

Project Title

Documenting Indigenous Medicinal Knowledge (IMK) of the Tribal and Forest Fringe Community in Gadchiroli.

Funded by:

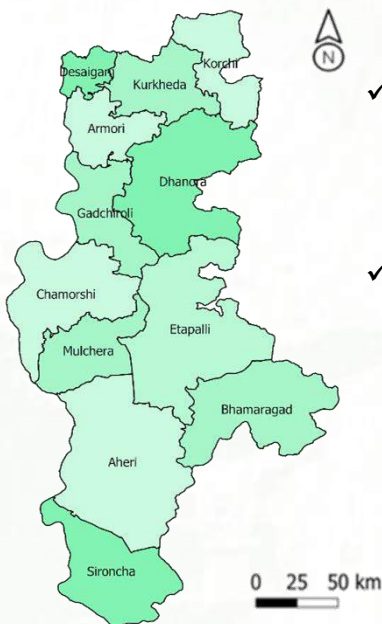
National Academy of Sciences India,
(NASI) Prayagraj, India



Project Duration
(2018-21)

Project Location:

Gadchiroli District



Objectives

- ✓ To create a database of Traditional Healers (Vaidu's) along with their knowledge about the use of local flora and fauna for specialised medical treatments in Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra.
- ✓ To find ways to accommodate Vaidu's in mainstream health care system in rural and tribal areas, establish linkages with Ayurveda to strengthen existing knowledge base, and help in resource sustainability.
- ✓ To explore way of implementing technologies to connect with Vaidu's on real times basis, who lives in inaccessible and deep forest areas.

Methodology of Implementation

Field survey - Personal Interaction with Traditional Healers (Vaidu's), through detailed field surveys.

Vaidu Samvad: Mass level Vaidu gathering for knowledge sharing

Data validation - Cross reference with National Ayurveda Database



Glimpses from the field



Key Milestones Achieved

04 Vaidu Samvads & multiple individual interactions organized addressing **300**

Traditional Healers (THs) in **6** tehsils of Gadchiroli district.

Database of **145** Traditional Healers created

A Directory of **100** Traditional Healers is being developed



Science and Technology Resource Centre

Gondwana University, Gadchiroli