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1. Organisation:

National Centre for Human Settlements and Environment (NCHSE), a non for profit organisation, having its registered office at Bhopal, was established in 1984 by Late Dr. M N Buch after his voluntary retirement from IAS. Founder members of the organisation included retired bureaucrats and subject matter specialist, in the field of Natural Resources Management, Forestry, Planning & Architecture, Economics, social science etc.

2. Legal Status:

A society, registered under M. P. Societies Registration Act, 1973, Registration No.13784, dated 19th June, 1984.

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3. Thematic Areas of working:

NCHSE is pursuing environmentally compatible and locally acceptable nature based development models, which include-

- Participatory Rural Appraisal of natural resources, vulnerability and climate risks;
- Integrated watershed development vis a vis integrated village development programme,
- Eco-restoration of degraded ecosystem and biodiversity conservation with community participation;
- Promotion of Climate Resilient Agricultural Practices
 - through linking the village community with ongoing Government schemes to make the programme sustainable,
 - Capacity building and skilling of local farmers/youth/women through selection of educated local youth and grooming them as Super or Master Trainers
- Empowerment of rural women through improving their financial literacy, and skill for entrepreneurship development.
- Capacity building of youth including in service personnel on GIS application
- Consumer Protection through public awareness and counselling

Programme Implementation



Kota



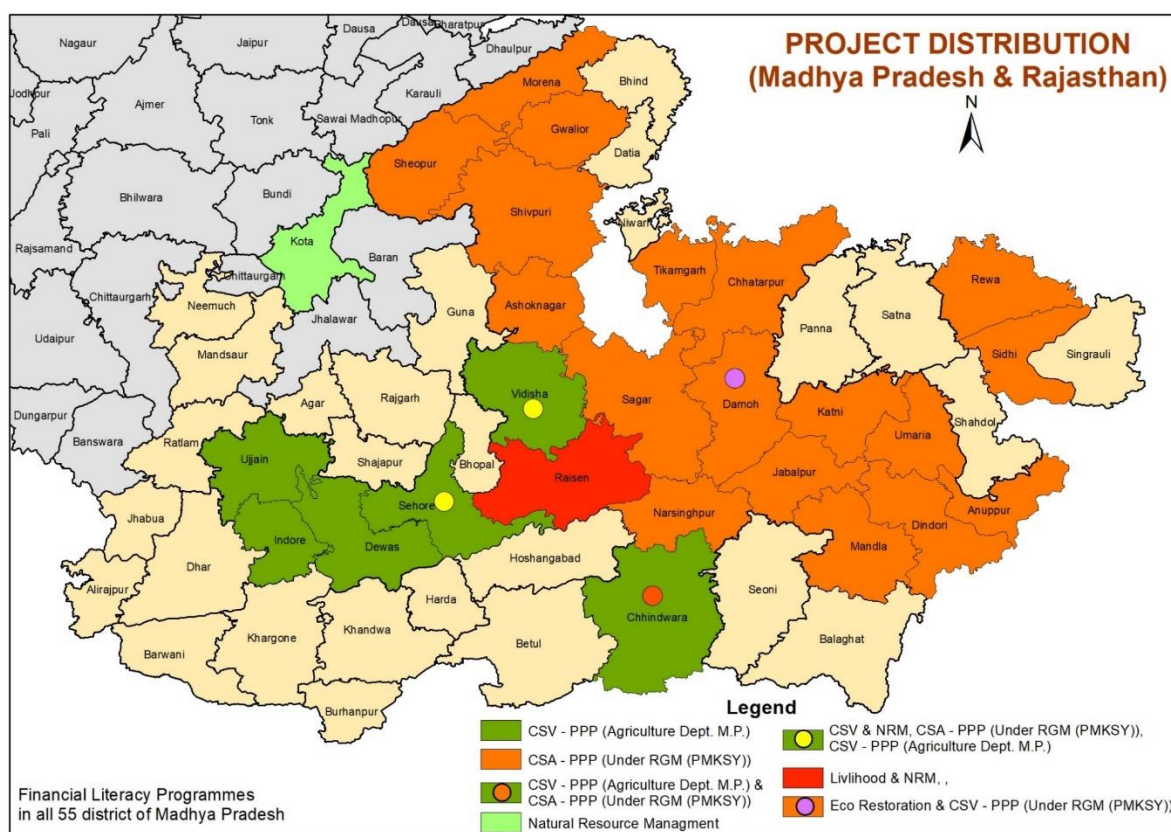
Sehore



Irrigation Tank at Ramgarh, Vidisha

4. Programme Implementation in 2024-25:

Distribution of ongoing projects are marked on the map below:



4.1 Promotion of Climate Smart Practices in 6 selected Districts of Madhya Pradesh

ITC has signed a MOU with Government of Madhya Pradesh -Farmer Welfare and Agriculture Development Department as a knowledge partner and facilitator for “Strengthening farmer livelihoods through promotion of climate smart agriculture practices by replication of Climate smart village (CSV) Model in all districts of the state in a phase-wise manner. Phase -1 programme is being implemented by NCHSE in 6 Districts (Sehore, Vidisha, Ujjain, Indore, Chhindwara and Dewas) covering 4 Argo-climatic Zones.

Objectives of the programme:

- Promote climate smart agriculture practices for cost and risk reduction and improving yield and resilience.
- To De-Risk the Agri and allied means of livelihood by promoting on farm and off Farm diversification.
- Promote natural resource management critical for agriculture- water, soil and scheme actualization & linkage with institutes & government departments:
- Facilitate Institutional support and government scheme linkage for cost reduction, additional income and risk mitigation.
- Strengthening capacities of key stakeholders viz. Master trainer (Block level officer), Village resource persons (RAEO) of Agriculture Department teams, institutions & user groups to penetrate livelihoods outcomes in the area effectively enough.

Outcome of activities during 2024-25:

1. ***Orientation Workshop for Baseline survey for Project District:***
District Orientation Workshop Cum Training Programs held in all selected 6 CSV Districts. A total of 528 Government Officials of Farmer Welfare and Agriculture Development Department (FWADD) attended these workshops and they were trained for baseline survey.
2. ***Baseline Survey:***
Survey for a total of 37,966 farmers in 6 Selected Districts has been completed by the trained officials of FWADD.
3. ***Two Day Model Village Exposure visit cum Training Program:***
FWADD officials along with ITC and NCHSE officials visited Bhaukhedi, Narsingh Khera, Durgapura, and Molga villages in Sehore district to learn how the farmers of model villages have adopted water conservation and climate resilient sustainable agricultural practices to cope with the impacts of climate change.
4. ***Master Trainer Training Program:***
A total 611 officials of FWADD and Partner NGOs attended the Module Based Master Trainers training programme organised in all the 6 districts.
5. ***Farmers Exposure Visit cum training program on Climate Smart Agriculture Practices:***
A total of 330 progressive farmers took part in these programmes organised in model CVS villages in 6 districts.
6. ***Module Roll Out Programme:***
A total of 34,058 farmers in 6 CSV districts participated under this programme.
7. ***Monitoring Visits:***
 - i) ***Project Management Committee (PMC) Field Visit:*** - The Field Visits of PMCs of Sehore, Vidisha, Dewas and Indore districts were organised. A total of 287 Officials of all Line Departments i.e., Farmer welfare and Agriculture Development Department, Horticulture Department, Animal Husbandry Department, Agriculture Engineering Department, MPSRLM, MANREGA, PMKSY, Fisheries Department and Mandi participated.
 - ii) ***ITC Team from Kolkata (NUDGE) visited*** CSV Village Narsinghkeda and Bhaukhedi to observe the ongoing works under CSV PPP Program.
 - iii) ***SATTVA and ITC team*** visited model climate smart villages, viz. Barkheda Kurmi, Durgapura and Bhaukhedi to observe the ongoing works under CSV PPP Program.

4.2 Promotion of climate smart practices in village of 21 selected district of M.P.

The Government of India, in partnership with states, has launched an initiative to rapidly transform most backward districts of the country with the vision of “Ease of Living”. This initiative is anchored by RGM in Madhya Pradesh, in which ITC is collaborating as a knowledge partner to improve indicators in agriculture and allied services in 36 watershed districts of Madhya Pradesh through development of agriculture, water resources and basic infrastructure and skilling of farmers. These 36 districts aspire to improve the performance rapidly and hence are referred to as ‘watershed districts.’

Framework of Collaboration between RGM and ITC for promoting climate smart practices in watershed districts:

- Capacity building of relevant government officials, ensuring baseline and end line data collection and impact documentation, government scheme and program mapping;
- Capacity building of block-level extension officers (EOs) of Agriculture Department and Project level officers of RGM as master trainers to cascade the practices to the GP level. Training include site-specific Package of Practices (PoPs) and templates for seasonal planning. To ensure plans are owned by the EOs, post-training, each EO, with the help of ITC, will make a block implementation plan along with timelines;
- Post freezing of plans and deliverables prepared by EOs with ZP CEO, EOs will begin execution in cascade methodology by rolling down to Officers at the Gram Panchayat level;
- Execution oversight, performance review, and problem-solving will be undertaken by a specially constituted Project Management Committee (PMC) at the district level, headed by the DM, with representations from concerned departments and ITC. This will become a single stakeholder consultation platform;
- A quarterly schedule of report-backs with indicators on each deliverable will be done by ITC to the PMC; and
- All responsibilities of ITC is being carried out by its own team and through NCHSE team.

Role of NCHSE:

NCHSE is providing technical support in 21 districts, viz. Morena, Gwalior, Sheopur, Shivpuri, Ashoknagar, Vidisha, Sehore, Tikamgarh, Chhatarpur, Damoh, Sagar, Jabalpur, Narsinghpur, Chhindwada, Dindori, Mandla, Anuppur, Umaria, Katni, Rewa and Sidhi.



The programme implementation started with an Orientation Cum Training Program for NCHSE team. Then district teams of NCHSE with support of ITC team took over the capacity building programme at the district level.

The programme with Climate Smart Village (CSV) approach is being successfully implemented across 21 districts to build resilient, adaptive, and low-emission farming systems. The initiative emphasizes integrated, location-specific interventions that respond to climate variability while improving farmer livelihoods and natural resource sustainability.



A total of 22,040 farmers have been covered under CSV practices across 21 districts of Madhya Pradesh. These farmers were introduced to a combination of climate-smart technologies and practices such as:

- Efficient water management (drip/sprinkler irrigation)
- Seed and nutrient smart interventions
- Livelihood diversification (on-farm and off-farm)
- Integrated soil health practices
- Linkages with government schemes and financial institutions

District Orientation workshop:

This activity was completed in all 21 Districts in which DM and CEO were present. Officials of Agriculture Department, KVK, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries Department, Agricultural Technology Management Agency, NRLM, Agricultural Engineering Department, RGM Team and ITC Bhopal Team also participated. Altogether 523 district officials participated in these workshops.

Baseline Data Collection Survey-

The survey for baseline data collection was carried out in the project covered villages to analyze the current situation in the villages such as households, crop area, KCC, crop insurance, crop details, PMKSY, Soil Health Card and other agricultural practices etc. for 16,797 farmers from 756 villages of 21 districts.

Master Training Program:

This Program was conducted at Krishi Vigyan Kendras or Zila Panchayat hall in all 21 districts. The event witnessed the participation of the entire Watershed Team, officials from the Agriculture Department, including SADO and AEO, representatives from ATMA Department (ATM and BTM), Krishi Sakhi, senior agricultural scientists, and prominent farmers associated with Krishi Vigyan Kendra.

Tour cum Training of Farmers:

A one-day training and tour program at Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) was organized to enhance the technical knowledge of farmers and to enable them to address the challenges faced by them in enhancing crop production.

The key resource persons of KVK explained the crop-specific techniques and best practices for improving crop yields. They also discussed about the Weather-Based Farming and pest and disease management. Programme also included a field tour where farmers were practically trained on methods to enhance agricultural productivity. The focus was on implementing strategies to double farmers' income through efficient farming practices, cost reduction, and resource optimization.



Module base farmers training:

During the financial year, village level farmer training based on CSV module was organized in all 21 districts. BTM, AEO from Agriculture department were present in these trainings. About 7350 farmers participated in these trainings.

Rajiv Gandhi Mission Watershed Yatra:

RGM organised Water Rally and Kalash Yatra in all district to create awareness among farmers in all the project districts about watershed project activity.

4.3 Promotion of Climate Smart Practices in Villages of Sehore and Vidisha districts

The main objective of the project is to empower the farmers through their capacity building regarding adoption of improved agricultural practices, facilitating availability of farm equipment, ensuring availability of water for irrigation during the dry season as well as providing technology and equipment for efficient use of water for increasing agricultural productivity.

The project area has been divided into two clusters. Cluster-I has 300 villages of Ichhawar, Astha, Budni, Nasrullahaganj & Sehore Blocks of Sehore District and Phanda Block of Bhopal District, Cluster II has 150 villages of Gyaspur, Vidisha and Ganjbasoda block of Vidisha district.

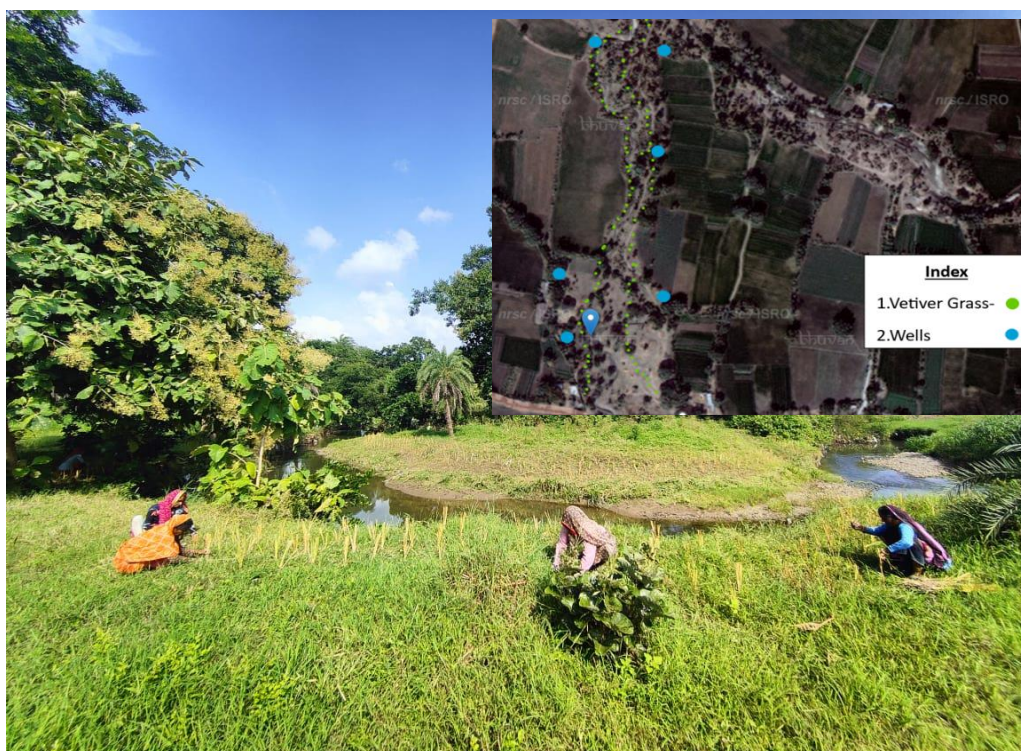
Activities undertaken:

i) Area Treatment (Soil & Moisture conservation):

District	Treated Area (ha)	Beneficiary (Nos)
Sehore and Bhopal (Cluster I)	219	45
Vidisha (Cluster II)	250	37

ii) Control of Stream Bank Erosion:

Vetiver grass plantation along local stream covering an area of 35 Ha. in Bhaukhedi village in Sehore District was undertaken.



iii) **Water Resources Development:**

Districts	Water harvesting structure	No	Command Area (ha)	Beneficiary
Sehore and Bhopal (Cluster I)	Earthen Dam Irrigation Tank (Large tank), Stop dam and Renovation of Check Dam	4 (one each)	90.622	44
	Farm pond (minor tank)	1	5.234	4
Vidisha (Cluster II)	Irrigation Tank	1	26.829	13
	Earthen Dam	1	32.982	11
	Farm Pond	7	14.77	07
	Total	14	170.437	79



Despite, the availability of water for irrigation in rain fed regions are far from desire, there is declining trend for support for construction of water harvesting structure and thus over exploitation of ground water continues. This is a matter of concern.

iv) Biodiversity Promotion:

Biodiversity plays an important role in keeping the agro ecosystem healthy. The application of pesticides and other chemicals in mist form distances birds and bees from crop fields. Thus affecting natural process of pest control and pollination and crop production. There is need for conservation of biodiversity as well as improving soil health.

Common lands are under stress due to over grazing or over use. Promotion of landscape renewal through the rehabilitation of degraded land is necessary. Ensuring community participation in restoration of ecosystem is vital. Thus capacity building of Van samitis in ecosystem restoration were conducted in which 110 members of 13 Forest Committee in Sihod Bit of Forest Department and 75 members of 06 Forest Committee in Lakhuli Bit of Forest Department participated. Hopefully, these 19 committees will help conservation of biodiversity in approximately 4,260-Ha of forest area.

Biodiversity Promotion activities were undertaken in 83 ha. area in Sehore district and 50 ha in Vidisha district. A total of 6,069 saplings were planted benefitting 79 households/farmers. All beneficiaries belong to poor and backward communities.

4.4 Promotion of Climate Smart Agricultural Practices among Small and Marginal farmers through Farmer Field School Model in Kota District, Rajasthan

This programme is being implemented since October 2014, covers about 1,48,763 ha area in 264 villages under 57 Panchayats of Ladpura, Sangod and Digod blocks.

The area treatment, water harvesting and capacity building of farmers for adoption of climate smart agricultural practices continued. The results for the year 2024-25 are as follows:

Activity	Type		Area (ha)	Beneficiary (Nos)			
				SC	ST	Others	Total
Area Treatment	Earthen Field Bunding		58	15	-	15	30
Activity	Type	Number	Area (ha)	Beneficiary (Nos.)			
				SC	ST	Others	Total
Water Harvesting	Irrigation Tank	7	36	9	12	20	41
	Check Dam	13	68	18	13	32	63
	Total	20	104	27	25	52	104

Crop Development Programme /Demonstrations: Climate Smart Agriculture demonstration were conducted in about 82,744 ha area, covering Kharif crop - soybean, Rabi crop - Wheat and Jayed crop- Green gram, in which a total of 15,358 farmers were benefited as detailed below:

Activity	Area (Ha)	Beneficiary HH (Nos)			
		SC	ST	Others	Total
Climate Smart Agriculture Practices	82,744	2,102	3,212	10,044	15,358

The above include Broad Bed furrow sowing technique for soybean crop in kharif season covering 16435 ha benefitting 1826 farmers. Under Jayad Crop Moong sowing was demonstrated in 291 farmer's fields in different villages of the project area. Farmers have adopted the crop in an area of 682 ha. Besides the above, farmers adopted the following:

- 3742 farmers adopted DSR method of rice cultivation in 18,193 ha.
- 234 farmers adopted PBBF technique in 713 ha.
- 928 farmers adopted Zero Tillage method of sowing wheat covering an area of 3,407 ha.
- 1602 Farmers applied nano urea through Drone spray covering 2373 ha area.
- 174 farmers used automatic irrigation switch for controlling operation of pumps thereby saving water.

Promotion of Climate Smart Village (CSV) Practices:

Following activities were undertaken:

- Organized Workshop at Panchayat Samiti Sultanpur with Mandi Samiti and Progressive farmers of digod block on Rajasthan Agro Processing, Agribusiness and Export Promotion Policies of govt benefitted one CSV farmer.
- Provided 112 agriculture equipment through submission on Seed and planting material scheme of agriculture department benefitting 110 CSV farmers.
- Provided 53 Sprinkler unit through PM Krishi Sichai Yojna of agriculture department benefitting 53 CSV farmers.
- Provided 116 Solar pump through PM Kusum Scheme of Horticulture department benefitting 116 CSV farmers.

Allied Activities undertaken:

- Facilitated construction of new technology based 120 Vermi compost units through convergence with govt scheme to improve soil health as well as promote sustainable agricultural practices
- 103 Low cost Biogas plants were installed.
- Promoted horticulture plantation in 165 ha. area through distribution of 6,800 saplings to 142 farmers.
- 54 farmers used organic hydrogel (Fasal Amrit) for Soil health improvement
- 38,035 ha area covered under demand management of water.
- 25 Pashu sakhi Cadre developed for providing primary health service for small and large ruminants.



Low cost Bio gas plant



Pashu Sakhi attending an injured animal

Development of Micro enterprises by women:

- 11 SHG Members started the business of purchase and selling of Crop residue as an income generation as well as environment friendly activity
- 591 SHG members got benefitted through different bank and Govt. schemes and started their micro enterprises for livelihood.

4.5 Financial Literacy & Capacity Building Programme in 52 Districts of Madhya Pradesh

NCHSE with support from ITC Limited is helping Madhya Pradesh State Rural Livelihoods Mission (MPSRLM) in improving financial literacy of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) members since 2017-18, which now covers all Districts of Madhya Pradesh.

The key principle behind this arrangement is to create an 'enabling environment' for sustaining good financial habits and practices within women SHGs and enhance the capability of human resource mainly the CRPs (Community Resource Persons). All the new, revived and pre MPRLP SHGs which are currently under MPSRLM are being covered under this programme.

Since inception, a total of 35,12,417 SHG members trained by a pool of 8,417 FLCRP, successfully reaching all villages across 313 blocks of the 55 districts in the state.

During the financial year 2024-25, the Programme made substantial progress wrt multiple indicators, laying a significant impact on financial empowerment in rural Madhya Pradesh. During the year, a total of 813,714 women of 82,523 SHGs were trained. As a result of these efforts:

- 663,830 women were enrolled in various insurance schemes such as PMSBY and PMJJBY.
- 167,405 women initiated formal savings such as Fixed Deposits, Recurring Deposits, Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana, Public Provident Fund, and other women saving schemes under — closely aligning with the annual savings target.
- In the area of pension security, 11,320 women enrolled either in the Atal Pension Yojana (APY) or the National Pension Scheme (NPS).

These achievements reflect a robust and effective delivery mechanism that combines grassroots outreach with the use of digital tools. Notably, regions such as Dhar, Jhabua, Khargone, Barwani, Ratlam, Balaghat & Betul made significant contributions to the overall outreach, showcasing the success of SHG-led community engagement. scheme enrolment efforts. The integrated support of trained Super Trainers and Master Trainers was pivotal in realizing these goals.

Yojna Sakhi programme:

This is a natural extension of the FL programme and is being implemented in all 55 districts of Madhya Pradesh to train and support selected SHG members to become Yojana Sakhi (YS) on the use of Haqdarshak Agent App created by the technical agency HESPL to enable them to provide scheme related support with the aim of achieving sustainable income.

During the financial year 2024–25, a total of 2,218 Yojana Sakhis were successfully trained as per the assigned targets and provided support to the rural households. Outcome during the year are enumerated below:

- 1011 citizens linked with Ayushman Bharat schemes, which provided insurance coverage up to 5 lakhs for them and their family, relieving them from financial stress during health emergencies.
- 11864 citizens got their Digital Health ID (ABHA card) activated, unlocking key benefits such as secure, centralized access to their health information, streamlined healthcare services, and the ability to easily share medical records for more efficient care. This will assist them in future health insurance claims if needed.
- A total of 36 citizens were linked with life insurance coverage under PMJJBY by Yojana Sakhis, offering a death benefit of ₹2 lakh ensuring financial security for their families in case of unforeseen events.
- A total of 28 citizens were enrolled under PMSBY, securing them in accidental death and disability with a coverage of ₹2 lakh, providing financial support at the time of accidents.
- 20 citizens have successfully enrolled in the Atal Pension Yojana (APY), securing their future with a guaranteed pension plan.
- 168 citizens have successfully opened accounts (Saving A/c) In Post Office/ Bank. This initiative enables them to access variety of financial services, fostering savings habits and ensuring financial stability in future.
- 440 citizens have been empowered with the e-Shram card, granting them access to a wide range of government welfare schemes and social security benefits.

ITC Mission Sunehra Kal Women Empowerment Programme Stitching Training Centre:

This pilot project was launched in the Sehore district during the financial year 2023–24 with Usha International Limited as the knowledge partner.

In the first year, a total of 50 women, having their own sewing machines and supporting in their family income were selected for this programme. The women were trained in two

batches of 25 women entrepreneurs each through a 10-day Silai training programme, enhancing their technical skills for self-reliance.



In the financial year 2024–25, an additional 50 women from Sehore district received the same 10-day training. Following this, a 3-day refresher training was organized for all 100 trained women (including 50 from the previous year and 50 from the current year). Out



of these 100 trained women, 40 become teachers (Usha Silai Teachers) and trained another 178 women (Usha Sewing Students) at the village level. Today, these students are working shoulder to shoulder with the teachers to help other women to contribute to their family income.

In the next phase, another 50 women of Vidisha district received 10-day stitching training during FY 2024-25.

As a result, all these women are now successfully running their tailoring business and are significantly contributing to their household income. The average monthly income of these women are approximately ₹5,000.



4.6 Improving sustainability and productivity of degraded /agro-ecosystems through adoption of Climate smart practices” in Damoh District of Madhya Pradesh.

This is a GEF funded small grants programme being implemented through technical supervision of TERI, New Delhi. It is two-year project, to be concluded in September 2027.

Objectives of the Project:

Improving socio-economic status of the people, especially of BPL households through improving productivity of waste lands, sustainably increasing agricultural productivity and incomes; adapting and building resilience to climate change; and reducing and/or removing greenhouse gas emissions, where possible.

Proposed interventions:

- Eco-restoration of 50 ha of uncultivable/ pasture /common land through bio physical technique with people’s participation, especially women for development works and



maintenance to improve fodder availability to facilitate animal husbandry. Covering at least 300 ha agricultural land under climate resilient agricultural practices to reduce climatic risk, reduce carbon foot print and improve income for the farmers.

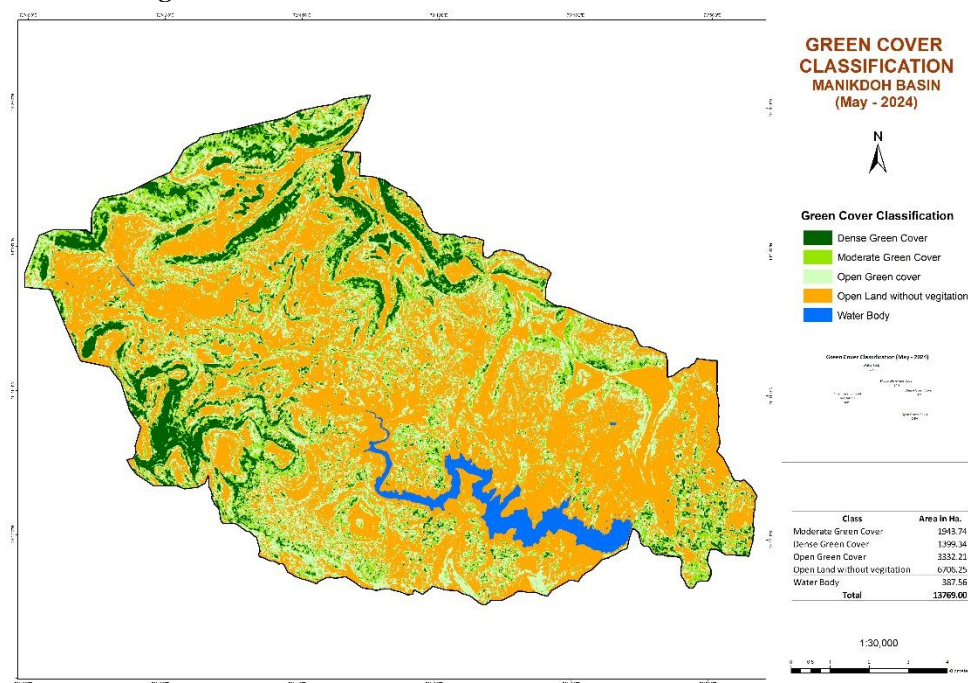
4.7 Enhance income of all small & marginal and landless households through adoption of improved agriculture and livestock practices, and development of irrigation facilities in 12 villages of Gairatganj block, Raisen district, Madhya Pradesh

This is a new project sanctioned by Azim Premji Foundation in January 2025 for a period of three years.

5. GIS Application

5.1 *Analysis of Green coverage in Manikodh basin of Maharashtra with the help of Remote sensing:*

The study involved the preparation of NDVI and green cover maps for the Manikdoh Basin in Maharashtra, utilizing Sentinel-2A remote sensing data. The analysis focused on classifying the region's green cover into four categories: dense, moderate, open green cover, and open land with vegetation. These classifications provided a detailed understanding of vegetation distribution and helped in assessing the extent and variation of green cover across the basin.

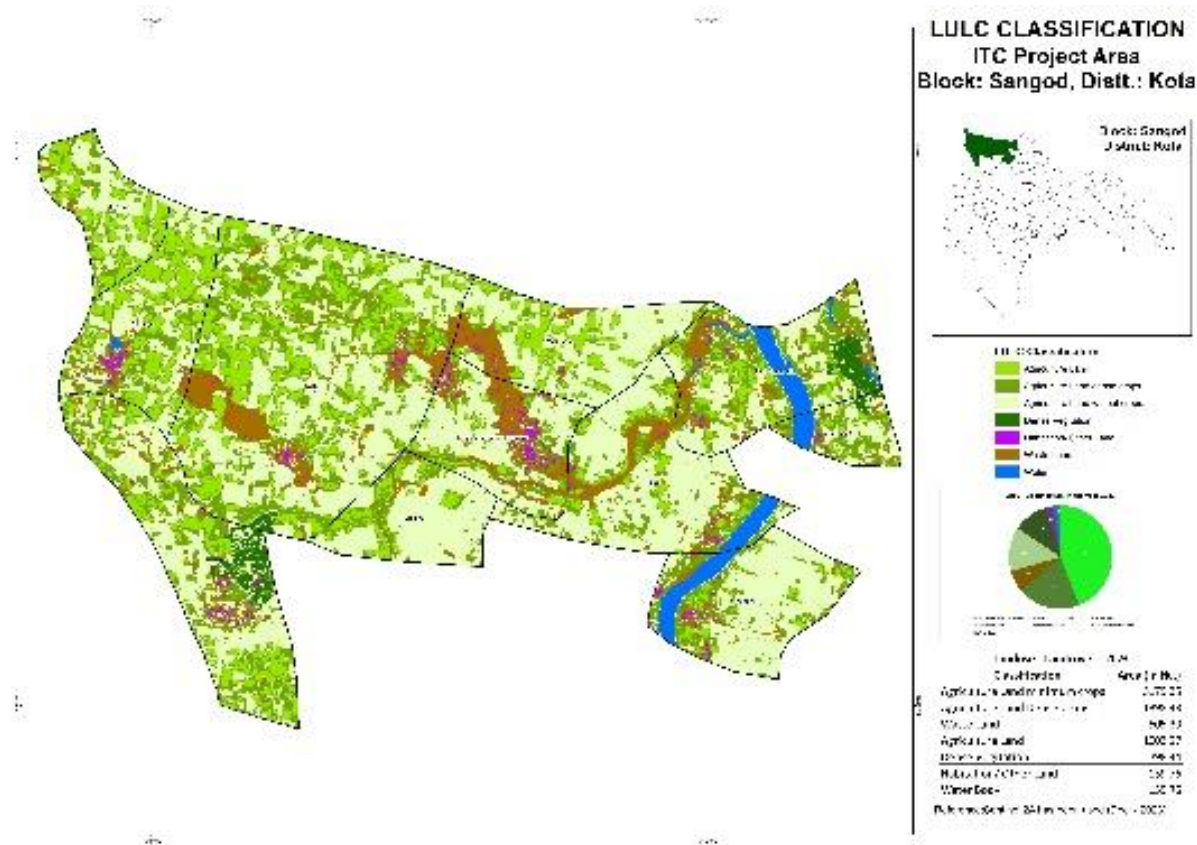
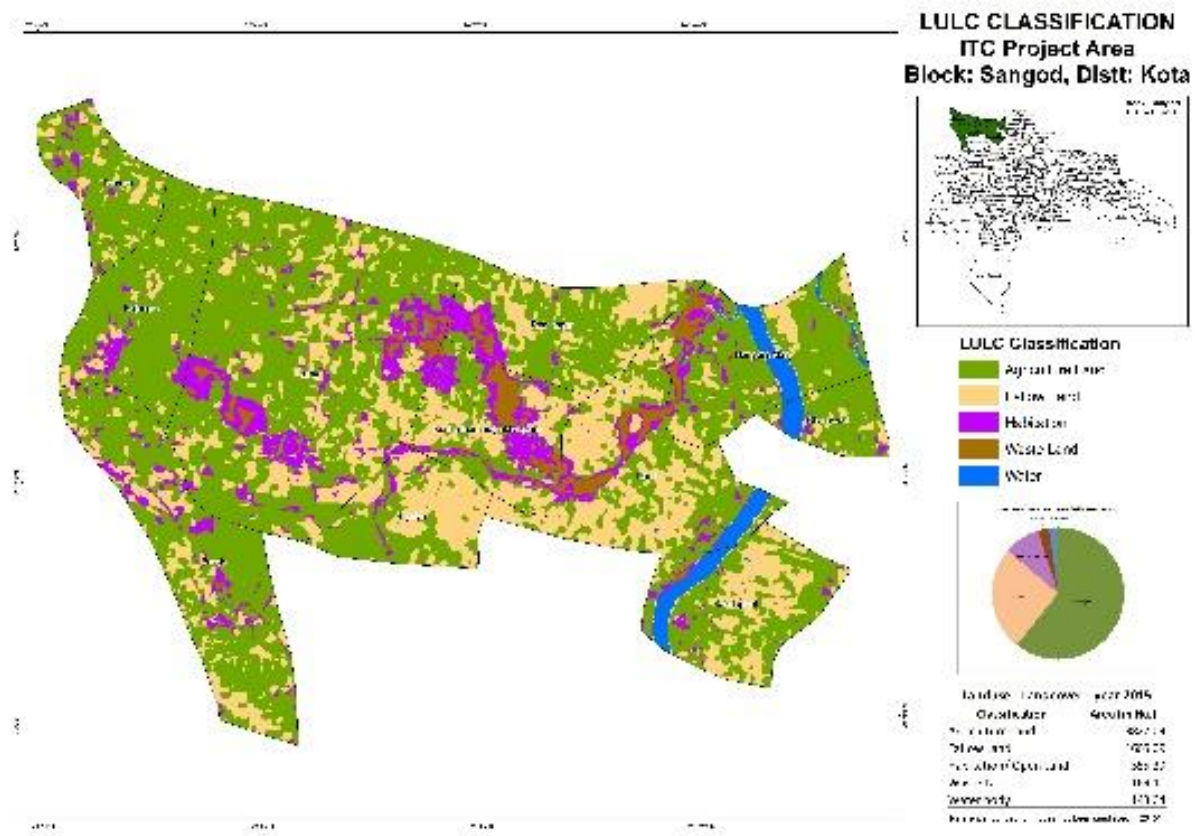


5.2 *Assessment of land use changes due to climate resilient agricultural practices being adopted in Sangod, Digod and Ladpura Blocks of Kota District, Rajasthan through Remote Sensing Technique:*

The primary objective of the study was to analyze the actual land use patterns, focusing on agricultural land, barren land, fallow land, and other land categories to evaluate changes in agricultural practices over a six-year period following the commencement of the project in 2014. For a comprehensive and authentic analysis, remote sensing data from two key years—2015 and 2023—were used to identify and compare land use dynamics within the project area.

5.3 *GIS Training:*

NCHSE regularly conducts 45 days long training programme on GIS Application & Operations. The objective of the programme is to enable the participants to apply GIS techniques in many different ways to project planning, implementation, monitoring and impact assessment. During the year 4 training programme has been organised.



Awareness & Advocacy Programme:



6.0 Awareness & Advocacy:

6.1 Road Safety Awareness Programme: Cyclothon On the occasion of World Day of Remembrance 2024, 17th November 2024:

On the solemn occasion of **World Day of Remembrance 2024**, a Cyclothon event was organised on 17th November 2024 with support from Consumer Voice, New Delhi and in association with Mahila Chetna Manch, Help Box Foundation, Bhopal Bicycle Riders Group and Aadarsh Welfare Foundation. The objective of the event was to extend heartfelt solidarity with the families of road accident victims as well as to highlight the need to strengthen measures aimed at reducing speeding on our roads to prevent further loss of life and injury.

At the start of the event at Ankur School, Shri Avinash Shrivastava, Dy Director, NCHSE welcomed all the participants and explained the purpose of the **World Day of Remembrance** event, which is being organised every year all over the world on the 3rd Sunday of November month to pay homage to the road accident victims and to show solidarity with their families. Shri T L Pandro, SI Traffic Police Madhya Pradesh addressed the participants and advised motor vehicle drivers/riders to observe traffic rules and avoid speeding. He also flagged off the Cyclothon at Ankur School (Dayanand Nagar) on Link Road No. 1. The Cyclists then passed through TT Nagar Road, Mata Mandir Square, Tulsi Tower at Link No 2, Shivaji Square at Link Road No 1 and culminated at Ankur School premises. There were about 150 participants who were provided a T-shirt having the logo of World Day of Remembrance and the organisers and associated organisations, the back of the T-shirt carried the message "Reduce Speed – save lives on road". Out of this 150 participants, about 125 cyclists, mostly school students and citizens of Bhopal, participated in the rally. The Cyclists also displayed road safety messages in the front of their bicycles to discourage over speeding. On conclusion of the Cyclothon, all the participants were provided certificates as a token of appreciation.



Call for immediate action to curb over-speeding

Participants of World Day of Remembrance 2024 in Bhopal

Bhopal: On the solemn occasion of the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims, a Cyclothon event was organized in Bhopal by the National Centre for Human Settlements & Environment (NCHSE) and Consumer Voice, New Delhi, in collaboration with Mahila Chetna Manch, Bhopal Bicycle Riders Group, Help Box Foundation, and Aadarsh Welfare Foundation.

The event aimed to extend heartfelt solidarity with families of road accident victims while advocating for stronger measures to curb over-speeding and save lives. With Madhya Pradesh reporting a high rate of speed-related fatalities, particularly affecting pedestrians, participants emphasized the urgent need for enhanced road safety measures to protect all users.

Event Highlights

The Cyclothon began at Ankur School, Dayanand Nagar, where Avinash Shrivastava of NCHSE, welcomed over 125 participants,

including school students and citizens. He reiterated the purpose of the World Day of Remembrance, observed globally on the third Sunday of November to honor road accident victims and support their families.

T. L. Pandro, Sub-Inspector, Traffic Police, Madhya Pradesh, addressed the attendees, urging drivers and riders to strictly adhere to traffic rules and avoid speeding. He then flagged off the Cyclothon, which followed a route through TT Nagar Road, Mata Mandir Square, and Shivaji Square before culminating at Ankur School. Cyclists displayed road safety messages on their bicycles.

At the event's conclusion, participants signed a memorandum addressed to Transport Minister and the Additional Chief Secretary, Transport Department, MP.

The Cyclothon served as a poignant reminder of the need for collective action to enhance road safety and protect lives.

Participants also signed a memorandum with an urgent appeal to the Hon'ble Minister, Transport, Madhya Pradesh and the ACS, Transport Department to strengthen measures aimed at reducing speeding on our roads to prevent further loss of life and injury. The memorandum to the Hon'ble Minister Transport, ACS Transport and Transport Commissioner, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh were submitted for further action.

तेज गति से वाहन चलाने पर अंकुश लगाना कार्यक्रम का उद्देश्य

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इसमें 125+ साइकिल चालकों ने लिया भाग

भोपाल में वर्ल्ड डे ऑफ रिमेंबरेंस फॉर रोड ट्रेफिक विक्टिम्स (विश्व सड़क दुर्घटना मृतक स्मृति दिवस) के अवसर पर आयोजित कार्यक्रम में प्रतिभागियों ने सड़कों पर तेज गति से वाहन चलाने पर अंकुश लगाने के लिए तत्काल कदम उठाने का आह्वान किया। इस अवसर पर रविवार सुबह भोपाल में साइक्लोथॉन कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया। कार्यक्रम का उद्देश्य सड़क दुर्घटना के पीड़ितों के परिवारों के साथ एकजुटता के साथ हार्दिक संवेदना व्यक्त करना और साथ ही सड़कों पर तेज गति से वाहन चलाने को कम करना था।

इस रैली में 125+ साइकिल चालक जिनमें विभिन्न स्कूल के छात्र छात्राएं, युवा, महिलाएं व बुजुर्ग शामिल थे। साइक्लोथॉन टाटी नगर रोड, माता मंदिर चौराहा, लिंक नंबर 2 पर तुलसी टॉवर, लिंक रोड नंबर 1 पर शिवाजी चौराहा से होकर गुजरी और अंकुर स्कूल परिसर में इसका समापन हुआ।

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वर्ल्ड डे ऑफ रिमेंबरेंस के अवसर पर रविवार को सड़क सुरक्षा जागरूकता के लिए साइकिल रैली का आयोजन किया गया। कार्यक्रम की शुरुआत लिंक रोड से हुई, जिसका समापन अंकुर हाई स्कूल पर हुआ। इसमें 125 से अधिक साइकिलिस्टों ने भाग लिया। यह कार्यक्रम नेशनल सेंटर फॉर ह्यूमन सेटलमेंट्स एंड एनवायरनमेंट और कंज्यूमर वॉयस, नई दिल्ली द्वारा आयोजित किया गया। इसमें महिला चेतना मंच, हेल्प बॉक्स फाउंडेशन, साइकिल राइडर्स ग्रुप और अर्श वेलफेयर फाउंडेशन ने सहयोग किया। एनसीएचएसई के उपनिदेशक अविनाश श्रीवास्तव ने बताया कि यह दिवस हर साल नवंबर महीने के तीसरे रविवार को सड़क दुर्घटना के पीड़ितों को श्रद्धांजलि अर्पित करने के लिए मनाया जाता है।



पत्रिका

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भोपाल. वर्ल्ड डे ऑफ रिमेंबरेंस के अवसर पर रविवार सुबह भोपाल में नेशनल सेंटर फॉर ह्यूमन सेटलमेंट्स एंड एनवायरनमेंट, भोपाल और कंज्यूमर वॉयस, नई दिल्ली द्वारा महिला चेतना मंच, हेल्प बॉक्स फाउंडेशन, भोपाल साइकिल राइडर्स ग्रुप और अर्श वेलफेयर फाउंडेशन के सहयोग से साइक्लोथॉन कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया गया। विश्व सड़क दुर्घटना मृतक स्मृति दिवस के अवसर पर आयोजित कार्यक्रम में प्रतिभागियों ने सड़कों पर तेज गति से वाहन चलाने पर अंकुश लगाने के लिए तत्काल कदम उठाने का आह्वान किया।



तेज गति से वाहन न चलाने की दी सलाह

कार्यक्रम में एनसीएचएसई के उप निदेशक अविनाश श्रीवास्तव ने विश्व सड़क दुर्घटना मृतक स्मृति दिवस का उद्देश्य समझाया। टी.एल. पांडे, एसआई ट्रैफिक पुलिस, मध्यप्रदेश ने प्रतिभागियों को, मोटर वाहन चालकों, सवारों को यातायात नियमों का पालन करने और तेज गति से वाहन न चलाने की सलाह दी।

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6.2 Consumer Awareness Programme (CAP) on Telecommunication Services:

During 2024–25, six Consumer Awareness Programs (CAPs), in 6 separate locations in 6 districts were organised. The locations are Bansa Tarkheda (Damoh), Bhitwarwar (Gwalior), Gohad (Bhind), Shamshabad (Vidisha), Goharganj (Raisen), and Budni (Sehore). These programs aimed to educate the public about the services provided by Telecom Service Providers (TSPs), the guidelines and instructions issued by TRAI, broadcasting regulations, and the functioning of radio and television services. Additionally, the CAPs focused on the Grievance Redressal Mechanism available to consumers, and also covered important topics related to telecom services and cybercrime awareness—specifically how individuals can protect themselves from such threats. In each district where the Consumer Awareness Programmes were conducted, various telecommunication-related messages were also disseminated to the general public through press and media channels.



Bansatar Kheda, Damoh



Bhitwarwar, Gwalior

NCHSE staff also participated in following programmes organized by TRAI in Madhya Pradesh:

- (i) Consumer Outreach Programme (COP) at Narsinghpur and Chitrakoot of Satna District
- (ii) Regional Workshop on Capacity Building of Consumer Organisations (COs) in Bhopal
- (iii) Seminar on – “Balancing Innovation and Consumer Protection: The Dual

Challenge of Unsolicited Commercial Communication and Spam Calls in the Modern Telecom Landscape” in Indore.



Gohad, Bhind



Goharganj, Raisen

7 Lecture Programme

7.1 8th Mahesh Buch Remembrance Lecture, 6th June 2024:

Padma Shri Laxman Singh, a resident of Lapodia village, Rajasthan, delivered the 7th Mahesh Buch Remembrance Lecture. He explained in detail the innovative Chauka system of rain water harvesting and revival of pasture lands undertaken in Lapodia and other 50 villages through community participation and shramdan.

Dr. S.P. Dutta, Director of Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal in his presidential address appreciated the works of Shri Laxman Singh on water conservation and community development. At the beginning of the program, Satish Kaushik and his team performed songs on water conservation.

Around 200 participants attended this lecture which included villagers, farmers, students, civil society members, intellectuals, professors etc. from around Bhopal, Sehore and Vidisha districts.



7.2 9th Mahesh Buch Memorial Lecture, 5th October 2024:

Padma Shri Dr. Eklabya Sharma, FNA, FNASc, Strategic Advisor and Distinguished Fellow at Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), Bengaluru delivered the 9th Mahesh Buch Memorial Lecture on “**Resilience and Sustainable Development in the Hindu Kush Himalaya**”.

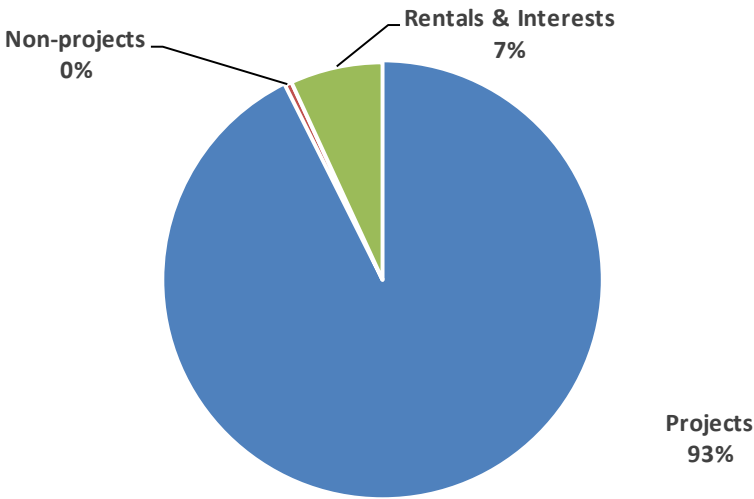
Dr Sharma said that the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH) Region is one of the most important mountain ecosystems of the world providing immense goods and services to humanity. However, the HKH has been witnessing rapid biodiversity loss, ecosystem degradation, climate change, increased disaster risk, and rising vulnerabilities of people both in the mountains and downstream areas. The scenario of moving towards prosperity is required for transformative change if we want to see resilience and sustainability in the HKH region. Evidence-based actions to maintain biodiversity for enhanced ecosystem services, to reduce disaster risk, to mitigate and adapt to climate change, and to protect cryosphere and manage water, are central to ensuring resilience and sustainable development in the HKH. Regional cooperation, transboundary sharing of information and knowledge, and capacity building among the eight HKH countries namely Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, India, Myanmar, Nepal and Pakistan will be necessary to meet the challenges faced by these countries.



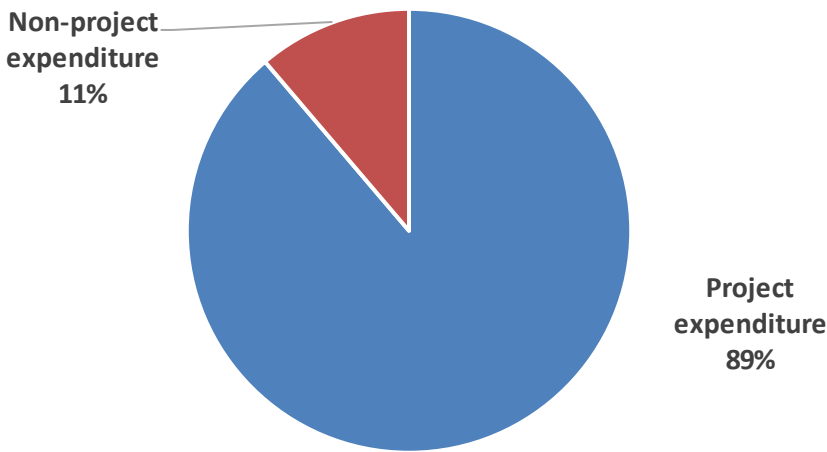
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Receipts and Expenditure for the year 2024-25

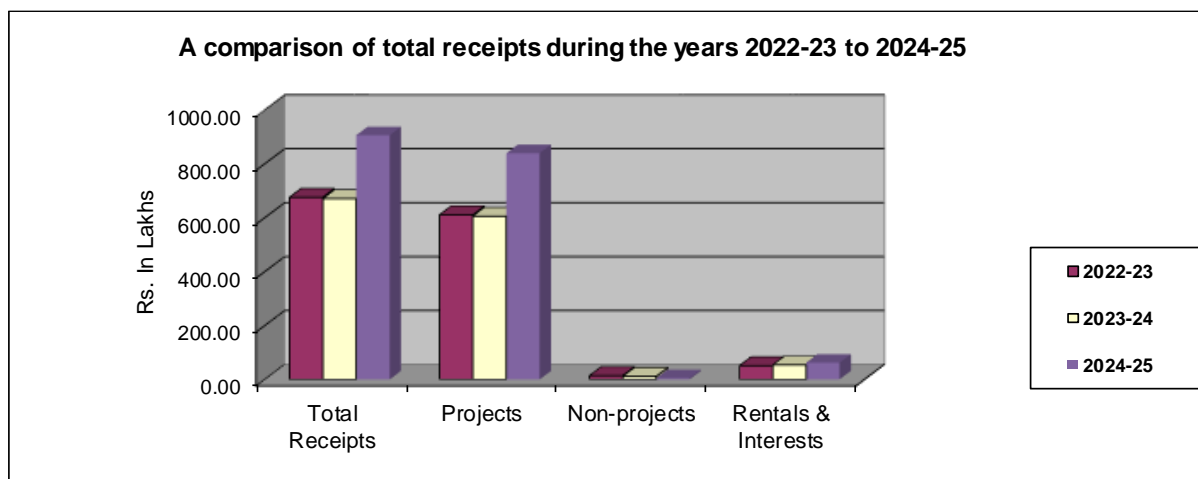
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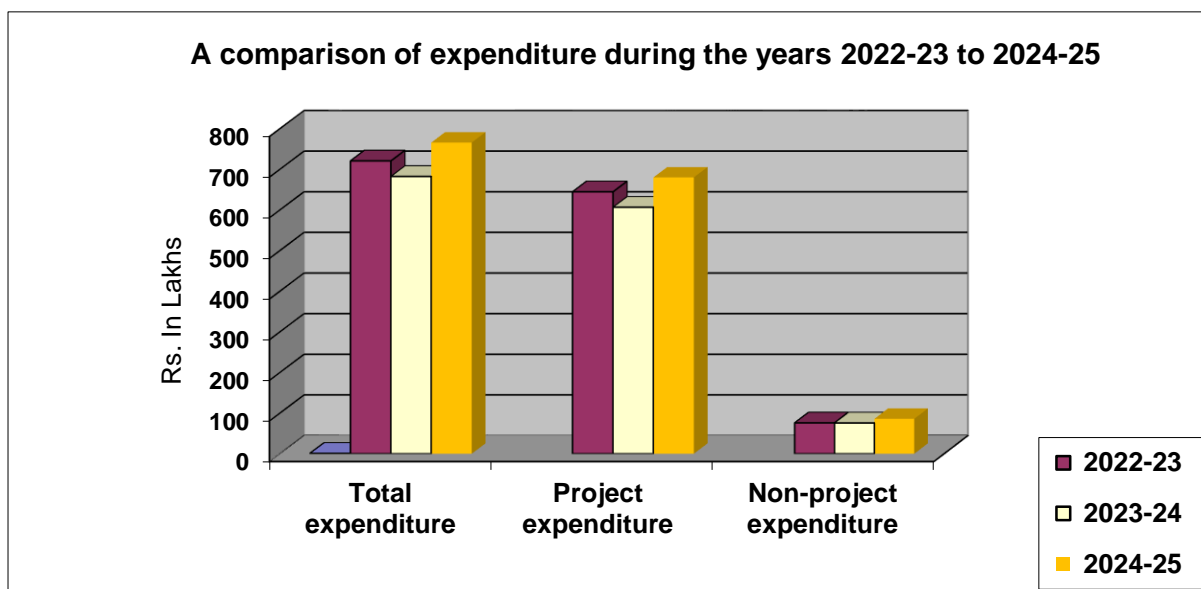


Total Receipts during 2022-25



Year	Total Receipts (Rs. in Lakhs)	Break up of receipts (Rs. in lakhs)		
		Projects	Non-projects	Rentals & Interests
2022-23	675.90	610.85 (90.37%)	14.15 (2.09%)	50.9 (7.53%)
2023-24	671.06	605.79 (90.27%)	11.54 (1.72%)	53.73 (8.01%)
2024-25	905.96	839.19 (92.63%)	4.65 (0.6%)	62.12 (6.86%)

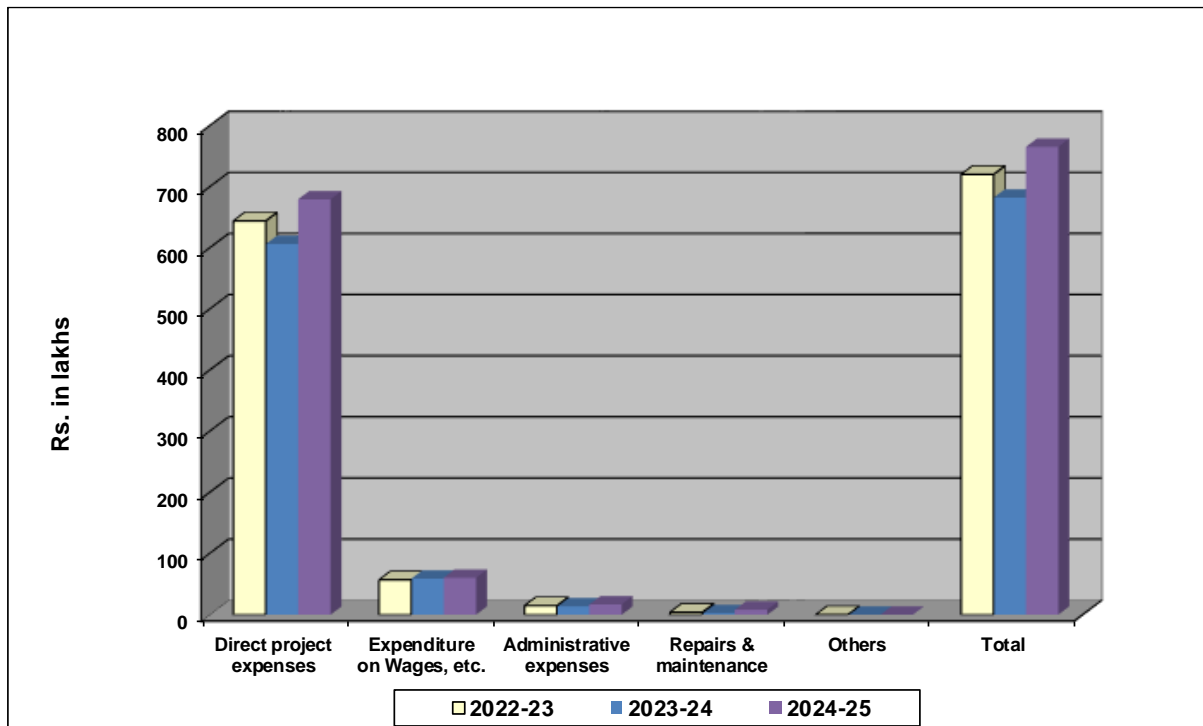
Total Expenditure during 2022-25



(Rs. In lakhs)

Year	Total expenditure	Project expenditure	Non-project expenditure
2022-23	720.62	644.57 (89.45%)	76.05 (10.55%)
2023-24	682.40	606.57 (88.89%)	75.81 (11.11%)
2024-25	765.78	679.89 (88.78%)	85.89(11.22%)

Classification of major heads of expenses



(Rs. In Lakhs)

Year	Direct project expenses	Expenditure on Wages, etc.	Administrative expenses	Repairs & maintenance	Others	Total
2022-23	644.57 (89.45%)	57.06 (7.92%)	14.86 (2.06%)	4.10 (0.57%)	0.03	720.62
2023-24	606.57 (88.89%)	59.22 (8.68%)	13.96 (2.05%)	2.63 (0.38%)	0.02	682.40
2024-25	679.89 (88.78%)	60.65 (7.92%)	17.01 (2.22%)	8.20 (1.08%)	0.03	765.78

