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### Bihar
**Sitamarhi: Since 2021**
2 Blocks
- Bathnaha, Dumra
- 15 Villages
- 2000 Women

**Nalanda: Since 2020**
3 Blocks
- Harnaut, Hilsa, Nagarnausa
- 15 Villages
- 2500 Women

Training of farmers held by BISA, ATMA, KVKs, Health Dept & Horticulture Dept.

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**Solar-based group irrigation systems in Sitamarhi will help irrigate around 100 acres of land and grow cash crops in all seasons.**

### Scorecard:

#### Bihar

**Sitamarhi**
- 1040 Women
- 15 blocks
- 15 VDCs
- 84 Producer Groups, 3 Agro-Based Groups, 3 Irrigation-Based Groups
- 15 VDCs, 4 Solar Irrigation Groups, 2 Bangle Enterprise Groups, 2 Mushroom Enterprise Groups
- Rs 23.20 lakh (drip irrigation subsidies)
- Rs 25 lakh (support for vegetable seeds through KVKs)
- Impact: 20% income increase

**Nalanda**
- 1870 Women
- 314 Total Members in the Village Institutions
- 10 Schools
- 5150 Students
- 10 Anganwadi Centres
- 400 Children
- 43 kg of carbon emissions reduced in a year
- 1500 Women
- 6 Schools
- 2100 Students
- 6 Anganwadi Centres
- 240 Children
- 38 kg of carbon emissions reduced in a year
- 320 acres

#### Development through natural resource management:

**Nalanda**
- Solar Street Lights: 160
- Coverage: 2500 (HH)
- Solar Lamps: 656
- Solar Irrigation Systems: 3
- Coverage: 81 acres
- Farmers Benefitting from the Irrigation System: 205
- Reduction in Carbon footprint: 43 kg of carbon emissions reduced in a year
- Land under Chemical-Free Farming (vegetable, cereals, oilseeds production): 142 acres

**Sitamarhi**
- Solar Street Lights: 150
- Coverage: 1500 (HH)
- Solar Lamps: 800
- Solar Irrigation Systems: 4
- Coverage: 100 acres
- Farmers Benefitting from the Irrigation System: 280
- Reduction in Carbon footprint: 38 kg of carbon emissions reduced in a year
- Land under Chemical-Free Farming (vegetable, cereals, oilseeds production): 320 acres

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### Holistic Rural Development Programme (HRDP)

A movement to end discrimination

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District Magistrate of Kalahandi P. Anvesha Reddy paid a surprise visit to our school in Manikera, and met with teachers & SMC members. Impressed with our smart class structure setup, she instructed her staff to develop same smart TV setup structure in the 5T model at the government school and initiate smart class on the lines of our project.