



### Projects Implemented over the years

1. TTDC, Technology Transfer and Development Centre, Rural Development Department Uttarakhand 2001-2003.
2. Implementation of Organic farming program in different parts of Maharashtra under State Work Plan for Agriculture as service provider 2004 -2014
3. CAIM project (Convergence of Agriculture Intervention in Maharashtra), supported by IFAD, Govt of Maharashtra & SRTT Mumbai, as resource agency for Organic Agriculture 2012-15
4. Implemented project under National Horticulture Missions (Organic Horticulture initiative) in Akola Maharashtra for organic production of Citrus crops Year 2008-09.
5. Implemented Training of facilitators (ToF) on Organic farming for staff of Department of agriculture, field agencies and progressive farmers in Maharashtra from Year 2009 to 2014.
6. Successful implementation of Farmers Field School program on Organic Farming in different parts of Maharashtra

7. Pilot on highland Traditional Basmati Production Almora, NDRC New delhi 2013 -15.
8. Backward Linkages for Hill Crops (IFLAHC) - Marketing Board of Uttarakhand , 2016 -18.
9. Capacity Building for Organic Farming and Certification – UCOST, 2016.
10. Implementation of PKVY Maharashtra in 20 districts, 2016- 17.
11. Implemented Training of Organic Grower for Dehradun, Haridwar and Sitarganj Jails for Inmates, year 2016-2017.

### Consultancy:

SARG carries out advisory programs with a number of companies dedicated to organic and Biodynamic projects.

1. State Marketing Board, Rudrapur for setting up a large scale Millet processing unit in Rudrapur.
2. Sunstar Rice exports Haridwar.
3. Star Global Jammu for Demeter. (Biodynamic Agriculture Based international certification)
4. Pure Diets, Mozambique.

**SARG in Education:** SARG started a small kid's school in the Training center, at Manohar Farms, Ramgarh, Nainital in 2004. At that time the closest school for primary education was 6 kms walking distance that too in the mountains. In the beginning there were only 3-4 children but gradually more children started to come. Today the first batch of 2004-2005 is getting very good results in higher education. The school provided basic learning skills and elementary schooling. A senior member of SARG is also founder of the Modern PREPARATORY School Nainital (1999 - 2014 ) where more than 600 children were prepared for higher School education.

### AWARD

SARG has awarded the prestigious Krishi Bhushan Award (Year 2012) for its contribution in promotion of Organic Farming in the State by Government of Maharashtra.

SARG Farmer/Local Resource Person ( LRP) Ms. NASARI Chavhan,Village Borwah, Block Telhara, District Akola Maharastra has awarded the Krishi Bhushan Award (July 2017) for its contribution in promotion Organic Farming in the State by Government of Maharashtra.



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# SARG VIKAS SAMITI



**S**ARG Vikas Samiti , Uttarakhand is a non- profit organization promoting Organic and Biodynamic Agriculture Systems in India for the past twelve years. SARG is based in Uttarakhand and operates out of Dehradun, Nainital, Akola and Hosangabad.SARG started out as a small but quality based training centre in Manohar Biodynamic Farms in Nainital. SARG has been active in the state of **Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Mizoram, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab and Andhra Pradesh.** Founder of SARG played an important role in the development of the Organic Agriculture policy of the new state of Uttarakhand which was later adopted by many states including government of India. SARG Maharashtra actively demonstrated the "DHULE PATTERN" of organic farming in Maharashtra which has been steadily progressing over the years.

## SARG Training Center:

SARG set up a small but comprehensive Training Center in a certified 5ha. Biodynamic orchard Manohar Farms, Ramgarh, Nainital. It has lodge and board facility for thirty persons. and class rooms for 50 person .SARG has adopted the neighboring farmers and an area of 100 ha. with 250 farmers practice biodynamic farming.

In Maharashtra SARG has Memorandum of Understanding with **with Ahinsa Tirth, Jalgaon, and & in Madhya Pradesh with Bhau Saheb Bhuskhute Nyas, Hoshangabad** to utilize the infrastructure for different type of trainings.

In 2016-17 SARGE Training Center has affiliated by Pardhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana ( PMKVY) as TP and TC.

## Training Module & Tools

Training is domain expertise SARG, and SARG has developed a number of training modules for the different types of trainings for farmers, trainers as well as middle and senior level state departments. SARG has developed a number of training tools for the easy adoption of Organic and Biodynamic Farming. The tools are in literature, pictorials , visual representation as well as using practical demonstrations using the colloquial language.



## Adoption:

One of the greatest challenges in Organic Agriculture is adoption of the techniques by the farmers. Due to poor public sector advisory the farmers are dependent on the private retailers who often mislead the farmers leading to over dose and negligent practice . SARG has developed unique methods of user- friendly methodologies and package of practices for the adoption of the Organic and biodynamic for small and large farmers. These methodologies and practices are available in different regional languages. SARG supports different farmers across the board to convert from conventional into organic/Biodynamic. Presently SARG guides more than 50,000 farmers in the Country.

## Community Based Quality Mechanism:

SARG is enlisted with the National Center for Organic Agriculture for Participatory Guarantee Systems (PGS) in Maharashtra. SARG is also developing different modules for community participatory internal control for the export market in Uttarakhand as well as in other states. Sarg has recently development its own third party Internal Control System (ICS) model in the name of Biodynamic Farmers Forum ( BFF).

## Market Platform For Farmer:

- SARG is also in the process of facilitating markets for the small farmers for a number of products. A unique initiative of SARG Dehradun is the 'Bhudwariya Haat' at Dehradun city .
- SARG is working with a number of companies for market linkage. The projection for 2016-2017 is 2000 tons of different commodities.
- SARG has received two refer vans from the Uttarakhand Mandi Board for the supply of vegetables to different markets.
- SARG Maharashtra regularly holds the Grain Markets every 'rabi' season where thousands of quintals of organic wheat etc is sold directly by the farmers to consumers.
- Collaboration with Marketing Board of Uttarakhand strengthen for Infrastructure and forward Linkages for Hill Crops (IFLAHC):

Marketing Board is in the process of setting up the first primary and part secondary processing facility in Rudrapur Industrial Area. The facility will process 4000 tons of different types of millets and pulses.

## Research:

Action Research in Organic and Biodynamic Agriculture has been one of the interest areas of SARG. Over the years SARG has constantly been in touch with different research organizations. A number of demonstrations and trials on crops with Biodynamic Systems have been conducted with results supporting the adoption activities of the organization. Some of the prominent research partners are :

- Central Institute of sub tropical Horticulture, Lucknow Uttar Pradesh.
- Vasat Dada Sugar Research Institute, Pune, Maharastra.
- Rahori Krishi Viswavidyala,Ahmednagar, Maharastra.
- PKV, Akola, Maharastra.
- Naturally Yours, Jalgaon.
- State Training & research center, UOCB, Majkhali, Almora

