

Case Study

Uma Janu Mengal is 60-year-old farmer from Parkhande village. Uma Tatya lives with his wife and two sons in joint family. Economically, Uma and the family depend on Uma's son, who is small scale electrician. Uma Tatya has 2 acre of land which is usually used for paddy Cultivation. Farming provides the family sufficient amount of crop for a year and seed for next year. Uma is a very hard-working man and believes in principles of nature and under stands importance of local species of fruits and vegetables in village ecosystem.



Uma is regular and very active member in village meetings from the start. He is very interested in farming and complimentary practices. When APT representatives informed the villagers about upcoming activity involving plantation of horticulture plants, Uma was readily interested. Uma with the help of his sons dig pits for plantation. He also gathered neat and straight sticks for supporting the samplings in rainy season. APT provided Uma with total 68 Mango samplings till date. All the samplings are of locally known and grown species of Mango. APT representative gave all villagers information about deforestation and its adverse effect on environment as well as local ecosystem. Villagers made aware of the environmental aspect of the activity and its long-term desired effects. Uma was very inspired and he planted all the samplings with a vision.

Now Grandfather in Uma sees beyond his generation and thinks about sustainable progress for his grandkids. He believes he is not planting just some trees but eventually his children, grandchildren will taste sweet fruits and this small act will inspire his next generation to plant some more trees and contribute their small part to better environment.