

# CHOTE ANAJ BIJ BANK

*Madhya Pradesh, Khandwa District*



*Millets*  
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The Community Seed Bank (CSB) was established in 2017 by an individual farmer dedicated to seed conservation. It is located in the village of Devlikhurd in Khandwa District in Madhya Pradesh, India.

The CSB is managed by its founder and benefits 58 members from the village.

Before the CSB was established, its founding farmer concentrated on conserving local varieties of millet, thereby safeguarding agricultural biodiversity. Upon the CSB's establishment, it aimed to enhance food and nutrition security in the region by granting farmers access to these previously unavailable local varieties.

Currently, the CSB conserves mainly local varieties of millet including Kodo, Little Millet, Barnyard Millet, Foxtail Millet, and Pearl Millet.

Caritas India supports the CSB through capacity-building programs. Members of the CSB cover the CSB operational costs with their resources.

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