From:- DMU Officer-cum-DFO, Rampur Forest Division

To: - FCCU Officer-cum-CCF, Rampur Forest Circle, HP

Subject:

Revise of Business plan.

Memo:-

Enclosed Please find herewith the following Revised Business Plan in respect of Batch-I Range (Sarahan Range) of this division duly approved/ Sanctioned by the undersigned for favour or further necessary action at your end please.

Sr. No.	Name of Range/Block	Name of VFDS	Name of SHG	IGA	Previous Total outlay the plan	Current Total outlay of the plan
1	2	3	4	5		6
1	Sarahan Range	Labana- Sadana	Laxmi Mata	Vermi- Compost	6,10,000/-	2,26,500/-

Encl:- As above

DMU Officer JICA Project-cum - Divisional Forest Officer, Rampur Bsr. H. P.

Endst. No. \$520 - 21 / Dated Rampur, the 24-3-23

1. Copy forwarded to Addl. PCCF & CPD,PIHPFEM&L, Potter's Hill, Summer Hill, Shimla-5 for information and necessary action please.

2. Copy forwarded to RFO Sarahan for information and necessary action please.

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## **BUSINESS PLAN**

## **INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITY -Vermi-compost**

by

# Laxmi Mata - Self Help Group



SHG/CIG Name	::	Laxmi Mata
VFDS Name	::	LabanaSadana
Range	::	Sarahan
Division	::	Rampur

## Prepared under:



Project for Improvement of Himachal Pradesh Forest Ecosystems Management & Livelihoods (JICA Assisted)

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### **Background**

Vermicomposting has been gaining a strong foothold in the country due to simple production techniques, ecological, economic and human health benefits associated with it. A significant number of vermin composting units have been set up by entrepreneurs, under government support/ with the technical guidance of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), particularly in the southern and central parts of the country.

Vermicomposting has direct environmental and economic benefits as it contributes to the sustainable agriculture production and income of farmers significantly. There are a number of NGOs, Community Based Organizations (CBOs), Self-Help Groups (SHGs), Trusts etc. which are making concerted efforts to promote vermin composting technology due to its established economic and environmental advantages.

#### Vermicomposting

Production of compost through rearing/using earth worms is called the vermin composting technology. Under this technology, earthworms eat biomass and excrete it in a digested form which is known as vermicomposting or vermin compost. It is one of the simplest and cost effective methods for the production of composting for both the small and large scale farmers. Vermicompost production unit can be set up in any land which is not under any economic use but shady and free from water stagnation. The site should also be nearer to a water resource

Vermicomposting, rightly called "gold from garbage" is the major input in organic agriculture production. Owing to simple technology, many farmers are engaged in vermin composting production as it invigorates soil health, soil productivity thereby reduces the cost of cultivation.

There is a gradual increase in demand for vermin compost due to the high level of nutrient contents.

# 1. Description of SHG/CIG

SHG/CIG Name	::	Laxmi Mata
VFDS	::	LabanaSadana
Range	::	Sarahan
Division	::	Rampur
Village	::	Molgi
Block	::	Rampur
District	::	Shimla
Total No. of Members in SHG	::	13
Date of formation	::	November 2020
Bank a/c No.	::	41310107381
Bank Details	::	HP State Co-Operative Bank, Jeori
SHG/CIG Monthly Saving	::	Rs.100 per Member
Total saving		1,15,363/-
Total inter-loaning		
Cash Credit Limit		
Repayment Status		

# 2. Beneficiaries Detail:

SI. No	Name Smt. / Kumari	Father/ HusbName Sh.	Age	Category	Income Source	Address
1	MangalDass	Shadu Ram	45	SC	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
2	Poonamdev i	Shishu pal	29	Gen	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
3	Sundridevi	DurgaNand	58	Gen	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
4	Rekha Devi	Mangal Doss	36	Gen.	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
5	Sharda Devi	Ramesh Chand	38	Gen.	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
6	Usha Devi	BalBhadur	36	Gen.	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
7	Bala Devi	Shiv Singh	40	Gen.	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
8	Leela Devi	Krishan Lal	56	Gen.	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
9	MeenaKum ari	Shauj Ram	41	Gen.	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
10	Ipana Devi	BalDev	35	Gen.	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana
11	Anil Kumar	Saran Dass	24	SC	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO Labanas adana

12	SharvanKum ari	Naseeb Singh	33	Gen.	Agriculture	Village Molgi PO
						Labanas
						adana
13	Lakshmi	Durga Singh	37	Gen.	Agriculture	Village
	Devi					Molgi PO
						Labanas
						adana

# 3. Geographical details of the Village

3.1	Distance from the District HQ	::	173 Km
3.2	Distance from Main Road	::	18Km
3.3	Name of local market & distance	::	Jeori,18Km
3.4	Name of main market & distance		Rampur,43Km
3.5	Name of main cities & distance		Rampur, 43 Km
3.6	Name of main cities where product	::	HP Forest Deptt.
	will be sold/ marketed		&Jeori,Rampur

## 4. Description of Product related to Income Generating Activity

4.1	Name of the Product	::	Vermicomposting
4.2	Method of product identification	::	This activity hasbeen collectively decided by group members.
4.3	Consent of SHG/ CIG / cluster members	••	Yes

# 5. Description of Production Processes

Step		Description
Step-1	::	Processing involving collection of wastes, shredding, mechanical separation of the metal, glass and ceramics and storage of organic wastes.
Step-2	::	Pre digestion of organic waste for twenty days by heaping the material along with cattle dung slurry. This process partially digests the material and fit for earthworm consumption. Cattle dung and biogas slurry may be used after drying. Wet dung should not be used for vermi-compost production.
Step-3	::	Preparation of earthworm bed. A concrete base is required to put the waste for vermi-compost preparation. Loose soil will allow the worms to go into soil and also while watering, all the dissolvable nutrients go into the soil along with water.
Step-4	::	Collection of earthworm after vermi-compost collection. Sieving the composted material to separate fully composted material. The partially composted material will be again put into vermi-compost bed.
Step-5	::	Storing the vermi-compost in proper place to maintain moisture and allow the beneficial microorganisms to grow.

## 6. Description of Production Planning

6.1	Production Cycle (in days)	::	90 days (three cycles in a year)
6.2	Manpower required per	::	1
	cycle (No.)		
6.3	Source of raw materials	::	From household and own farms
6.4	Source of other resources	::	Open market
6.5	Raw material - quantity required per cycle (Kg) per member	::	1800 Kg per cycle
6.6	Expected production per cycle (Kg) per member	::	900 Kg per cycle

### 7. Description of Marketing/ Sale

7.1	Potential market places	::	HP Forest Deptt.
7.2	Distance from the unit	::	Local market
			Use on own farm
7.3	Demand of the product	::	HO Forest deptt is procuring huge
	in market place/s		vermi-compost for their nursery
7.4	Process of identification	::	PMU will facilitate the tie up of
	of market		procurement of vermi-compost
			produced by SHG by HP Forest deptt.
			·
7.5	Marketing Strategy of the product		SHG members will also explore the additional marketing options
	product		around their villages for better sale
			price in future.
7.6	Product branding		At CIG/SHG level product will be
			marketed by branding of
			respective CIG/SHG. Later this IGA
			may require branding at cluster
			level
7.7	Product "slogan"		"Nature Friendly"

### 8. SWOT Analysis

#### Strength

- Activity is being already done by some SHG members
- Each of the SHG members are having cattle varying from 2 to 8 in each household
- ⇒ Families of SHG members are cultivating high value crops & vegetables which offers adequate availability of raw materials i.e. farm organic wastes throughout the year.
- Raw material easily available at their farms
- Manufacturing process is simple
- Proper packing and easy to transport
- Other family members will also cooperate with beneficiaries
- Product self-life is long

#### Weakness

- Effect of temperature, humidity, moisture on manufacturing process/product.
- Lack of technical know-how

### **❖** Opportunity

- Increasing demand of vermi-compost on account of awareness among farmers about organic and natural farming
- Application of vermi-compost on their own field will go a long way in improving and enhancing the soil health and production of quality farm produce which will offer better price.
- Best utilization of organic waste including household left outs of kitchens
- Potential for marketing tie up with HP Forest

#### Threats/Risks

- Possibility of break of production cycle due to extreme weather
- Competitive market
- Level of commitment among beneficiaries towards participation in training/ capacity building & skill up-gradation

### 9. Description of Management among Members

- → Production It will be taken care of by individual members including procurement of raw materials
- → Quality assurance Collectively
- → Cleaning & packaging Collectively
- → Marketing Collectively
- → Monitoring of the unit Collectively

Sl. No	Particulars	Units	Quantity / Nos.	Cost (Rs.)	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Α.	Capital Cost								
A.1	Construction of work-shed								
1	Hardware items, construction of pit (Size will be of 10ftX4ftX2ft)	Per member	13	6000	78,000	0	0	0	0
2	Construction of cover shed	Per member	13	4000	52,000				
	Sub-total (A.1)				130,000	0	0	0	0
A.2	Machinery and equipment								
2	Tools, equipment	Per	13	2000	26000	0	0	0	0

	etc.	member							
	Sub-total (A.2)				26000	0	0	0	0
	Total Capital Costs (A.1+A.2)				156000	0	0	0	0
В	Recurring Costs								
3*	Lease of land for setting up unit	Per annum	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Other miscellaneous expenses	Per annum	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Seed earthworm	Per Kg	13	500	6500	0	0	0	0
6*	Cost of procurement of Slurry/dung/waste	Tonnes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7*	Labour Cost	Per tonne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Packing materials	No.	130	50	6500	7000	7500	8000	8000
9	Other handling charges	Per tonne	50	150	7500	8000	8500	9000	9500

C	Other charges								
10	Insurance	L/S			0	0	0	0	0
11	Interest on loan	Per annum		0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total recurring costs				20500	15000	16000	17000	18000
	Total cost = Capital + recurring				176500	15000	16000	17000	18000
D	Income from vermicomposting								
12	Sale of vermicompost	Tonnes	35	6000	210000 (6000)	230500 (6500)	251000 (7000)	271500 (7500)	292000 (8000)
13	Sale of earthworm					5000	10000	10000	10000
14	Total revenue				210000	235500	261000	281500	302000
15	Net returns (D-C)				33500	220500	245000	264500	284000

**Note** – As labour work will be done by SHG members themselves and Slurry/dung/waste already available at their place and these materials will be not procured by them, therefore, recurring cost (Labour Cost, Cost of procurement of Slurry/dung/waste) can be deducted from total recurring cost.

### **Economic Analysis**

Particulars	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Capital cost	156000	0	0	0	0
Recurring cost	20500	15000	16000	17000	18000
Total cost	176500	15000	16000	17000	18000
Total revenue	210000	235500	261000	281500	302000
Net profit	33500	220500	245000	264500	284000

**Distribution of net profite –** As per share in production.

### 11. Inferences of Economic Analysis

- Pit size for each member has been planned at 10X4X2 ft for one pit.
- Cost of production of vermi-compost comes to Rs. 3.2 per Kg
- Sale of vermi-compost (conservative side) is Rs. 6 per Kg
- Net profit will be Rs. 2.8 per Kg
- ⇒ It is proposed that each member will produce 2.7tonnes of vermicompost every year resulting in production of 35tonnesvermi-compost by all 13 members of SHG in one year.
- Cost of earthworm has been kept at Rs. 500.00 per kg
- During the second years onwards, there will be surplus earthwork for sale (as it will multiply during the process of production of vermi-compost)
- The vermi-compost making is a profitable IGA and can be taken up by the SHG members.

### 12. Fund requirement:

SI. No.	Particulars	Total Amount (Rs)	Project support	SHG contribution
1	Total capital cost	156000	117000	39,000
2	Total Recurring Cost	20500	0	20500
3	Trainings/ capacity building/skill up-gradation	50000	50000	0
	Total =	226500	167000	59500

#### Note-

- Capital Cost 75% of capital cost to be covered under the Project
- **Recurring Cost** To be borne by the SHG/CIG.
- Trainings/capacity building/ skill up-gradation To be borne by the Project

#### 13. Sources of fund:

project support;	• 75% of capital cost will be	rocurement of materials
	utilized for construction of pit	for pit/construction of
	(Size will be of 10ftX4ftX2ft)	pit will be done by respective DMU/FCCU
	<ul> <li>UptoRs 1 lakh will be parked in the SHG bank account.</li> </ul>	after following all codal formalities.
	<ul> <li>Trainings/capacity building/ skill up-gradation cost.</li> </ul>	

G contribution	25% of capital cost to be
	borne by SHG, this include cost
	of shed/construction of shed.
	<ul> <li>Recurring cost to be borne by SHG</li> </ul>

### 14. Bank loan repayment

If the loan is availed from bank it will be in the form of cash credit limit and for CCL there is not repayment schedule; however, the monthly saving and repayment receipt from members should be routed through CCL.

- In CCL, the principal loan outstanding of the SHG must be fully paid to the banks once a year. The interest amount should be paid on a monthly basis.
- In term loans, the repayment must be made as per the repayment schedule in the banks.

### 15. Trainings/Capacity Building/Skill Up-gradation

Trainings/capacity building/skill up-gradation cost will be borne by project.

Following are some trainings/capacity building/ skill up-gradation proposed/needed:

- Project Orientation Group Formation/ Reorganization
- Group Concept and Management
- Introduction to IGA (General)
- Marketing and Business Plan Development
- Bank Credit Linkages & Enterprise Development
- Exposure Visit of SHGs/ CIGs Within the State & Outside State

## 16. Monitoring Mechanism

- Social Audit Committee of the VFDS will monitor the progress and performance of the IGA and suggest corrective action if need be to ensure operation of the unit as per projection.
- ⇒ SHG should also review the progress and performance of the IGA of each member and suggest corrective action if need be to ensure operation of the unit as per projection.

Group members Photos -



Smt. MeenaKumari (Member) Smt. Ipana Devi (Member)

Smt. Sharda Devi (Member)



Smt. BalaDevi (Member)

Smt. Rekha Devi (Member)

Smt. Laxmi Devi (Member)



Smt. ShrawanKumari (Member) Smt. Usha Devi (Member)

Smt. Poonam Devi(M)



Smt. Leela Devi (Member) Sh. MangalDass( President) Smt. Sundri Devi(M)



Sh. Anil Kumar (Secretary )