

VEDIC AND HOMA THERAPY FOR AGRICULTURE

Activity Report



Year 2007-2008

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Vedic Homa Therapy For Agriculture

Annual Activity Report For The Year 2007-2008

Vedic and Homa Therapy for Agriculture (VHA) has pleasure to present this Third Activity Report, after its registration as Company Under Provisions of Section 25 of Company's Act 1956. The objectives of Company are Social Development & Environment Conservation. Hence classification applied is "Non Government, Non Profit Company".

Background

The Company has introduced new concept by the name of "Panchkroshi". The concept is very simple & relates to old Indian civilization. Panchkroshi is referred to Five villages those are adjacent to each other in a bunch. This Panchkroshi is like self sufficient self contended area in terms of food, clothing, and other needs like twelve trades (Bara Balutedar). The company is trying to implement same concept amongst couple of villages in Shahapur, Wada & Murbad Taluka.

Programs Implemented

1) Consumer Awareness

The company is running the consumer counseling center at various rural areas around Shahapur, Wada & Murbad Taluka. For last three years. However it is felt that such programs need to be extended to urban area like Thane, Bhiwandi, and Kalyan & Mumbai. Hence to begin with company has conducted five workshops one each at Thane, Bhiwandi, Kalyan & two in Mumbai. The Workshops undertook the introductory course in Organic Agri Produce consumption. This was specifically focused in order to create the market for Organic Produce.

2) Environment Awareness programme

These year numbers of colleges are increased from two to five & numbers of students are increased from 650 to 1400. To accommodate 1400 Students Company organized four programmes of one day each.

3) Programme for Women

This year company did not increased the number of SHGs but focus was stressed on to strengthening of SHGs & making these groups learn about microfinance within themselves. Company has provided them all necessary help in order to function independently as group & lending & borrowing activities on introductory scale.

4) Training on Organic Farming

The Company has realized & set a broader objectives rather than Agnihotra. Now company vision is expanded to other various methods & practices along with Agnihotra performance. Hence Company has indulged in to broad scope of organic farming & marketing support to the farmers.

Under the same flow of action holy cow is also provided as much attention as Agnihotra. Hence Company is also planning to distribute holy cows & train the farmers to maintain & support economic activities for farmers & farming as whole.

5) Training to other NGOs

This year Company has achieved a significant level of recognition from other NGOs having similar objectives. The Bridge & Sukhbhumi Trust are the two NGOs operating in this area & have similar objectives but not as broad as our scope of work. Hence company was approached by these NGOs to collaborate in three programs two for Sukhbhumi Trust & one for The Bridge.

This has provided a leading edge over other NGOs in surrounding area.

6) Informal Training Camp

We conducted training camp on Organic farming at village Sajivali, Shahapur, District Thane, for people and farmers of surrounding village of Shahapur. 80 farmers were taken part in training camp.

Representatives of Organization are teaching about organic farming and "how to do it?", 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

Company has now with experience of last 4 years come long way in seed program for paddy. These numbers are overwhelming. Thirteen villages participated in program with about 430 farmers & 500 acres was under cultivation. The buy-back was to the extent to 300 tons.

8) Promotional Publication

Promotional Publication describing Organic farming was released. Other Publications like Paddy management & Cashew nut management third edition were released by the VHA. In future VHA proposes to release each publication for four to five different crops & about holy cow.

Acknowledgement

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



Farmer learning
Vermicompost
preparation



Farmer receiving
money from
MAHABEEJ
officials for
Paddy seed
supply



Officials of
NHM, State Gov
to Maharashtra
and others on
visit to Training
center