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In India's fragmented and largely unorganized agriculture sector, innovation continues to be a transformative force. With rapid technological advancements and policy support, agri-tech startups are playing a pivotal role in reshaping rural economies and making farming more efficient, resilient, and sustainable.

The persistent gaps in market linkages, access to services, and robust networks remain significant challenges. However, incubators and accelerators have emerged as critical enablers, bridging these gaps by nurturing talent, providing structured funding, fostering digital adoption, and encouraging climate-smart practices. At MANAGE, we identify and nurture potentially disruptive ideas from aspiring agripreneurs and support them in building scalable, sustainable business models.

Our incubation programs provide access to co-working spaces, comprehensive business and technical mentoring, investor connections, and pilot testing facilities. We also emphasize digital empowerment, green technologies, and inclusive growth, ensuring that startups can thrive in today's dynamic agri-business landscape.

This Coffee Table Book is a tribute to the spirit of innovation and resilience demonstrated by these startups. It highlights selected success stories that showcase how young agri-entrepreneurs are making a measurable impact—reviving rural livelihoods, enhancing value chains, and contributing to a future-ready Indian agriculture.

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# Wasabak Global LLP





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Founder: Mr. Abdul Basith, Founded in 2013

MBA and M.Sc. in Physics.

Versatile background in automobiles, real estate, education, and export/import.

Proficient in SAP CRM,
Microsoft Office, with Six
Sigma Green Belt and JLR
Sales Process certifications.

Vision is to potentially revolve around growing Wasabak Global LLP into a successful enterprise with a focus on providing quality products and services in their respective industries.

Established as a supplier and trader of various products such as badam milk, apricot juice, and apple pulp.

Located at Hyderabad

Individuals or businesses looking to procure the mentioned products in bulk.

Different sectors and functional areas could add value to clients seeking consultancy or services related to automobiles, real estate, export/import, and education.

Developed expertise in sales, business development, and international trade, as well as in teaching and education.
Certifications in Six Sigma
Green Belt and JLR Sales
Process indicate a commitment to quality and efficiency in their operations.

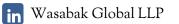
Revenue: 2 Lakhs











# Form DSS Agritech





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Founder: Mr. B. T. Gore, Founded in 2019

13+ years in Indian pomegranate farming. Handles large farms, export-quality produce. Global exposure to farming practices.

Producing ecologically safe, profitable crops for sustainable farming & nutritional security, harnessing India's demographic dividend.

Established promotes
sustainable farming through
research-based practices,
digital education, and
precision farming solutions. It
offers training, consulting,
and mobile applications for
farmers' needs.

Located at Ahmednagar, Maharashtra.

Cater to growers, agricultural consultants, and other stakeholders in the agriculture industry, providing them with a onestop solution for their information, knowledge, and consulting needs. Developed research-based farming practices, digital education platforms, and precision farming solutions.

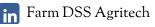
Training, consulting, and mobile applications for sustainable agriculture practices.

Revenue: 2 Lakhs









https://farmdss.com/2023/







## Tribe Grown Enterprise





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Founder: Mr. Bhavesh Wankhade, Founded in 2019

The market by directly connecting indigenous tribal and small-scale farmers with urban consumers, eliminating intermediaries. The startup trains these farmers to produce high-quality, natural products such as Wild Honey, Turmeric Powder, and Desi Cow Ghee, ensuring sustainable livelihoods.

By leveraging traditional, ecofriendly farming practices and minimal processing, Tribe Grown maintains the products purity and nutritional value. This approach not only preserves biodiversity but also promotes the health and economic stability of tribal communities.

Located at Maharashtra

Their offerings, including Wild Honey, Turmeric Powder, and Desi Cow Ghee, have gained popularity for their purity and health benefits. The brand ensures hygienic practices and ecological balance, providing urban consumers with affordable, chemical-free, and preservative-free natural products fresh from the wild.

Tribe Grown has successfully bridged the gap between rural producers and urban markets. The startup has trained numerous indigenous farmers in sustainable practices, resulting in the production of high-quality natural products.























Tribe Grown Enterprise Pvt. Ltd.



https://tribegrown.com/





# & Services (OPC) Pvt. Ltd.





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Founder: Mr. Dinesh Kumar VM, Founded in 2017

PGDFM from IIFM, Bhopal,
BPharm from Calicut
University. 10 years in
Natural Resources
Management, Forestry,
Conservation, Eco-tourism,
Livelihood, Branding,
Marketing.

Vision is to conservation of natural capital by empowering vulnerable communities dependent on it. Established to support 100
FPOs/CBOs (Farmer
Producer
Organizations/CommunityBased Organizations) to
achieve success through
sustainable business
practices.Empower one lakh
vulnerable tribal and marginal
farmers to earn better income
through the adoption of
sustainable forest produce
collection and agriculture
practices.

Located at Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

Developed eco-friendly products: sweets, Ayurvedic items, honey, spices, nuts, seeds, extracts. Sustainable harvesting, eco-processing.

Empower forest communities with technical, marketing support for sustainable agriculture and forest product supply chain.

Forest-dependent communities, consumers interested in natural and ecofriendly products, and those concerned with sustainable development and conservation.





Vanabandhu Natural Resource Management & Services (OPC) Pvt. Ltd.



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# Farm Prosperity Solutions (FPS)





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Founder: Mr. Rajesh Founded in 2018

Educated at Columbia
Business School, New York,
IIM-A (Agriculture Input
Marketing), and SGSITS,
Indore. Experienced in
commodities trading,
consulting, and project
management.

Vision is to establish a trusted and efficient agricultural ecosystem by leveraging innovative solutions and technology to enhance farming profitability, reduce input costs, and ensure better market price realization.

Established a Trusted & Efficient Agricultural Ecosystem strive to develop innovative solutions using the latest technologies to enhance the profitability of farming operations by reducing the cost of inputs & better market price realization.

Located at Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

Farmers, rural communities, and agricultural stakeholders seeking quality inputs, transparent pricing, convenient delivery, expert advice, and better output pricing and quality assessment

Developed the "Saarathi" agriinputs platform, which provides
access to quality products,
transparent pricing, and
convenient delivery within 24
hours. Additionally, it offers
farmer advisory services to
promote judicious expenditure,
better quality produce, and
improved yield.

Revenue: 10 Lakhs









in Farm Prosperity Solutions (FPS)





# VKF Agri Farms Pvt. Ltd.





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Founder: Mr. Narasana Gowda Veerapur

Mission is to empower marginal farmers through fair pricing, sustainable practices, and educational initiatives.

India faces challenges like waste, unemployment, low mushroom production and malnutrition. VKF Agri Farms addresses these by promoting sustainable mushroom cultivation and improving nutrition.

## Located at Karnataka

VKF Agri Farms proposes
"The Mushroom House," a
community-focused initiative
for cultivating mushrooms,
addressing challenges like
agricultural waste
management, unemployment,
and malnutrition. By
combining farm-to-fork
principles with eco-friendly
practices, VKF Agri Farms
delivers fresh, chemical-free
produce, empowers marginal
farmers, and promotes
sustainable agriculture.

## Key Benefits

- I. Sustainable Farming Practices
- 2. Empowering Marginal Farmers
  - 3. Nutritious Food Production
- 4. Zero Waste Management

Has revolutionized sustainable agriculture and empowered local communities by establishing a network of marginal farmers. The startup promotes fair pricing, sustainable farming practices, and educates communities through interactive farm tours.























## Kshethra Life Sciences Pvt Ltd





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Founder: Mr. D. Mayil Vaganan

Kshethra Life Sciences Private Limited (develops innovative, eco-friendly pest control products using pheromone technology and microbial solutions, ensuring sustainable farming practices.

The company also produces green tech-enabled plant biostimulant products, boosting organic agriculture and reducing dependence on chemical fertilizers.

It has achieved significant milestones in 2021 with its innovative organic pest control solutions, reducing pesticide residues and promoting safer food production.

> Located at Hyderabad

KLSPL has developed innovative organic pest control solutions that reduce the impact of pesticide residues on crops

The company's patented green technology and comprehensive product line have driven strong and sustainable business growth, with successful filing of annual returns up to March 2023.



- 1. Reduced Pesticide Residues 2. Safer Food Production
  - 3. Sustainable Agriculture
- 4. Cost-Effective Solutions









- Kshethra Life Sciences Pvt Ltd
  - https://www.facebook.com/pro file.php?id=100063707749109







# **Uyokching Foods LLP**





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**UYOKCHING FOODS** LLP, founded in 2022, produces and wholesales authentic indigenous foods of North East India, using traditional fermentation methods.

Marginalized women in Manipur's SC and ST communities lack economic opportunities and struggle to monetize their cultural heritage. while demand for chemicalfree, traditional indigenous foods goes unmet

#### **UYOKCHING FOODS LLP**

addresses the issues by empowering marginalized women, preserving traditional fermentation methods, and expanding market reach for indigenous foods

> Located at Assam

The startup empowers marginalized women, integrates cultural heritage with sustainable rural livelihoods, and offers chemical-free products like SOIBUM-fermented bamboo shoot and other indigenous specialties.

The core innovation lies in traditional fermentation, cultural integration, and sustainable livelihoods, creating economic opportunities for rural women and preserving North East India's cultural heritage.



- 1. Chemical-free health benefits
- 2. Economic empowerment for marginalized women
- 3. Cultural preservation of traditional food practices
- 4. Expanded market reach for indigenous foods









- in Uyokching Foods LLP
  - https://www.uyokchingfoods.com/







## Farmvic Livestock Technology Pvt. Ltd.





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Founder: Mr. Manoj Malik

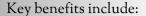
Farmvic Livestock
Technology Private Limited
(FLTPL) innovates in the
agriculture industry with its
Animal Nutrition Resource
Centre (ANRC), providing
scientifically formulated
animal feeding solutions
and promoting sustainable
agriculture practices.

The agriculture industry faces challenges in optimizing livestock nutrition and integrating sustainable practices with crop growth.

Farmvic Livestock Technology tackles livestock challenges with its Animal Nutrition Resource Centre, offering tailored feeding solutions for optimal health and productivity, promoting sustainable agriculture.

Located at Rajasthan

FLTPL's innovation,
ANRC, combines
advanced technologies
with sustainable practices
to provide customized
livestock nutrition,
supporting overall farm
sustainability



- 1. Improved livestock health
  - 2. Enhanced farm productivity
- 3. Sustainable agriculture practices

Established the pioneering ANRC initiative, filing annual returns up to March 2023, and being recognized for innovation and sustainable practices.



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Farmvic Livestock Technology Pvt. Ltd.











#### **RKVY-RAFTAAR**

Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana – Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied Sector Rejuvenation (RKVY – RAFTAAR) was launched in 2017-18 by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (MoA & FW), Government of India, to give impetus to agriculture and allied sectors through promotion of innovation and agripreneurship by facilitation of financial aid to agribusiness incubation centres.

The objective of RKVY-RAFTAAR is to support incubation of agribusiness by tapping and harnessing the innovations and technologies for creating new ventures in agriculture. Under regular RKVY-RAFTAAR scheme, 70% of the annual outlay is allocated among States according to the given criteria under three heads, viz.,

- (i) Infrastructure & Assets;
- (2) Valueaddition-linked Production Projects (Agribusiness Models); and
- (3) Flexi Funds.

The Innovation and agri-entrepreneurship development comes under RKVY-RAFTAAR special subschemes. Under this, 10% of the annual outlay is allocated for encouraging innovation and agri entrepreneurs through skill development and financial support. It will support incubates, incubation centres, Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), awards, etc.

To specifically cater to the needs and approaches for agribusiness promotion, the Government of India launched a remodelled RKVY-RAFTAAR in 2017-18 with an element of innovation and agrientrepreneurship. This initiative strives to provide an impetus to promote agripreneurship and agritech startups. In this process, incubation facilities and expertise already available with participating academic, technical, management and R & D institutions in the country shall be utilised on an individual or collective basis to harness their synergies.

Website: https://rkvy.da.gov.in





## **MANAGE-CIA**

MANAGE – Centre for Innovation and Agripreneurship (CIA) is a Centre of Excellence (CoE) in Agribusiness Incubation and Knowledge Partner for strengthening, hand-holding and demonstrating best practices to the RKVY-RAFTAAR Agri-Business Incubators (R-ABIs).

MANAGE was established in 1987, as the National Centre for Management of Agricultural Extension at Hyderabad, by the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India, as an autonomous Institute. In recognition of its importance and expansion of activities all over the country, its status was elevated to that of a National Institute in 1992 and rechristened to its present name, i.e., National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management. MANAGE is the Indian response to challenges of Agricultural Extension in a rapidly growing and diverse agriculture sector.

MANAGE strives to nourish agri-startups at every stage and reinforces its unflagging support to all such agri-startups and agripreneurs, who contribute to the betterment of the agricultural and allied sectors, and thereby contribute to the country's GDP and economic growth.

Website: https://www.manage.gov.in/managecia/



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