

### **A young farmer's on his way to organic farming promotion**

Name of the Farmer : Vadde Anil and Vadde Akhil  
Age : 23 years and 22 Years  
Father Name : Veeranna 52 Yeras  
Mother Name : Laxmi 48 Years  
Total family members: 4 members  
Name of the village : Seetha Nagaram  
Name of the mandal : Gudur  
Name of the District : Mahabubabad



Captured when we distributed the Seed

Vadde Anil is the elder son of Veeranna and Mr.Akhil is younger son they are both doing agriculture and helping with parents in cultivation. Mr.Anil studying MCA first year and M.Akhil completed Degree they are living in Seethanagara village of Gudur mandal Dist.Mahabubabad. They are having 3 acres of dry land and cultivated cotton crop in 2 and half acres, and 1/2 acre cultivated “Navara Paddy” indigenes seed variety (Red Rice) as a demonstration plot with organic methods. Anil and Akhil family main occupation is agriculture and due to more investment on chemical fertilizers and less yield there are living in debts and insufficient income to sustain their family, but still they were not able to get more yield and cleared debts.

**Lodi Intervention:** With the intervention of Ujwala project Phase III, the project staff has trained the farmers on organic farming, Multi cropping to improve the soil fertility, reduce the investment on chemical fertilizers and pesticides and enhance agriculture yield. During these training programs, the farmers were educated on preparation and use of Jeeva amrutham, spray methods and to improve soil fertility without investment on chemical fertilizers and pesticides. The farmers were educated to promote organic farming to stop debts with reduce of investment cost. With interest of the farmers the staff has motivated

farmers and prepared “Jeeva amrutham” and applied in the fields to show the impact of it. Seeing this Vadde Anil and Akhil has come forward to practice organic farming methods like Jeeva amrutham, Kashayas spray methods in 3 acre of cotton crop and “Navara Rice Paddy” with the guidance and support of the project staff. With support of U3 project we have provided Navara Rice seed and helped in preparation and use of Jeeva amrutham and spray way methods in the crop. Then Anil and Akhil has prepared Jeevamrutham as organic manures and Kashayas Neemastram, Bhramastram with herbal plants to control pest in Cotton and Navara paddy. With this in 3 acre of agriculture they have invested Rs.2000 only for manures and pest control. In the past they were invested in chemical farming and fertilizers and pesticides around of Rs.50, 000/-.

**Impact:** Anil and Akhil- has observed that the organic Cotton and Navara paddy field is better in growth, with fewer pests, more fruits and plant growth is good compared to the field with chemical farming. Now they got confidence to do Organic farming with less investment and can get better yield.

The investment cost is reduced in organic cultivation and good quality will get good price for them. They are happy that with organic farming soil moisture and soil fertility is increased compared in organic field. They have saved Rs.48000/- investments in organic field compared to the chemical field. They got sufficient price cotton in 2 and half acre 3 quintal per acre total 7 and half quintals, per quintal Rs.7500/- total Rs.56250/- and 1/2 acre Navara Rice got 5 quintal, per quintal Rs.5000/- total Rs.25000/- Total on 2 crops they were got Rs.81,250/-.

**Conclusion:** Vadde Anil and Akhil got confidence and experience in doing organic farming methods by promoting Jeeva amrutham and Kashayas making and spray way methods and they are also learnt different methods with our Ujjwala project exposure programs on organic farming. They are planning to continuation to do organic farming in future. Now they are the role models to other farmers in the Seethanagaram village, through this intervention neighbour farmers are inspired and come forward to do cultivate and learnt the indigenes seed cultivation with his demonstration plot. Anil and Akhil were expressed grateful to Lodi and Caritas India through Ujjwala Project Phase III for the support and guidance in promotion of organic farming methods.