

Story of Saniyaro Didi.....

The "Story of Saniyaro Didi" details the success story of Saniyaro Didi, a woman from the village of Jargim in Shankargarh block of Balrampur district. The document provides a comprehensive account of her journey from traditional farming practices to adopting more modern and profitable methods, with support from Sarguja Gramin Vikas Sansthan.

Saniyaro Didi, a member of the tribal community, was initially involved in conventional farming practices, producing minimal yields. However, her farming techniques transformed significantly after receiving training from the organization. She learned about the benefits of cultivating Vetiver (a type of grass) using modern techniques. With the implementation of these new practices, she was able to dramatically increase her income, earning between ₹50,000 to ₹60,000 from her Vetiver crop alone.

The story highlights how the organization trained Saniyaro Didi and other farmers in modern farming techniques, which included preparing the land, managing irrigation, and planting high-quality seeds. This training enabled her to grow a profitable Vetiver crop, resulting in a significant increase in her family's annual income.

Moreover, the impact of this transformation extends beyond her own family. Inspired by her success, other farmers in her village are now adopting similar practices, leading to broader economic benefits for the entire community.

Empowering Change: The Inspiring Journey of Saniyaro Didi

In the remote village of Jargim, nestled in the Balrampur district, lives Saniyaro Didi, a determined woman whose journey from traditional subsistence farming to a thriving agricultural entrepreneur is a beacon of hope for her community.

Saniyaro Didi, a member of the tribal community, once struggled to make ends meet with her small-scale farming. Her fields, limited in size, yielded just enough to support her family, leaving little room for growth or improvement. Despite her hard work, the returns were meager, and the prospect of change seemed distant.



I am very happy by cultivating tomatoes in this way. Earlier, I used to cultivate hybrid maize in my farm which produced 3-5 quintals but this year I have earned around Rs. 50-60 K by cultivating tomatoes in this farm. I used to do tomato farming earlier also but did not do it in such a systematic way because I was not aware of SRI method. I found this method of farming very good and beneficial, hence I have decided that I will apply it in every crop and will also inspire the people around me to do the same.

Total Agricultural Land (in Acre)	Mono- crop Land (in Acre)	Multi- crop Land (in Acre)	Irrigated Land (in Acre)	Un- irrigated Land (in Acre)	Source of Irrigation	No. of Cattles
5.00	3.50	1.50	1.50	3.50	Well	10

Her fortunes began to change when she became involved with a local development organization that was working to uplift the agricultural practices in her village. Through their training programs, Saniyaro Didi was introduced to modern farming techniques, particularly the cultivation of Vetiver grass. This grass, known for its various uses, including soil conservation and essential oil production, offered a new avenue for income.

Embracing this opportunity, Saniyaro Didi learned to prepare her land meticulously, selecting high-quality seeds and managing irrigation effectively. The results were nothing short of transformative. Her fields, once limited to traditional crops, now flourished with Vetiver, bringing in an income of ₹50,000 to ₹60,000—a substantial increase from her previous earnings.

Annual Income of Saniyaro Didi as per the Baseline Survey	New Dimensions of Income Growth and Potential Income		Difference in Income (Rs.)	Percentage of Growth in Income (%)
	Earlier Income from Traditional Ways (Rs.)	Present Income from Tomato Through SRI System (Rs.)		
40000.00	25000.00	55000.00	30000.00	220

The success of Saniyaro Didi did not go unnoticed. Her neighbors, witnessing the positive changes, began to adopt similar practices, leading to a ripple effect throughout the village. Today, Jargim is seeing a new wave of agricultural prosperity, with more farmers embracing modern techniques and reaping the benefits.

Saniyaro Didi's story is more than just a tale of personal success. It is a testament to the power of knowledge, the impact of modern agriculture, and the importance of community-driven development. Her journey from a struggling farmer to a successful entrepreneur is an inspiration to many, proving that with the right support and determination, real change is possible.

This success story exemplifies the impact of targeted development initiatives and the potential for sustainable agricultural practices to transform lives in rural India.

