

17 villages

1165 farmers

Turmeric,
Black pepper,
Millets, Rice,
Soghum, Coffee

3 Farming groups





In the middle of nowhere and center of everything these farms are a splendid beauty to the onlooker. With minimum human intervention and zero risk of contamination, the purity cannot be questioned. But their geographic location has also been a hindrance in terms of operating logistics in these areas. Nature Bio Foods close association with the farming families has helped to develop a hierarchy in procuring the right quantity with quality. Our integrated supply chain facilitates a network which ensures timely procurement at fair prices. In compliance to quality benchmarks and ease of access to these rough terrains, the locals have been involved, to facilitate easy procurement.

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"I was born to these farms, and years down the line the roles have reversed. Now I am their mother. Feeding them with right amount of care has become part of my everyday routine."

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Andhra Pradesh & Karnataka





One of the seven sisters, the farms of Assam are located far from common commercial reach. The geographic location of these farms have kept them pristine and chemical free. The area produces local varieties of speciality rice which have considerably lower metallic levels. These are so pure that can be used in baby food products. The world isn't much aware of these varieties hence there has been an impact on volumes procured from these areas. Relentless efforts by NBF team to introduce these local versions have started bearing the fruit but at a marginal pace. While we have been encouraging these farmers to continue with these local varieties equal focus has been creating a market for them.



"For ages our methods have remained primitive. We are self-sufficient. But with growing commercialisation it seems difficult to cope. With encouragement from NBF team it feels we are been taken care of."



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The north most part of the country, with big farms and abundant rainfalls has been a perfect host to traditional basmati varieties and red kidney beans. For ages, Jammu housed the most traditional Basmati varieties like Ranbir Basmati. Nature Bio Foods team has been persuasive in its efforts to grow organic basmati varieties in this area through continued support facilitated by assured buy back arrangement. Fair prices have helped building assurance with the farming families under any circumstances.

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"These are our fields and we have been farming here for ages. We thought we did best, but with times we realised it wasn't just the hard-work but how we cultivated these farms."

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Jammu





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The introduction of 'Dora cycles' in Gujarat and Maharashtra have changed the way farmers would indulge in sowing of the crops. Sowing is an intensive process which involves bending down causing major spinal issues. These cycles have a mechanism in which bending is least. Farming yet isn't seen as a profitable business for the future generation. A lot have been migrating to lucrative options. The NBF agriculture extension team has been rigorous in its support and trainings encouraging adoption of organic methods of farming. Regular coordination with horticulture department and supply of bio manure, are few that have proven in the benefit of these farming families. Organic helps reducing the cost of production and meeting higher profits.





"Everyday I come back to my place I wonder, After me who would?

Hoping the world will change and efforts be realised"

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Gujarat & Maharashtra





Bihar's 80 % population is employed in agriculture which is higher as compared to India's average. This has been facilitated by fertile soil with pH value 5.6 to 8.0 which is good for paddy crop. Rainfalls have been abundant too due to its proximity to Nepal border. The farms are in conversion stage, 2019 being the first year. The year has been fully devoted to farmer training about benefits of organic farming, organic nutrient management for paddy, preparing their own organic inputs - green manure, vermi-compost, Leaf compost, Amtra Pani, Panchagavya, visual identification of crop diseases and weeds in nurseries and their management etc. This training shall be helpful in keeping the organic integrity of these farms. While on the other hand, uniting cashew growing farmers into a cooperative has helped diminishing the uncertainty cost.



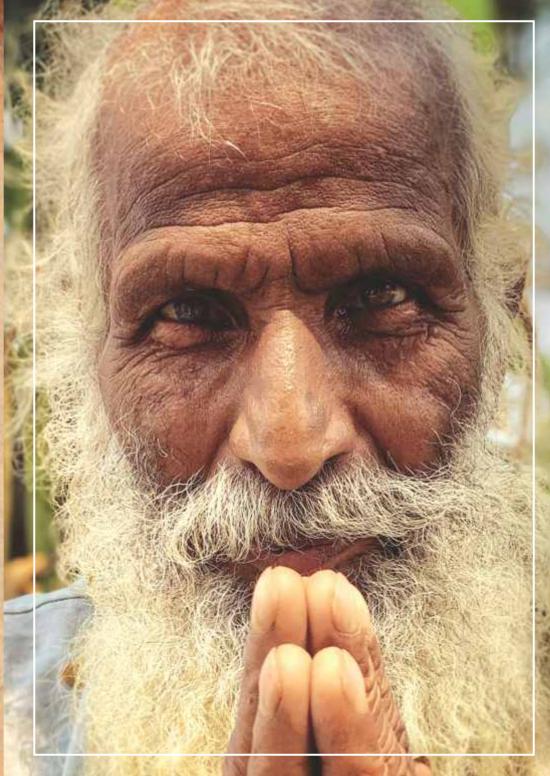
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Orissa & Bihar







Accounting for nation's huge lands and tribal groups, these farms of Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan house India's largest production for Soybean and sesame. SURVIVORS to extreme climatic changes. Delayed monsoons may have impacted sowing season but NBF team is continuously striving to promote the new plan of action where in the farmers have been encouraged to grow black gram mixed with sesame (mixed cropping). This has helped as at-least one crop sustains in case of erratic rainfall patterns. The second seed provides better coverage to soil preventing the moisture from evaporating. The mixed cropping also prevents use of weedicides since these are crop specific, and using either of them destroys the other crop.

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"We work day and night to bring the best out of these fields. At dusk, whilst we surely return to our homes, the farm still preside. The organic premiums let us think bigger." www.naturebiofoods.organi







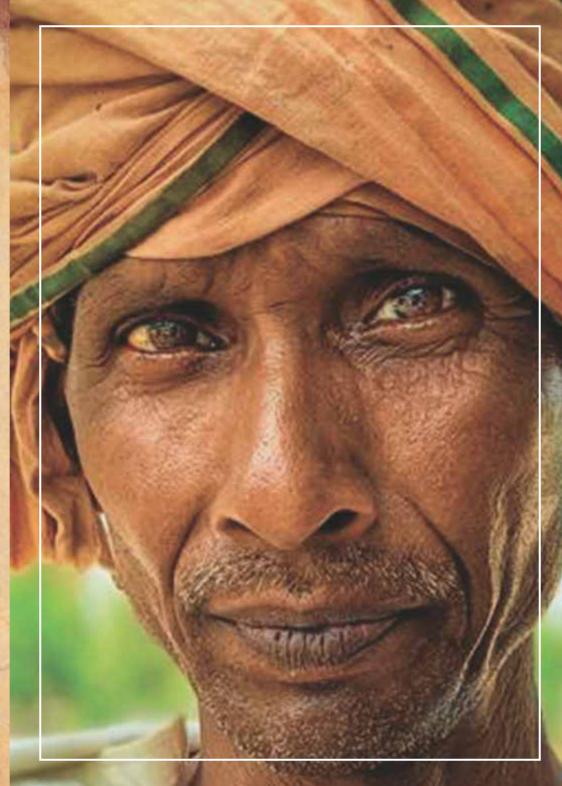






††† 48 Farming groups





All this while our farmers in Uttar Pradesh had been growing the Non-Basmati varieties as major crop in Kharif season. It was difficult to sustain in absence of a proper market & fair price. Nature Bio Foods introduced the premium Basmati varieties to these fields. The agri extension services of Nature Bio Foods and the agricultural service center through their continuous support and buy back arrangements, provided them right form of training along a definite and fair market that helped bridge the gap between farmer & the company. Being Fairtrade certified, a lot has been invested in the community development as well which includes the vocational training centres for women and educational centres for kids.



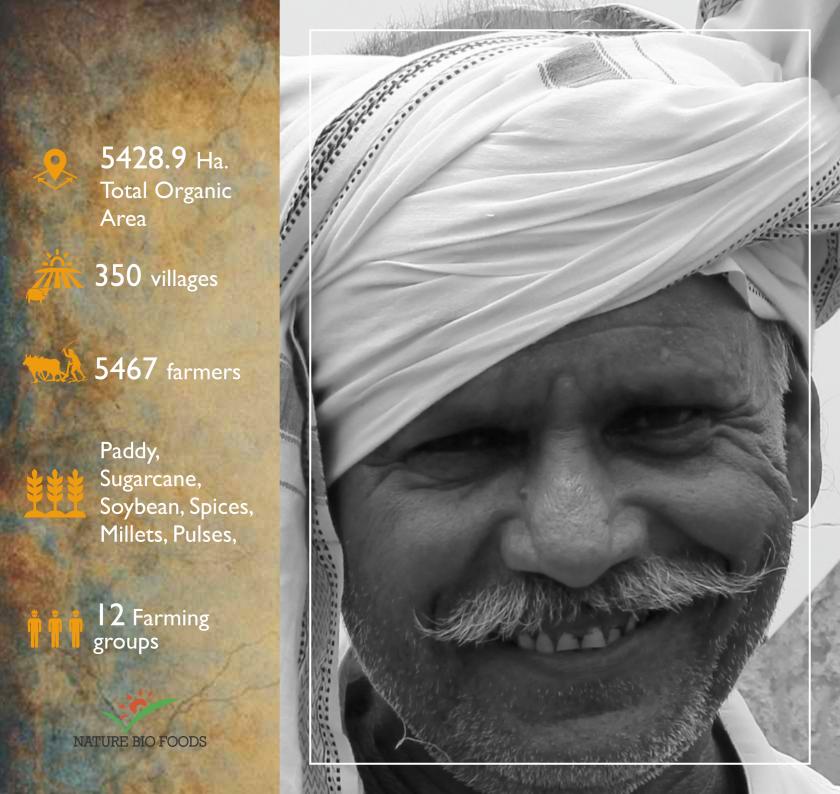
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"Tomorrow seems possible, dreams seem practical."

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Uttar Pradesh





The Kotabag and Patkot villages under the project Ramnagar and few more organic and Fair-trade villages of Uttrakhand house the organic and traditional Basmati paddy varieties. The farms were blessed but the market was scattered and difficult to approach for these farmers. NBF team acted as a catalyst in providing the international market platform to the final product. To feed the need the farmers have been well trained and educated with organic practices. Solar lamps and more than thousand energy efficient stoves, more than 1000 bio gas units, agri service centres - all stretched out well in these areas. To enhance the new technological skill, NBF has provided well-equipped computer learning center and a school in the region for the educational growth.





"My eyes gleam with joy when I see my daughter returning back from her school with her bag hung on her shoulders.

She is in 3rd grade. Her stories are in abundance. I wish she never stops."

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Uttarakhand

