

Recognizing Farmers for their Efforts in the Conservation of Landscapes & Landraces – A case from The Western Ghats, India

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THE GOVERNMENT

Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights Act, 2001 (PPV&FR Act)
Govt of India

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Farmers as Cultivators, Conservators & Breeders

Registration of Farmers' Varieties

Genome Savior Community Recognition

Gene Fund & Genome Savior Award

SUMMARY:

- Action Research on SEPLs* and Landraces
- Building Capacity of Rural and Tribal Farmers
- Translating PPV&FR Act for the communities
- Farmers and Scientist working together
- Facilitating Recognition & Rewards
- SEPLs* and Landraces protected
- Established 4C Continuum of Biodiversity (Conservation, Cultivation, Consumption and Commerce)

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KNOWLEDGE FACILITATION & CAPACITY BUILDING

Empowerment of Barefoot practitioners

Community mobilization

Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights Act (PPV&FR) translated to Local language

Grassroot Institutions

SEED CARE

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Wayanad District Tribal Development Action Council



Genome Saviors receiving Recognition & Award from The Union Minister

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RESULTS & IMPACTS

Community Seed Banks & Seed Villages Enhanced seed flow

Commerce of Seeds

Established 4C Continuum

SEPLs* protected

Cultivation

Commerce

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WHAT SCIENTISTS SAY...

Ecosystem Services and Goods

Contribution to Genetic Enhancement and checking Genetic Erosion

Conserving Public Goods in Personal Cost

Let's Work Together



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WHAT SATOYAMA FARMERS SAY...

Rice Paddy fields satisfy many of our needs

We have many (27) indigenous rice landraces with useful traits

Rice is our culture, we do not go for HYVs

Conservation

Consumption

