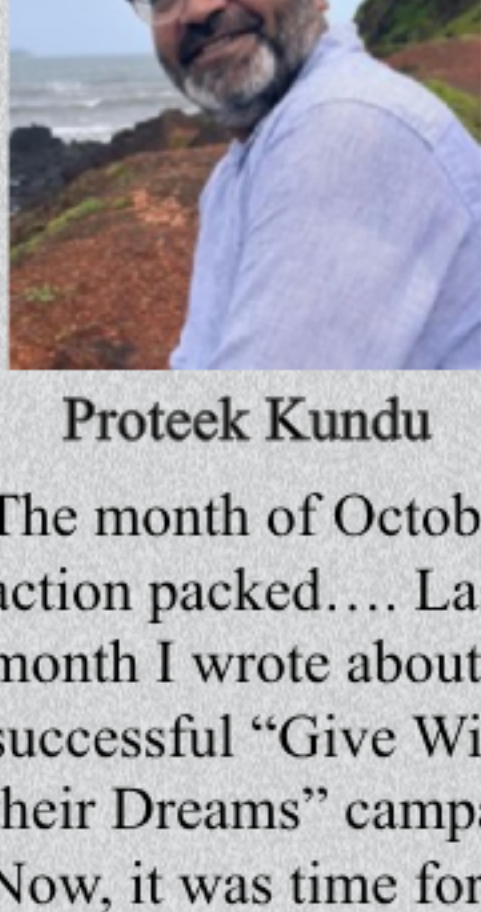


## Note from our Founder



**Proteek Kundu**

The month of October was action packed.... Last month I wrote about the successful "Give Wings to their Dreams" campaign. Now, it was time for execution.

We organized training program for Nursery, Goat Farming, Masala making, Bee Keeping and Strawberry cultivation most of which was conducted by our knowledge partner – M/s. Krishi Vigyan Kendra, based in Kosbad, Dahanu.

After successfully completed the training program, four of the projects – Nursery, Bee Keeping / Honey cultivation, Masala making were also inaugurated in October.

The four projects will cater to the livelihood of atleast 50 tribal women and their families.

Do read this newsletter to know more....

## Impact of our work so far...

**No. of farmers, women & youth trained-**

**1,350** on Vocations of choice      **1,400** on Entrepreneurship skills      **200+** by us who started their Business

No. of Entrepreneurship Projects funded by NeevJivan Foundation / Other Organizations      **30**

No. of beneficiaries whose projects are in pipeline for funding      **900+**

## Technical Training on Vocation of Choice

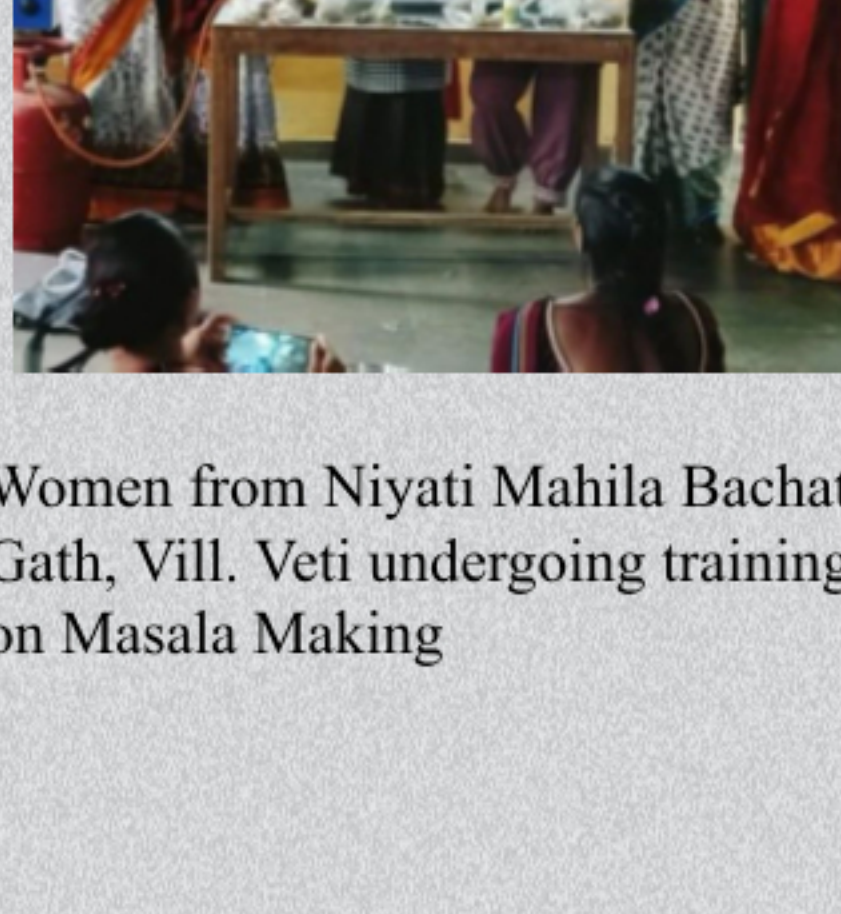
Our knowledge partner – M/s. Krishi Vigyan Kendra based in Kosbad village in Dahanu taluka has always played a major role in training the tribal women supported by NeevJivan Foundation and this time, it was no different. The tribal women underwent all the training programs at the premises of KVK in the month of October.



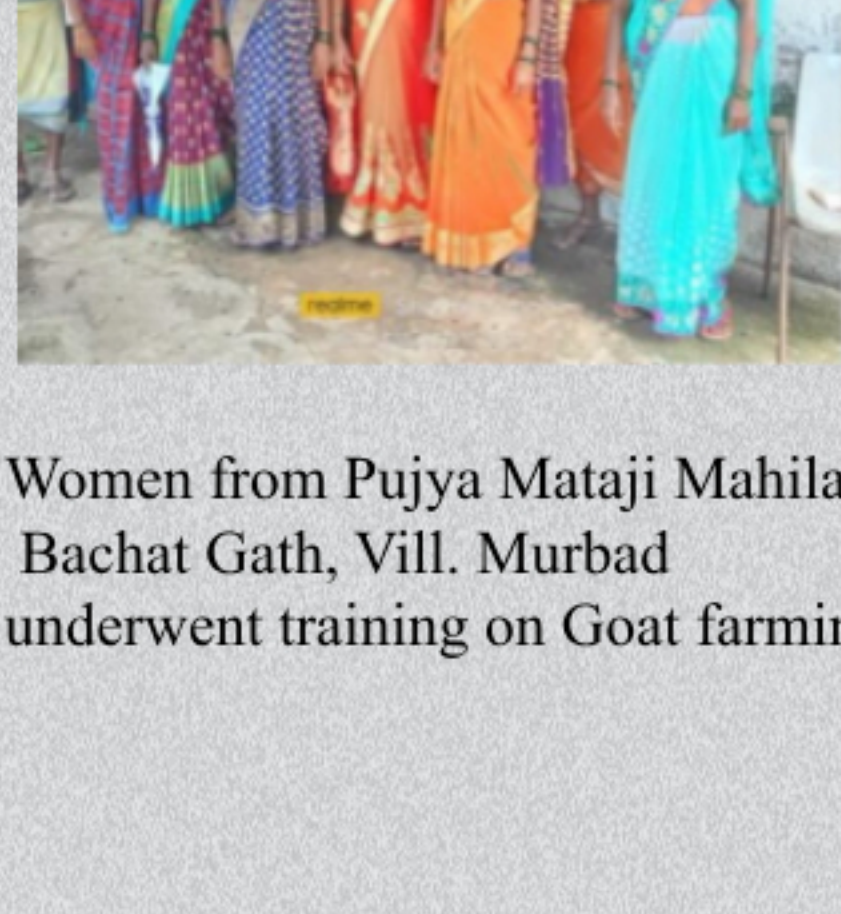
Women from Phulwanti Mahila Bachat Gath undergoing training on nursery farming



Women from Laxmi Mahila Bachat Gath, Vill. Kasa undergoing training on Bee Keeping



Women from Niyati Mahila Bachat Gath, Vill. Vetu undergoing training on Masala Making



Women from Pujya Mataji Mahila Bachat Gath, Vill. Murbad underwent training on Goat farming.



The idea was to spread the awareness of the crop and the processes involved in its cultivation so that more and more farmers take it up.

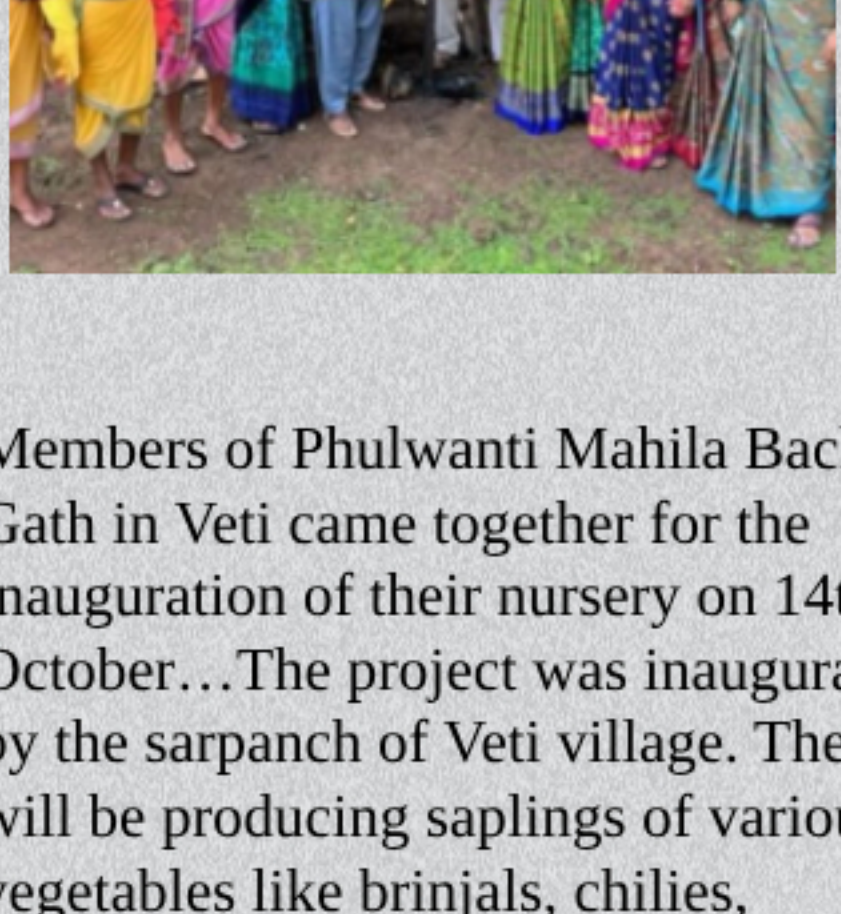
Agriculture is the primary source of income for the tribal community in Dahanu & Jawhar it is just about time for harvesting paddy from their field...

Post the harvest season, while "water is still available", most of the farmers sow vegetables, water melons, etc.

Over the last few years, farmers have benefited from cultivating strawberry during this period. So, this year we initiated a training program on strawberry cultivation in collaboration with M/s. Global Vikas Trust.

## Four new projects inaugurated

In the month of October, we inaugurated 4 projects which were part of the fund-raising campaign – "Give Wings to their Dreams". These projects will help create alternate sources of income for atleast 50 tribal women and their families, thereby helping them in preventing their migration to the cities in search of greener pastures.



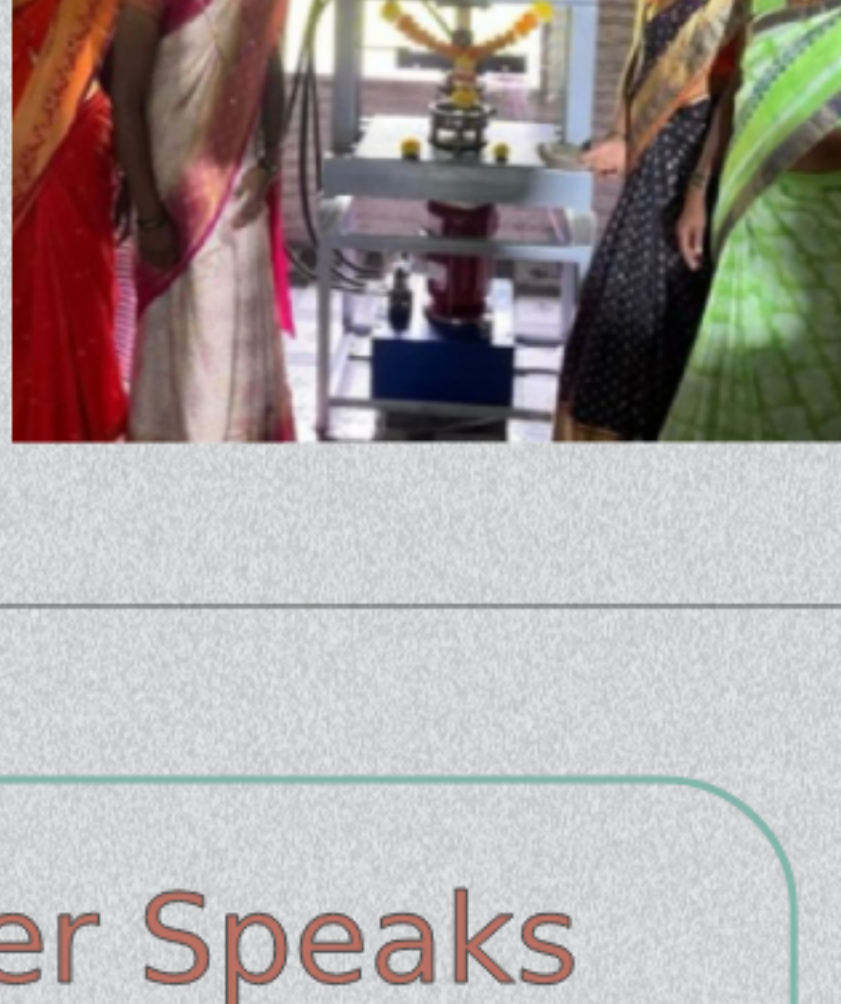
Members of Phulwanti Mahila Bachat Gath in Vetu came together for the inauguration of their nursery on 14th October...The project was inaugurated by the sarpanch of Vetu village. They will be producing saplings of various vegetables like brinjals, chilies, tomatoes, cauliflower, etc. They also learnt about grafting various fruit bearing trees like mango, cashew, jackfruit, etc.

Laxmi Mahila Bachat Gath, Vill. Kasa receiving the first four colonies of bees from officials at KVK, Dahanu on the auspicious day of Gandhi Jayanti. The product manufactured by them will be marketed under the brand name "Madhu". Watch out for this space for more.

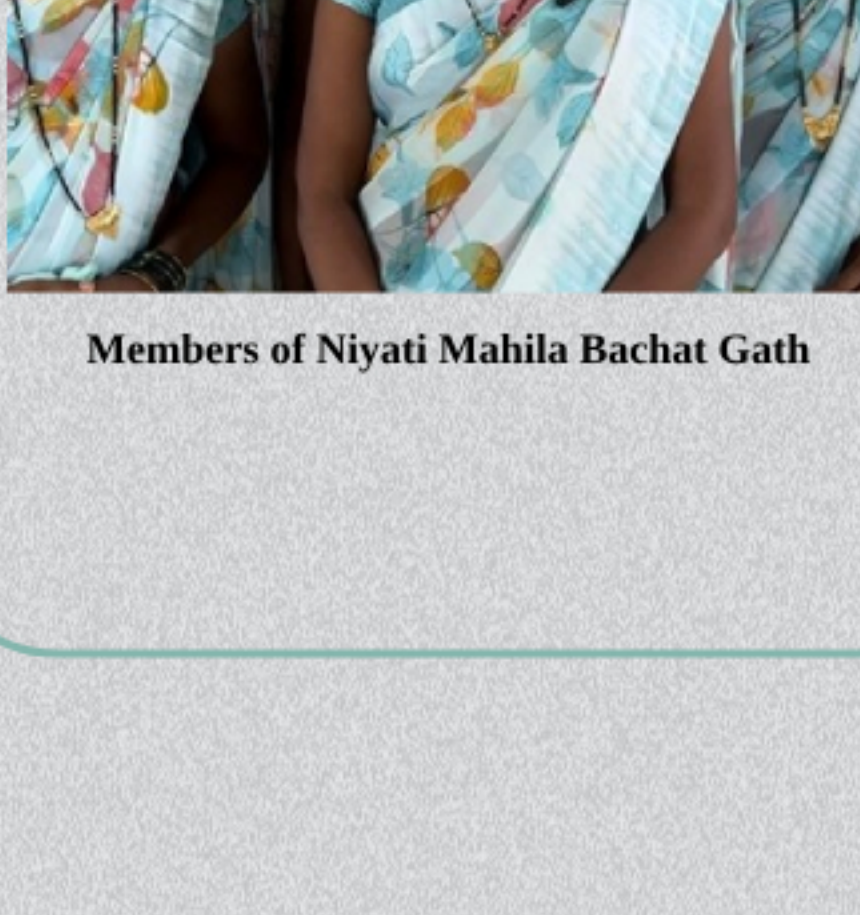


Niyati Mahila Bachat Gath, vill. Kasa inaugurated their Masala making center on the auspicious day of Gandhi Jayanti. They will be selling their products under the brand name "Gruhini". Do watch outfor this space for more....

The Ravina Mahila Bachat Gath based in Vill. Modgaon started their Patrawali making unit. They have started making paper plates and bowls and very soon they will make the same products using locally available leaves from "Saal" trees...



## Stakeholder Speaks



Members of Niyati Mahila Bachat Gath

Agriculture is the primary source of income for us. This masala making business will be an alternate source of income for us. We will use this extra money for the benefit of our family. We thank NeevJivan Foundation for helping us set up this business in our village.