



Taralabalu Rural Development Foundation's TARALABALU KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRA



A Glance at our KVK



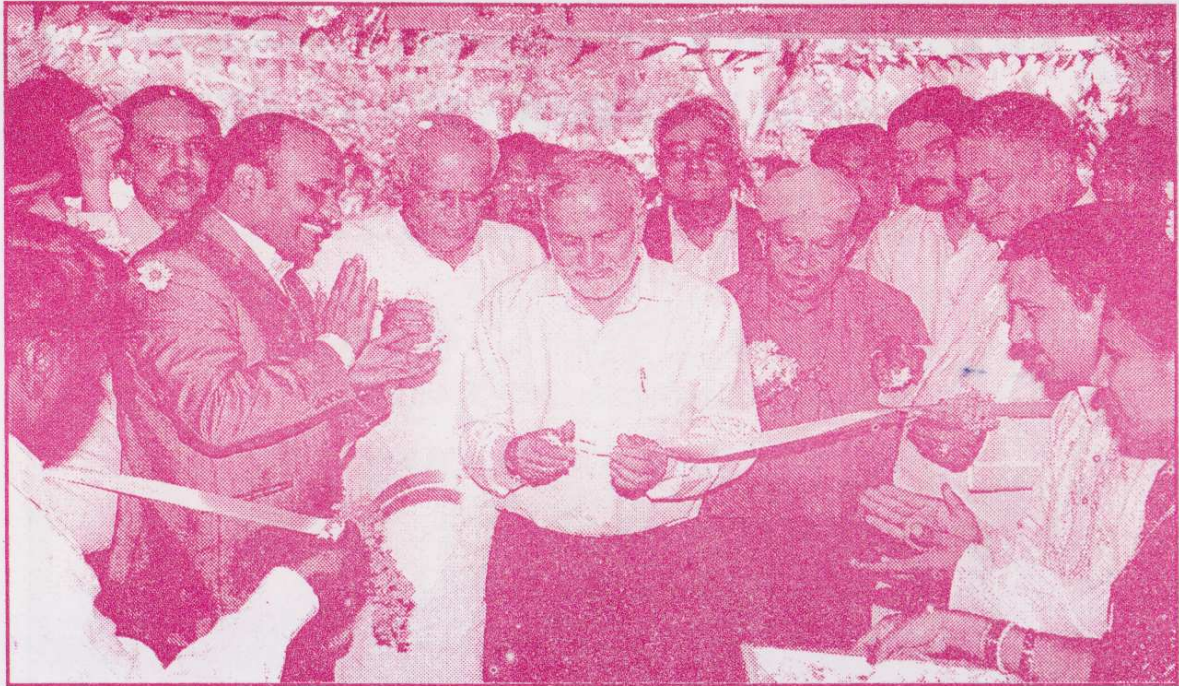
2005 - 2012

Taralabalu Krishi Vigyan Kendra was established in 2005 at Davangere District, Karnataka under the aegis of Taralabalu Rural Development Foundation, Sirigere in agreement with Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi. It is striving hard to make farming a comfortable and profitable venture for farming community since inception. It is carving a niche for itself in the hearts of people of Davangere district through its committed services. The name of our KVK is being spread throughout the district from mouth to mouth among the rural folks. There are 400 villages out of 810 villages which have come in contact with KVK through one or the other mode of activities.

KVK has identified, prioritized the problems in agriculture and allied sectors and shortlisted best possible agritech solutions for the same with the help of various stake holders. These solutions are demonstrated to farmers through frontline demonstrations, assessments, refinements, trainings, other innovative extension activities.

Sri Taralabalu Jagadguru Dr. Shivamurthy Shivacharya Mahaswamiji, the founder of host institution and Chairman is a visionary with scientific temperament besides a well respected religious leader. His concern for rural development is the greatest blessing our KVK team has in bounty.

Our USP is the ability to learn new things, accept the short comings, adapt to the relevant changes and stand by the farmers in crucial situations. Our collaborative strength with all concerned development departments, educational institutions, NGOs, besides universities and ICAR institutes does speak volumes through the versatility of activities executed during the past 7 years.



Formally Inaugurated by

Dr. S. Ayyappan, D.G., ICAR and Secretary, DARE, New Delhi.

in Presence of His Holiness Sri Taralabalu Jagadguru

Dr. Shivamurthy Shivacharya Mahaswamiji

On 21st February 2012

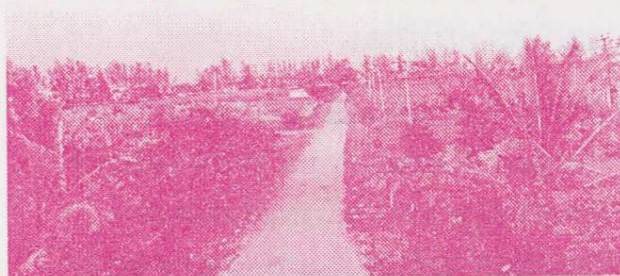
Quick details on salient activities

- * 'Retain and bring back youth to farming' is one of our main campaigns in the recent-past.
- * 134 FLDs, 47 technology assessments, 817 trainings, 22414 participants.
- * Reduced the application of fertilizers in paddy by a quintal through ICM demonstrations.
- * Integrated dairy and vermicomposting trainings are given to 6000 women farmers. 3 lakhs slips of Co3, DHN-6, CoFS-29 fodder varieties have been supplied to 200 farmers.
- * Davangere Dairy Farmers Association is formed for the first time in the district. It is one of its kind in the state.
- * KVK has around 25 demonstration units for the benefit of farmer.
- * The centre has a natural farming system in 5 acre area having 5000 trees of 30 varieties.
- * It has constructed a check dam to demonstrate rain water storage, groundwater recharge, fish culture and balanced ecosystem.
- * KVK produces quality planting materials in drumstick, mango, lime, vegetables, medical and aromatic plants, fodder seeds, green manure seeds, ornamental fishes, earthworms, vermicompost,

trichoderma, Banana Special as critical inputs for needy farmers.

- * It has established a portable fish hatchery for the first time in the district. It is the only fish seed producing centre in the district.
- * Supplied 1.5 lakh forest saplings to 2000 farmers of 100 villages in collaboration with social forestry.
- * Drudgery reduction implements such as groundnut decorticator, stripper, cycle weeders, chauffer, seed cum fertilizer driller, paddy transplanter, cono-weeder have been effectively demonstrated.
- * It has established a Biofuel Information and Demonstration Center for creating awareness among rural folks about future fuel-Biofuel.
- * It has 1 acre Biofuel park housing 500 plants each of pongamia, simarouba, neem, mahua.
- * Executed a prestigious project " Rural Bio resource complex for livelihood security" funded by DBT, New Delhi and developed several entrepreneurs in village.
- * Implementing 'NICRA' project at Siddanur Village, Davangere taluk.
- * Giving away agri advisory information based on weather parameters recorded by its Automatic Weather Station to farmers and mobile sms and voice messages supported by ICRISAT.
- * Established a soil, water and plant laboratory and generated pool of information on soil profile of the district besides creating awareness among the public.
- * Conducted workshops, Seminars, Scientist-farmers interactive meetings, important days celebrations, for the benefit of farming community.
- * KVK provides agro advisory service through field diagnostic visits, guest lectures, animal health camps, agri camps.
- * KVK is regularly interacting with farmers and other public in exhibition stalls, field days, field visits, bimonthly workshops, NSS camps, literary events.
- * Given its strategic location in the centre of the city, it is the guiding spot for all kinds of students for their Science projects. Many university students conduct their field studies under KVK guidance.
- * Special emphasis is given to encourage organic farming among farmers. conducted seed exchange fairs, save traditional varieties camp, Raitha Siri Habba (Festival of organic farmers) to spread awareness among farmers.

A View of KVK Instructional farm



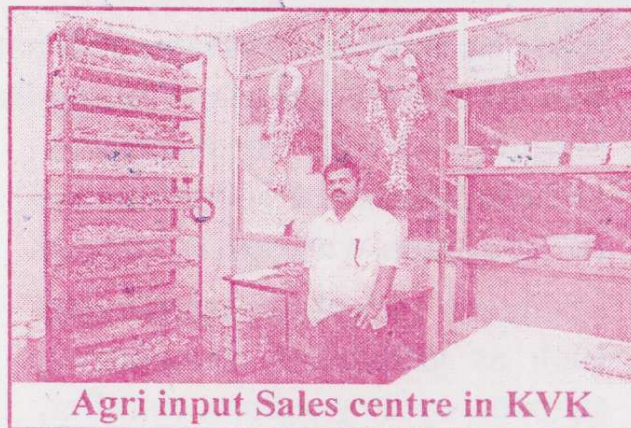
* Agricultural Technology Week is an annual event attracting hundreds of new farmers to KVK and its utilities.

* KVK has an attractive campus named Kadalivana with lots of greenary and natural beauty besides agricultural crops and

units. It has become joggers paradise given the fresh air and beautiful ornamental plants around.

* Situated in urban centre and easy accessibility to farmers, KVK has been popular among the public especially the farmers.

* KVK is considered as **family doctor's clinic** by some, **temple** by some, **knowledge house** by some, **umbrella** by some and **best friend** by some.



Agri input Sales centre in KVK

Taralabalu KVK has thus made its humble beginning and now transferred to be one of the senior KVKs, carry lots of expectations with respect to agriculture development in the district. Thankfully, we are aware that what we have achieved is little and what we need to achieve is much more in this dynamic field of agriculture.

We believe in and practice 'profit for farmers, prestige for farmers and partnership for farmers'.

Agriculture Jai Ho

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