

THE MONTH IN PICTURES

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“ In this edition of our monthly newsletter, we highlight the achievements and progress of our initiatives in underserved communities. From a farmer securing a third place in a state-level crop yield competition to the launch of the fourth Mobile Medical Van in Alwar, change is taking root on multiple fronts. We also spotlight our capacity-building efforts, including a Training of Trainers (ToT) program that empowered 165 cotton field facilitators in Dhule, and practical agro-horticulture sessions that are helping farmers boost productivity and embrace sustainable practices. Scroll on to see how our on-ground initiatives are driving real impact across communities ”





ABLE Program Farmer Secures Third Prize in Crop Yield Competition

Farmer **Bhikan Baliram Patil**, associated with our ABLE (Agri-Based Livelihood Empowerment) program, has been awarded **Third Prize in the District-Level Crop Yield Competition** (Kharif Season 2024–25) by the Department of Agriculture, Government of Maharashtra. He achieved an impressive yield of **17 quintals** and **48 kilograms** in Bajra (Pearl Millet) cultivation. As a participant of the Lupin Farm School (LFS), Bhikan diligently implemented the recommended Integrated Nutrient Management practices on his farm, contributing to this remarkable achievement.





Strengthening Rural Health: 4th Mobile Medical Van Flagged Off in Alwar

We flagged off our **4th Mobile Medical Van** in Alwar at the Akbarpur Community Health Center in **Umrain block**. The van will provide essential healthcare services including free consultations, medicines and diagnostic tests to underserved communities with limited access to regular medical care. The launch also featured the inauguration of a dedicated Non-Communicable Disease (NCD) Corner, focused on the early detection and management of diabetes, hypertension, cardiovascular diseases and COPD.





ToT Program Empowers Field Facilitators

In collaboration with the Better Cotton Initiative (BCI), a **two-day Training of Trainers (ToT)** program was organized in Dhule district, Maharashtra, bringing together **165 field facilitators** who work closely with over **55,000 cotton farmers** across the region. The intensive training focused on critical mid-season crop practices that significantly impact yield and quality, while also strengthening facilitators' technical knowledge and communication skills to effectively promote sustainable practices within their respective clusters. This capacity-building initiative aims to enhance productivity and foster a resilient, climate-smart cotton ecosystem in the region.





Doordarshan Features Amita Naik's Dairy Enterprise Journey

Amita Naik, a dairy farmer from Hankhane village, Goa, supported by LHWRP, was recently featured on **Doordarshan Goa** for her inspiring entrepreneurial journey. With training, equipment, and guidance provided by LHWRP, Amita transformed her small-scale milk business into successful Adishri brand. She moved from selling raw milk to establishing a **dairy processing unit** equipped with a lassi stirrer, paneer-making machine and sealing kits. Her cattle herd has grown from 10 to 25 cows, producing 150 litres of milk daily. Today, her enterprise regularly sells over 1,000 litres of curd and lassi across Goa.

Watch the full video here: <https://youtu.be/WoJInCkcGBA?si=dwoKBAFVGV-HTqzR>





Integrated Horticulture Initiatives Promote Sustainable Plantation Growth

Our horticulture development efforts are strengthening fruit-based farming across multiple regions by equipping farmers with high-quality saplings and expert technical support. In **Nagpur's** Hingna block, 1,400 mango saplings were supported to 35 farmers. At the **Ankleshwar** center, 30 farmers received 1,500 mango saplings along with inputs like vermicompost, neem cake, and Single Super Phosphate fertilizer. In **Vishakhapatnam**, 28 farmers were supported with a diverse mix of 850 mango, 280 coconut, and 30 cashew saplings. To enhance soil nutrition, farmers in **Sikkim** were provided with bone meal, neem cake, and mycorrhiza. Crop protection measures such as solar fencing were implemented in Nagpur, while in **Jammu**, farmers received lemon and sweet lime saplings. These comprehensive interventions are reinforced through hands-on training, field demonstrations, and continuous follow-ups to ensure robust and sustainable plantation development.





Collaborative Trainings Enhance Agri-Skills for Dhule Farmers

Our ABLE Program in Dhule district recently conducted a comprehensive mid-season kharif training, focusing on advanced crop management practices, including Integrated Pest Management (IPM), Integrated Nutrient Management (INM), and animal healthcare protocols for disease prevention. Simultaneously, **16 sericulture demonstrations** on mulberry cultivation and silkworm rearing are underway for host farmers. Additionally, vermicompost training-cum-demonstrations were organized for farmers in the **Navalnagar cluster**, in collaboration with KVK, AATMA, and the Department of Agriculture promoting sustainable crop diversification and enhancing income opportunities for small and marginal farmers.





Exposure Visit Enhances Farmers Sustainable Dairy Practices

Under the **Atlas Copco** supported Project in Pune, we organized an Exposure Visit and Training Program on **Sustainable Dairy Development** at the Indigenous Cattle Research cum Training Centre, College of Agriculture, Pune. The session engaged **25 farmers**, offering hands-on learning and expert-led discussions. The program aimed to build farmers' capacities in sustainable dairy practices that enhance productivity while promoting environmentally responsible farming methods.





Tushara Shankar Featured in Women Power Listing at Business Innovation Awards

Our CSR Head, **Ms. Tushara Shankar**, was recently honored in the **Women Power Listing** at the 3rd Edition of the **Business Innovation Awards**. These awards recognize individuals and organizations that bring innovative ideas to life.





Bridging health gaps

LHWRF's Lives Program brings essential healthcare directly to marginalized communities through free screenings, affordable medicines, and culturally resonant health education. This focused initiative tackles non-communicable diseases through early detection, timely treatment, and preventive care.

Working alongside public health systems and local stakeholders, the program doesn't just treat illness, it builds lasting change by empowering people with knowledge and tools to create healthier, more resilient communities where everyone has a real chance at a productive life.

Watch the full video here: <https://youtu.be/T0in7GPnL04?si=cb1Dj60nuiN4p-O5>





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