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**Holistic Agriculture Development
Programme of Jammu & Kashmir**



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A. Facilities Created



Physical progress

i. Seed and planting material

1. Strengthening of Seed Testing Lab at Division of Genetics and Plant Breeding
2. Tissue Culture facility for commercial Floriculture & exotic vegetables
3. Establishment of Fish feed mill and Trout Hatchery
4. Apple Rootstock bank for an area of 1 Ha with 30,000 plants of M-09
5. Diversified rootstock bank with three rootstocks viz M-09 T337, MM-111, MM-106 and a new mutant of M-09
6. MOET-IVF facility being established (Equipment purchased 30% civil works complete)



II. Processing and Value addition

1. Processing and Handling Unit for MushkBudji equipped with Modern Rice Mill and Rice Packing Machine at Khudwani & KVK, Kulgam
2. Establishment of Millet Threshing and Milling Unit at FoA, Wadura
3. Mustard oil Filter Press Facility in MRCFC Khudwani
4. Fur Article Development Facility
5. Carding cum Felting unit



III. Production facility

1. Establishment of Silkworm Crop Improvement Laboratory
2. Establishment of one Prototype Production Centre
3. Facility created for Research and Cultivation for High value Nutraceutical lignolytic (Saw dust) Mushrooms
4. Nanoparticle coating unit
5. Poultry House with Cage system upgraded at F VSc & AH Shuhama



IV. Sustainable Agriculture Research Centres

1. Biofertilizer screening & Production Centre at Faculty of Agriculture Wadura
2. Biopesticide screening & Production Centre at MRCFC Khudwani
3. Bio-Analysis Centre at Faculty of Agriculture Wadura
4. Insect Bio Control Lab at SKUAST Shalimar upgraded
5. Fungal/disease Bio-Control Lab at SKUAST K upgraded





V. Laboratory facilities

1. Macro as well as Micro nutrient estimation in soil, leaf and water facility created
2. Soil Testing and Molecular Breeding upgraded at DARS, Rangreth
3. Soil Micronutrient analysis Facility Created



B. Centre Of Excellence

1. Centre of Excellence on Herbal Technology at FoF, SKUAST K
2. Centre of Excellence on Integrated Farming System at FoA. Wadura
3. Centre of Excellence in Reproductive Animal Biotechnology at MLRI Mansbal
4. Market Intelligence Cell cum Agricultural Branding Centre
5. Extension Hub established at SKUAST-K Shalimar



C. Mechanization And Automation

1. AI and ML lab at College of Ag. Engineering Shalimar
2. Five Agricultural machinery custom hiring centres in five districts (KVK Anantnag, Kulgam, Ganderbal, Budgam, Pulwama)
3. Mechanization of 08 University research farms viz. Shalimar farm, DARS Budgam, MLRI Manasbal, MRCFC, Khudwani, FOA, Wadura, MRCS&G, Manasbal, FOF, Benehama, AARS, Pahnoo
4. Mechanization for processing of apple Pruned wood for use in mushroom cultivation
5. Automatic Media Filling Machine, Walk-in Cold Storage in commercial floriculture
6. 5 custom hiring centres for horticulture sprayers in 5 districts
7. Automation of three (03) protected structures for cultivation
8. Mechanisation of 3 Ha Nursery/ mother block
9. AI based and IoT driven operations in HD Apple, vegetable and Livestock



D. Controlled Structures

1. High Tech IoT Powered Ornamental Nursery with automation of operations
2. 20 Semi High Tech Poly Houses being established at 10 KVKs of Kashmir valley
3. Three (03) Sensor based automated protected cultivation structures (480 m²) for Fruit plants
4. High Tech Protected cultivation set up
5. IoT based Walk in Growth chamber at Faculty of Horticulture



Technical Progress



E. VARIETIES RELEASED

Ten varieties developed by SKUAST K were released by State Variety Release Committee on 26.03.2024 which include RICE (Shalimar Rice-7, Shalimar Rice-8, Shalimar Rice-9), MAIZE (Pusa Shalimar Maize Hybrid-1), COWPEA (Shalimar Cowpea-3), PEA (Shalimar Pea-2), RAJMASH (Shalimar Rajmash-5), SOYBEAN (Shalimar Soybean-3), WALNUT (Shalimar Walnut-1, Shalimar Walnut-2). Varieties besides being high yielding are location specific and climate resilient.



F. GERMPLASM BANK

1. Medicinal and Aromatic plant Germplasm Bank at FoF, SKUAST K
2. New silkworm genotypes to enhance the current germplasm for the development of new breeds/hybrids for Jammu and Kashmir.
3. Mushrooms strains imported from Japan for their assessment along with local strains for suitability under local environment.
4. 300 accessions in maize, 250 in pulses and 75 in fodder oats maintained
5. 1.5 lakh propagules produced under commercial floriculture
6. Walnut/ Almond germplasm maintained over an area of 1 Ha
7. Developed a new germplasm bank of Apple with 3333 plants



G. SEED PRODUCTION AND QPM

a) Seed

1. 85.24 quintals of Breeder Seed (76.324 q of field crops and 8.906 q of vegetable crops)
2. 450 q of foundation seed of various field and vegetable crops
3. 200 quintal of quality plant material of Shallot
4. 20q Breeders seed, 460q foundation seed of recently released rice/oilseed varieties
5. 40 q quality seed distribution of fodder oats

b) Planting material

1. 4,000 plants of Walnut, Apple, Almond and other temperate fruit crops
2. 10,000 plants of priority species of MAPs

c) Animal Breeds developed and distributed (Sheep, Poultry, and Cattle etc.)

1. 40,000 improved breeds of poultry birds
2. 162 elite germplasm of Corriedale, Kashmir merino, FecB, Bawal goat etc.





H. SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE PRODUCTS

1. Biofertilizers (1,600 litres)
2. Biopesticide (896 litres)
3. Vermi compost (2,000 qt.)
4. Vermi culture (1 quintal)
5. Vermi wash (500 litres)
6. Phermones (4,000)
7. Sticky traps (3,000)
8. Anthocorid bug release in cherry (1,000)
9. Housefly pheromone trap (500)



I. SOFTWARE AND KKG

1. Technical Specification for Hardware finalized and procurements under process.
2. Software solution for KKG and Multi crop decision support system being developed through BISAG.
3. Android App for Poultry Farmers developed.
4. Developed User-Inter of Market-Intell-App



J. TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

1. Nano-Based Artificial Diet for Silkworm, *Bombyx mori* L
2. Tractor operated walnut harvester
3. Cultivation of high value edible mushrooms Viz., Enokeii, King Oyester, Shiitake and Ganoderma using pruned apple wood as base substrate.
4. IoT based module for automation of ornamental nursery
5. Biofertilizer and Biopesticide strains identified for commercial Production
6. Land use and Land Cover MAP at district level prepared (10 Districts)
7. Propagation of walnut under sensor based protected structures with higher success rate
8. AI based and IoT driven operations in Apple, vegetable and Livestock
9. Validation of sensor at field scale
10. Customization of IoTs driven by AI and ML in target agricultural crop



Patents Granted 2023-24

1	Detection of DNA Plymorphism on polyacrylamide gel and method thereof	06/03/2023 No: 424177
2	Low cost temperature controlled pyrolyser with Heater cum-cooker	14/06/2023 No: 434516
3	A smart farming unit for saffron flower & corm Productionn	28/06/2023 No: 435971
4	Rubber tracked walking tractor	22-11-2023 No. 471704
5	Comprehensive, automatic in-shelled walnut processing system and an application method thereof	22/11/2023 No: 471699
6	Nucleotide sequences for imporving tolerance of plants to environmental stress	18/12/2023 No: 484202
7	Solar Powered Insected trap lighting device	05/01/2024 No: 396847-001
8	Nutritional Herbal compound / Extract and its method of preparation	15/01/2024 No. 499495
9	An improved pre conditioning method of walnut cracking for value addition of kernels	09/02/24 No. 508996
10	An improved multifunctional power operated high efficiency walnut dehuller cum washer	06/02/24 No 507376
11	Portable Kiwi gummy maker machine	01/02/2024 No 400082-001
12	Smart fishing rod	19/01/2024 No. 399758-001
13	Rain Water Harvesting with zero energy	02-02-2024/ No. 506657
14	Low cost mushroom structure design for production of mushroom under cold arid conditions	12/03/2024 No. 523702
15	High efficiency electric walnut grading machine	13/03/2024 No.524816



Capacity Building and Skill Development

S.NO	Name of Training	Trainings	Trainees
		(No)	(No)
1	Farmers training	61	2007
2	Rural youth	38	1656
3	Capacity building for line departments	17	444
4	Awareness programmes	30	3100

Skilling for entrepreneurship

S.NO	Name of Training	Trainings	Trainees
		(No)	(No)
1	MSME	550	37500
2	STRY	237	6000
3	Training for Extension Functionaries	847	24886
4	License courses	12	4000

Content development for Kisan Daksh portal

Practical demonstration videos for skill courses

- 86 videos in Kashmiri
- 86 video in Urdu uploaded on Kisan Daksh portal



Development of Seed and Seed Multiplication Chain in PPP Mode



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
<ol style="list-style-type: none">Establishment of Seed Processing Plant at MRCFC, Khudwani (50 % complete)Establishment of Millet Threshing and Milling Unit at FoA Wadura (50 % complete)Strengthening of Seed Testing Lab at FoA Wadura (100 % complete)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Production and processing of 85 quintals of Breeder Seed and 450 q of foundation seedImprovement in checking quality parameters of Breeder/Foundation Seed

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Development of climate resilient, high yielding and nutrition rich crop varietiesProduction of Breeder/ Foundation Seed (100% completed)	Ten varieties have been put in Seed Chain after being notified by Central Seed Sub-committee, New Delhi in 2023. Further, eight crop varieties and two walnut varieties have been developed by SKUAST K and released by State Variety Release Committee on 26.03.2024. Achieving desirable SRR, VRR and SMR.

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	2	Quality Seed Production in maize, rice. Efficient Production Technology in pulse crops	200 Trainees
2	Line Departments/ KVKs	2+2=4	Food and nutritional Security	60 Department Officers/ Officials Capacity Building

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
262.0	131.0	162.0	>100%



Promotion of Niche Crops in UT of J&K



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Establishment of Processing and Handling unit for Mushkbudji in District Anantnag	• Quality milling and value addition
2. Establishment of Processing and Handling unit for Red Rice in District Kulgam	

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
Collection and evaluation of germplasm and development of markers of niche crops	Identification of elite germplasm for varietal development
Standardization of production technology of niche crops	Development of Good Agricultural Practices for non-traditional areas
Conduct of OFT's for shallot	Area expansion and availability of quality planting material of shallot

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	2	Promotion of niche crops in traditional and non-traditional areas	770 Trainees
2	Line Departments/ KVKs	2+2=4	Capacity building of field functionaries of line departments/KVK's	120 Officials

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
385.00	192.50	193.57	>100%



Promotion of Vegetables and Exotic Vegetables under Open and Hi-Tech Protected Cultivation



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Upgradation of Tissue Culture Laboratory for Potato	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lab upgraded

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
• 20 OFT's in vegetable crops benefiting 20 farmers laid at various locations of Kashmir Valley	Area expansion and distribution of quality inputs to farmers free of cost.

C. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
55.00	27.50	55.00	100%

Strengthening Agricultural Marketing



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Market Intelligence Cell (30% completed) 2. Agriculture Branding Centre (30% completed) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decision Support System and Centre of excellence for Policy oriented research Brand building, promotion and development facilitation Centre

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Price Forecasting Market Research Branding Activity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better decision support system for marketing & value realization Rationalization of commodity distribution over space and time Reduction in gluts and price instability Focused insights for commodity outlooks Enhanced outreach and value realization of niche commodities

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	06	Branding, Marketing & Entrepreneurship	160 Trainees 07 Entrepreneurs
2	Line Departments/ FPO Heads	01	Brand Promotion for Market Valorization	30 Department Officers/ Officials & FPO Heads
3	National Workshop	01	Market Intelligence for Decision Support System in Agriculture	50 Scientists/ Officials Researchers/ Entrepreneurs

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
₹9.00	246	236	96



Promotion of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Cultivation on Commercial Basis in the UT of J&K



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Establishment of MAP Germplasm Bank	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Germplasm bank for Medicinal and Aromatic plants established.• Conservation of priority species of MAPs
2. Centre of Excellence on Herbal Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• COEHT Established• Molecular taxonomy & Phytochemical characterization of priority species• Quality testing of produce

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collection of priority MAP species from different sources• Molecular taxonomy of priority species• Phytochemical characterization of priority species	Conservation of priority species Proper identification of species identification of bioactive compounds

C. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
777.00	388.00	750.00	>100%

Promotion of Beekeeping



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Establishment of Bee breeding centre for climate smart bees (65% Completed) Establishment of Disease diagnostic and quarantine centre (60% Completed) Establishment of Quality nucleus stock Development Centre (50% Completed) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The improvement through selection of quality climate bee will lead to better bee products production Identification of invasive pests Production of Quality queen bees

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Sampling and diagnosis of bee disease has been initiated Selection of bee colonies for production of nucleus stock has been started. 10 Bee breeders have been identified/selected and will be trained 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The timely diagnosis will help in better management of forthcoming diseases Queen bee rearing will lead to better colony This will promote entrepreneurship among bee breeders

C. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
100.00	50.00	46.35	92.7



Technological Interventions to Strengthen Sericulture in UT of J&K



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Establishment of Silkworm Crop Improvement Laboratory	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Development of new silkworm breeds/hybrids for Jammu and Kashmir

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Procurement of Exotic silkworm Genotypes for enriching existing silkworm germplasmDeveloped of Nano-Based Artificial Diet for Silkworm, <i>Bombyx mori</i> L	<p>Identification of potential silkworm genotypes for the development of new breeds/hybrids for Jammu and Kashmir.</p> <p>This artificial diet ensures a year-round supply of silkworm feed, eliminating reliance on seasonal leaf crops.</p>

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	10	Integrated Farming in Sericulture	500 Trainees
2	Sericulture - An Avocation For Employment Generation	8	Preparing the trainees as future entrepreneurs	200 Trainees
3	Rural Exploration	3	Exploring Rural areas of Anantnag and Baramulla for ITK and Grassroots Innovations	60 trainees

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
200.00	100.00	83.54	83%

Promotion of Nutri-cereals (Millets) in UT of JK



A. Physical

Activity	Expected out come
1. Strengthening of DNA Fingerprinting Lab at SKUAST K, Shalimar (60 % completed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality analysis and identification of nutritionally superior millet genotypes.

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected out come
Standardization of production technology of millets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Package and practices for N, P and K developed Morpho characterization of millet varieties Foxtail millet yield 25 q/ha (1st year) Best results obtained with N:P:K as 40:20:5 Kgs/ha

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Millet: as Smart food Value addition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 200 Trainees
2	Line Departments/ KVKs	04	Millets as futuristic foods	40 Department Officers/ Officials Capacity Building

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
20.0	10.0	10.0	100.0



Farm Mechanization and Automation



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Mechanization of University research farms (70 % completed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reduction in cost of cultivation by 20%Increase in productivity by 5-10%Decrease in workload on farm labours upto 60%
2. Establishment of 05 Agricultural machinery Custom Hiring Centres (90% completed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Availability of farm machinery to small and marginal land holdingsSaving of operational time of farm operations by 60%Will allow growers to grow more number of crops per yearReduction in drudgery of farm workers

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
• Establishment of 01 Agricultural Machinery Prototype production Centre (50 % completed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">State of art Prototype production centre for development of region specific farm machineryDesign and development of new and innovative farm machinery to meet the demand of the users.

C. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
1156.00	578.00	434.40	75.15



Promotion of Year Round Mushroom Production



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Established a research facility (with newly upgraded cropping and fruiting rooms) and other basic infrastructure for research and production of saw dust mushrooms like shiitake, Enoki, King oyster , black ear and Ganoderma etc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research cum training center for efficient use of woody agro wastes (pruned apple wood, almond and walnut shells) for mushroom production

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
1. 15 Mushroom cultivars of shiitake, Enoki, King oyster , black ear and Ganoderma collected from Japan and India for further testing their suitability under Kashmir conditions. 2. Major Novel breakthroughs obtained w.r.to use of pruned apple wood for cultivation of shiitake, Enoki, King oyster, and Ganoderma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promising cultivars for cultivation of enoki and King oyster identified Package of practice for local entrepreneur for industrial production of shiitake, Enoki, King oyster, and Ganoderma
1. Research trials shiitake and black ear underway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of package of practice based on use of locally available woody agro wastes

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	02	1.Mushroom spawn production. 2. Mushroom Production	40 Trainees (5 entrepreneurs)

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
50.00	25.00	32.50	100% (above)



Promotion of Oilseeds



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Procurement of Mustard Oil Filter Press	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Improvement in % oil recovery
2. Structure for Mustard oil filter press	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Model for entrepreneurship

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
• Quality Seed Production of brown sarson Breeder seed	Increase in production and productivity through improvement in SRR and VRR
• Foundation Seed	
• Field demonstration of newly released oilseed varieties viz., Shalimar sarson-2 & Shalimar Gobhi sarson-1	To ensure adoption of improved technology in the form of new varieties besides INM and IPM for increasing production and productivity.
• Field demonstrations on INM	
• Intervention for qualitative & quantitative oilseed production through bee colonies as pollinators	Increase in seed yield and bee byproducts. Entrepreneurship development

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	8	Quality seed production in oilseeds Mustard based honey production. Good package of practices	200 Trainees from Line Department and farmers were trained

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
12.50	5.93	5.93	>47.44%



Integrated farming System of Agriculture for sustainability



A. Physical

Activity	Expected out come
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Mushroom unit (90% completed)2. Poultry and livestock unit (35% completed)3. Apiary unit (40% completed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Quality spawn produced 3 Q : 60,000 and Mushroom: 1Q: 20,000MILK : 20,000 Ltr= 10 Lakh/ annumCalf sale: 05 No.: 1.25 lakh/ annumEggs: 90,000= 6.3 lakh/ annumHoney: 2Q: 140,000.00

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected out come
IFS model developed at FoA, Wadura, Sopore	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Advance centre of Integrated Farming SystemRecycling of Farm resources (60%)Doubling of returns per unit areaMultiplicity of products with circular economyEmployment generationDemonstration unit for farmersImproves sustainabilityPromotes biodiversity

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	5	Integrated farming, resource recycling, zero waste production system	100 Trainees 03Entrepreneurs
2	Line Departments/ KVks	02	Optimization of ecological resources and processes	50 DepartmentOfficers/ OfficialsCapacityBuilding

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
243.00	118.00	118.0	100.00%



Promotion of Commercial Floriculture



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. High Tech IoT Powered Ornamental Nursery with automation of operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Accelerated throughput and production of 4 lac Ornamental Quality Planting Material for landscape use and commercial ornamental plant nurseries
2. Up gradation of laboratories: 01 Tissue Culture Laboratory upgraded	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Training Facility for Entrepreneurs

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
• Standardization of protocol for propagation of ornamental plant material	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Package and practices/ Refinement of Technologies for propagation/ production of quality planting material

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	36	Advances in Commercial Floriculture for sustainable Floriculture Development	1500 trainees 43 Entrepreneurs

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
42	37.8	26.14	69.15%

Rainfed Area Development



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Stress Resilience, Resource Conservation and Molecular Breeding Facility at DARS, Rangreth established	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lab facility established to analyze crop, soil and water samples. • Facility will address changes in climate patterns and effects on crop growth and sustainability

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
Maize: 300 accessions collected Pulses : 250 accessions collected Fodder Oats : 75 accessions collected Total Collections: 625	Identification of putative germplasm for varietal development and QTL/gene discovery programme
Situational Analysis carried out linking market with farm production	Development of Thematic maps is in progress
Seed Production of Resilient Varieties Deployment of Climate Resilient Crop varieties of Maize, Pulse and Forages across rainfed niches	100q seed of maize, pulse and oats produced 400 hectare area covered under climate resilient varieties
Horti-Pastoral System Based Demonstrations Conducted	150 demonstrations involving fodder crops in horticultural lands strengthened the fodder availability scenario in rainfed ecologies along with enhancing the carbon foot print with forage species

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	2	Seed Production	100 Trainees
2	Line Departments/ KVKs	6	First hand Information on IFS/INM/IPM/IDM	120 Department Officers/ Officials Capacity Building

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
279.50	149.50	184.83	>100%

Alternate System of Agriculture for sustainability



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
Biofertilizer Production Centre (30% completed)	Centre of Excellence on Bio-Input Production
Biopesticide Production Centre (50% completed)	Biofertilizers/ Conditioners/Solubilizers: 1500 litre worth: 15.0 lakh
Bio-Analysis Centre (80% completed)	VAM: 9 Q worth : 1.0 Lakh Vermicompost: 300 Q: 4.5 Lakh

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
72 On Farm Research Trials laid throughout the valley	Package and practices/ Refinement of Technologies going on 30% Reduction in Urea % Reduction in DAP 35 % Reduction in MOP 10-15 % ZnSO ₄ 20 % Reduction in Fungicide: 20 % Reduction in Insecticide as per data observed

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	12	Organic Input Production Certification Branding, Marketing,	300 Trainees 05 Entrepreneurs
2	Line Departments/ KVks	04	First hand Information on Organic Farming Certification/ Marketing	100 Department Officers/ Officials Capacity Building
3	Research Exploration Programme	01	Organic standards, Ecological Resources, Cutting edge technologies	Director National Centre and Team Invited to facilitate Certification Process
4	National Workshop	01	Stakeholders like Scientists, Department officers/Officials / Participatory farmers etc	150 Scientists/ Officers/ Farmers Attended

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
487.00	243.50	152.02	62.4



Sensor based smart agriculture



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
<p>Creation of ecosystem for smart agriculture by upgradation of different labs</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. AI and ML,2. IoT and Automation3. Drone lab,4. Data analytics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ecosystem system created for smart / digital agriculture• Real time field data received at lab• Establishment of startup ecosystem in Smart Agriculture• Capacity building for skill manpower• New startups ecosystem in precision agriculture• Jobs with new skillsets

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Standardization of AI based and IoT driven operations in Apple, vegetable and Livestock• Developing Algorithms for big data analytics for remote operations of IoTs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Automation of agricultural operation with precision in HDPs of Apple, vegetable and livestock.• Deployed different parameters sensor in 3 ha area of HDP of apple• Automated 5 polyhouses for monitoring environmental parameters• 40-50% saving in water and nutrient• Real time data fetching from field for decision support system• Remotely collection of data• AI-based systems for early detection and management of pests and diseases using handheld sensor devices.• Increase in resource use efficiency (50-80%) through precision agriculture techniques.• Automation and monitoring of livestock environment• AI based detection of pest and diseases using hand held sensor device• Reduced drudgery and cost of cultivation by 20%

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	1	AI application in agriculture	15 participants
2	Line Departments/ KVKs	10	Sensor and its application in agriculture	100 Department Officers/Officials / KVK for Capacity Building

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
720.0	360	360	100%

Minimization of pesticide use in Agriculture



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
Mechanisation of model orchards 5 Custom Hiring Centres developed Development /Validation of computer based Decision Support System Weather stations: 20 Growth Chamber: 1 Spore Trap: 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated 80% pesticide use in Agriculture • Reduction in unnecessary use of pesticides

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
Research & Development for PHI estimation Estimated PHI of 7 pesticides	Safe use of 7 pesticide in future Safe food and health

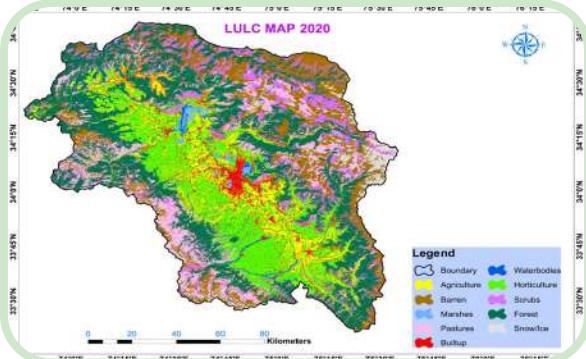
C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	1	Bio pesticide/ Bio-stimulant	39 trainees 2 enterprises
2	Awareness programmes	6	Integrated pest management in apple	800 growers

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
400.0	200	200	100%

J&K Soil & Land Resource Information System for Soil Health



A. Physical

Activity	Expected out come
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Establishment of Soil Laboratories (4 Nos) Procured Survey Pick Up Vehicle with Survey Equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthening the capacity of Soil testing with higher accuracy Cost and time effective Soil Survey and Sampling

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected out come
Advanced Digital Soil Mapping at 30m spatial resolution	Generated soil maps for two districts: Samba and Pulwama
Land Resource Monitoring	Generated time-series land use maps for three districts: Pulwama and Budgam, Samba
Land Morphometric Analysis for Hydrology	Generated different morphometric maps from DEM (30m resolution) for district Samba and Pulwama

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	02	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated Nutrient Management for Sustainable Soil Health Development (50 Nos of Trainee) Soil and Plant based Nutrient Management for sustainable agriculture (50 Nos of Trainee) 	100 Trainees

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
225	112.5	109.11	96.72

Innovative Extension Approaches for Promoting Agriculture in J&K



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
Kissan Khidmat Ghar: 2000 panchayats Identified; 500 being established in Phase-I.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One-Stop Service Centre providing end-to-end linkages at panchayat level.
Engagement of Krishi Udyami at 500 KKGs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 500 Krishi Udyamis (self-employments)
Semi Hitech Polyhouses(20 No) at KVKS (under Process)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Production of quality seed & planting material Demonstration Soil testing and disease diagnosis Capacity Building IT enabled extension services Increase in production and productivity
Upgradation of soil testing and Disease Diagnostic Service Laboratories; IT centre; and Demo Units at KVKS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Handling Big data for Agricultural Research IoT and ICT enabled dynamic extension services
Land Development (Fencing, Borewell, and Renovations)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultancy and Handholding of farmers & entrepreneurs
Cyber Extension Hub (Installation Pending)	
Business Orientation Centre	

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Software Solution for KKG along with android and IoS platform Multi-crop Decision Support System integrated with KKG (10%) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IoT and ICT enabled dynamic extension services Farmers database Realtime Crop & Area Specific Weather Based advisories Expert consultation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students Rural Exploration/ Internship Programme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > 2000 students of SKUAST-K to adopt >250 panchayats involving > 500 Villages across 10 districts of Kashmir
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 Extension Research Projects in progress 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed Android App for Poultry Farmers Impact of Technologies Mapping of Livestock Diseases

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	24	Farming & Non-Farming Activities Smart & Secondary Agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2200 farmers

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
487.00	243.50	152.02	62.4



Production of designer plants for promotion of high-density plantation and rejuvenation of orchards



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Establishment of Rootstock bank (Apple) (100 % completed) Establishment of Mother orchards (Apple) Establishment of Hi-Tech Green Houses (Protectd Cultivation) (100% completed) Mechanization, Automation and Up gradation of nurseries (100% completed) Strengthening and Augmentation of plant material testing labs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30,000 imported apple rootstocks of M-09/ MM-111/ MM-106 3333 plants / ha with bud wood production in 2nd year 480 m² Polyhouse Established , 6000 grafted plants to be produced in 2nd year Mechanization of 3.3 Ha land with reduction in labour by 50 % One plant testing/quality control lab established

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 04 Research Trials laid at SKUAST-K 	Characterization of 04 types of roostsocks and varieties belonging to 04 groups Development of new varieties Improved propagation practices and orchard management practices with higher success rate

C. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
400	270	267.44407	99.99



Strengthening Dairy Sector in UT of J&K



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Establishment of MOET-IVF facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Development of state of art MOET-IVF lab at MLRI Manasbal
2. Importation of HGM Jersey cows	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Introduction of 100 high genetic merit Jersey cows as ovum donors for OPU MOET
3. Establishment of Calf Rearing Station	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Establishment of a dedicated facility for rearing high genetic merit calves obtained through ETT, their pedigree analysis and for future semen production
4. Repair and renovation of existing animal sheds at MLRI Manasbal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Increased availability of high genetic merit heifers for breed improvement.Improved animal housing and management facilitiesEnhanced research and development capabilities in animal breeding and reproduction

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Standardization of Ovum Pick-Up (OPU) proceduresStandardization of IVF and Invitro embryo Production proceduresEmbryo Transfer Technology (ETT) standardization using imported embryos	<p>Optimized protocols for OPU in cattle</p> <p>Efficient in-vitro embryo production system</p> <p>Optimized protocols for MOET-IVF in cattle</p> <p>Increased production of high genetic merit embryos for breed improvement.</p>

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	10	Advanced breeding technologies (MOET-IVF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Trained scientists and technical staff in assisted reproductive technologies.

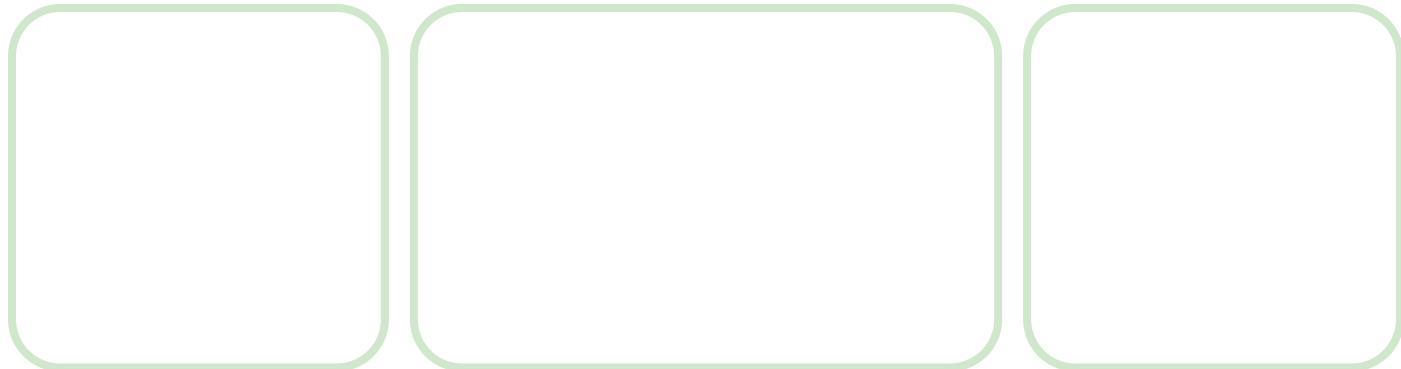
D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
1400.00	1100.00*	818.00	75.00%

* Rs 248.54 Lacs released in April 2024 were utilized to meet the liabilities of financial year 2023-24.



Reorienting Priorities self -sufficiency in Mutton Production in J&K



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Evaluation of imported Elite germplasm with good quality mutton traits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Evaluated good quality germplasm will be disseminated in the UT for improvement in mutton production

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
Quality germplasm distributed among progressive breeders (250 animals in 23-24)) Corriedale ,Kashmir Merino FecB,Polled Cross Boer and its crosses and Bhakerwaal goat Sheep units developed: 06	Gains in mutton production Package and practices/ Refinement of Technologies related to sheep breeding going on

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Breeders / Rural youth Trainings	04	Awareness regarding scientific and profitable breeding practices Package and practices/ Refinement of Technologies related to sheep breeding going on	05 Entrepreneurs 230 Trainees Trained youth and breeders more attracted towards Enterprise Profitable farming Established Germplasm centres harboring elite animals Increased no.of Commercial farmers
2	Line Departments/ KVKS	04	Demonstration cum awareness on smart sheep breeder application for efficient data recording	63 Department Officers/Officials Capacity Building Will help in real time decision making and policy planning
3	Research Exploration Programme	01	Conservation and use of native sheep for improving the mutton production	Director National Centre and Team Invited to facilitate Certification Process

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
40	40	19.53	100.00%

Roadmap for Poultry Production in J&K



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Up-gradation of Poultry Breeding Facility for pedigree breeding Augmentation of vaccine laboratory 	Poultry Breeding Facility with Californian cages (300 bird capacity) Sero-prevalence studies Initiate trials on vaccine development

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
Identification & procurement of local Poultry Procurement of exotic layer population Evaluation of Kashmir Favorella Poultry Sero-prevalance to identify locally prevalent strains of Ranikhet Disease Virus	Development of crossbred layer-type Poultry Poultry health package Develop thermo-stable Ranikhet Disease Virus

C. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
100.00	100.00	96.7	96.7



Technological Intervention for Fish Seed and Trout Production in UT of J&K



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Establishment of Feed Mill	• Facility for production of low cost feed
2. Establishment of Fish Hatchery	• Facility for production of quality seed of Trout Fish

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
Development of low cost feed	Low cost feed will be developed from locally available ingredients to arrest the high input cost of fish production
Genetic interventions for growth and breeding in cold water fish.	Higher survival rate and fast growth of Trout fishes
Seed production of indigenous & exotic fish species.	Development of fish diversified practices and use best use of available resources for cultural practices
Disease diagnosis & prophylaxis.	To arrest the early mortality of fishes especially at Fry and Finger stage
Value addition and product development	Technology for fish product development for more returns and entrepreneurship

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer/ Rural youth Trainings	9	Modern Aquacultures practices Post Harvest Technology Diseases diagnosis and treatment Ornamental Farming	• 250 Trainees
2	National Workshop	01	Technological Intervention for Fish Seed and Trout Production in UT of J & K	120 Farmers/Unemployed youth

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
285.00	285.00	132.02	46.31

Promotion of wool and pelt for effective processing and Marketing



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Upgradation of Aimal Fibre Quality assurance Laboratory (completed)	• Facility to cater the stakeholders for quality assurance of fibres.
2. NABL Accreditation of Animal Fibre Quality Assurance Laboratory (Under Process)	• Credibility and Acceptability of Test Reports
3. Establishment of Fur processing unit (10% completed)	• Fur Processing R&D Centre

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
Development of wool and pelt based Value added products	• Technology development. • Diversified range of novel wool and fur based products.

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Farmer Trainings	4	Skill based training programme of wool growers on “leveraging upon wool resource base in J&K through effective processing and marketing	48 Trainees
2	Wool Artisans Training	2	Wool Spinning on Innovative Charkha for Realizing Better Returns.	25 Trainees
3	Line Departments Trainings	1	ToT on Revitalizing wool and pelt industry of J&K”	19 Department Officers/ Officials Capacity Building

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
430.00	188.61	181.13 (92.7731+ 88.36)	96.03



Development of Fodder Resources for UT of J&K



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
1. Established Molecular Breeding Lab at FoA Wadura	• Genetics, breeding and varietal development in Fodder crops
2. Machinery input for seed testing and nutritional quality evaluation at Shalimar Campus	

B. Research and Development (R&D)

Activity	Expected outcome
• Development of Fodder maize hybrids / varieties with greater luxuriance and biomass with inbuilt resilience to drought	Around 200 maize inbred lines were evaluated for GFY during 2023 of which five were identified having high biomass of 1.5 kg per m ² <i>No. of genotypes identified for high yield and drought tolerance</i> <i>No. of crosses made and advanced</i> <i>No. of genetic stocks developed</i>
• Breeding non-cereal based (legume) fodders with enhanced nutrition quality	<i>Identified two genotypes of fodder soybean with high biomass of 300q/ha</i> <i>Performed Transcriptomics for cold tolerance in alfalfa</i> <i>M.i: No. of genotypes identified for high yield</i>
• Development & Promotion of oat Varieties with early maturity, & high yield/biomass	<i>Evaluated 40 oat germplasm lines for Water use efficiency, chlorophyll, M.i: No. of genotypes identified for high yield and earliness</i>
• Development of Fodder varieties / hybrids with optimum quality (ADF, NDF, Protein, etc)	<i>Targets for year 2024-25</i>
• Development of fodder varieties suitable for hydroponic cultivation	<i>Targets for year 2024-25</i>

C. Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No	Activity	No	Broad Theme	Deliverables /
1	Quality seed production and dissemination among farmers	1	Fodder Seed Production and distribution	Vertical gains in productivity

D. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
325.0	272.5	193.69	72%

Support to Human Resource Development for Technological backstop for sustainable and accelerated transformation of agriculture



A. Physical

Activity	Expected outcome
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scholarships to Masters and PhD Students 2. 824 students provided Scholarships @ 3. Rs 5000/month 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase student orientation and motivation for the Agricultural higher education, research & entrepreneurship • Make Agricultural Education and Research lucrative to attract talent and retain youth in Agriculture
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Vice Chancellors Flexi-grant to provide research support and necessary inputs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up gradation of Academic and Research standards at two farm universities • Provide timely critical inputs/contingencies for research/training/outreach etc & cover other unforeseen expenditures

B. Financial (Lakhs)

Allotted	Released	Expenditure	% utilization
953	476	473	99.37%



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