

## Quarterly newsletter

**OCT TO DEC 2023 VOL-04** 



"The farmer has to be an optimist or he wouldn't still be a farmer" " Will Rogers"!

"It has been more than 30 days, nothing was coming out of the ground. The villagers said, "Why are you wasting your time and money, the land is not fertile, there is rain, and nothing will happen, let us allow our animals to graze". But I said "No, I will wait until the rain will come" and I tried to protect with animal, though not able to protect completely, but finally the seeds became plants.

> -Shivani Kumari Director at wild

## OUR ACTIVITIES FROM OCT TO DEC 2023

# Seen the success of minor millets in the farm

Apart from the major millet, that is finger millet and shorgum millet, we experimented with the other minor millet i.e little millet, kodo millet and barnyard millet. We find these millets also grow very well in the weather of the Chotanagpur plateau if the soil is completely fertile.

Initially, the villagers were saying, these would not grow. But they were also astonished while seeing it survive.







## Helping villagers make dishes at their home

When we are visiting the field, some women say, " We have grown the millets but don't know, how to cook in a wooden fire and that's why we are not eating". So, I my team helps and these villagers by giving demo at their own kitchen and helps them by providing easy to cook recipe.



## Celebration of Diwali with millet sweets



This Diwali we have taken orders different from stakeholders for millet sweet packs. Our beneficiaries delivered it and received very positive feedback.

## Presenting our work in my college network

Our founder member Shivani got chance to present the work of Wild in an Alumni meet of her college NIT Jamshedpur. This Alumni meet was organized in Patna, Bihar. During this event presented the work of Wild and Wild Foods and she found many connections who can help in building the brand.



## Wild in media

1.Kanthari blog- "Born to be wild" 2.Dainik Jagran News- "poshan ke liye mote anaaj ko banaya thali ka hisa" 3.https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=DjnqIYy0d5w 4.https://www.facebook.com/10008975616422 1/videos/675939744280121/?extid=WA-UNK-UNK-UNK-AN\_GKOT-GK1C&mibextid=2Rb1fB 5.https://www.youtube.com/watch? v = FS8nY28x30c6.https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=aOIkBK3FiD0 7. Dainik Jagran News 8.https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=BYnIxw7ZXvg 9.https://dainik-b.in/dTVY8DrcuEb



ज्ञान भवन में लगे महिला उद्योग मेले में मिल रहे तरह-तरह के आइटम, बड़ी संख्या में पहुंच रहे विजिटर्स.







#### About Her:

Shivani Kumari runs a not-for-profit called What Is Left behind, or WILD, that promotes agroforestry by harnessing indigenous knowledge. Launched in March 2022, WILD is primarily committed to community-spirited climate conservation. Millet farming has emerged as one of its key focus areas, given its positive relation with climate, health and gender. It sells a variety of value-added products made of forest food and millets, such as dosa mixes, cakes, toast, laddu and murukku, under the by MLD Food!





### **Team Details**



Manju

After working with differrent interventions like Self Help Groups and women network Manju joined Wild to create Wild-Preneurs and empower women.



After completing B. Tech from NIT Jamshedpur, Shivani did exposure visits of across India and decided to work in traditional and wild food to protect environment and make people healthy. She became kanthari fellow in 2021 and then joined the hand of wild.



After working long time with Girls educator Nikita did MA in Gender Study from TISS Mumbai. Then she worked on Menstrual health of women and girl. Now she is doing Diploma in Leadership and Management from ISDM. She is keenly interested in women empowerment

## **Supporter Organizations**

















## Next planning



- 1. Establish a permanent value addition and packaging centre.
- 2. Creating market linkage between village and city.
- 3. Organizing indigenous food mela's
- 4. Organizing awareness camps in school
- 5. Doing more awareness camps.
- 6. Inviting youth to connect with our vision and mission
- 7. Joining more and more farmers to wild vision and mission.

## Support our work

- 1.Looking for help to establish a sustainable value-addition centre in the village.
- 2.Looking for knowledge partner in ruraldevelopment
- 3.Support in spreading awareness regarding millets, forest food, and the environment in government schools.
- 4. Collaborate and volunteer with us to engage in schools and organize mela.
- 5.Collaborate and volunteer with us to create awareness around millet.

Dear supporters and friends, It was a great learning for us to work in a remote and Naxal affected village and we were able to come up with strong planning to enhance the livelihood, and environment and improve the health of the community. I would like to kindly request you to visit us and support our work. -wild team

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