

BCI MEMBERS' LIST – PART II

CIVIL SOCIETY

Civil Society members are not-for-profit organisations which serve the public interest and common good related to the cotton supply chain.



Action For Food Production (AFPRO)

Member since: Jul 01 2010

Action for Food Production (AFPRO) is an Indian socio-technical non-governmental organization with Christian inspiration working for the development of the rural poor through effective natural resource management solutions. They provide technical guidance and backup support to grassroots level NGOs for the implementation of environmentally friendly projects for water, food security, livelihoods and allied capacity building.

AFPRO reaches out to the country through nine field units located strategically all over India. It has a team of hydrologists, geologists, geophysicists, civil engineers, sociologists and specialists in agriculture, fisheries, forestry and livestock.

AFPRO have worked with BCI in the Maharashtra and Gujarat regions of India since July 2010.

Country: India Website: www.afpro.org



Action for Social Advancement (ASA)

Member since: Feb 01 2011

ASA is a non-profit development organization has emerged as a prime and lead organization in the sector of farm based livelihood for poor and natural resource management.

ASAs' mission is to Ensuring livelihoods of poor people through providing developmental services, in particular through natural resources development.

ASA's approach to development is firmly founded upon participatory action at the community level.

Country: India Website: www.asaindia.org





Ambuja Cement Foundation

Member since: Feb 01 2011

With a competent team of professionals at all its 21 locations across India, the Ambuja Cement Foundation (ACF) works in partnership with rural communities, local NGOs and governmental and international organisations, to 'Energise, involve and enable communities to realize their potential.' ACF undertakes projects and schemes for promoting the social and economic development for communities in and around the manufacturing locations of Ambuja Cement Ltd. These development initiatives are in line with the needs of people, in partnership with them and in close collaborations with like-minded NGOs and the Government. ACF focuses projects on agro based and skill based livelihoods, water resource management, women's empowerment, health, education, infrastructure and disaster relief. ACF have been a partner of BCI's since February 2011.

Country: India Website: www.acf.org.in



CAB International Regional Office Pakistan

Member since: May 01 2012

CABI is an inter-governmental, not-for-profit organization. Our mission is to improve people's lives worldwide by providing information and applying scientific expertise to solve problems in agriculture and the environment. CABI's mission is influenced by our 48 member countries. At any one time CABI is working in more than 70 countries. We were set up by a United Nations treaty and have been in operation for over 100 years. We are committed to making a difference to people's futures by generating and increasing access to scientific knowledge. We work to improve crop vields, combating pests and microbial diseases, protect biodiversity and safeguard the environment, which enables the world's poorest communities to feed themselves. We have been working on cotton for over 30 years notably in Pakistan, India and China. Much of our work has involved IPM, technology transfer and building capacity in a wide range of stakeholders. Cotton is often intensively sprayed with pesticides and yet with understanding of the ecology of the crop and of its pests and diseases, significant reductions can be made on expensive inputs, saving the farmer money whilst also lowering the risk of pesticide contamination to the environment and to the farmer. CABI is pioneer in Pakistan using approach "Training of Facilitators" (TOF)" together with Farmer Field Schools (FFS) in projects where the key objectives are crop improvements and farmer empowerment. We are also a major publisher of scientific information.

Country: Pakistan Website: www.cabi.org





Coastal Salinity Prevention Cell

Member since: Jun 01 2015

Established in 2008, the Coastal Salinity Prevention Cell is an institutional interface aimed at effectively addressing the livelihood issues of communities affected by salinity in the state of Gujarat. The Coastal Salinity Prevention Cell is a joint initiative of Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (India), Ambuja Cement Foundation and Sir Ratan Tata Trust. The CSPC has been recognized as an important stakeholder in salinity mitigation initiative by the Government of Gujarat and is convenor of the state level Steering Committee established by Water Resource Department, Government of Gujarat.

Country: India Website: cspc.org.in



Community Action For Rural Development Society

Member since: Oct 01 2014

Community Action for Rural Development Society works on capacity building of producers group, is establishing forward and backward Linkages of these groups. We are involved in research activities on Cotton.

Country: India Website: cardanj.org



Dalmia Bharat Group Foundation

Member since: Nov 01 2015

Dalmia's vision is 'to unleash the potential of everyone we touch'. True to that spirit, our CSR's mission is to facilitate the stakeholders hasten their social, economic and environmental progress through effective management of human and natural capital. The following, thus, are issues which were material and were addressed through CSR interventions through Dalmia Bharat Group Foundation (DBGF, CSR arm of the Company): water conservation, energy conservation and climate mitigation, livelihood skill training and social development. We aim at reducing the infant and mother mortality rates to half of what those were in 2008-09 by 2015. Our collaboration with local health departments and hospitals has proved valuable in improving maternal and child health, achieve 100% immunization and reduce mortality rates through focused health services.

Country: India Website: www.dalmiabharatfoundation.org



Deshpande Foundation

Member since: Jun 01 2014



Applying a 'bottom up' approach to building scalable solutions, the Deshpande Foundation at Hubli Sandbox works to create an effective ecosystem where resources are put to use through entrepreneurship, innovation and sustainability. Located in northwest Karnataka in India, the Hubli Sandbox engages with not-for-profits, academics, organizations and entrepreneurs who are involved with the launch of effective and scalable models of development. We seek to empower communities with leadership and skill development programs that prepare urban and rural youth to lead or manage social enterprises. Through such programs, we strive to launch effective, relevant and scalable solutions through the investment of social enterprises. To date, we have reached more than one million families in Northern Karnataka

Country: India Website: www.deshpandefoundationindia.org



Dilasa Janvikas Foundation

Member since: Jul 01 2014

Dilasa Janvikas Pratishthan is working for last two decades to holistically empower rural communities through sustainable natural resource management. Dilasa is also engaged in empowerment of women to make them economically independent and self-reliant.

Dilasa contributed in the area of watershed development by working as the Resource Support Organization (RSO) for NABARD in Marathwada region especially under Indo-German Watershed Development Programme (IGWDP). It has also successfully implemented the Aquifer Management Project in the Aurangabad and Jalna district, which is considered as a step further in the overall watershed concept. Against the backdrop of Dilasa's work in the capacity building of Water Users' Association (WUAs) in Marathwada region, it was awarded John D. Rockefeller Scholarship for Multiple Use Services (MUS) of Water.

Country: India Website: N/A



Gramin Samassya Mukti Trust

Member since: Jun 01 2014

Gramin Samassya Mukti Trust is a registered, non-profit, secular, voluntary organization and actively working in the field of rural and urban development particularly on improving livelihood and addressing health and educational issues. We are working with most ignored, socially and economically oppressed communities towards making sustainable development with special emphasizing on women empowerment.



Country: India Website: www.gsmt-yavatmal.org



Indian Grameen Services

Member since: Jan 01 2014

IGS is engaged in sustainable livelihood promotion with a vision of "Sustainable Livelihoods, Prosperous Households" (Kayam Rojgar, Khushal pariwar). the IGS mission is "incubating innovations for pro poor sustainable livelihoods". The target communities are small and marginal farmers, tribal, urban poor, women, denotified and nomadic tribes. IGS will pick up an idea, pilot test it, incubate it, and make viable product and services, which will generate enough revenue / accomplish the objective for target customers and promoting organization

Country: India Website: <u>igsindia.org.in</u>



İyi Pamuk Uygulamaları Derneği / Good Cotton Practices Association (IPUD)

Member since: Apr 01 2014

IPUD aims to improve cotton production in Turkey for the benefit of cotton producers and the environment where cotton is grown and for the future of the sector. In order to improve income levels and to contribute to economic development in cotton-producing regions while also reducing the negative environmental impact of cotton production, IPUD cooperates with various stakeholders to encourage measurable and sustainable improvements to cotton farming practices.

Country: Turkey Website: http://iyipamuk.org.tr/default.aspx



Lok Sanjh Foundation

Member since: Nov 01 2013

Lok Sanjh promotes strategies for socially and environmentally sound agriculture through focused research, policy advice and advocacy. It promotes networking and linkages with a wide range of institutions and individuals through seminars, workshops and exchange visits.

Country: Pakistan Website: http://loksanjh.org/project-3/



Mahatma Phule Samaj Sewa Mandal (MPSSM)+B60

Member since: Sep 01 2015

N/A

Country: India Website: www.mpssm.org







Member since: Jul 01 2013

MYKAPS is a spin off organization of MYRADA, a larger organization based in Bangalore in Karnataka. MYKAPS covers the southern districts in Karnataka namely; Mysore, Mandya and Kodagu. MYKAPS works with small, marginal, tribals and landless families. The major focus of MYKAPS is towards enhancing livelihood opportunities for small, marginal, tribals and landless families. MYKAPS is involved in projects such as Watershed Development, Tribal Development under TDF of NABARD. Development, Organic Farming and Better Cotton Cultivation chiefly in H.D.Kote Taluk in Mysore District. MYKAPS carries its strength from the parent organization MYRADA in building people's institutions for sustainable development. MYKAPS is involved in promoting self help groups, watershed development associations, learning groups, tank improvement committees, village planning committees, organic farmer's groups etc.

Country: India Website: www.mykaps.in



Organization for Social Development Initiatives

Member since: Sep 01 2011

Organization for Social Development Initiatives (OSDI) aims to improve living conditions for underprivileged communities in the rural areas of Pakistan through sustainable poverty reduction strategies. OSDI has a unique approach to sustainable development in rural villages with a threepronged policy that works towards enhancing incomes through the Livelihood Assistance Program, reducing expenditures through the Community Development Program and preventing chronic hunger through the Food Security Program. OSDI has partnered with several international and local partners to conduct high-quality research, design and implement social development initiatives, create awareness and advocate policies that help improve the standard of living for the financially impoverished in these areas. The ultimate goals of OSDI are asset creation and community ownership of projects in order to break the cycle of inter-generational poverty.

Country: Pakistan Website: www.osdi.org



Participatory Rural Development Initiatives Society (PRDIS)

Member since: Sep 01 2012

Participatory Rural Development Initiatives Society (PRDIS) is a registered and reputed professional National Level Development Organization (NGO) established during the year 1999 operating from



Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India. It has been working on the areas of Sustainable Agriculture, Agri-business, rural development and Natural Resource Management. It has about 75 experienced, expert professionals and field staff. PRDIS has been implementing BCI programme since 4 years. It is a member of BCI and Implementing partner. It has good linkages with government agencies.

Country: India Website: www.prdis.com



Pesticide Action Network UK

Member since: Jan 01 2010

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Country: United Kingdom Website: www.pan-uk.org



Prakruthi

Member since: Sep 01 2014

Prakruthi is a national not-for-profit organization its programmes support the poor and the marginalized in various hard to reach sectors such as tea, coffee, sugarcane, cotton and garments. Our activities touch the life of more than 50,000 families. We envision that linking corporates social responsibility of companies can address poverty issues and sustainable development in trying to achieve our stated mission.

Country: India Website: www.prakruthi.org



Reviving Green Revolution (RGR) Cell

Member since: Feb 01 2015

the RGR Cell, Ludhiana partners with public and private institutions for development, validation and popularization of area specific agricultural technologies which have an apparent potential for impact on the livelihoods of rural populations. The key roles and responsibilities of RGR Cell are: (i) idea incubation; (ii) facilitating market linkage development and agro-based entrepreneurship; (iii) networking/coordination with the government and private sector; and (iv) monitoring and technical backstopping. The Cell in partnership with Department of Agriculture, Punjab has upscaled the dissemination of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Cotton technology in 300 villages every year during 2009-12 and leveraged Rs. 30 million as matching grant from the Government of Punjab.

Country: India Website: www.rgrcell.org



Rural Education and Economic Development Society



Member since: Jan 01 2014

N/A

Country: Pakistan Website: www.reedpakistan.org

Solidaridad

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Member since: Jan 01 2010

Solidaridad are an Implementing Partner of BCl's in China, India and Mali. Solidaridad is an international organization dedicated to responsible food production to feed the growing world population and to providing the world with an alternative to fossil fuels like oil and gas.

Solidaridad is convinced that the agricultural sector can produce more efficiently so that it will be able to feed the world population in 2050, as well as supply energy and plastic to the industry. That is why they are investing in enterprising farmers in developing countries and putting emphasis on the improvement of their land use, so that production can increase while at the same time harm to people and the environment is decreased.

Solidaridad focuses on the production chains that matter worldwide and where changes have great impact: coffee, tea, cacao, fruit, textiles, cotton, soy, palm oil, sugar cane, gold and cattle breeding

Country: Netherlands Website: www.solidaridad.nl

Songzi city Agriculture Technology Promotion Center

Member since: Feb 01 2015

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Country: China Website: N/A



Vrutti

Member since: Oct 01 2014

Vrutti is a Centre for Sustainable Livelihoods, enhancing people's well-being through knowledge, innovation and transformative actions. Our passion is to bring about solutions at a scale that eliminate inequities and marginalisation, and create wealth for the marginalised. We strongly believe that dynamic, strong, and responsible private sector is a critical ingredient to achieve this, combined with synergetic relationships between people, civil society and public bodies to ensure equity.

Country: India Website: www.vrutti.org





We Care Society

Member since: May 01 2013

Established in 2004, and promoted by the Netherlands based entities, WCS, is a Not for Profit society headquartered in Bangalore, India with offices in the Netherlands and Ghana. Under its network, WCS has more than 50 NGOs, and 150 farmer groups, SHGs and offer its services. Our Focal Areas being Agriculture, Environment, Rural Solid Waste Management, Renewable Energy, Healthcare, Education, Water & Sanitation, Women & Child Welfare and Survey. Our Vision is to Initiate Rural Developmental activities which will result in significant and measurable socio-economic, environmental and market impacts. We Care Society is associated with BCI since 2013 in implementing the Better Cotton Program in Karnataka, India.

Country: India Website: wcs.org.in



WWF

Member since: Jan 01 2010

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Country: Switzerland Website: www.panda.org