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Better Cotton Program — Cluster Updates

During the month, various planned activities were carried out across the Better Cotton Program clusters. Daily field visits covered PPE kit and green cook stove distribution, demonstrations and demo visits, ongoing MEL data collection and village-register updates, input centre and entrepreneur visits, farmer and labourer meetings and post-sowing training. CC team members also conducted support visits to the field areas.



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Better Cotton external audits were carried out in the Timbi cluster from 3rd to 5th August 2026 and in the Dhokadava cluster from 21st to 23rd August 2026.



Vocational training in tailoring for 10 women and beauty parlour training for 3 women commenced during the month in the Timbi cluster.



Integrated Agricultural Development and Livelihoods Enhancement

Under IADLE project following activities carried out during the month of August. CLC meetings were conducted across 5 villages to encourage community participation and collective learning. The team conducted its monthly meeting to review progress and plan upcoming activities. 80 farmers received IPM inputs to promote better pest management in coconut cultivation. 100 farmers received INM inputs to support balanced nutrient management and healthier crops.



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A livestock awareness programme was organized in collaboration with Mahi Dairy, focusing on animal care and nutrition. Nutrition Kits were distributed to 20 farmers to support improved livestock health and productivity.



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Building Resilient and Confident Workshop for Youth and adolescent

SSKK organised one day career-guidance and stress-management workshop for adolescents and youth across the organisation's cluster villages, led by resource persons Akshaybhai Patel and Chandrikaben. Sessions combined a guided meditation and stress-management exercise (built around the seven chakras), goal-setting exercises and discussion of five key life areas: Health & Wellness, Wealth & Finance, Education & Skill Development, Relationships & Personal Growth and Lifestyle Leisure. Students also watched videos on emerging technology and career/AI tools, worked in teams to design "problem-solving companies" addressing local issues and set personal goals.

Date	Cluster	Venue	Number of Participants
Aug 9, 2026	Lathi	Head Office – Amreli	50
Aug 10, 2026	Chital	Head Office – Amreli	50
Aug 11, 2026	Gondal	Hotel Walk and Eat	62
Aug 12, 2026	Khambha	Swaminarayan Gurukul	57
Aug 13, 2026	Dhokadva	Hotel Harbhole	56
Aug 14, 2026	Timbi	Hotel Harbhole	49



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Website Revamp

An AI-assisted revamp of the SSKK website was carried out throughout the month. Based on reviews and suggestions, various sections of the website were revised and updated to improve its content, presentation and overall user experience.

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Forty-five years in the same fields.

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WHY WE EXIST

When the rains failed, people left. We were founded to give them a reason to stay.

In the early 1980s, drought pushed families out of Amreli district in search of work. A group of young volunteers, led by Dhirubhai Vagadia, started SSKK to build alternatives at home — water where there was none, income beyond a single failed crop, and schooling for children who moved every season. Four and a half decades later the questions have changed shape, but the method has not: work with the community, measure honestly, and stay long enough for it to matter.

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Program for Improving Self-Reliance and Resilience of Rural Communities

In Gondal cluster during the month Climate Champion Training was conducted for Climate Champions from Gondal and Kotda Sangani blocks on GPDP, climate adaptation, water conservation, groundwater recharge, sustainable agriculture and environmental protection. Participants actively engaged and were motivated to promote climate-resilient practices in their villages.



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Check dam construction in Rajpara village was completed with a 59,526 CUM water harvesting capacity. This intervention is expected to significantly improve water availability for irrigation and groundwater recharge, ensuring a reliable water source for agricultural and domestic needs. The enhanced water storage capacity will contribute to increased agricultural productivity, improved crop resilience.



Pashu Sakhi Training was conducted in Ghoghavadar village on livestock health, vaccination, deworming, AI and animal care. 12 Pashu Sakhis received Animal Health Kits to provide timely village-level services.



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Awareness workshops / linkage camps on financial inclusion

A Finance Linkage Camp was organized in Satapar village to raise awareness about government schemes and support beneficiaries with application and documentation processes

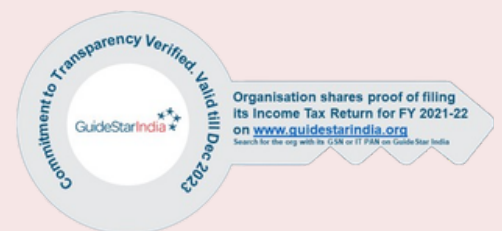


Digital & Finance Literacy training

Digital & Financial Literacy Training was completed in 3 villages with 150 participants, covering digital literacy, financial planning, savings, loans, insurance, fraud prevention and government portals such as i-Khedut.



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