



AGRO RANGERS 4TH QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER 2023

OUR IMPACT IN 2023

1200+

Youngsters, women and farmers trained in regenerative organic agriculture and agroforestry farming practices

100+

Acres of Agroforestry sites implemented with 75 farmers

40000+

Saplings have been planted of 30 different species

8000+

Women days of employment created

Dear Friends and Supporters,
Wishing you a happy New Year in 2024!

On December 1st, 2023, have celebrated four years of our deep commitment to improving soil health and empowering farmers. Despite the various challenges we have faced over these years, we have worked with hundreds of farmers and conducted various experiments. Our journey has been a roller-coaster, but we have created a positive impact on farmers' lives and the environment.

Your continued support means the world to us. Thank you for joining us on our mission to improve agriculture and make a positive difference in the world.

Happy Reading!
Regards,
AGRO RANGERS Team

VISITS



A group of 25 passionate students from the Rural Self Employment Training Institute, Pune, who completed a beekeeping workshop at Vigyan Ashram, Pabal paid a visit at **AGRO RANGERS** on September 30th. During their visit, they had the opportunity to explore our agroforestry model and delve into the rich biodiversity it supports. They keenly recognized the potential of the ecosystem we are creating through agroforestry in providing a conducive environment for these incredible pollinators and bee farming. Our farm was perfect ecosystem for bees.



Chitvan Chamadia and Priya Butola, representatives from the Indian Institute of Management Bangalore NSRCEL, visited **AGRO RANGERS**. As participants in NSRCEL's Impact Orbit Cohort 2, we were delighted to present an overview of our on-the-ground work and offer insights into our latest projects. It was great discusiion with them and they enjoyed our ground work by planting trees in agroforestry farm.



Hamnah Mistry of Jupiter 360 recently visited our farm and training center along with her family. During her visit, she engaged with our farmers, gaining a comprehensive understanding of our unique model and the impactful work we undertake within farming communities.

Together, we prepared and enjoyed delicious organic meals at the farmers' homes, fostering a deeper connection. Our discussions centered on exploring the vast potential scaling our impactful plans.

Will Wylie-Modro, a passionate regenerative agriculture enthusiast from the US, specially came to visit our regenerative agriculture farm. He devoted time to delve into our work and understand our approach to enhancing soil health. As an Advisor for the Intersection of Agriculture, Climate, & Tech, Will was particularly interested in **AGRO RANGERS'** efforts to transition farmers from chemical farming practices to regenerative agroforestry methods. We appreciate his keen interest and encouragement in advancing sustainable agricultural practices.



Mr. Girish Agarwal of The Buddha Institute recently visited **AGRO RANGERS** to gain insights into our work. During his field visit, he engaged with our farmers, immersing himself in understanding our distinctive approach towards bringing sustainability in farming communities. A special focus was placed on the remarkable contributions of women farmers, who play a pivotal role in building sustainable agroforestry farms and empowering the wider farming community. Our discussions delved into designing a sustainable financial model for farmers.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



AGRO RANGERS has been honored with the Schaeffler India Social Innovator Fellowship Award 2024!

The Schaeffler India Social Innovator Fellowship Program recognizes outstanding individuals and organizations driving innovative solutions for a sustainable future. Our innovative agroforestry models improves soil quality, sequester carbon and generates sustainable income for farmers.

Thus, **AGRO RANGERS** stood out among the entries, showcasing our commitment to addressing critical challenges in Agriculture and Environmental Sustainability.

Our founder, Siddhesh Sakore, had a wonderful opportunity to engage with MBA students from MIT College, Pune. During this interaction, he shared the inspiring vision of **AGRO RANGERS** and the remarkable journey behind building the impactful organization.



Our founders engaged in the Pune International Centre's Social Innovation Program, providing a valuable networking platform. During this event, they had the privilege of connecting with the inspiring founder, Dr. Prahalathan K, of the Bhumi organization.

Discussions revolved around exploring potential collaborations for environmental causes. Bhumi is a volunteer-driven organization dedicated to providing educational opportunities for the underprivileged and contributing to a sustainable environment through tree planting initiatives.

Our founder have been part of Bhumi's B-SIF (Bhumi Social Impact Fundraising) program, gaining valuable insights and strategies for effective fundraising.

BOOTCAMPS



Our founder, Siddhesh Sakore, actively participated in a three-day immersive conference tailored for social impact organizations, aiming to harness the potential of communication in achieving annual targets and goals. During this event, he had the opportunity to showcase **AGRO RANGERS'** work and receive live critiques on pitching, along with valuable insights for improving the pitch deck. The Submarine Conference stands out as a unique, communication-focused all-day bootcamp, delving deep into frameworks, tools, and best practices. We extend our sincere gratitude to the NSRCEL team for their unwavering support, enabling **AGRO RANGERS** to participate and benefit from this invaluable Submarine Conference bootcamp.



Our founders, Siddhesh Sakore and Jayadip Sarode, actively participated in a three-day residential boot camp organized by CIIE.CO at the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, in collaboration with the Schaeffler India Social Innovator Fellowship. The immersive program featured diverse workshops and masterclasses. We seized the opportunity to showcase our work, receiving valuable feedback on our growth plan from the esteemed IIMA team.

TRAININGS



We organized a training session in Ranje village, Mulshi aiming to enlighten farmers about the pressing issue of soil degradation. Emphasising agroforestry farming practices as a potential solution to combat climate change and enhance soil quality, over **30 farmers** actively participated in the program. The farmers expressed a keen interest in addressing soil and water issues and engaged in meaningful discussions.



Our founder Siddhesh Sakore led a deep dive session at Loksadhana organization, Chikhalgaon, as part of the Loknirman 5 camp. During the session, Siddhesh Sakore discussed the inception of **AGRO RANGERS**, the challenges faced, the impact achieved, and the overarching vision. In addition to the interview, informal discussions unfolded with around 60 participants from diverse backgrounds, spanning Maharashtra and beyond. Numerous students from the agriculture stream expressed curiosity about **AGRO RANGERS**.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to our esteemed partner organizations and supporters for their unwavering commitment to **AGRO RANGERS**. Your ongoing support and efforts in sharing this newsletter are invaluable to us.

Wishing each of you a prosperous 2024!

Empower farmers through your generous donation! Your support is the driving force behind training marginalized farmers, empowering them to cultivate sustainable agroforestry farms. Contribute today to make a lasting impact. Together, let's forge positive change in agriculture and uplift farming communities.

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