

Annual Report for the Year 2020 - 2021

PREAMBLE

NIWAD Trust is very proud to present the Annual report at this pleasant occasion. We have achieved a lot with the support of Managing body, staffs, Donors and well wishers.

Programs carried over by the organization

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT / CONSUMER AWARENESS

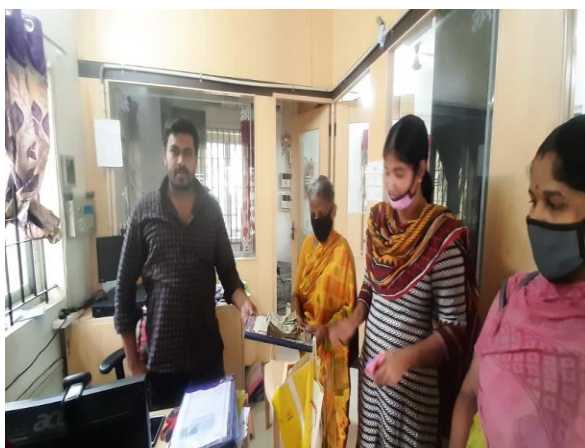
We have conducted Capacity Building Training, Leadership Training, Income generation training, making participation in social evils and community development works with the participation of local people in the villages. We have formed Women 200 women SHGs in Salem, Ayodhyapatnam, Kolathur Veerapandi and Panamarathupatti Mecheri blocks of Salem District.

Two Women leaders have been selected from each village to act as representative in Village Education Committee, Poverty Eradication Program of State Government and National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme.

Capacity building Training with the support of NABARD



JLGs Capacity building training at Ayothiyapattinam Block – Special address by DDM NABARD



The program supported by NABARD as JLGPI ,we are romoting activity based JLGs to farm and non farm sectors and so for 5500 beneficiaries were availed repeated credit and setup their micro enterprises.

SKILL TRAINING PROGRAM

NIWAD facilitated for skill training to SHG women and Youth under Garments making, Agro based activities, Poultry, Milch Animals, Agriculture activity on vermi compost, Azola, Livestock Improvement, floriculture, Plant cultivation, herbal plantation, Nursery raising, Food products packages and sales and other marketing and bargaining skills. The resource persons from KVK and other departments addressed and trained the participants.

ANIMATORS AND REPRESENTATIVE TRAINING AND SHG MEMBERS' TRAINING & ENTREPRENEURS DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

We conducted A&R training, EDP and SHG members training to the members and leaders of SHGs. The community Resource person trained the participants. They discussed and interacted are Group dynamic, Role and responsibilities of SHG members Representatives, Book keeping, Maintenance of registers, Group auditing, Bank Linkages,

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE TRAINING

The training given to the farmers on organic farming, techniques, inputs, irrigation, Pest and Disease control, compost management, cultivation methods, crop management, Harvesting, seeds, storage and marketing, Water and soil conservation, water management and demonstration in their model farm established by the State Government. The farmers visited the models created by the horticulture department in organic farm and learned the practices followed in their land. The models are like bunds formation, cropping pattern, composting, Liquid Manure and Pesticide Modules.



ORGANIZED FARMERS' TRAINING

We formed Farmers Club with the support of NABARD in three villages all blocks of Salem District. We organized training on integrated farming system, Livestock development, fodder improvement, Alternative Local Food System, Network of Organic markets, Other commodity based trainings, community managed forest for carbon trade, improving response farming to climate changes, a blend of traditional and improved practices, Farmers Dairy. Our farmers exposed the models and learnt the practices followed in their lands.

AGRO FORESTRY PROGRAMME

- SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION TRAINING
- ENVIRONMENT AND WATER SHED PROGRAM
- AGRO FORESTRY PROGRAM

Formers awarded under TCPL scheme
by Asst. Conservator of Forest



IWMP Integrated Watershed Management Project

The programme includes capacity building, income generation training to the SHGs/farmers / User group beneficiaries in Integrated Watershed Development project areas by participation and community contribution to promote water resource. We are involving the project activity from 2010 onwards with the support of Agriculture.



Livelihood support through Milch Animals at Tribal Village

International women's day programme organized by NIWAD at Nochipatty village with the launched goat rearing scheme operating on a chain link mode with the support of NABARD with an objective to improve the economic condition of every family in the selected village, the bank distributed goats free to the beneficiaries. Five family were given high class breed of goats worth between Rs.12000 to 14000 each NABARD has envisaged to cover a minimum of 100 families under the scheme in the next years.

TRIBAL LIVELIHOOD SUPPORT PROGRAM

Our livelihood support program means to provide sustainable livelihood and reducing vulnerability among tribals there by improving the living standards and conditions of the population in Panamarathupatty and Ayothiapattinam Block of Salem. There by encouraging them for restoration for of ecological balance in the village through sustained community action for the operation and maintenance of assets created. Assistance provided to the families of those who willing to do dairy, agriculture activity floricultures an economic activity that the people are already familiar with and due to its remunerative nature. Assistance offered to SHG members through their village level Federation.



TBGP Tamilnadu biodiversity conservation and greening Project

The Project consists of conducting socio economic survey in prescribed format supplied by the Forest Department , Participatory Rural Appraisal – PRA , Micro Planning , Formation of village Forest council , nursery raising, tree planting , formation of Self Help Groups (SHGs) , promoting small saving and micro credit , income generation training for alternate livelihood , revolving loan fund and recovery , conducting line department campaigns , Water conservation activities ,Percolation pond construction, Creating of social assets , marketing the products and facilitating to implement the programs with the collaboration of forest departments , soil and water conservation, organizing farmers collectives and case study preparation and documentation.

Sustainable Agriculture programme and Solid waste management programme

It is a State Level network organized by our trust sustainable Agriculture, activity involves training support on Integrated farm management to the farmers, fodder hedges, Bio-mass production units, composting , herbal solution preparation and application, orchard forming, small animal rearing, seed banking, household garbage collection, segregation, bunding composting / vermin composting Awareness building on degradable and non degradable watershed management, Green and environment awareness in schools, Commodity interest group formation and collectives .

NIWAD as a POPI Producers Organization Promotion Institution..

We NIWAD promoted with the guidelines of NABARD, in the name of Arunuthumalai Farmers Producers Organization, NIWAD Farmers Producers Organization from (APF), Salem Milk Producers Organization Company Ltd and working as Cluster Promotional organization in EDI for Hand loom and silk Producers Organization in our district.

MSDA ■ Mission on Sustainable Dry Land Agriculture

NIWAD is the facilitating organization in implementing the project in the district of Salem. The project will follow the **participatory approach**, actively involving all sections of the community at every stage with preference to women and other vulnerable groups in the society. This will facilitate sustainability by creating a feeling of ownership for resources created with project assistance. It will also demonstrate effective land use practices on common and private land. Implicit in this approach will be sharing of costs and benefits by beneficiaries. The role of project staff will be to provide technical guidance and facilitate rather than implement. Hence the staff will work towards capacity building of village level institutions to enable them to manage their resources. The project will adopt low cost and farmer friendly interventions directed towards *insitu* conservation of soil and water. A holistic farming systems approach that suits the farm unit/ farming household will be followed. The intention is to demonstrate how appropriate low cost farming practice (land based and household based including animal husbandry interventions) and soil and moisture conservation techniques can improve the condition of marginal and small farmers under dry land condition.

The strategies in the policy for sustainable water management would include interventions such as

- Rainwater harvesting for ground water recharge to stabilize drinking water and irrigation wells in the dry land areas.
- Creation of community water harvesting structures like percolations Ponds, village ponds .
- Scientific use of water by introducing water saving irrigation methods like Drip and Sprinkler irrigation .

Tamil Nadu is one of water stressed States where per capita availability of water is only 750 cubic meter compared to all india average of 2200 cubic meter. There is no perennial river in the State. Out of 48.19 lakh hectares of net area cultivated, 27.26 lakh hectares only gets irrigation. The balance 44% area ie., **20.93 lakh hectares is rainfed**. Dryland agriculture **refers to cultivation of crops entirely dependent on receipt of rainfall**. Dryland areas are characterized by low and erratic rainfall and no assured irrigation facilities. Most of the coarse grain crops, Pulses and Oilseeds are grown in these lands and about 40% of foodgrains come from dryland. Large number of farmers depends on dryland agriculture for their livelihood. Hence, sustainability in dryland farming assumes more importance for the upliftment of the farming community.

CONCLUSION

NIWAD Express its gratitude to the well-wishers for their contribution and support in the implementation of activities the “Just social order”.

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