

1ST QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER 2022

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Once in a barren land of 7 acres, now building a regenerative farm training centre to train farmers. As we are achieving every single milestones one by one, it give us a great motivation. As of now we have built a nursery shed structure and did a boring for water irrigation. But we have to go very long to achieve our mission where we can show the model of regenerative farms.

In this journey, we did collaboration with organizations, institutions, colleges and individual farmers and looking for more collaborations to build the centre. We would like to share our 4th Quarterly Newsletter of 2021-22. I will also request you to share this to those who may can benefit from this.

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Key Activities

SETUP OF NURSERY'S STRUCTURE

Imagine a dome made by school dropped out youngsters for the community service with a creative and unique design. This is how we done our first nursery dome designing by school dropped out students of Vigyan Ashram, Pabal to construct the dome and learn it. These students are currently enrolled in Vigyan Ashram to do Diploma in Basic Rural Technology. This is how we are reaching our goal of creating an unique Regenerative Organic Farming Training Centre.



COMPLETED PERMACULTURE CRASH COURSE

We have completed the crash course on "Permaculture" successfully on 26th & 27th January. In this course, 11 participants participated actively. The session was very interactive where participants also engaged along with lecture. This helped them to learn the permaculture in effective way. To deliver this course we got the support of Snehal Trivedi.



RESEARCH ON INDEGINOUS CROPPING SYSTEM DESIGN

AGRO RANGERS has entered in to the research field on "Exploratory research on mixed indigenous cropping system design" with the support of WASSAN organization. We conducted this research in Wafgaon, Kharpudi Budruk, Kharpudi Khurd, Dhamari village, Kaldari and Bahireadi. In this research we interacted with farmers, old age farmers to understand their practices in farming before Green revolution and even after green revolution. To collect the information, we also collaborated with Indradhanusha Youth Social Foundation.



FINDINGS OF THE RESEARCH

With the objective of understanding mixed indigenous cropping we were also looking the intercropping patterns to cover the land for whole year, which can help in regenerating the land. From old farmers we were able to document the name of the varieties of millets and cereals which is highly resistant in drought prone zone. During this survey, we came across a very interesting concept well known in this area - "Bardhanya". "Bardhanya" represents 12 types of crops that generally takes care of food security and nutrition security of farmers' families in drought conditions for a year.

SHOWCASING OUR WORK IN KVK BARAMATI

We have showcased our work in front of Pawar family and 12 MP from different states on the opening ceremony of Science Park in KVK Baramati. We are working on tackling malnutrition with Indradhanusha Youth Social Foundation for developing content to train farmers in growing millets. Mahesh Londhe is making value added product from different types of millets and we are planning to grow millets in upcoming monsoon season with natural and organic farming methodology. We had detailed discussion on malnutrition topic with MP Supriya Sule and how we can empower farmers through millets.



PRESENTATION INFRONT OF WASSAN AND RRA NET.

After collecting the data on indigenous mix cropping system, AGRO RANGERS got the chance to present findings in front of the WASSAN and RRA Network. In this presentation, we showcased the indigenous seeds used by farmers practising the "Bardhanya" cropping system. The system we found out in our area was "Bardhanya" crops grows in the rainfed area. This workshop also helped us to understand how to collect information and publish the research paper on collected data. WASSAN will soon publish the collective research paper on data collected from different states of India.

OUR WORK HAS BEEN COVERED BY ACCESS AGRICULTURE

Access Agriculture finally published AGRO RANGERS story of 25 farmer's group of co-operatives. In this video they shown that how we harvest and then deliver to customer directly. To increase the number of farmer how we organize the visit of customers on farm to connect them with nature. Click here to watch the video-



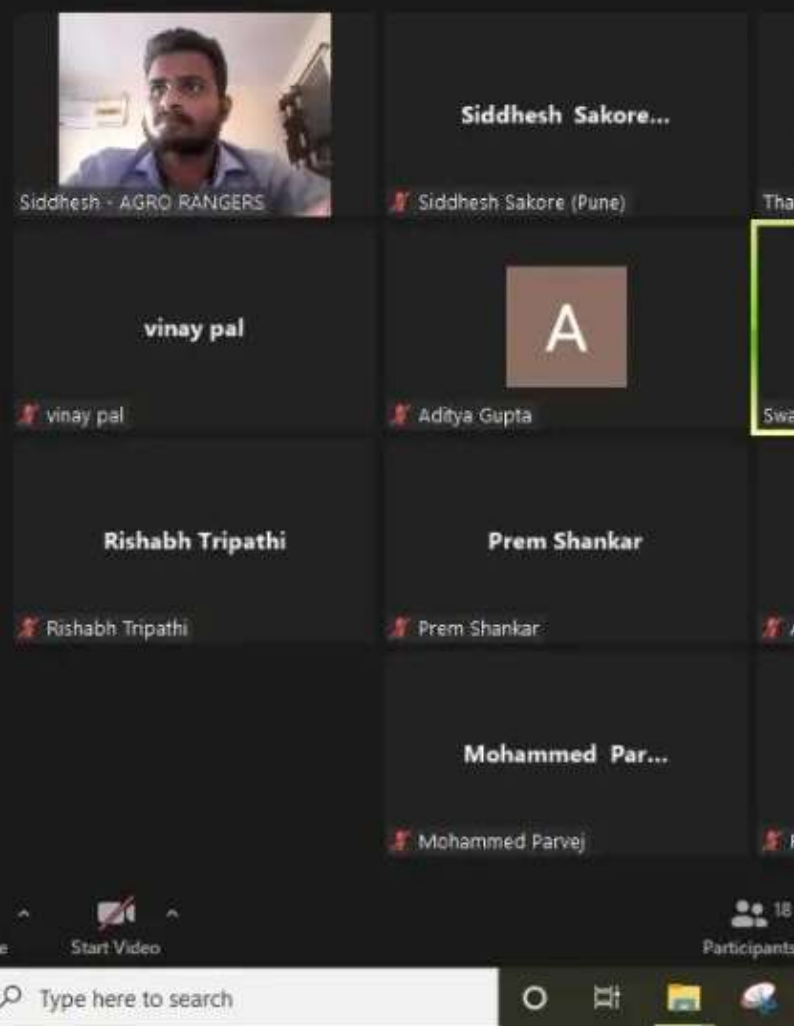
RESILIENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

Founder of **AGRO RANGERS**, Siddhesh Sakore has been honoured to receive the 'Resilient Leadership Award' from Connecting Dreams Foundation. This is a great recognition for AGRO RANGERS team and supporters.



SELECTED FOR PROJECT ASHA WITH LONDON BUSINESS SCHOOL

We have been selected to be the cohort of Project Aasha for High impact volunteering with the students from London Business School. Under this program, we will be connected with a team of 4-5 volunteers from London Business School and they would be working with AGRO RANGERS over 3 months. They will be pertained in the strategic work input and developing organizational strategies.



PARTNERSHIP WITH MEDHA FOR INTERNSHIP

AGRO RANGERS have signed a partnership agreement with the Medha organization. Around 20 students will be getting an opportunity to complete their internship program with AGRO RANGERS through an online mode. On this platform, students will be enabled to get exposure to regenerative organic farming practices and a chance to build up their team management, communication and entrepreneur skills contributing to their career growth.

NEXT 3 MONTHS PLAN

Next three months plan-

- 1.To set up training space for conducting workshops and trainings.
- 2.To start implementing 'bardhnaya' mix cropping model at our farm.
- 3.To start preparing compost at our farm.
- 4.To plant native forest saplings after first monsoon rain.



"Thank you so much to all partner organizations and supporters who made our work possible. We believe one day we will achieve our vision of rejuvenating soil and improving farmer's life. I would like to invite you to be part of our journey by contributing financially, volunteering and in collaboration.

-Siddhesh Sakore (Founder and Director)

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