

# **Rythu Bharosa Kendralu**

#### **Village level farmers facilitation centers**



### **DIGITAL & INTEGRATED MODEL FOR KNOWLEDGE AND SERVICE DELIVERY TOWARDS** SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE



## **A Visionary Direction**



It is the Vision of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh Shri. YS Jagan Mohan Reddy to have an Agri Input Shop and a Village Knowledge center at Village level near Village Secretariats through which the following should be made available to farmers at every village....



- Government schemes & services •
- agricultural technologies

Pre-tested Quality inputs of Seeds, Fertilizers & pesticides.

• Trainings and capacity building of the farmers on latest

## **The RBKs**

- Andhra Pradesh being an Agrarian State, the Government primarily focuses on agriculture, allied sectors and farmers welfare.
- In October 2019 Hon'ble CM instructed about establishing an Agri Input Shop and a Village Knowledge center at Village level near Village Secretariats and named it as **Rythu Bharosa Kendram (RBK)**.
- Rythu Bharosa Kendram is One Stop Shop for supply of Government Certified Agri Inputs (Seeds, Fertilizers & Pesticides), Animal Husbandry & Fisheries Inputs to the farmers and has an attached workshop / Knowledge Center for giving scientific Agri Advisories to the farmers



**Delivery of Certified Product at Right Price** & Right Time



**Right Advisory** & Dr YSR Polambadi







Channelize Govt. Schemes





Increase Farm Productivity & Farm Income

## THE VISION BECOMES A MISSION

Rythu Bharosa Kendrams (RBK's) are established in villages across Andhra Pradesh with a mission to transform Andhra Pradesh through strengthening Agriculture which is the strongest pillar of the states economy. RBK's core objectives included:





#### Hon'ble CM Inaugurated RBKs on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2020



## Four Pillars of RBK



## Not just buildings & machines

## Backed by ~21K Strong HR

DESIGNATION	SANCTIONED
Village Agriculture Assistant (VAA)	6758
Village Horticulture Assistant (VHA)	4000
Village Sericulture Assistant (VSA)	400
Village Animal Husbandry Assistant (VAHA)	9844
Village Fisheries Assistant (VFA)	794

Additional Manpower		
Banking Correspondents	9277	
Procurement Staff (During Season)	11033	



### **Operation of RBKs**

- - Village
  - respective RBKs.



The RBK Centers are operated by Village Agriculture Assistant /Horticulture Assistant / Sericulture Assistant and Village Animal Husbandry Assistant / Fisheries Assistant shall function from the

Dress Code (VAA/VHA - Green, VAHA : White, VFA - Blue)



Tabs given & monitoring mechanism in place.

**Training programs imparted** 

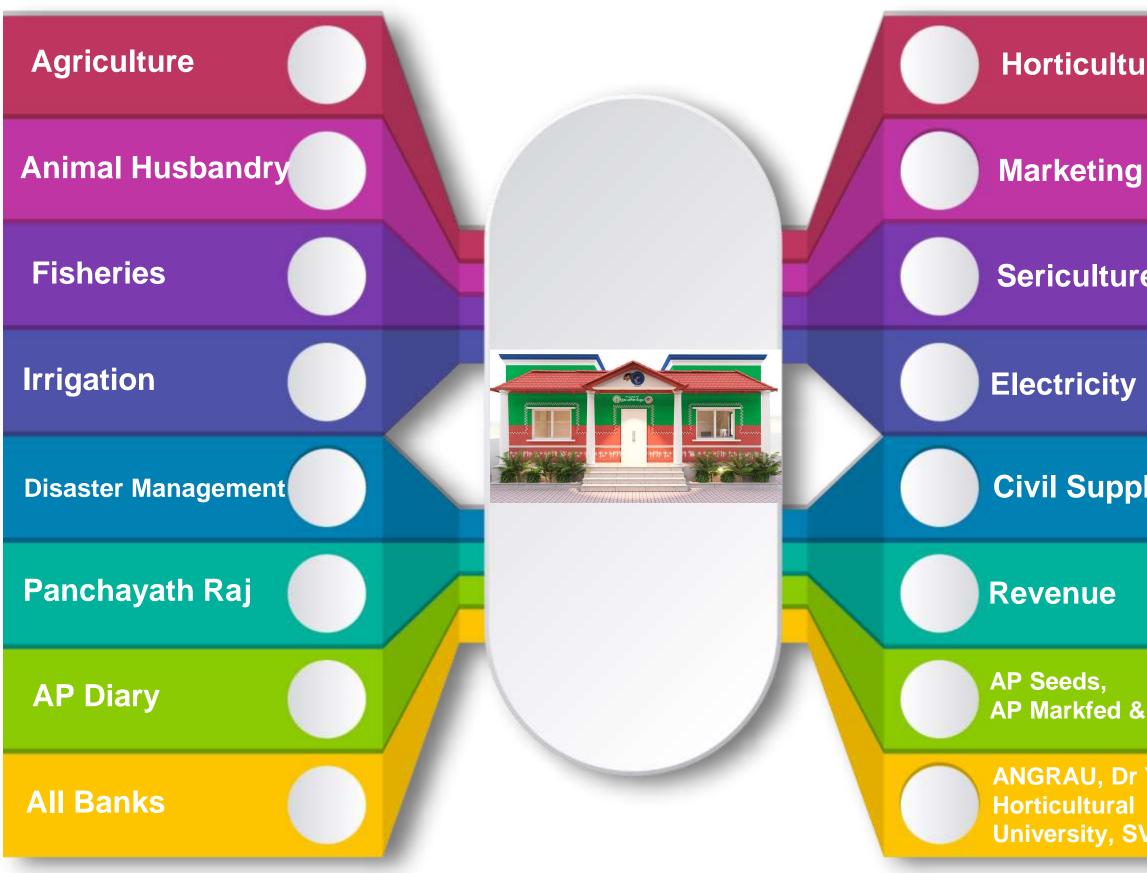


Continuous evaluation taken up by the individual departments



Biometric attendance @ RBK in digital kiosks / YSRAPP - Geofence

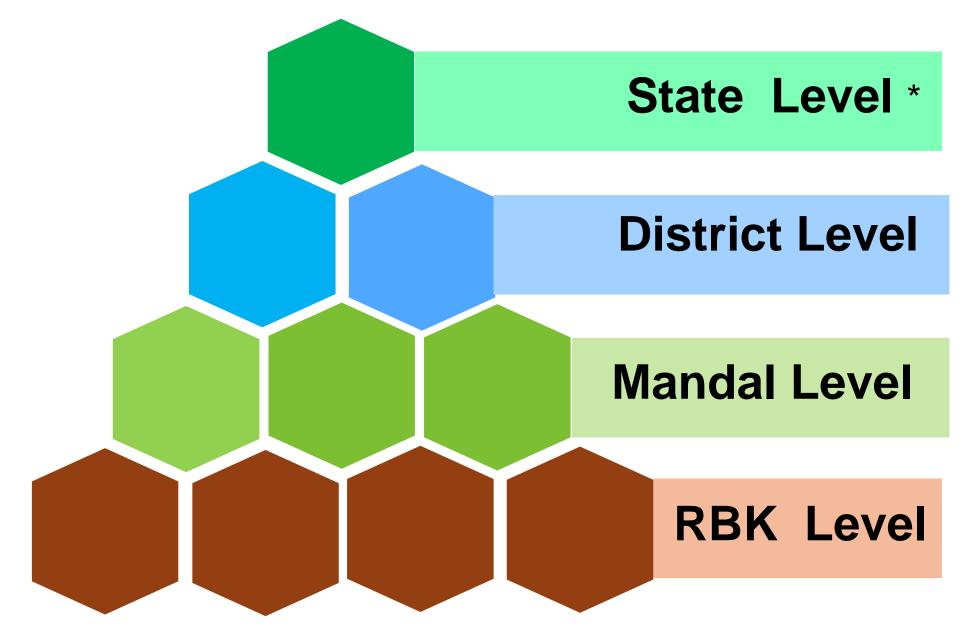
## **RBKs – Stakeholders ; Knowledge Partners**



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	National Institute of Plant Health Management, Hyderabad	Soil Science Division, IARI, Pusa, New Delhi			
	Central Fertilizer Quality Control & Training Institute, Faridabad	Central Insecticide Lab, Plant Quarantine, Faridabad			
AP Agros	National Seed Research & Training Center, Varanasi	National Diary Research Institute, NDRI, Karnal, Haryana			
YSR	State Management Institute of Livestock Enterprise	Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI), Izatnagar,			
VVU	(SMILE), Vizag	UP			

## Agri Advisory Boards (AAB)

### "Agriculture Advisory Boards" were established at 4 levels



- ✓ Better crop planning & Marketing of Agriculture Produce based on the Agro Climatic Situations at Village Level.
- ✓ Farmers needs are captured by Agri Dept and steps are taken as per their requirements.
- ✓ Farmers are involved in Decision making

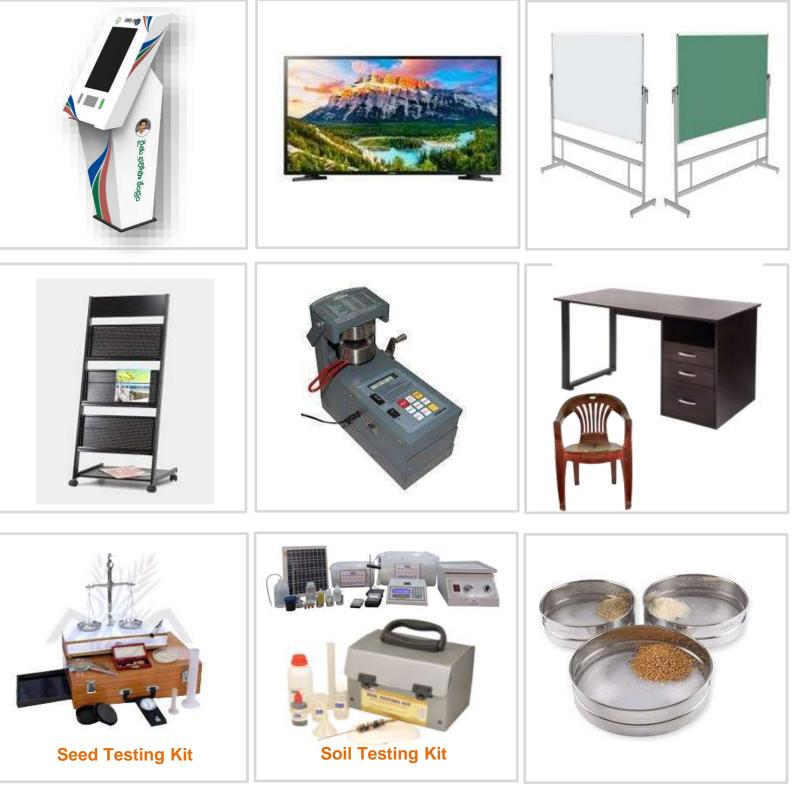


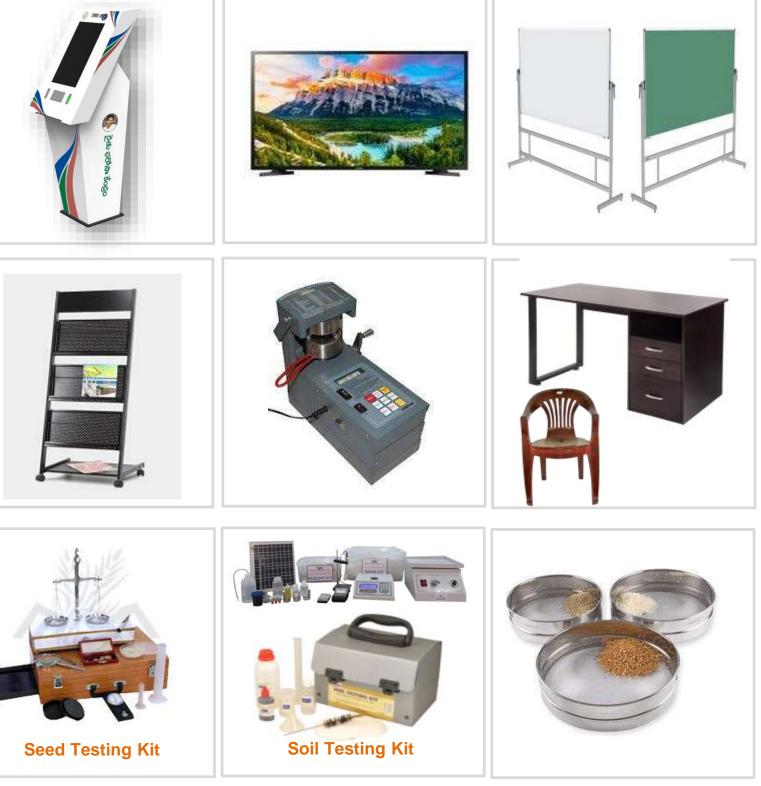


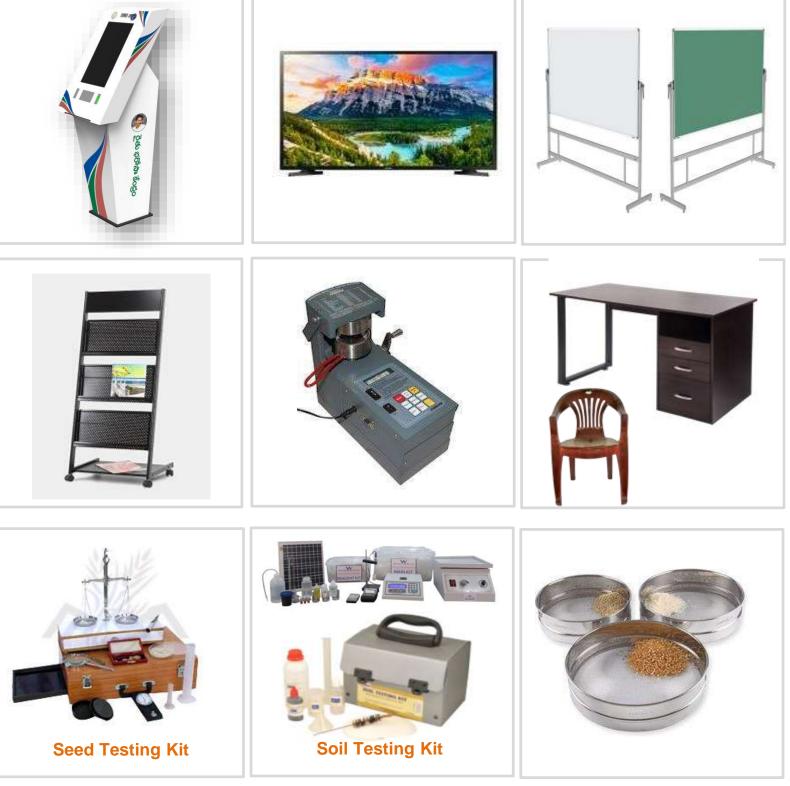
## Infrastructure for RBKs

Every RBK is provided with the below basic infra elements for operations apart from materials supplied based on specific RBK requirements

Basic Infrastructure					
1	Digital Kiosk (Interactive Touch Screen)	1			
2	Internet facility				
3	Open Racks (for Model products Display)	4			
4	Office table	2			
5	Fibre chairs	15			
6	White board & stand	1			
7	Racks (Library etc)	2			
8	Display Frames	8			
9	Smart TV	1			
10	Library & Digital Library (Set)	1			
11	Soil Test Kit	1			
12	Seed Test Kit	1			
13	Moisture Meter	1			
14	Sieves				







## Allied Sector Tools at RBKs

#### Veterinary Tools



### Aqua Tools



Fish Net Crates



Weighing Balance

Water Analysis Kit



# Outreach of RBKs Rythu Bharosa Kendralu











## **1. Services at RBKs**

- ✓ Weather & Market info
- ✓ Community Hiring Centers (CHCs)
- ✓ Soil and Seed testing
- ✓ Credit Services
- ✓ Banking Services
- ✓ All Government Schemes







Services are Delivered through Digital Tools

## **Digital Kiosk in RBK**

A Digital Kiosk is made available in each RBK.

### **Digital Kiosk Features**

- Touch Screen
- Front Camera
- Aadhar enabled Finger Print Scanner
- Micro phone & Stereo Speakers
- UPS Power Backup
- Provision for future incorporations like
  - Thermal Printer
  - USB charging slots
  - > A4 Color printer
  - E-POS Machine
  - RFID Card Reader

Camera

Touchscreen

Speakers

Provision for Future Accessories

> Fingerprint Scanner



## **Digital Kiosk in RBK - Weather & Market Information**

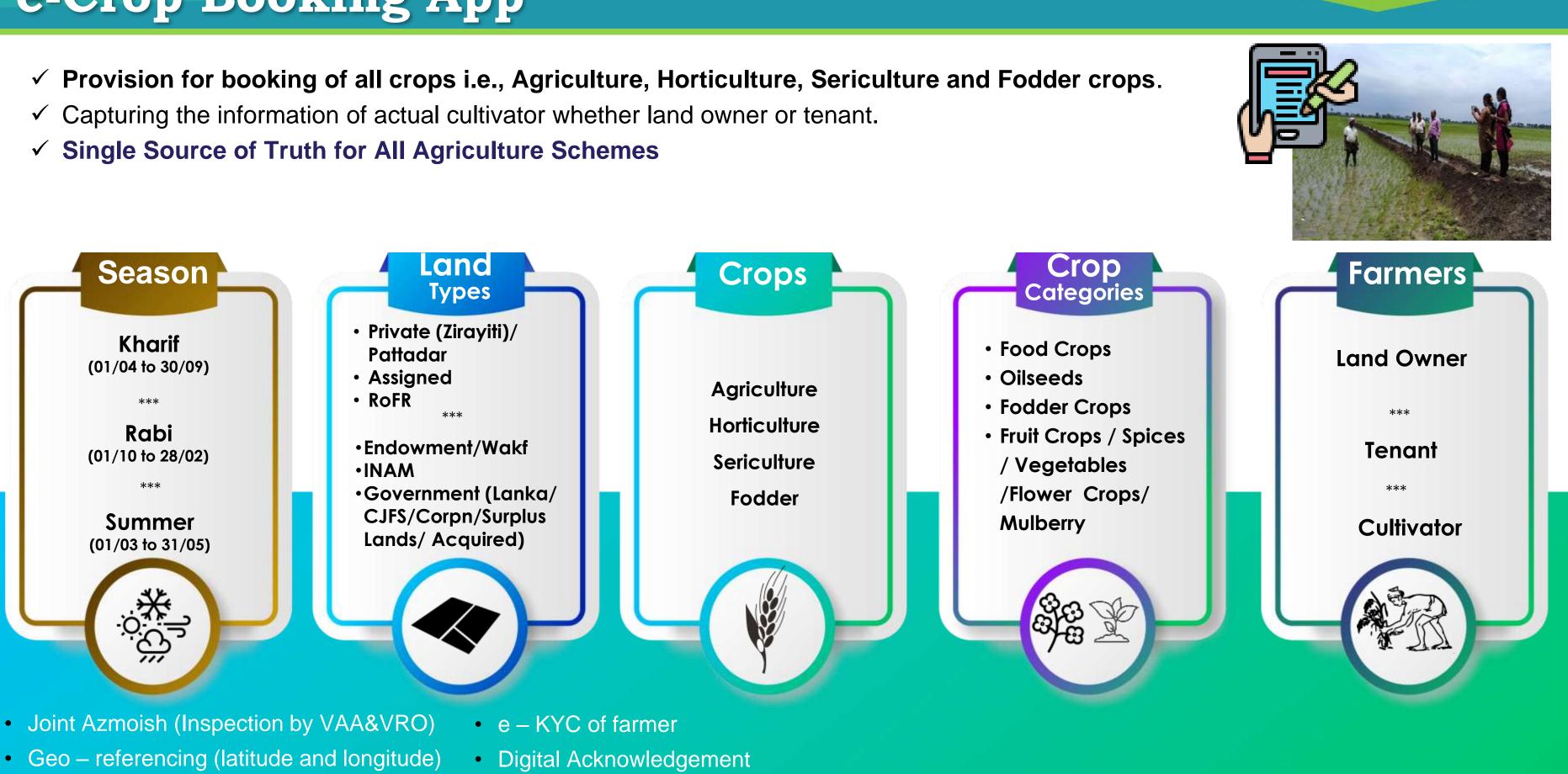
- Information dissemination to Grass Root Level, especially to the remote Villages is made easy through Digital Kiosks.
- Multifunctional Kiosk Software is present in the Digital Kiosk
- Along with Inputs Indent, the Digital Kiosks facilitate Farmers to access the below information....

## ✓ Market Prices

- ✓ Weather Forecasting (3 Days)
- ✓ Agricultural News
- ✓ e-Magazine
- ✓ Dept Schemes information
- ✓ Testing Labs information



## e-Crop Booking App



- Integration with webland
- e-KYC of VAA / VRO

- Physical Acknowledgement

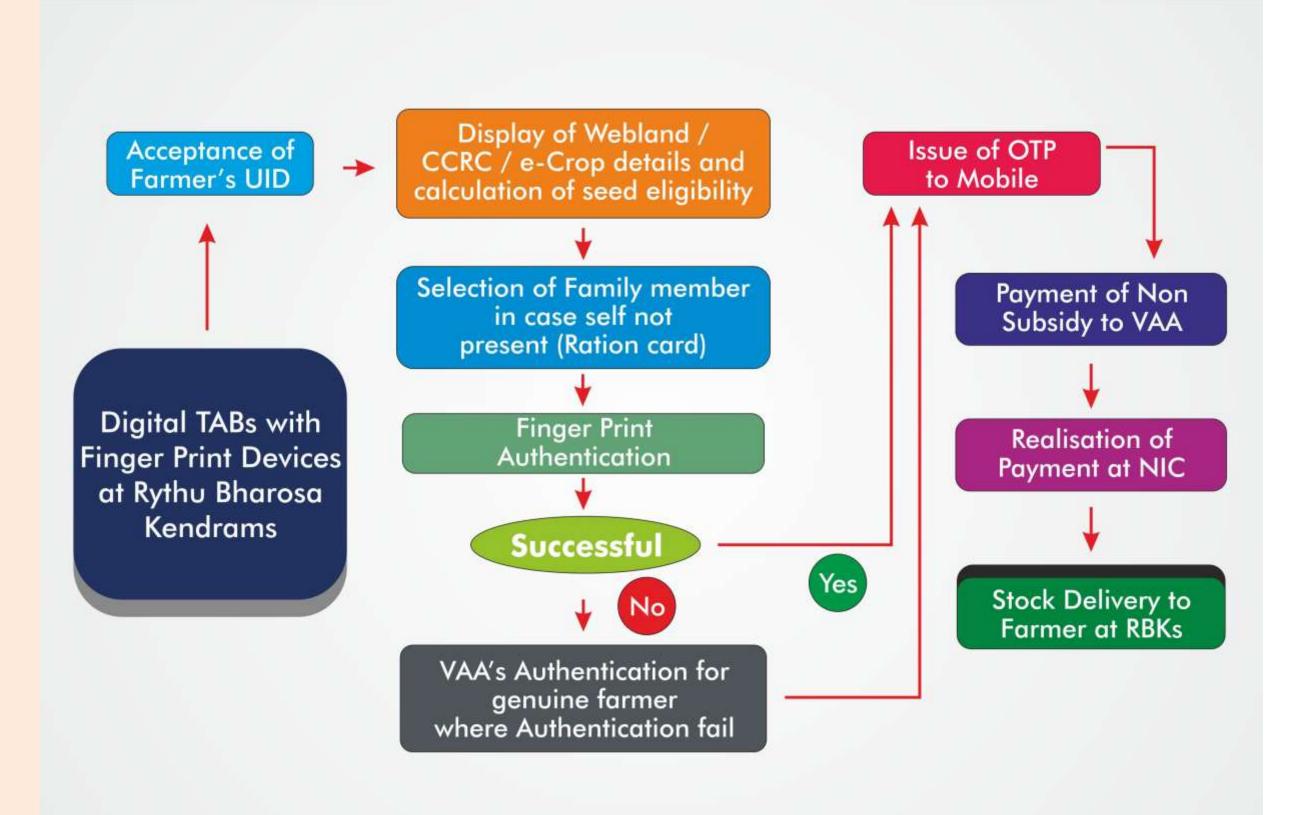






## **D-Krishi :- Aadhaar Enabled Seed Distribution System**





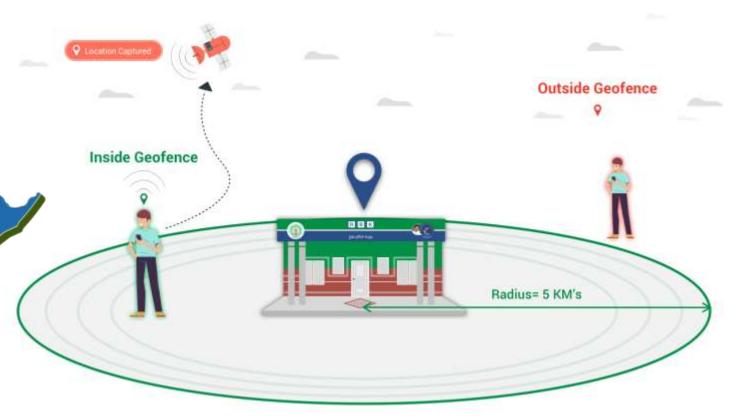
## **YSRAPP : RBKs Monitoring & Evaluation App**

- Entire efforts of Department are invested into RBKs project and it is important to get good outcome for the efforts.
- A Mobile Application is designed for **RBKs monitoring** and evaluation.
- The App is named as YSR App Yield Sustainability Reforms in Agriculture Production and Productivity.
- Activity Geofence 5 KM ; Attendance Geofence -1 KM
- Two Way Communication App: Notifications from HOD & Feedback from Users
- App Functions only within User Jurisdiction

#### **YSRAPP** features

<b>RBK Registration</b>	<b>RBK assets tracker</b>	Activity tracker	Feedback from Field
Visit to RBKs	Attendance	AAB module	<b>Real Time Dashboard</b>
Performance	Notifications	MAO Module	ADA Module





## **Banking Services at RBKs - Business Correspondents**

**9,277** Business Correspondents (BCs) / Bank Mitras are mapped with the 10,778 RBKs in the state to provide Banking Services to Farmers

The Banks provided a schedule of operation of the BCs at RBKs to enable the farmers to access banking services from RBKs.



Processing and submission of applications to banks.



Disbursal of small value credit and collection of small value deposit as per bank limit and norms.



Collection and preliminary processing of KCC applications and KCC renewal forms etc.



Creating awareness among farmers on financial literacy and SVPR scheme benefits.



Educating on digital transactions like mobile banking, net banking and phone pay etc



Post-sanction monitoring and Follow-up for loan recovery



ATMs established at few RBKs









#### ATM at RBK, Pallatla, WG Dist

## **Custom Hiring Centers**

### **Agri Tools Hiring through CHCs**



## **RBKs : Social audit**

### YSR RB-PM Kisan beneficiaries

### e-Crop details

### Natural calamity enumeration list

- Social Audit is an Unique Feature in RBKs
- In RBKs all Scheme Beneficiaries' lists are Displayed for One (1)
   Week
- If eligible Farmers are left out, they can file a request & rectify to receive benefits
- Bringing Transparency in the system
- Tom-Tom in Village & Press note
- Extending benefits of Government to Right beneficiaries only



#### **Crop Insurance details**

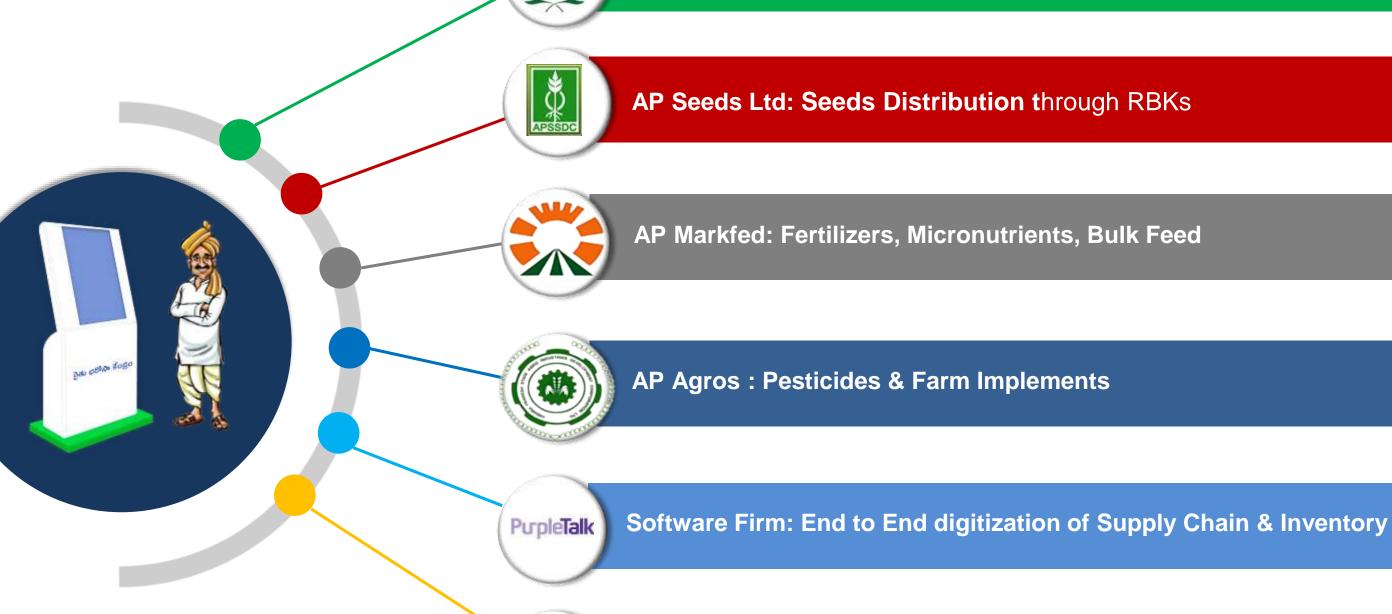
## 2. Supply of Quality Inputs

- The RBKs make available quality Agri inputs, animal feed and fish feed etc to farmers at right price, right time at village level
- The RBKs reduce duplicate and spurious products sale in market by only allowing sale of tested and certified products through RBKs
- All products are pretested in Integrated Agri Labs and only Standard and Certified products are displayed in Kiosk for sale
- To speed up stock deliveries 10,000 + village level godowns are established
- AP Seeds supply Seeds to RBKs
- AP Agros supply Pesticides to RBKs
- AP Markfed supply of Fertilizers and bulk feed to RBKs
- RBKs bring good practices in the sales of farm inputs and act as a model vendor. Farmer choice products are only sold.



## **Quality Agri Inputs through RBKs : Stakeholders**

Various agri and agri-related departments are collaborating together to bring every farming and allied activities related services to the farmers door step through RBK's



Agri Input Companies: Supplies of Seeds, Fertilizers & Pesticides to RBKs

Dept of Agriculture: Nodal Agency to establish and administer RBKs





- MoUs entered with .....
- ✓ 29 Seed Companies
- ✓ 19 Fertilizer Manufacturers
- Pesticides √ 52 Mfg & **Marketers**

## **Network of Testing Labs**



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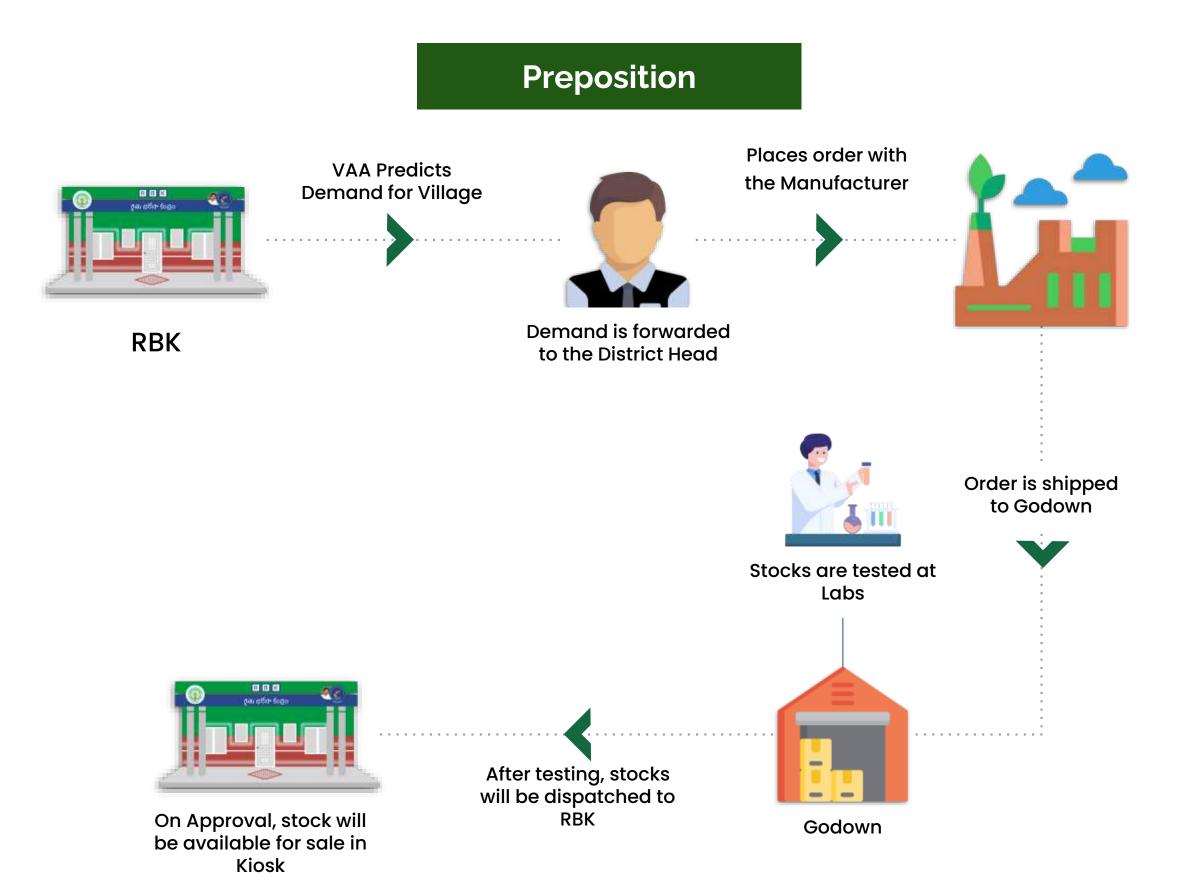
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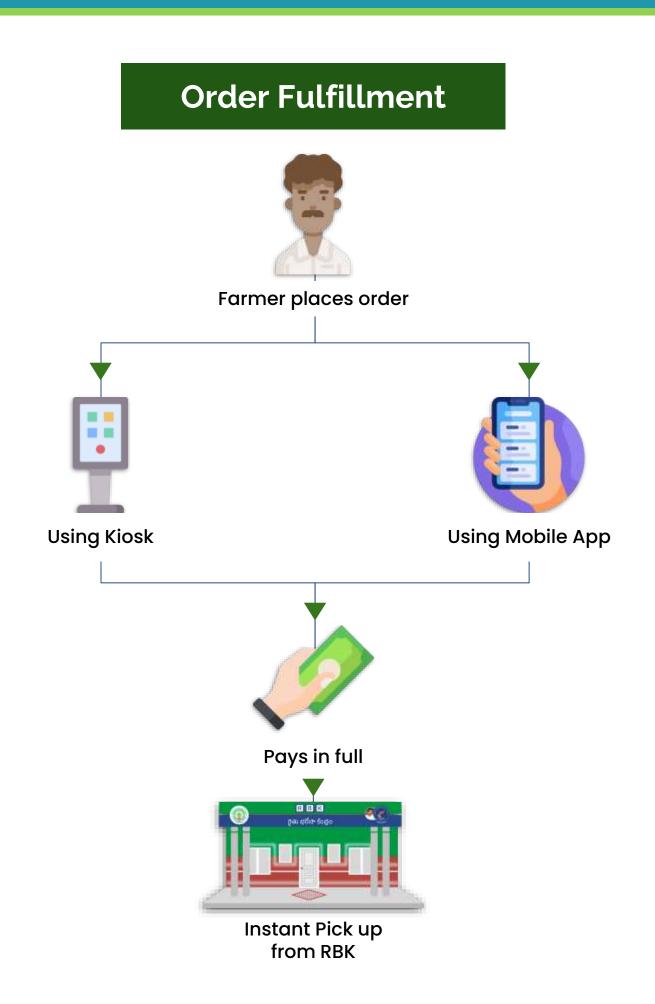


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## **RBK Agri Inputs – Process Flow**





## InSight – Quality Control App

- InSight is a dedicated **Digital Platform AI & IoT based** solution for **counterfeit** detection of farm inputs like seeds fertilisers and Pesticides.
- InSight facilitates the tracking, tracing & verification of **Inputs Quality from Manufacturer to retailer**
- This platform connects the Input manufacturers, Input Dealers, Sample collection team, Input Inspectors, Regional Coding Centres, Integrated Agri Labs and Farmers.
- InSight- Input Samples Identity, Genuineness by High **Level Testing**
- InSight App is Mobile App + Web Portal
- Mobile App for Field Functionaries and Web Portal for HOD, DAOs, RCC and Agri Labs



## 3. Capacity Building & Knowledge Dissemination

RBK is basically a training center, where Agriculture & Allied Sector Officials & Scientists provide latest and low cost technologies to farmers. Audio Visual Aids, Mini Soil testing Lab, Method demonstrations, Library etc are part of RBKs. Polambadi is seed to seed training programme (14 weeks) in the field.

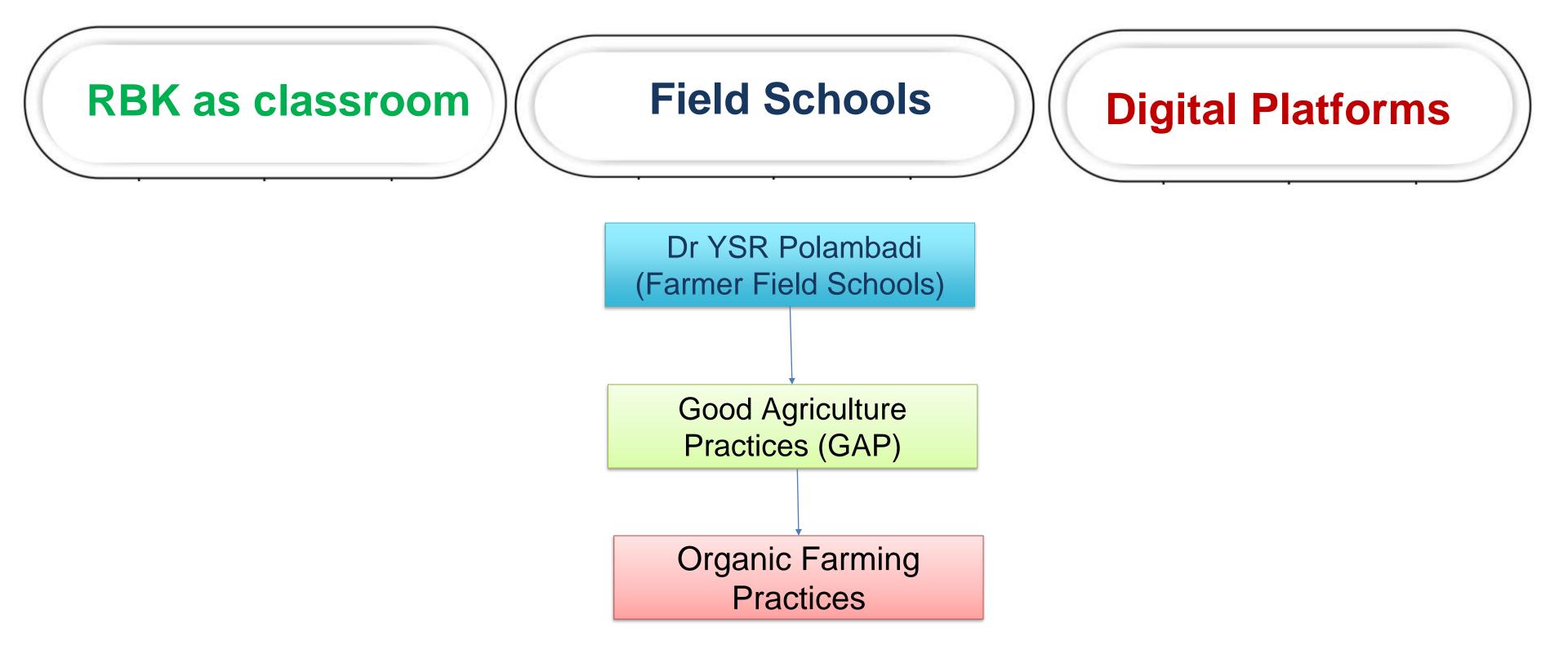
- Farmers training at RBK
- Demonstrations
- Dr YSR Polambadi
- YSR Thotabadi
- Rythu Bharosa Magazine
- e-Magazine
- Posters
- Library at RBK
- RBK Channel
- Integrated Call Center 155251
- District Resource Centers
- Campaigns
- Rythu Bharosa Ratham







## **Knowledge Dissemination at RBKs**

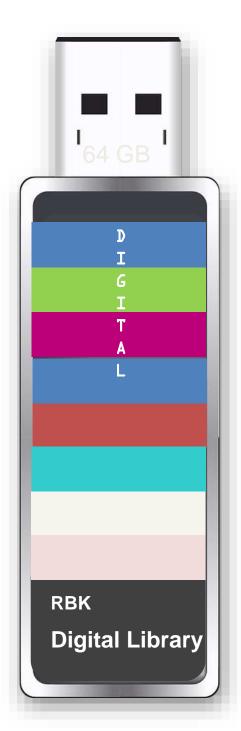




## **Crop Specific Booklets**



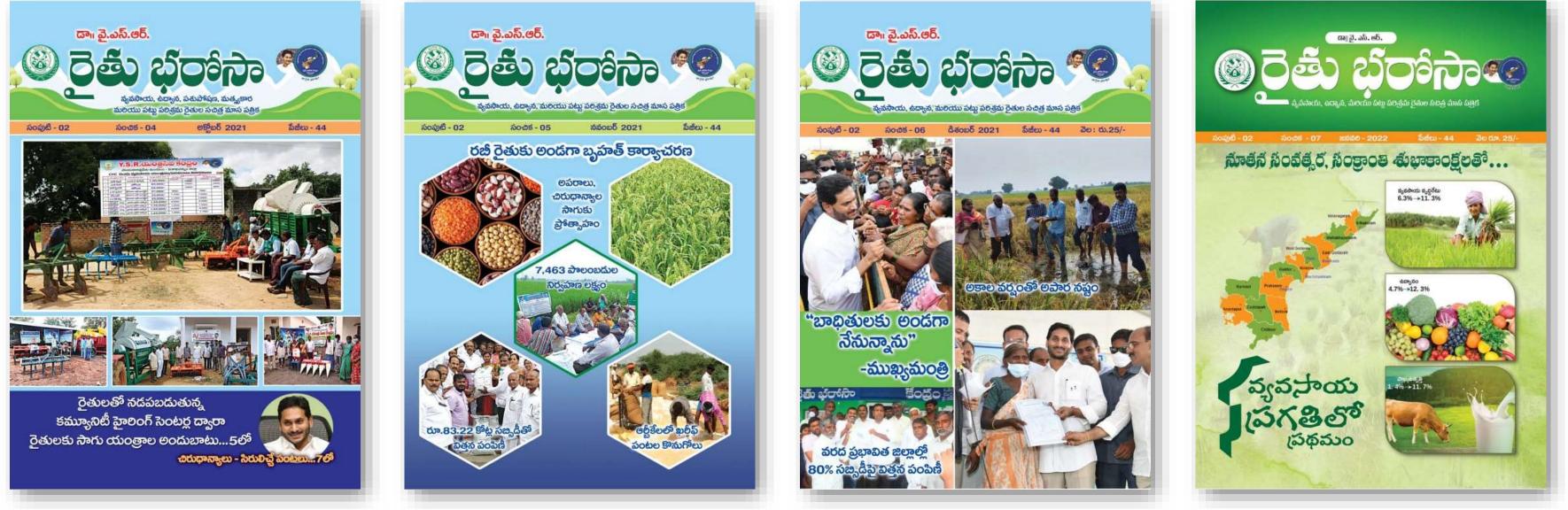
## Advance Crop Technology











## Monthly Magazine

## Paid Subscriptions : 1,00,240

Annual Subscription: Rs 300/-

Complementary Copies for Dept & RBKs : 14,000 No's

- Disseminate information on latest technical know how
- Updates on Agriculture & Allied Sectors



Seasonal, Need based Posters are prepared; Awareness done on Campaign mode at RBKs

## **RBKs : Method Demonstrations**





#### Polambadi Training







• Infrastructure in each RBK for conducting Polambadi trainings & Method Demonstrations



**Method Demonstration** 

Polambadi Training

**Polambadi Training** 

**Demonstration** 

#### **Method Demonstration – Items / Equipment**







**Gas Stove Pressure Cooker** 



**Pulveriser** 





**Ribbon Blender** 

Drums

## Farmer Field School (Dr.YSR Polambadi)

	Field School	<ul> <li>To empower the farmers on</li> <li>ICM techniques like- INM, IPM, IWM, FM, AESA, PAF &amp; Water Management &amp; Agronomic practices</li> <li>Reduction in cost of cultivation</li> <li>Increasing of crop yields</li> <li>Evaluation of FFS with ANGRAU scientists as Knowledge partner</li> </ul>
	Farmers benefitted	<ul> <li>2020-21: 18,840 Nos ; 5.65 lakh farmers</li> <li>2021-22: 16,067 Nos ; 4.82 lakh farmers</li> <li>2022-23: 17000 Nos ; 5.10 lakh farmers (in progress)</li> </ul>
Analysis Cu		Evaluation of FFS data by the State Agricultura University (ANGRAU) scientists, in 2021-22, Cost of cultivation was reduced from 10% to 21% and productivity increased from 6% to 15% in FFS.





### Farmer Field School (Dr.YSR Polambadi)- Implementation of GAPs & Organic Farming

#### **Good Agriculture Practices (GAP):**

- 1st phase: Conducting FFS for 3 consecutive seasons- 1<sup>st</sup> phase completed
- 2nd phase: Implementing GAPs concept for 3 seasons and issuance of GAP certificate to farmers by A.P. State Organic Products Certification Authority (APSOPCA) (starting from Rabi, 2022)
- FAO-ICAR-TCP: Imparting training to the Farmers, Staff of Agriculture & Allied Dept & Scientists on the GAPs & Organic certification
- Establishing **3 Regional laboratories under NABL accreditation** for conducting Pesticide residual analysis of GAP produce.

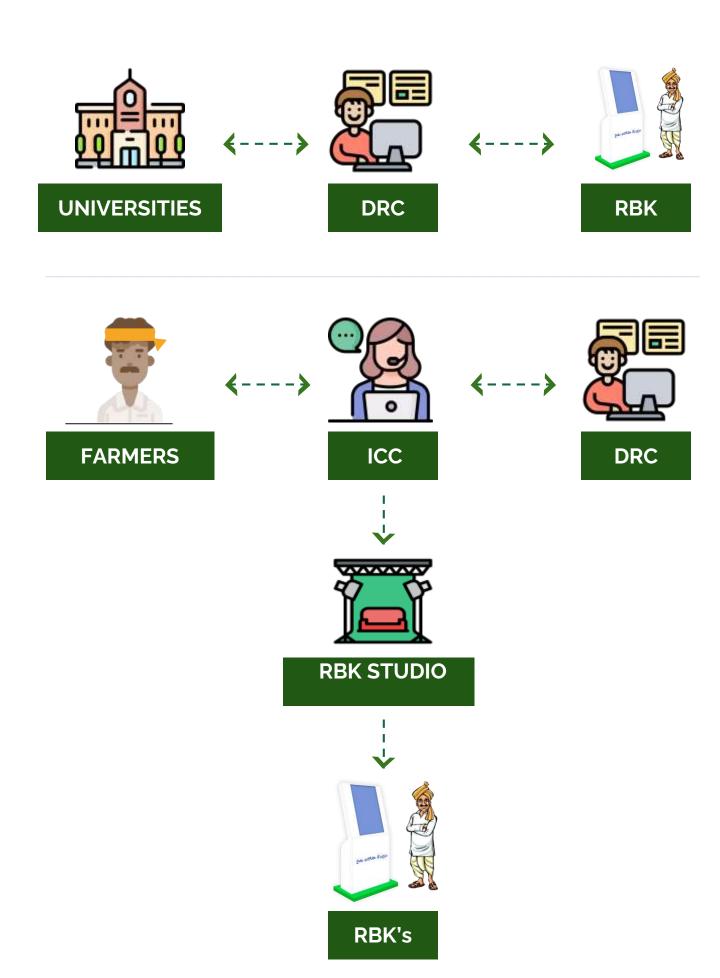
#### **Organic Certification:**

3<sup>rd</sup> phase: Launching the process of organic production and certification

as per Agriculture & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) norms.



## **RBKs-District Resource Centers for Empowerment of Farmers**



- Integration of ATMA & FTC officers and in Coordination with Scientists from KVKs, ARS & DAATT centers.
- Need based trainings at village level
- Plant Diagnostic Visits
- Training Calendar preparation with Coordination of Allied Dept and Scientists
- Universities share the latest Developments time with DRCs; DRCs plan RBK Staff training and Farmers training through RBKs.
- Farmers call Integrated Call Center for Advisory; •
- If more calls on same issue received from a district or an specific area, ICC informs DRC to conduct Plant Diagnostic visit ٠
- DRC team visit and share findings with ICC
- ICC informs RBK Studio about the issue
- RBK Studio with Guidance of Scientists' /Subject Experts • prepare Videos or conduct Phone-in-programmes
- Farmers watch the programme through Smart TVs present in **RBKs or Mobiles**

## **RBKs : Plant Diagnostic Visits by DRCs**



## 3487 Diagnostic Visits



Trainings	Number	No. of Farmers Benefitted			
2020-21					
Physical Trg	4399	130833			
Virtual Trg	305	34250			
Diagnostic Visits	1558	35492			
2021-22					
Physical Trg	2629	72433			
Virtual Trg	644	56048			
Diagnostic Visits	1437	27924			
2022-23 (April, 2022 to till date)					
Physical Trg	1264	64328			
Virtual Trg	331	48328			
Diagnostic Visits	492	8214			

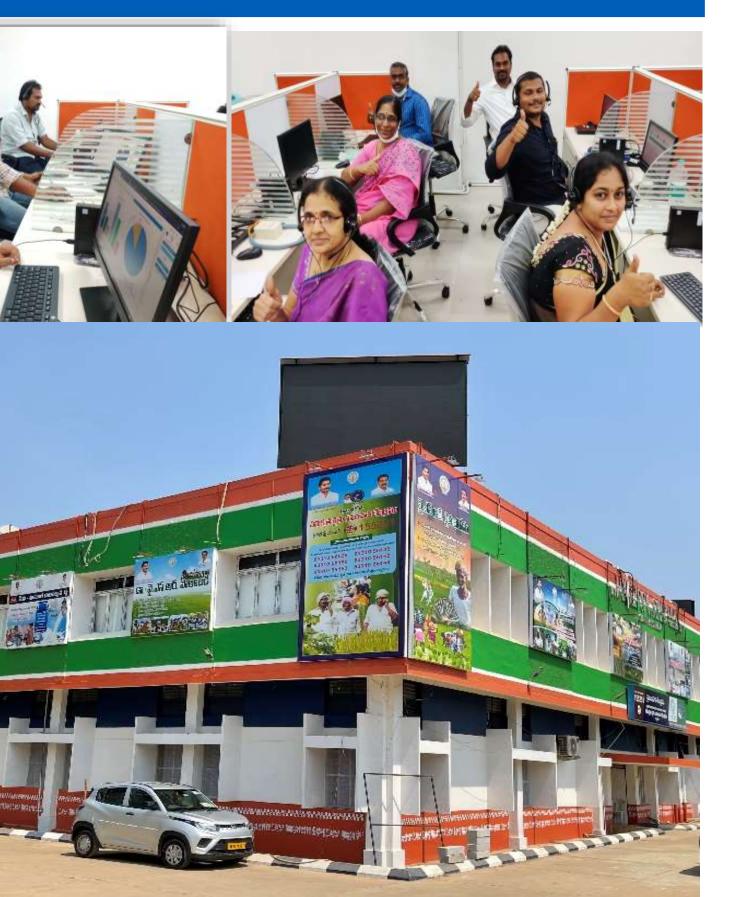
# **Digital Platforms: Integrated Call Center**

## 5.18 Lakhs farmer calls

- Dedicated Integrated Call
   Center for addressing the grievances of farmers by use
   of ICT
- Telephonic based advisory service
- Inaugurated on May 30<sup>th</sup>
   2020
- Toll free Number 155251
- Virtual Diagnosis through WhatsApp



### 8,466 WhatsApp images



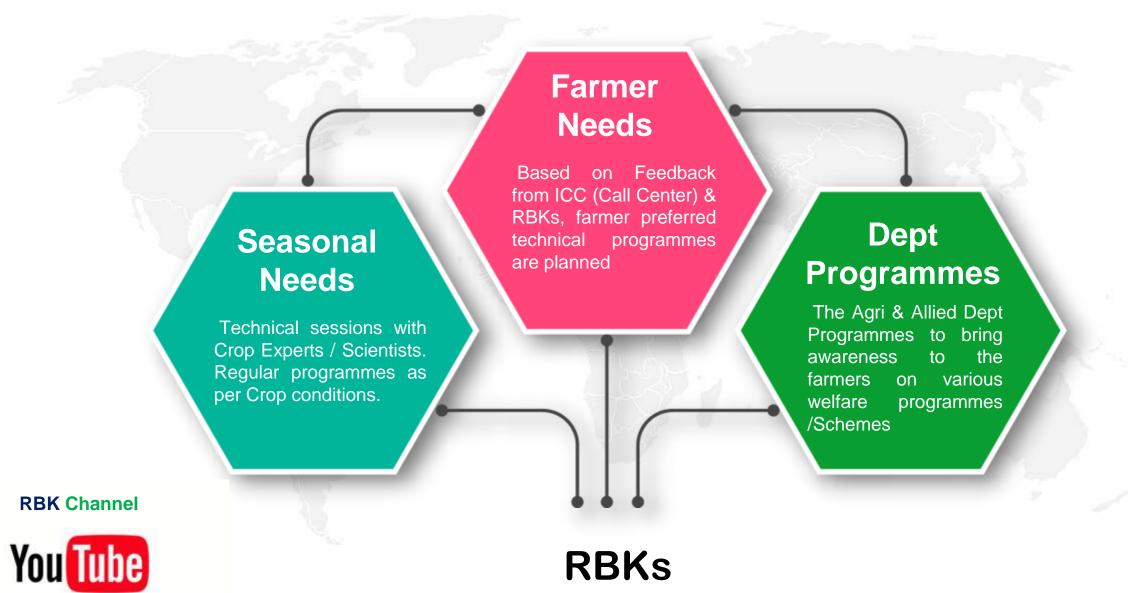
# **Digital Platforms: RBK Channel**



The RBKs are provided with **Smart TVs** to share technical information on Agriculture & Allied Sectors with Farmers.

RBK Channel 
192K subscribers

The Department of Agriculture has established **RBK Channel** to telecast **need based** Technical Content through these Smart TVs.







#### **Disseminating information on**

Crop protection	Soil health management
Organic Farming	Irrigation
Crop selection	Farm mechanization
Market information	Value addition
Agri-business	Dairy farming
Food processing industry	Horticulture
Fisheries	Animal husbandry etc

## **4.RBK as Procurement Center**

- RBKs are declared as Procurement centers by Government
- RBKs are equipped with required infrastructure for carrying **Procurement Operations**
- Moisture meter ; Sample Divider; Set of Sieves; Analysis kit; Sample Collection pan; Mini Grader; Tarpaulin

Year	Crops	No of Beneficiaries	Qty Procurred (In Lakh MT)	Value (R
2020-21	Paddy, Cotton, Maize, Jowar, Bajra, Bengalgram, Groundnut, Redgram, Ragi, Korra	9.68 Lakhs	90.96	17,778 (
2021-22	Paddy, Maize, Jowar, Bajra, Bengalgram, Groundnut, Redgram, Ragi, Greengram, Blackgram, Turmeric finger, Turmeric Bulb	8.50 Lakhs	68.23	13,542 (





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# **RBK as Procurement Center - CM APP**

- CMAPP is a unified procurement platform developed by AP MARKFED for the comprehensive **monitoring of agricultural crop prices** across all locations in the state of Andhra Pradesh.
- Daily RBK Staff update the local Market prices in CM APP
- "CM APP" helps authorities in effective decision making by providing analysis reports of daily price trends throughout the state.
- Whenever price of a produce is below MSP, an Alert is Triggered in CM APP and the Marketing Officials intervene to protect the interests of Farmers
- Price stabilization fund with Rs 3,000 Crore was set up to check fluctuations market price and ensure the farmers get a minimum support price.



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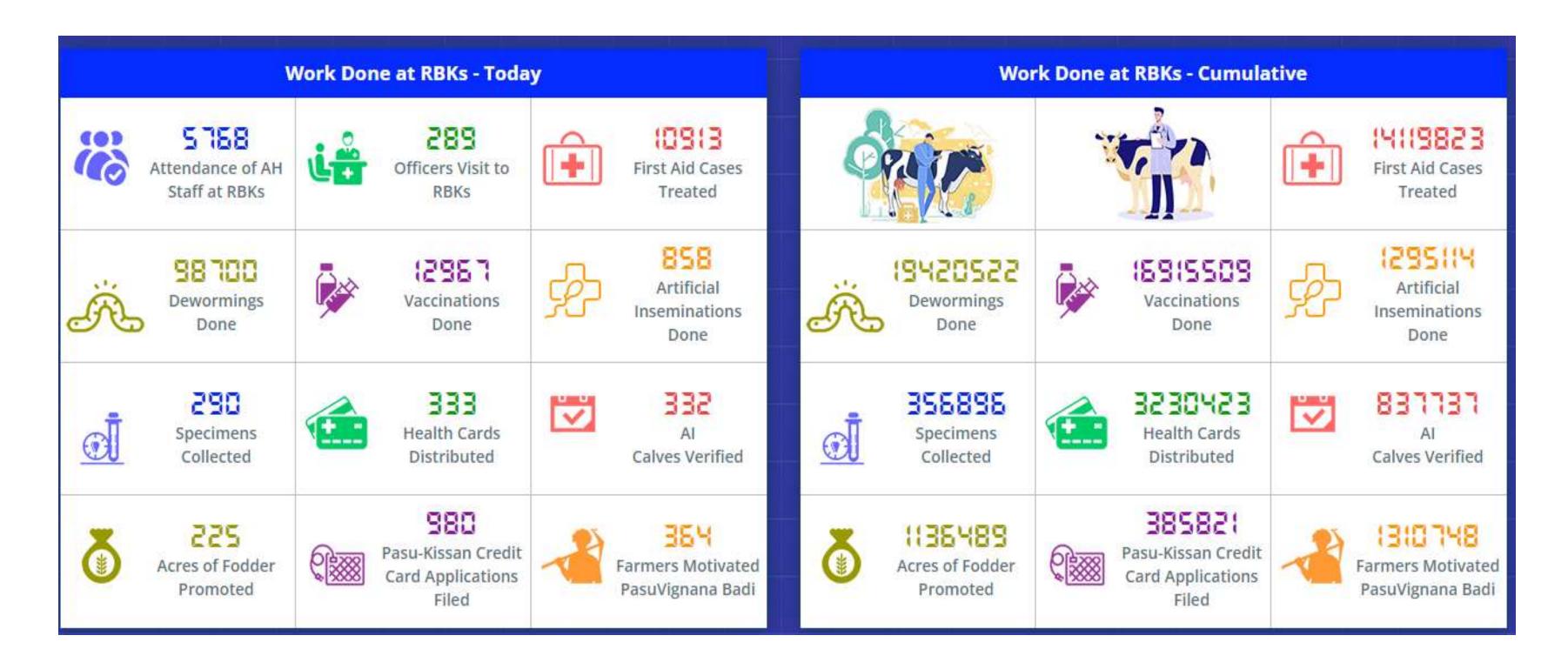
## **VETERINARY SERVICES AT RBK**



- 141.19 lakhs First aid cases treated
- 12.95 lakhs Artificial inseminations conducted
- 169.15 lakhs Vaccinations Conducted
- ✤ 32.30 lakhs Animal health cards issued
- 13.10 lakhs farmers trained under Pasu vignana badi
- Treves installed at all RBKs
- Fixed day visits of Veterinary Doctors
- Supply of Veterinary Drugs and medicines to all RBKs
- Pasu Samrakshak Android App
- Supply of certified and quality Inputs

# Pasu Samrakshak App (AHMS)

 A Pasu Samrakshak App has been developed to capture attendance & functioning of AHAs at RBKs, fixed day visits of Vet Doctors to RBKs, Disease surveillance, performance indicators & livestock census updation.



# **Knowledge Dissemination**

### Pasu Vignana Badi (Livestock Knowledge School)

- Adoption of improved livestock management practices •
- Nutritional and health care practices •
- Adoption of best practices \*\*
- Clean milk production •
- Services of SV Veterinary University are being utilized for technical ••• guidance in Pasu Vignana Badi trainings
- 13,10,748 farmers trained under Pasu Vignana Badi \*\*

### **Doctors fixed day visits to RBKs**

Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) has been operationalized for \*\* fixed day visits to RBKs to render Veterinary care services by Doctors and also through Mobile Veterinary Ambulances



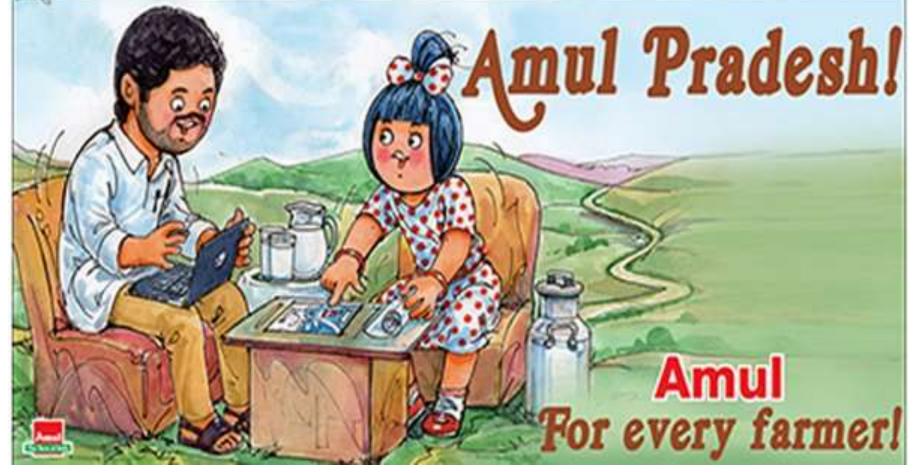




# **Amul- Milk Collection Centers**

### **Milk Collection Centers**

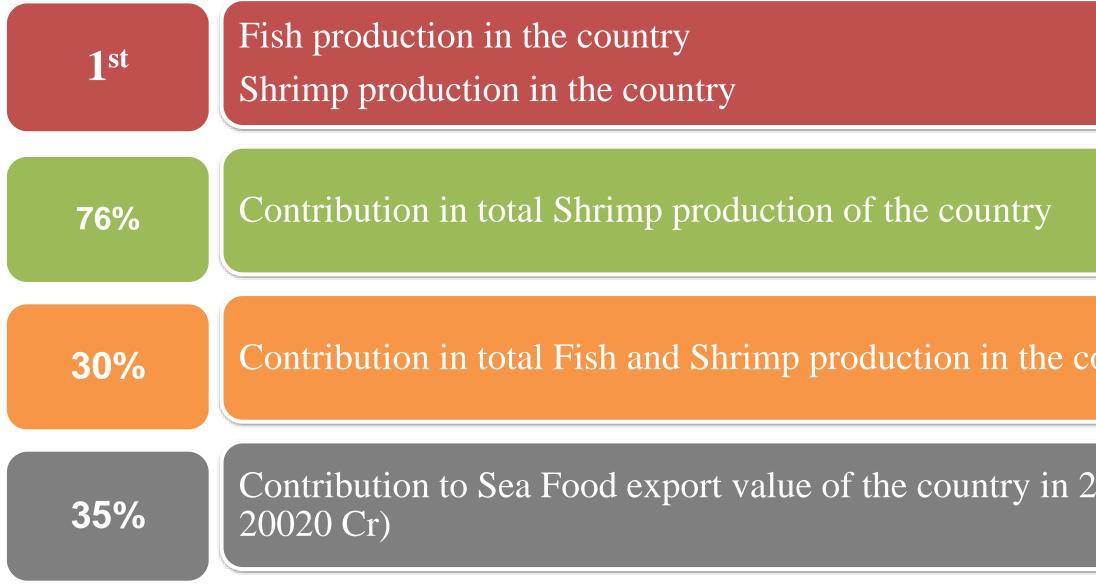
- Establishment in coterminous with RBKs
- MoU with Amul







## Significance Fisheries Sector at RBK



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## **Fisheries services at RBKs**



**Resulting in Increase** in farm **Productivity** through better access to inputs, advisory services and Govt. schemes

- 759 VFAs are recruited Out of sanctioned post s of 794
- VFAs are provided with TABS and are entering data on e-fish, Dr. YSR MSB and KCC
- E-crop extent of 4,51, 508.6 lakh Acres uploaded
- Dr. YSR MSB -5525 activities completed for 14,030 farmers
- Water quality analysis tests done at MSB – 9174
- KCC 3,264 nos are approved with credit limit of Rs. 400.37 Cr.

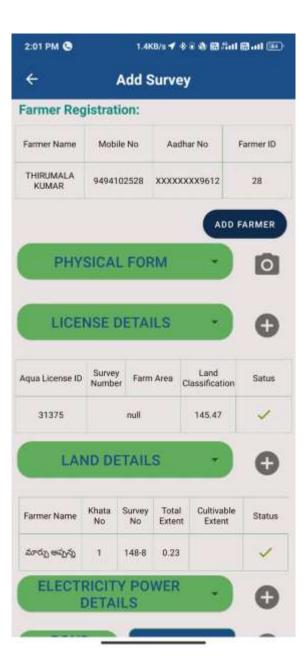
## e- Fish Survey



E – Fish Survey is under progress through a Mobile app at Farmer's Pond



Mapping all Ponds of farmer using Google Maps and GPS accurately.



Capturing all the details of the farmer including Land Survey Nos, Extent, Species other details.

# Matsya Sagu Badi (MSB)...

- Matsya Sagu Badi(MSB): To identify the progressive farmers who adopt good/innovative aquaculture practices and to disseminate those techniques to nearby farmers for diversification, enhancing production and productivity, finally to promote eco-friendly sustainable aquaculture production.
- Web application developed and given access to all field functionaries to upload the real time data through e-matsyakar (https://ematsyakar.com/efisher/)

#### **AP State Aquaculture Development Authority Act, 2020**

- All aquaculture activities and aquaculture business • operations are brought under purview of the Authority
- The Authority will monitor and regulate the quality and • prices of aquaculture inputs (seed, feed) and produce
- In case of deviations in quality of aquaculture inputs penalties will be imposed
- Creation of congenial environment for trade and export of aqua products
- Promotion of establishment of post harvest facilities and ٠ aquaculture projects for diversification and value addition

Water Analysis

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**Timeline:** anytim the whole duratio tests/ week

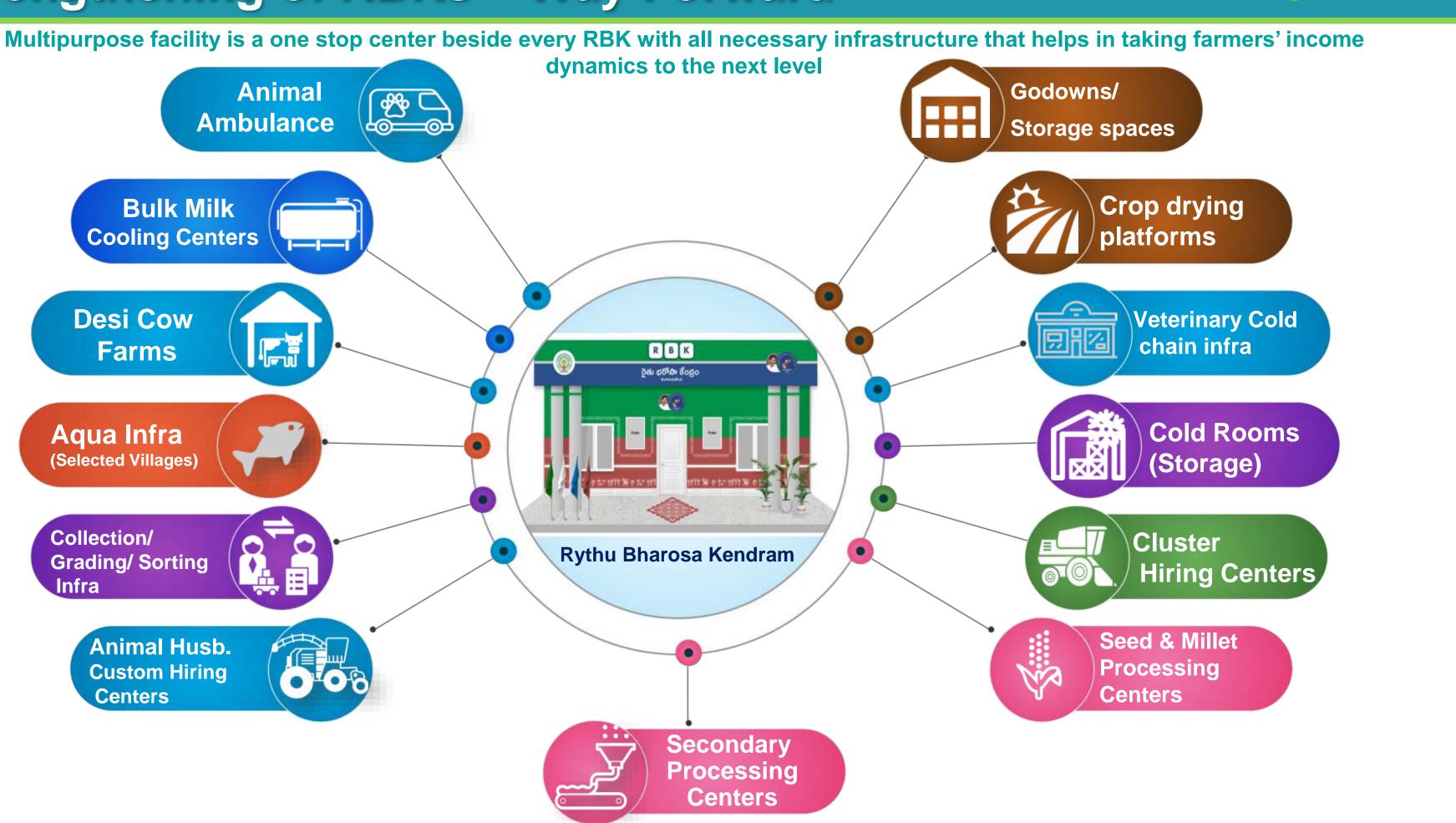
MSB				
Tests	Training session through RBKs	Monitoring of Crop and to give suggestions for better Output		
ISB	Topic Based training sessions	<ol> <li>Best Practices Applications</li> <li>To get more yield</li> <li>Linked to a particular crop</li> </ol>		
ie in on – 5	Timeline: 2 Training sessions/ Month at Village Level functionary.	End – to – End procedure for one practice		

# Impact of MSBs in Aquaculture Sector

- Used as a platform for IEC activities.
- Avoided usage of banned Antibiotics
- Growth Rates recorded as
  - > 2020-21 = 11.04 %
  - > 2021-22 = 12.76 % (as on 13-12-2021)
- Production costs decreased (5 to 7 %)
- Yearlings stockings promoted from fingerlings stage.
- Per hectare fish production increased from 1,000 kgs to 1,250 kgs.
- Institutions (IFCSs) strengthened.
- Maximum utilisation of water bodies for production of fish.
- 100% registration of Fishing Craft and Issuances of Licenses
- Promoted Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries(CCRF).
- Hygienic conditions improved on board of fishing vessels.
- Promoted deep sea fishing activities.
- Marine Fishermen Co-operative Societies strengthened.

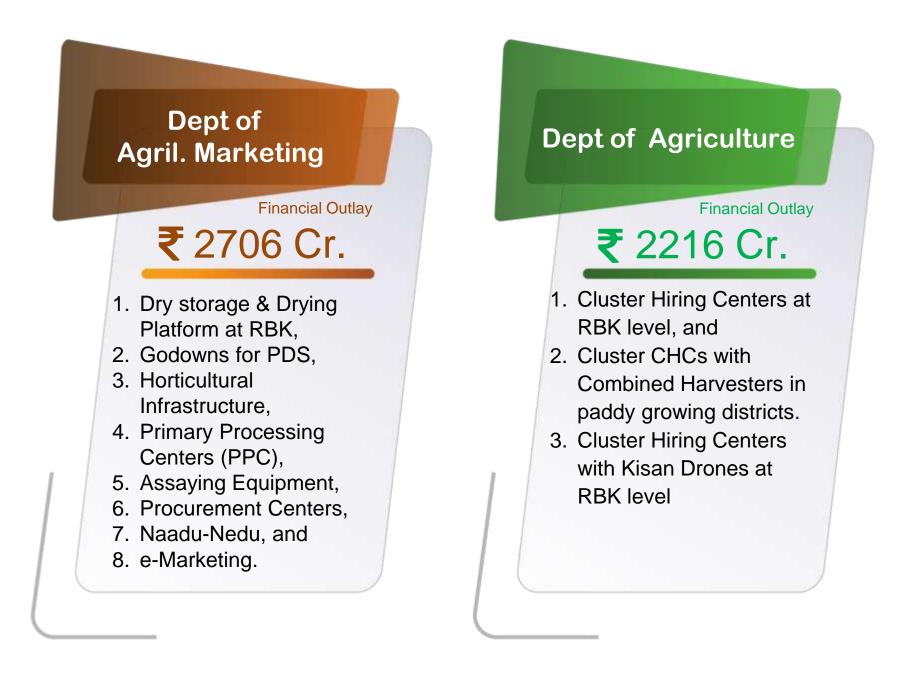


# Strengthening of RBKs – Way Forward



## **MPFC Projects - under Implementation**

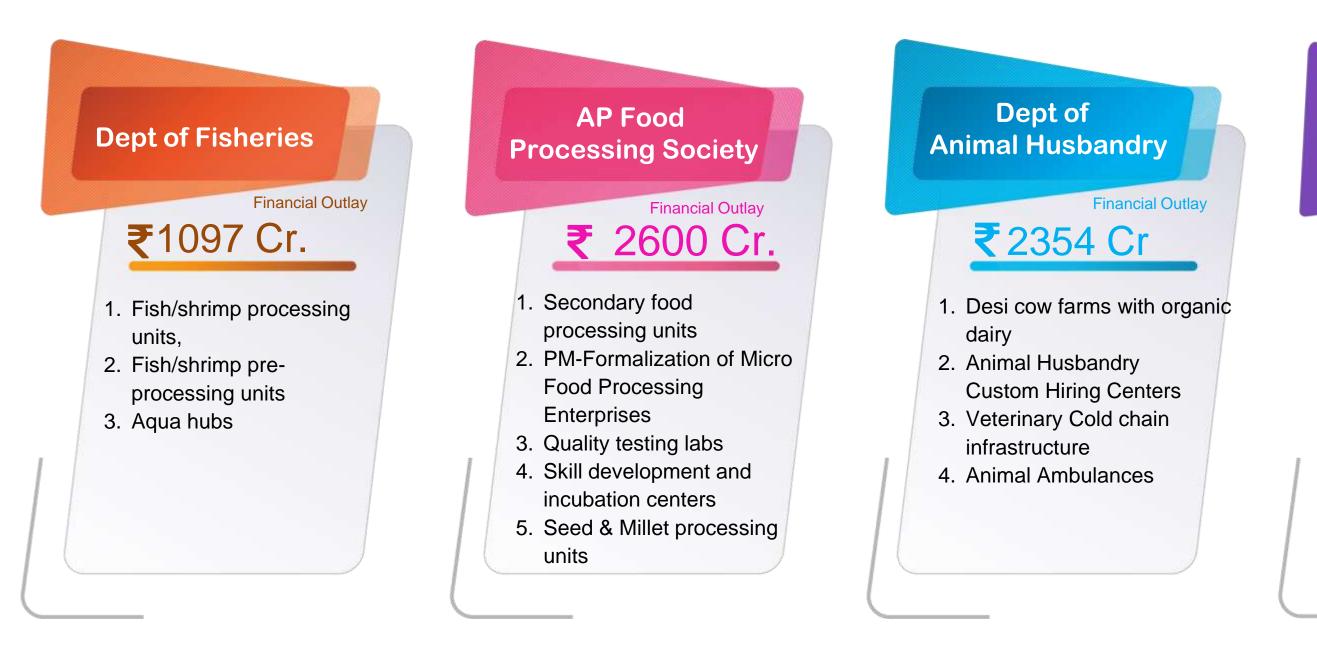
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## **RBKs – ISO Certification**





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Certificate of Registration

This is to certify that compliance of Quality Management System of

#### RYTHU BHAROSA KENDRAM KOTHAPATNAM-2

Department of Agriculture, Kothapatnam-2 Village Secretariat, Kothapatnam (Mandal), Prakasam (Dist), Andhra Pradesh, India

Has been assessed and approved to the requirements of

### ISO 9001 : 2015

For the scope of activities :

Supply of Pretested Quality Inputs, Capacity Building & Knowledge Dissemination, Farmers Advisories, Procurement Operations and Delivery of Welfare Services to the Farmers



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