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## **Overview:**

Since last 15 years Pragati Abhiyan, Nashik has been working with rural communities for effective reach of government schemes and programs. In the year 2019 we worked on awareness generation of MGNREGA with two Mumbai based funding agencies namely Vasant Patkar Trust and Chandrakant Patkar Trust. With the similar objective we worked for the second consecutive year in 30 villages of Tryambakeshwar, Peth and Igatpuri blocks of Nashik district with the support from Maharashtra Foundation, USA. The same year we initiated awareness campaigns in tribal blocks of Nashik district for increasing uptake of PMFBY among Non loanee small and marginal farmers with a financial aid from SPS, Bagali, MP. We also expanded our work to Thane and Palghar districts as an implementing agency for a project supported by Tribal development department, Government of Maharashtra with an objective of increasing Nagali/r\Ragi yield by improved agronomic practices as well as enhance consumption of it for increased nutritional security. Some studies and surveys were also undertaken by Pragati Abhiyan like study of ZP elected members' training needs for improved performance. IGIDR approached Pragati Abhiyan to help them in data collection for their Women Empowerment and nutrition Index study. We are also involved in studies related to Pastorals with Centre for Pastoralism.

### **1] Awareness and trainings for allocation of works through MGNREGA in Mokhada, Palghar:-**

#### **1.1 Duration**

January 2019 to July 2019

#### **1.2 Funding Agency**

Chandrakant Patkar Trust and Vasant Patkar Trust, Mumbai

#### **1.3 Objectives**

Awareness generation and mediation for work allocation to tribal people through MGNREGA. Capacity building of Village volunteers for extension of MGNREGA scheme to the tribal villages. To ensure that all the facilities and entitlements of MGNREGA labourers are provided through on field awareness. Facilitation for work allocation by meetings with concerned government officials at GP as well as block offices.

#### **1.4 Methodology**

We selected 10 villages for creation of awareness as well as provide work to the needy unemployed tribal communities of Mokhada block in Palghar district.

#### **1.5 Outcomes**

We facilitated employment generation in 4 Gram Panchayats of Mokhada block of Palghar district during the project implementation phase. During this period due to our training programs a sum of around 90 Lakh rupees were spent for building Assets through MGNREGA thereby providing financial support to nearly 1518 tribal families.

## 1.6 Photos



## 2] NREGA 30 – Facilitation and Awareness Training for MGNREGA extension to tribals in Nashik:-

### Duration

January 2019 to December 2019

### Funding Agency

Maharashtra foundation, USA

### Objective

Every year the tribal blocks of Nashik district face serious issue of unemployment to unskilled labourers as the agricultural activities are only during Kharif season in these areas. This results into distressed migration of this population on a large scale to Nashik city or other irrigated blocks. This has a greater impact on socio-economic factors pertaining to these families because migration affect the health and education of their children as well.

The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) has proved to be a savior for this distressed migration. Also the scheme has potential to generate water conservation assets which would help these people to undertake agricultural activities over migration. Pragati Abhiyan have identified loopholes which affect the implementation of this scheme in these blocks and designed a project 'NREGA-30' which focused in 30 villages of 3 tribal blocks in Nashik district. Some of the indicators we had planned to focus were:

- Conduct trainings on NREGA for village volunteers in each of the selected villages.
- Train them to help villagers for Job cards, put in demand, place grievances, plan works for village.
- Prepare appropriate training and communication material for village volunteers and people.
- Conduct meetings with government officers for providing work.
- Increase the number of households who get work.
- Involvement of people in discussion on NREGA during Gram sabhas for planning of works in village.

### Project area

Ten villages from 3 block each viz. Peth ,Tryambak and Igatpuri in Nashik district were selected as below-

PEINT	TRYAMBAK	IGATPURI
AMLON	ASHAWALI HARHSA	AMBEWADI
CHOLMUKH	AWAHATE	BORLI
SHEWAKHANDI	BAFANVIHIR	CHINCHALEKHAIRE
DOLHARMAL	CHINCHAOHAL	INDORE
GAWANDH	DAHLEWADI VIJAYNAGAR	KHADKED
GHANSHET	DEVGAON	KURUNGWADI
MANKAPUR	GOLDHARI	MANGARGAON
PIMPALWATI	KHADAKOHAL	PIMPALGAON BHATTA
RUIPETHA	KOTAMBI HA	WALVIHIR
SHINGDARI	ZARWAD KURD	WASALI

## Observations

- a. People have demanded work themselves and also with the help of village volunteer.
- b. People also insisted for sufficient person days of work as per the NREGA guidelines.
- c. Wherever essential Pragati Abhiyan coordinated dialogue between labourers and government officials to take up sufficient works as per demand.
- d. Wherever essential people opted for online demand and grievance redressal system to get work.
- e. It was also observed that people demanded different watershed based assets in their farms to mitigate water scarcity during Rabi season.
- f. In some villages people demanded for unemployment allowance for not providing work within 15 days as per the NREGA guidelines.

## Photos



### **3] Awareness of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)**

#### **Duration**

Kharif and Rabi season 2019

#### **Funding Agency**

Samaj Pragati Sahayog, Bagli, Madhya Pradesh

#### **Objective**

Pragati Abhiyan has been working on generation of Awareness and uptake of PMFBY (Pradhan MantriFasalBimaYojana) among Non loanee tribal farmers of Nashik district since 2018. The programme supported by SPS was undertaken with a view of expansion and inclusion of maximum Non Loanee farmers in PMFBY. Creating awareness among these farmers about the importance of scheme during natural calamities for risk mitigation.

#### **Project Area**

Tryambakeshwar, Igatpuri, Peth, Surgana blocks of Nashik district, Mokhada block of Shahapur district and Shahapur block of Thane district.

#### **Observations and Impact**

- a. We observed that very few farmers were aware of the scheme and with the introduction to it found to be very positive for its uptake.
- b. During this first Kharif season we reached more than 5 thousand farmers directly or indirectly and more than 2200 farmers insured their crops.
- c. We also observed that farmers were now aware of their entitlements as well as circumstances under which they can claim insurance for crop loss.
- d. We conducted studies to understand loopholes of the scheme and raised the issues in Marathi print media.
- e. The issues identified at ground level were also discussed with senior decision making authorities in State government which created positive impact in restructuring of the scheme.



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**प्रधानमंत्री  
पिक विमा योजना  
वर्ष २०१९-२०**

**रकम तक्ता**

अ.क्र.	पिकाचे नाव	1-हेक्टर	90-गुंटे	80-गुंटे	70-गुंटे	60-गुंटे	50-गुंटे	40-गुंटे	30-गुंटे	20-गुंटे	10-गुंटे
1	भात	850	765	680	595	510	425	340	255	170	85
2	नागली(नाचणी)	250	225	200	175	150	125	100	75	50	25
3	खुरासणी (कारळे)	250	225	200	175	150	125	100	75	50	25
4	भुईमुग	640	576	512	448	384	320	256	192	128	64

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#### 4] Adiwasi Nagali Vikas Yojana

##### Duration

May 2019 to April 2020

##### Funding Agency

Tribal Development Department, Government of Maharashtra

##### Objective

There were two schemes implemented by Pragati Abhiyan during this year. The first was a two year comprehensive program titled *“To increase yields by comprehensive millets revival and to include primary processing units for young entrepreneurs; capacity building for various recipes that can be included in ICDS, MDM and Ashram Shala”*

The objectives of this scheme were to –

- Increase productivity of Finger Millets by at least 25% on an average
- Increase nutritional security and income security of the participating farmer households
- Build enterprises for post-harvest processing units in the area of operation
- Build Farmer Producer Organisations of Finger Millet growing farmers

The other scheme was an 8 months program aimed at increasing productivity of Ragititled *“Pragati Abhiyan: Revival of Millets – Finger Millets in PESA areas for better nutrition security, income enhancement and support climate resilient activity for tribal families.”*

The objectives of this scheme were to –

To revive Finger millet cultivation for improving nutritional security, getting higher incomes and mitigating droughts with special focus on PESA areas.

##### Project Area

Comprehensive scheme:

District	Block	No of Village	Total farmers
Palghar	Mokhada	6	200
Nashik	Peith	17	353
Thane	Shahapur	8	86
Nashik	Surugana	8	217
Nashik	Trambak	15	289
<b>Total</b>		<b>54</b>	<b>1145</b>

Production scheme:



<b>District</b>	<b>Block</b>	<b>No of Village</b>	<b>Total farmers</b>
Palghar	Mokhada	5	118
Thane	Shahapur	6	81
Nashik	Nashik	6	197
Nashik	Kalwan	9	207
Nashik	Surgana	7	217
<b>Total</b>		<b>33</b>	<b>820</b>

### **Observations and Impact**

Comprehensive:

- The improved agronomic practices for Ragi cultivation were adopted by 1145 farmers in 54 villages of 5 blocks.
- These farmers received trainings on Seed treatment, Nursery preparation, Transplantation and disease as well as pest management.
- The program resulted into 5 times increase in yield of ragi.
- We have also been successful partly in establishment of Community Hiring Centers and post-harvest processing units at village level for entrepreneurship development.

Production:

- The improved agronomic practices aimed at increasing Ragi yield in PESA villages was adopted by 820 farmers in 33 villages of 5 blocks.
- These farmers received trainings on Seed treatment, Nursery preparation, Transplantation and disease as well as pest management.
- This program resulted into 5 times increase in yield of Ragi.

## Photos



## **5] ZP elected representatives training**

### **Duration**

FY 2020 to 2021

### **Funding Agency**

Indian School of Business Hyderabad

### **Objective**

To understand whether training of elected representatives can increase their performance.

### **Project Area**

**Nashik ZP and Pune ZP**

### **Observations and Impact**

We first did a scoping study to understand the needs to improve performance of ZP elected members by conducting a few interviews. This gave us a good understanding that they want trainings and also what type of trainings. Given the Covid restrictions, we have planned the training sessions online, The preparation of training material and meeting ZP office officials is underway.

### **Photos**

## **6] WINI – Women Empowerment and Nutrition Index**

### **Duration**

December 2019 to March 2020.

### **Funding Agency**

IGIDR post doc researcher Shree Saha

### **Objective**

Pragati Abhiyan was partner in Data collection

### **Project Area**

Interview few women and their family members for collecting data for the study in different parts of Nashik rural.

### **Observations and Impact**

The data collection is completed properly and report has been prepared by Shree Saha.



## Photos



## 7] Center for Pastoralism

### Duration

Ongoing upto March 2021

### Funding Agency

Centre for Pastoralism

### Objective

To understand the difficulties faced by pastoralist due to lockdown.

### Project Area

Conducted interviews of pastoralist across Maharashtra

### Observations and Impact

Analysis and report writing is in progress.

### Photos

