

SANKALPTARU FOUNDATION

1,000,000

Trees planted & survived

WE'VE PLANTED OUR MILLIONTH TREE!

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EIGHT YEARS AGO,

we started with the simple aim to make India a greener country. 5000 acres of new green spaces later, we have hit **1 MILLION TREES**.

THANK YOU to our individual donors for giving generously to our goal, THANK YOU to our excellent farmers who trusted our vision and without whom none of this would have been possible, THANK YOU to our hardworking staff in offices and the outdoors who look after the trees day in and day out, and THANK YOU to our corporate partners for supporting our mission.

Your support has been invaluable in making this milestone possible. We hope you will continue supporting us in changing lives and landscapes.

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PROJECT GREEN ARUNACHAL IS GO

A biodiversity hub, the state of Arunachal Pradesh is India's easternmost state with lush forests and trees. However, farmers face difficulties in accessing good quality saplings which give higher yields and this is further compounded by a lack of technical expertise.

To address these challenges, SankalpTaru joined hands with local farmers to plant **lychee** and **seedless lemon** saplings in Papum Pare district. So far, **100 trees** have been planted in the hilly landscape.



ONGC BECOMES A PARTNER IN RAJASTHAN

The SankalpTaru Foundation has partnered with the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation to plant fodder-bearing trees such as **neem**, **tamarind**, and **shami**, among others, in Ghotaru village, Rajasthan. The conversion of barren and dry land into a biodiversity hub will not only create green spaces in the desert but the trees will also act as a windbreaker during dust storms.



POMEGRANATES ARE HARVESTED IN RAJASTHAN

The SankalpTaru Foundation planted **pomegranate trees** in Chokla village, Rajasthan to help farmers gain an additional source of income. Three years on, the trees have started producing fruits that farmers sell in the market.

Tipu Devi is one of these hardworking farmer beneficiaries who planted pomegranate trees nearly four years ago. The fruits she is harvesting today are of the best quality.



BANANA DISTRIBUTION AT THE PEEPAL RESEARCH CENTRE

The SankalpTaru Foundation sends goody bags to people who plant 10 or more trees online. But they sometimes come back unclaimed or are unable to be sent out to overseas customers. To make up for the cost of the goody bags, the organisation recently distributed **bananas** to street children and students who live close to the PEEPAL Research Centre in Uttarakhand. The delicious bananas not only served as a beacon for kindness but also as a nutritious option for children.



MAHABALIPURAM PLANTATION IN TAMIL NADU TO HONOUR DR. A. P. J. ABDUL KALAM

On land owned by the Mahabalipuram Town Panchayat amid the charming coastal beauty of Tamil Nadu, the SankalpTaru Foundation planted **native saplings** to create a high-density forest in the famous tourist site to honour one of India's foremost scientists and former President, Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam. The Foundation partnered with Shanti Travel and Expleo Group to plant these saplings, some of which were planted using the Miyawaki method. After two years of maintenance the land will be handed back to the local authorities and residents, who will benefit from the income provided by the fruit trees. This initiative will also improve the soil fertility of the area and increase biodiversity in the coastal region.



SAMASTA MICROFINANCE PLANT TREES IN FOUR CITIES

The Samasta Microfinance team planted **fruit** and **shade-giving trees** in four cities to increase green spaces and combat air pollution. The residents of Bengaluru, Coimbatore, Jaipur and Kolkata will enjoy cleaner air because of this.



THE VIVEK AND VANDANA SHARMA FOUNDATION SUPPORTS FARMERS IN VIDARBHA

The Vidarbha region in Maharashtra is extremely dry and crop failures are a frequent cause of farmer suicides. To support the livelihood of farming families, the SankalpTaru foundation partnered with the Vivek and Vandana Sharma Foundation to plant more than **5000 guavas, custard apple** and **orange saplings** in Buldhana district, with more to come.



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