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Shroffs Foundation Trust

Annual Report 2023-24

From Survival to Sustenance



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Philosophy



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Each soul is potentially divine, the goal is to manifest the divinity within, by controlling nature, do this either by work, or worship or psychic control or philosophy- by one, or more or all of these and be free.

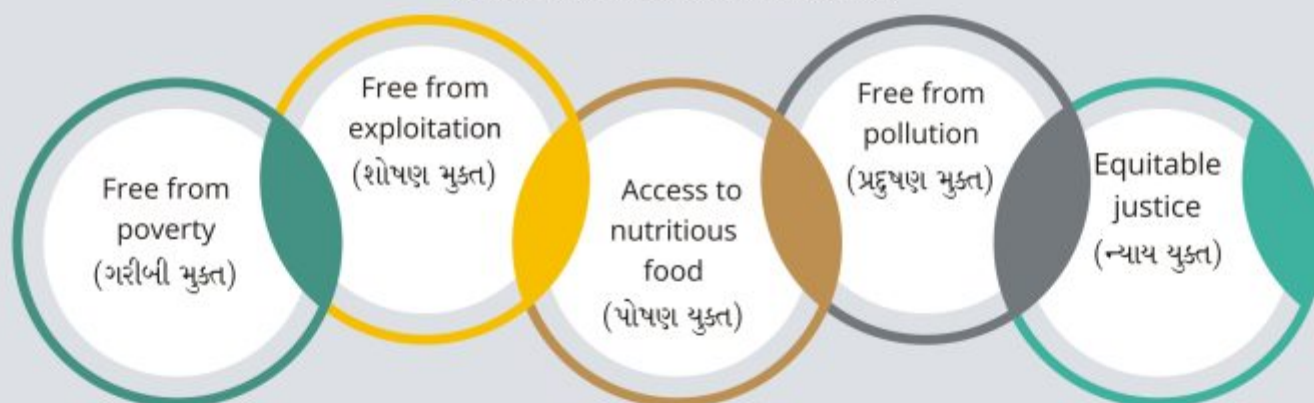
This is whole of religion, doctrines or dogmas or ritual or books or temples or forms are but secondary details.

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Swami Vivekananda

Vision

To build a Society, which should be,



Mission

Our mission is to enhance the productivity, efficiency, and creativity of village communities by providing services and building relationships based on mutual respect and trust. We aim to achieve this with the support of industries, academic institutions, voluntary organizations, government agencies, and guidance from skilled and dedicated experts. Our goal is to bridge the knowledge gap by providing demonstrations, exposure, and training in locally appropriate technologies. Our development process fundamentally focuses on the effective management of resources like land, water, energy, livestock, and people. Our ultimate goal is to improve the quality of life for everyone in the villages, including children, youth, women, men, and the elderly. In all our initiatives, we prioritize community participation, recognizing that their involvement, interest, and initiative are crucial to our success.

Message from Managing Trustee



I am pleased to present the Annual Report 2023-24 of the Shroffs Foundation Trust (SFT), which provides a comprehensive overview of our initiatives focused on community well-being and empowerment. As I look back and reflect on the challenges, I see that our journey has demonstrated perseverance and transformation amidst numerous hurdles. We have successfully navigated a landscape filled with challenges, enabling the tribal community to transform from mere survival to sustenance.

This annual report reflects the strides we have made in enhancing our operational efficiency, strengthening our community to our mission and expanding our reach. Our progress is a testament to the resilience and dedication of our team members, unwavering support of the donors and partners and the trust placed in us by our stakeholders. As we reflect on our achievements, we are inspired to continue to drive positive change in the community and foster innovation in all our works. We are now looking forward to self-reliant economic development by creating employment opportunities, enhancing the skill of the community and promoting gender inclusivity by involving women in development processes. To achieve this we are working with multiple actors, funding agencies, educational and research institutions to bring system-level change. At SFT we are committed to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and create a lasting impact on the lives of the rural community. This commitment is realized through our three key verticals: Development and Livelihood, Public Health and Skill Development.

Development and Livelihood are at the heart of our mission to ensure sustainable growth. We focus on enhancing agricultural practices, promoting natural resource management, and providing access to modern technologies. By empowering farmers and villagers with knowledge and technologies, we aim to increase productivity, improve income levels, and foster a culture of self-reliance. Our efforts extend to creating alternative livelihood opportunities, which not only diversify income sources but also mitigate the risks associated with traditional farming practices. Last year, we focused on enhancing entrepreneurship development by introducing goat nursery

with improved breeds of goat, kadaknath hatchery, vermicompost units, and bamboo enterprises, to develop entrepreneurship skills among the farmers. In our ongoing efforts to promote diversified income streams among farmers, we have implemented initiatives to encourage the cultivation of creeper vegetables and a variety of vegetable crops. By providing training, resources, and support, we have empowered farmers to adopt these high-yield crops, enhancing their income stability and contributing to a more resilient agricultural sector. We are dedicated to improving the marketing of our food processing products under the brand name Aadi by leveraging innovative marketing campaigns and expanding our reach in the e-commerce space to drive sales growth.

VIVEC, our skill training centre for tribal rural youth, has entered a transformational stage marked by strategic institutional tie-ups and a commitment to breaking gender barriers by actively involving more women in the skill training process. This inclusive approach not only empowers women but also enriches the diversity and effectiveness of our programs. Looking ahead, we are excited to introduce training for the maintenance of EV recharge stations as part of our evolving curriculum, aligning with the growing demand for sustainable energy solutions. By forging innovations in our strategic planning and course offerings, VIVEC continues to lead in delivering cutting-edge, relevant skills that prepare our trainees for the future of work.

SFT's public health initiative is dedicated to offering state-of-the-art medical facilities to the underprivileged at affordable costs. Our Poor Patients' Fund campaign focusing on "One day meal fund" has been instrumental in providing free meals to patients admitted to the hospital, ensuring they receive not only medical care but also proper nutrition. In Hodko, we have established an Empowered Committee focused on identifying key areas for improvement by highlighting existing gaps in the healthcare system in remote areas of Kutch. This proactive team works diligently to identify new clusters and expand our outreach efforts.

With a renewed sense of purpose and a clear vision for the future, SFT is poised to build on its legacy of excellence and make a lasting impact in our community and beyond. We look forward on expanding our impactful initiatives through innovations and technological advancements.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our donors, whose invaluable contributions have been the cornerstone of our success. Your unwavering support has enabled us to make a meaningful impact in our community and beyond. We also thank our partners and stakeholders for their continued collaboration and trust in our mission. Your dedication and partnership have been instrumental in driving our initiatives forward, and we look forward to achieving even greater milestones together in the years to come.

Shruti Shroff
Managing Trustee

Board of Trustees

Anand Mohan Tiwari IAS Rtd – Chairman

Anand Mohan Tiwari, an experienced IAS officer, retired as Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Gujarat after 35 years, championing social sector development. He led impactful initiatives like the Swa-Shakti Project, supported by the World Bank and IFAD, and played a key role in establishing institutions such as the Development Support Agency of Gujarat and Eklavya Model Residential Schools, GSFC University, GFSC Agrotech Ltd. and Gujarat CSR authority.



Shruti A Shroff – Managing Trustee

A gold medallist in Philosophy from Bombay University, she has spent over three decades empowering small landholders through sustainable agriculture and natural resource management. Her work includes strengthening community organizations and contributing to State and National Level Committees, driven by a passion for uplifting rural communities through a blend of compassion, technology, and project management.



Mukeshbhai Patel –Trustee

Mukeshbhai, a Chemical Engineering graduate, has over 45 years of experience in finance and corporate management. He has made significant contributions to industry bodies throughout his extensive career.



R K Sama- IFS Rtd- Trustee

A distinguished Indian Forest Service officer, he held key roles in the Government of Gujarat, including directorships at CAPARAT, SPIPA, and co-founding WASMO. He significantly contributed to national policy, including the National Watershed Development Programme and the Jal Jeevan Mission, and was honoured with the "Water Champion" award in 2022 to recognize the consistent and life long efforts for water security for tireless & exemplary work by UNDP-TERI-IWA, Jalshakti Ministry GOI.



Atul G Shroff – Trustee

A leading industrialist and technocrat, he has excelled in guiding Transpek Industry Limited and Transchern Agritech Limited, and serves on major public corporation committees. Passionate about advancing technology for small tribal farmers, he is also a founding trustee of SFT.



N Sukumar- Trustee

N. Sukumar, with a background in Economics, Law, and Management from XLRI, has over 40 years of managerial experience, including roles as Managing Director at Hyderabad Chemical Ltd and Vibrant Greentech India Pvt. Ltd. He is deeply committed to social work, overseeing a 400-bed multi-specialty hospital in Hyderabad and actively engaging with various social service organizations.



Milin Mehta-Trustee

As a practicing Chartered Accountant at the esteemed K.C. Mehta & Co., a 150-9001-2008 accredited firm, he upholds principles of integrity, honesty, and client orientation. He is renowned for his expertise in national financial policies and budgeting.



Dr. Ashit Shah-MS-Trustee

Ashit Shah is a renowned Urologist based in Vadodara, Gujarat. He is the founder of Ashray Urology Institute, a well-established healthcare facility. His expertise in urology has earned him a well-deserved reputation in the medical community.



Ninad Gupte-Trustee

Ninad Gupte, is a distinguished management professional with master's degree from Bajaj Institute of Management and Xavier School of Management. He currently chairs Excel Genetics Ltd. and serves as Joint Managing Director at Excel Crop Care Ltd., while also sitting on several other corporate boards.



Preeti D Shroff

Preeti Shroff is dedicated to social development and excels in design and crafts. She is actively involved with Shrujan, an internationally acclaimed handicrafts organization, and serves as a trustee for several successful Civil Society Organizations (CSOs).



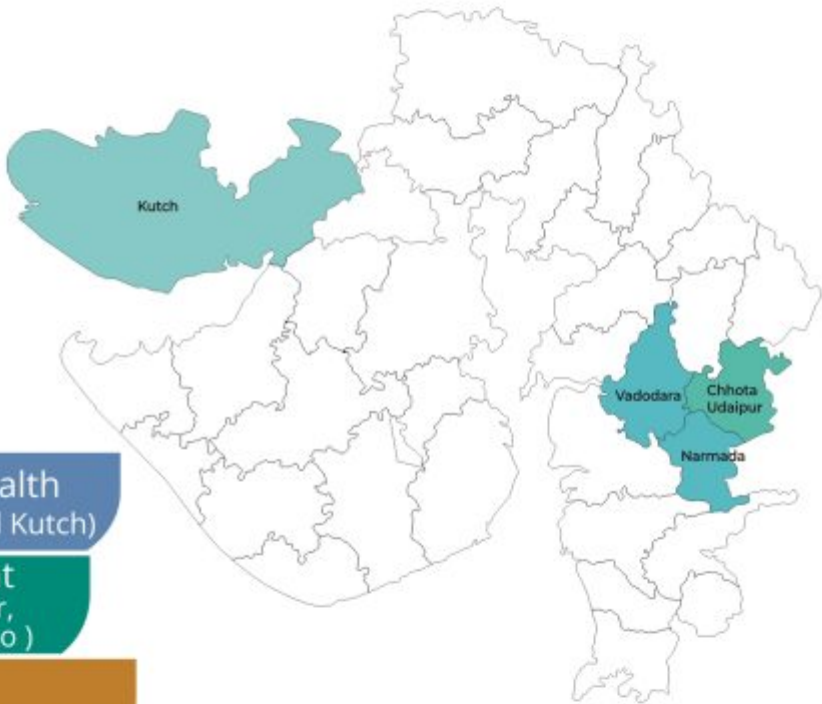
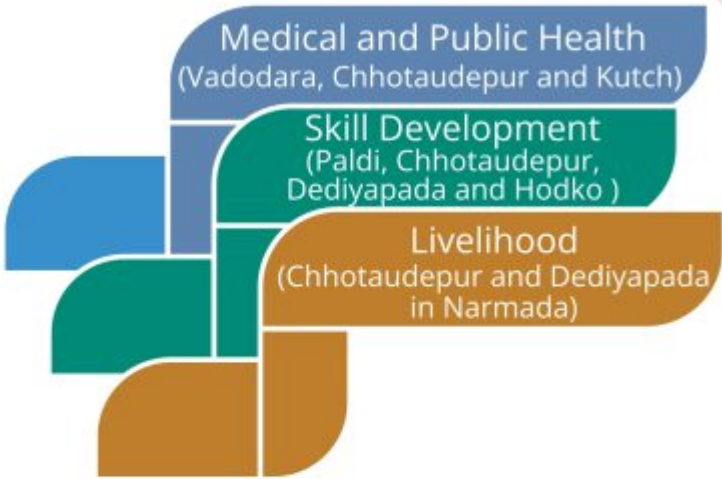
From Survival to Sustenance



For three decades now, Shroffs Foundation Trust has woven a blend of transformation from survival to sustainability among the tribal households. The journey of SFT started off among tribal families who were forest dwellers struggling with prevalence of poverty and hunger. The focus started with empowering these tribal communities through health, education and livelihood by fostering self-reliance. Each step taken by SFT, though gradual, paints a portrait of wholesome progress. Technology played a major role empowering the community and promised bright futures. However, modern technologies were integrated without losing the communities' innate connection to land and nature.

Over the time, the aspirations of the communities changed, however their spirits remained unchanged. With the guidance of SFT in training and resources, the tribal communities reaped rich harvests and have now reached to the point of self-sustenance. We believe in “saha viryam karavavahai”(Together we achieve the capacity) and believe in hard work and commitment towards the community. SFT is not only striving to enhance the value of their produce but also enrich their skills through various skill training programmes and nurture their well being through health and sanitation. SFT believes in not just transforming lives but empowering the communities through a model of holistic development to address the multifaceted challenges faced by the rural community.

Our Outreach



<u>Total districts</u>	<u>Total villages</u>	<u>Total households</u>
4	More than 200	48,000
<u>Cooperatives</u>	<u>Samaj shilpis</u>	<u>Farm field schools</u>
1	19	22

Our Team

More than **150** qualified professionals from diverse experience

From Then Till Now-Milestones

2011

Orsang Jal Ane Samruddhi (OJAS)-a river basin management program thorough microplanning at village level conceptualized by SFT by involving community members in program planning (71 villages)

2010

- Farm mechanization and entrepreneurship development
- Sharda Medical Centre (SMC) set up in Chhotaudepur to cater health services in 150 villages

2013-14

Formation of farm schools as knowledge services through trained community mobilisers called Samaj Shilpis. 72 farm schools servicing 91 villages were

2014

- Implementation of National Food Security Mission in Chhotaudepur among 414 families
- Establishment of Vocational Training Centre (VTC) VIVEC to impart skill training to tribal youth

2009

- Projects Sunshine and Jeevika with an objective to double income of tribal farmers (18900 farmers)- Sunshine Project
- Sharada Devi Gruhudyog Sahkari Mandali (SGS), successful model of small scale enterprise for economic and social empowerment of women in Chhotaudepur was registered as a society. Started with handicrafts and ventured into food processing and microfinance. (1800 SGS members)
- Sharda Medical Centre (SMC) set up in Hodko in Kutch

2015

Entered a new cluster at Dediypada taluka in Narmada district

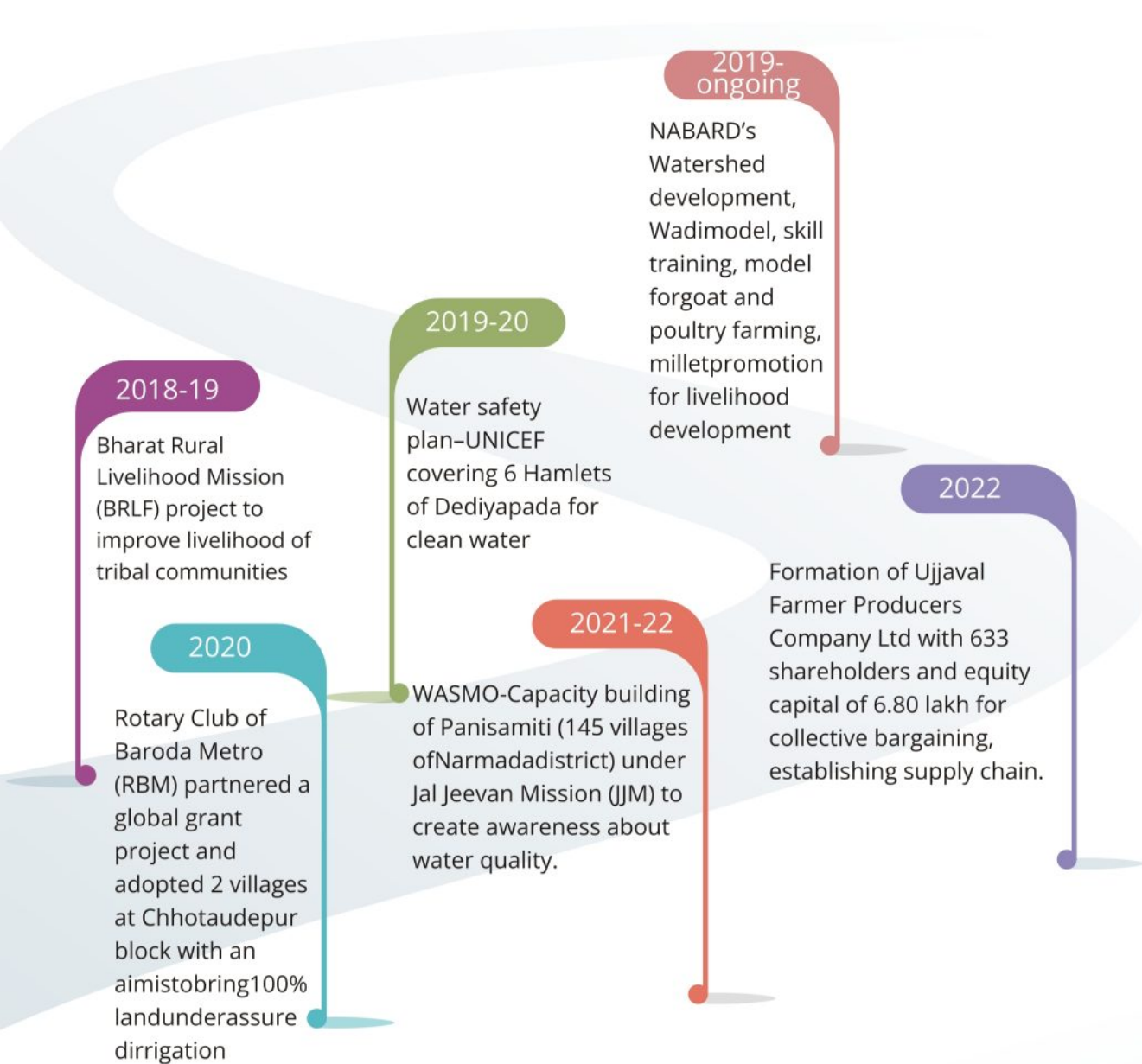
2017

Ventured into food processing unit through SGS to create value addition of products

2007-08

India's first tribal BPO centre under Tribal Development Department

BPO trained-788
Placed: 625



Approach

Need – based, integrated, household approach that conforms to UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)



Acronyms

BRLF: Bharat Rural Livelihood Mission (BRLF)

FPO: Farmer Producer Organisation

JJM: Jal Jeevan Mission

KVK: Krishi Vigyan Kendra

NCVT: National Skill Development Corporation and Sector Skill Council

OJAS: Orsang Jal Ane Samruddhi

RBM: Rotary Club of Baroda Metro

RKPH: Ramakrishna Paramhansa Hospital

SFT: Shroffs Foundation Trust

SGS: Sharada Devi Gruhudhyog Sahkari Mandali

SMC: Sharda Medical Centre

SHANTI: Strengthening Health Activities for Non - Communicable Disease in Tribal Inlets

SHG: Self Help Group

VIVEC: Vivekanand Institute of Vocational and Entrepreneurial Competence

VTC: Vocational Training Centre



Development and Livelihood

Land and Water Governance



Waters of Prosperity

*Empowering rural communities through
land and water management*



Harvesting Hope Through Land and Water Management

Thirty years ago, Chhotaudepur block presented a rugged landscape of hilly terrain, sloping lands, shallow soils, and interspersed forest patches. The tribal farmers, with their primitive agricultural practices, carved out small patches of cultivation in these forest lands. The mighty river Narmada and its tributaries meander through the villages of Chhotaudepur and Dediapada. During rainy days, the undulating landscape in the area led to surface run off causing decline in agricultural productivity. Compounding the difficulty, the uneven terrain hampered steady water availability for irrigation. During summers, the ground water level gets alarmingly low, leaving no space for summer crops. To overcome such hardships and look for alternate livelihood options, the tribal families migrated to nearby towns for their livelihood.

In 1995, SFT embarked on its watershed journey in Chhotaudepur focusing on watershed development programs infusing hope and resilience among the tribal farmers. SFT visualized a strategy based on three core principles- arresting soil erosion through soil traps and farm bunds, recharging groundwater to elevate the water table, and ensuring the conjunctive use of water. The efforts strengthened farm-based livelihood, minimized forced migration among tribal communities and led to tangible benefits for households by improving agricultural productivity by providing assured irrigation facilities.

Impact of Climate Change

The unrelenting climate change has profoundly impacted rural farmers, transforming their lives and livelihoods, disrupting their farming cycle. Unpredictable weather, erratic rainfall, prolonged droughts have thrown the lives of farmers into a chaos leaving countless of them to suffer from food insecurity and loss of income. The dwindling water resources forced farmers to migrate and seek alternate livelihood options.

SFT, along with its partners, have been making remarkable changes in land and water management by embracing innovative solutions by leveraging cutting-edge technology and expert insights. Utilizing satellite imagery and the expertise of geologists, SFT has meticulously mapped resources across the watershed areas. This advanced mapping enables precise identification of critical zones for intervention, optimizing the placement of soil traps, farm bunds, and groundwater recharge structures. The aim is to enhance assured irrigation facilities to foster holistic development.

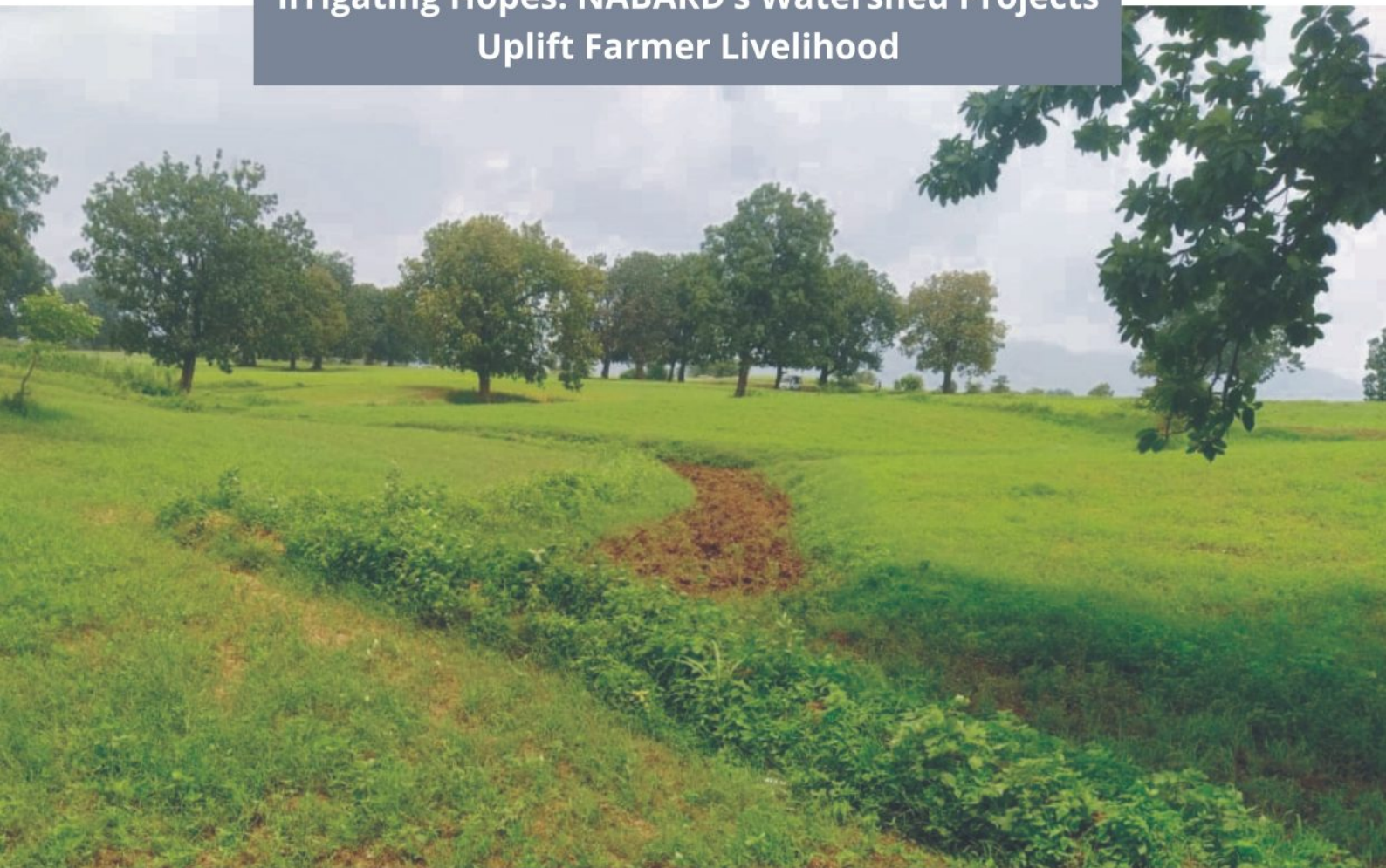


Introspecting this Year

Works completed up to March 2023

Purpose	Works	CU	Dediapada
		Qty	Qty
Water Harvesting	New Check Dam	28	12
	Check Dam De-silting	294	-
	Check dam Repairing	6	-
	Community Pond	181	-
	Land Leveling	2,405	105
	New Pond	125	-
	Pond De-silting	669	17
	Renovation Of Pond	1	-
	Rooftop Rain water Harvesting	10	-
	Horizontal bore in well	3	-
Irrigation	Irrigation Wells	8	
Soil Conservation	Farm Bunding	34,294	-
	Trench	4,561	-
	Gully Plug	2,933	-
	Silt Trap	547	-
	Paka Nala Bund	8	-
	Earthen Bund	7	-
	Forest Trees plantation	30,000	-

Irrigating Hopes: NABARD's Watershed Projects Uplift Farmer Livelihood



NABARD's flagship programmes in water harvesting structures since late 1990s which were implemented by SFT have transformed the agricultural landscape in Chhotaudepur and Dediapada. The number of watershed structures has fostered resilience and resulted in enduring impact on sustainable farming and community well-being. A total of 1100 hectares of land covering have been treated so far.

Key Highlights of NABARD Watershed Project

Total watershed area -1072 ha

Total treatable area -1018 ha

Forest area -17.69 ha

Drainage basin - Narmada

Block and district- Chhotaudepur

Villages - Hansda - Gunata, Koliyathar



Empathize, Energize and Empower – Rotary’s E3 Empowers Community

In 2014-15, Shroffs Foundation Trust partnered with Rotary Club of Baroda Metro for a Global Grant-funded project to implement soil and water conservation measures, aiming to enhance agricultural productivity in Village Katarwant, Chhotaudepur. The project named as Empathize, Energize and Empower (E3) was started with an objective to include community-managed water harvesting structures, land management practices, and reducing soil erosion. The interventions helped to extend irrigation cycles and provided assured irrigation, improve farming practices, increase livelihood opportunities, and reduce migration. The second project under E-III series was taken up in Sandada and Chhiliyavant villages. The initiatives of Rotary International, Baroda have empowered the farming communities ensuring steady supply of water even during spells and have rejuvenated the lands allowing farmers to cultivate two crops per year. The ripple effect of the project extends beyond agriculture and has increased household income and improved household food security. A total area of 359.97 ha (80.21%) and 70.57% households were benefitted through various watershed development interventions such as group wells, gully plugs, check dams and bore well constructions in the villages of Sanada and Chhiliyavant. The interventions also helped in increasing soil moisture holding capacity, increase in ground water (through construction of checkdam, gully plug, common wells) and strengthened farm based livelihood in all the four villages.

Watershed Development Committees were formed who has owned up the responsibilities of the implementation process.

E3 (2017-24) Key Impact

Improved Farming Practices

Land leveling improved paddy cultivation using transplantations methods. Yield increased 2.5 times.

Increase in Maize Production

The production of maize increased to 1000-1200 kg/acre as compared to 300-400 kg/acre before interventions.

Increased Irrigation

A total of 98.78 hectares of land were directly benefitted due to increased irrigation facilities in phase II

Assured Water Supply

Assured water availability for drinking and agriculture cultivation in the village

Increase in Cultivable Area

Doubling cultivated area during kharif season improved from 85 acres to 167 acres and 157 acres during Rabi

Increase in Crop Yield

Production of paddy doubled in the village due to improved irrigation facilities. Paddy increased from 300kg per acre to 1000/ac, cotton 340 to 400kg.

Increased Irrigation

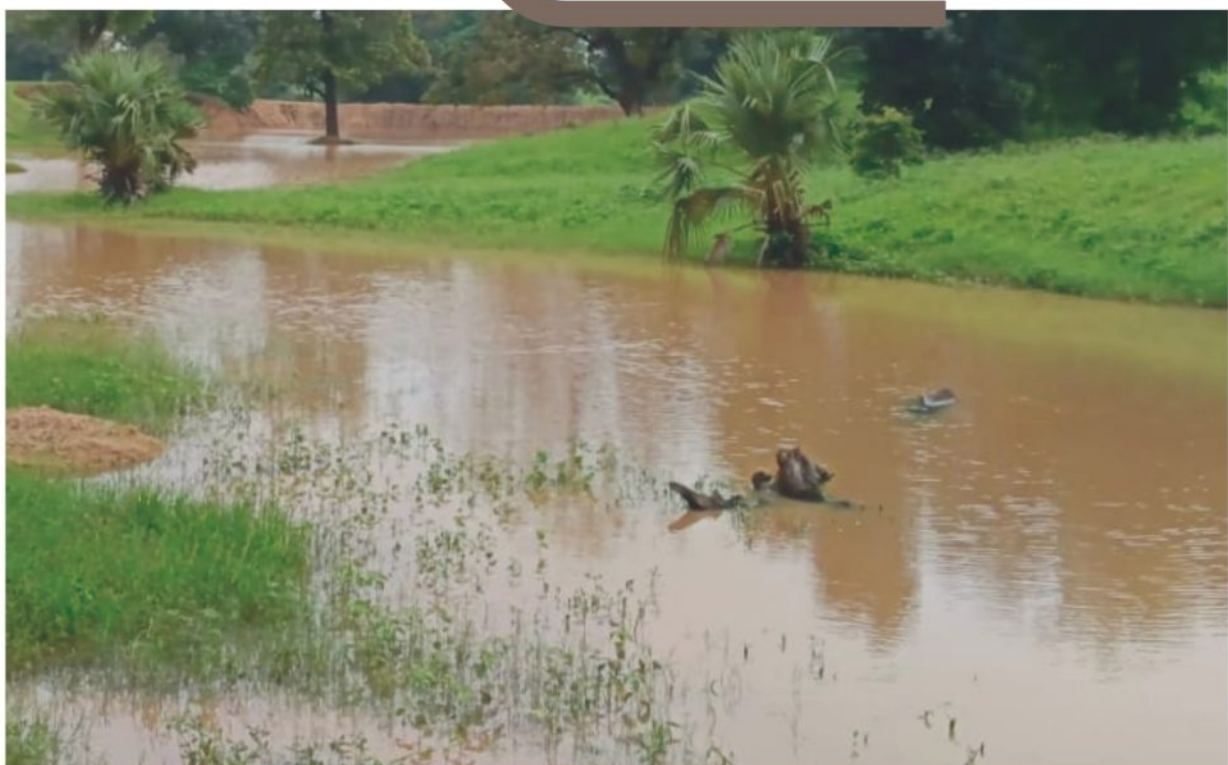
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Soil Conservation

Interventions resulted in increase in moisture holding capacity of land and increase in groundwater level.

Improved Livelihood

Improved livelihood opportunities reduced migration



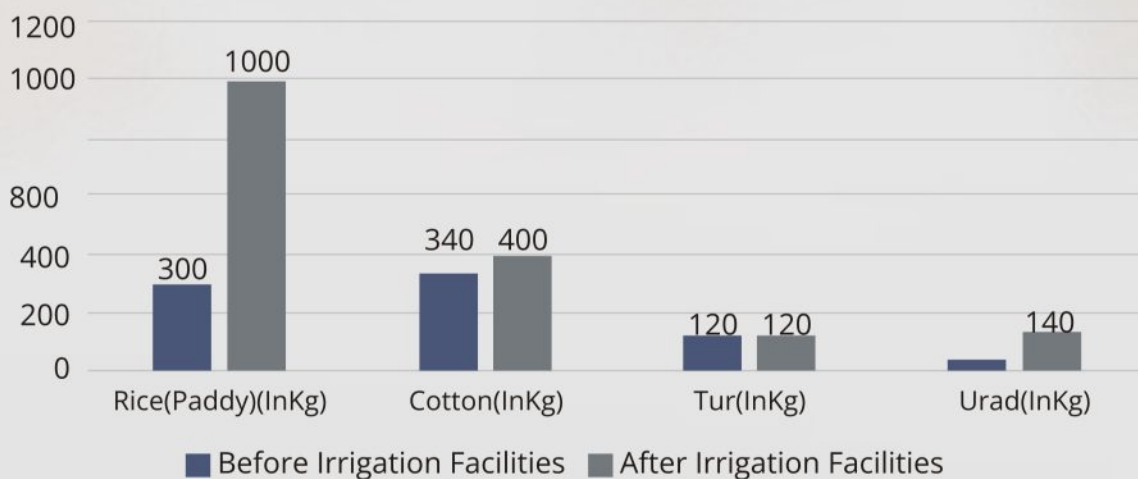
Direct Benefits



Land levelling done at a total of 20.61 ha, 48.77 ha benefitted due to stream plugs, 105.65 ha benefitted through soil conservation interventions. New check dam construction and repairing of existing checkdams benefitted a total of 157.54 hectares.

Impact of the E3 Projects

Comparison of crop production before and after Intervention(irrigation availability) in Sanada and Chiliyavant villages



Increase in production of crops such as paddy, cotton, tur and urad dal was reported after availing the irrigation facilities.

Increase in Water Table

The analysis of groundwater level data spanning the previous three years has revealed a notable increase of 2 to 3 feet in the groundwater table during the midsummer period, following the implementation of the project. This observed rise holds significant promise for the enhancement of irrigation coverage in the region. With improved access to groundwater resources, farmers were able to irrigate their crops more effectively, resulting in heightened crop intensity and increased yields. This positive development signifies a tangible benefit of the project, as it contributes to bolstering agricultural productivity and ensuring food security in the area.



Cumulative Impact of Land and Water Management



Households benefitted

40,000



Net sown area

41,652
hectares

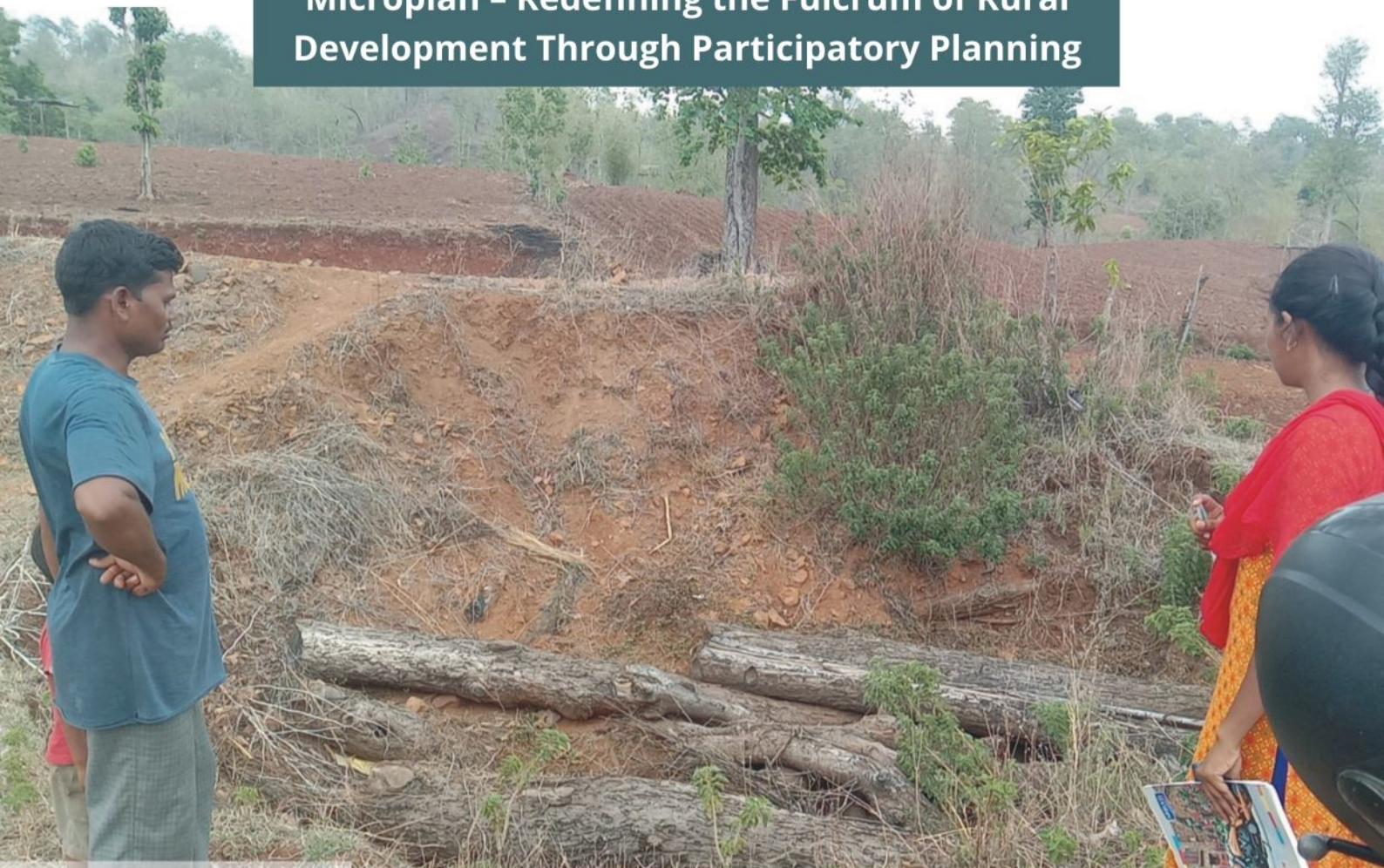


Villages

132



Microplan – Redefining the Fulcrum of Rural Development Through Participatory Planning



One of the core principles of governance is involving communities in the decision-making processes. Approaches in development programs often fail to achieve the targets due to lack of participatory involvement in the community, which is relegated to be just a participant of development. Participatory micro planning is a way of prioritizing the problems and getting the problem solved. The process of bottom-up planning or micro planning is one of the effective ways of achieving people's prioritized objectives. Driven by these beliefs, SFT incorporated microplans in planning land and watershed development projects.

Microplan

A microplan is a realistic and achievable plan for socio-economic development and management of local resources considering village as a smallest planning unit called 'microplan'. As it is difficult to organize local people, assess their needs and implement activities at larger unit, it is convenient to involve community and plan activities at village level. Hence microplans are an effective tool in planning and implementing developmental activities.

Village common resources such as harvested water and its distribution is planned in a participative way for soil conservation and water use and it is a part of microplan.

A typical micro plan exercise involves many stages - orientation of community members through meetings so that people come up with the issues and problems and a village plan is prepared. The plan is submitted to the Gram Sabha who then approves the village plan. The Gram Sabha then mobilizes the funds from state governments to implement this plan. Such micro planning exercise not just strengthens grass root level organizations but the linkages between the three tiers of panchayat institutions.

Orsang River Basin Management (OJAS)- A Bottom-up Planning Approach

The Orsang River Basin Management Programme is one such ambitious initiative conceived by SFT that focused on land and water resource management in sub-catchment area with bottom up planning and microplan preparations. The main thrust of the program involved macro level planning at land and water resource management and involving participation of local communities at micro level in implementation and management of programme activities. The micro action plans of 132 villages were prepared in a phased manner using Participatory Rural Appraisal technique and community participation. Around 50% of watershed works have been completed through linking it with government flagship programmes. This community-driven program have helped to prevent soil erosion, ensured long-term productivity and improved water availability for irrigation. The program is also replicated in 30 villages in Dediypada block of Narmada district.

Key Highlights in NRM (2023-24)

922 ha of watershed activities completed in Hansda-Gunata and Koliyathur.

600 soil samples tested and the results are provided to farmers

3 Checkdams in Timla And 2 Checkdams are completed in Wagalvada under the Rotary E3 project

Land Levelling of 7.92 ha completed in Timla village under the Rotary E3 project

20 water harvesting structures completed in Chhotaudepur under the NABARD watershed programme

150 kitchen garden/backyard farm established

3 new farm schools were set up

30 Papaya plantation of 0.5 acre was done first time as a solo crop in the watershed area.

Sowing of green manure crops in paddy field improved production up by 50%

15 vermiwash units set up

12500 forest tree plantations done so far

3 cattle feed demo unit were set and training provided

2 drone aerial surveys done in the watershed area

Watershed Development Gives a New Lease of Life to Hansda Village Farmers

The inspiring tale of Hansda Village will sound like any other success story. But, the farmers in the village are able to live a life they had dreamt of, thanks to the remarkable efforts of the watershed committee which was committed in the implementation of land and water resource development in the villages through watershed development and MGNREGA programmes.

The livelihood of the villages was predominantly dependent on seasonal agriculture, small-scale animal husbandry, goat and poultry farming.

The farmers faced considerable challenges in practising agriculture as the water level in the area was persistently low. They had no other choice but to depend on the sporadic rainfall to produce crops. Lack of man-made water harvesting structures exacerbated their situation.

To mitigate this crisis, SFT stepped in to facilitate the implementation of a watershed program aimed at soil and water conservation activities. Simultaneously, MGNREGA undertook interventions like land levelling and construction of embankments to address the issue. Such collaborative efforts proved instrumental in curbing soil degradation, reclaiming land for cultivation, and recharging groundwater, thereby significantly boosting agricultural productivity in the region.

Critically, the active involvement of the local community fostered a deeper understanding of how these soil and water conservation structures seamlessly integrated into the broader watershed development program. Suklabhai, who played an integral role in this process, shared his personal experience of the benefits of the intervention. He highlighted how it had not only increased land productivity but also raised the income of the farmers in the region. Previously, he cultivated just one crop during the kharif season. He can now cultivate two crops annually, including black gram, paddy, tur, maize, and soya bean. Suklabai recollected that he had to work as a farm labourer earlier to supplement his income and now, the intervention has improved his livelihood.

Notably, the average production of the crop also increased from 8 Quintals to 12 Quintals per acre. In addition to that, the family's agricultural income increased from Rs. 40,000 to 45,000 to an impressive Rs. 1 to 1.20 lakhs annually. The socio-economic life of the farmers in Hasda village increased substantially after the watershed intervention.



Agriculture



From Fruits to Flowers: Wadi's Recipe for Farm Success

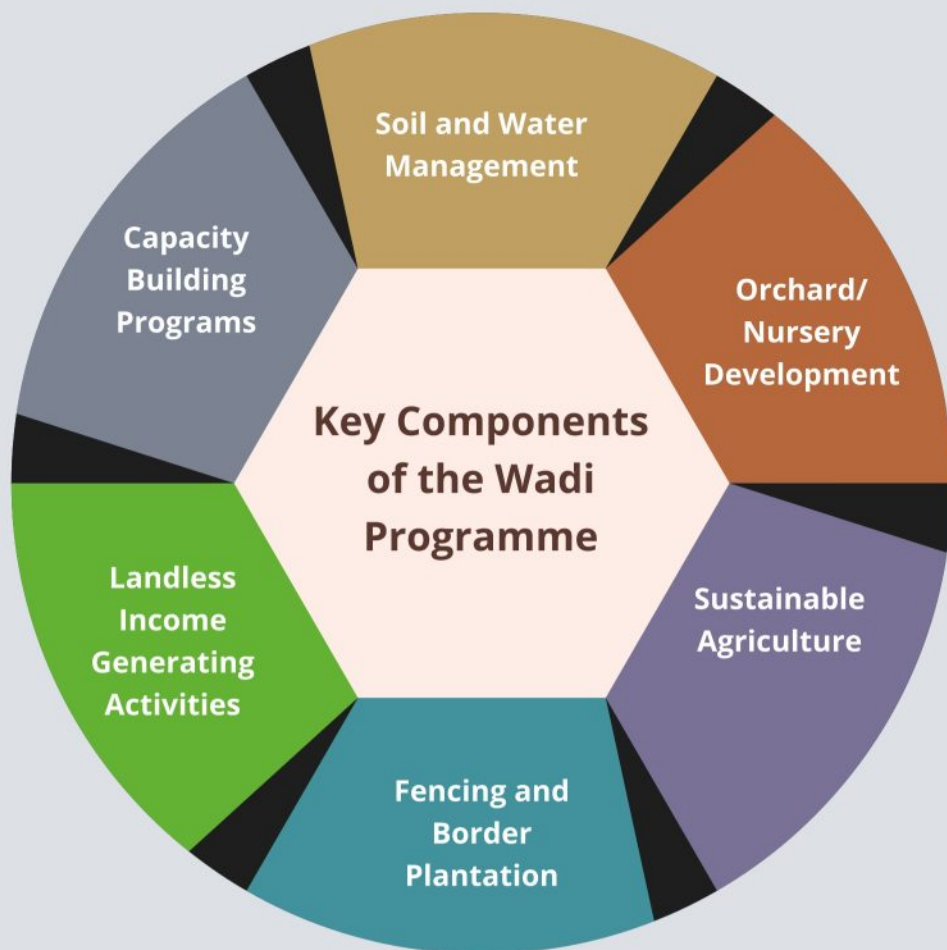
Multi-tier cropping system and crop diversification through NABARD's Wadi program has helped farmers to increase their household income



Small and marginal farmers who have less than 2.5 acres of land contribute 85% of the farm households. These farmers had to depend on single crops and had to migrate to nearby areas in search of livelihood during dry spells ultimately getting trapped in the vicious cycle of poverty. NABARD's WADI project aims at economically empowering the marginalized communities through natural resource management and livelihood development.

The Wadi model (meaning small orchard) is an agri-horti based sustainable livelihood model that makes farming profitable even on small farms. Its multi-tiered and inter-cropping approach helps ensure the nutritional security of the household by cultivation of cereals, pulses, vegetables and fruits. The land and water management practices integral to the model lead to regeneration of the land and its productive potential. It reduces climate risks, improves farm productivity and ensures that farmers get a regular flow of income due to farm diversification.

SFT has been implementing the Wadi model under the Tribal Development Fund in both Chhotaudepur and Dediapada districts since 2020. A total of 1410 farm households have been covered in the wadi models under TDF I, II and III. Various other interventions supported include, horticulture plantation (trellis and intercrop), water resource development, program for landless farmers, improved agricultural practices and capacity building programs.



1410
Wadis

32
Villages

90
Marginal
Households

1175
Acres



Successfully cultivated tissue cultured Ivy gourd (Tindora) plantations as a permanent crop for a duration of 3 years

20 wadi farmers have started cultivation of millets as intercrops in wad is to enhance farm diversification

200 wadis have been equipped with low-cost drip irrigation systems, installed by Netafem

A poly house Hi-Tech nursery for vegetable seedlings has been developed in wadi cluster villages.

Watermelon farming with drip irrigation and mulching has been undertaken by **25** farmers of the wadi cluster.

100 farmers have installed cost-effective and water-efficient rain sprinkler irrigation system in their wadis with 50% community contribution for implementation.

30 group electric motors were provided to wadi farmers and adjacent landowners enabling them to utilize micro irrigation systems for efficient irrigation in their agricultural land.

Wadi beneficiaries are integrated with Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK) for accurate weather forecasting and promote better agricultural practices

470 wadi farmers have cultivated black gram this summer for better production.

Vocational skill training programs for entrepreneurship development are provided to **20** youth in Gunata village by the SFT team

50 farmers have adopted Green gram cultivation practices with support from AAU Jambugam

35 tonnes of vermin compost provided to Wadi farmers by promoting entrepreneurs through Entrepreneurial Development support program in village clusters.

8 farmers developed as entrepreneurs in Vermi compost production at village level

7000 mango plants developed in a nursery owned by a wadi farmer.

Total number of mango plants – **73,790** (with 70 to 80% survival rate) (Both CU and DDP)

Total number of lemon trees– **16,450**

Total number of border plantation (Teak wood, Drum sticks& Custard Apple) – **84,600**

Trellis Vegetables – A total of **940** farmers have planted creeper vegetables in 141 acres fetching monthly income of Rs 2000 to 3000.

Each household has established a kitchen garden in their backyard, growing crops such as dudhi (bottle gourd), galka (sponge gourd), karela (bitter gourd), and turiya (ridge gourd).



Total number of Plants under Wadi in TDF I, II and III

Plants	Project-1	Project-2	Project-3	Total plants
Mango	11,750	15,040	47,000	73,790
Lime	9,400	7,050	-	16,450
Teak Wood Drum Stick Custard Apple	28,200	28,200	28,200	84,600
Total	49,350	50,290	75,200	1,74,840



Natural Farm Manures Prepared by Farmers During 2023-24

S. No.	Measures	No of Farmers	Acres of Land Covered
1	Farm Yard Manure	4100	3075
2	Vermi-Compost	1410	1175
3	Vermi-Wash	85	63.75
4	NADEF	30	37.5
5	Amrutpani-Brahmashttra	1410	1175

Community Building Organizations Created/Facilitated by SFT

Sr.No	Community Organizations	No of CBOs
1	Farm Schools	28
2	Village & Cluster Development Committees (OJAS)	70
3	Project Tribal Area Development Committees (TDF)	3
4	Watershed Development Committees (WS & E-III)	3
5	Milk Cooperative Societies	10
6	Users' Groups (Irrigation, CD, Ponds etc)	22
7	Farmers' Producers' Company	1
8	Women's Producers' Cooperative Society (SGS)	1
9	Rural Haat Committee	1
10	Irrigation Committees (Katarvant-Zer)	2
	Total	



Soil and Water Resource Management Sun-powered: How Solar Pumps Transform Farmer Livelihood

Switching to solar pumping proved to be a prudent move for this tribal farmer, who has redefined farming in his mango plantation



When Amarsinghbhai Rameshbhai installed solar pumping for irrigation, little did he know that it would reap him immense benefits. Amarsinghbhai is a marginal farmer from the Sorapada village in Narmada district. Being a marginal farmer he and his family relied on income generated from agriculture. As he was unable to get sufficient income, the farmer decided to cultivate mango plants in his one acre under the NABARD Tribal Development Fund (TDF) project. However, he had to face challenges with regard to irrigation facilities as the available water was insufficient to meet the requirements of mango plantation, especially during late winter and summer. Additionally, the cost of operating diesel pump was high and not cost-effective.

Amarsinghbhai heard about the benefits of solar pumping system and micro irrigation offered under the TDF project. He realised that installing solar pump has multiple benefits such as reduction in irrigation costs, reducing harmful global emissions, improving cropping cycles and increase in net income. He then contributed Rs 17,500 towards the total cost of the unit and started operating the solar pumping system in his land. As he started receiving water from reliable source for irrigation, he introduced chilli as intercrop in the mango plantation. This strategic decision helped him to produce 1500 kg of green chilli per acre with a market value of Rs 60,000. After covering all expenses, Amarsinghbhai was able to earn Rs 40,000 in a season. Today, he is now able to operate the solar pumping system with zero expenses. Additionally, he is not only able to irrigate his mango plants but other crops too at no additional cost.

The story of Amarsinghbhai is a proof of how improved farming techniques can fetch better income. Being a progressive farmer, he is now the role model for many other farmers in the area.



Vermicompost Scaling New Heights

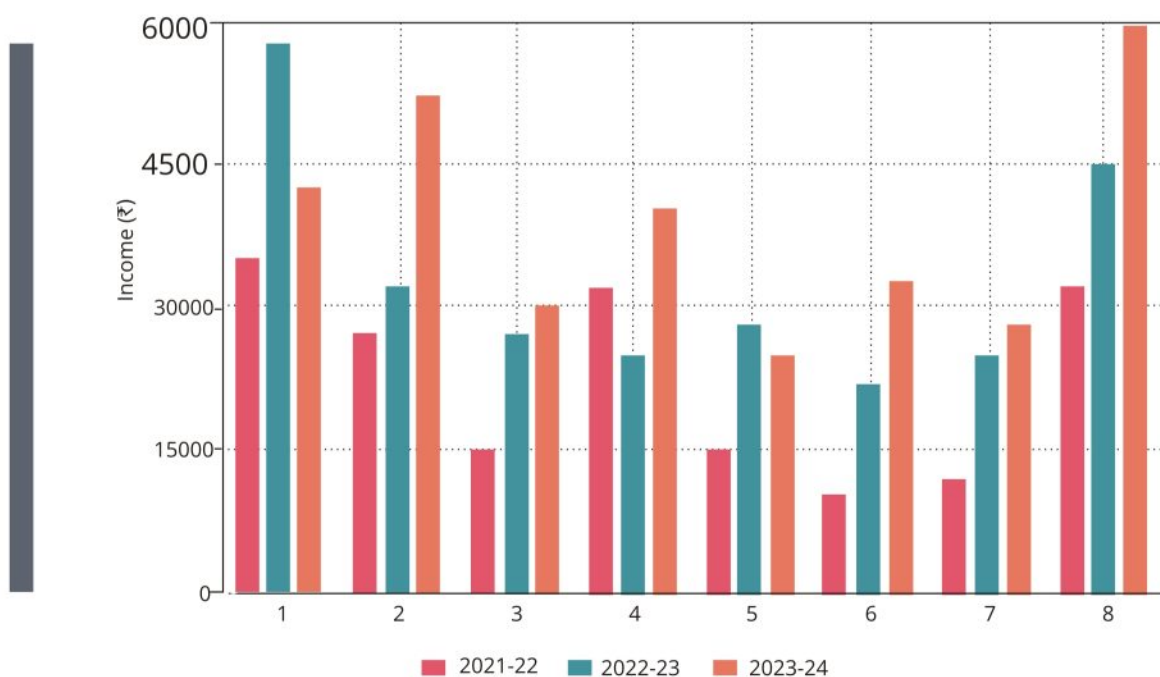
Sustainable Vermicompost model through Entrepreneurship Development strengthened rural communities through enhanced income and promoted effective soil management

What started off as a modest effort for organic farming helped these farmer-turned-entrepreneurs to be a testament to sustainable development. In an effort to harness local resources for Wadi farmers, who faced challenges in accessing affordable fertilizers, SFT trained 8 farmers to establish Vermicompost units in their land.

Local village-level vermicompost production not only provided them with a reliable source of high-quality organic fertilizer but also reduced their dependence on costly chemical alternatives. This dual benefit of productivity and sustainability bolstered their agricultural practices, leading to improved crop quality and higher yields.

The farmer-turned entrepreneurs produced and sold vermicompost within their villages and neighbouring clusters, which fetched them an impressive annual income of Rs 1.25 lakh from Vermicompost sales. The farmers reinforced their commitment to sustainable agricultural practices and strengthened the rural economy through self-reliant agricultural solutions. Such sustainable practices not only lowered input cost but also enriched the soil health. Inspired by the tangible benefits, many other farmers are now willing to set up vermicompost units in their land and embrace organic farming.

Income of Entrepreneurs Promoting Vermicompost During 2021-24



Most farmer entrepreneurs saw an increase in income in Vermicompost production over the three-year period and the average income across all entrepreneurs increased from **22,250** in 2021-22 to **32,750** in 2022-23, and further to **38,687** in 2023-24.

Landless Income Generating Activities

Goat Rearing

SFT's Improved goat breed nursery model empowers tribal households with sustainable livelihood

Goat rearing offers a sustainable and accessible income source for the marginal tribal households and significantly enhances their livelihood. Goats are resilient animals that require minimal inputs making them well suited for tribal regions. The income generated from goat milk, ghee, meat and other by-products provide financial stability and empower households to meet basic needs. Pitching on goat rearing, SFT has established goat nursery unit as model farm. Improved breed of Sirohi goat was purchased from Dhar in Madhya Pradesh.

The team collaborated with the Krishi Vigyan Kendra- Jhabua- MP and ICAR-Central Institute for Research on Goats, Mathura for technical support and training. The Sirohi breed was selected which is known for milk and meat as best suitable breed in hilly areas of Gujarat. To provide goats to all the households in the area, it has been planned to establish goat nurseries.

- A shed of 800 sq feet was constructed by using local material with feeding and drinking water facilities, cattle feed manufacturing unit and veterinary services.
- A goat nursery with (30+3) improved breed of goat as parents (Sirohi) was established to supply quality breed of new born calves to the selected households.
 - Vaccination and healthcare services were provided.
- The goat nursery caters to the need of 50 small and marginal tribal households in 10 villages. • Each household was provided with 2 goat calves of 2 months of age.
- Established a small manufacturing unit for cattle-feed to provide nutritious food to the poultry and goat farming units at reasonable rate.



Nursery/orchard development

The story of a Mango orchard

Developing a mango orchard in the Gunata village of Chhotaudepur with the farmers proves to be both a revenue-generating model and a livelihood-based initiative

The prospect of developing an orchard on a big scale was considered under the Integrated Tribal Development Program. To step up the efforts, more than 80,000 mango plants were required to develop 1410 orchards, which were considered as a bottleneck in the implementation of project. Developing a mango orchard at such a large scale also demanded extensive capacity building and learning. Moreover, timely availability of quality fruit plants at a reasonable rate is a



prerequisite to ensure successful plantation and survival rate.

Identifying the huge potential to improve fruit tree plantation for a balanced ecosystem, SFT under the NABARD Tribal Development Fund, took significant efforts in transforming the challenge to an opportunity. SFT zeroed in on Vansada block in Navsari district for purchasing mango grafting, considering its quality parameters. Simultaneously, intensive efforts were made for learning and capacity building of the farmers. Despite favourable climatic conditions, mango plantation was neglected in the region. Further, there was also potential to develop several agripreneurs through nursery training.

Desing Rathwa is one of the beneficiaries of the project who had reaped success through mango nursery. Desing lived in a joint family with his two brothers, who were pursuing engineering, along with his sister. He took up the challenge to develop the nursery under the TDF project. A team of trainers, who had mastered grafting techniques, were called from Vansada to demonstrate and train farmers on the grafting process. With the confidence of having successfully learnt the technique, Desing was facilitated to develop the nursery in Chhotaudepur. In the first year, he was supported to develop the nursery with 5000 mango plants. However, due to lack of experience and not following the best practices, he experienced 10% mortality of the mango plantations and was able to grow around 4100 healthy mango plants.

To provide further assistance, one of the trainers was hired as a field supervisor to train young farmers on nursery management. Extensive extension activities including awareness programmes and periodical visits by agronomists guided the farmers to follow accurate interventions and management measures.

The entire effort at a larger level boosted the demand for more mango plants. Desing Rathwa sold the plants at Rs 45 each earning an annual gross income of Rs 2.02 lakhs and after spending on inputs and labour, he earned a net profit of Rs 1 lakh. The successful model motivated three other farmers to start the nursery business with around 5000 plants in each nursery. About 15000 quality mango plants were sold at an average rate of Rs 50 each and the farmers were able to earn an average of Rs 2.25 lakhs in a year in a small piece of land. The successful achievements of the project reinforce the fact that when appropriate measures are taken, it becomes a sure means of improving the livelihood of the community. Lauding the efforts of Desing Rathwa, the district horticulture department selected him to provide assistance to install high-tech nursery with an estimated cost of Rs.2.50 lakh.

Golden Harvest through Marigold Intercropping

Sumlabhai Rathva, a farmer from Judavat village, exemplifies how intercropping and strategic crop diversification through innovative agricultural method bolsters farm income. Embracing the wadi model under the guidance of Shroffs Foundation Trust, he diversified his crops with marigold flowers as intercrop during the monsoon season. This decision proved to be a game-changer, as Sumlabhai now reaps an impressive annual income of Rs 65,000 from his flourishing flower harvests alone.

Building on this success, after the marigold season, Sumlabhai rotates his crops to include brinjal and guar (cluster beans) as intercrops, further boosting his earnings by an additional Rs 25,000 annually. His commitment to sustainable farming practices not only enhances his economic stability but also serves as an inspiration for fellow farmers in his community.



Sweet Taste of Success

New mulching technique, drip irrigation increase farm income



Rathwa Alsing Dasariya is a farmer from Gunata village who grows maize, paddy and tuver(pigeonpea) during kharif season and during Rabi he repeats the same crop in his farm. Lack of crop diversification fetched low income to the farmer. He was unable to cultivate profit-oriented crops due to lack of technical knowledge.

To mitigate these problems, SFT conducted an awareness programme in the areas with regard to crop diversification and climate resilience. They suggested to change his crop pattern and advised to plant watermelon during the rabi season. They also introduced the new mulching technique and facilitated installation of drip irrigation pipes.

Following the recommendations given by SFT, Dasariya erected drip irrigation pipes along with mulching practices. He was able to get an income of around Rs 50,000 to Rs 60,000 per acre from cultivating watermelon. Delighted with the outcome, the farmer is now willing to increase the cultivation area by adopting new technologies in farming. Using technology such as poly mulch in watermelon and reduced water usage has increased the income of the farmer.

Embracing Millets for Healthy Future

MarujibhaiRadvyabhai Vasava, from Ghantoli Village in Narmada, owns 4 acres of land, of which two acres are irrigated. He has six family members. Previously reliant on rainfall, Marujibhai cultivated cotton, tuvar, and mung but struggled with high costs and inconsistent yields due to pests and climate issues. Under NABARD FSPF's project on millets implemented by SFT, he began growing pearl millet (bajra) on 0.5 acres, utilizing proper management, irrigation, and organic fertilizers. Millets are important for food and nutritional security due to their resilience and nutritional richness. These hardy grains thrive in arid and semi-arid regions, requiring minimal water and inputs, making them ideal for sustainable agriculture. Rich in essential nutrients, including fiber, protein, vitamins, and minerals, millets contribute to a balanced diet and help combat malnutrition. Marujibhai harvested 380 kg of bajra from his land. This success has inspired other local farmers in the village to cultivate millets.



Samaj Shilpis at the Core of Development Efforts

Samaj Shilpis are the dedicated community volunteers of the Shroffs Foundation Trust and play a pivotal role in driving impactful development initiatives by forging deep connections within local communities. Through their efforts, they impart awareness, education, and training to farmers through farm schools, enabling the adoption of sustainable agricultural practices that bolster productivity while conserving resources. Beyond agriculture, they catalyze social change by advocating for broader community well-being, addressing issues ranging from healthcare to education. Their holistic approach not only enhances livelihoods but also nurtures a sustainable future, underscoring their indispensable role in fostering inclusive growth and resilience at the grassroots level.

Cultivating knowledge through Farm schools

Farm schools were initiated in 2015, which are playing a crucial role in educating the farm households in their farming interventions. They act as a knowledge, learning and information hub by following the principle of “learning by doing”. We now have 22 farm schools that help in knowledge transfer, technological diffusion and empowering communities.



Marketing & Empowerment



Aadi's Taste of Success

Fostering enabling ecosystem for women empowerment through SGS cooperative and microfinance



Encouraging empowerment of women at the market level is acknowledged as a necessary requirement for effectively reducing poverty. It is necessary to remove the structural barriers to facilitate empowerment of women. Rural collectives as institutions enabling access to credit, information, inputs and collective action are important vehicles to address the constraints in accessing these issues. It is essential to facilitate women to form collectives to get access to credits and inputs. SFT's effort in mobilizing the tribal women into collectives is a panacea to overcome the structural barriers and transform them into empowered individuals.

Sharada Devi Gruh Udhog Sahkari Mandali is a successful model of small scale enterprise for economic and social empowerment of women in the tribal area of Chhotaudepur. SGS was registered as cooperative society in the year 2009 and operates in 36 villages of Chhotaudepur with 162 SHGs and 1600 tribal women as primary members. The women cooperative society is facilitated by SFT as a special vehicle to conduct interventions for livelihood and empowerment of tribal women. SGS started its journey with handicrafts for skill development and now has ventured into food processing and microfinance. Through SGS, our aim is to work towards various options for income generation and welfare for women from marginalized and underprivileged tribal section of the communities. For knowledge and technology transfer, tie ups were done through renowned institutions such as iSEED IRMA and department of food technology from Anand Agricultural University on production protocols, processes, develop appropriate technologies for the business and explore market linkages.



Food Processing in Women Empowerment

The year 2023-24 marked a significant spurt in the growth of food processing unit run by SGS, thanks to the concerted effort of the tribal women and the SFT team, who has been experimenting with various products and establishing a strong value addition and market linkage. Vegetables, custard apple and local variety mango are major produces in Chhotaudepur region. Fruits have a short shelf life and it is important to process them to fetch better returns. SGS experimented with various products such as mango, custard apple, chilli, lemon, moringa, turmeric, kasuri methi, onion, tomato, sweet corn besides several other products. Pulp extraction integrated with cold chain was established to improve the shelf life. Pickle making with Rajapuri mango available in wadis was experimented in small scale and it has now gradually scaled up to 914 kg production in 2023-24.

The ultimate aim of the food processing model is to realize better market prices and generate employment opportunities for these tribal women. These income-generating activities have made the tribal women financially and socio-economically empowered.



The Birth of Aadi



To grasp the impact of SGS products and set the products distinct for its unique quality and taste, SFT this year took efforts to build a brand strategy tailored to the needs of the tribal community under the brand name Aadi. This marketing strategy will promote a platform to sell their goods directly and spread awareness about the products developed by SGS. Efforts are also taken to introduce a separate e-commerce platform to make products accessible to customers. Such branding has been aimed to the purpose of creating direct market linkages, provide traceability of produces and create an impact in the minds of the customers. SGS has now ventured into new product lines herbal and dry products including moringa powder, chilli powder, turmeric powder, frozen fruits and vegetables apart from fruit-based products such as mango pickles/pulp and custard apple pulp. Such diversified product mix has brought considerable revenue growth for SGS.



Top performing products of SGS (2023-24)

Of the total sales, custard apple pulp topped the chart with 26.7% followed by semi processed Mango with 25.8% and mango pickles at 24.3% of total sales. These three products account for 76.8% of total sales, indicating a strong focus of SGS on fruit-based products, particularly mango and sitaphal (custard apple).



- Semi Processed Mango
- Sitafal Pulp
- Mango Pickles
- Other Products

Total share top 3 products : 76.8% of total sales



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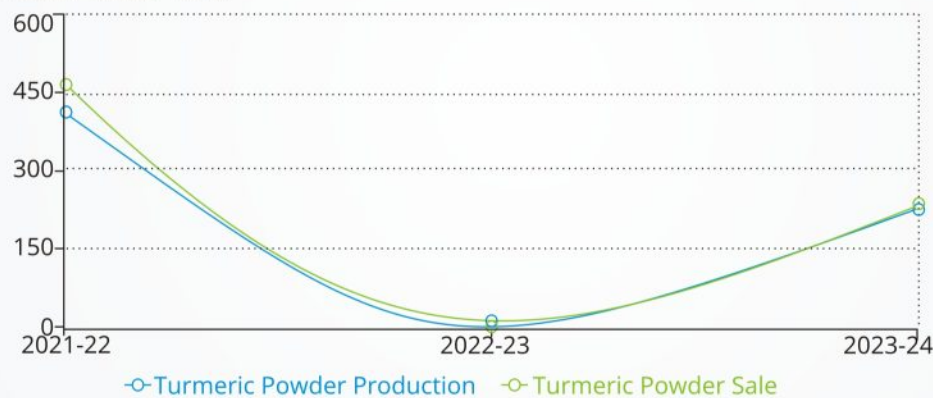
The total sales across all products show a positive trend over the three years with 35 per cent increase of sales during 2023-24.

- 2021-22: 4383.25 (kg)
- 2022-23: 3198.8
- 2023-24: 4310.53 (35% increase)

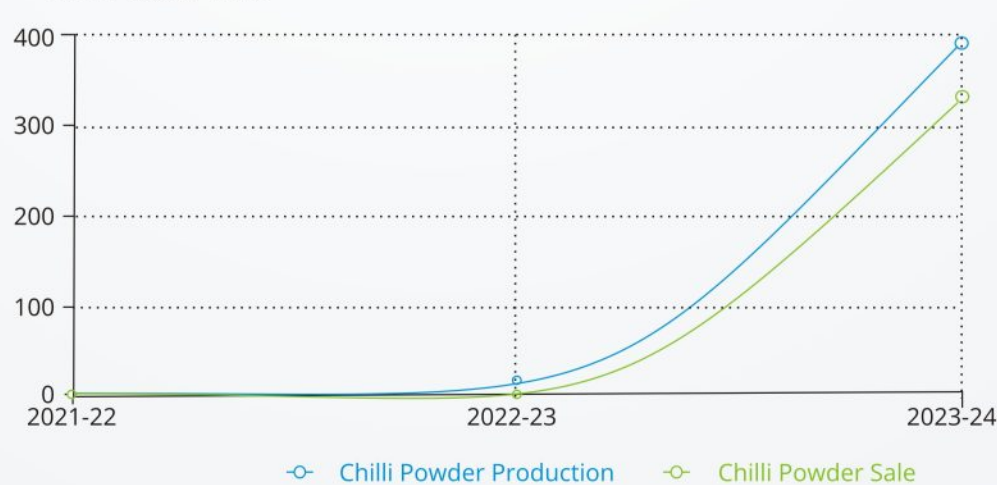
Performance and Chilli and Turmeric Powder during 2023-24



Turmeric Powder Trend



Chilli Powder Trend



Chilli powder and turmeric powder, which were introduced recently, had a whopping increase in production and sales in 2023-24.

By leveraging its strengths in fruit-based products, addressing challenges in underperforming lines, and continuously adapting to market demands, SGS is well-positioned for sustainable growth in the coming years.

Key Highlights

Mango pickles, custard apple pulp are the strongest performers in the market suggesting a potential area for further investment and expansion.

Product Diversification: SGS has introduced new product lines such as chilli powder, turmeric powder, onion flakes, dry tomato slice over the three years, indicating a strategy of diversification.

Sales of the products have increased substantially by 35% during the financial year 2023-24.

SGS cooperative has played a major role in financially empowering the tribal women and created positive influence on society through food processing initiatives.

Brand marketing through e-commerce website in the pipeline.



Financial inclusion through microfinance

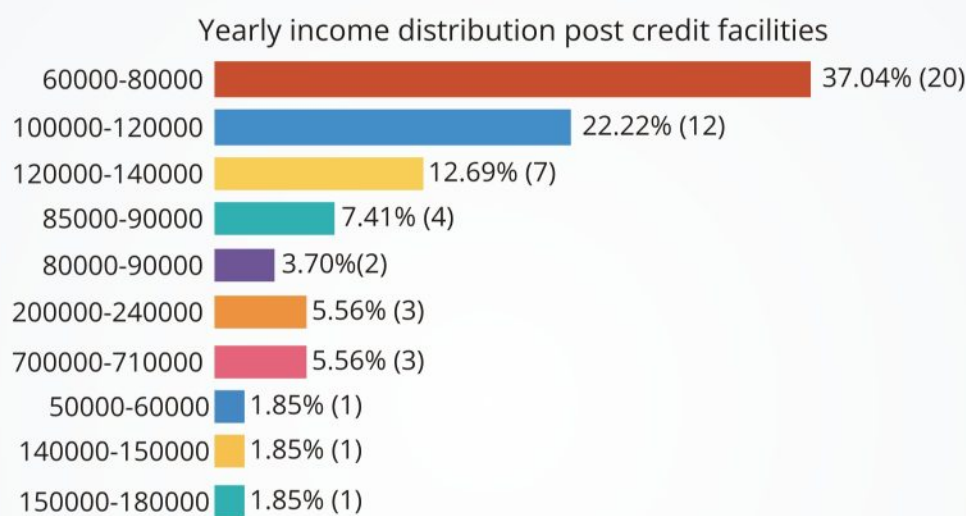
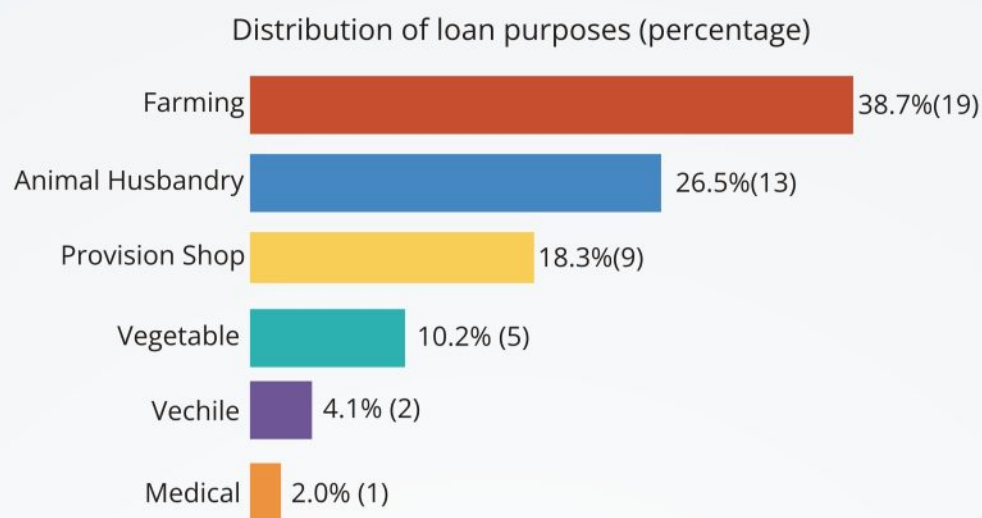


Microfinance and women empowerment is considered to be an effective tool in alleviating poverty. Women empowerment leads to increased participation and decision-making in the household. Enabling tribal women to be financially independent will not only benefit their family but all will have positive influence on society. Accessing credits through formal banking system is still an arduous task for the tribal community due to its complexities in documentation. Local money lenders, exploiting the situation, started fleecing the tribal families. To overcome the situation, SGS initiated credit activities to provide easy, accessible and affordable credit support. Credit limit of up to Rs 55,000 was given for establishing own enterprises. Currently, 924 members are actively participating in saving and credit activities. Till date, 465 members have availed loans totaling to Rs 76 lakh for various purposes.

Resilience through Women Entrepreneurship Development

SGS's financial inclusion program work towards enabling women from marginalized community, so that they become financially independent and empowered. Credit facilities were provided to these tribal women and they were encouraged to start their own enterprises in agriculture, animal husbandry, petty shops, tailoring shop, garment shops, poultry etc.

Distribution of loans for various purposes during 2023-24



Key Highlights

924 women members are actively participating in saving and credit activities

465 members have availed loan so far

Loans up to Rs 76 lakh disbursed

The most common purposes for loans are Farming (38.7%), Animal Husbandry (26.5%), and provision shops (18.3%) respectively.

The majority (72.22%) are earning between 60000 and 140000 annually post-credit facilities and 5.56% of beneficiaries have reached a very high income level of 700000-710000 indicating the success of the microfinance program.

Economic Impact: The microfinance program has positively impacted the economic conditions of the tribal women.

Way to prosperity

Rathwa Baaviben Sanjaybhai's success story resonates as a testament to determination and entrepreneurial spirit. Baaviben harbored her dreams of earning her own income and support her family. In 2020, she approached SGS for loan to purchase buffalo. With support from her family, she ensured to take care of the buffalo diligently. Her efforts soon began to bear fruit as the buffalo started yielding milk. She also has her own farm where she grows vegetables and sells at the local market.

The additional income from selling milk proved to be transformative for her family as her income increased to Rs 1 lakh, a dream for a person from a humble background. The increased financial stability helped her to renovate her new house and educate her children. She had also repaid the entire loan in 2024.

Baaviben's success story is not just about financial prosperity but also about empowerment and resilience in the face of challenges. She has become an inspiration to other women in her village, encouraging them to explore entrepreneurial opportunities and take charge of their financial security.

Today, Baaviben continues to manage her dairy business with the same enthusiasm and determination that marked her early days. She remains grateful to Sharda Devi Gruhudhyog Sahkari Mandli Limited for their trust and support, which empowered her to turn her dreams into a reality. Rathwa Baaviben Sanjaybhai's story stands as a shining example of how courage, hard work, and support can transform life.

Ujaval's Farmers' Producer Company



Ujaval Farmer Producer Company, an initiative under SFT, stands as a testament to empowerment and collective strength within rural communities. By organizing local farmers into a cohesive group, Ujaval has effectively transformed the marketing strategy by reducing reliance on middlemen. The FPC enabled collective marketing, pooling resources, share knowledge, negotiate better price, manage inputs and facilitate value addition and diversification of agricultural activities. There are now 633 shareholders with an equity capital of Rs 6.80 lakh. The Board of Directors actively participates in input supply and tradition processes including quality control, procurement, cost management, supply chain management, banking and decision-making. SFT has arranged various training programs, exposure visits as a part of imparting necessary skill and knowledge.

Business during 2023-24

Sr. No	Business	Amount Rs. (In lakhs)
1.	Agriculture inputs (Seeds, Fertilizer, Pesticides, Tools etc.)	70,26,767
2.	Trading of farm products	1,08,140
	Total	71,34,907

Rural Haat: Where Culture meets Business

Every Tuesday, the Haat campus in Wadi cluster at Rajuvant village under Bhordali gram panchayat hustles and bustles with negotiations and bargains, offering the local tribal community not just a platform to sell local goods but also a cultural common place where stories are shared and deals are made.

Built by a leading architect under CSR, SFT, NABARD and gram panchayat convergence, the haat is a unique model of rural marketing tailored to the needs of the local community. Farmers, artisans and traders from surrounding villages sell fresh produce, handicrafts, home made delicacies and agricultural inputs thus fostering local business and enhance their livelihood. Rural haats serve as vibrant hubs where villagers can access essential government entitlements alongside trading goods. In rural landscapes, rural marketing is an important aspect of economic activity where traditional values mix with modern thoughts and beliefs. Successful rural marketing recognises the importance of the local traditions and customs and facilitates access to essential agricultural produce.

SFT's proactive approach in establishing rural haat for direct marketing fosters inclusive growth among the community and encourages social interactions. The haat committee established for this purpose formulates rules and manages the infrastructure.

Details of Rural Haat

Village:

Rajuvant, Bhordali Group Gram Panchyat, Block:Chhotaudepur

Year of establishment:

2021-22

Infrastructure:

Open shops: 84

Pucca shops: 6

Other facilities:

Common toilets, drinking water, solar lights, fencing, pathways.

Animal Husbandry



Hatching a Healthier Tomorrow

Kadaknath poultry called as 'kala masi' is providing an alternate livelihood for tribal farmers



Touted to be the breed with unique health benefits with high nutritive value (25.47% protein), kadaknath has garnered popularity among tribal families for its easy management practices and minimal housing. They are also naturally resistant to diseases, making them a low-maintenance option for farmers. They also fetch high market rates - Rs 600/bird as compared to Rs 350/local breed and the eggs are priced at Rs 25 to 30/egg against Rs 10 per egg for local breed.

Realising the potential of kadaknath breed for improving farm income, SFT sought the guidance from Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) at Jhabua in Madhyapradesh and understood the breeding and rearing practices. In 2022 SFT looked for opportunities to transform poultry farming into a lucrative business. It was understood from the visits that Kadaknath are poor brooders and does not hatch on its own. Hence to promote hatching in artificial setting, small incubator boxes are required at household level. Moreover, to supply chicks to all the households, a centralized hatchery unit is necessary to upscale the projects.

Mother Hatchery Unit

Collaborating with the KVK, a progressive farmer was chosen and a solar-powered hatching unit accommodating 2000 eggs was established on his premises with the help of CSR funds. Additionally, 340 mother birds were procured and provided to the budding entrepreneur who started rearing for sale purpose. The chicks were then distributed to the beneficiary farmers at Rs125 each.

Household Level Poultry Units with Low Cost Innovation

With the help of NABARD, distribution of chicks from the mother hatchery to local farmers was promoted for up scaling. To address the need for localized solutions and enhance the efficiency of the hatching process, SFT identified a cost-effective thermocol incubator box to facilitate hatching process and improve the overall productivity of the poultry.

Each farmer was given 30 chicks of 1 month age and with a ratio of 50:50 male and female. The farmers contributed their share of Rs 200 for each incubator box (the box contains a thermostat controller, 12V 1 Amp adapter and 2 DC 12V 3 fans). They were then trained on feeding practices, utilization of thermocol incubator boxes through regular monitoring and ensuring optimum temperature to facilitate hatching and prevent chick mortality rates. Farmers were also educated on essential poultry management practices, including sex determination, maintaining optimal male-female ratio and mastering egg incubation techniques. As of today, a total of 104 incubator boxes along with kadaknath chicks (A total of 1171 female birds and 1176 male birds) have been supplied to the farmers. Following the distribution of chicks and incubator box, farmers initiated egg production. Ideally, kadaknath birds are ready to produce eggs after 7.5 months. On an average a female bird laid 1200 eggs annually. A part of the eggs were placed in the incubator box and rest used for own consumption.

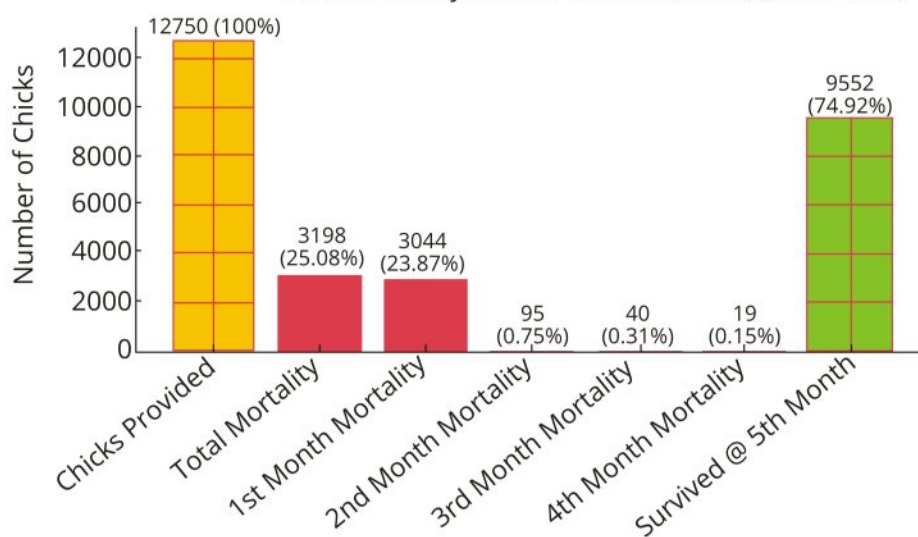


Profit-making Alternate Livelihood

The Kadaknath poultry production cycle, spanning 417 days, has yielded significant profit for the beneficiaries. Utilizing the eggs produced from the one-month-old chicks, the farmers were able to sell 2,962 adult birds. Additionally, from the available 2347 (1,176 male birds + 1,171 female Birds), 864 birds were sold. These figures highlight the profitability of the poultry production initiative, and the dedication of the farmers in rearing and managing the Kadaknath poultry. Such outcomes not only contribute to the economic empowerment of the beneficiaries but also promote sustainable practices in the Kadaknath poultry sector.

The initiative has empowered 425 farmers, with 104 actively engaging in chick incubation using the provided boxes. With an average annual income ranging from Rs70,000 to Rs 80,000 per farmer, the project has significantly uplifted the economic prospects of the community.

Chick mortality and survival overview (Month-wise)



Outcome

425 farmers benefited

12,750 kadaknath chicks provided

104 low-cost incubation boxes provided

Annual income per farmer
Rs 70,000 to 80,000

Projected annual income of mother hatchery unit entrepreneur:
Rs 10 lakh



Impact

Sustainable source of livelihood

Scientific poultry practices

Collective farming

Improved breeding practices

Feathers of Fortune

When Dalsingbhai Narsingbhai, a farmer from the Ferkuwa village in Chhotaudepur taluk, embarked on his journey into poultry farming, little did he expect that it would bring him a bounty of fortune. He was one of the beneficiaries of SFT’s initiative to support local poultry farmers in the district. Being a marginal farmer, he had to solely depend on agriculture for his livelihood and the income was not sufficient to meet his ends meet. Determined to change his fortune, Dalsingbhai decided to venture into Kadaknath poultry farming. With the help of SFT he set up a small household poultry unit with a batch of 30 one-month-old chicks consisting of 12 female and 18 male birds. He was provided with the low-cost thermocole box to facilitate hatching and training was provided by the SFT team for feed management and other poultry management practices. He had used 5 of the male birds for his own consumption and sold the rest at Rs 450 per bird. The female birds were used for hatching. His dedication and hard work paid off and during the first batch, Dalsingbhai was delighted to witness hatching of 37 chicks. This got him motivated to proceed further and he expects an income of Rs 10,800 every months. Despite facing challenges due to electricity fluctuations, his effective management and perseverance helped him optimize his farm productivity. The additional source of income transformed his life and the results are the testament to the power of innovation and hard work.

SFT’s initiative in leveraging innovative approaches and partnerships helped in providing comprehensive support to local poultry farmers.

Milch Animals

To promote animal husbandry as a viable livelihood option, SFT focused on improving breed quality by enhancing veterinary services, transferring technical knowledge and providing access to credit. A comprehensive program on breed improvement has been put into action. The concerted efforts of the SFT team have made the tribal area a prominent hub for milk production making it the largest number of milk producer block in the district.

Interventions 2023-24		
Interventions	Unit	Achievements 2023-24
Healthcare	Animal	726
Vaccinations	Animal	9411
Artificial insemination	Animal	526
New born calves	Nos	303
Awareness	Participants	900
Households covered	Households	136

Education and Skill Training



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION
AND INFRASTRUCTURE



8 DECENT WORK AND
ECONOMIC GROWTH



5 GENDER
EQUALITY



4 QUALITY
EDUCATION



Crafting Futures

VIVEC's vocational training centre for tribal youth stands as a testament to journey par excellence by bridging the knowledge gap of grassroots community through skill training



Grassroots level training for tribal youth plays an important role in enhancing their employability and fostering economic empowerment within rural communities. VIVEC's vocational training center stands as a centre for opportunity, offering tailored skill development programs that equip tribal youth with practical expertise in diverse fields such as technology, agriculture, and medical. By honing these skills, the tribal youth not only gain the confidence to pursue entrepreneurial ventures but also contribute meaningfully to local economies. This initiative not only bridges the gap between academic learning and practical application but also ensures a sustainable livelihood for tribal communities, thereby fostering self-reliance and community resilience. Through VIVEC's commitment to nurturing talent at the grassroots level, these youth are empowered to become catalysts for positive change in their communities, driving sustainable development and inclusive growth. The primary objective of VTC is to bridge the gap between industry demand and existing skill building programs.



Year of set up: 2014

Place: Paldi, Waghodia, Gujarat

Model: PPP with Tribal Development Department, Gujarat Government, SFT

Area: Five acre campus with residential facilities

Total number of students: 400

Infrastructure: 11 labs, 6 classrooms, seminar rooms, library, hostels, kitchen and dining area, subcentre at Narmada and Hodko, Kutch

Curriculum: Developed with experts of GIZ (German agency), NCVT accredited short term training courses that is market driven

Courses offered: Around 14 skill-oriented courses, including industrial stitching, electrical, welding, nursing, computer, mechanical engineering and other allied courses.

Youth trained so far: More than 8700 tribal youth

New centre operational at Chhotaudepur since 2017-18 and Dediapada in 2019-20

No of Students Placed During 2023-24



Placed	Self employed	On process
294	37	95

- Customised industry-specific courses
- Encourage Hired Train Deploy (HTD) model where industries participate in training process by hiring and training individuals
- Industry collaboration
- Practical skill development
- Targeted training programs
- Handholding of students at least after a year of placements
- Career counseling for students
- Encourage entrepreneurship



Breaking the Gender Stereotype

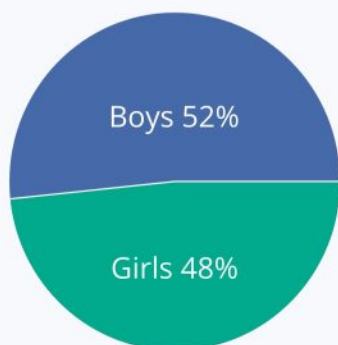
VIVEC has helped to break the existing gender barriers by training women for skills that was hitherto been dominated by men.



VIVEC is committed to bridging the gender gap in skill training by actively enrolling more tribal women in its programs. Recognizing the unique challenges faced by women in tribal communities, VIVEC has launched targeted outreach initiatives to raise awareness about the importance of skill development and economic empowerment for women. By creating a welcoming and inclusive environment, VIVEC ensures that tribal women have equal opportunities to access quality education, skill training, and personal development resources.

Overall Gender Distribution in Student Enrollment During 2023-24

Overall gender distribution



Place : Paldi, Waghodia, Gujarat

Of the overall gender distribution, around 48% (234) of girls were enrolled in the courses when compared to 52% (257) of boys proving that the gender distribution is fairly balanced in student enrollment.

Stitching Success: Weaving the Bright Future for 40 Young Girls

Saint Gobain and SFT Inspire Young Girls to Master Industrial Sewing

Around 40 young girls were identified and provided training in three phases from July 2023 in industrial sewing. The project supported by Saint Gobain and implemented by VIVEC has helped in achieving high quality standards in sewing operations meeting the demands of local industries for semi-skilled training.

Key Outcomes

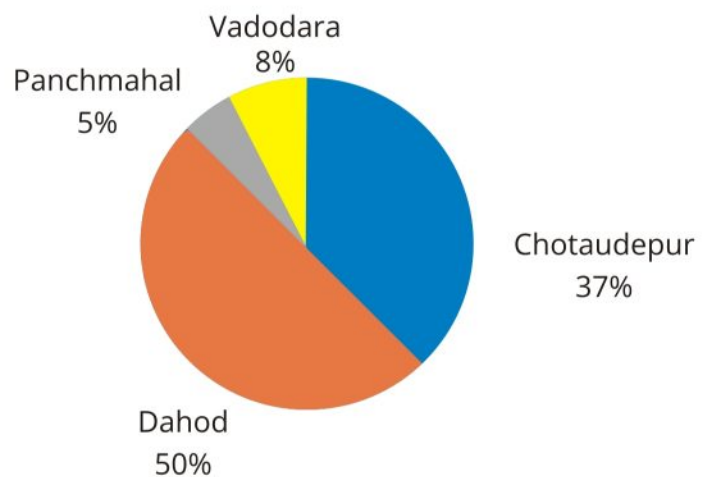
Execute sewing tasks either mechanically or manually.

Contribute towards attaining high-quality standards in sewing operations.

Meeting the demand of local industries for semi-skilled labour.

Assistance in fostering rural entrepreneurship growth so that they can handle all the tasks independently.

District-wise Candidates Enrollment



Thermax's Youth Employment Project (YEP)

Objective: Livelihood support through skill development
Skills trained: Industrial Sewing Machine Operator (ISMO) and General Duty Assistant (GDA)
Project duration: Nov 2023 to Oct 2024 (5 months for GDA and 3 months for ISMO)
Partner: Thermax
Total number of candidates: 50 in GDA and 50 in ISMO (100 candidates)

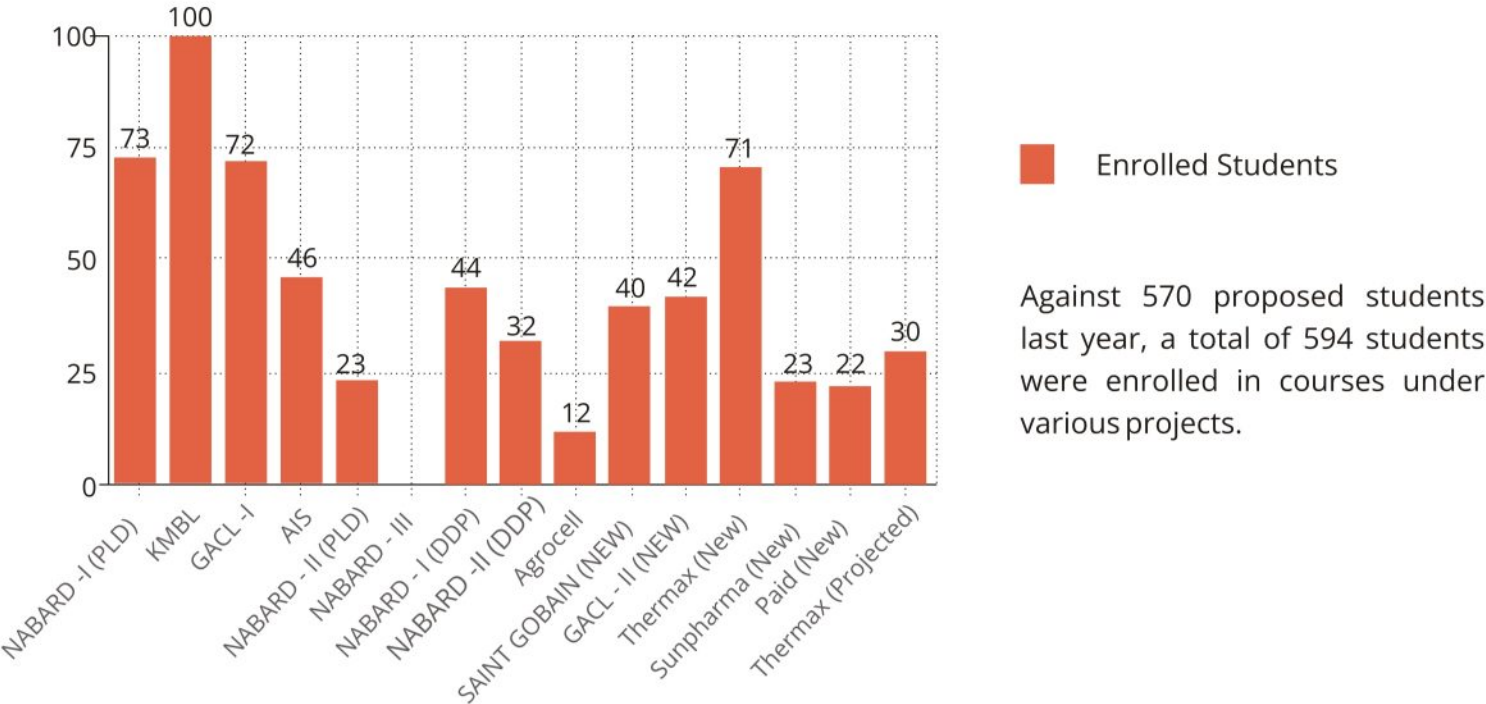
Industry Interface and Strategic Tie-ups

VIVEC has actively fostered institutional collaborations and forged strategic partnerships with reputable industries, thereby creating valuable collaborations that significantly benefit rural communities. By leveraging these partnerships, VIVEC has been able to enhance the relevance of its skill training programs, aligning them closely with industry needs and trends. This collaboration not only ensures that the training provided is up-to-date and in-demand but also increases the employability of rural youth by connecting them directly to job opportunities within these industries. Moreover, these collaborations facilitate knowledge transfer and technology adoption in rural areas, empowering communities with the tools and resources needed to thrive in today's competitive market landscape.

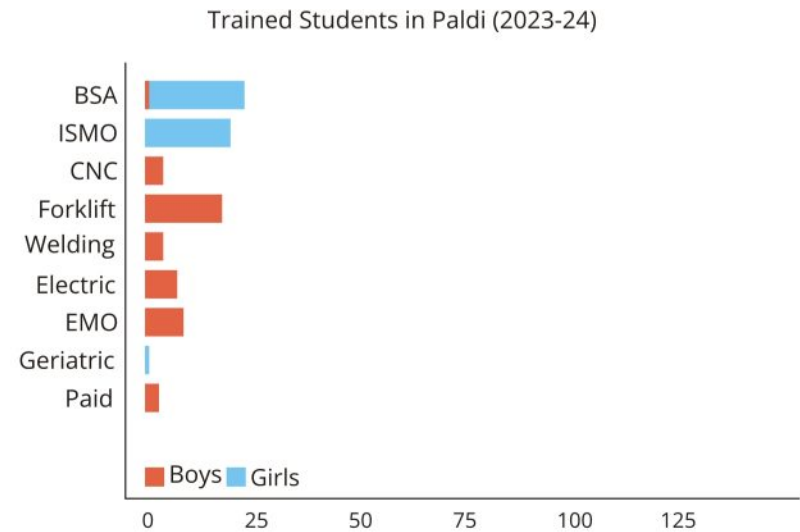


Name: Bhilla Kamila
Trade: SG-Batch-02-Industrial Sewing
Placement: Rishi FIBC- Ranu- Padra
Salary: Rs 11,000
Facility: Free Accommodation

Number of Students Enrolled in Courses Supported Under Various Projects (n=594)



Course-wise Distribution of Students Trained in Paldi During 2023-24 (604 students)



The enrollment exceeded the target by 6% during the last financial year 2023-24 proving positive outcomes. A total of 604 students were trained in various technical courses against the targeted 570 students.

Training Programs and Achievements

Backhoe Operator Training

VIVEC VTC, in collaboration with the Lady Bamford Charitable Trust (a CSR wing of JCB) and affiliated with the Infrastructure Equipment Sector Council – National Skill Development Corporation, initiated a Backhoe Operator training program. Over the past years, we successfully trained 150 individuals, all of whom have found gainful employment in the industry. Notably, three of our graduates have ventured into entrepreneurship by forming a cooperative model to fund and operate backhoe machines and are now working as contractors.

Forklift Operator Training

Capitalizing on our success with Backhoe Operators, we expanded into Forklift Operator training under the Logistics Sector Skill Council. This program quickly became popular, resulting in a high demand for admission. The increased interest underscores the program's effectiveness and the growing need for skilled forklift operators, particularly for warehouses in industrial areas near our campus.

Encouraging Entrepreneurship

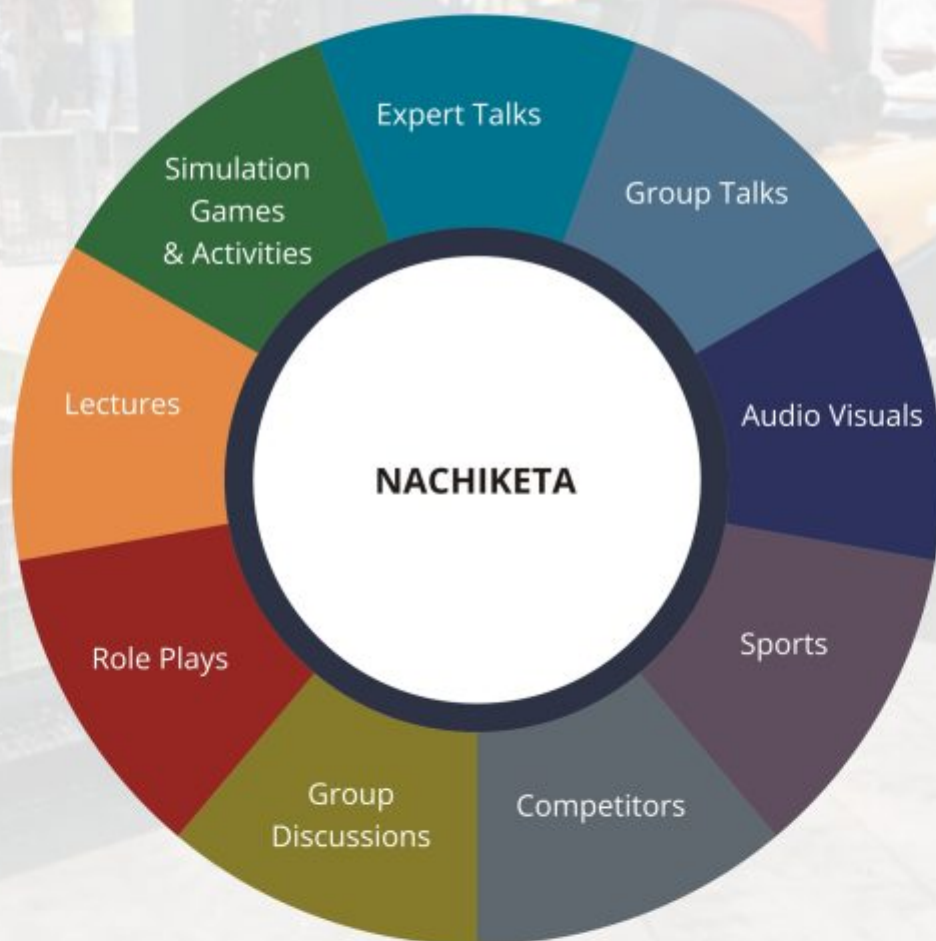
VIVEC Vocational Training Centre (VIVEC VTC), in collaboration with the Centre for Entrepreneurship Development (CED), Government of Gujarat, has successfully implemented a transformative entrepreneurship training program. This initiative has empowered aspiring entrepreneurs with the skills and knowledge needed to launch and sustain their own businesses.



NACHIKETA's Holistic Journey for Tribal Youth

In an era of competitive landscape, SFT believes that ensuring conscientious leaders among tribal youth is important to ensure their success in life. NACHIKETA is a special program that draws inspiration from a character of Upanishad to provide value-based education to tribal youth by instilling essential values, ethics and life principles to navigate the complexities of modern world.

Through a dynamic blend of creative art workshops, cutting-edge computer training, enlightening spiritual talks, invigorating yoga sessions, and immersive soft skills training, NACHIKETA nurtures these young minds into well-grounded individuals ready to excel in any industry. Each component of the program is meticulously designed to foster creativity, resilience, and adaptability, preparing them to thrive amidst real-world challenges. NACHIKETA not only educates but also inspires a sense of curiosity and innovation among the students.



VIVEC's remarkable journey and its indomitable spirit to serve the tribal youth community in its true essence through various skill trainings is a testament to innovative thinking and standards of high order to achieve India's vision of "Skilled India".

Overcoming Disability, Embracing Victory

Nikaben Manabhai Kalara hails from Zerjitgadh village in the Limkheda block of Dahod district. Her journey with VIVEC is a story of hope and perseverance. Nikaben, who has been a person with speech impairment from birth, belongs to a farm family, to whom agriculture is the primary source of livelihood. Despite holding a degree in Arts, she lacked confidence and the zeal to pursue her career. However, driven by her responsibilities, she sought opportunities that matched her skills.

It is when VIVEC became a guiding light for her. Nikaben enrolled in the industrial sewing machine operator course and completed it successfully. Subsequently, she secured her first employment opportunity at Banswara Syntex Pvt Ltd, where she received a monthly remuneration of Rs 9000.

Nikaben's association with VIVEC helped her to have a secure and promising future. She emerged as a symbol of resilience and triumph and transformed adversities to victory.

From Training to Triumph

Kinjal Rathwa, a young and determined woman from Bodeli Chhota, Udepur, is a shining example of resilience and hard work. Born to Rajubhai, a dedicated farmer, and Sangeetaben, Kinjal grew up in a family that values hard work and perseverance. Growing up in a farming household, Kinjal witnessed the daily struggles and triumphs of rural life. Her father's dedication to farming on their own land instilled in her a strong work ethic. Despite the modest means, her parents ensured that she received a good education. After completing her 10th grade, Kinjal was introduced to the General Duty Assistant (GDA) program by Dilipbhai, a family acquaintance working at VIVEC.

Kinjal enrolled in the GDA program at VIVEC in Thermax-1, a decision that would set the course for her future. The six-month course was rigorous, but Kinjal's determination saw her through. She acquired essential skills in patient care, learning how to attend to the needs of the elderly and disabled with compassion and efficiency.

After completing her course, she joined Kadji Care, a well-known organization dedicated to elderly care. Her role at Kadji Care involves taking care of four patients, providing them with essential services like sponge baths and diaper changes. These tasks, though challenging, are performed with utmost dedication and care by Kinjal, who understands the importance of making her patients feel comfortable and valued. She now earns Rs 10,000 per month and supports her family.

Medical and Public Health



Quality with Humanity

RKPH and SMC deliver quality treatment with affordable cost that caters to rural communities for over 30 years



SFT is committed to fulfill our mission in enhancing health among rural population by providing scientific and technical expertise in response to emerging health issues. Throughout 2023-24, SFT provided efficient, effective, affordable treatment in the best interests of the people. We are in era where public health system is in need of upgraded infrastructure, trained doctors and para-medical staff and affordable treatment that caters to the needs of the low-income group families. SFT focuses on the needs of the families and provide state-of-the-art health facilities, diagnostic treatments, mobile health camps and awareness programs at villages through services that are administered with empathy and compassion. In a journey of 30 years, SFT's health services have evolved into a responsible medical centre that provides services to the peripheral rural and urban areas. The Sharda Medical Centre (SMCs) working at remote locations of Kutch and Chhotaudepur have continued to patronage patients belonging to tribal areas suffering from simple ailments to complicated sickle cell anemia. On-call services, complex surgeries in orthopedics, nephrology, physiotherapy, geriatric care, awareness campaigns and mobile health services are provided by qualified team with a humanitarian approach.



Hospitals Located at



Kalali (RKPH)



Chhotaudepur (SMC)



Hodko, Kutch (SMC)



RKPH-State-of-the-art Healthcare



54-Bed
Capacity



OPD
Services



2 Modular
Operation
Theaters



ICU and
Emergency
Services



General
Surgical
Services



Gynecology,
Pediatric with
NICU



Dialysis and
Uro Nephro
Services



Dental,
Skin Services



Diagnostic
Services



On Call
Services



Orthopedic
Department



Geriatric
Care
Services

Key Highlights

Largest hospital for dialysis service set up by Sanjivani Project of Rotary club.

RKPH covers more than 40 villages and slums in and around Vadodara.

Sharda Medical Centre(SMC) Chhotaudepur caters to rural population with 16 beds, neonatal care unit, operation theatre, dialysis unit, diagnostic facilities, pharmacy and ambulance services.

SMC Hodko covers 32 remote villages in various medical interventions.

Mobile medical units provide regular health services in remote villages.

Awareness programs on sickle cell anemia, prenatal and post natal check-ups, child care, immunization and vaccination provided in coordination with government system.

Geriatric services were started in the year 2023 to address the medical, psychological and social needs of aging population by providing rehabilitation, palliative care, mental health support to ensure dignity of lives.

Various programs such as health check-up packages, home sample collections, medical equipment bank, cold coffin and mortuary van services to support patients and families.

Bedside assistants (BSA) trained under VIVEC, the skill training unit of SFT, are engaged as Para-medicals.

Spotlight 2023-24

- A new ambulance has been sourced through CSR with SBI and formal handover has been done on July 31, 2024.
- Hospital tariff has been restructured and revised with effect from June 1, 2024 to meet the needs of low-income group.
- 10-bed geriatric ward and two special rooms developed.
- Home blood collection services and home delivery of medicines initiated.
- Established partnerships with other hospitals for patient referrals.

OPD and IPD Services During 2023-24

S. No.	Month	OPD	IPD
1.	April	2890	115
2.	May	2710	137
3.	June	2772	125
4.	July	2928	125
5.	August	3243	154
6.	September	3257	156
7.	October	3052	143
8.	November	2237	121
9.	December	2459	111
10.	January	2762	129
11.	February	2767	137
12.	March	2693	136

Summary of Health Interventions During 2023-24

Activities	RKPH
OPD	28,150
IPD	1,989
ICU	132
Dialysis	9,500
Day care	742
Delivery	150
Surgery	399
Procedure	366
X-Ray	2,320
USG	2,000
Echo	240
CT scan	1,344
Laboratories	30,000



Year Wise Health Interventions in SMC-CU Between 2016-24

Activity	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 (Upto Feb 24)
OPD	3893	3662	3214	4366	3551	2685	2060	955
IPD	650	711	603	558	333	429	185	112
Laboratory	3971	4304	3898	4130	2670	2926	1592	1291
Delivery	2	0	2	9	3	0	0	0
D & C	206	77	10	22	2	0	0	0
Surgeries	64	87		4	5	3	3	1
Drug Store	7948	8049	6810	8653	6402			
X-Ray	1444	1549	1169	621	662	511		
Sonography	0	0	16		0	0		
Day Care	169	411	273	193	228	371	168	283
Emergencies	392	462	437	637	630	312	0	

SFT's Geriatric Care is a New Dawn in Elder Care

Geriatric care not only manages chronic conditions and promotes overall health but also fosters a sense of dignity and independence for the elderly. SFT's initiative on geriatric care was started in 2023 with a vision to train women in essential skills in geriatric care. The initiative was started in collaboration with the Gujarat Alkalies and Chemicals Limited (GACL) as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) program. The program was designed to provide not only practical training but also to foster a deep sense of empathy and commitment in its participants.

To achieve this, a dedicated Geriatric Care Center was started in Kalali, leveraging the advantages of RKPH at disposal. The center serves as a practical training ground where aspiring caregivers can learn by taking care of elders who require assistance after any kind of medical procedure. The training program is structured for 3-4 months, and it emphasizes the core values of honesty, passion, and empathy. Initially, the program began with 10 beds, providing a focused and personalized training environment. Participants of the program will experience a blended learning approach, with half of the course conducted at our dedicated training facility and the other half at VIVEC. Such a strategy helps trainees to gain diverse experience in understanding geriatric care.



Comprehensive Geriatric Services

Stay Comfortable
and supportive accommodation for the elderly residents.

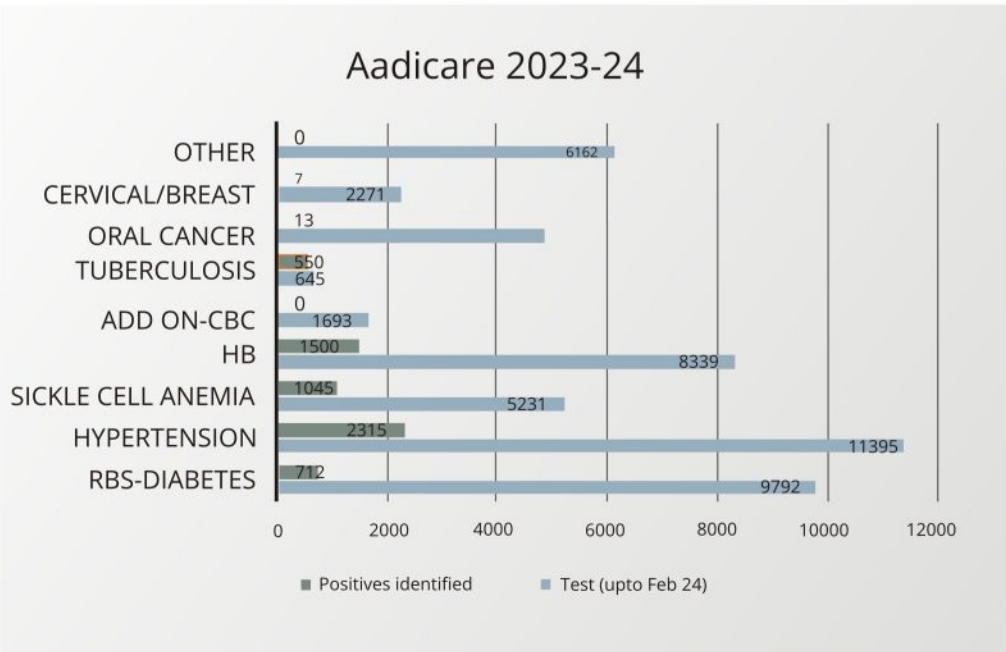
Nursing and Medical Care
Professional medical and nursing care tailored to the specific needs of each individual.

Hot Nutritious Meals
Balanced and nourishing meals served everyday to ensure the health and well-being of residents.

Care and Empathy
Compassionate and empathetic care that addresses both the physical and emotional needs of the elderly.

Preventive Healthcare through Aadicare

Strengthening Health activities for Non-communicable-Communicable Disease in Tribal Inlets (SHANTI) is a three-tier preventive healthcare project that caters to the remote tribal areas by diagnosing and providing early treatments to prevent communicable and non-communicable diseases. By conducting awareness and education programs, the project works in close coordination with Anganwadi workers, Public Health Centres, ASHA workers to maximize health schemes for the community. In remote areas where there is limited access to medical infrastructure, container-based medical diagnostic and treatment centre (Aadi-Access to Appropriate Diagnostic Care) is established in collaboration with district health department to provide primary healthcare services and diagnostic services to serve communities residing in remote areas.



The One-day Meal Scheme

To enhance health and nutrition of poor patients, SFT started a one-day meal fund program to provide balanced diet to help them recover from illness. Around 34 days are covered under the scheme to an average of 25 patients per day at hospitals.

How can you help?

- You can help the patients by sponsoring their meal to support the cause.
- The cost of providing meals to patients at both SMC and RKPH is Rs 12,000 (USD 150 |) per day
- Cost of per meal sponsorship per day is Rs 6000 (USD 75)
- One time donation (Rs 50,000/USD 625)

Success Stories

SHANTI's Timely Intervention Saves Boy's Life

Sickle cell anemia has been prevalent among tribal population in Chhotaudepur district and SHANTI launches awareness campaigns to promote blood screening

When 14-year-old Pratap Rathwa, resident of Koliathar in Chhotaudepur block, was taken for a regular blood test after attending an awareness programme conducted by SHANTI team to address the alarming prevalence of sickle cell anemia among the tribal communities of Gujarat, little did they know that the teenager would also be affected by the disease. Sickle cell anemia is a genetic disorder in which the red blood cells contort into a sickle shape. The cells die early leading to red blood cells shortage.



The SHANTI project team operates as a dedicated force in the field of public health, directing their efforts towards the Rath area of Chhotaudepur. Their overarching mission revolves around a multifaceted approach aimed at improving the well-being of the local population. This approach encompasses several vital objectives, including but not limited to: raising awareness about prevalent health issues, facilitating early detection of medical conditions, ensuring prompt and effective treatment, and conducting crucial BP and RBS (Random Blood Sugar) checkups to monitor and manage the health of individuals in the community.

Having received the unexpected blood test results, Pratap's parents wasted no time in reaching out to the experienced SHANTI team for guidance and support. The team swiftly swung into action, guiding Pratap's family to the Sharda Medical Centre, where they initiated his treatment without delay.

Pratap's medical condition was grave, necessitating the urgent transfusion of two units of blood. This critical intervention proved to be a lifeline for the young boy. The timely detection of his condition, followed by the prompt and expert medical attention provided by the SHANTI team and Sharda Medical Centre, played a pivotal role in averting a potentially severe health crisis. Importantly, this collective effort not only safeguarded Pratap's well-being but also exemplified the profound positive impact that the SHANTI project is making within the Chhotaudepur community, where health awareness and early intervention are the cornerstones of their mission.

Triumphing Over Adversity

RKPH's advanced geriatric care helps the sexagenarian to regain his health

When 61-year-old Janakbhai M Joshi was brought to Ramkrishna Paramahansa Hospital at Kalali for intensive treatment for his deteriorating health, his family had already lost their faith that he would ever live a healthy life again. Janakbhai has been suffering with various health challenges including epilepsy, urinary tract infection apart from mental health issues.



The family had consulted various other hospitals to treat his health, but in vain. They then approached Ramkrishna Paramahansa Hospital (RKPH) at Kalali for treatment. The medical teams at RKPH conducted a thorough diagnosis of Janakbhai and initiated a treatment plan. RKPH has been providing excellent geriatric care services for old people with chronic and degenerative diseases and helping them to lead an independent life.

The expert medical team, along with the compassionate care of paramedical and nursing teams, treated Janakbhai and addressed his multiple health issues. The family felt that the recovery of Janakbhai was nothing sort of a miracle. As all the health care interventions were received under one roof, it saved the cost and energy of the family members too.

Bharatkumar, brother of Janakbhai, highlighted the exceptional quality of treatment and the compassion shown by the RKPH medical staff. He emphasized that in addition to quality care, food, hygiene, and sanitation standards at RKPH were on par with multispecialty hospitals. Following successful treatment and significant health improvement, Janakbhai is now admitted to VANPRASTHASHRAM, an enthusiastic initiative under the RKPH, for close monitoring.

Healing Hands: RKPH's Successful Knee Surgery Restores Mobility to Patient

Parvati Devi, a resident of Kota in Rajasthan, has been grappling with excruciating knee pain for several years that hindered her mobility. After trying several medications, she approached RKPH for treatment, where the doctors advised her to undergo a knee surgery for permanent cure. Despite knowing that the recovery process would be challenging, Parvati Devi trusted RKPH for their commitment and expertise in the field of medical care.



Under the skilled hands of Dr Jaykrushna Mekhia, a renowned Orthosurgeon, Parvati Devi underwent the knee surgery on March 5, 2024. The procedure was executed meticulously and despite the complexities of the surgery, Dr Mekhia and his team ensured that the patient received the best treatment and care. Post surgery, RKPH and the team of doctors helped Parvati to recover from her illness in a short time. The surgery marked a significant milestone for RKPH in their journey of health care. Throughout her recovery process, Parvati Devi found solace in the compassionate care provided by the nurses at RKPH. Their unwavering support and dedication played a pivotal role in her journey towards healing. With renewed mobility and freedom from discomfort, Parvati Devi could look forward to a brighter, painless future.

Trailblazing Tomorrow



SFT's roadmap will focus on scientific innovations, technological advancements in development, skill and public health to attain self-reliance and sustainable development among rural communities

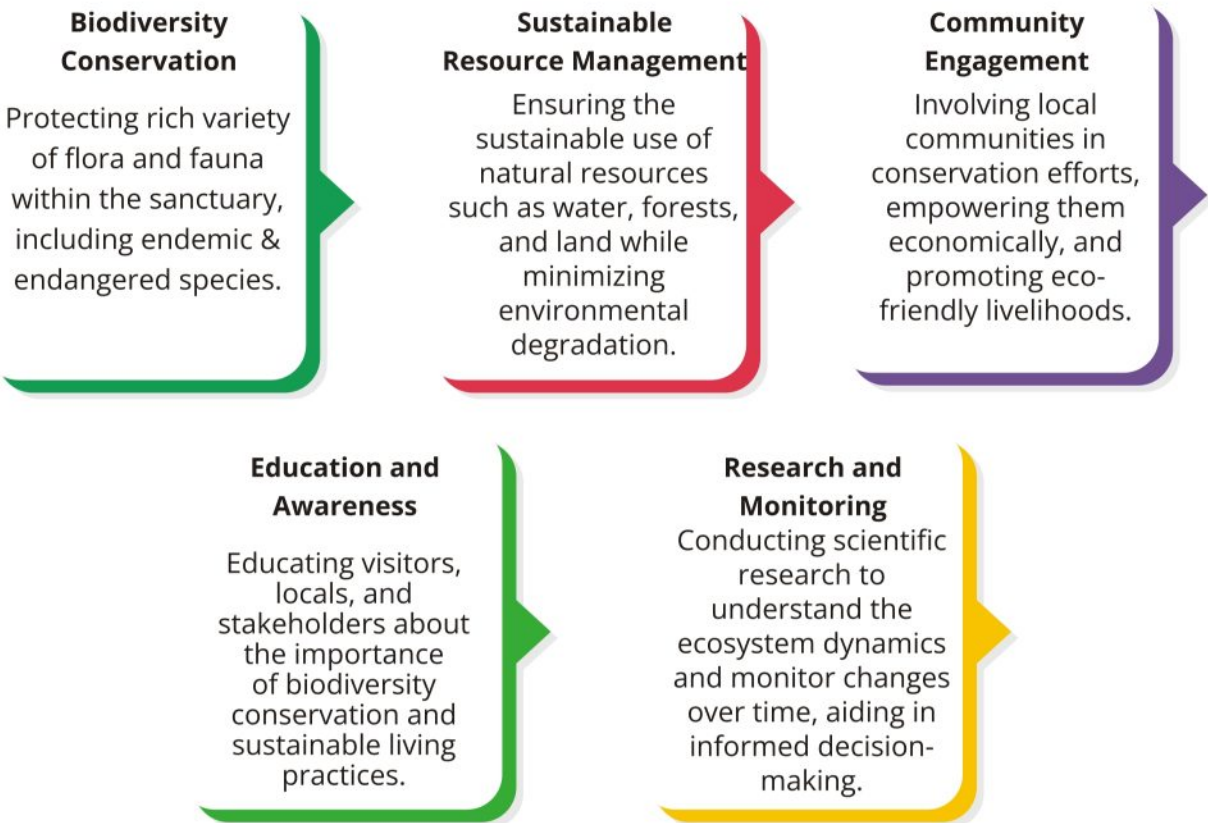


Zonal Master Plan of Eco-sensitive Shoolpaneshwar wildlife sanctuary

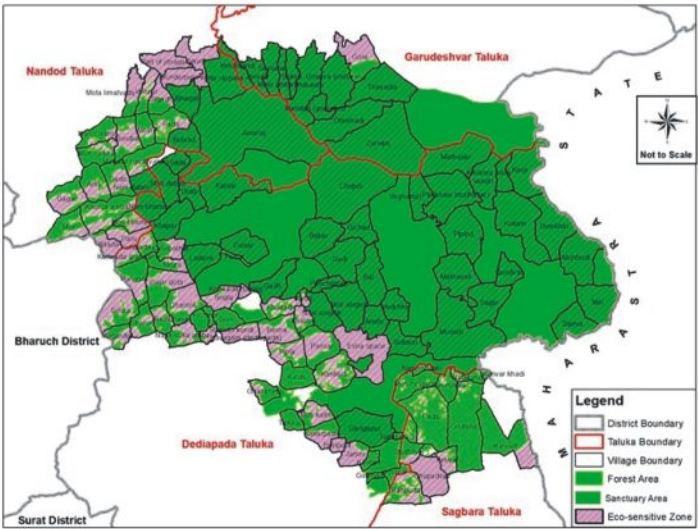
As per the request of Geer Foundation, our trustee RK Sama, IFS, along with the SFT team, had taken up the project on field assessment to prepare the Zonal Master Plan of Shoolpaneshwar wildlife sanctuary as per the guidelines of Ministry of Forest, Environment and Climate Change.

The Shoolpaneshwar Wildlife Sanctuary located at the Narmada district in Gujarat, is a hilly, forest area where the local communities share the forest resources for their livelihood. The Sanctuary not just emerges as a haven for wildlife but is also a suitable model of agro-ecological practices and eco-tourism that fosters sustainable livelihood among the community. However, there were problems on overreliance on forest resources, excessive harvesting of fuel wood, unregulated grazing, and uncertain land use and less effective community institutions.

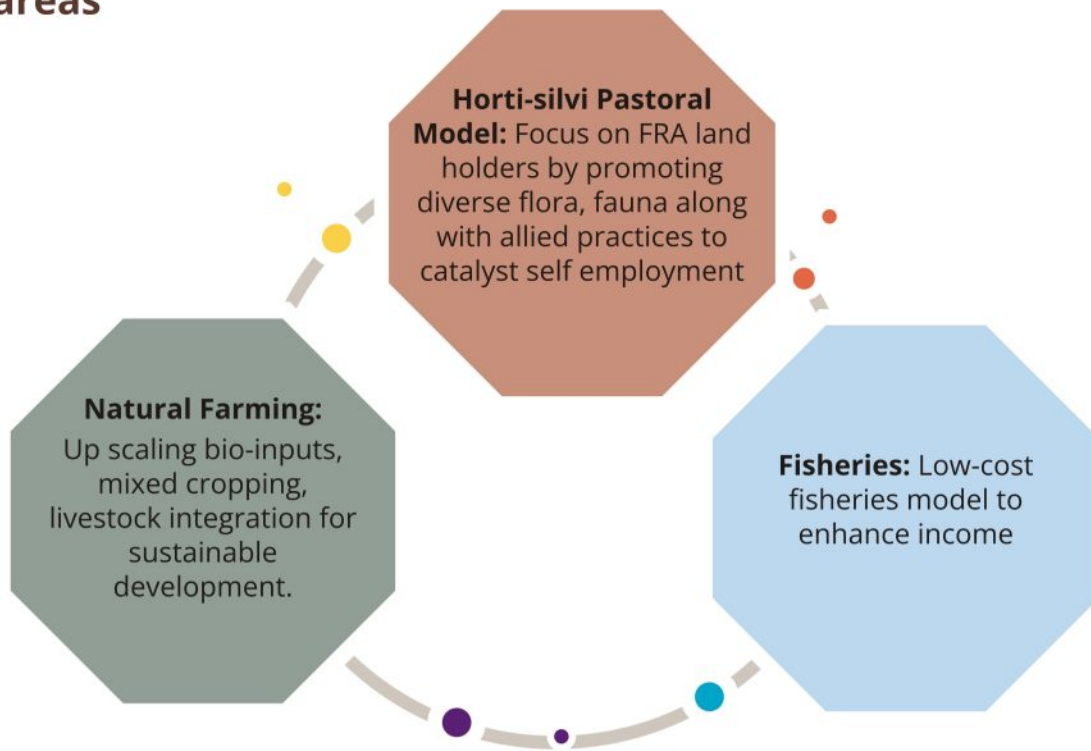
Looking forward, it is essential to empower the local communities through comprehensive strategies to foster equitable resource sharing, environment stewardship, enhance biodiversity through habitat restoration, conduct awareness campaigns and improve livelihood through forest resources to ensure self-sufficient future so that the community thrives without compromising on the natural integrity. A comprehensive microplan of the 121 villages were done through PRA exercises and satellite maps to understand the resources availability, livelihood pattern and socio-economic parameters of the community. The detailed comprehensive plan helped in identifying the strategies for community empowerment and the outcomes were presented to the Narmada District Collector and Gujarat government to foster positive development in the region.



Startegic plan proposed for management in the sanctuary



Focus areas



Outcome of the Zonal Master Plan was presented to the Collector, Narmada and the district team on Feb 21, 2024 to incorporate the interventions in District plans.

Innovative Leap into Vegetable Farming

Vegetable farming is a good substitute for conventional field crops because of the growing demand among the consumers. Especially for smallholders, the shorter growth cycles help them to have multiple harvests in a year, leading to additional income. Backyards of tribal farmers provided an ample opportunity to grow multi-layered vegetables and with water availability they can grow all round the year. With the change in consumption pattern, vegetables are now made an integral part of balanced diet. Being perishable, vegetables get better price realization in the market ensuring better returns for farmers. In the changing climatic scenario, vegetables offer great opportunity due to its resilience and adaptability. Vegetable cultivation can be an element of agricultural diversification through methods like intercropping and crop rotation. Diversification also reduces dependence on water resources and lead to sustainable practices.



By creating an enabling environment, providing the right technologies and market access, vegetable farming can contribute to strengthening the economy, ensure food security and help in enhancing soil fertility and productivity.

SFT has ventured into vegetable production, focusing on cultivating creeper plants, which has already begun yielding promising returns. This initiative was bolstered by knowledge gained from an exposure visit to Palanpur and BAIF, where the team learned about advanced agricultural techniques. These insights were then applied in Chhota Udepur, leading to successful implementation and the start of a fruitful cultivation phase. The adoption of these new technologies has not only improved the quality and quantity of the produce but also enhanced the overall agricultural practices in the region.

AI-powered Future in Farming

SFT has a strategic vision in harnessing AI technologies to enhance agricultural productivity, sustainability and resilience to analyse soil health, predict weather pattern through weather forecasting stations, use of drones, optimize irrigation schedules and recommend precision agriculture practices to maximize crop yield and minimize resources. Providing real-time data to the farmers will enable precise solutions to farming issues. SFT envisions a future where technology and ecology harmoniously coexist, fostering prosperity for local communities while safeguarding the natural ecosystems they depend upon.

CHCs Drive Agrimechanisation

SFT has established Custom Hiring Centres (CHCs) in the Kawant and Naswadi blocks of Chhota Udepur taluk. These CHCs are aimed at providing access to agricultural equipment and resources for local farmers, facilitating better farming practices and increasing productivity. For this purpose, a consortium of Self-Help Groups (SHGs), comprising 2 SHGs from two villages, will be formed, with a maximum of 8 to 10 women members participating in the CHC committee. This committee will be responsible for democratically managing the CHC units. SFT has already begun identifying progressive farmers with the help of local leaders and members of the Village Panchayats to form the third CHC committee, ensuring community involvement and ownership.



Our field staff having a meet with SHG members of Custom Hiring Centre

Skill Development

EV Charge Stations

The electric vehicle (EV) industry is experiencing rapid growth, driven by increasing environmental awareness and supportive government policies. As the number of EVs on the road continues to rise, so does the demand for reliable and accessible EV charge stations. This creates a significant need for skilled technicians trained in the maintenance and repair of these stations. An EV recharge station maintenance and repair technical course holds immense potential in the future, as it equips individuals with the specialized knowledge and skills required to ensure the efficient operation of EV infrastructure. By identifying the gap that the adoption of the course offers promising career options in this industry, VIVEC has proposed a vocational training program to train technicians for EV charging station affiliated with power sector council. Efforts are on to set up a state-of-the-art lab for training on Operation and Maintenance of EV charge stations.

The skill gap aims to address,

- **Insufficient Skilled Workforce:** With the rapid growth of EVs, there is a shortage of skilled operators and maintenance staff for charging stations.
- **Infrastructure Readiness:** Effective training will support the development and maintenance of EV charging infrastructure, crucial for the sector's growth.
- **Sustainability:** Trained personnel will contribute to the sustainability goals by ensuring the efficient operation and maintenance of charging stations.
- **Economic Growth:** This program will support the green economy and create job opportunities.

Public Health and Medicine

To address the issues in public health, the team is actively working to identify new clusters and expand outreach efforts. They have conducted health camps in various locations to increase accessibility to healthcare services. As part of their strategy to enhance diagnostic services, significant efforts are underway to establish SMC as a key diagnostic center. There is a strong emphasis on attracting CSR partners to engage with SMC CU.



Empowered Committee Takes Charge in Hodko

Since April 2024, the Empowered Committee Hodko, revitalized under the leadership of Chairperson Preeti D Shroff, CEO Vikas Vaze, Dr. Gaurang, and members from Agrocel and SMC Hodko, has been actively identifying key focus areas by highlighting existing gaps in the system. The committee has pinpointed several crucial areas for improvement.

- SMCs to work on areas which have gaps in healthcare with the support of RKPH
- Focus will be on health checkups in industrial areas. Approximately, 1200 employees underwent health checkups in April and June 2024.
- Focus is to handle industrial accident cases, developing protocols, training staff in handling emergencies.
- Update diagnostic centre with machines and manpower so that maximum cases can be handled in-house.
- To establish help desk to avail government schemes
- Rotary Club of Kutch has come forward to partner with SFT to eliminate anemia. The two-year program will involve adolescents, pregnant and lactating women.
- Efforts are on to build hostels and staff quarters in SMC Hodko to avail the support of doctors and medical staff 24/7.

Acknowledgment and Gratitude: Building on Collective Success

As we look ahead to the coming year, SFT is poised to drive forward through innovations and technological advancements, reinforcing our unwavering commitment to the community. Our focus will be on expanding our impactful initiatives and dedicating more resources to the regions of Dediapada (Narmada) and Kutch. By harnessing cutting-edge technologies and innovative approaches, we aim to enhance our projects' effectiveness and reach, ensuring sustainable development and improved quality of life for the communities we serve. Together with our dedicated team, partners, and stakeholders, we will continue to build on our successes, addressing emerging challenges and creating a brighter, more sustainable future for all.

Spotlight of 2023-24: Trainings and Events



Empower, Engage, Elevate

Empowering communities: Government Officials, facilitated by SFT, led the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, in which 950 villagers from 8 villages were trained on availing of government Rural Development Schemes through online applications in Chhotaudepur between Dec 12 and 25, 2023.



Capturing a moment of reflection and ambition at the SGS 16th Annual General Body Meeting on June 19, 2024 at Chhotaudepur, where we celebrated last year's achievements and set our sights on ambitious targets for the upcoming year.



Nurses' Day celebration at RKPH with our dedicated team of doctors and nurses, honoring their invaluable contributions and commitment to patient care.



Geriatric care wing was inaugurated at RKPH, Kalali to provide dedicated care for elders



Samaj Shilpis engage in an interactive two-day training program at VIVEC on May 10, 2024. Guided by our in-house management team and board of trustees, they honed their skills in conducting effective focus group discussions, communication strategies, and ethical practices to serve the community.



Governance and Sharing



Prominent Visitors

Sr. No	Date	Name	Organization
1	12.04.2023	Mr. Manish Tayal	JCB India Limited
2	21.04.2023	Mr. Darshan Deore	NABARD
3	21.04.2023	Mr. Suchit Kumar	NABARD
4	26.04.2023	Mr. Vinod Chauhan	Kotak Bank
6	20.05.2023	Mr. Supreet Singh Gulati	DSAG-Gandhinagar
7	12.06.2023	Mr. Bharat Shrimali	Nabard
8	22.06.2023	Mr. Sanjay Bhatt	GACL
9	26.06.2023	Mr. Ajith Nandakumar	Saint Gobain
10	04.07.2023	Mr. Ananat Vardhan	NABARD
11	20.07.2024	Mr. Rahul Bhadoria	CARE India
12	17.08.2023	Mr. Brajesh K Chaudhary	Sun Pharmaceutical Ind. Ltd
13	08.09.2023	Dr. Sujata Despande	Thermax Foundation
14	06.09.2023	Mr. Shekar Krishnamurty	Saint Gobain
15	21.09.2024	Mr. Shailendra Singh	ITC Limited
16	22.09.2024	Mr. Nilesh Chavda	AAU Anand
17	13.10.2023	Dr. Chintamani Pai	NASA Insightseer
18	26.10.2023	Mr. Money Jose	Rishi FIBC Solution Pvt.Ltd
19	05.10.2023	Ms. Sapna Purohit	Sun Pharma
20	27.11.2023	Mr. A.R. Shasthi	ITI Tarshali Vadodara
21	06.09.2023	Mr. Bharat Mehta	Dean, KVK
22	03.02.2024	Mr. Piyush C Patel	Rotary Club

Programs during 2023-24



Our Credentials

- Registered under Bombay Public Trust Act 1950, Reg. No.: E-2818/Vadodara dated 05.12.1980
- PAN No.: AAATS5947A
- GST No.: 24AAATS5947A1ZP
- Registered with Ministry of Home Affairs under Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act 1976, on 14/12/1999; Reg. No.: 041960094 valid till 30.09.2028
- Registered with office of the Commissioner Income-Tax, Baroda under section 12 (A) (a) of the Income Tax Act 1961, vide Registration No. AAATS5747AE19815 valid till 31.03.2026
- Registered under section 80-G of Income Tax vide Registration No. AAATS5947AF20084 valid till 31.03.2026
- Approval of Registration of the Entities for undertaking CSR Activities and Registration No. is CSR0000276
- Registered with NGO Darpan-NITI Ayog, Government of India; Reg. No. GJ/2009/0011487
- Accredited by Credibility Alliance, New Delhi for 'Minimum Norms' for 'Good Governance of Voluntary Organization'; Certificate No.: CA/53/2015 valid up to date 02-Dec-2020

Name and Addresses of Bankers:

State Bank of India
Atladara Branch,
At & Post Atladara,
Tal. & Dist. Vadodara – 390012.

State Bank of India
Chhotaudepur Branch,
At & Post Chhotaudepur,
Tal. & Dist. Chhotaudepur – 391165

State Bank of India - Dediapada Branch
At & Post Dediapada,
Tal. Dediapada – 391510. Dist. Narmada

State Bank of India-Bhuj Branch
Old Dhatia Falia, Station Road
Bhuj – 370001. Dist. Bhuj

State Bank of India-Jarod Branch
At & Post Jarod,
Tal. Waghodia – 391510. Dist. Vadodara

Indian Overseas Bank- Kalali Branch,
At & Post Kalali,
Tal. & Dist. Vadodara – 390012.

Baroda Gujrat Gramin Bank-Dediapada Branch
Nivalda, The. Dediapada,
Dist. Narmada

Bank of Baroda-Chhotaudepur Branch
Opp. Kusum Sagar, Raj Mahal Road,
Chhotaudepur-391165, Dist. Chhotaudepur

Bank of Baroda-Sagbara Branch
Sagbara, Dediapada-393050
Dist. Narmada

Names and Addresses of Auditors

Statutory Auditors: Internal Auditors:

Amar Shah & Associates,
Chartered Accountants
40, Vikas Nagar Society,
Old Padra Road,
Vadodara-390020

Mahesh Udhvani & Associates,
Chartered Accountants,
3rd Floor, Satyam Building,
Opp. Old Vuda Office, Fatehgunj,
Vadodara-390024

List of Trustees

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Sex	Designation in Trust Board	Profession	No. of Years in Profession	Number of years as Trustee	Relationship with Other Trustees
1	Shri A. M. Tiwari,	M	Chairman	IAS- Retd	37	7	Individual
2	Smt. Shruti A. Shroff	F	Managing Trustee	Social Worker	36	34	Shroff Family Member
3	Shri R. K. Sama	M	Trustee	IFS -Retd	55	20	Individual
4	Shri Atul G. Shroff	M	Trustee	Industrialist/ Social Worker	56	34	Shroff Family Member
5	Shri N. Sukumar	M	Trustee	Industrialist	51	15	Individual
6	Shri Milin K. Mehta	M	Trustee	Accountant, Tax Consultant, Industrialist	34	6	Individual
7	Dr. Ashit M. Shah	M	Trustee	Urologist	23	6	Individual
8	Shri Ninad D. Gupte	M	Trustee	Management Consultant	36	7	Individual
9	Smt. Preeti D. Shroff	F	Trustee	Social Worker	21	6	Shroff Family Member
10	Shri Mukesh Patel	M	Treasurer & Trustee	Social Worker	56	5	Individual

Details of Board Meetings Held In Year 2023-24

Sr. No.	Name of Trustee	No. of Meetings Attended	12th July 2023	26th August 2023	24th November 2023	23rd February 2024
1	Shri A. M. Tiwari	4	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
2	Smt. Shruti A. Shroff	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	
3	Shri Mukesh Patel	4	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Shri R. K. Sama, IFS	4	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
5	Shri N. Sukumar	2	Yes			
6	Smt. Preeti D. Shroff	1			Yes	
7	Dr. Ashit M. Shah	1	Yes			
8	Shri Ninad D. Gupte	3	Yes		Yes	Yes
9	Shri Milin K. Mehta	0				
10	Shri Atul G. Shroff	3		Yes	Yes	Yes
TOTAL			7	5	8	5

Different Committees for Governance and Guiding the Divisions

Empowered Committee:

Trustees of SFT, Shri R K Sama, Shri Mukesh Patel, Mrs Shruti Shroff, Mrs Preeti Shroff and Mr Atul Shroff are members of the committee, Shri A M Tiwari, Chairman is an invitee for his valuable inputs. The empowerment committee undertakes the major policy decisions, large scale purchases, new developments along with the major issues. In the year 2022-23, 12 EC meetings were held to undertake the policy decisions.

Other Committees Schedule on Quarterly Basis to Undertake the Division Specific Subjects

Committee	Members	Committee	Members
Audit Committee	Trustees of SFT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shri Milin Mehta, • Shri Ninad Gupte • Shri R.K. Sama • Shri Mukesh Patel 	Education & Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shri A.M Tiwari • Shri R.K Sama • Shri Atul Shroff • Smt. Shruti Shroff
Medical & Public Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shri N Sukumar • Dr. Ashit Shah • Smt. Shruti Shroff 	Development & Livelihood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Shruti Shroff • Mr R. K. Sama • Mr A.M. Tiwari

Core Group and Division Heads of Shroffs Foundation Trust

Sr. No.	Divisions	Names	Designations	Contact No
1	Head Office	Shri Vikas Vaze	Chief Executive Officer	9737195000
2		Shri Dhairyapalsinh Maharaul	General Manager	9427118914
3		Shri Parshad Desai	Assistant General Manager (Accounts & Finance)	6356644400
4	Social Research & Development	Dr. Krithika Sundaram	Manager- SR&D	9427118916
5	Medical and Public Health	Dr. A. C. Bhavsar	Medical Superintendent	9427118915
6		Dr. Gaurang Ranapurwala	Assistant General Manager (Hospital Administration)	9427118906
7	Development and Livelihood	Shri Girish Pathak	Assistant General Manager (Development & Livelihood)	9427118913
8		Shri Mahendra Patel	Center Manager Dediapada (Development & Livelihood)	9427118909
		Shri Rajsi Karmur	Center Manager - Chottaudepur	
9	Education & Training	Shri Prashant Badiger	Director-VIVEC	9428005097

Accountability and Transparency

No remuneration, sitting fees, any form of compensation or reimbursement have been paid to any Board Members of SFT.

Distribution of Team According To Salary Level

Salary Distribution 2022-23	
Salary bar	No. of staff
8000-10000	0
10001-20000	75
20001-30000	58
30001-40000	14
40001-50000	10
50001- MORE	17
TOTAL STAFF	174

Remuneration of Three Highest & Lowest Paid Staff Members and Their Positions (Per Month as on 31st March 2024)

A. Highest

1) Shri Vikas Vaze, Chief Executive Officer	INR 4,73,552/month
2) Dr. Ashutosh Bhavsar, Medical Superintendent	INR 3,17,737/month
3) Shri Prashant Badiger, Director – VIVEC Paldi	INR 1,57,450/month

B. Lowest

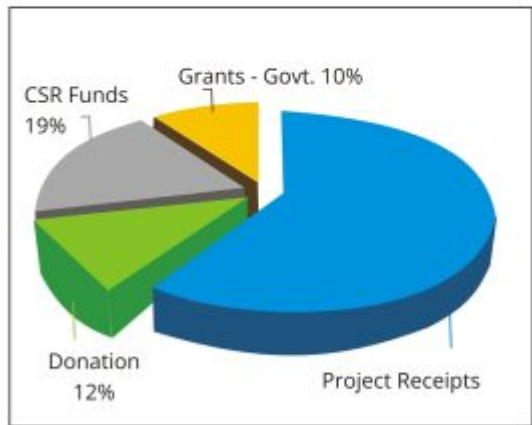
1. Ms. Siddhi Bhoi – Billing Cum Receptionist, SMC- CU	INR 10,142/month
2. Mr. Himanshu Vasava – Technician Multipurpose, D&L - Dediapada	INR 10,251/month
3. Ms. Priyanka Bhatti - Demonstrator (BSA) cum Warden, VIVEC Paldi	INR 10,751/month

TEAM DETAILS (as on 31st March, 2023)

Category	Male	Female	Total
Confirm	51	22	73
Contract	52	49	101
Total	103	71	174

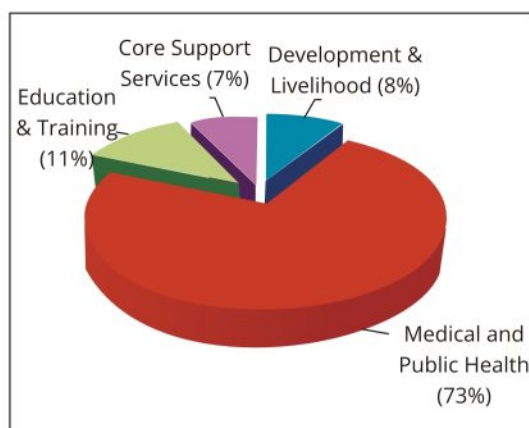
Financial Achievements

Sources of Fund



Sources of Fund during the Financial Year 2023-24

Major Sources	Year 2023-24	Year 2022-23	
	Rs. in Lakhs	(0%)	Rs. in Lakhs (0%)
Project Receipts	1309.6	59%	1,432.28 64%
Donation	260.96	12%	231.64 10%
CSR Funds	412.18	19%	473.69 21%
Grants - Govt.	218.80	10%	98.46 4%
Total	2201.54	100%	2236.07 100%
Grants - NABARD	262.46		366.65
Total	2464.00		2602.72



Financial Achievement during the Financial Year 2023-24

Projects (Rs. in Lakhs)	Year 2023-24		Year 2022-23	
	Rs. in Lakhs	(0%)	Rs. in Lakhs	(0%)
Development & Livelihood	194.16	8%	200.41	8%
Medical and Public Health	1,668.06	73%	1,722.71	72%
Education & Training	263.52	11%	306.38	13%
Core Support Services	167.90	7%	149.96	6%
Total Work Excluding Capex	2,293.64	100%	2,379.46	100%
Capital Expense - MPH	320.56		370.89	
Capital Expense - Others	27.66		10.06	
Total Work Including Capex	2,641.86		2,760.41	
Funds Utilized through Village Development Committee	228.14		331.45	
Convergence with other programs	980.28		784.47	
Total Work Including Linkages	3,850.28		3,876.33	

** Note: Convergence not a part of Fund Deployment

Overall work Value (Rs. in Lakhs) for 2023-24	OPEX	CAPEX	Convergence	VDC	Total	
	Rs. in Lakhs	Rs. in Lakhs	Rs. in Lakhs		Rs. in Lakhs	(%)
Development & Livelihood	194.16	-	980.28	228.14	1402.58	36%
Medical and Public Health	1668.06	320.56	-	-	1,988.62	52%
Education & Training	263.52	-	-	-	263.52	7%
Core Support Services	167.90	27.66	-	-	195.56	5%
Total Work	2,293.64	348.22	980.28	228.14	3850.28	100%

In Kind Donation Received F.Y. 2023-24

Sr. No.	Name of Donor	Details of Donation	Nos
1.	Mr. Vijaybhai D Chauhan	Fowler Bed - 1 nos	1
2.	i3 Vertical India	Used Computer System-20 nos	20
3.	Mr. Trushar Shah	Commod Chair	1
4.	Mr. Trushar Shah	Wheel Chair	1
5.	Smt. Kalpanaben H Bhatt	Grain Material	
6.	Smt. Jasmine C Shah	Walker -1no, Waking Stick -1 no, Bedpan -1 no, Urine Container -4 no	7
7.	AIS Business Solutions Pvt. Ltd	Dell Laptop -6no	6
8.	Shri Tarunbhai Parmar	Wheel Chair -1 no Walker-1 no	2
9.	Shri Mukundbhai Patel	Oxygen Concentrated - 1 no	1
10.	Shri Tusharbhai Dayal	Portable Suction Machine - 1 no, Nebulizer Machine - 1 no, BP Instrument - 1 no, 2 Slicer Toaster - 1 no, Airbed With Motor - 1 no, DVD Pump - 1 no, Ultrasonic Humidifier - 1 no, Light Lamp - 1 no, Coviden - 1 no, Wheelchair Ramp - 1 no, Gym foot and ball - 1 no, Bed - 1 no, Commod chair - 1 no, Wheelchair - 1 no, Tilt blet - 1 no, Foot Drop - 1 no	16
11.	Shri Hardikbhai Patel	Wheel Chair -1 no, Walker- 2 no, Walking Stick - 1 no	4

Our Partners and Supporters

Government Departments

1. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) RO-Gujarat
2. Bharat Rural Livelihood Foundation, New Delhi
3. Department of Health and Family Welfare, Gandhinagar
4. Dy. Director, Animal Husbandry – Chhotaudepur, Narmada, Kachchh
5. District Agriculture Officer – Vadodara and Chhotaudepur
6. District Collectors – Vadodara, Kachchh and Chhotaudepur
7. District Health Office – Vadodara, Kachchh, Chhotaudepur, Narmada
8. District Panchayat - Vadodara, Kachchh and Chhotaudepur

List of Donors F.Y. 2023-24

Sr	Names of Donors	Amount Rs.
1	Shroff Family Charitable Trust	10,500,000
2	Agrocel Industries Private Limited	5,000,000
3	Thermax Foundation	2,089,000
4	Shri Karan Harishbhai Amin	1,000,000
5	Shri Ninad Gupte	885,000
6	Shri Rajeshbhai K Ganvit	840,000
7	Shri Atul Govindji Shroff	751,000
8	Shri Tushar Charandas Dayal	500,000
9	Smt. Hiral Tushar Dayal	500,000
10	Dr Ashit Shah	300,000
11	Shri Suresh Somabhai Nizama	300,000
12	Dhanlaxmi Lifters	260,000
13	Transpek Industry Limited	251,001
14	Shri Mihirkumar Pinakin Shah	250,000
15	Shri Pushkar Ninad Gupte	250,000
16	Shri Chandrahas Dayal	200,000
17	Shri Rameshkumar Surendranath Sama	200,000
18	Shri Ashwinkumar Pandya	180,000
19	Miss Kavya Manishi Bhatt	100,000
20	Ms Hina Bhatt	100,000
21	Pesticides Manufacturers & Formulators Association of India	100,000
22	Shri Anand Mohan Tiwari	100,000
23	Shri Anujkumar Poddar	100,000
24	Shri Bhanubhai Motibhai Purani	100,000
25	Shri Bhupendrabhai Makwana	100,000
26	Shri Kiranbhai Avchitbhai Dhavale	100,000
27	Shri Manishi Rasiklal Bhatt	100,000
28	Shri Sunil Murlimanohar Kabra	100,000
29	Shri Vijaykumar Nizama	100,000
30	Smt. Panna Manishi Bhatt	100,000
31	Smt. Shruti Atul Shroff	100,000
32	Shri Vikas Vaze	60,000
33	Global water management consultants	52,500
34	Smt. Abha Sunil Kabra	51,000
35	Transchem Agritech Private Limited	42,000
36	Shri Hirabhai Ashabhai Patel Charitable Trust	35,000
37	Shri B K Agarwal	31,000
38	Shri Rajesh Bhagwandas Sampat	30,000
39	Bala Vegetable Farm and Nursery Mogar	27,750
40	Shri Sanjay Chandorkar	25,000
41	Shri Virendra P Rathod	25,000
42	Smt. Jasmine Shah	25,000
43	Shri Bharaat Parikh	22,500

Sr	Names of Donors	Amount Rs.
44	Shri G Narayana / G Sujana Devi	21,000
45	Shri Sanjay Dholakia	21,000
46	Shri Shakti Mehta	21,000
47	Shri Maheshsingh Bisht	15,000
48	Shri Patel Kantibhai S	11,000
49	Shri Sunil Anilbhai Mistry	11,000
50	Ms Pratibha Ravindra Patel	7,500
51	Smt. Manisha Verma	7,500
52	Shri Parthik Patel	6,000
53	Smt. Hiral Ujjwal Sinha	6,000
54	Shri Niraj S Parikh	5,000
55	Shri Paresh Ratilal Padaria	5,000
56	Shri Sandip Jitendrabhai Shah	5,000
57	Smt. Trupti S Shah	4,000
58	Smt. Sindhu M Menon	3,000
59	Shri Bhaveshbhai Jashvantbhai Bamaniya	2,500
60	Shri Jiteshkumar J Parmar	2,500
61	Shri Naishadhkumar Vasantlal Thakkar	2,500
62	Shri Negandhi Prabhudas N	2,500
63	Shri Praful Prabhakar Harshe	2,500
64	Smt. Priti Mehta	2,500
65	Shri Krunalkumar Jyotishkumar Patel	2,000
66	Shri Makbulhusen Zakirbhai Rathod	2,000
67	Smt. Kruti Abhay Trivedi	2,000
68	Smt. Akhileshwari M Vaidya	1,000
69	Shri Narendra P Kanzariya	502
70	Shri Hiren Jayantilal Joshi	500
71	Shri Yusuf Ibrahim Gorji	500
72	Smt. Kruti Abhay Trivedi	500
Total		26,155,753

Summary of Donation F.Y. 2023-24

Sr. No.	Purpose	Amount (Rs.)
1.	SFT General/ Trust Activities	12,090,501
2.	Poor Patient Fund	909,002
3.	SMC Hodko Building Expansion	1,000,000
4.	Agriculture Diversification	5,778,750
5.	Geriatric Care	157,000
6.	Hospital Equipment	1,500,000
7.	Skill Development	2,089,000
8.	Vivec Maint. Fund	2,460,000
9.	One Day Meal	171,500
TOTAL		26,155,753

9. Food and Drugs Department, Vadodara and Kachchh
10. Commissioner, Rural Development, Gandhinagar
11. Tribal Development Department & Development Support Agency of Gujarat (D-SAG), Gandhinagar
12. Tribal Sub Plan office, Chhotaudepur, Narmada
13. Krushi Vigyan Kendra, Vadodara, Narmada & Dahod-Gujarat-Jhabua - MP
14. Water & Sanitation management Organisation (WASMO)
15. National Jal Jeevan Mission, New Delhi
16. Water and Sanitation Support Organization, (WSSO) Rajsthan
17. Superintendent Engineer Public Health Engineering Circle, Dungarpur, Rajsthan
18. Bhaskar acharya Institute for Space Applications and Geo-informatics (BISAG)

Civil Society Organizations-

1. All India Artisans and Craft workers Welfare Association (AIACA), New Delhi
2. Alpha Foundation, Vadodara
3. Aruna Abhey Oswal Trust, Noida
4. Baroda Citizens Council, Vadodara
5. Baroda Management Association, Vadodara
6. Federation of Gujarat Industries, Vadodara
7. India Renal Foundation, Vadodara
8. Jalaram Blood Bank, Vadodara
9. K. G. Patel Children Hospital, Vadodara
10. Lions Clubs of Baroda Stadium, Tarsali and Bhuj
11. Rotary Club of Baroda Metro, Vadodara
12. Shrujan Trust, Bhujodi, Kachchh
13. The Nalanda Foundation, Mumbai
14. United Way of Baroda, Vadodara
15. UNICEF, Gujarat & Rajsthan
16. Shankar Netralaya- Mogar- Anand
17. Bhojay Sarvodaya Trust Hospital- Kachchh

Academic Institutions-

1. Agriculture Universities – Anand, Navsari
2. GSFC University, Vadodara
3. Gujarat Dindayal Petroleum University, Gandhinagar
4. Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad
5. Institute of Rural Management (IRMA), Anand
6. Tata Institute for Social Science- Mumbai
7. Navrachana University, Vadodara
8. Parul University-Vadodara

9. Sardar Patel University, Anand
10. The Maharaja Sayajirao University, Vadodara
11. Mudra Institute of Communications, Ahmedabad
12. Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies - Mumbai
13. Several Gram Vidyapiths

Corporate-

1. Aditya Birla Insulators-Grasim Industries Ltd., Vadodara
2. Agrocel Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bhuj - Kachchh
3. Arvind Mill Ltd. Ahmedabad
4. AIS Business Solutions Pvt Ltd. Vadodara
5. Gujarat Alkalies & Chemicals Ltd., Vadodara
6. Gujarat Guardian Ltd., Ankleshwar
7. Gujarat State Fertilizer Company, Vadodara
8. GSFC Agrotech Limited (GATL), Vadodara
9. Kem-Tron Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Vadodara
10. Koch-Glitsch Chemical Technology Group India Pvt. Ltd.
11. Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd., Vadodara
12. Transchem Agritech Pvt. Ltd., Vadodara
13. Transpek Industry Ltd., Vadodara
14. Transpek - Silox Industry Pvt. Ltd., Vadodara
15. Voltamp Transformers Ltd., Vadodara
16. INOX India Pvt. Ltd.
17. L&T Heavy Engineering
18. JCB India- Halol
19. Siemens Healthcare Pvt. Ltd
20. Prayosha Expo Pvt. Ltd
21. Anshul Speciality Molecules Private Limited
22. Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd
23. Lady Bomford Charitable Trust (LBCT)
24. Excel Industries Ltd
25. Kaddilac Chemical Pvt. Ltd
26. Sumitomo Chemical India Ltd
27. Gastro Intestinal Live Foundation for Research & Treatment of Cancers
28. Standard Radiators Private Limited
29. GACL Education Society
30. Thermax Foundation
31. Grindwell Norton Limited (Saint Gobain)
32. State Bank of India

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"Alone we can do so little.

Together we can do so much."

- Helen Keller



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