



Onion a Success Story

Name of the farmer: **Sundhen Muduli**

01. Parentage: W/o- Eshwar Muduli

02. Mobile No. :xxxx

03. Age : 42 years

04. Village : Pedisil in Dasmantpur block

05. District: Koraput

06. State: Odisha

07. Land holding (Ha): 1.4 hac.

08. Altitude: xxxx

09. Detail introduction of farmer: Sundhen Muduli is a PKVY beneficiary. She is holding 4.00 acres (1.6hac.) of land includes two acres of upland, one acre of middle land and 1.00 acre of low land. She has converted 2 acres of land in to Organic farming. In uplands she is cultivating Millets, pulses, oilseeds and in low land she is cultivating Paddy in organic way of cultivation. In middle lands she has been cultivating only one crop in Kharif season with varieties of vegetables like, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Brinjal, Tomato, Onion, Chilly, Beans, ladies finger etc. in organic way. In Rabi season the upland and middle land are not used due to lack of irrigation facilities. She is fully depending on natural water resource and rain water. From the very beginning, she has been using only cow dung compost for farming. The farm output at that period was barely sufficient for her to feed her family. Economic benefits from these vegetables were also negligible. They were not in a position to afford chemical pesticides to protect their crops against common diseases. After PKVY intervention she has used 0.50 acres of land for onion cultivation .50 acres of land for vegetable cultivation. In her farm she is using Handi Khoto, Cow dung Compost, Panchagabya etc. She also has taken some training to prepare the organic fertilizers and pesticides through PKVY program from the Resource Organisation “Agramee”. Last year she had cultivated .50 acres of land for vegetables cultivation like, Brinjal, Cully flower, Cabbage, Tomato, Beans, Chilly, and Maize etc. with another .50 acres of land used for Onion cultivation. She was cultivated all crops and vegetables in organic

way of farming. She can now effectively prevent pest attacks using organic pesticides prepared by her. She has got hand hold supports from “Agramee” Staffs on preparation of Organic pesticides and fertilizers. She stores her onion in a traditional way ensuring long life. All the onions was tied and hanged from roof in the kitchen. Onions will be exposed to small amount of smoke and this will protect it from insect attacks and will also increase its shell life. The onions keeping in the photograph is an organic product.



10. Name of the FPC/FPO: Dashamantapur Cashew Development Processing & Marketing Producer Company Ltd.
11. Achievements of Farmers: This not only stabilized her farm but also increased the output significantly. She has earned a profit of Rs. 15000/- only from onion cultivation and Rs. 10,000/- from vegetable cultivation. Before PKVY program she was cultivating that land in traditional way only using cow dung compost so, the output was very less. It was very difficult to manage her family in a low budget income. After PKVY intervention her source of income increased. Her two kids are studding in district school.
12. Family Members: 05 members including 2 girl child & 1boy
13. Major crops grown: Brinjal, Cully flower, Cabbage, Tomato, Beans, Chilly as vegetables. Maize, Finger Millets, Kandula, Alsi, Mustard, Kangu and Koshla etc as Millets, Pulses and Oil seeds.
14. Certification Status: Eligible for Organic Green Certificates. (Second year continuing)
15. Detail of intervention: following assistance provided to the beneficiary under MOVCDNER/PKVY:
 - Rs. 6000/- provided for organic farming.
 - Three days residential training on Organic farming & preparation of Organic fertilizers and Organic Pesticides. (Handi Khato, Cow dung Compost, Panchagabya, Jivamruta, Bijamruta)
 - Exposure visit to PRAYAS, Organic farms and group discussion with Organic farmers for transmission of technology.
 - Vermi-Compost pit
 - Dhanicha seeds
16. Where do you sell your produce? Local markets
17. What kind of packaging material used by the farmers? Gunny bags
18. Does organic farming beneficial for you? Yes
19. Any increment in income after implementation of scheme? Yes income increased. It is two times than before.

20. Any other related information? Irrigation is the main constraint in the way of farming. It should be shorted out on a priority basis. Without proper irrigation facilities Organic farming not possible. For better livelihood and food security of Tribal people, it's necessary they should stand in their own strength. It will possible when we strengthen them especially in farming. PKVY program is the best example for tribal development.