

## Sand Bag Check Dam (Bora Bandh): A Community-Led Approach for Sustainable Water Conservation in Rainfed Agro-Ecosystems

### 1. Summary of the product/technology (maximum of 200 words)

#### Conceptual framework

- **Problem Identification:** The plateau regions of Jharkhand face excessive runoff despite adequate rainfall, leading to poor water retention, low groundwater recharge, and reduced irrigation efficiency. These constraints force farmers to rely on monocropping, limiting agricultural productivity and resilience in the face of seasonal water scarcity.
- **Technological Intervention:** To address water scarcity and runoff issues, Bora Bandh was introduced under the NICRA project in 2011 as a low-cost, community-based solution. It captures seasonal runoff using sandbag structures, enhancing groundwater recharge, reducing erosion, and improving irrigation access in rainfed, water-stressed rural areas.
- **Design Features:** Bora Bandh structures are built by stacking sand-filled cement bags across seasonal streams. Typically, 3 meters wide and 2 meters high, they are low-cost, temporary to semi-permanent check dams. Easy to construct with local materials, they offer a simple, adaptable solution for water conservation.
- **Implementation Environment:** Bora Bandh is suitable for diverse landscapes—hill slopes, plateaus, and plains—and functions effectively across agro-climatic zones like arid, semi-arid, tropical, and temperate regions. Its flexible design and ease of implementation make it ideal for community-led water conservation in rainfed, water-stressed rural areas.

#### Summary:

In response to severe water scarcity and runoff losses in the plateau regions, Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Gumla promoted the Bora Bandh technology as a community-led water conservation model under the NICRA initiative. This intervention involves constructing low-cost check dams using sand-filled cement bags strategically placed across seasonal streams to harvest runoff water. Implemented through participatory approaches, the technology significantly enhances groundwater recharge, reduces soil erosion, and improves irrigation potential in rainfed areas.

Technical guidance and capacity-building efforts by KVK have enabled farmers to adopt the Bora Bandh model with ease and confidence. The initiative effectively addresses the challenges of water management in plateau ecosystems, while also demonstrating how low-cost, climate-resilient technologies can offer sustainable environmental benefits and enhance agricultural productivity.

Recognizing the success and scalability of this intervention, state policymakers have supported its replication across distress-prone

	blocks of Jharkhand, allocating ₹25,000 per block for the procurement of cement bags to facilitate widespread adoption and long-term sustainability.
<b>2. Is it a new technology? (Yes/No).</b> If no, provide the details of the technology modified	Yes, this is a novel, community-based, field-level empirical technology model, developed for the first time in Jharkhand. It represents an innovative approach to decentralized water conservation, specifically designed to address runoff management and groundwater recharge in rainfed and plateau ecosystems.
<b>3. IPR involved, if any</b> (Patent/Copyright/ Industrial Design Registration/Variety/germplasm registration). Provide Filed/Granted number	No IPR
<b>4. Validation procedure followed</b> (within Institute, collaborators, multilocation/multi-site testing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In 2011, the Bora Bandh technology was first piloted under the NICRA project in Gunia village, Jharkhand, to address water runoff, low groundwater recharge, and irrigation inefficiency in plateau regions.</li> <li>• The model gained recognition due to its cost-effectiveness, community-led construction, and significant impact on water retention and agricultural productivity. Farmers experienced improved irrigation potential, enabling timely sowing and enhanced crop diversification.</li> <li>• As a result of its field-level success, Dr. K.D. Kokate, former DDG (Agricultural Extension), ICAR, visited the site and appreciated the intervention as a replicable water conservation model for rainfed areas. (Annexure-VI, pp 30)</li> <li>• Subsequently, the success story of Bora Bandh technology was documented by the Zonal Project Directorate, Zone-II, Kolkata, and ICAR-CRIDA, Hyderabad, and published in the year 2016–17. (Annexure-V, pp 32-33)</li> <li>• The model was scientifically monitored and evaluated by the High-Level Monitoring Committee (HLMC) formed by ICAR-CRIDA, focusing on performance indicators such as water retention, groundwater recharge, and farmer adoption</li> <li>• The effectiveness of the Bora Bandh model attracted the attention of state-level policymakers. Former Chief Minister, Shri Raghubar Das, acknowledged its importance, and Smt. Rajbala Verma, former Chief Secretary, conducted an on-site review. (Annexure-IX, pp 45)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Based on these validations, the model was promoted across all distress-prone blocks of Jharkhand, with a financial provision of ₹25,000 per block allocated for the procurement of empty cement bags under government support schemes</li> </ul>
<p><b>5. Brief description of research output/technology:</b></p>	<p><b>Need for the Technology:</b></p> <p>Water scarcity and surface runoff are significant constraints in the plateau and rainfed regions of Jharkhand, where, despite adequate rainfall, groundwater recharge remains poor and irrigation efficiency is low. The undulating terrain further complicates water retention, while traditional water conservation methods are often expensive and technically unsuitable for smallholder farmers. As a result, monocropping dominates, and agricultural productivity remains limited.</p> <p><b>Technological Intervention: Bora Bandh</b></p> <p>To address these challenges, a simple, low-cost, and community-managed water conservation model, known as Bora Bandh, was introduced under the NICRA project in 2011. This intervention involves the construction of temporary to semi-permanent check dams using sand-filled cement bags, strategically placed across seasonal rivulets and drainage lines.</p> <p><b>Functionality and Benefits</b></p> <p>These structures effectively reduce the velocity of flowing water, promoting infiltration into the soil, thereby enhancing groundwater recharge, reducing soil erosion, and improving irrigation availability. The adaptability, affordability, and ease of implementation make Bora Bandh a sustainable and replicable solution, particularly in resource-poor, climate-vulnerable regions, thereby supporting climate-resilient agricultural practices.</p>
<p><b>a. Objective of the product/ technology</b></p>	<p>The primary objective of the Bora Bandh technology is to conserve surface runoff water for agricultural use, particularly in water-stressed, undulating, and rainfed areas. It aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve groundwater recharge and irrigation potential.</li> <li>Enable timely sowing and crop diversification.</li> <li>Provide a replicable, cost-effective solution for sustainable water resource management.</li> <li>Encourage community participation in water conservation</li> </ul>

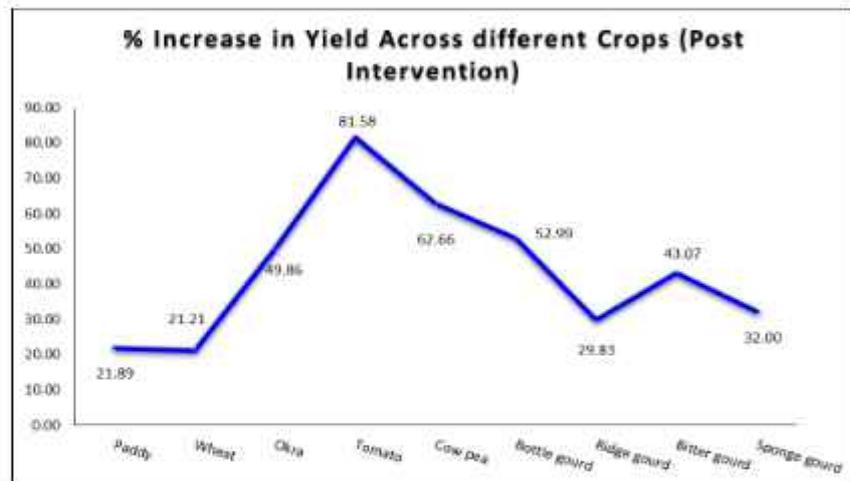
	practices.
<p><b>b. Detailed methodology of the proposed product/technology</b></p>	<p><b>A. Baseline Survey and Problem Identification</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A preliminary assessment was conducted by the scientists of <b>KVK, Gumla</b> to understand the constraints faced by farmers in plateau regions, particularly during the <b>rabi season</b>.</li> <li>• The survey revealed that despite the availability of fertile land; <b>lack of irrigation water</b> limited farmers to monocropping.</li> <li>• Farmers expressed strong interest in cultivating rabi crops if <b>water availability could be ensured</b> post-kharif.</li> </ul> <p><b>B. Awareness and Capacity Building (Annexure- I Table 1, pp 18-19)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interactions and meetings were organized with the local villagers to discuss the problem and <b>introduce the concept of sand bag check dams (Bora Bandh)</b>.</li> <li>• Over a span of 12 years (2011–2022), KVK Gumla conducted extensive capacity-building activities to promote moisture conservation, groundwater recharge, timely sowing, polyculture, and crop diversification. This included 328 awareness Programmes (17705 participants), 165 trainings (3557 participants), and 10 exposure visits (333 participants) from other districts.</li> <li>• Farmers showed great enthusiasm and offered their <b>voluntary labor (shramdaan)</b> for implementation, showing a high level of community ownership. (Annexure- IX, pp 45)</li> </ul> <p><b>C. Selection of Operational Area</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Mahasaria rivulet</b> in Gunia village was selected as the intervention site based on runoff characteristics and local dependence.</li> <li>• Civil engineers from <b>Birla Institute of Technology, Mesra</b> were consulted to determine the <b>ideal location and design parameters</b> based on <b>peak water flow</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>D. Material Procurement and Preparation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>600 empty cement bags</b> were procured by KVK at <b>Rs. 2 each</b>.</li> <li>• Sand was sourced locally, and villagers were organized into groups for <b>filling, tying, and transporting</b> the sand bags.</li> </ul>

	<p><b>E. Construction of the Check Dam</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The structure was laid <b>across the seasonal stream</b> in two rows, leaving a <b>1-meter central gap</b>, which was filled with sand and <b>trampled for compaction</b>.</li> <li>• As the bags were layered row by row, the <b>height of the dam gradually increased</b>, and water began to accumulate behind the structure.</li> <li>• By the end of the day, a <b>100 m long, 3m wide, and 2 m high</b> sand bag check dam was completed, holding a substantial amount of water.</li> </ul> <p><b>F. Immediate Impact and Replication</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next morning, <b>hundreds of farmers</b> from neighboring villages visited the site, impressed by the visible water retention.</li> <li>• Motivated by this success, villagers <b>mobilized themselves</b> to replicate the model, resulting in the construction of <b>eight more sand bag check dams</b> across the Mahasaria rivulet by the <b>end of December 2011</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>G. Outcome and Significance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This intervention demonstrated a <b>low-cost, rapidly adoptable, and community-driven model</b> for water harvesting.</li> <li>• It led to <b>improved irrigation availability</b>, enabling <b>rabi cultivation</b>, and became one of the <b>fastest-spread water conservation practices</b> in Jharkhand.</li> </ul>
<p>c. Yield/productivity gain</p>	<p><b>Technological Intervention: Bora Bandh</b></p> <p>Under NICRA’s Technology Demonstration Component, KVK Gumla addressed water scarcity and monocropping in tribal plateau regions by introducing a low-cost, community-based solution. In 2011, with active farmer participation, a sandbag check dam (Bora Bandh) was built in Gunia village to harvest runoff, recharge groundwater, and support rabi cultivation. The intervention proved affordable, effective, and easily replicable across similar Agro-ecological zones.</p> <p><b>Immediate and Large-Scale Impact</b></p> <p>The success was immediate—wheat was cultivated on <b>over 1000 hectares</b> in districts like Gumla, Lohardaga, Simdega, Latehar, and Khunti, where land was earlier left fallow post-kharif. This marked a</p>

shift from monocropping to **double and multiple cropping**, significantly improving land productivity.

### **Yield and Crop Diversification**

The graph illustrates the percentage increase in crop yield after intervention. Tomato exhibited the highest improvement at 81.57%, followed by okra (68.15%) and cowpea (62.66%). Bottle gourd, bitter gourd, and sponge gourd also showed substantial gains (32–53%). Cereal crops such as paddy and wheat recorded modest increases of 21.88% and 21.21%, respectively. Overall, vegetable crops demonstrated greater responsiveness to interventions, indicating higher return potential from diversification and adoption of improved practices in smallholder systems. (Annexure- I Table 2, pp 20)



### **Groundwater Recharge and Moisture Management**

The Bora Bandh structures led to a **rise in the groundwater table** from **7–8 ft** to **3–4 ft**, even during peak summer. This allowed farmers to access shallow well water for irrigation and domestic use, ensuring year-round farming stability.

### **Recognition and Replication**

The success story gained attention from district authorities, media, and state leadership. Former Chief Minister Shri Raghubar Das endorsed the model. With support from Padma Shri Ashok Bhagat Ji, the government supplied cement bags to build 70 Bora Bandhs in 2016, irrigating 3,500 acres of land.

### **Employment and Social Impact**

The **expansion of irrigated land** created rural employment opportunities, helped curb seasonal migration, and increased rural

	<p>incomes. This model empowered communities to manage their resources, improving resilience against climate shocks.</p> <p><b>Awards and Recognition</b></p> <p>KVK Gumla was honored with the Dainik Jagran Water Conservation Award and a Zonal-Level NICRA Award, recognizing Bora Bandh as a replicable and scalable model for climate-resilient, productivity-enhancing agriculture. (Annexure- VIII, pp 41-45)</p>
<p><b>d. Saving of water, labour, time and energy</b></p>	<p><b>Water Harvesting Efficiency</b></p> <p>A 100-meter long, 3-meter wide, and 2-meter-high Bora Bandh constructed across the Masaria rivulet in Gunia village enabled the harvesting of approximately 60,000 m<sup>3</sup> of surface runoff water. This stored water was utilized effectively to provide life-saving irrigation during dry spells in 200 hectares of standing paddy. (Annexure- I Table 3, pp 22-24)</p> <p><b>Extended Irrigation for Rabi and Summer Crops</b></p> <p>The same stored water facilitated successful cultivation of Rabi and summer crops on 110 hectares, ensuring cropping system intensification and reducing the area left fallow post-Kharif. The availability of timely irrigation minimized crop failure and stabilized agronomic output in vulnerable periods.</p> <p><b>Reduction in Energy Consumption and Emissions</b></p> <p>By eliminating the need for diesel-powered irrigation systems, the Bora Bandh model saved approximately 4,800 litres of diesel, which would otherwise be used to irrigate 200 hectares. This corresponds to an estimated reduction of 12,864 kg of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, contributing to climate change mitigation and promoting low-carbon agriculture.</p> <p><b>Labour and Time Savings</b></p> <p>The use of gravity-fed water from the Bora Bandh reduced the need for labor-intensive operations such as manual water extraction and pump operation. Farmers saved considerable time and labor hours, allowing for more efficient resource allocation and reduced drudgery, especially for smallholders.</p> <p><b>Improved Irrigation Frequency</b></p> <p>Each Bora Bandh structure facilitated at least three irrigation events for Rabi and summer crops across 150 hectares, which would typically require substantial fuel, time, and manpower under conventional pump-based systems. This regular water supply improved crop health, yields, and input-use efficiency.</p>
<p><b>e. Conservation of soil</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduces surface runoff, thereby minimizing topsoil erosion in</li> </ul>

sloping and plateau regions.

- In Gunia village, Bora Bandh structures helped conserve soil across 200 hectares, preventing an estimated 1.5–2.0 tons/ha of soil loss per year.
- Promotes sediment deposition behind the structure, enriching nearby fields with nutrient-rich silt.
- Enhances soil moisture retention, supporting better crop root development and microbial activity.
- Reduces the need for frequent tillage, helping preserve soil structure.
- Contributes to long-term soil fertility, productivity, and sustainability in rainfed agro-ecosystems.

#### f. Capacity

The Bora Bandh model, implemented progressively under the NICRA-TDC framework in Jharkhand, has shown remarkable growth in both physical infrastructure and agricultural impact over a span of 11 years (2011–2022).

##### Structure Development

- A total of 685 sandbag check dams were constructed across the intervention period.
- Annual construction increased from 9 structures in 2011–12 to a peak of 100 in 2018–19, indicating high scalability and community acceptance. (Annexure- I Table 3, pp 22-24)



##### Water Harvesting Capacity

- The cumulative volume of water harvested through these structures reached approximately 2616.58 lakh m<sup>3</sup> (~2.6 billion cubic meters). This massive storage enabled sustainable irrigation and moisture conservation in water-scarce, rainfed

	ecosystems. (Annexure- I Table 3, pp 22-24)
g. Efficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kharif Season Support:</b> Provided supplemental irrigation to 954.40 hectares, protecting standing crops during dry spells and reducing crop failure risk. (Annexure- I Table 3, pp 22-24)</li> <li>• <b>Rabi Crop Expansion:</b> Enabled a shift from monocropping to double cropping, expanding Rabi cultivation from 80 hectares (2011–12) to 3,500 hectares (2019–20); total Rabi coverage reached 18,805.06 hectares over 11 years. (Annexure- I Table 3, pp 22-24)</li> <li>• <b>Farmer Outreach:</b> Benefitted 19,383 farmers, primarily small and marginal tribal households, enhancing livelihood resilience and promoting inclusive agricultural development. (Annexure- I Table 3, pp 22-24)</li> <li>• <b>Upscaling of the Initiative:</b> Impressed by KVK Gumla's efforts, Deputy Commissioner Shri Rahul Sharma sanctioned ₹89 lakh under the Integrated Tribal Development Agency for replicating the NICRA model in Majhgaon Panchayat, Dumri block. The initiative aimed to fill irrigation gaps for Rabi and summer crops.</li> <li>• <b>Wider Impact and Convergence:</b> The sandbag check dam concept spread to other villages through convergence, creating assured irrigation for over 1,000 hectares. This led to 2–3-fold increases in crop production and productivity, helping the district move toward food grain self-sufficiency.</li> </ul>
h. Cost effectiveness including B:C ratio (Annexure- I Table 2, pp 20)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Significant yield enhancement</b> was observed across all crops post-intervention, with the highest increase recorded in tomato (<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i>, var. Supar Rasna) at <b>81.57%</b>, followed by okra (<i>Abelmoschus esculentus</i>, var. Tulsi) at <b>68.15%</b>.</li> <li>• <b>Cereal crops such as paddy</b> (<i>Oryza sativa</i>, var. Sahbhagi dhan) and <b>wheat</b> (<i>Triticum aestivum</i>, var. PBW-343) showed modest but consistent <b>yield improvements of 21.88% and 21.21%, respectively.</b></li> <li>• <b>High-value vegetable crops</b> (e.g., bitter gourd, bottle gourd, and ridge gourd) demonstrated enhanced productivity ranging from 29.82% to 52.99%, translating into substantial net returns (₹72,250–₹95,500/ha).</li> <li>• Net returns across crops varied from ₹17,260/ha in paddy to ₹95,500/ha in bottle gourd, with B:C ratios ranging from 1.8 to</li> </ul>

	<p>3.98, indicating excellent economic feasibility.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• These results affirm the agronomic and economic viability of crop diversification and scientific interventions in smallholder farming systems.</li> </ul>
<p><b>i. Uniqueness of the technology in comparison to existing ones</b></p>	<p>The uniqueness of the Bora Bandh model lies in its multi-dimensional benefits as a low-cost, community-led, and climate-resilient water conservation intervention, setting it apart from conventional approaches.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Cost-Effectiveness and Use of Indigenous Materials:</b> Unlike conventional masonry or concrete check dams, the Bora Bandh model utilizes locally available resources—primarily empty cement bags filled with sand—making it an extremely low-cost intervention suitable for resource-poor and tribal farming communities.</li> <li>2. <b>Participatory and Community-Led Implementation:</b> A defining feature of the model is its community-driven execution, where local farmers contribute voluntary labour (shramdaan). This participatory approach enhances ownership, maintenance, and sustainability of the structure, which is often lacking in top-down engineered solutions.</li> <li>3. <b>Quick Deployment and Replicability:</b> Bora Bandh structures can be constructed within a single day, without machinery or technical labour, enabling rapid scalability across regions. Its simple design allows easy replication even in remote and inaccessible areas.</li> <li>4. <b>Adaptability to Varied Landscapes:</b> This model is particularly effective in undulating terrains and rainfed agro-ecosystems, where conventional check dams are technically and financially impractical. Its flexible design allows for customized deployment based on site-specific hydrological conditions.</li> <li>5. <b>Temporary to Semi-Permanent Design:</b> The sandbag structure can be reconfigured seasonally, offering both permanence and adaptability. It ensures minimum maintenance cost and maximum functional life, depending on local needs.</li> <li>6. <b>Multifunctional Ecosystem Services:</b> Besides water harvesting, Bora Bandh supports groundwater recharge, soil conservation, moisture retention, and facilitates double or multiple cropping, thereby improving land productivity and climate resilience.</li> <li>7. <b>Policy Endorsement and Institutional Scaling:</b> The model's success has drawn attention from policymakers, resulting in</li> </ol>

	<p>district-level funding and state-wide replication. It stands as a scientifically sound, socially inclusive, and environmentally sustainable model for climate-resilient natural resource management.</p>
<p><b>j. Passport data of the product/technology</b> (Annexure- I Table 3, pp 22-24)</p>	<p><b>Technology Name:</b> Bora Bandh – Sandbag Check Dam</p> <p><b>Category:</b> Climate-resilient Water Conservation Technology</p> <p><b>Introduced under:</b> National Innovations on Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA) – Technology Demonstration Component (TDC)</p> <p><b>Year of Introduction:</b> 2011</p> <p><b>Developed by:</b> Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Gumla, Jharkhand</p> <p><b>Implemented in:</b> Gunia village, Dumri Block, Gumla district (Initial site)</p> <p><b>Geographical Spread:</b> Replicated across 11 districts in Jharkhand including Gumla, Lohardaga, Simdega, Khunti, and Latehar</p> <p><b>Total Structures Constructed:</b> 685 Bora Bandhs (2011–2022)</p> <p><b>Water Harvested:</b> 2,616.58 lakh cubic meters</p> <p><b>Acreage Covered:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kharif supplemental irrigation: 954.4 hectares</li> <li>• Rabi cultivation enabled: 18,805.06 hectares</li> </ul> <p><b>Farmers Benefitted:</b> 19,383 households, mostly small and marginal tribal farmers</p> <p><b>Livelihood Impact:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shift from monocropping to multiple cropping systems</li> <li>• Increase in productivity and farm income</li> <li>• Creation of local employment and reduction in seasonal migration</li> </ul> <p><b>Support &amp; Recognition:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supported by NICRA (ICAR), District Administration</li> <li>• Rs. 89 lakhs sanctioned by ITDA for scaling under second-phase model</li> <li>• Recognized as the <b>Gumala Model of Water Harvesting</b> in Jharkhand</li> </ul>
<p><b>12. Details of relevant data generated during the</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Over a span of ten years, comprehensive data were generated through field-level implementation involving local farmers and</li> </ul>

<p><b>development/validation</b></p>	<p>stakeholders, using participatory approaches tailored to site-specific conditions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the next phase, this data was systematically compiled, analyzed, and interpreted to derive robust, evidence-based conclusions on the technology's effectiveness and impact.</li> </ul>
<p><b>13. Proposed stakeholders</b></p>	<p>The technology promotes <b>long-term sustainability</b> by enhancing <b>water conservation</b>, supporting <b>climate-resilient agriculture</b>, and encouraging <b>community ownership</b>. It enables improved groundwater recharge, soil moisture retention, and increased cropping intensity, contributing directly to <b>natural resource conservation and livelihood security</b>.</p> <p><b>Alignment with Key Government Schemes</b></p> <p>This technology aligns with several national and state-level programs aimed at sustainable natural resource management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA)</li> <li>• The National Innovations in Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA) – location-specific technologies on farmers' fields to help them adapt to climate change variability</li> <li>• Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) – <i>Watershed Development &amp; Per Drop More Crop</i></li> <li>• MGNREGA Scheme – for labor-intensive water conservation structures</li> <li>• Jai Shakti Abhiyan – Catch the Rain campaign</li> <li>• Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP)</li> <li>• State-level Tribal Development Programs (e.g., ITDA Jharkhand)</li> <li>• Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) – for scaling low-cost mechanized interventions</li> </ul> <p><b>Proposed Stakeholders</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Krishi Vigyan Kendra's (KVKs) and ICAR Institutes – Technical backstopping and capacity building</li> <li>• State Agriculture and Rural Development Departments – Implementation and policy support</li> <li>• Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) – Community mobilization and convergence</li> <li>• Farming communities, especially tribal and smallholder farmers</li> <li>• Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and Farmer Producer Organizations</li> </ul>

	<p>(FPOs) – For group-based ownership and maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District Administrations &amp; ITDA – For resource allocation and area expansion</li> <li>• NGOs and Development Partners – For on-ground facilitation and awareness</li> <li>• Private sector firms in water harvesting, irrigation services, agri-tech, and sustainable inputs</li> <li>• Research Institutions – For monitoring, validation, and policy research</li> </ul>
<p><b>14. Commercial potential, if any</b></p>	<p>This technology offers a scalable and replicable solution for regions facing similar challenges of water scarcity, surface runoff, and low cropping intensity. Its simplicity, affordability, and strong community ownership make it a commercially viable model for rainfed and tribal areas.</p> <p><b>Scalability and Adaptability:</b> The model is highly adaptable to diverse topographies and Agro-climatic conditions, allowing large-scale replication in resource-constrained regions with minimal investment.</p> <p><b>Livelihood and Enterprise Generation:</b> By increasing irrigation potential and supporting double/multiple cropping, Bora Bandh boosts farm productivity and income. It also fosters micro-enterprises around input supply, construction, and maintenance services, creating local employment opportunities.</p> <p><b>Convergence and Funding Potential:</b> Its alignment with national schemes like PMKSY, NMSA, MGNREGA, and ITDA enhances prospects for convergence and institutional funding through government and CSR initiatives.</p> <p><b>Innovation and Start-up Ecosystem:</b> The model opens avenues for rural start-ups offering technical services, modular kits, and capacity building, establishing Bora Bandh as a sustainable solution within the climate-resilient agriculture and natural resource management sector.</p>
<p><b>15. Publications/photos/video clipping, if any</b></p>	<p><b>Publications:</b></p> <p><b>Research Paper: 02</b> (Annexure – II, pp 25-26)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Jasna, V., K.; Burman, R., R.; Padaria, R., N.; Sharma, J., P.; Varghese, E.; Chakrabarty, B.; Loganandhan, N. and Kumar, S. (2016). Constraints in Adoption of Climate Resilient Technologies in Rainfed Agro-Ecosystem. <i>Indian Journal of Extension Education</i> Vol. 52 (3 &amp; 4), pp 30-34</li> <li>ii. Jasna, V., K.; Burman, R., R.; Padaria, R., N.; Sharma, J., P.;</li> </ol>

	<p>Varghese, E.; Chakrabarty, B.; Loganandhan, N. and Kumar, S. (2016). Institutional Role in Climate Resilience Building Process in Rainfed Agro-ecosystem. <i>Journal of Community Mobilization and Sustainable Development</i> Vol. 11(2), pp 138-144.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>e-Newsletter: 03</b> (Annexure – III) pp</li> <li>• <b>Success Story: 02</b> (Annexure – IV) pp</li> <li>• <b>Book: 02</b> (Annexure – V) pp</li> </ul> <p>Singh, V.K., Pratibha, G., Prasad, J.V.N.S., Pankaj, P.K., Prabhakar, M., Rejani R., Prasad, T. V., Anjani Kumar., Amarendra Kumar., Rajbir Singh, Gautam U.S. and Chaudhari, S.K. (Editors) 2024. Promising Climate Resilient Technologies for Jharkhand. ICAR-Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture, Hyderabad. p100</p> <p><b>Technology Expansion: 02</b> (Annexure –VI) pp 34-35  <b>Appreciation letter: 05</b> (Annexure – VII) pp 36-40  <b>Awards Received: 06</b> (Annexure –VIII) pp 41-44  <b>Activity Photos: Approx. 10</b> (Annexure – IX) pp 45  <b>Newspaper clippings: Approx. 20</b> (Annexure – X) pp 46-51  <b>Video Link: 05</b> (Annexure – XI) pp 52</p>
<p><b>16. Any other information not covered above</b></p>	

## ANNEXURE DETAILS

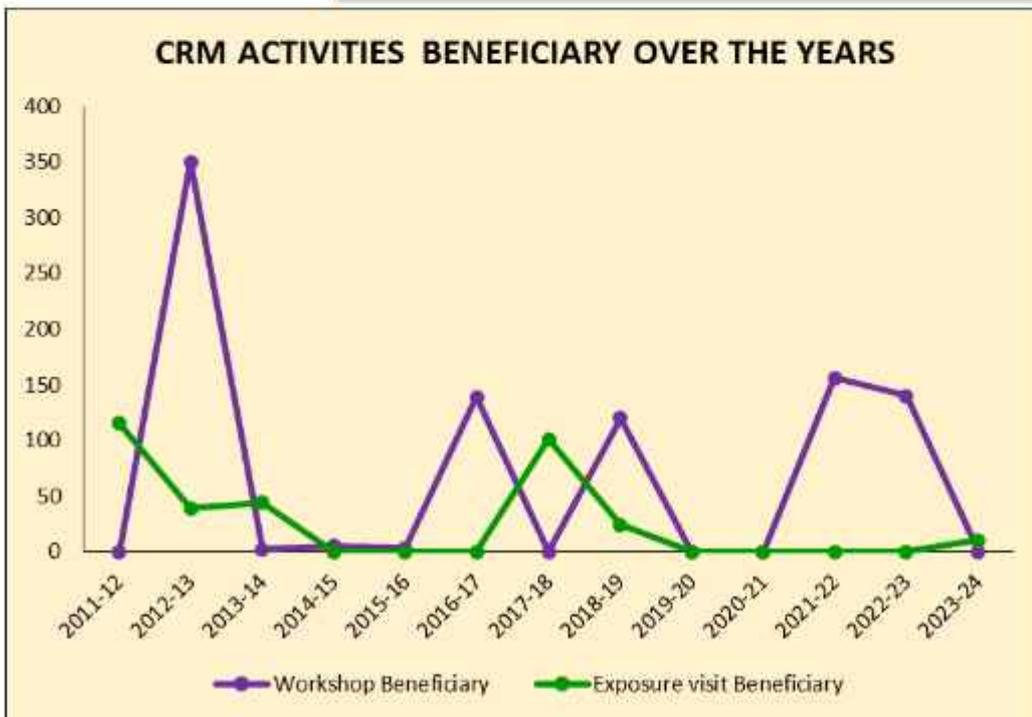
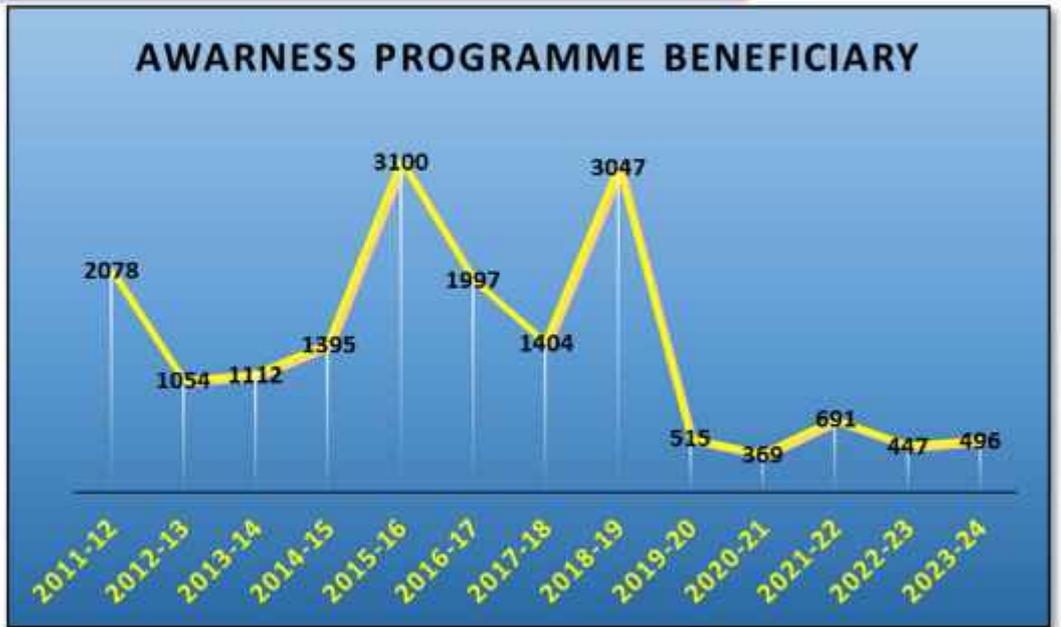
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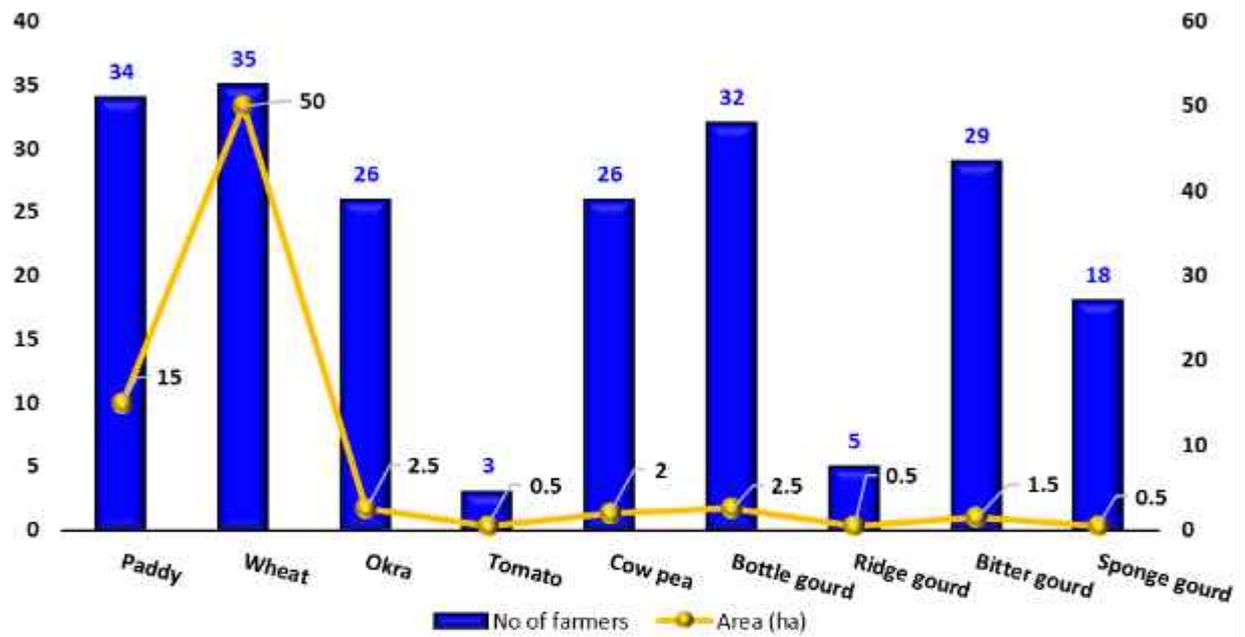
Year	Training		Awareness Programme		Workshop		Exposure visit	
	No. of training	No of Participants	No. of programme	No. of participants	No. of programme	No. of participants	No. of programme	No. of participants
2011-12	14	350	13	2078	-	-	03	115
2012-13	15	281	22	1054	01	350	02	39
2013-14	09	260	50	1112	02	02	02	44
2014-15	11	246	30	1395	04	05	-	-
2015-16	18	360	52	3100	02	03	-	-
2016-17	13	245	38	1997	01	139	-	-
2017-18	14	287	24	1404	-	-	02	101
2018-19	14	392	23	3047	01	120	01	24
2019-20	10	275	21	515	-	-	-	-
2020-21	13	206	18	369	-	-	-	-
2021-22	16	256	11	691	01	156	-	-
2022-23	12	300	13	447	01	140	-	-
2023-24	06	99	13	496	-	-	-	10



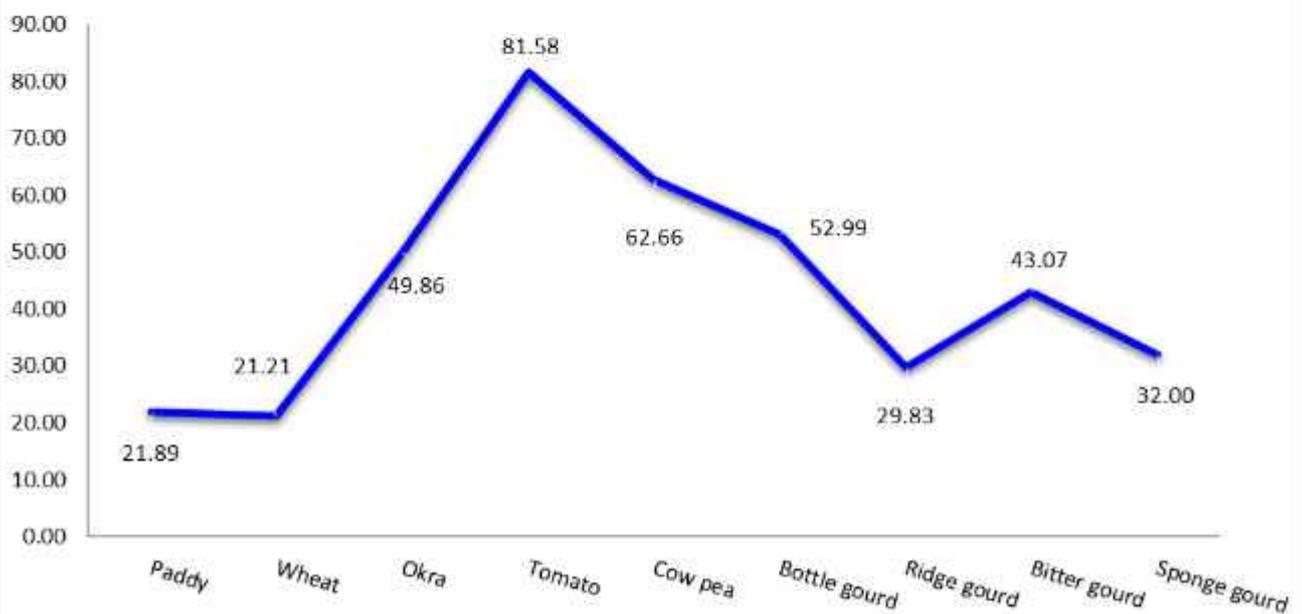
**Table-2: Performance of Different Crops under Bora Bandh Intervention: Yield and Economic Impact across Participating Farmers**

Crop	Variety	No of farmers	Area (ha)	Yield q/ha			Economics (Rs/ha)			
				Before Intervention	After Intervention	% increase	Gross cost	Gross return	Net return	B:C
Paddy	Sahbhagi dhan	34	15.0	26.50	32.30	21.88	21500	38760	17260	1.80
Wheat	PBW-343	35	50.0	26.40	32.00	21.21	17300	35200	17900	2.03
Okra	Avinash	10	0.75	89.60	128.29	43.18	25500	76974	51474	3.01
	Tulsi	10	0.75	95.40	160.42	68.15	30000	96252	66252	3.20
	Arka Avinash	06	1.00	94.60	130.32	37.76	25500	78192	52692	3.06
Tomato	Supar Rasna	03	0.50	118.60	215.35	81.57	40000	129210	89210	3.23
Cow pea	Ravina	26	2.00	35.30	57.42	62.66	30000	91872	61872	3.06
Bottle gourd	Gaurav	32	2.50	85.30	130.50	52.99	35000	130500	95500	3.72
Ridge gourd	Dharidar	05	0.50	80.30	104.25	29.82	32000	104250	72250	3.25
Bitter gourd	Chaman	20	1.00	75.60	106.15	40.41	32000	127380	95380	3.98
	Selection Kathi no.-1	09	0.50	55.40	81.27	46.69	31200	97524	66324	3.12
Sponge gourd	Jhalak	18	0.50	87.30	115.24	32.00	32500	115240	82740	3.54

**Adoption of Crops by Farmers and Area Utilized**



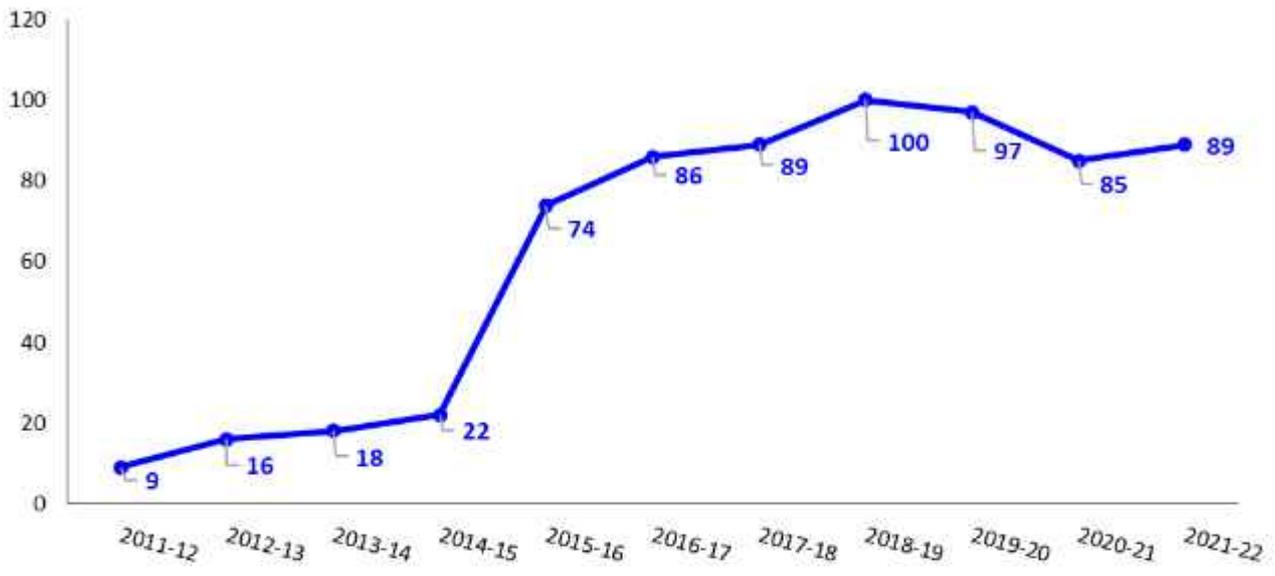
**% Increase in Yield Across different Crops (Post Intervention)**



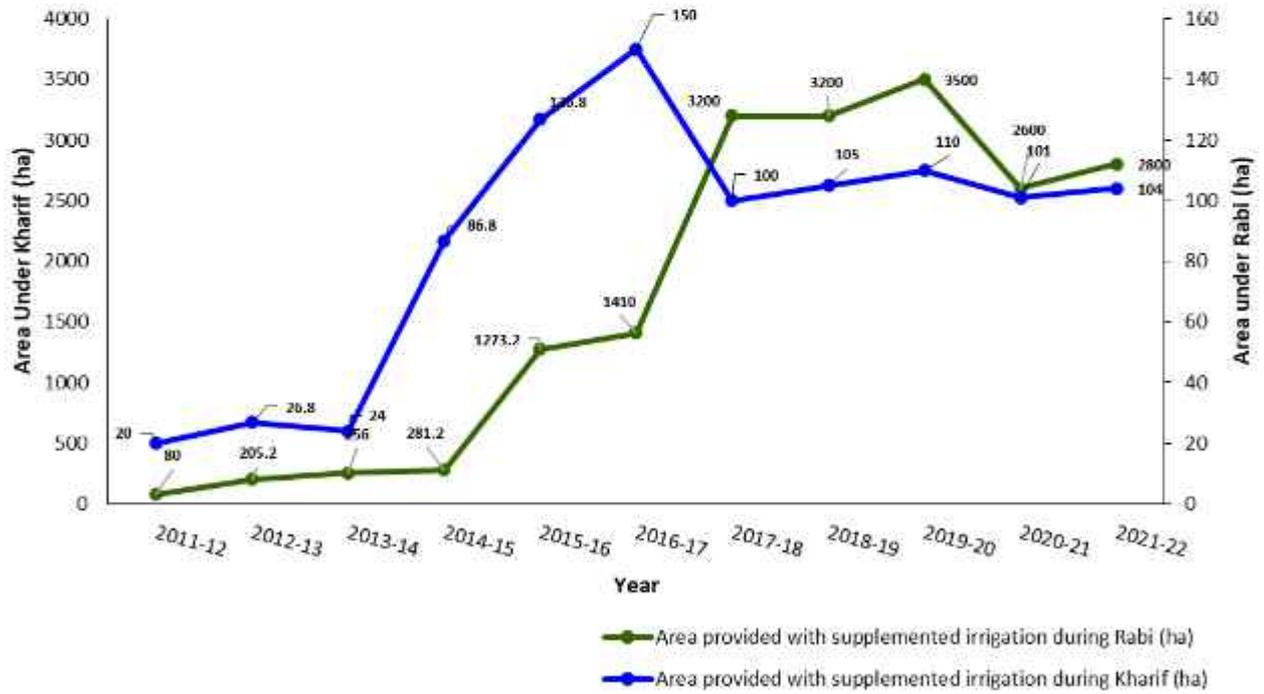
**Table: 3 Cumulative Progress of Sandbag Check Dams and Their Agro-Hydrological Impact in KVK Gumla Operational Area (2011–2022)**

Structures/ Years of construction	Category	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total
Sandbag Check dam (No.)	Constructed No.	9	16	18	22	74	86	89	100	97	85	89	685
	Volume of water harvested (lakh m <sup>3</sup> )	11.76	29.19	36.05	41.99	179.61	199.29	442.77	442.97	484.30	360.53	388.08	2616.58
	Area provided with supplemented irrigation during Kharif (ha)	20	26.8	24	86.8	126.8	150	100	105	110	101	104	954.40
	Area brought under Rabi cultivation (ha)	80	205.2	256	281.2	1273.2	1410	3200	3200	3500	2600	2800	18805.06
	No. of farmers benefited	275	506	569	595	2255	2460	2500	2650	2600	2400	2573	19383

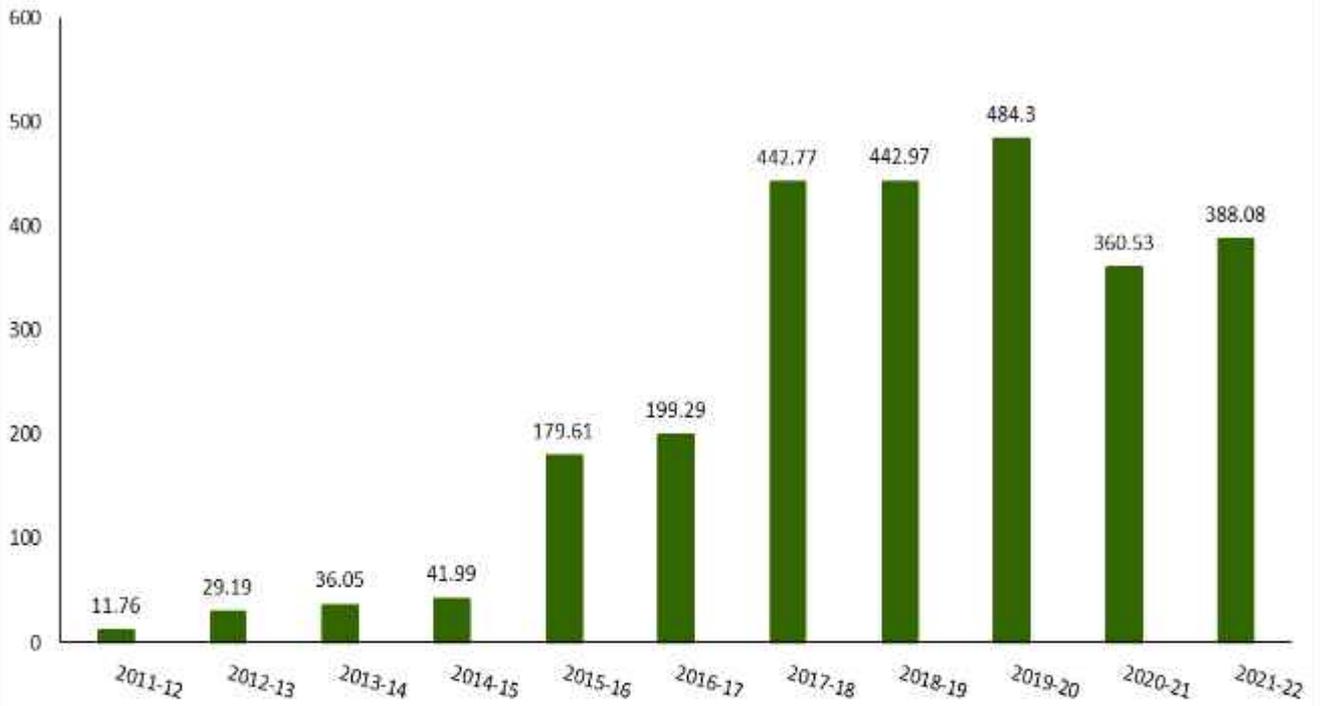
**No. of Bora Bandh constructed (Yearwise)**



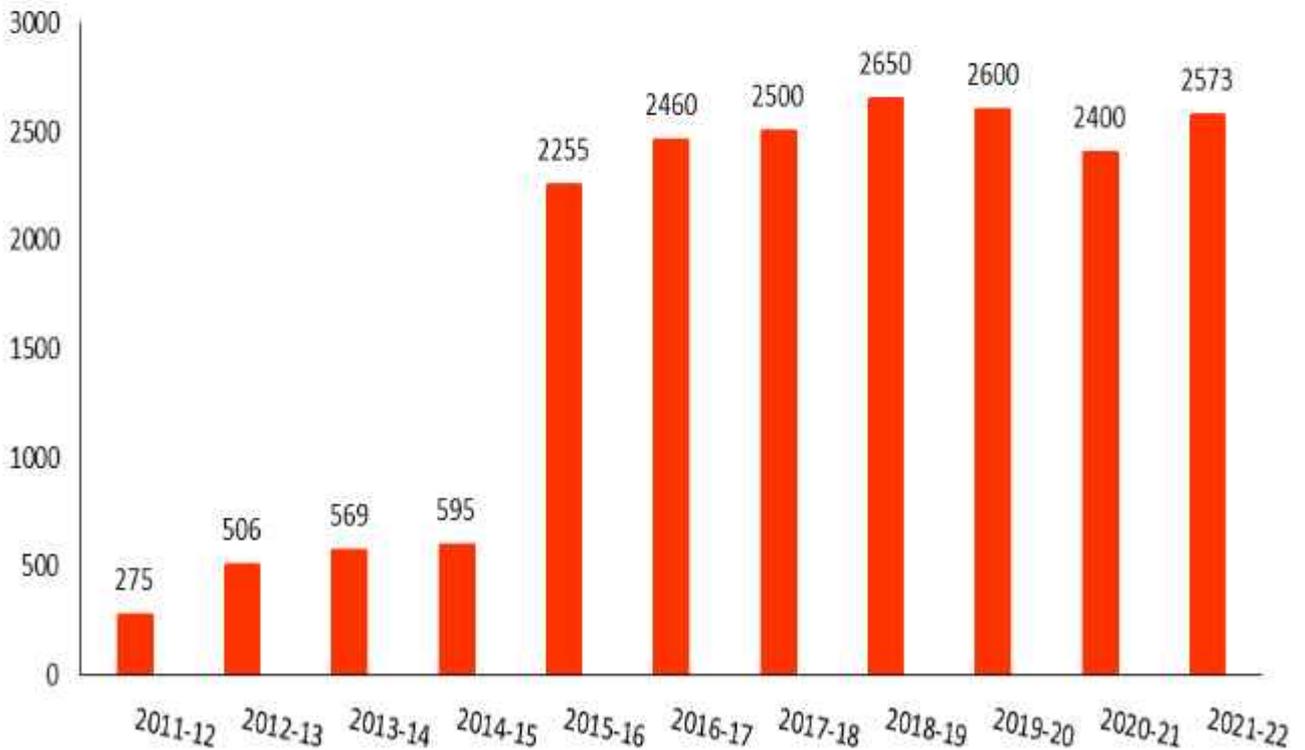
**Area provided with Supplemented Irrigation**



### Volume of water harvested (lakh m<sup>3</sup>)



### No. of Farmers Benefitted through Bora Bandh



## Institutional Role in Climate Resilience Building Process in Rainfed Agro-ecosystem

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### ABSTRACT

Kisshi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) are the main implementing agency of National Initiative on Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA). They were actively involved in technology demonstration component. KVK activities were at grassroots level in disseminating the technologies and making it familiar to NICRA farmers. Village Climate Risk Management Committees (VCRMCs) were founded in each village constituting representatives from all farmers' categories. VCRMC was involved in all activities for finalizing NICRA interventions, target farmer selection, target area selection, in liaison with gram panchayat and local elected representatives. Custom Hiring Centre (CHC) is innovative institutional mechanism for providing timely access to farm machinery for sowing, harvesting etc, which are imperative elements of adaptation strategy. The research findings substantiated based on farmers' perception that input delivery (mean rank of 7.21) from these institutions was highly useful. Farmers perceived financial assistance was the least useful service (mean rank 1.76) followed by marketing services (mean rank=1.88). Farmers got highest satisfaction from trainings undertaken on climate resilience (mean rank=6.43) and they considered that marketing services were providing least satisfaction (mean rank=1.86).

**Keywords:** Resilience building, Institutions, NICRA, KVK, VCRMC, CHC etc

### INTRODUCTION

The imbalanced growth and short sighted developments threw off the essence of relationships and interdependencies established among various ecological, demographic and climatic entities. These imbalances are exerting ominous pressure on farming system and its dependents. Acting in this foreground, the onus of regaining the balances by establishing sustainable interrelations is on the state and the civil society. The herculean attempt to build resilience of Indian agriculture and the farming community insigated ICAR

social and human capital-development and strengthened institutional systems (Adger *et al.*, 2003). Mongi *et al.* (2010) suggested that there is a need for multi-level interventions on adaptation to climate change and variability taking into account of involvement of wide range of stakeholder. Institutionalising resilience mechanism is inevitable for NICRA success. Institutions are a set of formal (laws, contracts, political systems, organizations, markets, etc.) and informal (social norms, traditions, customs, etc.) legal ground rules that establish the basis for production, exchange

## **Constraints in Adoption of Climate Resilient Technologies in Rainfed Agro-Ecosystem**

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Climate change and food security are the two daunting present day agrarian challenges. Adaptation through climate resilience is an undebatably accepted solution to better respond to these challenges. National Innovations in Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA) is an Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) initiative launched with a focus on making most vulnerable districts of the nation climate resilient. Since the inception of the project, a number of climate resilient technologies have been demonstrated across the country. The present investigation was undertaken with an objective to isolate the constraints in adoption of these technologies in rainfed agro-ecosystem. The results showed that Officials evaluated technical constraints, and labour and economic constraints as the most severe than that by the farmers. Among different technical factors, 'inadequacy of inputs' stood first with mean rank 3.87 in hindering adoption as regarded by the farmers. But officials considered 'poor availability and accessibility of short duration drought tolerant crop varieties' as the most severe one (mean rank is 3.3). Among labour and economic constraints, 'longer gestation period (mean rank=3.74) to get the returns from adopted intervention' and 'shortage of owned resources'(mean rank = 3.95) were major constraints as per the opinion of farmers and officials, respectively. 'Resistance to change the conventional practices' was considered as the most severe by both farmers (mean rank = 3.99) and officials (mean rank = 4.05) in social and personal constraints. The findings will help in redesigning the already implemented interventions to ensure a higher adoption by managing the constraints.

**Key words:** Climate resilience, climate resilient technologies, nicra, adoption, constraints

Special Focus

Check Dam by Shramdaan on Masharia Rivulet, KVK Gumla, Jharkhand

Farmers in Gumla village, Ghaghura block, KVK Gumla, Jharkhand were not able to cultivate rabi crop due to non-availability of any water source. However a rivulet Masharia that flows by the village is also seasonal and dries up soon after monsoon. If this flow is arrested, large quantity of water can be stored for irrigating the nearby fields during rabi. Based on this, KVK Gumla organized a "Shramdaan" of the villagers in which nearly 150 persons participated for two days. During the "Shramdaan" the villagers built a sand bag check dam across the rivulet. The KVK facilitated purchase of empty cement bags. In which sand was filled by the villagers and built the check dam. Over 550 bags were placed one above the other and the cost of each bag ranged between Rs two to three. Community lunch was organized on both the days. In all around Rs 13000 (Rupees thirteen thousand only) was spent in mobilizing the community "Shramdaan". As a result of this check dam, a large quantity of water has been impounded and the villagers are very happy with this intervention.

Within a short period the villagers have realized that the water levels in their wells have risen considerably. Apart from this, it has become an attraction for many neighboring villages from where people are visiting to see this sand bag check dam. They are enquiring if the project could assist in building a similar one for their villages as well.



Sand bag check dam built by shramdaan

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#### From the Research Front

The second meeting of High-level Monitoring Committee of National Initiative on Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA) was held at ICAR, New Delhi during 17-18<sup>th</sup> December 2011 to review the progress of the project. The meeting was chaired by Dr. B. Ayyappa, Secretary (DARD) and Director General (ICAR) and moderated by Dr. V.P. Aked, Chairman of NICRA Technical Expert Committee (Sponsored & Competitive Grants).

In this meeting of the Deputy Director General's their representatives, Joint Project Directors of all the zones, PI of all strategic and competitive grants project under NICRA participated. Dr. Ayyappa in his remarks outlined the objectives of NICRA project and shared his experiences of having attended the recent workshops of Technology Demonstration Component in the KVKs at Uttaranchal and Haryana. He emphasized that NICRA platform can be an effective tool to build partnerships to respond to the farmers needs. Over 23 presentations were made under the strategic research component. One in his New Year message the DG has stressed high importance to NICRA as a platform for enabling science based agriculture in the climate change backdrop ([www.nicra-icar.in](http://www.nicra-icar.in)).

Besides, the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the NICRA Technical Expert Committee (Sponsored/Competitive Grants Component) was held at Sheraton Hotel, MAAC, New Delhi on 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2011 to review the progress of Sponsored projects. The meeting was chaired by Dr. V.P. Aked and co-chaired by Dr. A.S. Singh, DDC (HRM).

The following points were discussed by the committee:

- Action taken report on proceedings of the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of Expert Committee held on 07<sup>th</sup> August, 2011.
- Technical and financial review of the Sponsored projects. Presentations by respective PIs of the project.
- Consideration of renewal of new projects under Sponsored/Competitive Grants Component.

Presentations were made by PIs of the above sponsored projects, followed by discussions and comments by the experts. In addition to the technical progress review, administrative and financial issues were also discussed.

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#### From the Research Front



During the month two important meetings were held at the partner institutes one each at BHR (5<sup>th</sup> week of the month) and NDR (last week of the month) to review the progress of work and discuss plan of work for the 8<sup>th</sup> Plan. All the Co-PIs of Strategic Research Component of different cropping themes at DHR participated in the review. During the review experiment plots were visited and a stock of progress on development of major facilities like Phenomics, CTDC and FATE was also reviewed. The visiting team also interacted with the scientists involved in various experiments in the projects at BHR. Some of the significant outcomes of the meeting are to study staggered flowering behavior along with physiological disorders in relation to climatic variability in flowering physiology of mango to emphasize IPM aspects in all themes and to link the outcomes of experiments with weather parameters to prevent yield loss, savings in water, fertilizers, pesticides, to work on molecular markers for climate stress tolerance to develop allelic variation for mango and geo-referenced map of mango for the country to include onion and shall under NICRA for SE Plan, to conduct at least work on controlled climatic conditions using Phenomics, CTDC and FATE, etc. in the available areas at DHR and to convene a meeting of relevant ICAR institutes working on mango (Jain & Gark) and banana.

The NDR review meeting was mainly to finalize the procurement of important equipment like annual calorimeter and the experiments planned by making use of the equipment. The issue in procuring this crucial equipment were discussed and a roadmap was arrived at to expedite its procurement and installation. This being the state-of-the-art equipment will strengthen the capacity of the system to take up experiments related to livestock-air-air climate change.

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#### From across the KVKs





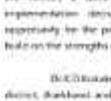
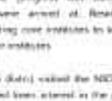
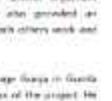

In a way this month saw several milestones in many parts of the country generating new hope for rabi season. It also brought back in many parts of Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and Assam, by and large, the normal deficit with which most districts were suffering was more or less made up. Despite this, some districts have seen no improvement in the situation what so ever, particularly in north eastern Karnataka and parts of Maharashtra. It was painful to see vast stretches of lands in Bijapur district of Karnataka without any crop.

Nevertheless, this month has opened the hope of reasonably good returns into major portions of the country. This also has ensured that the fear of the hydrological drought has mostly been alleviated. During the month, a new initiative was started by being the ICAR work in cost NICRA partner institutes into remote locations. Although the technology transfer disseminators of the 7 core partner institutes are implementing technology demonstration component, a comprehensive view of how the user institutes are addressing climate variability concerns was not available. During a meeting held at BHR during the first week of the month, a stock of the progress was taken and several important implementation decisions were arrived at. Besides, it also provided an opportunity for the participating core institutes to know each others work and build on the strengths of other institutes.

D.Venkateswarlu, DDC (DHR), visited the NDRB village (Jain & Gark) in Gumla district, Jharkhand and around been entered in the progress of the project. He interacted with the team leaders to get their feedback. Such visits by the leaders of the programme give strength and credibility to the initiatives of NDRB.

This issue of the NICRA News also features climate resilient practices initiated across various KVKs in areas such as fisheries, natural resource management through micro-irrigation, water efficient agriculture in Eucalyptus, horticulture (chilli, papaya, fodder development etc.). Hope readers will get a flavor of the diversity of activities initiated by the programme and will enrich the knowledge base of the project by providing their constructive feedback.

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#### FROM THE RESEARCH FRONT



One of the major activities of NICRA is to understand the impact of climate variability on pollinator species of different annual (temp) and perennial (monsoon) systems. In this direction investigations were carried out on the impact of climate variability on activity of pollinator population across various systems in the country. Some significant attempts are made in standardizing, sampling, monitoring and tracking behaviour of different pollinator species.

1. Historical meteorological data analysis indicated that changes in date of blossom (flower which is important for flowering in coffee) was noticed by almost 4 months which in turn impacted pollinator population of bees.
2. Habitat distribution maps were prepared for two climate scenarios (a) Present using RAO data and b) Future using DINA-GIS.
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5. An artificial diet and a protocol for multiplication of optimum insect, *Chrysomya megacephala*, was developed, through which the pollinators can be multiplied in large numbers and released in the field to augment the natural populations. Surveys indicated that natural pollinator populations are very low and hence this technology will be very useful.

From this work will further strengthen and continue in future plan period and let that farmers be guided in conserving and engineering the pollinator population even under climate change conditions.

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Director, NICRA

### Fallow Lands brought under Cultivation through Rainwater Harvesting and Utilization

The KVK, Gunta is implementing the Technology Demonstration Component (TDC) of the National Initiative on Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA) in Gunta village. The major climatic variability faced in the village during 2011-12 was less number of rainy days coupled with high intensity rainfall events. Before implementation of the project, farmers of Gunta and adjoining villages were compelled to follow mono-cropping due to scarce water resources. After assessing the available water resources in the area, the KVK mobilized the villagers to store water by building a sandbag dam locally called 'Bora-band' across the seasonal rivulet Mahasaria. This changed lives of Gunta villagers and opened up the opportunity for double and triple cropping by providing source for irrigation during rabi and summer seasons. In addition, 11 farm ponds (jalkund) were constructed on selected farmers' fields. These existing farm ponds were renovated by cleaning and plugging of seepage losses. As a result, water storage capacity of farm ponds was increased by 60% and seepage losses were reduced by 80%.



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### Field Day on Summer Paddy Cultivation

Summer paddy cultivation was taken up in 10 ha after Bora-bandh on Mahasaria rivulet. Necessary inputs including seeds as an improved variety 'Anjali' and fertilizers were made available by the KVK. Regular follow-up and advisory services were provided through training and farmer-scientist interaction. A grain yield of about 30-35 q/ha was obtained ensuring food security to the farmers. A net return of Rs 12600 and benefit: cost ratio of 1.7 was recorded with paddy cultivation during summer.



Earlier farmers cultivated wheat in 2 to 3 ha area only. After the Bora-bandh about 50 ha area was brought under wheat cultivation. Further, after creation of water resources, demonstrations on off-season vegetable cultivation were conducted in 10 ha involving 85 farmers. This included cultivation of okra, tomato, vegetable cowpea, bottle gourd, ridge gourd and bitter gourd by using stagnant water of the rivulet. All the vegetables were grown by ridge & furrow method, which enhanced water use efficiency.

A 'Wheat Day' was organized on 20 March, 2013 at village cluster Buhu to create awareness among farmers about the potential of rainwater harvesting in enhancing cropping intensity and farm productivity. About 500 farmers from different villages participated in the programme.



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### Community nursery helps adopt to delayed onset of monsoon

The farmers generally sow the seeds of paddy in the nursery and transplant them when the monsoon sets in. However, farmers in Bora, Bihar observe that during the past few years, the onset of monsoon is delayed by one week to ten days. As a result of this, farmers are forced to transplant over aged seedlings (40-45 day old). Transplanting of aged seedlings leads to low tillering resulting in poor crop yield. In order to address this problem, KVK, Bora encouraged farmers of Affair village to go in for community nurseries with staggered dates of sowing. This enabled farmers to access seedlings as and when needed by them and to get the priorities of monsoon. This helped farmers to cope up with delayed monsoon without compromising on the tillering ability and yield. Besides this, farmers were also facilitated with seeds of short duration paddy varieties like Prokrant, Rajendra Bhagwati, Sahbhagi were introduced that escaped dry spell very efficiently. These interventions have helped farmers to bear losses due to climate variability to a considerable extent and ensured that every farmer in the village is able to take up paddy cultivation irrespective of timing the monsoon of his farm.



Happy New Year



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### Field Day on Summer Paddy Cultivation

Summer paddy cultivation was taken up in 10 ha after Bora-band on Mahara rivulet. Necessary inputs including seeds as an improved variety 'Anjali' and fertilizers were made available by the KVK. Regular follow-up and advisory services were provided through training and farmer-scientist interaction. A grain yield of about 30-35 q/ha was obtained ensuring food security to the farmers. A net return of Rs. 12000 and benefit: cost ratio of 1.7 was recorded with paddy cultivation during summer.



Earlier farmers cultivated wheat in 2 to 3 ha area only. After the Bora-band about 60 ha area was brought under wheat cultivation. Further, after creation of water resources, demonstrations on off-season vegetable cultivation were conducted in 10 ha involving 85 farmers. This included cultivation of okra, tomato, vegetable cowpea, bottle gourd, ridge gourd and bitter melon by using stagnant water of the rivulet. All the vegetables were grown by ridge & furrow method, which enhanced water use efficiency.

A 'Wheat Day' was organized on 20 March, 2013 at village cluster Burha to create awareness among farmers about the potential of rainwater harvesting in enhancing cropping intensity and farm productivity. About 500 farmers from different villages participated in the programme.



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**Community Approach to Cultivation Yield High Return**  
*Gumla (Jharkhand), 3rd August, 2012*

Dr. K.D. Kokate, Deputy Director General (Agriculture Extension), ICAR visited Gunia village, adopted by KVK Gumla under NICRA project. Water storage device 'Bora bunding' was specially praised by the DDG (AE) in enhancing cropping intensity of the village through assured irrigation. Other accomplishments of KVK Gumla in NICRA village, Gunia, like, 'jalkund', agronomic management practices like intercropping of pulse and maize, mixed cropping, *in situ* moisture conservation; rainwater harvesting and development of seed bank were also appreciated by him.



The Deputy Commissioner of Lohardaga, Zonal Project Director, Zone-II, Dr. A.K. Singh, Director of Extension Education, Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi, line department officials and KVK staff participated in the meeting.

*(Source: ZPD II, Kolkata)*

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## Round the Year Water Availability through Public Participation

Gunia is a small village in Gumla district of Jharkhand. The village is dominated by tribal population having agriculture their main livelihood. Earlier, the village did not have any source of irrigation except three nearly defunct ponds and cultivation of crops was restricted to wheat for 5-7 hectare, vegetables for 2-3 hectare and sugarcane for only 0.5-1 hectare. Hence, agriculture was totally rainfed and mono-cropped in nature and production was far below the required quantity. However, abundant natural resource in the form of a rivulet, *Mahsaria* (perennial in nature), flows across the village but utilization of river water for irrigation purpose was never given a comprehensive thought.



### Implementation of NICRA

In implementing the NICRA project in Gunia village (affected by severe and regular drought), KVK, Gumla critically assessed the available resources to develop a workable plan of action towards improving agricultural situation of the village. Apart from human resources, the KVK also identified the abundant flow of river water which later became the prime source of development. Detailed and frequent interaction with the villagers finally convinced them to offer free labour (*Shram Daan*) in constructing check dam on the river to impound water with sand bags. It was also decided to partially arrest the river water at the end of monsoon by making sand bag check dam in the rivulet. Voluntary participation of 350 villagers was ensured for two days to build a sand-bag check dam for impounding river water at a minimal cost. The temporary sand-bag check dam helped in impounding large quantity of water for its use during post-kharif and entire *rabi* season.

Unique method of constructing temporary check dam across the river with sand bags created opportunity to take up agricultural activities in Gunia village with renewed vigour. Besides, water table in the village has risen by 44% followed by area expansion under off-season vegetable cultivation in 10.0 hectare, summer paddy cultivation in 10.0 hectare, wheat cultivation in 50.0 hectare and safe harvesting of standing paddy in 30.0 hectare during acute scarcity of rainwater.



### Inspiration for Neighboring Villages

The success did not confine only in Gunia village, farmers of adjoining villages and *janpattidhi* extended their support in constructing such *pora bandi* in eight different places on the same river. The cumulative efforts resulted in large production of wheat crop in 125 acres of land beyond the imagination. The paramount success has attracted farmers, NGOs, elected members and administrators to find out efficient management and conservation of water in a mutually benefitting way. Initiative has been taken by Minor Irrigation Department of Jharkhand for constructing series of *pucça* check dam at the cost of Rs.3.94 crore to arrest water on a perennial basis for irrigation purpose round the year. Deputy Commissioner, Gumla district sanctioned a sum of Rs. 89.0 lakh for implementing 'Micro Economic Socio Organization Project' in the adjacent *Dumri* block to develop second model of check dam with help of KVK.

Apart from ensuring round the year irrigation availability, expanding cultivable area and enhancing cropping intensity, construction of sand-bag check dam has also created an example of convergence among all the stakeholders to take up development issue in the form of joint venture. The tribal community in particular has been immensely benefitted out of this effort.

(Source: Zonal Project Directorate, Zone-II, Kolkata) Reference: - <http://www.icar.org.in/en/node/7578>

*Sand Bag Check Dam*  
*a case of successful mobilization of community resources*  
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Natural Resource Management & Agricultural Extension Division  
Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi

### 1.1.4 Gumla

Gumla district is located between 23° 03' and 23° 16' N latitude and 85° 03' and 85° 25' E longitude with an altitude of 620 m above MSL. The district is categorised into moderately to gently sloping Chhotanagpur Plateau basin, low mountainous forest mountainous area, sub-mountain (ICAR), Eastern plateau and hills region (Planning Commission) and Western plateau zone (IARU). The district is bounded to the North by Lohardaga and Lunglei districts, to the East by Ramdi district, to the South by Jhargram district and to the West by the Chhotanagpur zone (Fig. 13). The geographical area

Fig. 13. Location map of Gumla district.

of the district is 3,916.84 sq. km of which extension area and forest area are 1.40 lakh ha and 1.43 lakh ha, respectively and different land use pattern of the district are indicated in Figure 15. The gross cropped area of the district is 1,65,343 ha out of which 1.31 lakh ha is net sown area and 0.33 lakh ha area is double-cropped area (more than once). The area under sown and irrigated situation is 1.5 lakh ha and 0.1 lakh ha. The sources of irrigation in the district are open wells, bore wells, lift irrigation schemes and other sources. Rice, wheat, maize, sorghum, chickpea and other kharif crops like gram, mung, bean and vegetables like brinjal, bhindi and tomato are the major crop grown in the district (Table 1.4). The average annual rainfall of the district is 1793 mm (Fig. 14). The predominant soil in the district are Inceptisols, Entisols and Alfisols.

Category	Area (1000 ha)
Culturable area	163.7
Forest area	143.3
Area under non-agricultural use	26.8
Barren and non-barren	27.7
Permanent pasture	1.2
Land under Misc. tree crops and grasses	8.8
Culturable wasteland	32
Current fallow	79.2

Season	Rainfall (mm)
SW monsoon (June-Sept)	~1000
SE Monsoon (Oct-Nov)	~100
Winter (Dec-Feb)	~50
Summer (Apr-May)	~50

Fig. 14. Seasonal rain distribution.

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Table 1.4: Area, production and productivity of major crops in Gumla district during 2011-22

Major crops	Area (ha)			Production (t)			Productivity (t/ha)	
	Area	Area	Total	Area	Area	Total	Area	Area
Rod grass	15754	-	15754	2227	-	2227	1.41	-
Chickpea	10481	1240	11721	1069	1069	1069	1.00	-
Groundnut	300	-	300	343	-	343	1.14	-
Mustard	340	-	340	130	-	130	0.4	-
Linseed	-	1679	1679	690	690	690	-	0.41
Maize	1318	37	1355	2098	1610	3708	2.72	-
Musuri	-	3062	3062	-	2701	2701	-	0.9
Green gram	1166	1568	2734	1033	1033	1033	0.75	-
Other oil pulses	-	318	318	-	417	417	-	0.44
Other kharif pulses	2147	-	2147	1101	-	1101	0.52	-
Pasture (broad leaved)	4114	513	4627	1014	1014	1014	-	0.46
Road	1718	-	1718	1718	-	1718	1.27	-
Rapeseed & mustard	-	14672	14672	-	8121	8121	-	0.42
Rice	18739	-	18739	43244	-	43244	2.31	-
Black gram	800	-	800	832	-	832	1.2	-
Wheat	-	12562	12562	-	14825	14825	-	1.4
Soyabean	611	-	611	5	5	5	0.01	-

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गुमला दिनांक- 29/4/11

विषय- प्रोटोटाईप योजना फेज-IV के कार्यान्वयन के संबंध में।  
महाराष्ट्र,

उपर्युक्त विषय के संदर्भ में कहना है कि आपका पत्र सं०-11 जो इत कार्यालय को प्राप्त हुआ है, के संदर्भ में उपायुक्त महोदय द्वारा प्रोटोटाईप योजना फेज - IV के अन्तर्गत कुमरी प्रखण्ड में 1 यूनिट जल संचयन, सिंचाई एवं भूमि विकास के कार्यान्वयन हेतु स्वीकृति प्रदान की गई है। अतः आपको निदेश दिया जाता है कि दो दिन के अन्दर भेसो कार्यालय में आकर योजना से संबंधित एकरारनामा प्रस्तुत करें साथ ही निम्न बिन्दुओं पर कार्य करना सुनिश्चित करें:-

1. योजना का कार्यान्वयन कल्याण विभाग, झारखण्ड चौकी के मार्गदर्शन के अनुसार करना सुनिश्चित करेंगे।
2. सभी कार्यान्वयन एजेंसी/स्वयंसेवी संस्था योजनाओं से संबंधित कॉन्डीनेटर नियुक्त करेंगे जो उस क्षेत्र में योग्यताधारी हो तथा 2 (दो) फील्ड वर्कर (जो स्थानीय हो) की भी नियुक्ति करेंगे।
3. कार्यान्वयन एजेंसी/स्वयंसेवी संस्था संबंधित प्रखण्ड विकास पदाधिकारी से सम्पर्क स्थापित कर उनके मार्गदर्शन में पंचायत एवं ग्रामों का चयन करेंगे। यह कार्य कलस्टर में होगा।
4. वैसे लाभुकों का चयन करेंगे जो गरीब हो तथा अनुसूचित जन जाति के सदस्य हो साथ ही उन्हें पूर्व से किसी तरह की सरकारी सहायता नहीं मिली हो।
5. संबंधित चयनित ग्राम में संबंधित प्रोटोटाईप से संबंधित योजनाओं का स्वयं सहायता समूह का गठन करेंगे जिसमें एक अध्यक्ष एवं सचिव एवं एक कोषाध्यक्ष का भ्रमण किया जाएगा तथा लाभुक सांगति का नामकरण होगा जिसके नाम से बैंक में खाता खोला जाएगा।
6. योजनाओं के कार्यान्वयन के पूर्व संबंधित भूमि का सत्यापन प्रतिवेदन संबंधित अंचल अधिकारी से प्राप्त करना होगा।
7. संस्था को योजनाओं के कार्यान्वयन हेतु चाहे संबंधित लाभुक समिति के खाते में हस्तान्तरित करनी होगी।
8. योजनाओं के कार्यान्वयन पर्यवेक्षण कार्यान्वित एजेंसी सुनिश्चित करेंगे।
9. प्रायंक्तन के अनुरूप योजना का कार्यान्वयन कार्यान्वयन कराने की जिम्मेवारी कार्यान्वयन एजेंसी की होगी।
10. योजनाओं की प्रगति के अनुरूप राशि की मांग अधोहस्ताक्षरी से की जाएगी।
11. योजनाओं का वित्तीय एवं भौतिक प्रगति प्रतिवेदन प्रत्येक माह के दूसरी तारीख तक अधोहस्ताक्षरी के कार्यालय को निश्चित रूप से देना होगा।
12. योजना के कार्यान्वयन में किसी प्रकार की राशि की अनियमितता एवं गुरुयता के अनुरूप नहीं पाये जाने पर कार्यान्वयन एजेंसी/स्वयं सेवी संस्था की सारी जवाबदेही होगी तथा नियमानुसार कार्रवाई की जाएगी।
13. अंकेक्षण दल द्वारा पृच्छा करने पर उसका अनुपालन करना सुनिश्चित करेंगे।

  
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# Construction Work of Series Check Dam on Ghaghri Nala, Bansari Nala and Gomat Nala In Block-Ghaghra

Minor Irrigation Division

Gumla - Jharkhand - India

Executive Engineer of Minor Irrigation Division, Gumla, Jharkhand invites tenders notice for construction work of series checkdam on Ghaghri Nala, Bansari Nala and Gomat Nala block-Ghaghra at district-Gumla. Tender document can be collected / downloaded from Gumla.

- **Notice Type**

Tender Notice

**Office of the Executive Engineer  
MINOR IRRIGATION DIVISION, GUMLA  
e-Procurement Notice**

**Tender Reference No. : WRD/MID GUMLA/IFB-21/2011-12**

- **Tender Scope**

Domestic

1.	Name of the Work	Construction of series Checkdam on Ghaghri Nala, Bansari Nala and Gomat Nala Block- Ghaghra, Distt.- Gumla.
2.	Estimated Cost (Rs.) .	<b>Rs. 3,94,72,402.00</b> ( Rupees Three Crore Ninety Four Lacs Seventy Two Thousand Four Hundred Two )
3.	Time of Completion	335 days
4.	Last Date/Time for Submission of Bids	23.02.2012 upto 5.00 P.M.
5.	Date of Publication of Tender on Website	09.02.2012 at 1.30 P.M.
6.	Name & Address of Office Inviting Tender (e-Procurement Officer)	Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation Division- Gumla, Karamtoli Road, Gumla.
7.	Contact No. of e-Procurement Officer	06524-222100
8.	Helpline number of e-Procurement Cell	0651-2214784

- **Tender Value**

INR 3,94,72,402/-

- **Project Period**

335 Days

- **Category**

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Minor Irrigation Division  
Gumla**

PR No. PR - 49124(Irrigation)11-12

- **Tender Due Date**

23-Feb-2012

**Reference:-**

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दिनांक 06.09.2011 को सम्पन्न परियोजना कार्यान्वयन समिति की बैठक में लिये गये निर्णयानुसार दो वर्षीय प्रोटोटाईप योजना फेज - 1) की अवशेष राशि 127.31 लाख रुपये से तीन वर्षीय प्रोटोटाईप योजना फेज-IV के अन्तर्गत जल संचयन, सिंचाई एवं भूमि सुधार योजना के कार्यान्वयन हेतु कृषि विज्ञान केन्द्र, गुमला विकास भारती, विशुनपुर को डुमरी प्रखण्ड में एक युनिट जल संचयन, सिंचाई एवं भूमि विकास के कार्यान्वयन हेतु स्वीकृति दी गई है। इनके द्वारा डुमरी प्रखण्ड के पंचायत मझगाँव के ग्राम महुआडीह, कोठी, लटटाटोली, ढडुकूल, टाटी, बन्दुआ, नीगाई, मझगाँव, बरटोली एवं काजी आदि गाँवों के योजना कार्यान्वयन हेतु चयन किया गया है। इन्होंने जल संचयन, सिंचाई एवं भूमि सुधार योजना कार्य हेतु राशि विमुक्त करने का अनुरोध किया है। योजना के कार्य में प्रगति लाने हेतु उपायुक्त, गुमला द्वारा दिये गये स्वीकृति के आलोक में 20.00 (बीस) लाख रुपये मात्र अग्रिम भुगतान की स्वीकृति दी जाती है। साथ ही आदेश दिया जाता है कि सरकार द्वारा प्राप्त मार्गदर्शिका के आधार पर एवं इस कार्यालय के आदेश ज्ञापांक 08 दिनांक 16.06.2010 में विनिर्दिष्ट निर्देश के आलोक में कार्यान्वयन करेंगे। साथ ही विहित प्रपत्र में योजना का वित्तीय एवं भौतिक प्रतिवेदन प्रत्येक माह के 30 तारीख तक कार्यालय में उपलब्ध करायेंगे।

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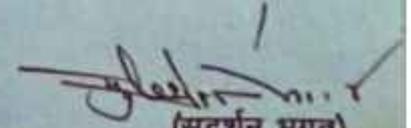
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**कृषि विज्ञान केन्द्र गुमला, विकास भारती विशुनपुर**, गुमला जिले में आधुनिक कृषि तकनीकी का विस्तार, किसानों के कृषि से संबंधित समस्याओं का आकलन, तदनुसार निराकरण, नई-नई कृषि तकनीकियों के अनुप्रयोग एवं गुणवत्तायुक्त कौशल विकास प्रशिक्षण के माध्यम से छोटे एवं मझोले किसानों, खासकर, ग्रामीण युवाओं एवं युवतियों के बीच कृषि को एक उद्यम के रूप में सामने लाया है जिससे यहाँ के किसान कृषि एवं कृषि आधारित आयामों में रुचि के साथ खेती कर अपनी आय में निरंतर बढ़ोत्तरी करने में सक्षम हुए हैं, एवं कृषि की ओर आकर्षित हुए हैं। जिससे यहाँ के युवा किसानों के पलायन में अप्रत्याशित कमी आई है। इसको बढ़ावा देने के लिए केन्द्र आर्या (युवाओं को कृषि के प्रति आकर्षित करना एवं बनाए रखना) परियोजना जो कि भारत सरकार की एक महत्वकांक्षी परियोजना है, का संचालन प्रभावी तरीके से कर रहा है।

**केन्द्र के द्वारा निकरा परियोजनान्तर्गत जल संचयन, खासकर बोरा-बाँध पहल, राज्य ही नहीं वरन् राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर केन्द्र को एक नई पहचान दी है।** मूल्य संवर्धन एवं परंपरागत फसल प्रभेदों, साथ-साथ वन औषधीय, संवहनीय एवं गैर-इमारती उत्पादों के संरक्षण को भी बढ़ावा दे रहा है। जिससे किसान अपनी परम्परागत संपदा का संरक्षण एवं बढ़ावा, जैविक खेती को अपना रहे हैं। पोषण सुरक्षा के क्षेत्र में केन्द्र कम पानी उपयोग वाले फसलों (मोटे अनाज) के उन्नतशील प्रभेदों के साथ-साथ मशरूम की खेती को बढ़ावा दिया है। जिला, आज धान एवं अन्य फसलों के उत्पादन एवं उत्पादकता के क्षेत्र में काफी सम्मानजनक स्थिति में आया है और यह सब संभव हो सका है केन्द्र के द्वारा बीज बदलाव दर में बढ़ोत्तरी के कारण जो कि सहभागिता आधारित बीज उत्पादन से संभव हुआ है। बागवानी एवं पशुधन खासकर सूकर के उन्नत नस्लों को बढ़ावा देकर केन्द्र ने यहाँ के किसानों को एक नई पहचान दी है। कृषि विज्ञान केन्द्र, गुमला का सहयोग एवं समन्वयन जिले के कृषि से संबंधित विभागों, केन्द्र एवं राज्य के सर्वोत्कृष्ट कार्यक्रमों के क्रियान्वयन में अति उत्साह के साथ प्राप्त होता है।

**कृषि विज्ञान केन्द्र गुमला, विकास भारती विशुनपुर** के सकारात्मक उत्कृष्ट सत्तत प्रयास के लिए मैं व्यक्तिगत रूप से प्रशंसा के साथ-साथ इसके उज्ज्वल भविष्य की कामना करता हूँ।

(डॉ विनोद कुमार सिंह)

निदेशक / DIRECTOR

आई.सी.ए.अर. - केंद्रीय बारानी कृषि अनुसंधान संस्थान  
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## District Agriculture Office, Gumla

Letter No. : ...1152.....

Date :- 08/12/21

From ,  
District Agriculture Officer  
Gumla

To,  
The Director  
ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute Patna, Zone-IV  
Central Potato Research Station  
PO-Sahaynagar, Patna-801506  
Bihar

**Sub :- Successful implementation of Projects at KVK, Gumla – reg**

Sir,

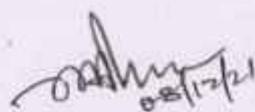
I would like to congratulate the team involved in successfully running NICRA, ARYA, Bio-Tech KISAN Network, GKMS, DRMR, AICRP Niger, NARI, FPOs, Organic Farming, Empowerment of women through Mushroom Cultivation (under Aspirational District Programme) Projects at KVK, Gumla Vikas Bharti Bishunpur funded by ICAR, The centre is providing New Agricultural Technologies to farmers through Trainings, FLDs, OFTs and various Awareness programmes.

You and your team deserve appreciation for successfully establishing and running the CHC in KVK and NICRA village. I hope the centre will succeed in retaining youths in village through creating employment & opportunities and also help in increasing productivity for doubling farmers income in the District.

Once again, I congratulate the following team members of the project.

1. Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Senior Scientist & Head, KVK Gumla
2. Dr. Anjani Kumar, Director ICAR-ATARI, Patna
3. Sunil Kumar, Subject Matter Specialist, Horticulture
4. Dr. Neeraj Kumar, Subject Matter Specialist, Soil Science
5. Atal Bihari Tiwari, Subject Matter Specialist, Plant Protection
6. Er. Eno Rai, Subject Matter Specialist, Agriculture Engineering
7. Dr. (Mrs.) Nisha Tiwari, Subject Matter Specialist, Home Science
8. Dr. Binod Kumar, Subject Matter Specialist, Animal & Veterinary Science
9. Mr. Rajeev Kumar Singh, Farm Manager
10. All Programme Assistants

With regards

  
District Agriculture Officer  
जिला कृषि पदाधिकारी  
गुमला





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**Certificate of Honour**

ICAR- Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute, Zone- IV Patna recognizes the contribution made by **Dr. SANJAY KUMAR** and his/her team, from KVK, GUMLA in the field of Transfer of Technology under NICRA project on occasion of 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Zonal Workshop of KVKs, ICAR-ATARI- Zone IV, Patna held at RICC, Rajgir, Nalanda (Bihar) from 6-8<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

Principle Scientist  
Co-organizing Secretary

Director  
Organizing Secretary

दैनिक जागरण

सम्मान-पत्र



श्री/श्रीमती/सुश्री ..... **डॉ. संजय पांडेय** ..... को ..... **कृषि** .....  
क्षेत्र में विशिष्ट योगदान के लिए दैनिक जागरण समूह की ओर से सम्मानित किया जाता है।

दैनिक जागरण आपके उज्ज्वल भविष्य की  
कामना करता है।

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**KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRA, GUMLA, JHARKHAND**

**CITATION**

**KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRA, GUMLA, JHARKHAND** has been awarded Pandit DeenDayal Upadhyay Rashtriya Krishi Vigyan Protshahan Puraskar-2019 for Zone IV. Since beginning KVK Gumla has made tremendous work in agricultural technology transfer through rigorous efforts in term of assessing the real time farmer's farming problem and finding the way to solve their solution as per available resources in tough areas of Gumla. KVK has succeeded not only in educating the tribal farmers of the district but handholding skills for entrepreneurship development too. Which resulted in achieving the higher productivity, profitability and sustainability in almost all the major crops. "Bora-Bandh" is one of the most vibrant initiative of KVK, which has not only opened the eyes of the planners but farmer's too, to know how the low cost initiative change the shape of farming and succeeded in enhancing the area under Rabi and Summer crop. This way the cropping intensity has increased and farmer's has succeeded in achieving the double or triple fold income. KVK has also succeeded in empowering women through skilling in value addition and development of market channel. In past thirteen year KVK has left no stone unturned to find a sustainable solution for forest dweller tribal farmers in bringing the gross happiness on their faces.

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Dr Sanjay Kumar

Gumla, Jharkhand

**Annexure-IX**



**Villagers meet during launch workshop**



**Villagers fill empty cement sacks with sand**



**Jubilant villagers after accomplishing the mission**



**Diverting water for check dam**



**Channels carrying water**



**Creation of Bora-Bandh by the villagers**



**Follow up of NICRA Activities by Chief Secretary Jharkhand**



**Canal Renovation**







लोहरदगा

बतावें 04

हिन्दुस्तान

एक ही ठावर खुले में खरी खिलाने का प्रस्ताव नहीं, दो अलग-अलग स्थानों में खिलाने का प्रस्ताव है।

### खानीयों ने श्रमदान से कोयल नदी में बनाया बांध

60  
175



खानीयों के लिए लोहरदगा राजधानी खानों पर खुले में खिलाने का प्रस्ताव

### सीएस ने लिया योजनाओं का जायजा, लोगों को किया प्रोत्साहित

कोयल बांध की सहायता व सुरक्षा पारदर्शिता के लिए प्रतिबद्धता



Villagers reviving rivers, changing lives with Bora Bandh



सुरक्षा रिपोर्ट

### श्रमदान कर बनाया बोरा बांध बचेगी 50 एकड़ में लगी फसल



आरंभ शुरू

### 70 गांवों में बन रहा बोरा बांध 1400 एकड़ जमीन होगी सिंचित



राजधानी जागरण

### सामूहिकता से नौ सौ एकड़ खेत उगलने लगे सोना



हिन्दुस्तान

दिल्ली • 15 अक्टूबर • 16 अक्टूबर 2016

### जल संकट से गांवों को उबारने की विकास भारती की कवायद

दिल्ली | विशेष प्रति

जल-संकट को दूर करने के लिए विकास भारती ने एक कवायद शुरू की है। इस कवायद में गांवों में खिलाने का प्रस्ताव है।

सामूहिक श्रमदान

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