात'. Above this banner, there is a red banner with white text 'HEADLINES'.

LIVE

BREAKING NEWS

ग्लोबल विकास टस्टच्या वतीने उपजिल्हाधिकारी कार्यालयावर मोर्चा

प्रतिनिधी

SPECIAL GUEST VISIT AT GVT KRISHIKUL

As part of our ongoing capacity-building efforts, GVT Krishikul welcomed distinguished guests this month, including Mr. Vilas Vishnu Shinde, Chairman & MD of Sahyadri Farms, Nashik, and Shir Subhash Salve, District Superintendent Agriculture Officer. Both leaders explored our world-class farming center, interacted with farmers, and shared insights on sustainable and profitable agriculture.



Till date - Total visitors

11,564



Total visitors in September

612

This month, 809 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.



Shir Subhash Salve

District Superintendent Agriculture Officer



Shri Vilas Shinde

Founder Director of Sahyadri Farm

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SUCCESS STORY – 1

Our farmer from Loni Bk village, Nanded has transformed his life by shifting from **Turmeric** to **Banana** cultivation. This has led to a significant boost in his annual profit showcasing the success of crop diversification. He earned a profit of **₹4,50,526 per acre per annum**.



Santosh Rangrao Dhulgande

Dist. Nanded, Tal. Ardhapur,



0.57 Acre
(22.8 Guntas)
Plantation area



1,000
Plantation Qty



Turmeric
Previous Crop

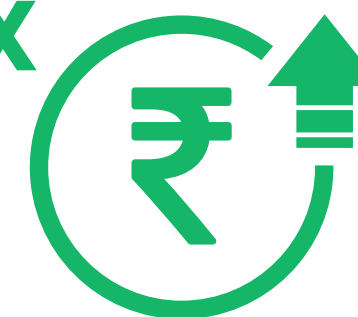


₹ 27,900
Previous income



Banana
Current Crop

16X



₹ 4,50,526

Current annual net profit/acre

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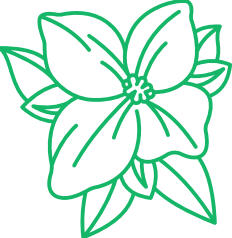


SUCCESS STORY – 2

Our farmer from Mangrul Village, Palghar, has transformed his life by shifting from **Ragi** to cultivating **Mogra (Jasmine)**. This has led to a significant boost in his annual profit, showcasing the success of crop diversification; as per pro-data calculation, he now earns a profit of ₹1,03,333 per acre per annum.



Dinesh Laxman Vangad
Dist. Palghar, Tal. Wada

 0.18 Acre (7.2 Guntas) Plantation area	 500 Plantation Qty
 Ragi Previous Crop	 ₹ 10,000 Previous income
 Mogra (Jasmine) Current Crop	
10X ₹ 1,03,333 Current annual net profit/acre	

For detailed report kindly [click link](#)

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SUCCESS STORY – 3

Our farmer from Panetha Village, Bharuch, has transformed his life by shifting from Cotton to cultivating Banana. This has led to a significant boost in his annual profit, showcasing the success of crop diversification; as per pro-data calculation, he now earns a profit of ₹3,26,000 per acre per annum.



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Panetha/Jhagadia/ Bharuch

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Dineshbhai Arvindbhai Padariya

Dist. Bharuch, Tal. Jhagadia



1.90 Acre
(76 Guntas)
Plantation area



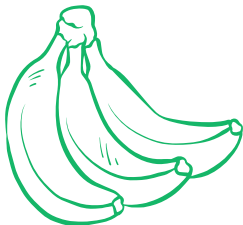
3,000
Plantation Qty



Cotton
Previous Crop

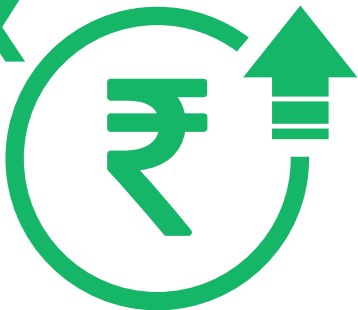


₹15,000
Previous income



Banana
Current Crop

22X

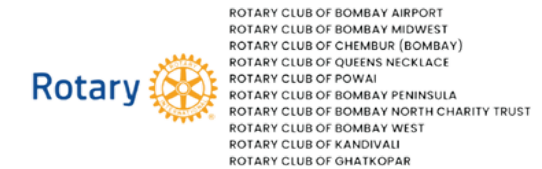


₹ 3,26,000

Current annual net profit/acre

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