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In our area this is agriculture season so eco-restoration is not possible. Thus, we have concentrated our attention on the village level conservation and sustainable farming planning.

- 1. 20th September 2013: Brainstorming meetings has been arranged with the all stakeholders of GREENZA FARMER'S Company to discuss various future activities.
- 2. 22th September 2013: Monoculture in the agriculture area creating direct impact on the biodiversity of the region. Thus, team members Arvind Kankirad and Gyaneshwar Dhekade visited various polyculture plots and value addition in the agriculture produce.
- 3. 2nd October 2013: It is essential to make partnership of local farmer's and various departments in order to make them financially capable for the watershed management and biodiversity conservation. Thus, one day meeting with local farmers and head of agriculture support system Dr. Nafade has been arranged at Bambarda village.
- 4. 8th October 2013: Brainstorming meetings has been arranged with the all stakeholders of GREENZA FARMER'S Company to discuss various future activities.
- 5. 9th October 2013: Visited mushroom farm near Amravati and mushroom value addition company, for future linkages.
- 6. 18th October 2013: Two Team members, Arvind Kankirad and Ganesh Sawarkar, attended 4-day workshop of leadership development of team members. The main aim of the activity is to make team member capable to extend local level conservation and livelihood generation work.
- 7. 8th November 2013: Discussion meeting has been arranged with the team members regarding farmer's club inauguration.
- 8. 12th November 2013: NABARD and SAMVARDHAN supported farmers club has been established at Belkhed and Jalalpur village. District manager of NABARD Mr Pradip Parhate, Mr. Deshmukh from Ranade Dairies and a well-known leader of farmer Mr Gajanan Ahmadabadkar inaugurated the programme. There was an installation of board in the public place in the village.
- 9. 14th November 2013: A discussion meeting has been arranged with the farmers of Pimpalgav village regarding various conservation activities.
- 10. 17th November 2013: One-day workshop has been arranged with the team members for capacity building and future planning. The workshop has been arranged at the farmhouse of Pawan Mishra at Ladegaon village.

- 11. 18th November 2013: Final submission of the documents to the Ministry of Corporate affairs, government of India, regarding registration of farmers, fishermen's and labors producer company.
- 12. 19th November 2013: Farmer's clubs have been inaugurated at Kamargaon, Pimpalgaon and Vilegaon villages.
- 13. 20th November 2013: Activism has been carried out for the wise implementation of MGNREGA.
- 14. 23rd November 2013: One day workshop has been arranged with the team members for capacity building and future planning. The workshop has been arranged at the farmhouse of Pawan Mishra at Ladegaon village.
- 15. 30th November 2013. A group of village youths has been established at Bambarda village.
- 16. A small grant for the planning of riverine resource conservation has been sanctioned by UNEP MOEF to SAMVARDHAN.
- 17. Website of producer's company has been inaugurated. The website can be accessed at <u>www.greenza.co.in</u>
- 18. A face book page of Greenza has been inaugurated and can be accessed at https://www.facebook.com/greenzaagro
- 19. For 3 years we have been involved in the eco-restoration of ancient tank (called Rishi Lake) situated at Karanja Lad. After a decade the lotus can be see which is the proof of perfect eco-restoration.
- 20. A process has been started to prepare a small impediment at Bembla River near Belkhed village.

