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AGRIPRENEUR OF THE MONTH

Age no bar for Agripreneurship
— Dr. Shesha Reddy, Agri Entrepreneur, Andhra Pradesh



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-Profile of Krishna Valley Advanced Agricultural Foundation, Sangli , Maharashtra



Mr. N.G. Kamath
Nodal Officer

Krishna Valley Advanced Agricultural Foundation, a Non Governmental Organization promoting Agri innovation, motivating and training the farmers for better farming was established by progressive farmers and agro based industry leaders in the year 1993. The head quarters of NGO is based at Sangli, Maharashtra.

- With its National and International contacts the foundation is poised to have an edge as a one of the leading NGOs' in Maharashtra.
- Foundation has developed demonstration plots on Horticulture, Drip irrigation and Sericulture. The Agri entrepreneurs' can avail these infrastructure and service facilities on lease agreement as and when required . Some of the projects on the unveil include supply of inputs- technical services, marketing support, training support and management of utilities.
- The foundation has contacts with various Agri business Organizations which are helpful in empowering the Agripreneurs to update their knowledge.
- Further, the organization is trying to educate the farmers to make Agribusiness scientific, efficient and market driven, keeping in view the global scenario which is very competitive.

In the year 2002-03, National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE) Hyderabad has identified Krishna Valley Advanced Agricultural Foundation (KVAAF) Kupwad, MIDC, Sangli, as one of the training centers to conduct the Agriclincs and Agribusiness training programme for Agricultural graduates who have desire and commitment to become Agripreneurs.

- Highly educated and knowledgeable faculty from best of Institutions around are invited for the lectures. The trainees during their stay at this institution, apart from being trained with excellence are provided with free access to the KVCIC library, N K V S Computer Centers with Internet facility, KV medical facility, KVC sports and swimming facility, Yoga facility, Suraj lalit kala academy an entertainment center .
- The Foundation with its interest has conducted interactive seminar on " Empowerment of Agripreneurs" in the year 2007 at Sangli where 200 Agripreneurs attended the seminar.
- KVAAF has conducted Bankers' Association and Agri entrepreneurs meet in order to motivate the trained Agripreneurs and help them in establishing successful Agri ventures.

Krishna Valley Advanced Agricultural Foundation has trained 1101 Agricultural graduates and around 410 Agri ventures have been established. This success has been possible due to the Strong training curriculum, Motivation and Professional Hand Holding.

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EXPANSION OF TRAINING NETWORK UNDER AGRICLINICS AND AGRIBUSINESS CENTERS SCHEME

Following new training centers have been recognized as Nodal Training Institutes under Agri-Clinics and Agribusiness Centres Scheme. With these additions total number of Nodal Training Institutes under ACABC Scheme has increased to 53

1. **Shriram Pratishthan Mandal- Solapur, Maharashtra:** Education empowers. It has always been one of the base principles of Lokmangals vision of community development. With this vision Shriram Pratishthan Mandal was established at Wadala in 1997 to take futuristic values and modes of education to every door step in rural area. It has now become a premier education institute in the region which is known for its value added life enriching courses in education to develop Agriculture Agro Industries and Rural Area. *Contact Address: Mrs. Anita, Nodal Officer- ACABC Cell, Shriram Pratishthan Mandal, Wadala Tal, North Solapur, Dist- Solapur, Phone No. 0217-2735521, Fax. No. 0217-2246468, Email: shriram_pratishthan2008@yahoo.co.in*
2. **Jubilant Agriculture Rural Development Society- Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh:** The Jubilant Agriculture Rural Development Society (JARDS), was founded in April 2005 by Mr. Deepak Mendiratta in Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh. Experience in Agriculture made the need to bring the technical Education of Agriculture within the reach of general public, for which the JARDS was established. It has the vision to provide self employment oriented technical training to the general public. *Contact Address :Mr. Deepak Mendiratta, Nodal Officer, 1-B/405, Buddhi Vihar, Near Hero Honda Agency, Avas Vikas, Delhi Road, Moradabad- 244001, Phone: 0591-2482268; Mobile: 09412475302, Email: agriclinic.mbd2009@gmail.com*
3. **Krishi Vigyan Kendra- Kausambhi- Uttar Pradesh:** The Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Kausambhi, Uttar Pradesh was established with mandate of refinement, assessment and demonstration of technologies through onfarm testing for developing region specific sustainable land use system, Organize vocational training courses in Agriculture and allied vocations to rural youth for generating self employment and to organize frontline organization on various crop and allied vocations to generate data and feedback. *Contact Address Dr. Ajay Kumar, ,KVK- Kaushambi, Vill- Malakmoinuddin, Post: Mahagaon, Dist- Kaushambi, Allahabad, U.P. Telephone & Fax.No. 0532 2607006; Mobile.No.:09450965185. Email:kvkkaushambi@gmail.com*
4. **Bojja Venkat Reddy Agricultural Foundation- Andhra Pradesh:** In memory of Late Sri Bojja Venkat Reddy and to perpetuate his life long struggle for the upliftment and welfare of farmers and farming community, Bojja Venkat Reddy Agricultural Foundation has been established during 2003 and it is be non- profit, non- political, non sectarian, service organization dedicated for the cause of rural development and the upliftment of farmers. *Contact Address: B. Sesha Reddy - Nodal Officer, Bojja Venkat Reddy Agricultural Foundation– 25/5108, Srinivas Nagar, Nandyal- 518501 . Phone. No:08514-244284 ; Mobile.No. 09000411436,Email: bojjafoundation@gmail.com*

Consequent to resignation of Dr. Malik, Consultant, Mr.P.Balaraju, Consultant, Centre for Agripreneurship Development (CAD), MANAGE is assigned the responsibility of monitoring Agri Clinics and Agribusiness Centres Scheme implementation in Jammu and Kashmir, Haryana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand. He can be contacted through Mobile.No. 09440667503; E mail : pbraju@manage.gov.in

www.agriclinics.net is the portal providing information about Agri Clinics and Agri business Centres Scheme. The website gives updates on Eligibility criteria, Training institutes, Training progress, Hand holding activities, Finance options, Subsidy to the prospective Agripreneurs. The website also provides information on details of established Agriventures, pending projects, relevant schemes etc, which information is useful for State governments, Agricultural Universities, Banks, Training Institutes and Agripreneurs.

For any query on Agri Clinics and Agri business Centres scheme - please mail at indianagripreneur@manage.gov.in



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