



SCODWES

(Sahyadri COmmunity Development & Women Empowerment Society)

WE HELP PEOPLE TO HELP THEMSELVES



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Vision

We help People to help themselves for transformation of life with dignity and equality.

Mission

Establish a society that is self-reliant, respectful, dignified living for one and all with abundant opportunities and resources, clean environment all around.

Core Values

- Collaboration
- Enabling
- Equality
- Professionalism
- Integrity
- Compassion

Area of Working

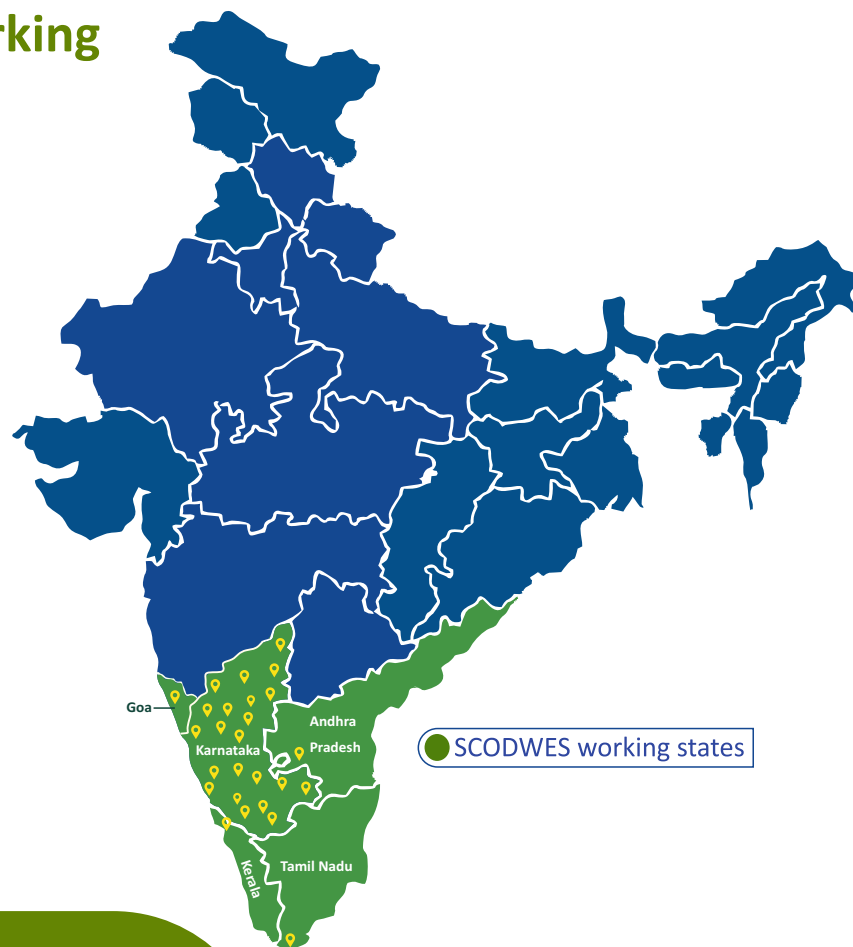


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Introduction



Genesis of SCODWES

SCODWES is the brainchild of visionary leader Dr. Venkatesh Naik. After completing his education, he worked in various sectors but found little fulfilment of aspirations in his roles. Driven by a desire to make a positive impact on society, he founded SCODWES in 2005 alongside like-minded development activists in Sirsi.

Initially, the organization faced challenges in mobilizing the necessary resources, building the network and sustaining the programs striving to contribute to the vision of serving the underserved communities. But with compassion and commitment Dr. Naik and his associates encountered numerous difficulties and developed a professional development institution called SCODWES.

Over the years, SCODWES expanded its thematic focus, team size, presence, and reach to scale its services. The institution now envisions reaching a minimum of 10 million people and providing employment opportunities for over 2000 individuals.

SCODWES is a professional development organization established in 2005 under the Societies Registration Act of 1960 and headquartered at Sirsi, Uttara Kannada district of Karnataka state in India.

Founded on the principles of compassion, empowerment, and collaboration, we strive to uplift marginalized and underserved communities through sustainable programs and initiatives.

With a focus on nine key areas namely health, sustainable agriculture, education, women empowerment, tribal development, resettlement and rehabilitation, youth development, environment and ecology, and research and development, SCODWES engages with communities to identify their unique needs and aspirations. Through collaboration with government departments, corporate agencies and stakeholders we implement holistic solutions that promote self-reliance and resilience among the communities.

SCODWES brings together a diverse group of individuals, including experienced professionals, experts, volunteers, and community members, all working towards a common goal: to foster social, economic, and environmental well-being. Together, the organization creating a brighter future for the least prioritized communities. Join us as we embark on this journey to make a significant difference!

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From the desk of President



Dr. H. C. Boralingaiah
President

I am pleased to present the 20th Annual Report of SCODWES for the fiscal year ending 2024-25. This year has been pivotal for our organization, marked by significant growth, expanded outreach, and impactful results. We have diligently pursued our objectives, focusing on the comprehensive development of the under privileged communities we serve. SCODWES has made a lasting impact in rural healthcare by establishing the Mallapur Health Centre in collaboration with NPCIL and operating six Mobile Medical Units for Endosulfan victims in the Uttara Kannada district. Additionally, we have implemented 17 Mobile Clinic Units across the districts of Belgavi, Dharwad, Bijapur, Bagalkot, Gadag, Uttara Kannada, Haveri, Davangere, Mysore, Mandya, Chamrajnagar, Chikkabalapur, and Bangalore Urban under the KBOCWBB initiative, Labour department. Furthermore, we have set up two ELAZ smart clinics with the support of the Biocon Foundation. These efforts have established us as a prominent entity in Karnataka's healthcare landscape, earning recognition from the World Bank and various stakeholders.

I take great pride in the successful implementation of numerous new projects under our CSR initiative, including the STEM LAB

aimed at fostering holistic development in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics for children. We have also initiated Watershed projects funded by WEBTEC extending our presence in Gooty, Andhra Pradesh, at the same time collaborating with GIZ, the Azim Premji Foundation, and the Britannia Foundation.

In parallel, we are broadening our reach in the agricultural sector through the REWARD and Honey mission programs, which benefit a large community of marginal farmers. SCODWES has achieved notable success in this area through the Integrated Watershed Management Programme and the establishment of 60 Farmers Producer Organizations (FPOs) in the districts of Uttara Kannada, Shimoga, Udupi, Gadag, Kolar, and Haveri, with support from various departments and NABARD, aimed at enhancing the livelihoods of small and marginal farmers. And, through the Jal Jeevan Mission program, we are committed to providing safe and sufficient drinking water through individual household tap connections in rural Karnataka.

I would like to express my gratitude to our board members and staffs for their tremendous support in achieving our mission. I also extend my thanks to our sponsors and program partners for their significant contributions, which have enabled us to assist even more –deserving beneficiaries. We eagerly anticipate another year dedicated to improving the lives of those in need and overlooked.

From the desk of Executive Director



Dr. Venkatesh Naik
Executive Director

It gives me immense pleasure to present the Annual Report of SCODWES for the year 2024-25. This year has been one of resilience, innovation, and deep community engagement. At SCODWES, we remain committed to our mission of empowering rural communities through sustainable development, health initiatives, women's empowerment, and capacity building.

Over the past year, our dedicated teams have worked tirelessly across Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh, delivering impactful programs under various government and donor-supported initiatives. From implementing health awareness campaigns, promoting sustainable organic farming, and mobilizing communities, to strengthening Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) and enabling livelihoods through skill development each effort has brought us closer to our vision of a self-reliant and equitable rural society.

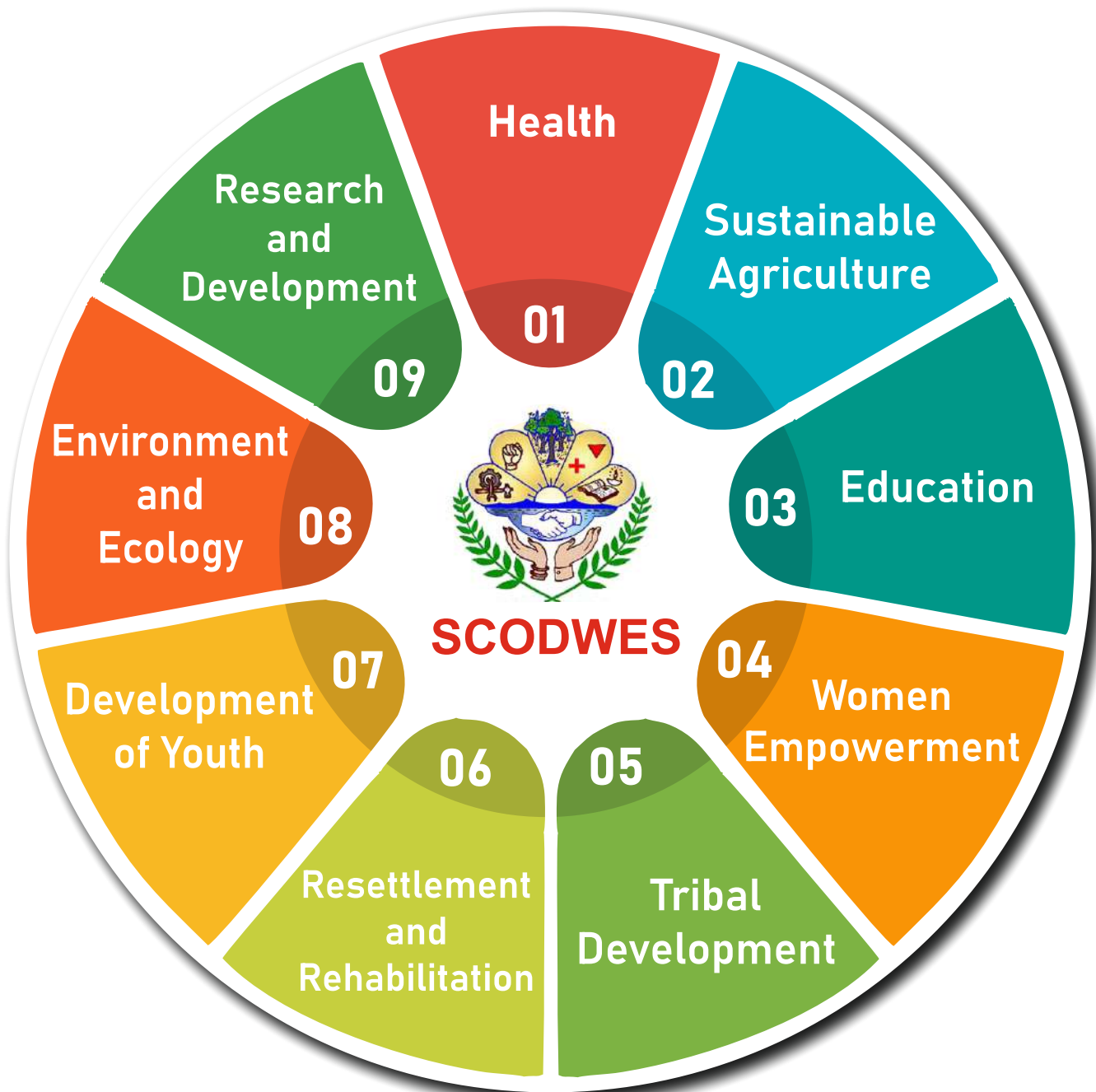
These initiatives have not only expanded our reach but have also enriched our understanding of grassroots implementation. Our collaboration with local governments, donor agencies, and civil society organizations has been instrumental in achieving meaningful outcomes and lasting impact.

None of these achievements would have been possible without the dedication and hard work of our field staff, coordinators, program officers, and support teams. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each member of the SCODWES family for their unwavering commitment and passion.

As we look to the future, we remain focused on innovation, inclusive partnerships, and strengthening community-driven models for sustainable development. Let us continue this journey with purpose, integrity, and compassion.

A year of Impact:
Progress Report

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List of Projects

Sl.no.	Project Name	Funded By
1	Treatment, rehabilitation of victims affected by Endosulfan in Uttarakannada	Department of Health and Family Welfare, Gov't of Karnataka
2	PHC-Arogya Bandhu	Department of Health and Family Welfare, Gov't of Karnataka
3	PHC and MMU - NPCIL	NPCIL
4	Santwana	Department of Women and Child Welfare, Gov't of Karnataka
5	Utkarsha	Self
6	Swasth Bharath	Britanea Nutrition Foundation
7	e-Laj Smart Clinic	Biocon Foundation
8	Heros for Humanity	Desai Foundation Trust
9	PKVY	Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Gov't of India
10	CEPMIZ	Department of Watershed Development, Gov't of Karnataka
11	RKVY-FPO	Department of Watershed Development, Gov't of Karnataka
12	10000 FPO	National Project Management Agency
13	AMRITH- FPO	Department of Watershed Development, Gov't of Karnataka
14	NCDC-FPO	NCDC
15	Su-Krishi	GIZ
16	Project Golden Hives	ANZ
17	Enhancing the Livelihood of Adivasi and Other Marginal Communities	Azim Premji Foundation
18	Project 'Jaladhi'	Wabtec Locomotive Private Limited
19	Need Assesment Survey - Sandur Taluka	JSW Foundation
20	Shakti Sadana	Ministry of Women and Child Developement, Gov't of India
21	Youth Prgram- Skill Building	Quest Allaince
22	Project Asha Kirana	Ashraya Hastha Trust
23	REWARD	Department of Watershed Development, Gov't of Karnataka
24	Jala Jivan Mission (JJM), Udupi	Karnataka State Government
25	Jala Jivan Mission (JJM), Uttara Kannada	Karnataka State Government
26	Conservation of Mangroves	Aster DM Foundation
27	Carbon Trading	Mangroves Foundation of India

Health

Mobile Medical Units (MMUs)

Since 2008, SCODWES has been a pioneer in mobile healthcare delivery. We launched 46 Mobile Medical Units (MMU), serving in 24 districts and treating 2.6 million patients till date. These MMUs bring vital medical care to communities lacking access to healthcare facilities, particularly in rural and remote areas. Today, 24 MMU continue to operate, ensuring that basic healthcare services such as diagnosis, treatment, and medication are readily available to those who need them most.



Kalburgi Division

District	No of Registered labours treated (OPD)	No of Severe health issues identified during treatment	No of cases Referred	Lab test
Davangere	31,171	529	238	15,488
TOTAL	31,171	529	238	15,488

Belgavi region

District	No of Registered labours treated (OPD)	No of Severe health issues identified during treatment	No of cases Reffered	Lab test
Belgaum	42,638	490	374	14,821
Dharwad	36,761	775	88	11,141
Uttara Kannada	64,871	429	313	23,798
Vijayapur	32,899	178	212	4,109
Gadag	27,823	57	29	6,644
Baglakot	35,276	69	178	6,808
Haveri	29,469	92	75	9,078
Dharwad	24,592	58	142	7,108
Belgavi	37,034	55	44	8,530
TOTAL	3,31,363	2,203	1,455	92,037

Bangalore Division

District	No of Registered labours treated (OPD)	No of Severe health issues identified during treatment	No of cases Reffered	Lab test
Mandya	21,711	212	293	4,489
Mysore	22,092	179	737	9,624
Chamrajnagar	19,491	95	153	12,404
Chikabalapur	19,482	101	147	6,532
Kolar	19,716	116	234	10,422
Bangalore	14,506	58	103	4,494
TOTAL	1,16,998	761	1,667	47,965

4,79,532 OPD treated, 3,360 patients are referred to higher centres & 1,55,490 various lab test is done, through 17 Mobile Medical Units in Belgaum, Bangalore & Kalburgi division.

Primary Health Centres (PHCs)

To deepen our impact, we operate Primary Healthcare Centers (PHCs) in some of the most underserved regions, including Diggi and Castlerock (Joida taluk). These centers provide essential healthcare services to isolated communities. Through a partnership with NPCIL Kaiga, we established another PHC in Mallapur, Karwar, which continues to offer critical medical care.



The Primary Health Centres (PHCs) at Diggi and Castlerock are located deep within the dense forest, nearly 35 km inside, making access to healthcare a major challenge for the local communities.

Recognising this critical need, SCODWES stepped into action and took over the PHC, and put their best efforts, with its dedicated leadership, medical personnel and non-medical staff. Countering heavy rains, flash floods, adverse conditions, the team ensured best health care services to the people of these two villages by operating one of the best and dedicated team of health professionals. Today the facility stands serving 30-40 villagers on average every day.

Mallapura & MMU

OPD	1,89,333
IPD	8,820
Emergency in patient at Mid-Night	1,588
Referral Cases	2,460
Lab Test	49,738

Diggi

OPD	3,429
IPD	327
Lab Test	1,962
Referral Cases	48

Castlerock

OPD	8,403
IPD	420
Lab Test	5757

2,01,165 OPD treated, 9,567 IPD Treated, 57,457 Lab Test, 1,588 Emergency Cases , 2,508 Referral Cases recorded in Mallapura & MMU, Diggi, and Castlerock.

e-LAJ Smart Clinics

SCODWES, in collaboration with the Biocon Foundation, is operating two e-Laj smart clinics in Uttara kannada district. This clinic is equipped with advanced technology that facilitates the creation of computerized patient records, conducts various diagnostic tests, and monitors vital signs. The e-Laj approach aims to deliver data-driven healthcare by utilizing socio-demographic and health indicators obtained from clinical tests.

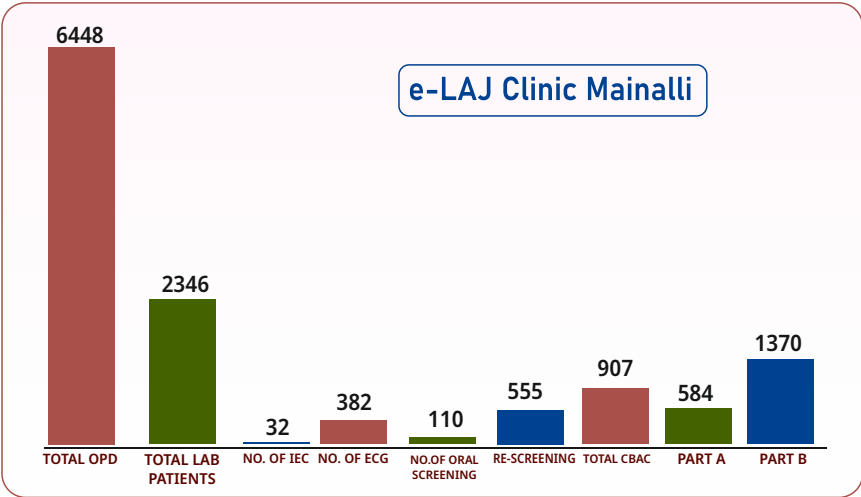
Primary Health Clinics (PHCs) are being transformed into comprehensive care centres, with systematic documentation of patient data made possible through the e-Laj model. smart clinic is staffed by a team comprising a doctor, a lab technician, a data operator, and outreach workers, all trained to manage modern diagnostic equipment and clinic management software. Importantly, this clinic offers healthcare services free of charge to the community.



Mainalli

We established the e-Laj Smart Clinic in Mainalli village, Mundgod taluk, Uttara Kannada district, in the year 1st July 2023. This initiative was launched to provide quality healthcare services to backward communities such as Siddi, Gouli,Dongri,Garasia, lambani, minorities and other backward communities. Previously, there were no primary health centres in or near this village, Mainalli is a border village of Mundgod and Yellapur taluk of Uttara Kannada district located 22 KMs away from Mundgod, 35 KMs from Yellapur and 127 KMs from district headquarter Karwar. It is covered with thick forest.it Covered 13 villages and 6290 populations and residents had to travel at least 30 kilometres to access healthcare services. Moreover, the village lacked basic transportation facilities, making healthcare access even more challenging.

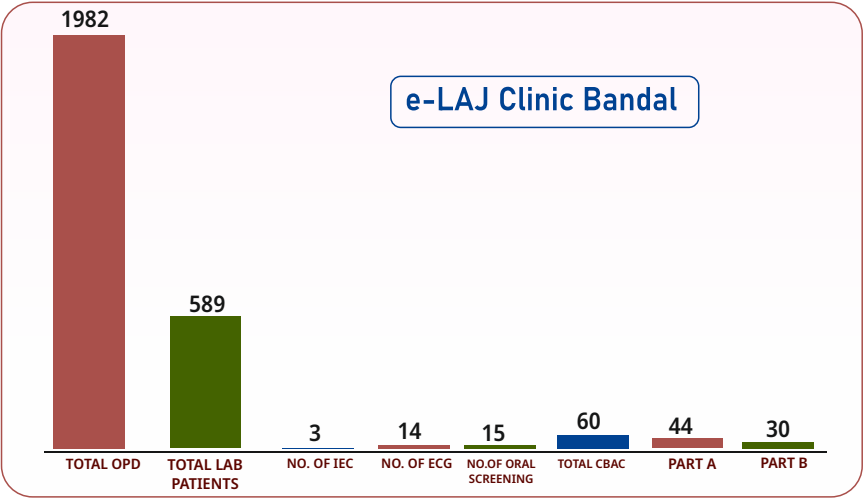
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Bandal

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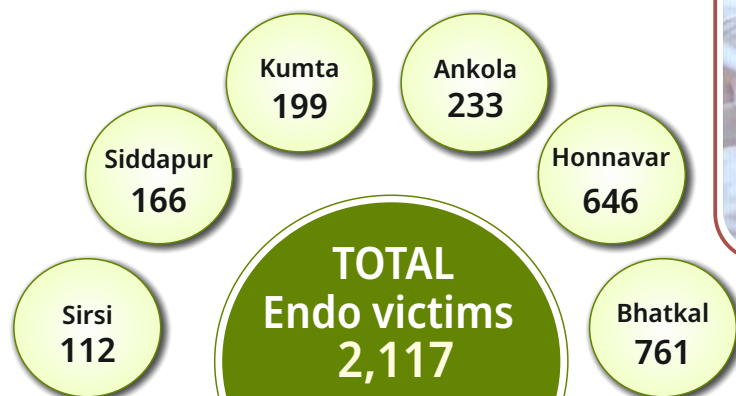
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8430 OPD treated, 2935 lab test done & 125 oral screening is done in 2 eLAj clinic in Mainalli & Bandal.

Endosulfan Care

Endosulfan poisoning has left many communities struggling with multiple health issues. SCODWES operates six dedicated Mobile Medical Units to provide specialized care for 2,117 individuals affected by endosulfan-related disorders.



2117 endosulfan victims are treated & physiotherapy treatment is given at their doorstep in 6 taluks of Uttara Kannada Districts

Victim of Endosulfan affected

Patient Name : Lambodar Babbu Patagar

Age : 41 years

PHC : Kodakani

Diagnosis : HSP

Chief Complaint

- Progressive muscle Stiffness & weakness
- Hyperreflexia – Exaggerated reflexes in lower limb
- Intellectual disability
- Epilepsy
- Bladder dysfunction
- Fatigue
- Difficulty in speech
- Muscle atrophy in lower limb

Diagnosis

Spastic Paraplegia (HSP) – It's a neurodegenerative disorder that encompasses over 80 conditions causing progressive muscle weakness tightness.

Physiotherapy goals

Physiotherapy for spastic paraplegia aims to improve functional ability, manage spasticity & prevent contraction.

This achieves through various kind of PT techniques

- To reduce pain & stiffness
- Increase the muscle strength & enhance the mobility
- Improve the range of motion

Treatment protocol

- Stretching : Regular stretching helps to elaborate muscle & prevent Contraction & improve range of motion
- Strengthening : These exercise focus on maintaining & innervate muscle get strengthened
- Functional exercise : This exercise focus on improving activities of daily living such as walking, transfers & reaching to enhance functional independence
- Range of motion exercises for both upper & lower limb
- Wheel chair mobilisation

Progress:

- Stiffness got reduced
- Muscle strength got improved
- Pain has reduced

Anemia Reduction Programs

SCODWES, in collaboration with the Britannia Nutrition Foundation, has undertaken significant initiatives this year to combat Iron deficiency and anemia reduction among adolescents of age 10-19 years. A total of 7,618 children were reached through proactive outreach, awareness and nutrition-related interventions.

Since the academic year 2023, BNF has selected 58 schools across the Mundgod and Haliyal of Uttara Kannada district for focused programming.



Key Activities:

- Reduce iron deficiency anemia among school children through capacity building awareness programs, special events.
- Conduct Hb test camps.
- Improve dietary practices and Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) behaviors.
- Provide iron supplements to school children by supplying Britannia iron fortified Choco biscuits.
- Support nutrition garden setup at the schools for hand hold practices.
- Support schools with WASH and infra civil works.
- Strengthen institutional capacity through training of teachers, parents and nutrition champions

During school intervention As part of the Anemia Reduction Program, SCODWES, in collaboration with Britannia Nutrition Foundation, has conducted a series of capacity building and awareness sessions focusing on anemia prevention, balanced nutrition, healthy dietary practices and WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene). These sessions targeted school children, teachers, parents, and community members, aiming to build knowledge and encourage behavior change for improved health outcomes. Interactive methods such as demonstrations, group discussions, visual aids, and practical activities were used to make learning engaging and impactful. Topics included the importance of iron-rich foods, identifying symptoms of anemia, proper handwashing techniques, safe drinking water practices, hygiene and nutrition. By equipping participants with practical knowledge and skills, these sessions not only raise awareness but also foster long-term healthy habits that contribute to reducing anemia, improving overall nutrition and ensuring better hygiene in schools and communities.

As part of this initiative, baseline and endline hemoglobin (Hb) tests were conducted for 500 selected children to assess their anemia levels and monitor progress. Special days like national nutrition week, Independence day, International Yoga day, World environmental day, global iron deficiency disorder day, iron deficiency day, world toilet day, national girl child day, national deworming days were celebrated at selected schools to create awareness and importance among children. During the celebration competitions were conducted and prizes were distributed to children.

Iron fortified Britannia chocco biscuits were distributed to all the 7618 children for 2 times in a year. This initiative targets the improvement of iron intake among adolescents, aiming to reduce the prevalence of iron deficiency and anemia. The fortified biscuits are designed to deliver a significant portion of the daily recommended iron requirement in a form that is safe, palatable, and easily acceptable to children.

Through this program a new initiative like nutrition gardens are established at 25 schools in the last 2 years. In this garden vegetables like Ivy Gourd, Ridge Gourd, Bitter Gourd, Tomato, Brinjal, Chilly, Beans, Curry leaves, Spinach, Chinese spinach, Coriander, Fenugreek, Carrot and Radish vegetables are grown. The produce from these gardens is directly incorporated into the daily midday meals of school children, ensuring access to fresh, chemical-free and nutrient-rich food. Beyond improving dietary intake, the initiative also serves as a practical learning platform where students actively participate in planting, nurturing, and harvesting crops, thereby increasing their awareness about the importance of balanced nutrition. This hands-on approach not only enhances the availability of iron in their diets but also builds lifelong healthy eating habits. Through our Nutrition Garden initiative, we grow more than just vegetables, we are sowing the seed of good health in adolescents.

We have extended support to selected 10 schools by providing WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) facilities and essential infrastructure civil works. These interventions aim to create a clean, safe, and hygienic environment that directly contributes to better health outcomes for school children. Improvements include the construction and repair of toilets, installation of hand washing stations with running water and, provision of safe drinking water facilities by installing RO water filter at 12 schools. In addition, necessary civil works such as water storage structures and other basic infrastructure enhancements have been carried out to ensure a functional and child-friendly school environment. By strengthening WASH infrastructure, the program supports the prevention of waterborne diseases, promotes good hygiene practices and complements nutrition-based interventions to reduce anemia and improve the overall well-being of students. These efforts not only address immediate health needs but also create long-term positive impacts on attendance, learning outcomes and the quality of life in the school community.

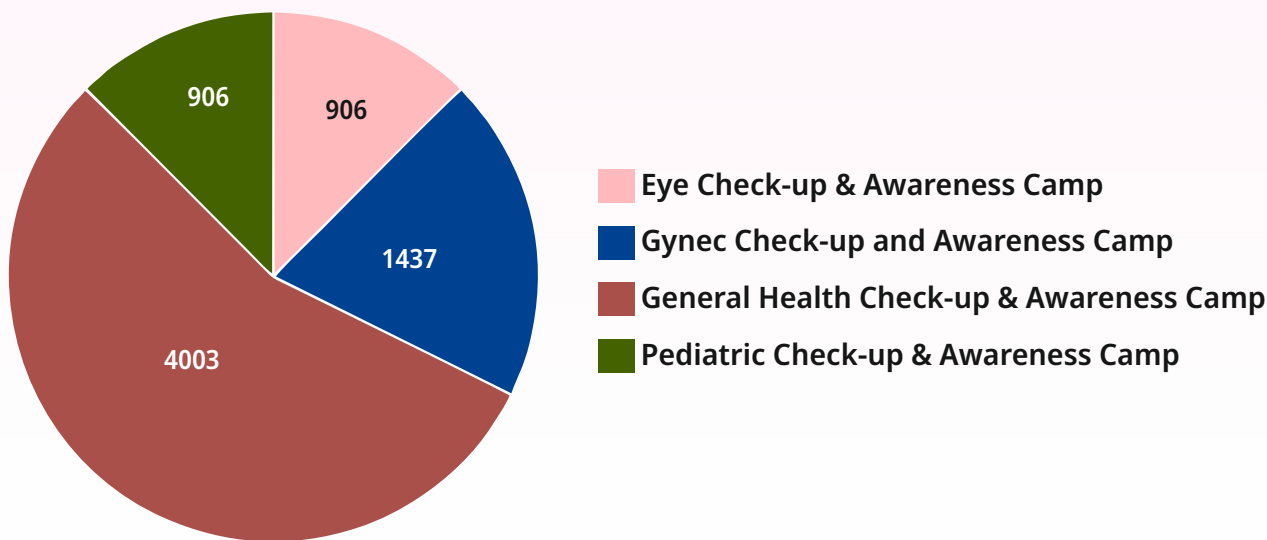
Blocks	2 (Mundgod & Haliyal)
Schools	58
Adolescents	7618
Nutrition garden	25
Infra support	10
Awareness sessions on Anemia, nutrition, hygiene and WAS to adolescents	7618
Teachers meeting	58 schools
Parents meeting (awareness on anemia)	58 schools
Special events	12 events 24 schools
Hb test (base line + end line)	500 adolescents
Nutrition champion training	116 nutrition champions
Iron fortified biscuit distribution	7618

25 nutrition gardens are established and maintained in 25 schools to enhance awareness and availability of iron-rich vegetables among students, Hb test for 500 adolescents is done & Iron fortified biscuit distributed to 7618 students of 58 schools in Mundgod & Haliyal blocks of Uttara Kannada district.

Health Camps and Awareness Creation

SCODWES organizes two types of health camps: general camps and special camps. General camps focus on diagnosing common illnesses, while special camps address specific and chronic illnesses, including various types of cancer, dental issues, heart-related diseases, and more. We have organized over 250 camps and provided care to more than 28,000 patients.

We have also developed various materials to raise awareness about important health issues in the community. Our awareness campaigns cover a range of topics, including breast and cervical cancer, pregnancy care, menstrual hygiene, childhood malnutrition, safe drinking water, and many others.



906 beneficiaries covered through eye check-up, 1437 beneficiaries covered through Gyneco test camps & 4003 beneficiaries covered through general health check-up & various health awareness programs



Sustainable Agriculture

Sustainable agriculture is more than just a method of farming — it is a holistic approach that nurtures ecosystems, respects traditional knowledge and builds resilient rural communities. At SCODWES, we believe that agriculture, when practiced sustainably, can restore soils, protect biodiversity and become a reliable source of dignity and livelihood for millions of small and marginal farmers.

During the year 2024–25, our organization implemented a series of well-structured, field-level interventions through multiple projects including APF, GIZ, ANZ, REWARD, and FPO Promotion Schemes, covering over 20,000 farmers across Karnataka and adjoining regions. Our efforts spanned five core areas: training and knowledge sharing, infrastructure and input support, ecological restoration, gender equity in agriculture and institutional development.

Promotion and Formation of FPOs

In 2024–25, SCODWES intensified efforts to strengthen Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) across six districts—Uttara Kannada, Udupi, Haveri, Gadag, Kolar, and Shivamogga—mobilizing 15,000 new farmers and expanding coverage to over 60,000 families and 33,000+ hectares. A total of 60 FPOs were promoted under schemes such as RKVY, 10K FPO , AMRIT, and NCDC, with SCODWES serving as a Cluster-Based Business Organization (CBBO).

Major interventions focused on enhancing market integration, with FPOs establishing direct linkages with institutional buyers and agri-processors, ensuring fair pricing and reducing dependency on middlemen.

Strategic forward and backward linkages were developed, facilitating efficient input procurement and organized output marketing, while promoting value chain development through grading, processing unit.

To ensure long-term sustainability, emphasis was placed on capital mobilization. FPOs leveraged government schemes and equity grants to enhance working capital and invest in infrastructure. Through departmental convergence, FPOs accessed training, subsidies and technical support from departments

SCODWES provided continuous capacity building and governance training, empowering FPOs to function as independent agribusiness entities. As a result, several FPOs achieved notable turnover growth, contributing significantly to rural incomes and economic self-reliance.

The 2024–25 interventions exemplify a scalable and inclusive model for rural transformation—where farmers are not just producers but entrepreneurs driving local agri-economies.



Total FPOs Promoted	60
Geographic Coverage	Karnataka
Total Farmers Mobilized	60,000+
Farmers Mobilized in 2024–25	10,000+

60 FPOs are promoted & mobilizing more than 60000 farmers

Promoting Organic and Agro-Ecological Farming Practices

We place a high priority on promoting organic farming. Our approach begins by sensitizing farmers to transition their practices towards organic methods. Following this, we provide extensive training and exposure to organic farming techniques. Under this intervention, we encourage farmers to adopt traditional practices, such as using organic manures and insecticides, utilizing indigenous seed varieties, and implementing traditional harvesting and processing methods. With the support of various CSR and government agencies, we have successfully served 1,569 hectares, benefiting 5,772 farmers.



Transformed agricultural practices towards sustainability. Farmers gained expertise in soil health, disease management, and bio-input usage, ensuring increased productivity and environmental sustainability.

Reduced input costs, increased yields, and enhanced crop resilience. Promoted biodiversity, improved soil health, and preserved indigenous farming knowledge.

Area Covered	5,000 hectares
Villages/Blocks with Sustainable Practices	80+
Farmers Trained	7,000+
Bio-resource Centres Established	4
Seed Banks Established	3
Conservation Block	22 local paddy landraces conserved

5000 hectares covered, covering 80+ villages/blocks & establishing 3 seed banks & 4 bio resources centre, providing training to more than 7000 farmers



Promotion of Apiculture

Beekeeping has emerged as a vital ecological and economic intervention. Managed largely by women and Farm members:

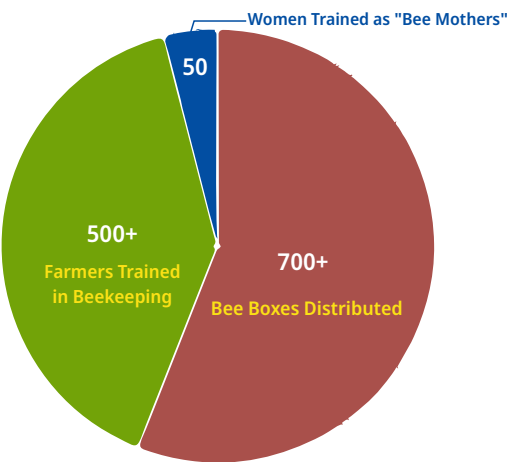
700+ bee boxes were distributed across APF, ANZ, and REWARD projects

As part of our efforts to enhance farm-based livelihoods and promote ecological farming practices, over 800 bee boxes were distributed across various villages in Uttara Kannada district. This initiative aimed to encourage beekeeping as a complementary livelihood activity, especially among small and marginal farm families. Beekeeping not only provides an additional source of income through honey production, but also plays a vital role in improving pollination in nearby crops, leading to increased agricultural productivity. Beneficiaries were also given basic training in hive management, honey extraction, and seasonal care, ensuring that the practice is sustained in the long term. The initiative is fostering a deeper understanding of the link between biodiversity and farm



income, while laying the groundwork for community-led honey enterprises in the region.

This initiative supports farm yields through natural pollination, improves biodiversity, and creates non-land-based income for rural families.



700+ bee boxes distributed & providing beekeeping training to 500+ farmers & 50 women referred as Bee Mothers trained on beekeeping.



Nati Habba: Celebrating Traditional Agriculture Under the Su-Krishi Yojana



An agricultural festival known as "Nati Habba" was celebrated in the traditional style at Saraswati Farm, Unchalli. The main goal of this event was to preserve 22 different varieties of old traditional paddy, which are planted in a dedicated conservation block. These traditional paddy varieties are not only rich in nutrients and medicinal value but also well-adapted to local conditions. The conservation block aims to protect these old varieties from extinction, with the seeds harvested being conserved and distributed to farmers for the next planting season.

To highlight the significance of this festival, dignitaries from agricultural departments, KVK scientists, administrative board members from SCODWES, progressive farmers, SCODWES staff and local youth and farmers all participated in the event.

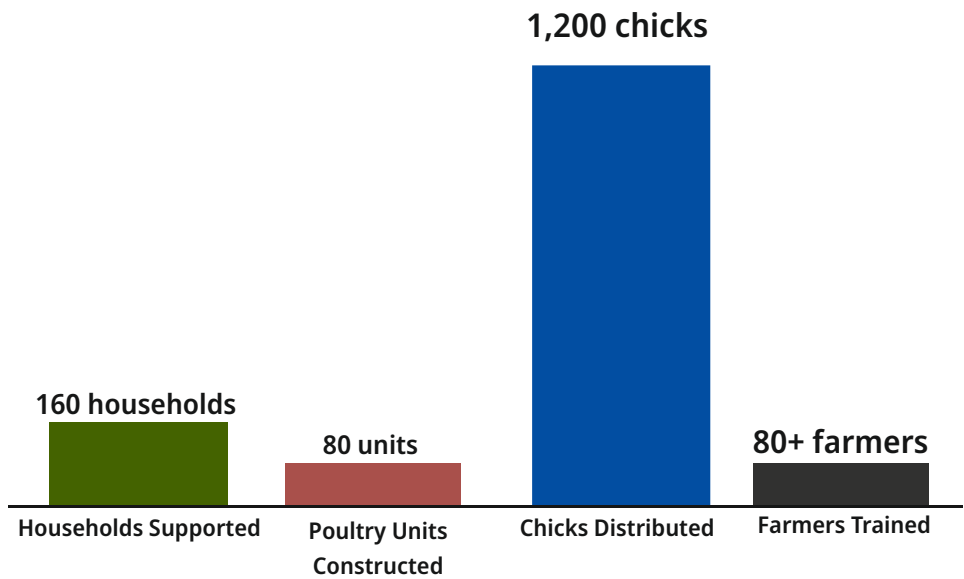
During Nati Habba, traditional planting methods were followed. The guests were warmly welcomed with a tilak (a traditional forehead mark) and adorned with arecanut leaf caps. In keeping with tradition, a pooja (ceremonial prayer) was performed for the plough and cows, seeking their blessings to commence the planting activities. The seedlings were then offered a pooja at the "Age Mantapa," by the honoured guests. Following this, the planting began under the guidance of local female farmers, with all the guests participating in the process. After planting all the varieties, a meal featuring regional traditional foods was served, adding to the cultural richness of the event.

This festival also serves as a great way to inspire young people and raise their awareness about the importance of agriculture. By getting them involved in traditional farming practices and cultural activities, Nati Habba helps the next generation connect with their agricultural roots and understand the value of preserving these traditional crops.



Promotion of Backyard Poultry Farming

To promote sustainable livelihoods and enhance nutritional security among marginalized communities such as the Siidi, Kunabi, Gauli, and Marathi in Yellapur block, 80 households were supported with backyard poultry units. Each beneficiary was provided with a poultry shed and 20 chicks, enabling them to initiate small-scale poultry rearing right at their homes. Along with physical infrastructure and livestock, comprehensive training was conducted to equip families with the knowledge of poultry care, feeding practices, disease prevention, and basic health management. This intervention not only provides an additional source of income and protein-rich food at the household level but also encourages low-cost, self-sustaining farming systems tailored to the socio-economic context of these forest-fringe communities.



80 poultry units constructed, distributing 1200 chicks & training given to 80+ farmers, supporting 160 households



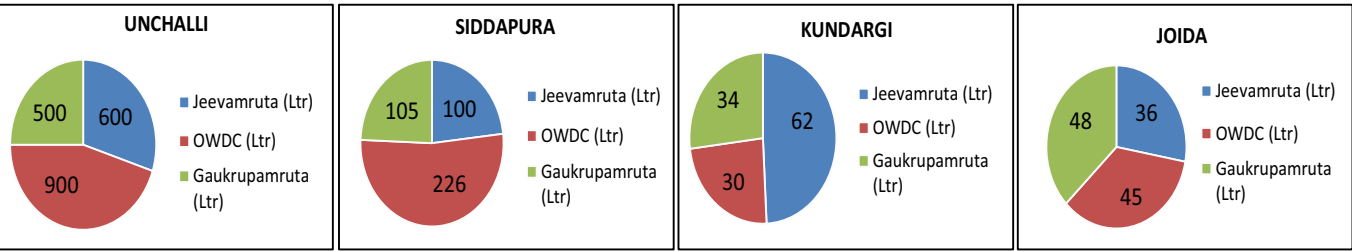
Bio Resource Centre

The agriculture system in Uttara Kannada district has traditionally relied on organic, biomass-based practices. However, in recent years, the shift towards synthetic fertilizers and pesticides has led to soil degradation, environmental harm, and declining productivity. To counter these challenges, the Su-Krishi project established four Bioresource Centres (BRCs) in Unchalli, Heggarani, Joida, and Kundaragi in 2024–25, promoting sustainable farming through bio-inputs and farmer education.



These BRCs introduce farmers to eco-friendly alternatives such as Jeevamruta, Gaukrupamrutha, Organic Waste Decomposer (OWDC), Panchagavya, Neemastra, Bramhastra, Trichoderma, and vermicomposting. Over 800 liters of Jeevamruta, 1,200 liters of OWDC, and 687 liters of Gaukrupamrutha have been distributed to local farmers. Training sessions empower farmers to prepare these inputs themselves using “mother cultures,” fostering self-reliance and cost-efficiency.

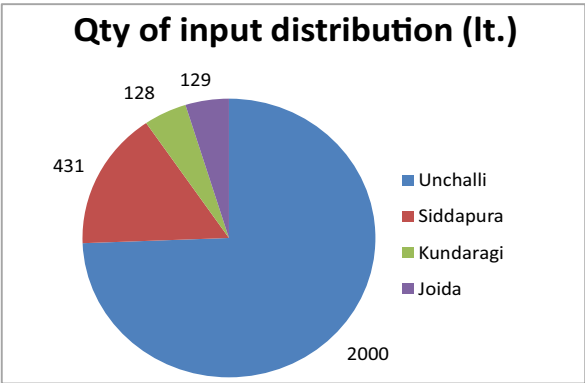
Beyond input distribution, the BRCs focus on knowledge transfer through regular training, on-field guidance, and awareness materials like pamphlets and videos. This continuous support helps farmers transition confidently to organic methods and maintain sustainable practices.



The impact is evident—farmers report improved soil health, reduced dependence on chemical inputs, better crop yields, and enhanced livelihoods. Additionally, nutrition gardens promoted under the Su-Krishi project ensure access to chemical-free, nutritious food, further strengthening community well-being.

In conclusion, the BRC initiative marks a significant step toward ecologically responsible agriculture, building resilience among farmers while promoting long-term food security and environmental sustainability. Scaling up such models could greatly benefit Indian agriculture.

These investments reduce labor burdens, lower input costs, and promote greater adoption of sustainable methods across scales.

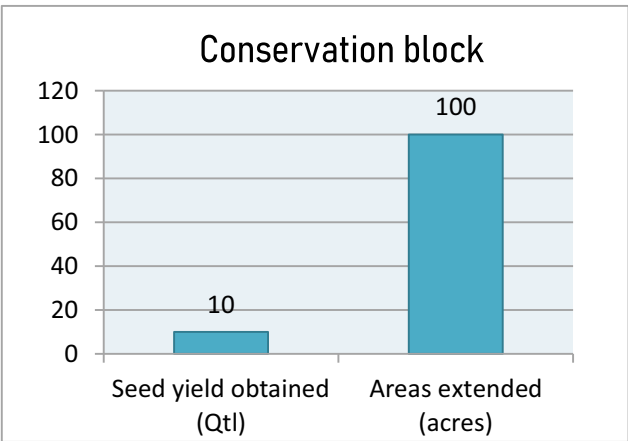
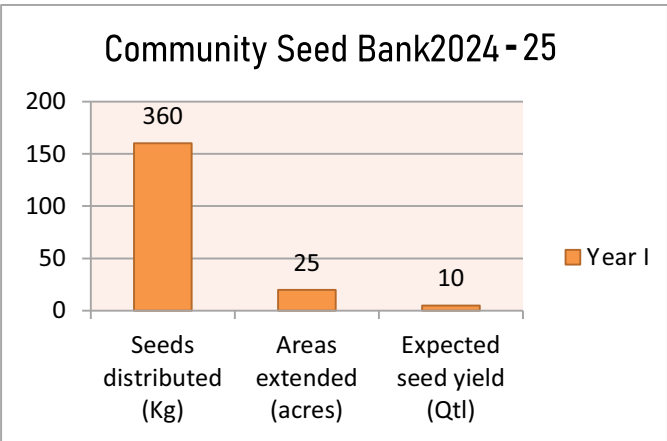
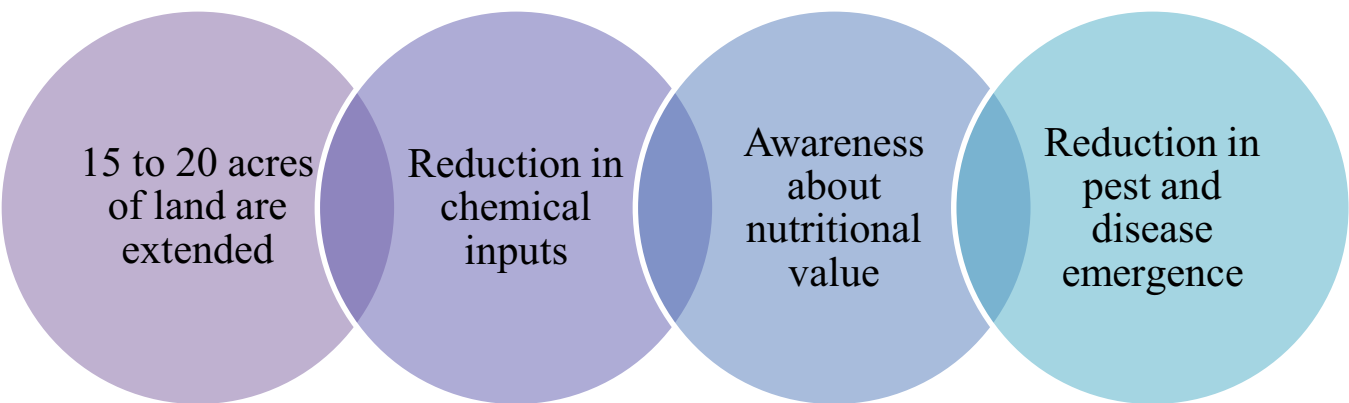


Reviving Traditional Seed Systems

One of our most impactful interventions has been the revival of community seed banks. These banks are not just repositories of seeds — they are guardians of biodiversity and culture.

- 3 community seed bank were established and conserve indigenous paddy varieties like Kagga, Manjuguni sannakki, Rantachuda, Padmarekha,Biliya, baarli, Malenadu Suma and other indigenous landraces— seeds known for their drought tolerance and nutritional value.
- Our innovative seed return model — where a farmer who takes 1 kg of seed returns 3 kg after harvest — promotes a cycle of abundance and accountability.
- To strengthen these systems, varietal conservation block were established, 22 indigenous landraces o Uttara kannada were cultivated to support seed bank generating bulk seed quantities and acting as educational sites for nearby farmers.

This seed sovereignty allows farmers to break free from market dependency and embrace time-tested, climate-adaptive varieties that are often overlooked in commercial systems.



Custom Hiring Centres (CHCs)

To promote farm mechanization and support small and marginal farmers, 5 Custom Hiring Centres (CHCs) have been established, equipped with weed cutters and sprayers. These centres enable farmers to access modern equipment at affordable rates, reducing labor costs and improving work efficiency. The CHCs not only support farmers by making mechanization more accessible but also generate income for the Farmer Producer Organization (FPO). The revenue earned is reinvested into maintaining and expanding CHC operations, creating a sustainable model that benefits both the FPO and the farming community.

Sarvajnendra Farmer Producer Company Limited, Ummachagi



Sarvajnendra Farmer Producer Company Limited (FPC) was established on July 13, 2021, in Ummachagi, Karnataka, under the Government of India's initiative 10K FPOs. Supported by the Department of Watershed Development, Agriculture and SCODWES, Sirsi, this FPC aims to empower local farmers through collective action, technology and value addition.

The company has 875 shareholder farmers,. Sarvajnendra FPC focuses on enhancing farm productivity, reducing input costs and improving market access. A major highlight is its introduction of modern farm machinery on rental basis such as the Carbon Doti Sprayer cum Harvester, tractor and arecanut dehusking machines, which significantly reduce labor and time.

To ensure better income for farmers, the FPC began aggregating tender arecanut and marketed it directly, ensuring fair pricing. It also launched value-added products like Joni Jaggery, Appemidi Pickle, Spice Kits and Sambar Powder under the “Shalmala” brand, increasing income opportunities and promoting local produce.

The company also promotes organic farming by supplying eco-friendly fertilizers and inputs. Within just a few years, Sarvajnendra FPC achieved a remarkable turnover of ₹87,90,755 in FY 2024–25, proving the success of farmer-led enterprises.

With continuous training, annual meetings, and active member participation, the FPC has created a sustainable model for rural development. It stands as a shining example of how collective farming, technology, and entrepreneurship can transform rural livelihoods and make agriculture profitable and dignified.

Women-Centered Agriculture and Livelihoods

At the core of our sustainable agriculture initiatives is a strong belief that women are not just beneficiaries, but leaders and change-makers in rural development. Recognizing their critical role in farming and food systems, we have taken focused steps to empower women through collective action, livelihood opportunities, and capacity building.

In villages like Manjaguni, we have successfully mobilized over 200 women into organized groups. These women are now actively involved in value-added product development, transforming locally grown produce into market-ready goods.



A significant focus has also been placed on improving household nutrition and food security. Established more than 2,500 home-based nutrition gardens, growing a variety of vegetables such as chili, brinjal, bitter gourd, okra, and leafy greens. These gardens not only ensure dietary diversity at the family level but also reduce the financial burden of buying vegetables from the market. The initiative has instilled a sense of self-reliance among women while contributing to better health outcomes for their families.

One of the most inspiring interventions has been the introduction of beekeeping enterprises for rural women. Through the ANZ-supported project, 200 bee hives have been installed and distributed among selected women. These women have undergone hands-on training in hive management, honey extraction and seasonal monitoring of bee colonies. Now proudly referred to as “Bee Mothers,” they play a dual role — maintaining ecological balance through pollination and generating income through honey production.

In every sense, these women are redefining rural leadership — not just as farmers or producers, but as stewards of food, health, and sustainability in their communities.

Capacity Building: Planting the Seeds of Knowledge

Capacity building lies at the heart of our sustainable agriculture initiatives. Through structured training sessions across multiple levels — small and marginal farmers, women collective, marginal community and Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) — we ensure that knowledge becomes a lifelong asset for farming communities.

- Farmers were trained in organic input preparation, Soil assessment and disease management, Production technology of crops and natural farming
- Practical demonstrations were used to teach integrated pest and nutrient management, crop rotation, and soil testing.
- Women farmers received specialized training in backyard poultry, beekeeping, value addition and nutrition garden development — expanding their roles beyond subsistence farming into entrepreneurship.

Through these trainings, farmers began to shift from input-intensive monocultures to more diversified, resilient, and sustainable cropping systems.

Shaila Ishwara Siddi's Journey to Self-Reliance through Poultry Rearing

In the village of Bibanahalli Kundaragi, located in Yellapur, Karnataka, lives Shaila Ishwara Siddi, a determined woman from the Siddi tribal community, whose life took a positive turn through the intervention of the APF Project, implemented by SCODWES

The APF project focuses on livelihood promotion among tribal and marginalized communities, with a special emphasis on empowering women. Shaila was one of the selected beneficiaries under this initiative and received a poultry rearing unit consisting of 20 chicks, along with hands-on training in poultry management. The training covered essential aspects like local breed care, disease control, feeding and housing practices.

With time, effort, and dedication, Shaila expanded her flock to 50 chickens. Her commitment bore fruit when she sold 35 chickens at ₹600 each, earning a total of ₹21,000. Additionally, she harvested 640 eggs, selling 550 eggs at ₹8 each, which brought in another ₹4,400. In total, her poultry rearing activity yielded an impressive income of ₹25,400.

To make her poultry venture more sustainable, Shaila also began cultivating Azolla, a protein-rich aquatic plant used as poultry feed. This not only reduced the cost of rearing but also improved the health and productivity of her chickens.

What started as a small unit has now become a source of regular income and food security for Shaila's family. She has gained confidence, financial stability, and recognition within her community. Her success story is inspiring many other women in the region to consider poultry farming as a viable livelihood option.

The APF project by SCODWES has played a vital role in empowering tribal women by providing them with resources, skills, and support. Shaila's journey is a testament to how timely intervention and grassroots-level training can help women build a dignified and independent life.



Demonstration Plots: Learning by Doing

Demonstration plots play a crucial role in promoting and advancing organic agriculture by providing practical, hands-on learning experiences for farmers and other stakeholders. Theory becomes practice in the form of 60+ demo plots set up in farmer fields. These plots, co-designed with local farmers, demonstrate:

- Farmers are encouraged to adopt crop rotation and intercropping in Arecanut gardens by introducing multistoried cropping instead of monocropping.
- Application of organic inputs and natural insecticides
- Use of improved irrigation techniques and water conservation methods
- Distribution and plantation of over 8,500 saplings such as coffee, black pepper, cashew, sapota, coconut, and nutmeg across the demo plots
- Promotion of bio-inputs, with materials supplied and farmers trained to use them effectively in place of chemical fertilizers and pesticides

These living farms not only help participating farmers experiment and learn but also serve as community classrooms where hundreds of others come to observe and replicate.

Water, Soil, and Resource Conservation

Under the REWARD project, we implemented a range of watershed-based interventions in the Kodihalli sub-watershed of Haveri district, covering 4,398 ha across 19 villages.

- Structures like trench-cum-bunds, farm ponds, check dams, and Gokattes were constructed or revived to prevent soil erosion and recharge groundwater.
- Sprinkler systems were distributed to reduce water wastage in irrigation.
- Nutrient replenishment activities such as gypsum application and vermicompost production were introduced to restore soil health.

These actions significantly improved the climate resilience of rain fed agriculture systems in the area.

Vittal Poojari's Journey into Beekeeping

In the village of Kampli, located in Yellapur, Karnataka, Vittal Poojari had long depended on daily wage labour and low-income rainfed agriculture to support his family. Life was financially unstable and farming alone wasn't enough. That changed in 2024 when he became a beneficiary of the APF Project on Livelihood Promotion, implemented by SCODWES.

Under the project, Vittal received five bee boxes along with comprehensive training in hive management. The training equipped him with skills in bee care, honey extraction and maintaining healthy colonies.



Since then, Vittal has harvested honey 2–3 times, collecting around 30 kilograms in total. By selling the honey at ₹500 per kilogram, he earned ₹15,000—a significant additional income for a small farmer like him.

Beyond the financial benefit, beekeeping has also positively impacted his farming. The activity of honeybees has improved pollination, leading to noticeably better crop yields on his land. This dual benefit—income generation and improved agriculture—has made beekeeping a valuable part of his livelihood strategy.

Beekeeping requires minimal land and investment, making it highly suitable for small and marginal farmers. Vittal's success has not only boosted his confidence but also inspired interest among other villagers in adopting similar practices.

The APF project by SCODWES has demonstrated how simple, low-cost interventions—when combined with training and follow-up—can bring about sustainable livelihood transformation. Vittal Poojari's story is a testament to how innovation at the grassroots level can change lives.



Education

Summer camps and Career counselling

In line with our commitment to holistic education, we have organized 145 summer camps that have benefited more than 7,000 students. These camps offer a nurturing environment for learning, creativity, and personal growth, enabling students to explore their talents. Additionally, for students in the 10th and 12th grades facing uncertainty in selecting their courses, we have conducted 29 career counselling events across various government schools and colleges, reaching a total of 9,000 students.



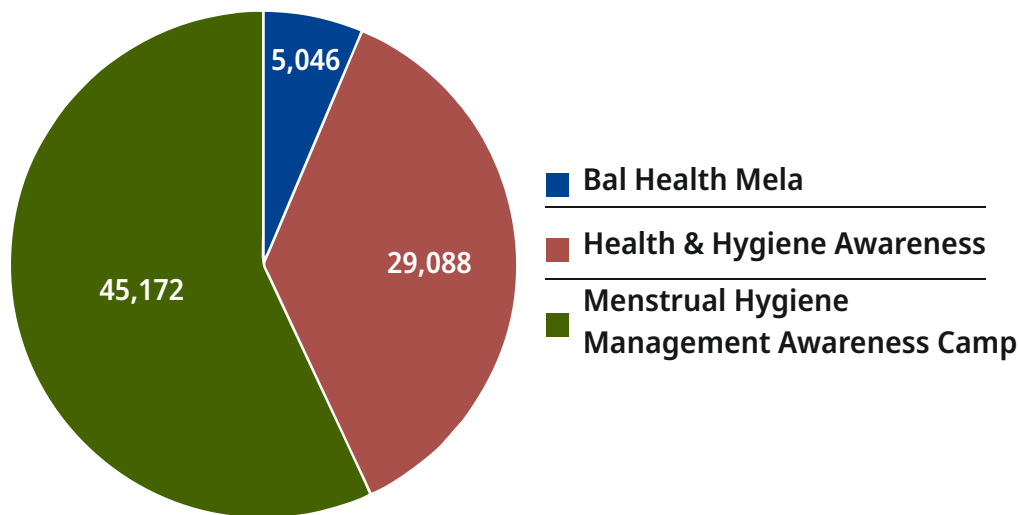
Programs	40
Students	4005
Place	Haveri, Uttar kannada.

A total of 40 programs on summer camps and career counselling were organized in Haveri and Uttar Kannada districts, reaching 4,005 students. These programs aimed to enhance career awareness, develop skills, and provide guidance to help students plan their educational and professional paths effectively.



School Awareness Programs

We have conducted School Awareness Programs for more than 36,000 students, focusing on crucial topics such as health, hygiene, environmental conservation, and personal development. These programs aim to create a well-rounded learning experience, equipping students with knowledge beyond academics.



School-based awareness were conducted to promote health, hygiene, and well-being among students.

5046 beneficiaries covered through Bal health mela & 29088 beneficiaries covered through health & hygiene awareness programs & 45172 beneficiaries benefited through menstrual hygiene & management awareness camps.



STEM Education

In partnership with the Desai Foundation Trust we launched STEM education across government high schools, positively impacting the learning journey of over 1,000 students. By introducing hands-on learning through innovative programs and resource the initiative has students understanding of scientific concepts also sparked a sustained curiosity, strengthened problem-solving abilities, and nurtured vital practical skills that prepare them for future academic and career opportunities



Personality Development Program

SCODWES has successfully implemented personality development programs that have positively influenced over 1,000 students across various districts. These initiatives focus on building self-confidence, effective communication, and leadership skills, empowering students to navigate challenges and seize opportunities. By fostering holistic growth, SCODWES continues to shape a generation of well-rounded and resilient individuals.



Entrepreneurship Development Training	194
Personality Development Program	808
Career Guidance and Development Program	1378
Primary Health & Hygiene Education	30,635

194 students covered through entrepreneurship development training, 808 students benefited from personality development program & 1378 students covered through career guidance & development Program & 30635 students benefited from Primary Health & Hygiene Education programs.

Women Empowerment

Self-Help Groups

With the core objective of organizing and providing financial and non-financial assistance to women communities, we promote and develop Self-Help Groups (SHGs) through the project named Utkarsha. Currently, 24,623 women are organized into 2,015 SHGs. Financial assistance has been provided to these SHGs through various banking institutions, and they have also been connected with various departments, agencies, and mainstream institutions to help them access entitlements and non-financial benefits. The current status indicates that these SHGs have availed financial services totalling ₹120 cr.



Groups formed		Loan	Amount
SHG	2,098	1,999	83,13,11,000
JLG	1,500	3,850	90,70,17,571
			1,73,83,28,571

2,098 SHGs & 1,500 JLGs formed disbursing loan amount of Rs. 1,73,83,28,571

Skill and Capacity Building

Through our grassroots work, we have come to understand that women in the community harbour significant aspirations for social and economic development. However, there exists a gap in the skills and capacity needed to achieve these aspirations. To address this gap, we are organizing various skill-building and capacity development events in collaboration with different organizations. We have also conducted training sessions on topics such as Entrepreneurship Development Programs (EDP), establishing home industries, catering services, beautician courses, General Duty Assistance course, tailoring...etc. Through these programs we have reached 36,750 women members across the working areas.



Sewing Skill Training	683
Beautician Skill Training	715
General Duty Assistant training	30
Computer Skill Training	402

683 beneficiaries benefited through sewing skill trainings, 715 beneficiaries benefited through beautician skill trainings, 30 benefited through general duty assistant trainings & computer skill trainings provided to 402 beneficiaries.

Santwana and Shakti Sadan Initiatives

To address violence and atrocities faced by women, we run the Santwana program in Dandeli block, which provides legal assistance, temporary shelter, training, and rehabilitation to victims of dowry harassment, domestic violence, and sexual abuse. This program has benefited 543 women by giving them a safe space and the support they need to rebuild their lives. In addition, we are implementing the Shakti Sadan program to support distressed women and children in the district. This initiative offers not only shelter but also livelihood opportunities, benefiting 235 women and children by helping them transition towards self-reliance and stability.



Santwana

Taluku Covered : 12

	Women	Children
Total Beneficiaries Identified	16	8
Existing Beneficiaries (Active)	5	1

16 women & 8 children identified & provided with legal assistance, temporary shelter, training, and rehabilitation.

Shakti Sadan

Recived cases	652
Referdto cort	28
Acommodation provied-	55
Swikar Graha	15
Swadhara Graha	8
Balamandira	28
Old age	8
Dattuswikara Kendra	6
Awerness Programs	woman : 2,785 Child : 37,450

652 cases registered, whereas for 55 accommodation was provided,15 are shifted to Swikar Graha, 8 are shifted to Swadhara Graha & 28 children shifted to Balamandir & 2785 women & 37450 children were reached through awareness programs.

Tribal Development

Livelihood Enhancement

With the support of donor agencies, we are promoting livelihood activities for tribal communities in Sirsi, Siddapur, and Yellapur blocks of Uttara Kannada district. These initiatives are designed to create sustainable income opportunities for these communities. Additionally, we have trained over 1,680 individuals in the use of Non-Timber Forest Products (NTFP), enabling them to optimize the natural resources available to them. We have also supported 210 tribal families in starting poultry farming and assisted 75 families in adopting apiculture as an alternative livelihood activity.



Sprinkler Distribution	126 Sprinklers
Honeybee Box Distribution	78 Boxes
Animal Rubber Mats	80 Mats
Vermi composting Units	4 Units

Under livelihood activities program 126 Sprinklers, 78 Honeybee Box Animal 80 Rubber Mats were distributed among tribal communities

Solar Village

In collaboration with the donor agencies, we have provided solar lamp systems to 250 tribal families. This initiative has not only enhanced their living conditions by providing reliable and eco-friendly lighting but has also contributed to a significant improvement in their daily life.

Beneficiaries	100 Tribal Families
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Resettlement and Rehabilitation

Support to Project-Affected Families

Our Resettlement & Rehabilitation initiatives have positively impacted 2,842 families affected by large-scale development projects. Through various programs, we have facilitated the resettlement process and ensured that families can access the resources needed to thrive in new environments. Our work has extended across 980.62 kilometres, where we've provided not only relocation support but also skill development to foster long-term independence and stability.



Emergency Responses

During the times of natural calamities and crises, SCODWES prioritizes serving affected communities by providing food, shelter, and essential supplies. The organization conducts need assessments and collaborates closely with government departments and donors to respond promptly to the needs of the community during emergencies. As a result of these initiatives, approximately 15,500 families have benefited.



Development of Youths

Skill Building

SCODWES believes that empowering youths can strengthen families and society as a whole. To cultivate their productivity, it's essential to equip them with the necessary skills. To this end, we organize skill-building training programs focused on youth development. Recently, we conducted residential training sessions in various areas, including General Duty Assistance, tailoring, and beautician skills, among others. Through these 18 skill-building programs, we have successfully reached 1772 youths.



General Duty Assistants (GDA) Training	25 students
Computer Skill Training	402
Sewing Skill Training	683

25 students participated in the General Duty Assistants (GDA) Training program, 402 students in Computer Skill Training and 683 students in Sewing Skill Training.



Environment and Ecology

Environmental Awareness and Shramadan Camps

Awareness and collective action are keys to long-term environmental protection. SCODWES has organized 6,575 environmental awareness camps, educating communities on the importance of conserving natural resources and adopting eco-friendly practices. These camps focus on topics such as sustainable living, forest conservation, and water resource management. In addition, we have held 964 Shramadan camps, where community members come together for activities like cleaning drives and tree planting, fostering a cleaner and greener environment.



Agro-forestry for Sustainable Agriculture

Agroforestry significantly enhances environmental health by integrating agricultural crops, forestry, and livestock within the same land area. Our experience with agroforestry initiatives has revealed numerous benefits, including improved biodiversity, soil conservation, climate resilience, and additional income for the community. To support these efforts, we have distributed 1,85,000 saplings, established 10 nurseries for sapling supply, and assisted in the management of approximately 4,550 hectares of land.



Watershed Developmental Activities

SCODWES's primary objective in watershed development is to enhance the management and utilization of water resources in a sustainable manner. Our integrated approach to watershed development emphasizes community participation, stakeholder engagement, integrated resource management, and the implementation of soil and water conservation techniques. We have implemented 7 integrated watershed development projects across 5 districts in Karnataka and 1 district in Andhra Pradesh, covering more than 250,000 hectares of watershed area through this intervention.



Project location : Haveri district

Sub watershed area : Rattihalli, Hirekerur

Gram Sabha Meetings	10 Meetings
Jatha (Rally)	10 Rallies
Awareness Hoardings	10 Hoardings
Wall Paintings	15 Wall Paintings
Training Programs	
- S1: Women of SHGs	20 Sessions
- A1: Farmers & SHG Members	20 Sessions
- E1: Geographically grouped farmers	3 Sessions
- S2: Advanced SHG training	20 Sessions
- A2: Advanced farmer training	20 Sessions
- E2: Enterprise-focused training	3 Sessions

10 Gram Sabha Meetings, 10 Rallies at Jatha, 10 Awareness Hoardings, and 15 Wall Paintings. Additionally, various training sessions were conducted, 20 sessions women of SHGs, 20 sessions farmers and SHG members, 20 sessions advanced SHG training, 20 sessions advanced farmer training, 3 sessions geographically grouped farmers and 3 sessions enterprise-focused training.



Conservation and Restoration of Sacred Groves

The concept of 'sacred groves' has deep roots in Indian tradition, where we honour trees and conserve portions of forests as sacred spaces. This practice aims to protect forests and biodiversity. However, in recent years, the significance of sacred groves has been diminishing. To address this issue, we are actively working to restore and conserve these valuable ecosystems. SCODWES envisions promoting and preserving 100 patches of sacred groves.



Conservation and Restoration of Mangroves

Mangroves are essential coastal ecosystems composed of salt-tolerant trees and shrubs that flourish in intertidal zones. They offer a wide range of ecological, economic, and social benefits, playing a crucial role in maintaining environmental health and supporting coastal communities. With this in mind, our initial phase involves transplanting a minimum of 500,000 mangrove saplings along a 10 km stretch of the Aghanashini River banks.



Planted

1,000+ mangrove seedlings

Contributed to ecosystem restoration, coastal protection, and enhanced biodiversity.



Research and Development

Research on Integrated Development of Tribal Communities

Our team of experts conducted a detailed research study on the Kumbri Marathi and Siddi Tribal Communities of Uttarakannada. The findings from this research have been included in the "Tribes of Karnataka – A Pictorial Encyclopaedia" published by the Government of Karnataka. These studies aim to inform and influence policy decisions affecting the Kumbri and Siddi communities, providing a solid foundation for advocacy efforts.



Need Based Assessment for Sandur

To design an integrated development plan for Sandur Taluk in Ballari District, we conducted a research study in collaboration with another expert organization. Based on the findings, we aim to address potential developmental issues with the support of CSR agencies.

Community Engagement and Outreach

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4M⁺

Beneficiaries

3823⁺

Villages

Presence in
4 States
and

29 Districts

450⁺

committed staffs

110⁺

Projects



Health

- * MMU 46
- * Smart clinic 2
- * WASH 15+ schools
- * MHM 75,000+
- * Anemia Reduction Program 9000+ adolescents
- * Health camps and awareness 51+ camps
- * PHC 3
- * PWD 1848



Sustainable Agriculture

- * No. of FPOs promoted 60
- * Farmers Served 1M+
- * Apiculture Beneficiaries 500 families
- * Poultry farming Beneficiaries 2000 families
- * Aquaculture Beneficiaries 1,00,000+ individuals
- * Agro Forestry 20,000 hectare



Tribal Development

- * Livelihood beneficiaries 2,100 individuals
- * Skill trained individuals 650
- * Solar powered families 250+





Research and Development

- * Research paper on Endosulfan Victims
- * Research paper on Integrated Development of Tribal Communities
- * Study on Conservation of Sacred groves
- * Study on Conservation of Mangroves
- * Need Based Assessment Document for Sandur



Resettlement and Rehabilitation

- * Families benefitted 2,842
- * Reach through IGA 655 individuals
- * Emergency response 15,500 families



Development of Youth

- Skill building 1772 youth
- Youth employed 1418
- Awareness program reach 39,984 youths





Education

- * Educational support 5,025 students
- * Career Guidance 9000+ students
- * Summer Camps 7000+ students
- * STEM Lab 1000+ Students
- * School awareness 36,000 students
- * Personality Development Program -1000+ student



Women Empowerment

- * SHGs-Families Reached 24,623 women through 2,015 SHGs
- * Skill development & IGA Beneficiaries 2526
- * Santwana and Shakti Sadan beneficiaries 778 women
- * Women Awareness program Beneficiaries 1,16,731



Environment And Ecology

- * VFCs trained 261
Watershed coverage 200,000+
- * Hectares Mangroves Resto Restoration 1000+ saplings
- * Awareness and Shramadan camps 7539 beneficiaries
- * Bee box installation 5000+ boxes
- * Tree transplantation About 185,000+ saplings



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