THE INNOVATION
Vasudha Model Organic Farm

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WHAT WE HEARD IN HAMBURG
Vasudha Model Organic Farms: Industry driven farming has encouraged mono cropping in cotton which dis-balanced ecology and farmers’ economy. VNOF envisions sustained availability of cotton by increasing “Economic Yield per Acre” by identifying innovative crop combinations with cotton. This looks farming in holistic perspective and addresses ecology, economy and availability of complete nutritional food for farmers family.

WHERE THEY ARE NOW
Identified various crop combinations with cotton which has potential to more than double the economic yield per acre. These combinations are further tried this year with farmers. Farmers are given seeds of various crops such as grains, pulses, oilseeds, vegetable and fruit plants to be sown in combination with cotton. This shall ensure nutritional requirement for farmer family and substantial additional income.

WHAT COMES NEXT
There are challenges in adoption of multi-cropping system on larger piece of land. Ecological and economic benefits are visible but adoption on larger area requires a lot of planning and work at farmers end. Once they have experienced benefits next step shall be to scale it up resolving problems which will be encountered in process.

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