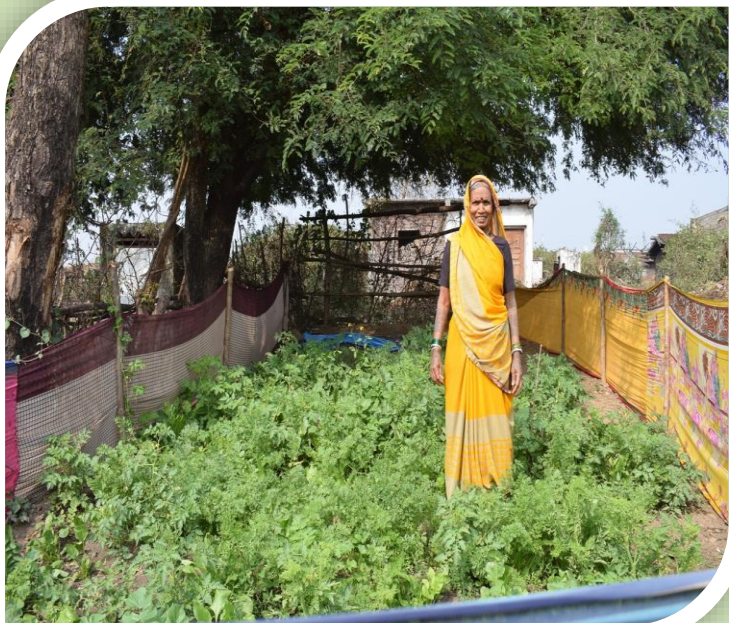


DISHA SEED BANK SHAHJANPUR

Maharashtra, Beed District



*Garden vegetables with seeds from the CSB
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The Community Seed Bank (CSB) was established in 2023 by an individual farmer dedicated to seed conservation with the support of St. Ann's Social Centre and Caritas India. It is located in the village of Shahjanpur in Beed District in Maharashtra, India.

The CSB is managed by its founder and is not a member-based organization. In its first year of operation, 5 households in the village have benefited from the CSB.

The main objectives of the CSB are to conserve crop diversity and ensure that farmers have access to this crop diversity.

Currently, the CSB conserves single varieties of different crops such as leafy vegetables, green chilli, coriander, tomato and brinjal.

In 2022, St. Ann Social Centre provided training in seed cultivation and conservation to the CSB founder as well as to the families benefiting from its support.

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