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1) Pre - School Educational

The objective of Pre-School Education is to prepare and develop the learning habits of children and make a strong foundation for their formal education. One of the main reasons of low enrolment of children in primary education and high rate of dropouts is the absence of Pre-School Education. A Child who has received Pre-School education is better adjusted to school environment. At the age of five, when a child begins attending school, he finds the whole learning atmosphere very unattractive, boring and painful. There were 50 women and her children attended this programme at Bhatsa Nagar, Shahapur. We were taken additional 4 programmes at Birwadi, Lahe, Khutadi, Sarlabe, respectively.

2) Training for Nursery Plantation

VHA has organised Training for Nursery Plantation for marginal farmers at village Sajiwali, Taluka Shahaur, District Thane. Dr. Godse, Professor, Konkan Krushi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli, District Ratnagiri advised them on nursery plantation. He has given speech on grafting, nursery materials, and plantation and also shown some demonstration of grafting. Number of farmers asked their queries to Dr. Godse, and he given satisfactory answers of their queries. There were 50 farmers attended this programme.

3) Environment Awareness Programme

VHA has undertaken environment awareness programme at Bhatsa Nagar Shahapur on the Environment Day. There were 200 peoples and schoolboys & girls enrolled, programme was focused on tree plantation. A rally and camp was also arranged on environment awareness and tree plantation, with local people and school children. VHA has distributed 250

plants in 5 villages. The VHA mobilized a large number of people who planted 400 trees in village.

4) Programmes for Women

VHA has also taken programmes for women. The VHA organized Mahila Garmpanchayat Member training camp at village Bhatsa Nagar, Taluka Shahapur, District & income generation training camp in 5 villages. There were 400 women participated in this programme respectively. The main aim of this seminar is to motivate them for cottage industry, handicraft. It will help them to increase their earnings & standard of living.

5) Camp on Agnihotra - Homa Therapy

The aim of NGO is to spread knowledge of Agnihotra - Homa Therapy in worldwide. Ngo arranged training camp at NGO's Hall at Sajiwali, Shahapur Taluka, District Thane. Mrs. Karien, is representative of NGO, taught the Agnihotra to farmers in surrounding villages of Shahapur Taluka. 50 men and women with children enrolled in this event.

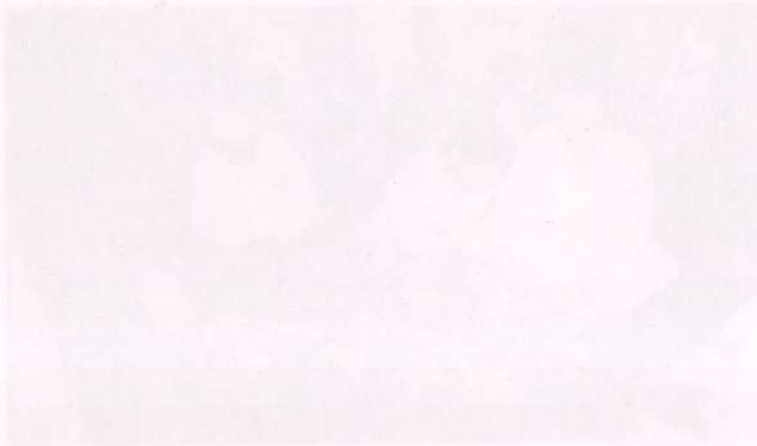
6) Informal Training Camp

We conducted training camp at Village Lahe, Shahapur, District Thane, for people and farmers of surrounding villages of Shahapur. Large numbers of farmers was participated in training camp. Representatives of organization are teaching about organic farming and how to do it? And also advised them on organic farming methods. Organization help an awareness camp for farmers on organic farming in which vital information was given to them about the importance of organic farming for better agriculture production with minimum expenses.

7) Seed Production Programme

This is the most major programme for poor & needy farmers. VHA was arranged " Seed Production Programme " in 20 villages. In this programme, NGO is distributed " Rice Seed " to farmers which is unable to purchase quality seeds from market. NGO was given " Rice Seed " subsidized cost on basis and also given buyback guarantee of their produce with more than extra rate of market.

Organization is very thankful to everybody and every organization that helped in organizing various programmes and activities throughout the year.



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(150 Participants taken part on event of Consumer Awareness Programme at Birwadi, Shahapur)



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(Various farmers were participated in Informal Training Camp at Training Hall, Village Sajiwali, Shahapur Taluka , District Thane)