



ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21

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LETTER FROM THE FOUNDER



As this world now adapts to the crisis of COVID-19, we at SankalpTaru have really reinforced our efforts to conserve nature. The financial year started with a challenge of COVID crisis leading to lockdown which brought a challenge of mobilizing our team and beneficiaries towards protecting and nurturing trees and saplings.

So, we made a special task force which ensured that wherever we have Barren Land Transformation Programs, our operations go unhindered and were continued at a war-foot level as summers were onsetting too. Hence, thanks to our Operations Team who continued operations despite many challenges, following all the COVID related protocols.

Moreover, the coordinators were also in touch with farmers to ensure the healthy growing of the trees planted by our donors under Rural Livelihood Program, PAN India. In addition, unlike the industry norms of sacking employees, we at SankalpTaru were able to retain all the employees in these difficult times and even continue hiring people who were passionate for the cause.

I am also grateful to our individual donors and corporate partners who have shown continued support to the cause and SankalpTaru. With the help of their donations, we started the 'One Tree, One Meal' campaign in Maharashtra, Rajasthan, and Assam. Our humanitarian efforts helped the needy as for every tree planted, we waived off the admin fees and fed them a meal instead, hence feeding more than 10000 meals in a span of 1 month.

Furthermore, our operations have expanded across new geographies for planting trees and greening India including a collaboration with The Green Hero, Padma Shri, Jadhav Payeng for developing Molai Forest 2.0, an island in Brahmaputra, in Jorhat, Assam, and with Sonam Wangchuk for Carbon-Neutral Ladakh.

The pandemic has made humans realise the importance of environment conservation as Mother Nature protects only if she is protected.

Moving ahead, we have created a roadmap of protecting Mother Nature and achieving a target of 2 million trees this year with the help of your generous contributions. Further, there are new initiatives planned for the next year, and we will increase the speed of our plantation and environmental conservation with your efforts.

We absolutely look forward to your patronage.

APURVA BHANDARI
FOUNDER

THE YEAR AT A GLANCE

IMPACT CREATED



No. of trees planted - 6,00,000



Co2 Sequestered - 300 Kg Tonnes



O2 Released - 575 Kg Tonnes



Farmers Supported - 4200



Villagers Impacted - 20,000



Students Outreached - 9000



Fruits Produced - 5040 Tonnes



Economic Value Generated - Rs 2,52,00,000

ASSUMPTIONS

Farmer has 4 family members including him/herself

Each family has 1.5 students

Each farmer has 100 trees

MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAST YEAR



As soon as the national lockdown was called in India, the SankalpTaru Foundation was left with a very tricky choice. On one hand, we decided to safeguard our farmer beneficiaries and operational crew, and on the other, we didn't stop looking after our trees and saplings with our IT enabled platform that came in handy to monitor our operations remotely. Also, with the contributions of our donors, we were able to run a couple of successful campaigns to bring some relief to the rural and tribal communities facing sustenance challenges in the difficult times.

Launch of The One Tree One Meal Campaign

Keeping in mind and following all the precautionary measures of personal and social hygiene set down by the World Health Organization and the Central Government, we began the One Tree One Meal campaign. India Development Services (IDS) and CARING FRIENDS played a major role in making the campaign a huge success with more than 7000 meals, sponsored to migrant workers stuck in Shegaon, Maharashtra and Barmer, Rajasthan. Watch our youtube video on how we observed the 'Clean and Green' while meal distribution at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kL6il-Fn5iqE>





Partnering with Sonam Wangchuk for a Carbon Neutral Ladakh

The initiative of paying voluntary tax by planting trees with Sonam Wangchuk received an overwhelming response by thousands of trees being planted, converting barren lands into fruit orchards and vegetational assets, conserving groundwater, reversing climate change, and helping Ladakhi farmers escape poverty. The income from these trees is now helping the local communities to provide their children with a quality education.



Launch of GramYumm Directly From Village

The SankalpTaru Foundation conceived Gramyumm- Directly From Village, which sources organic products directly from the fields of rural farmers to the consumers via an online platform. The platform ensures that all the profits and benefits go directly to the farmers by eliminating the middlemen.

Shop the ethically sourced products and help rural farmers at:

<https://gramyumm.sankalptaru.org/>



Kickstart of 'Joy of Giving' Fundraiser Campaign

Due to extreme snowfall and harsh winters, Ladakh remains disengaged from the rest of the world and this hinders the socio-physiological development of children there. The launch of 'Joy of Giving' campaign in 2020 raised funds to donate books, toys and solar lanterns to make their learning fun and growth uninterrupted. This was sponsored by Milliman India Pvt Ltd.



Maharashtra Documentary Release

We launched a documentary named SankalpTaru@Maharashtra which covered the plight of farmers in the state due to extreme weather conditions, which led them to take steps like committing suicide because of their inability to pay high debts. The documentary portrays the steps taken by the SankalpTaru Foundation to help the farmers using agro-forestry practices which help in mitigating the risk of crop failures.

Watch the video at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y-qSoYxdcnYM>





Willingpen Chronicled Our Journey

Willinpen, the national blog site covering lifestyle, fashion, parenting, and events, published our journey of greening the planet since 2012.

Give it a read at: <https://wiggling-pen.com/apurva-bhandari-making-earth-green-with-sankalp-taru/?fbclid=IwAR3G-ED8pi7ayBikQnKnuF-2EzdhYlmehtgkbOERqlcyweXPctVuoB962y4>

Distribution of Masks And Sanitizers in the Lockdown

As the lockdown extended, the One Tree One Meal campaign expanded towards the second phase. Chandana Vana, our Rural Growth Centre, situated in Chikmagalur, Karnataka, distributed masks and sanitizers to the people there in order to contain the spread of Coronavirus. Check out the involvement of the staff, volunteers and the people.





Rural India Employment Campaign to Support Farmers in Pandemic

We initiated a rural India employment campaign for 50,000+ person hours in lieu of migrants returning back to their villages due to lockdown. The campaign began in Uttarakhand by generating employment opportunities to people for plantation activities along with other sustainable development activities.



Meal Distribution Campaign for Food Victims in Jorhat, Assam

While the pandemic kept the world on its knees, the incessant rainfall hit the state of Assam, leading to devastating floods. The Meal Distribution campaign was sponsored by Microsoft and Intas Pharmaceuticals and was inaugurated by the Forest Man of India, Padma Shri Jadav Molai Payeng.

LATEST WITH TECHNOLOGY:

Introducing Circular Economy at PEEPAL Research Centre

With the vision of integrating Livestock Management, Biogas Production and Organic Farming, SankalpTaru Foundation embarked on a new journey with a promise to be more sustainable and lead a zero waste life. The model of Circular Economy has been conceptualized and incorporated as a fundamental principle for the functioning of SankalpTaru's PEEPAL Research Centre of SankalpTaru Foundation.

To know more, visit the website: <http://prc.sankalptaru.org/>



LATEST WITH TECHNOLOGY:

Installation of Solar Dryers in Ladakh

Because of the harsh weather conditions and rocky terrains of Ladakh, farmers struggle with preserving their yield due to slow transportation of their produce to the mainstream sellers which leads to a lot of food spoilage. With your donations, we have been able to install solar dryers for our farmers in Ladakh to help them increase the shelf life of their produce and enhance their sources of income.



LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

Rural Livelihood Upliftment Model



mamaearthTM

Mamaearth's #PlantGoodness Brings Goodness to Rural Farmers

Under its initiative #PlantGoodness, Mamaearth plants a tree in the name of the customer for every purchase through their website. In 2021 alone, SankalpTaru Foundation has planted thousands of trees for Mamaearth on the lands of our farmer beneficiaries of Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Haryana under the Rural Livelihood Plantation Program, strengthening their food security and sovereignty.

accenture

Changing The Game With Accenture

Accenture, the American-Irish multinational professional services company, joined hands with SankalpTaru Foundation for the fourth consecutive year to organize a Rural Livelihood Plantation program under its "Game Changer" initiative in Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh. Fruit Bearing saplings of Guava were planted on the lands of our farmer beneficiaries, which, in the years to come, will yield juicy Guavas and help in bettering his livelihood.



LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

Rural Livelihood Upliftment Model

Mahindra
FINANCE

Mahindra Finance Planting for Rural India

Mahindra Finance, a one-stop solution to your financial needs, shared the responsibility to better the lives of marginal farmers with SankalpTaru Foundation under its "Tree Plantation Drive" initiative. Fruit bearing saplings of Guava and Lemon were planted on the lands of our various farmer beneficiaries in Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh.

TATA STEEL

Virtual Plantations by Tata Steel

The Indian multinational steel manufacturer TATA Steel Ltd. planted trees online across the nation to bring benefits to the country's marginal farmers and uplift their livelihoods. A dedicated link was created for its employees through which they could see the exact location of their trees.



LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

Rural Livelihood Upliftment Model



TATA MOTORS

Going Green With Tata Motors

India's biggest automobile manufacturer, Tata Motors took a pledge to spread greenery with their initiative "GoGreen". Now for purchase and service of commercial vehicles with Tata Motors, the company in collaboration with SankalpTaru Foundation plants trees for its customers.



Club Mahindra Partnered With Us to Support Rural Farmers

Thousands of trees were sponsored by one of India's largest travel companies, Club Mahindra, a part of the Mahindra Group. The plantation activity was carried out in Chikmagalur, Karnataka on the lands of 7 farmers under Project Hasiru Sankalpa.

LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

Rural Livelihood Upliftment Model



DHL Strengthens Rural Economy of India

The International German courier and express mail service, DHL has been our partner since a long time and has never compromised when it came to serving its social responsibility towards the nation by supporting its rural farmers by planting fruit bearing trees of Guava and Orange on their lands. Micro-drip irrigation systems were installed to deliver water to accentuate the growth of these trees.



Yatra Lets Its Trees Travel Too

One of the finest travel agencies Yatra.com joined hands with SankalpTaru to plant fruit bearing trees of Lemon, Malta, Mausambi on the lands of our farmer beneficiaries of Uttarakhand under our Project Protect Himalayas.



LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

Rural Livelihood Upliftment Model

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Expleo Urges the Humanity to Let the Trees Live

A trusted partner of SankalpTaru Foundation for the last three years, Expleo is one of the biggest names in digital transformation. With their motto "Let Them Live", the corporation took a pledge towards planting and protecting trees for a healthier, happier, and cleaner planet. A wide variety of fruit-bearing saplings were planted on the lands of some of our farmer-beneficiaries in Panvel, Maharashtra to create the biodiversity-rich fruit orchard.

Reaping Bumper Harvest of Pomegranates at Barmer, Rajasthan

SankalpTaru Foundation, with the support from donors from the entire nation, has been able to reap a bumper harvest of the highest quality of Pomegranates at our Research Centre in Barmer, Rajasthan. The pomegranate trees planted a few years ago and nurtured with scientific precision and love gave way to a harvest that made us all proud. The high quality of pomegranates produced will lead to their export and excellent remuneration for our farmer-beneficiaries of Barmer.



LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

Rural Livelihood Upliftment Model



Launch of Project Harit Madhya to Uplift Rural Livelihoods

SankalpTaru Foundation introduced Project Harit Madhya to revitalise greenery affected by overgrazing and deforestation due to industrialisation and add an additional source of income for the rural and tribal communities of Madhya Pradesh.

LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

Community Land Plantation Model



ONGC Transform Barren Thar Into a Lush Green Area

A community biodiverse forest is developed by SankalpTaru Foundation in collaboration with ONGC in the desert land of Ghotaru, Jaisalmer, Rajasthan. Since the land is in close proximity to the Indo-Pakistan border, we extended our tribute to the Border Security Forces (BSF), situated very close to the plantation site by mapping out the plantation design in such a way that it will read "INDIA" from an aerial perspective. Watch the transformation video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RHf-DWK5a9I8&t=1s>

Paying Tribute to Dr. Abdul Kalam With a Seashore Facing Forest

To pay our tribute to the first person to plant a tree with SankalpTaru, former president Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, we started a community land plantation program in the year 2019 near Kovalam road on the local Panchayat's land, located very close to the seashore of Mamallapuram, Tamil Nadu. This Community Land Transformation project will help to bring back biodiverse flora and fauna and help to build a green boundary from the storms protecting the seashore of Mamallapuram.

LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

Community Land Plantation Model



Enriching 'Oxygen Lungs' of Telangana Through Hyderabad City Forest

With the vision of creating 'Oxygen Enriched Lungs' in the Basuragadi village of Medchal district of Telangana, SankalpTaru got together with the Telangana State Forest Department Corporation in 2019 to develop a mini forest for the Medchal community on a 5 hectare land. Currently, 5000 plants with 46 plant species are being nurtured in which 4000 plants are being grown using Urban Permaculture technique and the rest 1000 are planted using conventional methods.



LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

Community Land Plantation Model



Expanding Community Land Plantation to Pune, Maharashtra

The foundation of Pune Community Land Plantation was laid in July, 2020 on a 20 acre of land in order to increase the urban greenery of Maharashtra. The plantation has been facilitated by installing a drip irrigation and water harvesting system that navigates rainwater and water from the nearest pond into the fields for sustaining the cultivation.



NEC

NEC Plantation Across India

NEC Technologies, the leading ICT Company fulfilled its Social Corporate Responsibility by planting thousands of trees for rural farmers across Uttar Pradesh under our Rural Livelihood Support Model.

LATEST FROM SANKALPTARU

OPERATIONAL MODELS:

City Based Plantation Model



S&P Global

S&P Global Builds Vertical Forest Amidst Hyderabad

S&P Global and SankalpTaru Foundation joined hands to undertake an experiment of urban landscaping in Hyderabad. We took up the project to develop a green space below the Gachibowli or the Biodiversity Flyover of Hyderabad. More than 20,000 plants were supplied to the site, vertical landscaping installed for efficiency, an irrigation system installed and the flyover was transformed into a green haven!



TESTIMONIALS FROM THE GROUND:

Celebrating Courageous Story of Our Woman Beneficiary, Prema Devi

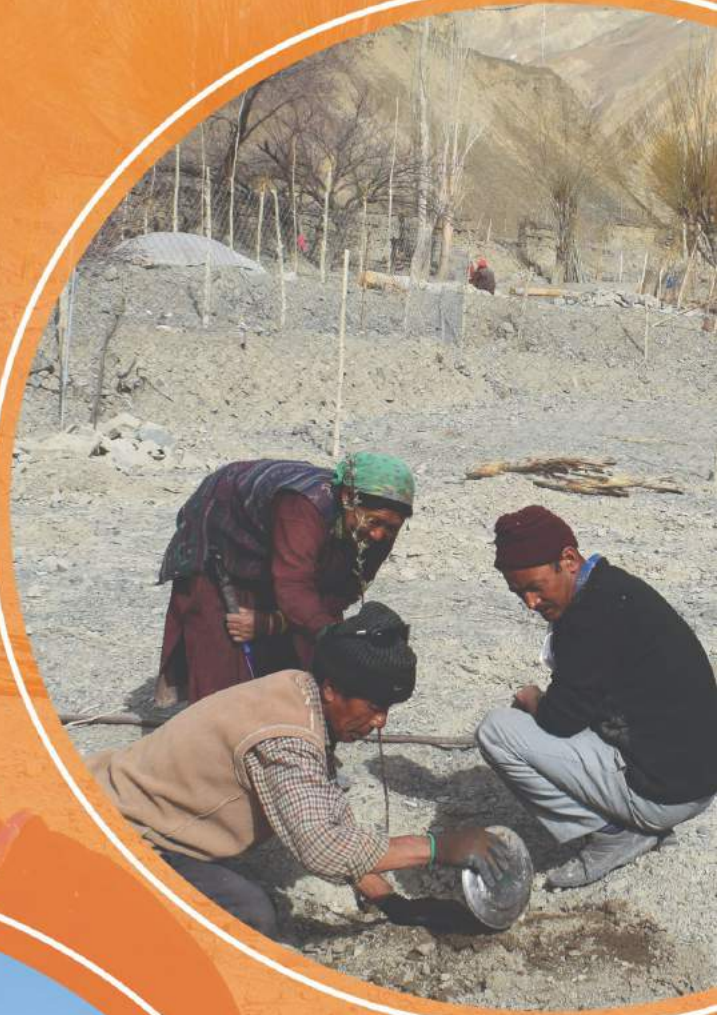
This is a story of one of our woman farmer beneficiaries, Prema Devi of Lamasur, Uttarakhand. At the age of 65 years, one of her immobile hands also could not hold her back from learning new agricultural techniques and wanting to plant new varieties of fruit saplings on her land. SankalpTaru Foundation honored her undying enthusiasm and planted 200 fruit bearing saplings of apple, peach, plum, and apricot on her land in 2019. She not only managed to produce apples within the intended time of 2 years but also secured additional income for her family by cultivating and selling dandelions alongside her fruit orchard. She continues to inspire and empower other women from her village by imparting them the skills she learned from our team members.



TESTIMONIALS FROM THE GROUND:

Assisting Flash Flood Victim, Sonam Wangchuk

In July, a small village of Ladakh, Wanla was devastated by flash floods. The flood damaged irrigation and buried fertile lands. Sonam Wangchuk whose field had been swept away by the flood became our farmer beneficiary and received our support and years later, his denuded farm has now been transformed into lush apple and apricot orchards.



TESTIMONIALS FROM THE GROUND:

100% Survival of Himangshu Dutta's Trees

With the help and support of all our patrons, we have been able to give the denuded farm of Himangshu Dutta from Assam, a new life. Saplings of seedless lemons were planted on his field in December 2019 and after a year of his extreme hard work, resulted in a 100% survival rate, doubling his income due to high returns from premium quality lemons.



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW 2020-21

SANKALPTARU FOUNDATION

Gandhi Nagar, Badrishi Colony Lane No. 1, Near Uttaranchal Public School, P.O. Nehru Gram, DEHRADUN -248001

Society Registration No. 388/2011-2012 Dated 13-02-2012 File No. 26022D

I Tax 12AA Registration No. (4/20)/A.O. Tech/12A/60/2013-14/514 dated 21-04-2013 of I.T. Commissioner Dehradun

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 st March 2021

FUNDS & LIABILITIES	AMOUNT	ASSETS	AMOUNT
CAPITAL FUND :		FIXED ASSETS :	
Opening Balance	14541465.08	Computer & Laptops	
ADD. : Excess of Income over Expenditure		Opening Balance C/f as per last B/S	784237.99
(Transferred from Income & Exp. A/c)	7609947.38	Cameras -Opening Balance C/f	8500.00
	22,151,412.46	Land -	
ENDOWMENT/EARMARKED FUND :		Opening Balance C/f as per last B/S	3776098.00
Opening Balance C/f as per last B/S	5875352.00	Building - Research Centre	
ADD: Addition during the year	-	Opening Balance C/f as per last B/S	1128794.18
LESS : Utilized during the year	-	Mobile Phones -Opening Balance C/f	196187.20
	5,875,352.00	Vehicles -	
SECURED LOAN :		Opening Balance C/f as per last B/S	1400161.00
Term Loan from ICICI Bank, Dehradun		Inverter & Battery - Op. Balance	55545.41
T/L a/c No. 0037512508	433744.00	Furniture & Fixtures - op. Balance	183540.00
(for Bolero Camper)	433,744.00	Electrical & Electronic Items - Op ba	199385.15
CURRENT LIABILITIES & PROVISIONS :		Water Motors, Pump & Tanks	
Sundry Creditors	497706.90	Opening Balance C/f as per last B/S	172900.00
Loans & Advances	139834.00	Solar Energy System - Research Centre	
Audit Fee Payable	20000.00	Opening Balance C/f as per last B/S	52640.00
TDS Payable	28020.00		7,957,988.93
Site Contractors Payable	1687280.00	CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS & ADVANCES :	
Professional Fee Payable	65000.00	Cash in hand	122,329.27
Provident Fund (EPF) Payable	61597.00	Imprest Account with Site Staff	23,712.00
	2,499,437.90	Bank Balances -	
TOTAL	30,959,946.36	State Bank of India, Dehradun	1029477.73
		ICICI Bank Ltd., Dehradun	6949228.09
		Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.-FCRA	2253681.26
		Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd., D Dun	80928.00
		Punjab National Bank A/C-3122	17927.60
		Bank of Baroda, Dehradun	385076.14
		Security Deposits - with parties	30,000.00
		Loans & Advances	3,548,334.34
		Sundry Debtors	8,093,679.00
		TDS Recoverable (AY 2020-21 to AY 2021-2022)	467,584.00
		TOTAL	30,959,946.36

NOTE :- Notes to Accounts and significance accounting policy attached.

Date :- 30-12-2021 For Sankalptaru Foundation

Place : Dehradun

Treasurer

Secretary

President

As per our report attached on even date

For THAPLIYAL & ASSOCIATES

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED on 31 st March 2021

EXPENDITURE		AMOUNT	INCOME		AMOUNT
To Plantation Expenses -			By Members Donations received from -		
Electricity & Fuel Expenses	157,502.00		General members for E -Plantation	9017003.54	
Labour Wages	22,614,443.00		General members for Plantation	1823914.00	10,840,917.54
Labour Welfare Expenses	360,918.76				
Nursery Expenses at sites	249,350.00				
Procurement of Sapplings & Plants	20,007,839.50		By Plantation Amount received during the year	55962722.30	55,962,722.30
Transportation of Sapplings & Plants	574,185.00				
Site Development Expenses	2,295,636.32		By Donation/ Contribution from Foreign for Plantation activities received	6316826.42	6,316,826.42
Pesticides & Seed Expenses	104,677.00				
Training & Development of Workers	11,577.00		By Interest on Income tax refund	129634.00	129,634.00
Site Office expenses	621,213.00				
Hiring of JCB & other Machines	152,208.00		By Bank Interest on Saving A/c's (ICICI Bank & Kotak Mahindra Bank)	267432.00	267,432.00
Irrigation Infrastructure Devp. Exps	77,615.00				
Repair & Maintenance Exps at Site	111,095.00				
Travelling & Conveyance Exps. Sites	1,258,709.36				
Research Centre Expenses	2,360,625.97	50,957,594.91			
To Administrative Expenses -					
Offices Maintenance Expenses	602,398.45				
Rent Offices	457,889.00				
Covid -19 Food Exps for poor	236,073.00				
Provident Fund- Employer Share	332,620.00				
Telephone, Internet & Mobile Expenses	51,429.64				
Website, Network & Computer Exps	637,646.40				
Travelling & Conveyance Expenses	298,639.50				
Product & Marketing Research Exps.	809,930.02				
Financial Exps.- Charges & Interest	91,393.25				
Business Development expenses	6,304.04				
Conferences & Seminar Expenses	313,351.76				
Audit Fees	20,000.00				
Legal Fee & Professional Charges	773,062.00				
Courier & Postage Expenses	4,361.00				
Electricity & Water Expenses	14,452.81				
Fees Taxes & Charges	999.00				
Insurance expenses	55,157.27				
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,434.98				
Printing & Stationery Expenses	17,752.24				
Salaries & allowances	9,268,213.00				
Staff Welfare & Benefit Expenses	501,567.00				
Stipend	42,694.00				
Vehicle Running Expenses	411,623.61	14,949,989.97			
To Excess of Income Over Expenditure Carried down To Balance Sheet - Capital Fund		7,609,947.38			
TOTAL		73,517,532.26	TOTAL		73,517,532.26

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