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### MANUVIKASA Provides Learning Opportunities on Water and Environment- Established a Learning Centre in forest covered village with HSS, Germany.

MANUVIKASA in collaboration with the Hanns Seidel Foundation India has inaugurated the Water and Environment Learning Centre at Karjagi village in Siddapur Taluk on Monday, January 24th, 2022.

The new centre was inaugurated by Vishweshwara Hegde Kageri the Honourable Speaker of the Karnataka State Legislative Assembly. Speaking on this occasion, he mentioned that MANUVIKASA was started in 2003 and has achieved many milestones till date. Further, he said, "The Water and Environment Learning Centre, which begins today, has created a new platform for students seeking study and research. Due to MANUVIKASAs'

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### Women convention Held at Karwar.

Success; You have to work for it: *Raju Tandel*

In association with Edel Give Foundation, a 'Women's convention' was organised on 14th March 2022 by MANUVIKASA, at the Daivajnya Sabha Bhavan in Karwar, Uttara Kannada District. Mrs. Kavitha R.K, Deputy Director, Fisheries Department, Karwar inaugurated the program by lighting the lamp and spoke that "Available resources from fishery department are helpful for women, such as support for activities like zero interest loan schemes, ice box purchase, fish pickle, fish spice powder etc. Take use of discounts on the two-wheeler loan facility for fish trade. Women sought to improve their economic standard by taking advantage of the projects from the fisheries department".

District Development Manager of NABARD, Karwar, Mr. Rejis Emmanuel discussed how women can improve their economic condition through fish production companies. He also

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# Editorial

Dear Readers...

I am very happy to present this new issue of Newsletter. Even though the country is free from COVID-19 pandemic & lockdown, the shadow it casted on the economy and its impact is still palpable. MANUVIKASA has always been supportive towards developmental aspects of society by reaching out to the grass root of the communities.

While writing this editorial, I am happy to share that MANUVIKASA has rejuvenated more than 180 large lakes, benefiting 18000 farmers of Uttara Kannada, Haveri, Dharwad and Shivamogga districts. MANUVIKASA in collaboration with HSS, a German organization, has organized a historical event in a small village, Karjagi where MANUVIKASA has started in 2003. Learning centre on water and environment has been setup in the Karjagi village of Siddapur Taluk. The learning centre was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Speaker of the Karnataka State Legislative Assembly, Shri. Vishweshwara Hegde Kageri. During the programme an approach paper on Integrated Watershed Management was released.

In association with Edel Give Foundation, MANUVIKASA has organised 'women conventions at Haliyal, Mundgod and Karwar of Uttara Kannada Districts. More than 1500 SHG members participated and exchanged their knowledge and experiences. This newsletter gives highlights on these conventions.

In collaboration with Azim Premji Foundation, a lake convention was held at Sirsi in Uttara Kannada district and Kalaghatagi in Dharwad district, to discuss the importance of lakes and their economic viability. Shri. Shivarama Hebbar, Minister of Labour, Government of Karnataka and incharge Minister, Uttara Kannada District, Shri. C. M. Nimbannavar - Legislative member of the Kalaghatagi constituency and many other dignitaries were present at the event.

The event is a testament to the exchange of



information on the rejuvenation of new lakes in the coming days with details of the farmers benefitting from the rejuvenation of the lakes. The details are provided in the newsletter.

MANUVIKASA which reached the people in the remote places during the wave of the COVID-19 has now launched a free vehicle campaign in all the taluks of Uttara Kannada district, in association with the Azim Premji Foundation. We have appointed 7 Community Health Officers and health volunteers at the field level in 05 selected blocks of the Uttara Kannada District. We have helped 35000 members to get vaccination who are slightly hesitant to take the vaccination.

MANUVIKASA, which already has a number of women development initiatives in partnership with the Edel Give Foundation, has expanded its focus on women entrepreneurship development in the current quarter, including a number of career development and skill building activities such as training on tailoring, catering, beautician, dairy farming and sustainable agriculture development. This issue will give glance on the activities of women empowerment programme conducted by the organization.

In collaboration with the Hanns Seidel Foundation India (HSF) of Germany, MANUVIKASA organized integrated water resource management training to discuss the impact of climate change and crops on farming communities.

We are happy to share that HDFC Parivarthan, a CSR of HDFC Bank has recognized our organization & provided grants to develop livelihood of 1000 households in Yallapur Block of Uttara Kannada and 1000 fisher households in Kundapur block of Udupi Districts through entrepreneurship, skill development, value chain management and promotion of producer

organization.

Pragatimitra Souharda Sahakaari Niyamita and Pragatimitra Farmers Producer Company, subsidiaries of MANUVIKASA, have achieved several milestones in the current year. In addition to championing the prestigious 'Krishi alert' award, many farmers friendly operations such as coconut trading, raw and dry starch, processing and trading of farmers produces and high-quality grocery stores have been launched. I would like to congratulate them on this achievement.

In collaboration with the Foundation for Ecological Security (FES), MANUVIKASA has started a new project to identify and map community assets in Uttara Kannada district.

MANUVIKASA has also collaborated with Give India and Azim Premji Foundation and constructed several farm ponds to help farmers to overcome water shortage. In collaboration with Give India, the organization has also distributed essential groceries for orphans, destitute and other poor families.

Our newly promoted FPOs 'Gokarna Tarakari Belegarara Raita Utpadaka Sangha' and the

'Uttara Kannada Zilla Mahila Meenu Maratagarara Hagu Utpadakara Sangha', collective business activities, have also initiated and successfully implemented for profit business such as selling vegetables, seeds and organic fertilizers, as well as undertaking several more business activities.

I would like to congratulate all members of our Board of Trustees who have been the backbone of all our work, funding organizations that have supported to work on objectives to reach our long term and short-term goals, and all the staff members of our organization who have helped us to sustain our work by putting their best efforts, despite many challenges.

Your views and opinions are important to our organization which believe that the development of the whole country is possible only when all the stakeholders are working together on set goals. Your suggestions are most welcome.

With Regards

**Ganapati Bhat**  
Managing Trustee  
MANUVIKASA

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advised women on banking schemes, such as credit facilities available from developing companies. Explained the tools available by NABARD to perform complementary activities for women.

Mr. Ganapati Bhat, Director welcomed and introduced the guests and explained various activities of MANUVIKASA.

Mr. Raju Tandel, President of the District Fish Vendors Federation attended as chief guest and said "MANUVIKASA has implemented several projects for the economic development of women, especially SHG members". He explained about the different loan and self-employment schemes of the government being implemented by the federation.

### **Key discussion points of the Women Convention**

- Exchange their knowledge in the single window system
- Know about the political and other fundamental rights in the society
- Discussions about stigma, discrimination and gender issues faced by women
- Legal rights and its importance.
- Available opportunities and challenges
- Workplace Discrimination

The conference was attended by more than 500 SHG women and exchanged information with each other. Shri Rudresha, LDM of the district, Smt Sujatha Durgekar, Chairperson of the Women Fishermen Farmers and sellers Association. Mrs. Madevi Gowda, Member Gokarna Vegetable Farmers' Producers Association and staff members of MANUVIKASA were also present in this convention.

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steady efforts and performance, it has reached the grassroots level. MANUVIKASAs' contribution to the progress of the farming community is immense; they have fulfilled the water needs of the farmers. Many local and international organizations provide financial support based on the trust and confidence on this organization. It is our duty to support and nurture such an organization. Agriculture has begun to change, along with change in farming practices. Voluntary organizations like MANUVIKASA become the backbone of the farmers by supporting community through developing ponds, rejuvenating lakes and water conservation. The new Learning Centre will create a new perspective in the field of research and farming during this climate change. I hope that this kind of humanitarian work continues". Shri. Kageri also released a report on Integrated Watershed Management during this occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri. Shivaram Hebbar, Honourable Minister of Labour, Government of Karnataka and the former Uttara Kannada District Minister, said, "MANUVIKASA has developed big and marginal lakes to sustain livelihood activities of the farmers community. Along with the rejuvenation of lakes, changes brought about in the cropping pattern by MANUVIKASA, improving the quality of farmers life. The rejuvenation of large lakes in the eastern part of Uttara Kannada District has turned into a lifeline for the farmers. Agricultural labourers and agrarian activities are like two faces of a coin. In this context, MANUVIKASA has set up a learning centre for Water and Environment in the village, which will be an ideal platform for those interested in study and research. I would like to congratulate the Director and the Board of Directors for successfully completing this initiative." During the occasion, he released a published newsletter of MANUVIKASA.

Dr. R. Vasudeva, Professor at College of forestry, Sirsi who has written an approach paper on Integrated Watershed Management, said, "According to the study of Delhi Water

Resources Consortium on Water Resources, the current water resources will be drained over the next ten years and that mankind will not be out of danger for a long time. The detailed report is on the basis of the Aghanashini, Bedti and Varada rivers in the Uttara Kannada district".

Speaking at the occasion, Honourable Shri. Shantharam Siddi, Member of the Karnataka State Legislative Council, said, "Developing and leading a socially responsible voluntary organization is a challenging task. It is a testament to the fact that an organization like MANUVIKASA, has come up to this level to accept the challenges and reach the grass root level community,".

Shri C. M. Nimbannavar, Member of Karnataka Legislative Assembly from Kalaghatagi Constituency, stated that, "In my region MANUVIKASA carried out an excellent work, also made life easier for the farmer community by rejuvenating several lakes. MANUVIKASA is not confined to one field but has made its mark in many progressive sectors".

During the occasion, agricultural equipments were distributed to selected beneficiaries who worked under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, in Rangapura village, Badangod GP, Sirsi Taluk, Uttara Kannada District, with the help of MANUVIKASA.

Addressing the gathering, Shri. Ganapati Bhat, Managing Director, said that "MANUVIKASA has volunteered for 19 years in the field of water conservation, environmental development and women empowerment and has already rejuvenated the endangered lakes in Uttara Kannada, Haveri, Dharwad and Shivamogga districts. Our organization, which focuses on empowerment of women, strives for all-round development by organizing skills-based training for women to achieve financial self-reliance. It is a great pleasure to build a diligent and skilled eco-friendly centre in the village like Karjagi, which is a biodiversity hotspot. In the upcoming days, there will be a number of demonstration

experiments, along with training. will be conducted. With the financial and technical support of Hanns Seidel Foundation India the study centre is launching today". He also congratulated all the government and non-governmental authorities who supported for it.

Shri. Harischandra Bhat, the founder of MANUVIKASA in his presential speech said that "MANUVIKASA started its journey in 2001 and got structured and registered in 2003 as an NGO working for rural rights. But now, the organization has expanded to four different districts and captured the popularity of the rural community in all the working areas. This will make MANUVIKASA more enthusiastic to work more effectively on its core objective of water conservation. In this regard, this learning centre will help the like-minded community to learn more and research deeply on water and

environment. The growth of this organization is only because of the management committee and a committed team".

Many distinguished dignitaries such as Shri. Manu Hegde, Shri. Harishchandra Bhat and Shri. Vishwanath Bommalapura were felicitated for their hard work at the water and environmental learning centre.

A cultural programme featuring several folk, lyric and devotional songs was presented by members of Kadamba Art Forum.

The event was co-chaired by Dr. Badiger of ATREE Bangalore, Mr. M.G. Hegde Gejje, former member of Zilla Panchyat, Karwar, Smt. Gowri Annaappa Gowda, Hasaragodu Grama Panchyat President, Shri. Bhaskar Dharma Naik, Grama Panchayat Member. All the officials of the MANUVIKASA were present at this occasion.

## MANUVIKASA Supported Flood Affected Families:

*"Even the strongest man needs support": Shri. Vishweshwara Hegde, Kageri*

MANUVIKASA distributed essential equipments to the community in Balur village, Siddapura taluk, Uttara Kannada District, who are severely affected by the recent floods. Due to damage caused to house hold equipment and essentials, the organisation provided gas stoves and cylinders, groceries, and provided furniture to schools that were damaged during the floods.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri. Vishweshwara Hegde Kageri, Honourable Speaker of the Karnataka Assembly, said, "When natural disasters occur, mankind will be able to survive, in spite of such great economic losses on this event even the strongest man needs support. MANUVIKASA, by delivering essential items during these difficult times strengthening humanity. It is truly a commendable model. Shri. M. G. Hegde, Gejje, Former, Member of the Zilla Panchayat, Siddapura Taluk Tahalshidar, Shri. Raghupathi Hegde Halegauri, Gram Panchayat Chairpersons and members of the Panchayat Development Officers, Shri. Harishchandra Bhat - Founder of MANUVIKASA, Shri Ganapathi Bhat, Director and staffs of MANUVIKASA, as well as villagers of Balur and Karjagi village were there on this occasion.



## 6. Lake convention at Kalaghatagi:

*In nature's economy the water is not an entity, it is life:*

*C.M Nimbannavar.*

In association with the Azim Premji Foundation, a 'Lake Convention' was organised by MANUVIKASA on 30th October 2021, at the Hanneradu Saavira Math Hall, Kalaghatagi Taluk of Dharwad District.

The convention was inaugurated by Shri C. M. Nimbannavar, the Member of the Legislative Assembly of Kalaghatagi constituency, by lighting the lamp. He addressed the gathering by saying a quote "In nature's economy the water is not an entity; it is life" and later he said, "There are several projects costing hundreds of crores of rupees implemented by the Department of Irrigation, Panchayat Raj, etc. but the development is not satisfactory". He further congratulates and acknowledges the support of MANUVIKASA in rejuvenating the lakes and supporting the farmers".

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Rajendra Poddar, Director of WALMI, Dharwad, said, "The government has been saying that the lake can be rejuvenated with the participation of local people. But there is lack of proper implementation". Farmers in all villages should constitute the lake users group and maintain the lakes after rejuvenation. MANUVIKASA would develop the lakes in the villages and this organization unable to maintain the lakes."

Shri. Yallappa Gonnennavar, Tahalsildar, Kalaghatagi Taluk expressed that, "lake rejuvenation is not only for the economic benefit of the community but also for the maintenance of water resources. It is very important to control the "greenhouse effect" at the global level. MANUVIKASA and its endless efforts are highly admirable. With the help of all the stakeholders and despite difficulties MANUVUKASA has achieved their targets paving the way for others".

Mr. Ganapati Bhat, Managing Director, spoke on the program and explained various MANUVIKASA programmes. At the same time, the farmers shared their experience of reviving the lake and what are the major positive changes in their economic development after applying the silt into their cultivational land.

More than 200 farmers were participated in the lake convention. Cultural events were held by artists of various art forums in the convention.

Suresh Kulkarni, WALMI Executive Engineer Girish, Farmers Nizaguni Kalageri, Mallayya Thottaganti, VP Pattanashetti, Shashidhar Hulikatti, K.B Patil, Manavajigera, Ganeshagade, M.K Yaliwal, Manjunath Thorlekar, Niranjana Kadam, Sanju Lamani, Ganapathi Hegde, Srikanth Hegde and Kiran Gowda were present in this event.



## MANUVIKASA and Lake Rejuvenation:

In the current world scenario, per capita water resource availability has dwindled rapidly during the last few decades. A rapidly decreasing groundwater level is posing a huge challenge for development. Rainfall is the major source for ground water recharge, which is supplemented by other sources such as recharge from canals, irrigated fields and surface water bodies like reservoirs, tanks and ponds. Rejuvenating the reservoir or lake is a promising strategy to arrest the decline of the water table. In view of rapidly depleting ground water resources, MANUVIKASA has been involved in the construction and rejuvenation of different rain water harvesting structures in four districts viz., Uttara Kannada, Shivamogga, Dharwad and Haveri.

Lakes have been rejuvenated considering all engineering aspects such as proper mapping, ensuring saucer shaped lake structure, maintaining the required depth of the lakes by optimum desilting, creating strong embankments, letting appropriate outlet for excess water to flow. Adopting a participatory approach, stakeholders have been involved in planning, execution and post-rejuvenation of lake initiatives. Ecologically, it is noticed that water storing capacity of the lake has increased by 70% after post-rejuvenation. So far MANUVIKASA has rejuvenated 180 lakes.



## LAKES REJUVENATED IN 2021-22

SI NO	Lake Name	Village	Acres	Panchayath	Taluk	District
1	Magatti kere	Kalakeri	02.27.00	Herur	Hangal	Haveri
2	Sarkari Konanahonda kere	Mantagi	04.36.00	Mantagi	Hangal	Haveri
3	Halahonda kere	Malagunda	03.38.00	Malagunda	Hangal	Haveri
4	Hirekere ( Dodda kere)	Chikkahullala	08.00.00	Herur	Hangal	Haveri
5	Uppedana katte kere	Muduru	04.13.00	Shiragoda	Hangal	Haveri
6	Hulagur kere	Bammigatti	03.20.00	Bammigatti	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
7	Jigali Kere	Hatakinala	26.00.00	Sulikatti	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
8	Bidaragatti kere	Biravalli	08.30.00	Biravalli	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
9	Aladakatti Kere	Kondoji	02.19.00	Shyadaguppi	Hangal	Haveri
10	Goudaki kere	B Hulikatti	10.20.00	G Hulikatti	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
11	Korlakatti Kere	Kondoji Vaddigeri	05.37.00	Shyadaguppi	Hangal	Haveri
12	Narasundi kere	Mangapura	12.35.00	Talagunda	Sorab	Shivamogga
13	Erikere	Sangedevarakoppa	03.38.00	Madikehonnalli	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
14	Chikka kere	Devalingekoppa	02.34.00	Devalingikoppa	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
15	Tumbikere	Vasana	07.15.00	Kusunuru	Hangal	Haveri
16	Choudi kere	Jade	30.00.00	Jade	Sorab	Shivamogga
17	Attikatti kere	Tavaragoppa	14.00.00	Hirehullala	Hangal	Haveri
18	Kerawada kere	Hulaginakoppa	16.07.00	Tambur	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
19	Jodagere	Biravalli	03.12.00	Biravalli	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
20	Yabanayakana kere	Hirehonnihalli	03.04.00	Hirehonnihalli	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
21	Kumbargatti kere	Shigighatti	02.33.00	Muttagi	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
22	Kadekoppa kere	Hatakinala	10.38.00	Sulikatti	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
23	Kyanganavar kere	Muttagi	02.35.00	Muttagi	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
24	Kandarammana katte kere	Uppansi	08.28.00	Uppansi	Hangal	Haveri
25	Keshinkatte kere	Kuppagadde	06.30.00	Badanagod	Sirsi	Uttara Kannada
26	Mugalikatte kere	chikkavali	06.02.00	Udri	Sorab	Shivamogga
27	Hittalakatti kere	Guddada Multalli	06.10.00	Uppansi	Hangal	Haveri
28	Gokarnadavara katti kere	karaginakoppa	03.18.00	Salagaon	Mundagod	Uttara Kannada
29	Manyan Kere	Hirehonnihalli	03.10.00	Hirehonnihalli	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
30	Heggeri kere	Begur	04.16.00	Begur	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
31	Oddina kere	Astikatti	04.02.20	Biravalli	Kalaghatagi	Dharwad
32	Ningannana Katte Kere	Kapageri	03.11.00	Banavasi	Sirsi	Uttara Kannada
33	Devageri Kere	Kopparsikoppa	05.00.00	Kopparsikoppa	Hangal	Haveri



## Women's Convention at Mundgod:

*Women are the real architects of society: Mrs. Isabella Xavier*

In association with EdelGive Foundation, a women's convention was organised on 9th March 2022 by MANUVIKASA, at the LVK Hall, Mundgod Taluk in Uttara Kannada District

Inaugurating by lighting the lamp and speaking on the occasion, Mr. Pramod Hegde, Vice-President of Karnataka State Decentralization and Development Committee stated that 'MANUVIKASA' has created a number of pro-woman activities that have improved skills and economic viability. The women in SHGs are also working hard and repaying the loan in time." He applauded the organization's efforts to ensure the women's economic sustainability and reach even more on vulnerable communities.

Shri Ganapati Bhat, Managing Director said that, "MANUVIKASA has volunteered for 19 years in the field of ground water conservation, environmental development and women's empowerment. It has already rejuvenated the endangered lakes in Uttara Kannada, Haveri, Dharwad and Shivamogga districts. Our organization, mainly focuses on women empowerment, strives for all-round development by organizing skills-based trainings for women to achieve financial self-reliance. The rejuvenation of lakes and the conservation of ground water by recharging provide the necessary water for mankind throughout the year. The organization has provided free vehicle service across Uttara Kannada district for COVID-19 warriors to reach the COVID-19 vaccine to all inaccessible communities.

Shri. L.T Patil. Director KDCC Bank said, "MANUVIKASA has already reached the masses through its numerous activities. The organization has set up its mission with the basic mantra development of women's economic stability and enable them to achieve financial self-reliance by providing skills-based training.

Mrs. Isabella Xavier Das, Founder & Director of Sadhana Human Rights Centre, Karnataka said that, "Women are the real architects of society, today they are working in many areas as equals to men. The overall development of women is only possible when the work of gender reform in society is adequate", the convention featured dancing and singing performances by various folk choirs.

Mrs. Ningamma Savanooru, Dharwad District co-ordinator of Rural Wage Labourers Union said that, "Women today have identified themselves in the unorganized sector, and the development of women in society is possible only when they are actively involved in the organized sector. Under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, today women too are making equal economic progress." She said the country's development was possible only when it was implemented at all levels of society.

Directors of Pragatimitra Souharda Shri. Prakash Mahale, Shri. H.R Lamani, Father Jerald D'Souza, Director of LVK and more than 500 SHG members and the staffs of MANUVIKASA were present at the event.





## **Sustainable Agriculture Training Programme:**

*A sustainable agriculture is one which depletes neither the people nor the land: M.D Naik*

On 24th February 2022, MANUVIKASA organized a sustainable agriculture training programme at Honnebail village of Ankola Taluk.

The welcome speech was accomplished by Mr. Mahesh Naik, introductory speech by Mr. Ramesh Naik. Programme was driven by watering the arecanut plant.

The resource person M. D. Naik addressed the programme and said "MANUVIKASA done several environmental friendly works. It is our duty to support that organization. Soil conservation and soil fertility will increase by the usage of green leaf manure and organic fertilizers. The soil will turn completely into organic by step by step decrease of usage of chemical fertilisers. Forest development is possible by throwing the seeds in forest. A sustainable agriculture is one which depletes neither the people nor the land. When dairy farming & poultry farming were undertaken with crops management the profit will increase in agriculture.

Another resource person G.V. Naik explained about land preparation, correct method of farming, productivity, vermi compost preparation and their management, control of ants, rats. in farming increases the yield. He said Beejamrutha, Jeevamrutha, Panchagavya preparation are the traditional methods and they are highly effective. Nagaraj Gouda (FPO, CEO) gave information about FPO concept, benefits of FPO to farmers, profit for share member, facilities provides to the farmer from FPO. Discussion session held with farmers and farmers got suggestions for their agriculture related problems.

Devu Gunaga; village Member, Chaitra Naik; RSK Basagod, Nagaraj Naik, RSK staff and Nagaraj Gouda, Madhuri Patgar from Manuvikasa were present and 36 farmer members were participated in this programme.

## **Volunteers Training Program by MANUVIKASA for COVID-19 vaccination campaign:**

*We have a chance to do something extraordinary: Ganapati Bhat*

A volunteer training workshop for the COVID-19 vaccination drive was organized by MANUVIKASA for vaccination of the people in remote places. This was held on 24th November 2021, at Hotel Kamath Plus Auditorium, Ankola, Uttara Kannada District.

Volunteers working in primary health centres of Yallapura, Siddapura and Ankola taluk in Uttara Kannada district were selected to participate in the training.

Addressing the gathering, Shri. Ganapati Bhat, Director of MANUVIKASA said, "MANUVIKASA has volunteered for 19 years in the field of ground water conservation, environmental development and womens empowerment and has already rejuvenated the endangered lakes in Uttara Kannada, Haveri, Dharwad and Shimoga districts. Our organization that focuses on empowerment of women, strives for all-round development by organizing skills-based training for women to achieve financial self-reliance. The organization has already provided free vehicle services across Uttara Kannada district to COVID-19 vaccine for all communities in remote areas. We have a chance to do something extraordinary, the role of volunteers is essential in conducting house-to-house survey and mobilizing the community to build a COVID free society."

During the workshop, reasons behind peoples hesitation in forming voluntary groups for COVID vaccination, superstitions regarding the vaccine and lack of success in the COVID vaccination drive in the district were discussed.

More than 30 volunteers attended the training cum workshop. MANUVIKASA staff Mr. Pavan Bommanahalli, Mr. Shrikant Hegde, Mr. Mahesh Naik and Miss. Sunita Farnandes were present in the workshop.



## Distribution of Essential Groceries and Food Kits by MANUVIKASA:

In association with Give India, MANUVIKASA has distributed free food kits to poor, needy and disabled people in various villages in Sirsi, Siddapur taluks of Uttara Kannada district, as well as Hanagal Taluk of Haveri District.

The kit includes toordal, chilli powder, salt, turmeric powder, jaggery, sugar, millet flour, peanuts, toothpaste, soap, sanitizer, oil, toothpaste, rava, sambar powder, glucose biscuit and milk powder. It has helped more than 200 poor families to sustain their daily needs who badly affected by COVID-19 pandemic waves.

## Support to Primary Health Centres for Vaccination Drive; MANUVIKASA Provided Vehicles and Covered about 35000 People:

MANUVIKASA, in association with Azim Premji Foundation, has launched a free vehicle system for the COVID-19 vaccination campaign in Sirsi, Siddapur, Yallapur, Haliyal, Joida, and Ankola Taluks in Uttara Kannada district. This has benefited disabled people as well as those from inaccessible and other remote areas who have not taken the COVID-19 vaccination yet.

MANUVIKASA recruited community health officers and volunteers at field level for more than 30 primary health centres, in all selected Taluks of the Uttara Kannada district. It also given proper trainings for aware of the coronavirus vaccine and convincing them that it is their responsibility to get vaccinated. The organization aims to reach out over 35000 people within a span of three months. 7 Community Health Officers and more than 75 volunteers are involved in this vaccination drive.



## Small Farming Ponds Built by MANUVIKASA: End of water woes for farmers.

In order to ensure adequate use of natural resources and the prosperity of the farming community, MANUVIKASA has partnered with Give India, APPI, Flipkart to set up more than 193 small farm ponds and also 1150 small rain water harvesting pits in Uttara Kannada district.

As a part of this initiative, farmers have been using water sources for their fields, as well as getting sufficient water for drinking. With a size of 30 feet in length x 30 feet width and a depth of 10 feet, the pond provides sufficient water for cultivation. According to studies carried out by MANUVIKASA, a farm pond can be helpful for up to three farmers and results in end of water woes for farmers.

These small farm ponds are the need of farmers to provide water to the crops they grow and also to rely on other sources of water during the summer season.





### Imparting Skill Trainings: A foundation for Empowerment.

Sl no	Program Name	Date	Place	Taluk	Total Participants
1	Federation meeting	15-02-2022	Triniti hall	Mundgod	125
2	Federation meeting	03-01-2022	Jiddi, Adukatta	Siddapur	40
3	Federation meeting	16-02-2022	Nadumaskeri	Kumta	34
4	Federation meeting	03-03-2022	Karjagi	Siddapur	57
5	Federation meeting	25-12-2022	Shedikuli	Ankola	41
6	Federation meeting	10-03-2022	Rotary hall	Sirsi	36
7	Federation meeting	25-02-2022	Ammanakoppa	Haliyal	41
8	Federation meeting	17-02-2022	Ankola	Ankola	43
9	Federation meeting	15-03-2022	Balabhavana	Siddapur	33
10	Federation meeting	19-03-2022	Ammanakoppa	Siddapur	42
11	Federation meeting	15-02-2022	Nandangadda	Karwar	39
12	Federation meeting	28-04-2022	Kansur	Siddapur	26
13	Federation meeting	20-04-2022	Mensi	Siddapur	21
14	Federation meeting	26-04-2021	Nadumaskeri	Kumta	13
15	Federation meeting	23-04-2022	Mundgod	Mundgod	18
16	Federation meeting	26-04-2022	Sambrani	Haliyal	33
17	Federation meeting	27-01-2022	Shiralagi	Siddapur	24
18	Federation meeting	24-04-2022	Chittakula	Karwar	41
19	Federation meeting	07-05-2022	Noukarara	Siddapur	46
20	Federation meeting	12-05-2022	Sabhabhavana	Mundgod	50
21	Federation meeting	29-04-2022	Rotary hall	Sirsi	39
22	Federation meeting	18-04-2022	Gabitkeni	Ankola	20
1	Concept training	21-04-2022	Aregoppa	Mundgod	40
2	Concept training	23-04-2022	Mahaganapati	Mundgod	29
3	Concept training	27-04-2022	Sabhabhavana	Yallapur	42
4	Concept training	12-05-2022	Hullambi	Kalghatagi	43
1	FPO Concept Training	26-02-2022	Kadome	Kumta	48
1	Sustainable agriculture training	22-02-2022	Bijjur	Ankola	38
2	Sustainable agriculture training	24-02-2022	Honnabail	Ankola	30
1	Tailoring training	25-08-2022	Madangeri	Ankola	30
2	Tailoring training	12-04-2022	Kalaghatagi	Kalaghatagi	33
3	Tailoring training	18-01-2022	Devikoppa	Kalaghatagi	28
4	Tailoring training	02-02-2022	Andagi	Kalaghatagi	28
5	Tailoring training	30-04-2022	Mogata	Ankola	30
6	Tailoring training	19-05-2022	Bisikoppa	Sirsi	30
7	Tailoring training	27-09-2022	Kalaghatagi	Kalaghatagi	36
1	Beautician training	19-11-2022	Honnavar	Honnavar	19
2	Beautician training	11-10-2022	Siddapur	Siddapur	12
3	Beautician training	18-01-2022	Dandeli	Dandeli	24
4	Beautician training	18-05-2022	Gokarna	Gokarna	25
1	Catering Training	23-10-2022	Karwar	Karwar	25
2	Catering Training	26-11-2022	Mundgod	Mundgod	28
3	Catering Training	23-06-2022	Siddapur	Siddapur	33
4	Catering Training	02-07-2022	Karwar	Karwar	33





## **Women Convention Held at Haliyal, Organized by MANUVIKASA.**

*"Women contributed to the country's development and economic viability": Dr. Nadaf*

In association with Edel Give Foundation, a 'women's convention' was organised on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 at the first-grade college in Havagi village, Haliyal Taluk, Uttara Kannada District.

Dr. Roopa Chabbi, a famous doctor in Haliyal inaugurated the program by lighting lamp and said, "MANUVIKASA has created a number of pro-woman activities that have improved womens' skills and economic stability. Today, women members must take the advantage of this for the overall development, this is only possible when women are developed socially in a male dominated society. When women focus on their economic development as well as their safety, they can become empowered. There are many examples of women achieving milestones in society, with health care as their main goal". She applauded the organization's efforts to ensure that humanitarian work reaches the most vulnerable communities.

Shri. Ganapati Bhat, Director MANUVIKASA welcomed and introduced the guests. Addressing the gathering, he said, "MANUVIKASA has volunteered for 18 years in the field of ground water conservation, environmental development and womens' empowerment and has already rejuvenated the endangered lakes in Uttara Kannada, Haveri, Dharwad and Shivamogga districts. MANUVIKASA is responsible for the construction of more than 3000 small farm ponds. The rejuvenation of lakes and the conservation of ground water have provided necessary water for mankind."

"More than 10,000 women are affiliated to MANUVIKASA, We are conducting skills based training for women on tailoring, computer, baking, dairy and other activities that strengthen economic empowerment. They have implemented a savings plan to increase peoples' savings and build an equitable society. Formation of womens' unions, supplementary activities such as vegetable and fish vendors, womens' producer associations, which women should utilize," he added.

Women entrepreneur Mrs Shalini Chivatekar said, "The work of MANUVIKASA, which has developed a number of developmental initiatives for women, is also virtuous and commendable".

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Mallikarjuna Astekar, President, Haliyal Law Association said, "MANUVIKASA has already reached the masses through its numerous activities. The organization has set up its mission with the basic mantra of women's economic development and to enable them achieve financial self-reliance by providing skills-based training.

Dr. Nadaf , veterinary doctor, Haliyal said, "Today women are working in many areas as men. The contribution of women in sectors such as dairy and home industry has been appreciable. These activities have contributed to the country's development and economic viability."

The womens' convention featured dancing and singing performances by various folk choirs. Mr. Nirmal Ratnalal Bhead, The President of All India Lok Kala and Adivasi Kala Parishad, New Delhi, Rajeshwari Ajit Ambipi - a silk agro-entrepreneur, more than 450 SHG members and the MANUVIKASA staff were present.

## A joint effort of MANUVIKASA and HDFC PARIVARTAN: Promotion of SHGs and FPCs enables Siddi and Fisher Community to enhance the economic prosperity.



MANUVIKASA with HDFC Bank PARIVARTAN has started a project to support 1000 Siddi tribal households in Yallapur block of Uttara Kannada district and 1000 Fisher community of Kundapur block of Udupi district. The promotion of Farmers Producer Companies and enable them to reach the consumer with value added products to improve their income is the main moto of the project .

### Objectives of the Program;

- To improve income of fisher women and involve them in all the links of value chain.
- To mobilize fisher women under FPC and develop their capacity in value addition and marketing.
- Develop resource base of fish and train fisher folk on sustainable harvesting.
- Improve the income of the Siddi community through sustainable harvesting of NTFPs and provide marketing facilities to their produce.
- Capacity building of Siddi communities on FPC management and value addition of NTFPs and marketing of the produce.
- Improve crop production in the Siddi community land and protect the crop from wildlife and other issues.

### Activities Undertaken;

- SHG formation and documentation Support
- SHG training on conceptualization of SHG and FPO, Account Keeping & Record Keeping.
- Cage fishing promotion
- Root based and horticulture crop
- Poultry development among community
- Storage facility of fish for the women fish vendors
- Business assistance to women entrepreneurs
- Free hospitality training to youths



Level-1 SHG and FPO Conceptualization Training for SHG members.

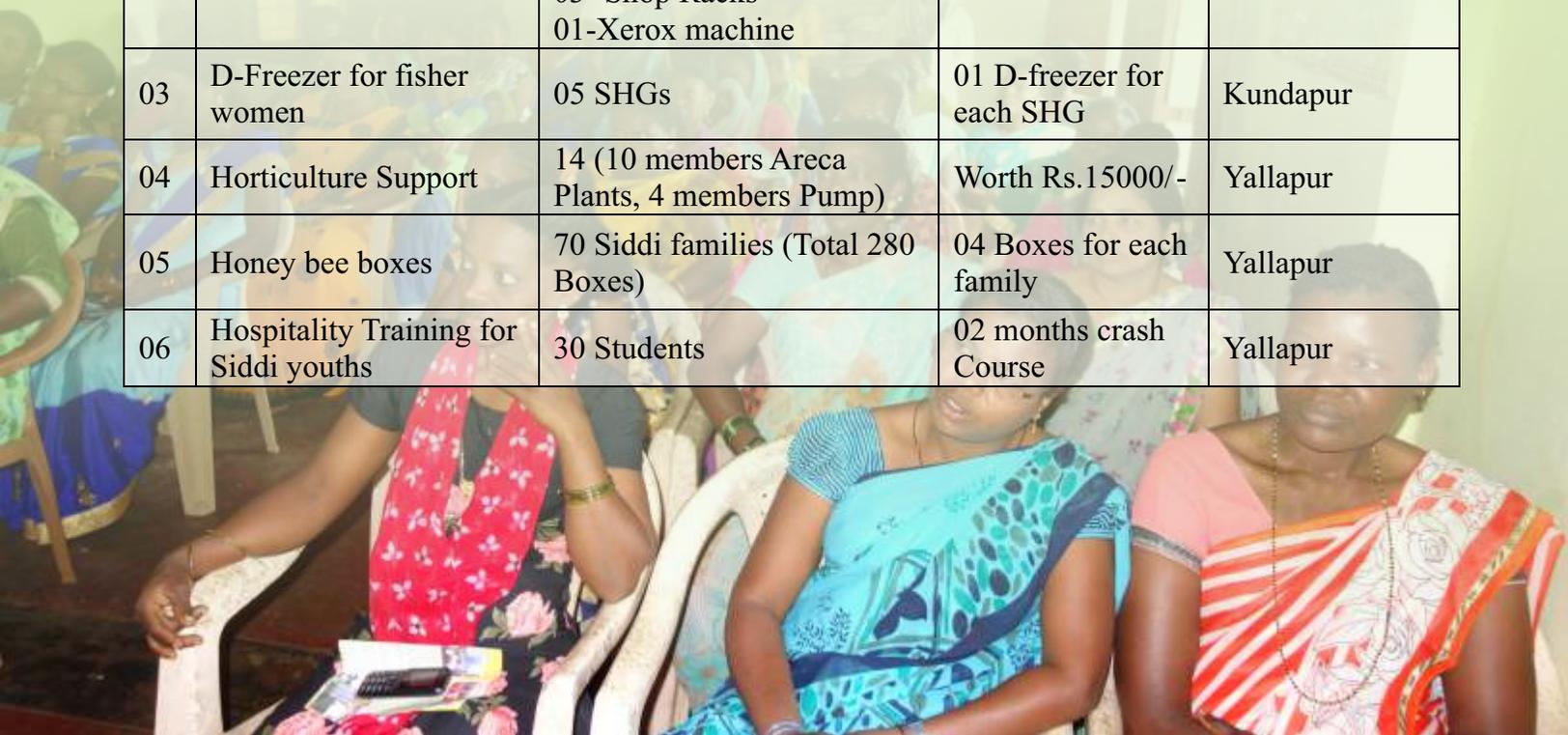
Date	Place and Block	No of members attended	Resource person details
28 <sup>th</sup> of February 2022	Hunashettikoppa, Village, Yallapur	43	Niranjana Kadam Pavan Bommanahalli
03 <sup>rd</sup> of February 2022	Manchikeri Village, Yallapur	34	Mohan Siddi Pavan Bommanahalli
11 <sup>th</sup> of March 2022	Ummachagi Village, Yallapur	50	Chandana Naik Pavan Bommanahalli
23 <sup>rd</sup> of March 2022	Gangolli Village Kundapur	34	Pavan Bommanahalli Mohan Siddi

Details of Level-2 SHG book keeping training

Date	Place and Block	No of members attended	Resource person details
28 & 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Nisarga Resort Yallapur	34	T. G Bhat Channappa Gouda Mohan Siddi Pavan Bommanahalli
30 & 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2022	Nisarga Resort Yallapur	38	T. G Bhat Channappa Gouda Mohan Siddi Pavan Bommanahalli

Progress details of MANUVIKASA under HDFC Parivartan Project

S No	Particulars	Total No of Beneficiaries	Individual Benefit	Block
01	Chicks Distribution	150 (Total 1500 Chicks)	10 Chicks	Yallapur
02	Business Assistance Support	<b>Total 08 Beneficiaries</b> 02- Refrigerator 02-Tailoring Machine 03- Shop Racks 01-Xerox machine	Worth Rs.15000/-	Yallapur-7 and Kundapur-1
03	D-Freezer for fisher women	05 SHGs	01 D-freezer for each SHG	Kundapur
04	Horticulture Support	14 (10 members Areca Plants, 4 members Pump)	Worth Rs.15000/-	Yallapur
05	Honey bee boxes	70 Siddi families (Total 280 Boxes)	04 Boxes for each family	Yallapur
06	Hospitality Training for Siddi youths	30 Students	02 months crash Course	Yallapur





## Free hospitality crash course to siddi youths.

*The power of youth is the common wealth for the entire world: Mr. Hebbar*

MANUVIKASA has newly started free hospitality and hotel management course to Siddi youths. Shri. Shivaram Hebbar, Labour Minister of Karnataka by quoting 'Youth is not a time of life, it is a state of mind'. These 02 months crash course is conducted in a view to provide job oriented skills to youths and enable them to work in corporate sectors and tourism sectors.

'The tourism department has wide opportunities for youths to work and become self-reliant in hotel or hospitality business, this will need service-oriented team with soft skills, management skills and different methods of communication' said Mr. Shivaram Hebbar by Inaugurating the hospitality training. The batch was started with 30 students both including ladies and gents.



## Workshop on Environmentally Sustainable and Water Use Efficient Agricultural Practices

The workshop on 'Environmentally Sustainable and Water Use Efficient Agricultural Practices' was held at Hotel Madhuvana, on 15th June 2022 in association with MANUVIKASA & Hanns Seidel Foundation, India.

Mr. Ganapathi Bhat, Director, MANUVIKASA welcomed all resource persons and farmers. The program was inaugurated by watering the plant.

Dr. Shiva Shankar Murthy, senior scientist at the Krishi Vijnan Kendra, Dr. Vasudev R, senior professor at the college of Forestry, Sirsi and Shri. Hanumanthappa Madloor, state level award winner progressive farmer were shared their experiences



The Gram Panchayath chairpersons, members and progressive farmers participated in the workshop and found solutions to their confusions and problems regarding the crops and water management.



## Educational Support Programs with Give India:

Give India is a donation platform that allows people across to support a cause of their choice. About 3000 NGOs around the nation were reviewed and finally 200 NGOs listed as per credibility and transparency norms.

When MANUVIKASA entered a village for organizing Self Help Groups, it came to know about semi orphan and orphan children and the difficulties faced by them. These children who have lost their mother and father or lost one among them are facing problems to get learning materials and necessities to continue their education. MANUVIKASA designed a programme to provide necessary materials like blanket, bed sheet, towels, casual dresses, toilet soaps, washing soaps, comb, hair oil, notebooks, pens, pencils, dictionary and grammar books etc.

Recently MANUVIKASA has helped 14 orphan and semi orphan children and 57 poor children with education kits. We have distributed notebooks to 104 children.



## MANUVIKASA and F.E.S; Commons Land Conservation.

In collaboration with the Foundation for Ecological Security (FES), MANUVIKASA has begun a new project to identify and map the community assets in Uttara Kannada district. This project is aimed to identify and map the commons land in Uttara Kannada district. MANUVIKASA appointed field staff for every 5000 acres for the project management.



## Joint Meeting of the Board/Advisory Members & Senior Staffs:

A Joint Meeting of the Board/ Advisory Members & Senior Staffs of MANUVIKASA was held at the Aradhana Convention Hall, Madhuvana Hotel at Sirsi on 19th June 2022 in association with Grow Fund. Mr. Ganapathi Bhat, The Director, MANUVIKASA, warmly welcomed all the dignitaries to the meeting. All the Board/ Advisory members and senior staffs of MANUVIKASA discussed about the organization development, work culture and policies that are required for these of operations.



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