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OUR CHIEF PATRON'S MESSAGE

“ Covid-19 Pandemic and subsequent lockdowns on a scale never imagined, has shattered the global economy in 2020-21 and India was no exception. However, the pandemic has the least impact on Indian agriculture as is evident through continuous supply of all agricultural goods from fruits, vegetables to cereals, pulses and edible oils. Agriculture & allied sector not only survived but has registered growth. The sector stood like a rock against all the odds and this is because of the series of innovations, reforms and the zeal of the farming community.

It's important to tap the enormous potential of Agro processing & Agro-based industries, Agri-Services and improve Supply Chain Management, Rural logistics by introducing new technologies to the farmers. This shall help to fetch better prices for agri produce.

I am happy that Agrovision Foundation is committed to improve the livelihood of farmers of Central India through bringing the new technologies to their door step & has reached out digitally to Agri entrepreneurs & all the stakeholders to create better infrastructure and opportunities for farming communities.

I wish them success in their efforts. ”



Shri. Nitin Gadkari

Hon'ble Union Minister,
Government of India





FROM PRESIDENT'S DESK.....

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It gives me great pleasure to place before you the annual activity report of Agrovision Foundation for the year 2020-21. The ongoing health crisis around COVID19 has affected all walks of life. In spite of various measures adopted by Government Of India and ICAR concerns have been raised regarding negative implications of COVID19 pandemic on the farm economy. Responding quickly to the challenges, Agrovision Foundation continued with their mission Educate , Encourage, Empower and started series of webinars on various topics to help farmers to get guidance in the tough time. Online workshops and direct online interaction with farmers followed the series.

20 virtual webinars on various important topics, direct interaction with farmers on 11 topics and a four day virtual workshop and exhibition were organised in the year 20-21. The webinars, workshops and direct interaction sessions were attended by over 1.5 lakh farmers online. Around 180 Agri experts interacted with farmers guided them on various important issues related to farming and agribusiness. Despite the challenges and hardships caused by COVID-19, new knowledge can help farmers moving ahead towards prosperity. Agrovision foundation is committed for the cause and will continue with its mission relentlessly.

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Year At A Glance

Virtual Webinars : AGROVISION FOUNDATION team carried out remarkable work during this unprecedented crisis created by COVID-19 and the subsequent LOCKDOWN period. The COVID – 19 pandemic has begun to disrupt the rural livelihoods hence AF plans to use its ground presence to play a supportive role to constrain the negative fallouts of the pandemic. AF programs are spread out over 1.35 lakh Farmers across india. However, The planned work in response to the COVID – 19 pandemic is proposed to be taken up initially through **Virtual webinars and through farmer interaction**. 31 different topics related to agriculture & allied sectors were covered through these webinars during the pandemic. Total coverage in the Virtual Programs was about 1.35 lakh attendees including farmers, students, industry Experts and officers from various Govt. Departments & private sector.



Virtual Webinars

Sr. No	Name of Event Topics	Date of Event	Experts
1	Dairy Industry during Covid-19 and beyond	17-Apr-20	5
2	The Impact of COVID 19 on Food Processing Sector and Road Ahead	24-Apr-20	6
3	The impact of COVID 19 on Poultry Sector and Road Ahead	1-May-20	8
4	Impact of COVID 19 on Irrigated Agriculture and Road Ahead	15-May-20	5
5	Renewable Energy in Agriculture.	22-May-20	6
6	Opportunities In Fisheries sector-Post Lockdown	4-Jun-20	6
7	Challenges Opportunities and future of Inland Fisheries	12-Jun-20	5
8	Pesticides Management in Agriculture	19-Jun-20	5
9	Scope of Farm Mechanization in India	30-Jun-20	6
10	Agriculture Startups Opportunities and Challenges	10-Jul-20	6

11	Farmer Producer Organization for better future	22-Jul-20	
12	Agriculture Supply Chain Management	31-Jul-20	6
13	Agriculture Export Opportunities & Challenges	10-Aug-20	7
14	Digitization in Agriculture A Next Revolution	24-Aug-20	5
15	Organic Farming Opportunities & Challenges	2-Sep-20	7
16	Reforms in Agricultural Education	11-Sep-20	6
17	The Evolution of Hydroponic Farming	21-Sep-20	6
18	Food Safety and Standards	5-Oct-20	6
19	Current Reforms in Agriculture	16-Oct-20	5
20	Rural Development & Transformation through Cillage	29-Oct-20	1

Virtual Farmer Interaction

Sr. No	Name of Event Topics	Date of Event	Experts
1	E-Interaction with Farmers in Vidarbha & Marathawada	24-May-20	1
2	Cotton cultivation and Management	15-Jun-20	5
3	Orange cultivation and Management	25-Jun-20	7
4	Bio-fertilizers and Its Importance	27-Jun-20	4
5	Soil health and Conservation	7-Jul-20	6
6	Sustainability of Goat Farming	7-Aug-20	8
7	Pink Bollworm Management	17-Aug-20	5
8	Pink Bollworm Management	11-Sep-20	6
9	Pink Bollworm Management	17-Sep-20	4
10	Pink Bollworm Management	24-Sep-20	5
11	Linseed & Mustard Cultivation	21-Oct-20	5

Virtual Workshops

Agrovision Foundation and **MM Activ Sci-Tech Communications** jointly organized 4 days of virtual workshops and Exhibition from 5-8 February 2021. This knowledge impartment Festival was inaugurated on 5 February 2021 by Hon'ble Chief Patron of Agrovision, **Shri Nitinji Gadkari, Union Minister for Road Transport, Highways, and Ministry of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprise, Gol**

Following workshops were organised during this event .

• Dairy : Use of technique/modern practices to increase profitability • Custard Apple • Pesticides Scope and Issues • Sugarcane • Beekeeping • Sericulture • Goat Farming • FPO in Vidarbha • Green House Technology for Exotic Vegetable • Poultry • Farm machinery for small farmers • Turmeric / Ginger Cultivation And Processing 42 experts from Agri universities, private sector, Govt departments, Food tech Institutes, Veterinary colleges, Agro journalists, experts from Private Sector, NGOs had been invited to guide and interact with farmers. There was an excellent response from the farmers, student, Agri Universities, and other stakeholders; farmers' interaction with the expert speakers was the most successful part of the workshops. Total over **4700 attendees** and visitors participated as the attendees from the farming community, Agri students, and reps of the private sector, concerned Govt. departments.

Virtual Summits

The Agro Food Processing Virtual Summit 2020

held on 15 & 16 December, organized by Agrovision Foundation, MM Activ Sci-Tech Communications and Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), marked the esteemed presence of **Shri Nitinji Gadkari, Hon'ble Minister for Road Transport Highways and MSME, Gol** and **Shri Narendraji Singh Tomar, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture and Food Processing Industries, Gol**, and were joined by other industry stalwarts to voice their views on the many shortcomings and opportunities that India particularly is faced with, in a bid to remain competitive in the global processed food market. The summit was attended by over 3600 attendees and was guided by 35 experts from Agri scetor.

Six Technical Sessions in the summit

- Opportunities in Food Processing
- Food Safety and Quality Issues in Food Processing
- Issues of Marketing & Exports of Processed Foods
- Role of Food Parks in Promoting Processed Food
- Food Processing Machinery and Technology
- Food Losses Wastage and Technology to mitigate them



The Agro Food Tech Virtual Summit 2021

Held on 25, 26, & 27th March 2021, the summit was organized by Agrovision Foundation, MM Activ Sci-Tech Communications and Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME). 19 Experts participated from Agri universities, private sector, Govt departments & Food tech Institutes.

Following Five Technical sessions were attended by large number of attendees :

- Food Technologies in Food Processing Sector - Status and Needs
- New R&D Paradigms in Food Processing Sector
- SCM: Challenges and Opportunities
- New Technologies : Food Losses and Wastage
- Role of BFSI for Development of Food Processing Sector

Agrovision Foundation's Outreach in last 5 years

Sr.No	Name	Nos	Experts	Attendees / Coverage
1	Trainings	22	52	1269 Farmers
2	Physical Workshops	172	180	2,10,000 Farmers
3	Virtual Workshops	12	42	4700 Farmers
4	Virtual Webinars	20	113	22381 Farmers
5	Virtual Farmer Interaction	11	55	1.20 Lakhs farmers
6	Virtual Summit	1	35	3600 Farmers
7	Conference	9	120	2250 Farmers
8	State participation & Visited Farmers	20 state of India		Over 32 Lakhs Farmers
9	Organization Participation	1350 Exhibitor		
10	Farmer Success Stories	25 Farmers		25 Farmers
11	Projects	4 Nos		3200 Farmers

Special Project

Pink Bollworm Management

Agrovision Foundation Nagpur located in the midst of the cotton bowl to implement the campaign on pink bollworm has been the major collaborator of SABC. Having closely operated the earlier Project on "PINK BOLLWORM MANAGEMENT", Agrovision Foundation has the successful experience of handling such a project. AF involved public sector institute located in the regions. Particularly the Dr Panjabrao Krishi Vidyapeeth, KVKs, Central Institute for Cotton Research and Department of Agriculture Govt of Maharashtra. PBM management Awareness Campaign launched by the Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture, Government of Maharashtra. This has also helped farmers realize that management is a community approach which ultimately can be applied to total crop management for sustainability and profitability of farming. The Campaign was inaugurated by **Hon'ble Shri Anilji Deshmukh Hon'ble Home Minister, Government of Maharashtra** on date 5th September 2020 the campaign were release from Regional Fruit Research Station, Walni, Katol.

Glimpses of Activities



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