

# THE GREENER SIDE



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## HIGHLIGHTS

- Signed MOU with Zilla Parishad, Nashik for programme Regreen Nation
- Capacity building of Mogra farmers
- 11 New skill training centres in process



## PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS



Turmeric Flower

Golden spice in its true sense, Turmeric, is the most essential ingredient of Indian kitchen and major cash crop in India due to its several medicinal properties. But most importantly it's a resilient yearly crop that can grow under high temperatures and moderate drought conditions. What it needs is well-drained soil with constant moisture.

These conditions are quite favourable in Jowhar and Mokhada Talukas in Palghar districts of Maharashtra. We did turmeric cultivation with 43 farmers last year and this year 84 new farmers joined in contributing to total 58.25 acres of land under turmeric plantation.



Turmeric Farms



## DREAMS TO REALITY !

We successfully participated in Maha Rojgar Melava in Nagpur in collaboration with our partner!

Over 250 students expressing their keen interest in our Samarth Skill Training Program.

As we rejoice this landmark, we continue to create, inspire, and empower the community of young minds to turn their dreams into reality. Together, we're building a brighter future for the next gen through our skill training programme

## EMPOWERING RURAL COMMUNITIES FOR IMPROVED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY

We organized a one-day training for the farmer interest groups on Jasmine (Mogra) cultivation for the farmers of Jawhar and Mokhada block of Palghar district.

Mr Sunil Punekar, an expert Agriculturist from Nashik, facilitated the training through field visit and in-house training. The field visits helped identify the issues and answer the queries of the farmers.

The discussions were done about life cycle of Jasmine cultivation, quality of production, integrated nutrient & pest management along with the current trends & practises in Jasmine farming.



Farmers' Training, Palghar



Around 65 farmers were benefitted through this interactive





From (L) to (R): Nayan Patil; Girish Kulkarni; Sarika Kulkarni & Ashima Mittal

## A NEW START !

We signed a fresh MOU with Nashik Zilla Parishad for the provision of labour under MGNREGA for Raah's upcoming work at Yeola block of Nashik district.

The CEO, Ms Ashima Mittal (Zilla Parishad), Deputy CEO, Dr Varsha Fadol (Grampanchayat) and BDO, Nayan Patil (NREGA) have expressed their full support to Raah's upcoming reforestation initiative under Regreen Nation programme

## DAILY WAGER TO ENTREPRENEUR: A ROAD LESS TRAVELLED!

*"It was a repetitive cycle of extensive hardships and struggle, and however we tried, could not break it. But now it's totally changed for me, and I am changing it for others too",* Vandana's eyes sparkle as she speaks.

Yes, it's a story of hardships and struggle. But moreover, it's a story of resilience, hard work and creating self-identity. Raah's digital and financial literacy training intervention helped Vandana Choudhary, become a successful entrepreneur against all odds. Read the full story [here](#) (Link to be embedded)



Vandana Choudhary, Palghar

## TEAM SPIRIT AT ITS BEST!

6 livelihood centres, 60 days of massive work, more than 150 committed women artisans, amazing team spirit, constant support of seniors and successful delivery of huge order of 25000 torans for Diwali!

The work that felt almost impossible was completed by Raah's artisans and team members in record time. The unity and integrity of the 'sustainable livelihoods' team was truly commendable!



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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## MANIFEST

Unlock the power of visionary thinking with our CEO and founder, Dr. Sarika Kulkarni! Join us in Goa from Jan 26-28, 2024, as she shares her experiences and insights on 'How to Think Big.'

Learn about the magic of change & manifestation at the MOC ManiFest 2024, Goa.

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## TALK AT TOOLBOX by Dr. Sarika Kulkarni, Raah Foundation

**Venue:** Toolbox India Foundation's Value Circle Program

**Topic:** Impact Communication and Donor Relationship: Striking the Balance

**Date & Time:** Thursday, 23 February, from 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM

## CEO'S REFLECTIONS

Year 2023 was a fabulous year, an year of innovation, implementation and introspection too!

With the amazing learnings from this year, look forward to The Greener Side of 2024.

Wish you all a very Happy New Year!

**Dr. Sarika Kulkarni, Founder**



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