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The organization's Annual Meet was held on 20 June 2026 at its head office in Amreli. The event was attended by the organization's team members, General members and the Board of Directors. A summary of the activities and programs implemented during the year in line with the organization's objectives was presented. Team members also shared their experiences and learnings. During the event, the awards for "Best Team Performance" and "First Runner-up Team" for the year 2025–26 were announced. The Dhokadva Cluster was recognized as the Best Team Performance, while the IADLE Project Team received the First Runner-up Team award. Staff member Rameshbhai Solanki conducted a team-building session on Climate Action.



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As per the activity plan, several initiatives were implemented under the Better Cotton Initiative (BCI) programme during the month. Major activities included training programmes and meetings for farmers and farm workers, Learning Group (LG) meetings, visits to entrepreneurs, visits to Bio-input Centres, visits to Natural Input Centres (NIC), soil testing using rapid soil testing kits, distribution of gumboots to beneficiaries, distribution and consultation on soil testing reports and visits to Soil and Water Conservation (SWC) sites.



Demonstrations of Green gram and sunflower cultivation were conducted for farmers in 126 villages to promote regenerative agricultural practices.



World Environment Day was celebrated in the project villages to raise environmental awareness. The project team highlighted the importance of environmental conservation and the need for climate-responsive practices among community members.



The monthly Programme Unit (PU) level meeting was held at the organization's office on 20 June 2026. During the meeting, the activities carried out and the progress achieved by each Programme Unit were reviewed and discussed.



Mr. Kiranbhai Patil from CottonConnect visited project villages and reviewed the Natural Input Centres, beneficiaries of Green Cookstoves and Soil and Water Conservation (SWC) sites.



Project team members supported 100 farmers from Radadiya Khijadiya, Vandaliya, Charkha and Haripura villages in completing their e-KYC process under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (Crop Insurance Scheme). In Chital village, assistance was also provided to 7 women for enrolling in beauty parlour training, 1 woman for embroidery training and 3 women in completing registration for e-Shram cards.



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In coordination with Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Amreli, demonstration plots of groundnut cultivation were given to 4 farmers of Chamaradi and Pir Khijadiya villages. Through collaboration with ATMA, 20 kg of Girnar-4 groundnut seed was procured and the seed was distributed to 3 farmers.



The project team coordinated with various government and non-government organizations, including Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Amreli, Women's Support Centre, 181 Women's Helpline, Ashirvad Foundation, Kanuni Sahayata Kendra and Mahila Vrutika Yojana under the Horticulture Department. Through these partnerships information, training and support services were delivered to communities in the project villages.



Team member Kaushik Pandya participated in the Training on 'Pesticide Toxicity and Environmental Risk Mitigation' held in Hyderabad from 23 to 25 July 2026.



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Integrated Agricultural Development and Livelihoods Enhancement

Under the IADLE project the following activities were carried out, CLC meetings in 5 villages, installation of drip irrigation systems on the farms of 4 beneficiary farmers, well recharge work and the monthly staff meeting.



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During the month, the Gondal Cluster implemented a range of community development activities across several villages. Mass awareness training was conducted in five villages with the participation of 410 community members and the “Let’s Move India – Olympic Day 2026 Celebration” was organized across five villages in the Gondal and Kotda Sangani blocks. Stakeholder training programs were held in Moti Khilori and Kolithad benefiting 250 participants, while training on Common Resource Management Plans and water budgeting reached 101 community members. Nutrition training sessions for ASHA workers were organized in five villages with 275 participants. Agricultural interventions included crop management awareness programs, farmer group discussions in Ghoghavdar village and a YouTube Live session on soil test interpretation and fertilizer management conducted by Dr. P. J. Prajapati of Junagadh Agricultural University. Digital agricultural training was also organized in seven villages, benefiting 239 farmers. The promotion of Good Agricultural Practices was initiated among 100 farmers covering 100 hectares, along with soil sample collection from 10 villages. In addition, a digital awareness program for 34 women was conducted in Sajdiyari village, a YouTube Live training on scientific dairy farming was organized for livestock farmers and digital & financial literacy training was completed in three villages with the participation of 88 community members.



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