



Global Parli

Monthly Report

(August and September 2019)

Nation Building Through Rural Transformation

The future of India lies in the rejuvenation and transformation of its villagers.
Join us Global Parli to transform our nation.

India can wait no more!

Mayank Gandhi
Chief Coordinator

India lives in its villages. Only prosperous, self-reliant villages can transform the nation.

Global Parli's Process

1 *CHANGING MINDSET*
2016-2019

360° Participatory Development in areas of Water Management, Livelihood, Human Development, Social Reforms, Gram Swaraj, etc.

2 *TRANSFORMATION*
2018-2022

1 Water Management (2018-2019)

2 One Million Fruit Trees (2019-2021)

3 Transforming Economy (2020-2022)

3 *REPLICATION OF THE MODEL*

Taluka-by-Taluka and District-by-District Transformation of the Country

Main Activities- August



Fruit Tree Saplings and Zeba Distribution



Shetkari Melawa



Farm Visit to Understand Horticulture Economics



Geo Tagging and Crop Monitoring



Tracking Current Situation of Saplings Distributed in March - Papaya case study

Farmers' Training

KVK Visit

Other Activities



Main Activities- September



**One Million Fruit
Trees update**



**E-Learning set
distribution**

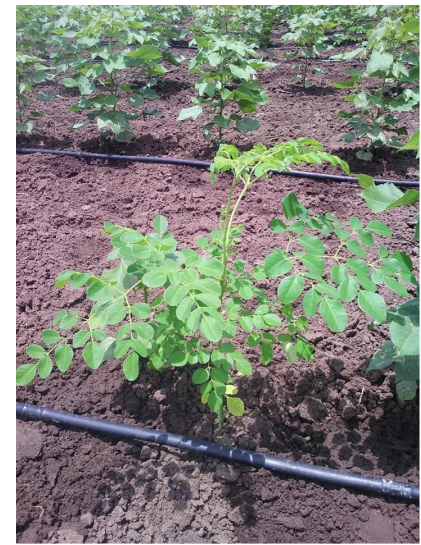


**Post-Plantation
Training**



**Capacity Building and
Brainstorming Session
with Farmers**





Status of Fruit Tree Saplings and Zeba Distribution

Fruit Tree	Total Sapling Distribution
Custard Apple	1,87,055
Moringa	1,40,652
Lemon	1,31,229
Papaya	1,19,159
Guava	1,12,743
Mango	1,11,263
Banana	83,137
Orange	9,628
Pomegranate	5,141
Total	9,00,007

**Total Zeba Distribution
Upto September**

8 Tonnes

Tracking Current Situation of Saplings Distributed in March

Farm visits were conducted to observe and monitor the current status of fruit saplings distributed in March. We visited Sandeep Gitte's farm to see the papaya plantation.

Gitte, from Nandagaul, planted 2.5 acres of Papaya (2400 saplings). In March, he planted an intercropping of watermelon in 1.5 acres. The cost of watermelon plantation was Rs. 35,000.

In May, his plantation produced 18 tonnes of watermelon in 3 batches. The crop was bought by an Aurangabad wholesaler at Rs. 11.5 per kg, earning Gitte an income of Rs. 2,07,000 from intercrop alone.

For farmers like Gitte, who have been earning Rs 10,000 to 20,000 per acre, this is a BIG jump in their incomes. Moreover, this increase in income is a result of intercropping. Income from Papaya will be additional.



Shetkari Melawa and Farmers' Training



Global Parli organized a Shetkari Melawa where farmers interacted with 18 agro-based organizations relating to quality of saplings, use of fertilizers, cropping and harvesting methods, etc.

Concurrently, a training session was organized and attended by 700 farmers. Dr. Joshi and Dr. Krishna Kardile from KVK, Ambajogai provided tips on plantation, caring of trees, and intercropping.



Mrs. Sandra Shroff, Vice Chairman of UPL also addressed the farmers and Mr. Mayank Gandhi assured them that GP will help in marketing of fruits through industry trainings and tie-ups.

Farm Visit to Understand Horticulture Economics

A team of 100 members visited Parli to understand our model. During this trip, we visited a papaya plantation to understand the economics of horticulture.

During the discussion, our visitors interacted with a farmer to understand the costs and profit margins of shifting to fruit plantation.

It emerged that, on an average, farmers are able to increase their income by 15-20 times by switching to horticulture.



KVK Visit



We visited KVK Ambajogai, our knowledge partner to understand their working model. A knowledge sharing session/FGD was organized to discuss:

1. The existing FPO process and its challenges
2. Government schemes and subsidies for farmers
3. Role of farmers in marketing plans



Our visitors from Mumbai also expressed interest in setting up packhouses and marketing units to help GP's farmers.

Geo Tagging and Crop Monitoring

GP also began geo tagging fields that were planted in March. This will help us monitor the plantations and provide necessary crop support to the farmers.

We use an angle cam to geo tag and monitor fields. This helps us to:

- Maintain records of exact plantation acreage,
- Gauge the condition of plants,
- Analyze the plantation pattern including distance between saplings and placement of drip irrigation channels, and
- Calculate the actual sapling plantation.



Other Activities



- GP donated 10 computers that were distributed in 5 different schools in Parli.
- Rotary donated a library to be set up at Waghala School
- A Solar Pump was donated to the Waghala Ashram School.
- Borosil distributed 1050 notebooks among the 350 students of the Waghala Ashram School.



Appreciating the Achievements of Mee Sabala

In November 2018, GP supported Mee Sabala, our local SHG “Kranti Mahila Bachat Gat” to buy 20 goats using their subsidy amounts so their existing income could be supplemented with additional earnings from goat-rearing.

By August 2019, this setup of goat-rearing had expanded to 51 goats.

To celebrate this achievement and encourage the womenfolk, GP gifted them a chaff-cutter.



E - Learning Set Distribution



E-Learning utilizes electronic technologies to access educational curriculum outside of a traditional classroom. Additionally, it caters to the differing needs of various learners while making the process of teaching-learning more interesting and collaborative for the students.

Global Parli has completed the set up of e-learning kits in 19 schools across Parli Taluka so the students of Parli have access to varied media that aid their learning.

In October, we plan to talk to a few teachers and students to get feedback on the e-learning software.

Capacity Building and Brainstorming Session with Farmers

During one of the multiple capacity building sessions, we focused on group farming and farmer unity.

In this meeting, Global Parli's objective was to encourage the farmers to understand the importance of farmer unity and avenues available for farmers to strengthen their bargaining position. Farmers brainstormed on forming an effective alliance among themselves to collectively address many challenges of agriculture such as improved access to investment, technology, inputs and markets.



Post - Plantation Training



As saplings have started growing in height, we have started arranging post-plantation training sessions for farmers.

Global Parli invited Shendage Sir to conduct such a training session with farmers who have planted drumstick.

During this session, farmers learnt about pruning techniques that need to be used at different stages as drumstick saplings grow in height and the importance of post-plantation care for the main crop as well as the intercrop.

Partners

