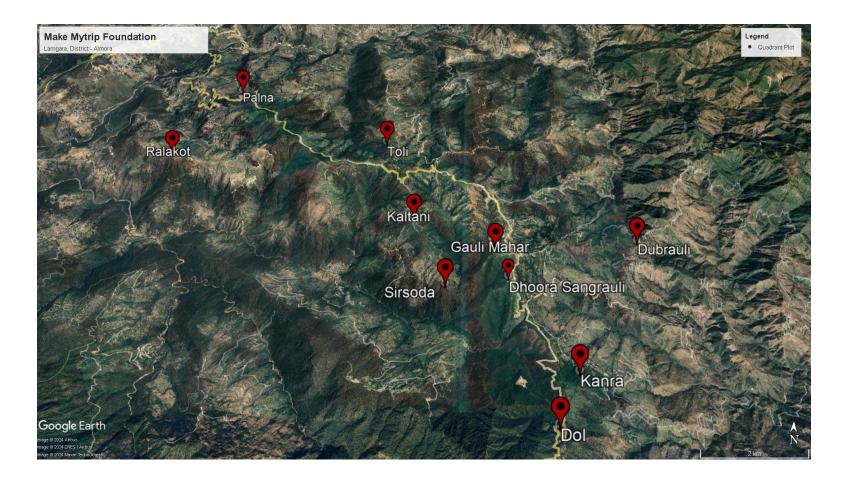


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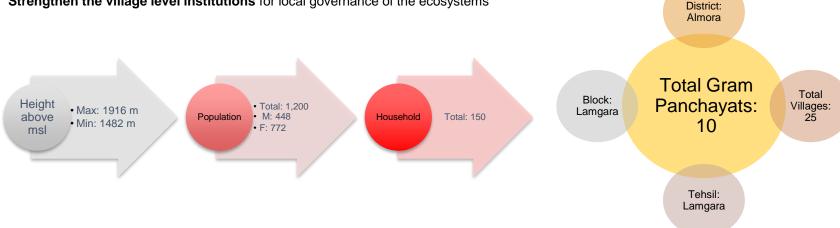
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### **Core Objective of the program:**

- Sustainable Ecosystem Management: To maintain and restore forest ecosystems, ensuring their resilience and adaptability to environmental changes
- Water Resources Management: To create awareness on Himalayan Ground water and enhance water resources for use of present generation without compromising on the needs of future generations
- Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation: Contribute to the global efforts in building resilience to climate change through preservation & restoration of forests and water sources
- Build a cadre of youth sensitive towards the sustainable management of natural resources
- Strengthen the village level institutions for local governance of the ecosystems





## Enhanced Vegetation Cover:

**Afforestation Initiatives**: Plantation of 7,50,000 saplings to improve vegetation cover.

**Expected Vegetation Increase**: An estimated 1125 hectares, equivalent to 2775 football fields.

## Improved soilmoisture & access to Water:

**Rejuvenation of Himalayan Springs**: Treatment of 45 springs.

**Projected Water Discharge**: 4,73,04,000 liters annually, equivalent to 4,700 tankers per year.

Reduction in Drudgery: 30 hours/day saved per household during the lean season.

## Community Engagement:

Strengthening Village
Institutions: Formation of 45
institutions to manage Water &
Forests.

Van Panchayat and Women Empowerment: Empower 675 women with technical and social skills.

Employment Generation:

Rs27,00,000/- worth of employment generation through the initiative.

Training and Capacity Building: 15,000 hours of capacity building for various stakeholders.



### **Key Highlights:**

- Field surveys initiation: Field trials successful and forms deployed for field data collection
- **Orientation Meetings**: 09 orientation meetings held with focus agenda: project overview, role of community, nursery establishment & raising, maintenance Protocols.
- **Technical Surveys for forest plantations:** 10 Sites Surveyed by plotting quadrant for: plantation density, canopy cover, avg. tree age, potential area for plantation
- **Nursery Establishment**: Community interactions identified suitable sites for nurseries. Nursery bags were distributed, and personnel received training.
- Plantation Preparations:
- 187 Nurseries set up in 09 villages (500-2000 saplings capacity)
- 1,76,200 poly bags distributed for nursery establishment.
- Nursery vendors explored and on standby
- Peak plantation season is expected in July 2024.
- Field Training & Demonstrations: Fully established nurseries at 8 villages, one site in progress. Training sessions covered site selection, polybag filling, seed inspection, and watering techniques.
- 10 Springs Identified: Feasibility assessment completed for selection of springs





## **Activity Timeline**

S.No	Activity	Villages								
		Golimohar	Kaltani	Sirsoda	Dhubrouli	Dol	Dhura Sangroli	Ralakot	Toli	Palna
1	Community Orientation & Meeting	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
2	Feasibility Study & Site Selection	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
3	Identifying Nursery In- Charge	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Training of Nursery In-Charge	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
5	Nursery Establishment	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	On Going	Yes	Yes
6	Nursery Maintenance	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	On Going	Yes	Yes
7	Site Preparation & Pit digging	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled
8	Soil & Water Conservation Interventions	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled
9	Transplantation	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled	Scheduled

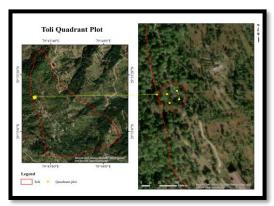




Orientation Meeting at Village level



**Marking of Quadrant** 



Plotting of Field information on Software



**Distribution of Poly Bags** 



**Poly Bag Filling for Nursery Formation** 







**Nursery Person Training** 



Seed Packaging for distribution



**Seed Distribution** 





**Seed Sowing** 



**Nursery Visit** 



Thank You





