

SMALL FARMS INTERNATIONAL - PROJECT - INDIA



Ensemble, faisons germer
de petites fermes
agroécologiques et autonomes

OBSERVATION



CLIMATE EMERGENCY
AND SENSITIVITY OF
TERRITORIES

In India, the Small Farms project was developed in 3 states that are particularly sensitive to climate change. Uttarakhand is a mountainous area offering a wealth of biodiversity but also very vulnerable to climate events that have escalated in the past years. Rajasthan and Bundelkhand in Uttar Pradesh are very sensitive areas as for dryness and accessing water, which forces the population to migrate to other states. **Vulnerable local people living off agriculture see their livelihoods threatened by current circumstances.**

However, it is **possible to reinforce local people's resilience and conditions of living through appropriated ways of producing.**

PURPOSE



REINFORCE FARMERS
AUTONOMY THANKS TO
AGROECOLOGY AND
TO THE IDENTIFICATION
OF CLIMATE CHANGE
RESILIENT SEEDS

- Train 300 farmers to agroecology and seeds saving;
- Identify and share 10 varieties of climate-resilient seeds;
- Protect biodiversity while insuring food sovereignty and food security;
- Promote exchange and diffusion of agroecological knowledge and skills;
- Raise awareness on agroecology and climate change among 2 000 children from 20 schools.

TESTIMONY

« Thanks to Navdanya and SOL, I've learnt that agroecology allows me to produce more food with better nutritional quality without poisoning my field. Moreover, protecting and reproducing my seeds allow me to produce healthy food for the next generation, thus, to be more autonomous »

Suraj Pal Singh, farmer



OUR MISSIONS BETWEEN 2016 AND 2019

AGROECOLOGY · SEEDS · AUTONOMY

WHERE ? 40 villages in the States of Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan

AGROECOLOGY

GIVE BACK TO AGRICULTURE ITS SOCIETAL ECONOMICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ROLE

WHAT ?

- Train 300 farmers (at least 50% women) to agroecology in their villages and in Navdanya demonstration farm
- Reinforce Navdanya demonstration farm as a support for farmers' training.

FOR WHAT ?

- Allow farmers communities to live properly off their activity. In-sure their agricultural and food autonomy through environment and biodiversity-friendly agricultural practices..



SEEDS

FACE CLIMATE CHANGE

WHAT ?

- Train 60 seeds keepers;
- Identify and share 10 varieties of climate-resilient seeds.

FOR WHAT ?

- Ensure crops productivity and develop high-quality products in areas that are increasingly affected by bad weather and nature disasters. Thus, reinforce food security and food sovereignty for local population.

AUTONOMY

IMPLEMENT VIABLE, WORKABLE AND REPRODUCIBLE MODELS

WHAT ?

- Create 10 support groups for women autonomy;
- Train 100 farmers outside the project;
- Raise awareness among 2 000 enfants from 20 schools;
- Raise awareness among 15 000 farmers and citizens;
- - Implement international exchange between farmers.

FOR WHAT ?

- Reinforce women autonomy, who are the first to suffer from food insecurity and climate change consequences.
- Make the greatest number of people, especially young people, aware of the importance of farmers' role in society and climate change consequences;
- - Facilitate innovation and exchange of good practices between farmers in order to improve their practices and reinforce solidarity.

LOCAL PARTNERS

Navdanya with the Bija Vidyapeeth farm



For 40 years, SOL Alternatives Agroécologiques et Solidaires has been supporting long-term initiatives created by and for local organisations in India, France and Senegal. The association aims at contributing to the satisfaction of the farmers' essential needs and the valorisation of their role in society. SOL's action plan rests on two aspects : accessing to farming agroecology and protecting natural resources and biodiversity.

Meet us at www.sol-asso.fr.

To know more about it :

SOL, Alternatives Agroécologiques et Solidaires
20 rue de Rochechouart- 75009, PARIS

✉ contact@sol-asso.fr

☎ 01.48.78.33.26

Follow us :

📘 @SOLassociation

📧 @SOL_association

📺 @SOLassociation

