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In April, on the occasion of World Health Day, we launched a fourth MMV, flagged off by the Chief Minister of Rajasthan, alongside general health camps and specialized consultations across various regions. We also inaugurated two Bio-input Production and Resource Centers in Dhule, Maharashtra, in collaboration with the M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation. Our agricultural programs also advanced through exposure visits and training sessions for farmers, focusing on climate-resilient practices such as shade net farming and hydroponic fodder production. Scroll through to explore these initiatives and more in greater detail.

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CM Flags Off LHWRF's New Mobile Medical Van in Rajasthan

On the occasion of World Health Day, our Lives program expanded its reach in Alwar district with the launch of a new Mobile Medical Van. The MMV was flagged off by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Shri BhajanLal Sharma, in the esteemed presence of the Hon'ble Health Minister, Shri Gajendra Singh Khimsar, and the Health Secretary, Smt. Gayatri A. Rathore. With three Mobile Medical Vans already in operation, the induction of a fourth vehicle underscores our continued commitment to strengthening healthcare delivery and improving health outcomes across rural Rajasthan.



Health and Nutrition Camps Held Across Regions on World Health Day

In our other regions, World Health Day was observed with general health camps conducted in villages and schools, providing free medical check-ups and essential medicines to children and elderly individuals. Nutrition awareness sessions were held to promote the significance of balanced diets. Furthermore, a Specialty Camp in Palghar offered advanced consultations in Cardiology and Pulmonology, thereby extending access to specialized medical care.



Two New Bio-inputs Centers Launched in Maharashtra

In collaboration with the M S Swaminathan Research Foundation, we inaugurated two Bio-inputs Production and Resource Centers in Dhule, Maharashtra, under the Better Cotton Project. These centers are strategically focused on the restoration of soil health, promotion of environmental sustainability, and enhancement of farmer incomes. The inauguration ceremony was attended by esteemed stakeholders, including the Director of the Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA), distinguished scientists from Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), and local farmers, all of whom are dedicated to advancing a sustainable agricultural future.



Exposure Visit Equips Farmers with Modern Agricultural Practices

An exposure visit was conducted in Pimpalgaon village, Nashik district, for farmers from Dhule and Nandurbar districts under the Agri-Based Livelihood Empowerment (ABLE) initiative and the Better Cotton Gender & Livelihood Program. The visit provided participants with practical training in key agricultural practices, including seed sowing, germination chamber management, seedling care, transplantation, vegetable grafting, and shade net farming. Shade net farming was emphasized as a climate-resilient approach that safeguards crops from extreme weather conditions, conserves water resources, and improves crop yields, thereby contributing to enhanced economic stability for farming communities.





Street Plays Drive Awareness on Sustainable Farming

As part of the Wadi Project under the Tribal Development Fund, Nukkad Nataks (street plays) are being conducted across villages within the Nalcha block of Dhar District, Madhya Pradesh. These performances aim to raise awareness about sustainable agricultural practices and effectively engage local communities in understanding integrated livelihood models based on agriculture, horticulture, and forestry, as well as alternative income-generating opportunities. Supported by NABARD, the initiative seeks to enhance tribal livelihoods by promoting agro-horti-forestry models and aims to benefit 450 farmers and 50 landless families.



Addressing Irrigation Challenges

In Borbhatha Bet village of Ankleshwar block, small-scale farmers were supported with water-lifting equipment, including pipes and other essential materials, under the agro-horticulture project. This support addresses persistent irrigation challenges by ensuring a more reliable water supply. With improved irrigation, the farmers are expected to achieve better agricultural productivity.



Hydroponic Fodder Units Launched in Dhule

Under the ABLE Project in Dhule, eight hydroponic fodder units, each with a 200 kg capacity for fodder production, are now operational. The project aims to increase small farmers' incomes by 25% over three years through climate-resilient, technology-driven agriculture. The first batch of maize achieved full germination, producing ready-to-use sprouts through this soil-less, nutrient-enriched water cultivation method—significantly improving feed production efficiency.



Supporting Safer Roads

As part of our ongoing CSR initiative, we extended support to the traffic police in Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar by providing 20 barricades to aid in more effective traffic management.





How Agroforestry is Rewriting Dahanu's Destiny

Watch and listen to the audio story to hear firsthand how the innovative Wadi model, introduced by LHWRF with support from NABARD, has transformed lives in the Dahanu region of Maharashtra's Palghar district. The region, home to diverse tribal communities, faces challenges such as reliance on subsistence agriculture and diminishing forest lands. Once self-sufficient, these indigenous tribes now struggle with poverty and often work as migrant laborers or small-scale farmers.

Watch the full video here:

<https://youtu.be/pIDGEzMBFxY?si=DUsq3Tt2vQ0o9fDw>



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