



Community members participating in a plantation drive, restoring local biodiversity.



Nisarg Vidnyan Mandal (NiViM) Nagpur

Annual Activity
Report 2024-25

*Restoring Biodiversity,
Empowering Communities,
and Securing Livelihoods.*

Prepared for CSR Partners,
Government Bodies, and
Stakeholders.

The Year in Numbers: An Ecosystem of Impact



Ecological impact

20,000+ Plants

Planted on CFR and Netravan land.



Land Management

9,385 Hectares

Covered under Community Forest Rights (CFR) across 40 villages.



Economic impact

₹16.7 Lakhs

Generated for community livelihood (Green Tendu Leaf).



Agricultural impact

52 Farmers

Transitioned to organic farming across 90 acres.



Governance impact

34 Gramsabha Meetings

Conducted to strengthen local decision-making.

Key Partners: HDFC Bank | Western Coalfields Ltd (WCL) | Lasenor India | Global Green Grant

Pillar 1: Ecological Restoration – The Soil & The Seed

The Resilience Methodology



Indigenous Knowledge

Collaboration with forest dwellers for seed ID.

Thorny Bush Sowing

Seeds sown within thorny bushes to prevent grazing.



Direct Broadcasting

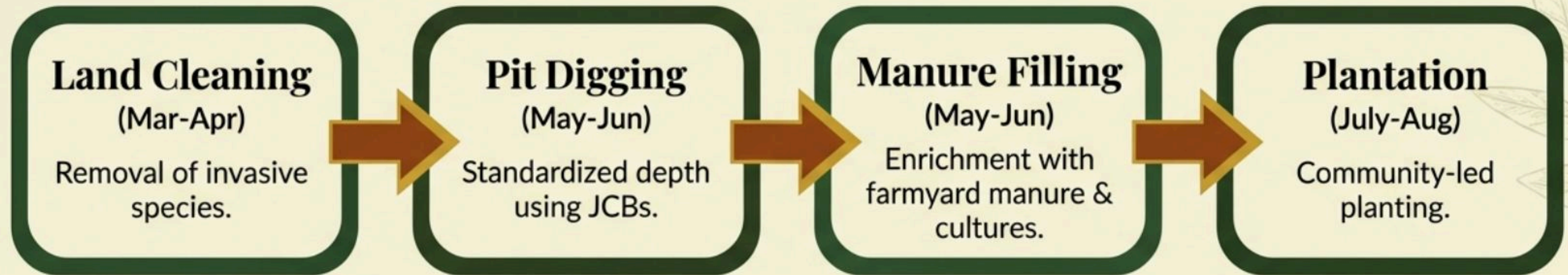
Facilitating large-scale natural regeneration.



Manual labor for soil enrichment in action.

The 'Go Green' Project: Engineering a Green Horizon

20,000+ plants on CFR Gramsabha & NETRAVAN land



Infrastructure Support: HDFC Bank (Plantation) & WCL (Chain Link Fencing / Drip Irrigation)

Pillar 2: Rights & Governance – Strengthening FRA-2006



**Decisions made by the people,
for the forest.**

Key Outcomes

- ✿ 34 Gramsabha meetings held across 21 villages.
- ✿ Creation of village-level conservation & management action plans.
- ✿ Resolutions passed for agroforestry and biodiversity measures.
- ✿ Strengthening participatory governance across 9,385 hectares.

Pillar 3: Sustainable Livelihoods – The Green Tendu Leaf Model



Community members processing Green Tendu Leaves.

Value Impact

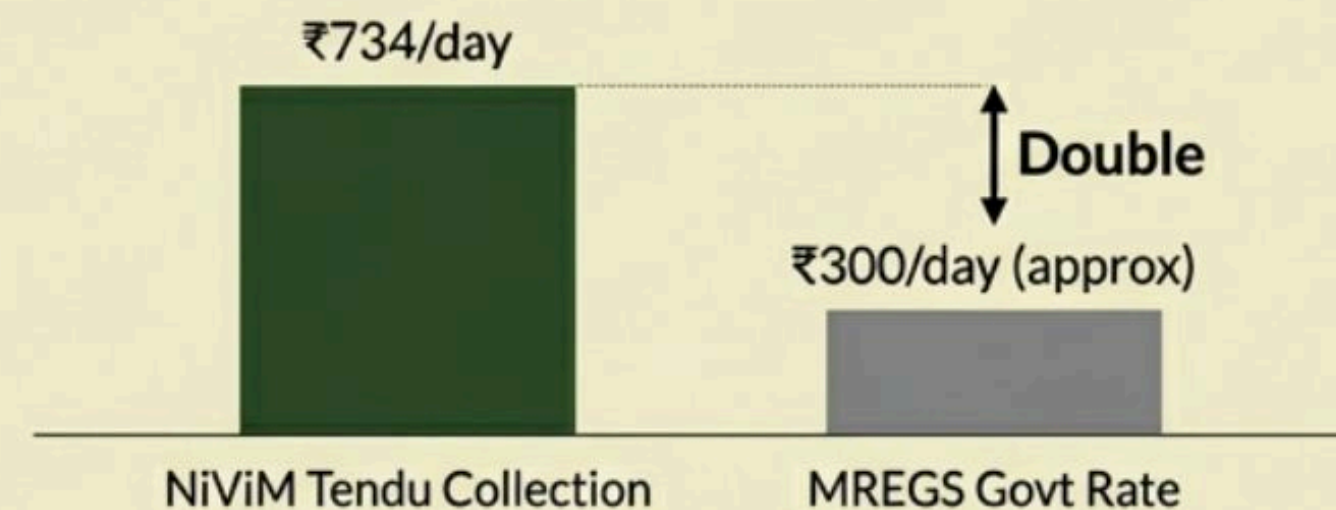
₹16,73,947

Total Earnings distributed
to **228** beneficiaries.

393,870

Bunches collected.

Daily Wage Comparison



Community-led 'Open Tender' process
eliminates middlemen, doubling the standard
daily wage for 9 villages.

Pillar 4: Agriculture Transition – The Organic Farming Project



Community members participating in organic farming field training.

Transformation Stats

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52 Farmers

Transitioned to
chemical-free methods

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90 Acres

Land under organic
cultivation

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Inputs

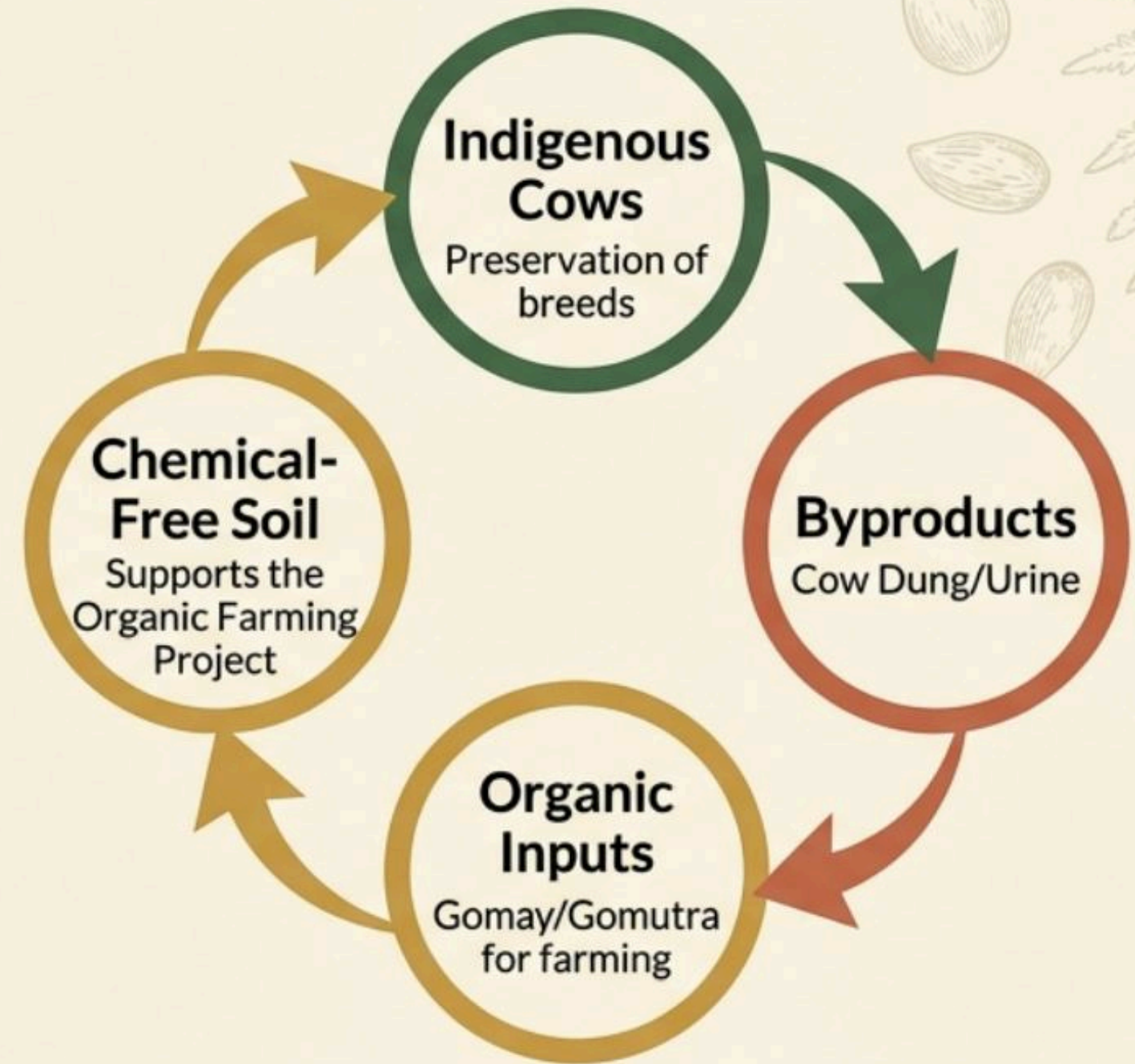
Indigenous seeds &
Gomay manure training

Supported by Bharat Agroecology Fund (BAF) and Global Green Grant (GGG), UK.

Pillar 5: Animal Welfare – Prani Kalyan Ashram



Indigenous white cows at the
NETRAVAN Goshala.



Registered with Animal Welfare Board of India.
Located at NETRAVAN Goshala.

Urban Outreach – World Environment Day 2024



Event: Plant Distribution Drive at Laxmi Bhavan Square, Nagpur.

Date: June 5, 2024.

Guest of Honor: Mrs. Hema Deshpande (Regional Officer, MPCB).

Goal: Sensitizing urban populations to the importance of green cover and the "Green Generation".

Bridging the Urban-Rural Divide

Capacity Building Hub: The NETRAVAN Resource Centre



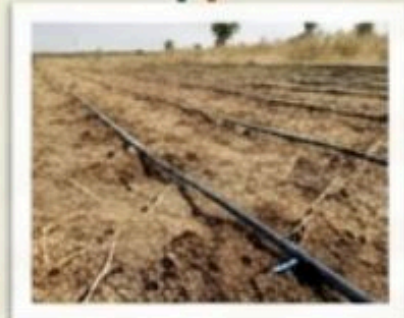
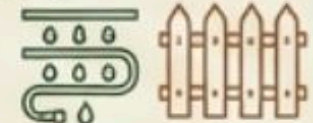
Women participating in a training session at the Resource Centre.

- **FRA & Governance:** 14 trainings for CFRMC members.
- **Livelihoods:** NTFP marketing and skill development for women.
- **Agriculture:** 'Farm Field School' demonstrations.

Training **supported by LASENOR India Ltd (CSR)** focusing on **women and marginal farmers.**



Challenges & Strategic Solutions

The Challenge		The Strategy		The Partner/Tool
Market Volatility for produce. 		Open Tender System & Value Chains. 		Vidarbha Livelihood Forum. 
Water Scarcity & Survival Rates. 		Infrastructure Intervention. 		Drip Irrigation & Fencing (WCL Support). 
Resistance to Organic Methods. 		Demonstration & Exposure. 		Field Farm Schools & Model Farms. 

Partners in Impact

CSR Partners

-  **HDFC Bank Ltd**
(Go Green Plantation)
-  **Western Coalfields Ltd (WCL)** (Infrastructure)
-  **LASENOR India Pvt. Ltd.**
(Livelihood & Women's Empowerment)



Photo-journalistic wend
planting a sapling.

Institutional & Funding Support

-  Global Green Grant (GGG) /
Bharat Agroecology Fund
-  Forest Department
-  Maharashtra Pollution
Control Board (MPCB)
-  Animal Welfare Board
of India

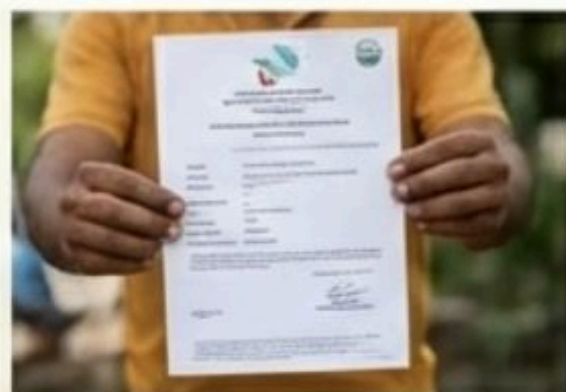


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Future Roadmap: Scaling the NiViM Model



Expand Thorny Bush Sowing



Obtain Organic Certification for farmers



Develop 'Cow-based economy' products like soaps/fertilizers



Grow the Animal Welfare & Conservation network

Scale Ecological Methods



Commercial Validation



Obtain Organic Certification for farmers

Product Innovation



Develop 'Cow-based economy' products like soaps/fertilizers

Network Expansion



Grow the Animal Welfare & farmers, activists, and officials in network.

Vision for a Sustainable Future



“Towards a **future** where **community livelihood** and **forest conservation** grow together. Join us in healing the land and empowering its people.”

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