WOMEN'S SELF HELP GROUPS IN MUSSEL FARMING IN MALABAR COAST: A SUCCESS STORY

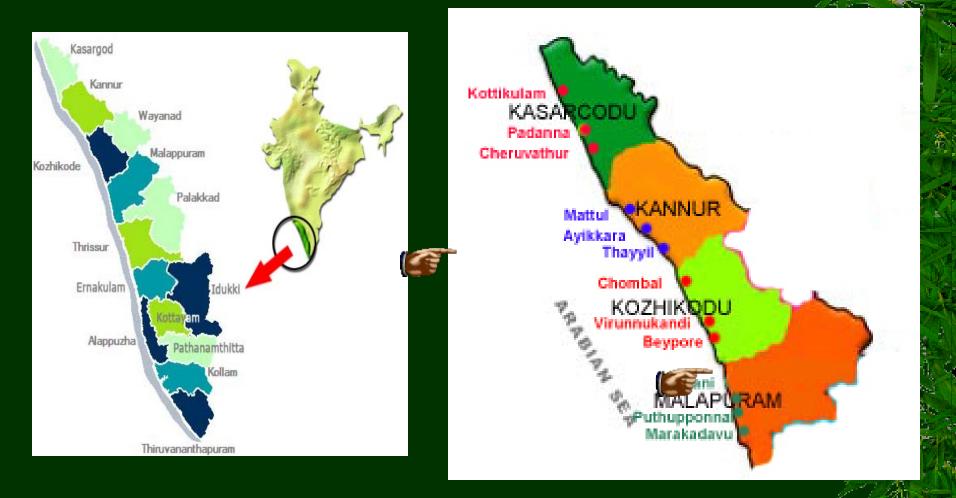
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Focus:

 Dissemination of mussel culture technology in the coastal belts of potential maritime locations in Malabar in consultation with NGOs and State Govt.
Departments though mobilised
Self Help Groups
Assessment of Group Dynamics
Effectiveness of SHGs



Locale of the study : Malabar Coast: Kadalundi: Vallikkunnu, Malappuram dt



Self Help Groups

- Common Action
- Cost Effective Credit Delivery
- Forum for Collective Learning
- Democratic Culture
- Entrepreneurship Culture
- Base for Dialogue and Cooperation
- Credibility to ensure Participation
- Individual Member's Management Capacity

Achievements:

The practical dissemination of bivalve farming technologies in the coastal belts in Malabar coasts in Kadalundy areas of Vallikkunnu panchayat in Malappuram district by training 62 women fisherfolk with the Community Development Scheme (CDS) of the panchayat.

Mobilised 11 SHGs of women of 60 members through CDS of the panchayat with loan amount worth Rs 1,25,000/- and subsidy of Rs 50,000/- for mussel culture in Kadalundy estuaries.







- Development & modification of tools for data collection of molluscan culture technologies in the potential maritime locations in Malabar.
 - The assessment of the dynamics of SHGs with standardized protocols developed and in consultation with NGOs and State Govt.depart.





GDEI: Group Dynamics
Effectiveness Index



Dimensions of Self Help Group Dynamics Effectiveness Index

- 1. Participation
- 2. Influence & styles of influence
- 3. Decision making procedures
- 4. Task functions
- 5. Maintenance Functions
- 6. Group Atmosphere
- 7. Membership
- 8. Feelings
- 9. Norms
- 10. Empathy
- **11. Interpersonal Trust**
- **12. Achievements of SHG**



Personal & Socio Psychological Characteristics

- Age, Education, Annual income, Occupation
- Socio-economic status
- Extension orientation,
- Scientific orientation
- Mass media participation
- Social participation
- Cosmo politeness
- Knowledge
- Attitude towards SHG
- Attitude towards Intervening agency
- Attitude towards other members
- Information source use pattern



Other Parameters

Structure, Meetings, Attendance, Savings, Credit, Interest, Repayment, Bylaw rules,

Action, Administration, & Registers

- Membership Register
- Minutes Book
- Weekly Activity Register
- Savings Register
- Consolidating Register
- Credit Register
- Credit Receipt Book
- Pass Book
- Docket sheet: Activities at a glance

No	Name of SHG	No. of members	Location
1	Nila	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
2	Puthuma	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
3	Jalamythri	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
4	Theeram	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
5	Olam	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
6	Soft	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
7	Chippy	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
8	Ganga	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
9	Keerthy	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
10	Kanakam	5	Vallikkunnu, Hiros nagar
11	Muthuchippy	10	Kadalundy Nagaram





Personal details of the entrepreneurs of Muthuchippy SHG

SI. no	Name & address of entrepreneurs	Age	Educational qualification	categoriy	Name of SHG	Date of joining the SHG	Savings	Ration card no.
1	Vijayasree C. Kollachattil	33	SSLC	General	Sangeetham	02/05/10	3490	2055000230
2	Santha K.C Konnamkuzhipoi madathil	55	6 th Std	General	Sangeetham	02/05/10	3450	2055087178
3	Prabhina K.P Kalanthathinte purakkal	34	6 th Std	Minority	Sangeetham	26/06/11	3500	2055128963
4	Remya K Pannikot	28	SSLC	General	Sangeetham	02/05/10	3360	2055087175
5	Anitha Konnamkuzhipoi Madathil	26	SSLC	General	Kairali	01/11/06	5740	2055087027
6	Sobha P Konnamkuzhipoi madathil	49	9 th std	General	Sangeetham	02/05/10	3400	2055087141
7	Saritha P Konnamkuzhipoi madathil	31	Graduate	General	Sangeetham	02/05/10	3400	2055115679
8	Sumaja M Konnamkuzhipoi madathil	36	SSLC	General	Sangeetham	25/12/11	3340	2055087027
9	Sharifa Picham veettil	41	8 th std	Minority	Arunima	17/04/13	560	2055086969
10	Sathyabhama T Kirantharayil	53	SSLC	SC	Sangeetham	02/05/10	2710	2055000407

Source of Fund

Beneficiary contribution	6250
Bank loan	118750
Total	125000

Interest Cost

SI.No	Particulars	Amount	
1	Total Bank Loan	118750	
2	Amount in which interest is charged	68750	
3	Subsidy	50000	

Bank Loan Breakup

1	Amount in which interest	68750	_
	is charged		
2	Bank loan payment	5 yrs	
	duration		
3	Bank loan interest	12%	
4	Loan principal amount	13750	
	repayment		

Variable Cost

Particulars	l st	ll nd	III rd	IV	V
Row material	72000	75600	79380	83349	87516
Transportation charge	2000	2100	2205	2315	2430
Total variable cost	74000	77700	81585	85664	89946
ixed cost Man power	120000	120000	120000	120000	120000
Administration	500	700	900	1100	1300
Sales labour	10000	11000	12100	13310	14641
Interest	8250	6600	4950	3300	1650
Depreciation table	7200	5760	4600	3680	2952
Pre apative writer naff	400	400	400	400	400
Total fixed cost	146350	144460	142950	141790	140945
Total variable cost Total fixed cost	220350	222160	224535	2274504	230891
B					
Sales revenue Kallumakaya Shells	235147 10000	246904 10500	259249 11025	272211 11576	285821 12154
Total revenue	245147	257404	270274	283787	307075
PROFIT					
A-B	24797	35244	45739	56333	76184
DSCR	1.5	2.05	2.7	3.4	5.05

Cash In flow Statement

Cash flow	0	l st	ll nd	III rd	IV th	V th
statement						
Own fund	6250					
Subsidy	50000					
Loan	68750					
Add DSPN		7200	5760	4600	3680	2952
table						
Add		400	400	400	400	400
preliminary						
cost						
Profit		24797	35244	45739	56333	76184
Total	125000	32397	41404	50739	60413	79536
Cash out						
flow						
Fixed asset	36000					
Preliminary	2000					
cost						
Working	87000					
capital						
Repayment		13750	13750	13750	13750	13750
of loan						
Cash		18647	27654	36989	46663	65786
available						
Opening		18647	46301	83290	129953	
balance						
Net cash		18647	46301	83290	129953	195739
available						

Profit & Loss Account

Partic ulars	I st Year	II nd Year	III rd Year	IV th Year	V th Year
Sales reven ue	245147	247404	270274	283787	307075
Total variab le cost	74000	77700	81585	85664	89946
Total fixed cost	146350	144460	142950	141790	140945
Net Profit	24797	25244	45739	56333	761184

Balance Sheet

Description	0 year	l st	ll nd	III rd	IV th	V th
Liability Own fund	6250	6250	6250	6250	6250	6250
Subsidy	50000	50000	50000	50000	50000	50000
Loan	68750	55000	41250	27500	13750	
Reserve		24797	60041	105780	162113	238297
Total	125000	136047	157541	189530	232113	294547
Asset Fixed asset	36000	28800	23040	18440	14760	
Preliminary expenses	2000	1600	1200	800	400	
Working capital	87000	87000	87000	87000	87000	87000
Written down value						11808
Cash balance		18647	46301	83290	129953	195739
Total asset	125000	136047	157541	189530	232113	294547

	Kadalundy
Variable	Location
redit Orientation	71.5 %
conomic Motivation	66.0 %
Scientific Orientation	59.5 %
Risk Orientation	61.0 %
Socio economic status	46.5 %
Social Participation	78.0 %
Extension Orientation	59.5 %
Mass media	79.0 %
participation	
Cosmopoliteness	67.0 %





No	Name of	No. of	GDEI Score
	SHG	membe	
_		rs	
1	Nila	5	0.65
2	Puthuma	5	0.78
3	Jalamythri	5	0.67
4	Theeram	5	0.77
5	Olam	5	0.78
6	Soft	5	0.68
7	Chippy	5	0.79
8	Ganga	5	0.70
9	Keerthy	5	0.71
10	Kanakam	5	0.69
11	Muthuchip	10	0.81
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Simple Correlation analysis of sub-dimensions with GDEI

Number	Variable Characteristic	Correlation coefficient (r)
1.	Participation	0.947**
2.	Influence and Styles of influence	0.938**
3.	Decision making procedures	0.919**
4.	Task functions	0.907**
5.	Maintenance functions	0.913**
6.	Group atmosphere	0.945**
7.	Membership	0.874**
8.	Feelings	0.879**
9.	Norms	0.884**
10.	Empathy	0.869**
11.	Interpersonal trust	0.918**
12.	Achievements of SHG	0.949**
** Significant	at 1% level of significance	

Relationship of personal and sociopsychological characteristics with GDEI

Variable	Characteristic	Correlation Coefficient
1	Age	0.087
2	Education	0.310**
3	Occupation	0.058
4	Annual income	0.503**
5	Farm household size	0.508**
6	Fishing experience	0.147
7	Socio-economic status	0.871**
8	Extension orientation	0.840**
9	Scientific orientation	0.813**
10	Mass media participation	0.479**
11	Social participation	0.687**
12	Cosmopoliteness	0.678**
13	Knowledge	0.767**
14	Attitude towards SHG	0.820**
15	Attitude towards intervening agency	0.791**
16	Attitude towards other members	0.782**
17	Information source use pattern	0.847**

Harvest Results

- 5 Rs per piece and Rs 250 per kg of meat.
- BC ratio of 3.5:1 on an average
- Economic sustainability of 5 families.
- Local economic development of Vallikkunnu.
- Success cases of SHG mobilization were elucidated and documented.





The Consumer chain of the programme:

- Those people who like mussel consumption are the major consumers of this venture.
- Hotels, Restaurants, Fast food corners.
- Mussel sellers of east Malabar and other districts.
- Mussel pickle production units/ companies.
- Seasonal snacks sellers in road side.
- Nearby inhabitants of the enterprise.
- Handicraft manufacturers
- Organic manure powder manufacturers.
- Calcium carbonate producing companies.

Monitoring

- Kudumbashree District Mission co-ordinator
- Bank Managers
- Grampanchayat President of Vallikkunnu.
- CDS President of Vallikkunnu
- Fisheries Co-ordinator
- M.E. Convener
- ADS Administrative Council
- Member Secretary
- Ward Member
- Representing Ayalkoottam
- Micro Enterprise Consultant



Expectations of women SHG enterprise of mussel farming

- Poverty Alleviation & economic sustainability of 5 families/ SHG
- Local availability of edible mussel & Local Self Sufficiency of Edible products
- Agricultural growth through Organic manure processing units
- Waste disposal through diversity of products
- Different uses of mussel becomes known in the locality
- Low cost of production and moderate rate of selling make satisfied customers.
- Attract consumers of other states and districts to the enterprise & Motivates other enterprises & Women get attracted towards these enterprises.
- Calcium carbonate producing units get continuous availability of raw materials.
- Bone meal manufacturing units get mussel remnants for agricultural products.
- Through women empowerment and economic and social upliftment, the local economic development of Vallikkunnu grampanchayat and in turn Kerala state in a broader sense.

Other Outputs:

- A research paper in IRJEE, A STUDY OF SELF HELP GROUP DYNAMICS OF WOMEN IN MALABAR FISHERIES SECTOR by Vipinkumar.V.P and Asokan.P.K
 - A Training manual on Mussel farming (Malayalam), Calicut Research Centre of CMFRI, Calicut.
- A movie 'A Success story of Women SHGs in Mussel Farming in Malabar' : Can integrate into ICT module for SHG mobilisation.



Awakening Saga of Women SHGs in Bivalve Farming in Kerala

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