



## FARM 2 FOOD Foundation

# ANNUAL REPORT

2020-21

Pause, Reactions & Responses To COVID







### WHERE WE ARE NOW

Only those who dare to fail greatly can achieve greatly. ~

#### Robert F. Kennedy

The past year has been more about the pandemic and the challenges it brought and the sudden change of the world and its functioning. Like everyone else, our team at Farm 2 Food also had to shift its way of working and approach. The sessions with the students & other stakeholders were developed into hybrid designs of both online & offline mediums. Our programs of Farmpreneur, Mother's Group, Jagrik, Mobile Science lab, reading sessions for Mobile library were all shifted to both offline & online mediums. With the help pf that during the two consecutive lockdowns we have been able to continue educating our students about the importance of organic farming and have successfully facilitated about 10,000 students online to set up homestead kitchen gardens in their own homes. We also have provided relief for both COVID as well as flood affected families in their need of the hour. This year mostly has been about our response to the pandemic and relief operations along with everyday struggle to keep students of the government schools interested in the academics



#### This Year on a Roll... Learning Farmers



- Mobile Science Lab: Through the mobile science lab we keep young people engaged with academics & foster scientific temperament amongst them.
- **Farmpreneur sessions:** Through activity based approach we help young people address nutrition, academic learning & entrepreneurship by setting up school nutrition garden.
- **Psychosocial Support:** We provided constant mentoring to the students throughout the lockdown period.
- **Samvidhan Live! Be a Jagrik:** Young people undergoes experiential learning journey to understand the constitution of India.
- **Mobile Library:** Developing interest towards books & enhance the reading skills amongst the young people.
- **Nutrition Tool Kit:** Encouraging young people to adopt health improving behavior using the NTK for a fun learning experience.



#### **Emerging Farmers**

- **Mother's Group:** Empowering mothers to take control of their family's nutritional intake by setting up homestead kitchen gardens through organic farming methods.
- **Golaghat Tamul Plate Project:** To generate self sustainment for the women through setting up home based small industries to prepare areca nut plates to generate income.
- NSS Training: NSS officers & Volunteers' training across 8
  N.E. states on ending violence against children.
- **Training volunteers on COVID 19 management:** Empowering youth to take initiatives on the COVID awareness.

#### **Response to Emergency**

- COVID relief operations: We distributed relief items in 122 districts across East India was approached for COVID 19 relief with the support of other organisations as well.
- Flood relief operations: We distributed dry rations in the flood affected areas. We also installed bamboo procupine in the flood affected areas of Jorhat & Golaghat to stop soil erosion & installed high platform handpumps for access to clean drinking water in 10 flood affected community across these two districts.

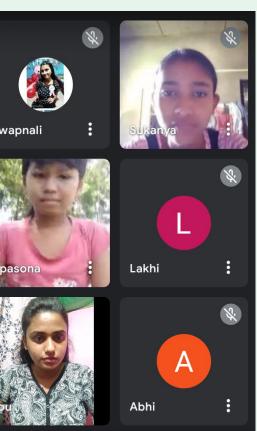


## **Stories For A Change**

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- Our student Dimpy Moni Bora from Ghorfolia, Jorhat Assam has been invited to share her perspectives on SDG as young person at the annual meeting of Catalyst 2030's Education group.
- During the two consecutive lockdowns as a part of our farmer empowerment programs we procured huge amount of organically grown vegetables from the local farmers in Jorhat & Golaghat. This helped farmers like Runu Maai Doley & Deepjyoti Tamuly to sell their garden's produced and distributed them amongst the people in need.









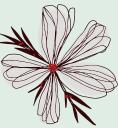


- Assam Floods 2021; We have responded to SOS from Lalitimukh gaon, near Nimatighat, Jorhat. We have installed 80 Bamboo procupine structures to arrest land erosion of about 10000 bigah land and 25 villages. The people of Lalitimukh contributed in the form of labour & food for all those included during the preparation of the design. This also encouraged the local authorities to replicate this model in other flood affected areas as well.
- During the lockdown many students struggled with their academics due to the closing down of schools. Bornita Neog of Dohutia Girls High School studying in 8th standard was struggling with some of the topics in her science textbook. Our mobile science lab sessions helped her clarify those doubts.





- Farm 2 Food Foundation is a part of Axom State Collective, Vikalp Sangam, Commutiny The Youth Collective, Vartaleap Coalition, Natural Farming Coalition, Catalyst 2030 & Ashoka India.
- We forged new alliances & partnerships during this period to ensure safety and help for our people. Some of them are: Breathe for India, ITC, Rugby India, Aranya Vihara trust, Zomato, Healing Field Foundation, Physician for India, Dasra & Aabhar Charitable Trust.



#### **PORTRAYING THROUGH NUMBERS..**

Communites Reached	610 (for COVID relief)	250 (or flood relief)
Population Reached	17,00,000(for COVID relief)	1,00,000(for flood relief)
Adolescents/ Students Reached	10,000 (online/offline sessions)	5,000 homestead gardens set up
Number of relief items distributed	Masks(23000) P.P.E Kit(300) Thermometer(150) Oxygen cylinder(121) Oxymeter(300) Oxygen concentrator(26) Population Outreach- 1,500,000	Dry Rations population outreach- 8,050 Bamboo Procupine population- 200,000 Tube Well populatio outreach- 10,000





- Nearly 2.7 Tons of vegetables were procured from small and marginal farmers from the villages of Golaghat, Assam. These vegetables were then included in the relief packages which were distributed in the tea garden areas
- During the twin tragedy of COVID & flood in Assam, Farm 2 Food with the support of Goonj distributed more than 80,000(kg) of food & 30,000(kg) of mask & sanitizers & 5000(kg) of crayons and art acessories in the affected areas. We mobilised through the support of Catalyst 2030, Vartaleap Coalition, Vikalp Sangam etc.
- During the lockdown period we successfully facilitated online training on School Nutrition Garden on behalf of Assam State Coalition for Health, Nutrition and Livelihoods.
- Farm 2 Food actively participated in the creation of India chapter of Catalyst 2030. And through this F2F mobilised the COVID 19 essentials for the N.E region.
- A coalition of about 10 organizations from N.E was formed for COVID 19 relief response and this ensured that oxymeter, thermometer, concentrator, P.P.E kits, masks & oxygen cylinders were distributed in the remote areas of the region.
- During the lockdown we distributed 1000 cooked meals to the less fortunate children in Guwahati, Assam in collaboration with Zomato & Every Infant Matters.

# GLIMPSES OF 2020-21





Our members of the organisation while distributing oxygen concentrator in Batadroba P.H.C in Nagaon



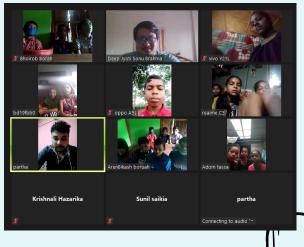
Dilip Tanti of Hemchandra Dev Goswami high school reading a book as a part of mobile science library.



Puja Baruah of Chamoguri village experimenting with the microscope as a part of mobile science lab



Anamika Borah from Bhatemora village in her homestead garden



Our co-ordinators during their online interactive sessions with students



Distribution of relief items as a part of COVID Rahat in Jorhat



Women of Saraimari village, Golaghat during their exposure visit to Tamul Plate Manufacturing Pvt. Ltd, Barpeta.

# GRATITUDE TO ALL





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