



**GRAMA SWARAJYA SAMITHI**

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
(April 2024 to March 2025)



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## Foreword



The main objective of the Grama Swarajya Samithi is to the development of both rural and urban communities through initiatives focused on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), Child Rights, Women's Development, and Natural Resource Management.

I take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Azim Premji Foundation (APF) and NABARD for their valuable support and partnership in these efforts.

A special note of thanks goes to our dedicated and committed team, who continue to work tirelessly in some of the most challenging areas. Their efforts are the backbone of our success, and without them, none of our achievements would have been possible.



B.Ramu  
Secretary

**Grama Swarajya Samithi (GSS)** is registered under Societies Registration Act (1860) as well as with the Ministry of Home Affairs (1991).

The projects of the during 2024-25

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Coverage</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>As per MOA</b>
1	Sustainable Livelihoods on Climate Resilient Community Managed Natural Farming in Koyyuru Mandal of Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh- APF	Koyyuru mandal, Visakhapatnam district. 28 tribal villages	A total of 1,600 farmers across 26 habitations have adopted natural farming practices, integrating improved crop production techniques, diversified livelihoods, and effective water management strategies. As a result, households have experienced enhanced food and nutritional security, increased incomes, and greater resilience in crop production.	Constructive Activities Amendment Resolution No:05 To undertake agriculture development, watershed development, animal husbandry and forest development activities.
2	Construction of Rural Haat in Thallapalem, Kasimkota Mandal, Anakapalli District, Andhra Pradesh - NABARD	Kasimkota Mandal, Anakapalli District	The initiative serves a population of over 7,300 people and provides a valuable platform for small farmers, Self-Help Groups (SHGs), and local retailers to market and sell their products. These include fancy items, essential commodities, dry fish, chicken, live fish, pulses, utensils, agricultural implements, vegetables, flowers, and fruits.	Constructive Activities Amendment Resolution No:05 To undertake agriculture development, watershed development, animal husbandry and forest development activities.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF MAJOR ACTIVITIES / INITIATIVES UNDER TAKEN BY THE GSS DURING THE YEAR

### 1. Sustainable Livelihoods on Climate Resilient Community Managed Natural Farming

1. Programme Summary		
1.1	Programme name	Sustainable livelihoods on Climate Resilient Community Managed Natural Farming in Koyyuru Mandal of Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh
1.2	Organization name	GRAMA SWARAJYA SAMITHI
1.3	Project Coverage (Target)	District: Alluri Seetha Rama Raju (ASR)
		No of Mandals: 01 (Koyyuru)
		No of GPs: 06
		No of Villages :28
		No of families: 1783
No of farmers: 1783		

#### Detailed Progress Update

##### Major Objectives of the Project:-

- Enhance cashew yields by up to 80% across 900 acres benefiting 1,000 farmers through agricultural input support.
- Ensure 500 Adivasi farmers receive better prices for their produce through FPO facilitation.
- Facilitate access to six key welfare schemes for 65% of eligible but excluded Adivasis.
- Empower 10 Village Water & Sanitation Committees (VWSCs) to advocate for safe drinking water in 28 villages across 6 Gram Panchayats.

##### Objective:1 Enhancing Cashew Yield through Improved Agricultural Practices

**Staff Orientation:** All staff received orientation on project objectives and strategic action plans. Each team member gained clarity on their roles and responsibilities for the year.

##### Baseline Findings:

- Cashew is the primary crop in the region.
- Average yield: 200 kg/acre.
- 90% of farmers follow monocropping.
- Most cashew plantations are over 20 years old with minimal maintenance.
- ROFR lands are distant, resulting in poor upkeep.
- Farmers sell produce at Rs. 100/kg to middlemen, often incurring losses due to weight fraud.
- Lack of infrastructure and irrigation limits productivity. Five irrigation sites were identified for renovation, potentially benefiting 395 acres.

##### Improved Practices Introduced:

- 238 farmers adopted intercropping with turmeric, vegetables, pulses, taro root, and sesame.
  - 54 farmers received 6 tons of turmeric seeds; others sourced locally.
  - Average turmeric area: 0.35 acres.
- 84 farmers grew ridge gourd, earning Rs. 20,000 per 0.3 acres.
- 122 farmers cultivated pulses, earning Rs. 8,000 additionally.

### **Infrastructure Support:**

- Two cattle flooring sheds constructed, each producing 20 liters of urine daily for use in bio-fertilizers.
- Solar fencing units (6) provided to 40 farmers, securing 62 acres.
  - Enabled 10 farmers to grow rabi and summer crops on 9.5 acres.
  - Income from diverse seasonal crops: Rs. 50,000–70,000 per farmer.

### **Adoption of Better Practices:**

- 322 farmers adopted improved farming techniques.
- Yield increased from 200 kg to 250–300 kg/acre.
- Cultivation costs reduced by Rs. 7,000–8,000.
- Additional income: Rs. 15,000–16,000.
- 1,000 cashew saplings distributed to 36 farmers.

### **Objective 2: Better Pricing Through FPO Interventions**

#### **Support and Procurement:**

- 221 Adivasi farmers accessed marketing support via the FPO.
- Procured: 24 tons of cashew, 0.6 tons of Annatto seeds.
- Additional income: Rs. 600–900 per farmer.

#### **Future Plans:**

- Scale up NTFP and NF product marketing.
- Strengthen village-level Board of Directors and shareholders.
- Increase procurement volume and storage capacity.
- Partner with new corporate buyers.

### **Objective 3: Enabling Access to Government Welfare Schemes**

#### **Youth Capacity Building:**

- 52 Adivasi youth trained in a one-day Cadre Building workshop.
- Training covered eligibility criteria, documentation, and government engagement.
- Outcomes:
  - 150+ issues resolved via youth intervention.
  - Youth facilitated e-KYC for beneficiaries.
  - 100% inclusion of entitled families in Dibbalapalem village, Nadimpalem GP.

### **Objective 4: Access to Safe Drinking Water**

#### **VWSC Empowerment:**

- 10 committees trained twice on:
  - Roles & responsibilities
  - Village Action Plan preparation
  - Water quality testing

- System operation and maintenance

#### Outcomes:

- Three village plans developed; issues like pump operator appointments and sanitation were resolved.
- Battapanukula declared "Har Ghar Jal" with 37 households receiving water.

#### Contingency Intervention:

- Storage tank (2,000 liters) and pipeline provided in Seekayapalem Village.
- 13 households now receive uninterrupted water.
- VWSC committed to maintenance.

#### Key Highlights

- **Cashew Yield Improvement:** 40% increase (from 200 to 300 kg/acre) across 322 acres.
- **Cost Reduction:** Cultivation cost reduced from Rs. 23,100 to Rs. 9,020 per acre.
- **Intercropping Success:**
  - Ridge Gourd: 84 farmers earned Rs. 20,000 each.
  - Pulses: 122 farmers earned Rs. 8,000–80,000 each.
- **FPO Support:** 212 farmers received higher market prices.
- **Youth Leadership:** 52 trained, facilitating welfare inclusion.
- **Water Access:** 10 VWSCs trained, 3 resolved issues, 1 village certified under "Har Ghar Jal".

## 2. Construction of Rural Haat in Thallapalem Village, Kasikota Mandal, Anakapalli District.

**Location:** Thallapalem Village, Kasimkota Mandal, Anakapalli District, Andhra Pradesh.

- NABARD-supported market infrastructure project (Rs. 20 lakhs).
- Benefits over 7,300 residents.
- Weekly market now hosts over 10+ categories of vendors: vegetables, grains, meats, fish, utensils, and more.
- Construction nearly complete; inauguration in 2 months
- **Easier Market Access:** The development of improved infrastructure enables producers to sell their goods more efficiently, reducing logistical barriers and ensuring a smoother transaction process. This, in turn, attracts more buyers due to the reliability and convenience of the market setup.
- **Facilities for Sellers:** The provision of infrastructure facilities such as two sheds with 40 seller stalls, an office cum warehouse (gowdown), and toilet facilities significantly enhances the working environment. These facilities ensure a more organized, hygienic, and comfortable space for sellers to operate,

### Success Story: Solar Fencing Transforms Farming

**Beneficiary:** Lotha Kannabau, 56, Nallgonda Village, ASR District.

- Owned 6 acres, but couldn't cultivate due to open grazing.
- Installed solar fencing with GSS support (Rs. 6,000 grant).
- Cultivated sesame and vegetables in 2 acres.
- Earned Rs. 30,000 from sesame and Rs. 80,000 from vegetables.
- Praises solar fencing as a life-changing intervention.

## Case Study: Cashew Yield Enhancement

**Beneficiary:** Nallamayya, 65, Nadimpalem Village

- Owns 2-acre cashew orchard (30 years old).
- Switched to organic methods like Dravajeevamrutam, neemastram.
- Yield improved by 80%, reaching 480 kg/acre.
- Net income per acre: Rs. 50,000.
- Describes this as the highest income in his lifetime.

## Best Practice: Fruit Growth Covers in Mango Cultivation

- Problem: Fruit fly infestation causing major crop losses.
- Solution: GSS collaborated with BCT-KVK to distribute 10,000 fruit covers worth Rs. 20,000.
- Benefits:
  - Protects from insects, birds, pollution, and weather damage.
  - Enhances fruit color, quality, and price.
- Farmers sold mangoes at Rs. 45/kg—a historic high.

## Photographs





Supported agriculture implements through custom hiring center



*Inter crops in Turmeric cashew*





**Grants & Donations - 2024-25**

<b>S.no</b>	<b>Donor</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1	NABARD Thallpalem Rural Haat Purpose	300000
2	Dhwani Foundation - CFM Travel Grant	6000
3	Thallapalalem NABARD Rural Haat- Grama Panchayat contribution (Chinni Sankararao)	200000
4	Thallapalalem NABARD Rural Haat- Grama Swarajya Samithi contribution (Baddi Ramu - Secretary)	100000
5	NABARD Guntur exhibition travel claim	1254
6	NABARD Thallpalem Rural Haat Purpose	450000
7	Thallapalalem NABARD Rural Haat- Grama Panchayat contribution (Chinni Sankararao)	150000
8	Thallapalalem NABARD Rural Haat- Grama Swarajya Samithi contribution (Vudi Gopinadh)	35000
9	Grant received from APF towards CRNF Phase-II Year two implementation	3278000
10	Donation received from Vippala Kali Vara Prasad	20000
11	NABARD Thallpalem Rural Haat	450000
	<b>Total -</b>	<b>4990254</b>

# Annual Financial Statements 2024-25

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### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING ON 31ST MARCH, 2025

RECEIPTS	Amount INR	PAYMENTS	Amount INR
<b>Opening Balances</b>		<b>Expenditure</b>	
Cash on hand - FC	0	Grants Spent - FC	0
Cash on hand - NFC	0	Grants Spent - NFC	5134626
Bank Balances - FC	188110		5134626
Bank Balances - NFC	2277405	<b>Others</b>	
	2465515	P.F. paid - NFC	65160
<b>Receipts</b>		Professional Tax paid - NFC	16050
Grants Received - FC	0	PF Receivable - NFC	16680
Grants Received - NFC	4504000	Travel exp paid - NFC	1254
Contributions & Donations - NFC	485000	Outstanding Exp. Paid - NFC	26742
	4989000	Fund adj. & Other Adv. Paid-NFC	9754
Bank Interest - FC	5707		135640
Bank Interest - NFC	51647	<b>Closing Balances</b>	
	57354	Cash on hand - FC	0
<b>Others</b>		Cash on hand - NFC	0
P.F. Contribution-Receipt - NFC	65160	Bank Balances - FC	193817
Professional Tax Contrib. - NFC	16050	Bank Balances - NFC	2179651
Travel reimbursement NABARD-NFC	1254		2373468
PF Receivable-Receipt-NFC	18160		
Fund adjusted received-NFC	6241		
Income tax Refund-NFC	25000		
	131865		
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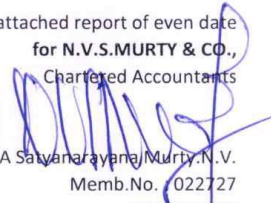
  
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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING ON 31ST MARCH, 2025**

EXPENDITURE		Amount INR	INCOME		Amount INR
To Expenditure			By Receipts		
Grants Spent - FC	0		Grants Received - FC	0	
Grants Spent - NFC	5134626		Grants Received - NFC	4989000	
		5134626			4989000
To Depreciation - FC	1839		By Bank Interest - FC	5707	
To Depreciation - NFC	96182		By Bank Interest - NFC	51647	
		98021			57354
			By Excess of expenditure above current year receipts		186293
		<b>5232647</b>			<b>5232647</b>

  
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**BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31ST MARCH, 2025**

LIABILITIES		Amount INR	ASSETS		Amount INR
<b>Sources of Funds</b>			<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Capital Fund - FC		209364	Fixed Assets - FC		10418
Capital Fund - NFC		524939	Fixed Assets - NFC		531226
	Sch-I & II	734303		Sch-III	541644
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			<b>Current Assets</b>		
Grants - FC		0	<b>Loans and Advances</b>		
Grants - NFC		2132140	Grant Receivable - FC		5129
	Sch-I & II	2132140	T.D.S. - NFC		32767
			Grant Receivable - NFC		325998
Advance from Others - NFC		21000		Sch-I & II	363894
<b>Provisions</b>			<b>Cash and Bank Balances</b>		
Outstanding Exp. Payable - NFC		391563	Cash on hand - FC		0
	Sch-II		Cash on hand - NFC		0
					0
			Bank Accounts - FC		193817
			Bank Accounts - NFC		2179651
					2373468
				Sch-I & II	2373468
		<b>3279006</b>			<b>3279006</b>

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