Title of the Project:- Strengthening of Market Analysis centre for technical support in Marketing of Minor Forest Produce in Madhya Pradesh.

Why this Project:-

Madhya Pradesh is endowed with wide diversity of MFP. The collection of these MFP is an important source of self sustenance and of income. Earlier due to absence of any systematic marketing network in Central India, trade was unknown in both demand and price structure. There was lack of information on prices of MFP at different market levels. Collection of MFP does not give commensurate returns to tribal's many times though several hours are put into collection, the earnings are much below minimum wages. They get low returns and are dependent on trader at the first point of sale. The market channel for MFP is long with a number of intermediaries. There is lack of awareness about the product and its market value. A state level market information project for non wood forest products was undertaken 2001 and a MIS Cell established at SFRI for market data collection, analysis and dissemination. The project has been on-going for past 20 years and useful data has been generated. In 2011, the MIS Cell was strengthened further with establishment of 5 Market Analysis Centres located in different agro climatic zones of the State viz., Chhindwara (Satpuda agro climatic zone), Bhopal (Vindyan Plateau), Katni (Kymore Plateau) Indore (Malwa Plateau) and Shivpuri (Gird Region). In the present proposal it has been proposed to make Van Dhan Vyapar quarterly News letter more informative by increasing and improving its content including information on Vindhyan herbal products.

Research Methodology :-

Survey of NTFPs traders in 5 Market Analysis Centres located in different agro climatic zones of the State viz., Chhindwara (Satpuda agro climatic zone), Bhopal (Vindyan Plateau), Katni (Kymore Plateau) Indore (Malwa Plateau) and Shivpuri (Gird Region). Collect market price and purchase price data, from district level to National Market, New Delhi for publication of quarterly newsletter Van Dhan Vyapar and monitoring of MSP.

Study Design :

- Collect, analyze and report periodic market information for Van Dhan Vyapar.
- Survey in selected village markets in each zone for study of effect of MSP.
- Assist in compilation of information on availability of processed material.
- Survey for collection of selected NTFPs in M.P.

Objective of Research:-

- To strengthen the current MIS to assist in collection of market information on prices and products in local, regional & national markets.
- To monitor MSP for selected MFPs in the state and suggest improvements to ensure good returns and increase efficiency in marketing.
- To undertake study for collection of selected NTFPs.

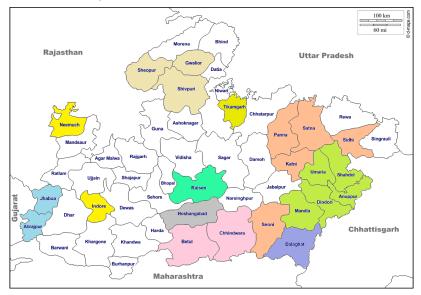
Activities Undertaken:-

- Compilation of market information and publication of Van Dhan Vyapar.
- Compilation of information on location of village markets, market days, MFP traded, etc.
- Collection of data with regard to prices- procurement price at first point level in different village markets /Haats.
- Compilation of market information and dessimination through quarterly newsletter Van Dhan Vyapar

Cost of the project: Rs.10.00 Lakhs

Outcome of the project:-

 Total 40 markets of 23 Districts were surveyed. During the survey districts namely Katni, Panna, Satna, Sidhi, Umaria, Dindori, Shahdol, Anuppur, Tikamgarh in Katni centre, Chhindwara, Betul, Seoni, Hoshangabad in Chhindwara centre, Shivpuri, Sheopur, Gwalior districts in Shivpuri centre, Jhabua, Alirajpur, Indore and Neemuch districts in Indore centre and Mandla, Balaghat, Raisen districts in Jabalpur centres were covered.



- Market information of commercially and economically important medicinal and Non Timber Forest Produce traded and marketed during the different seasons recorded and collected.
- These information were collected through personal interviews and telephonic communication.
- The market rates of total 99 important Non Timber Forest Produce was recorded and collected. 99 MFP species from Neemuch mandi, 58 species from Shivpuri Mandi, 56 from Indore, 41 from Lamta district Balaghat, 40 from Katni Mandi, 38 from Karahal district Sheopur, 36 from Barghat District Seoni, 34 from Betul (Betul Padhar and Chicholi), 32 from Mandla (Mandla, Anjania and Mawai), 29 from Umaria, 24 from Alirajpur, 22 from Tikamgarh, 22 from Dindori, 20 from Satna, 19 from Chhindwara (Chhindwara, Tamia, Delakhari and Damua), 18 from Gwalior (Gwalior and Mohna), 9 from Anuppur and 7 species from Pawai district Panna.



Plate - 1: Collection of MFPs information from the trader of Chindwara



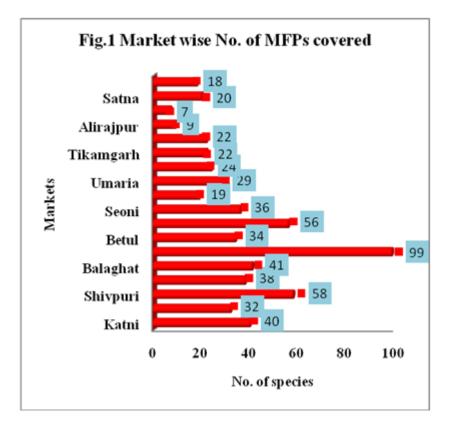
Plate - 2: Visit weekly market Manikpur, district Dindori



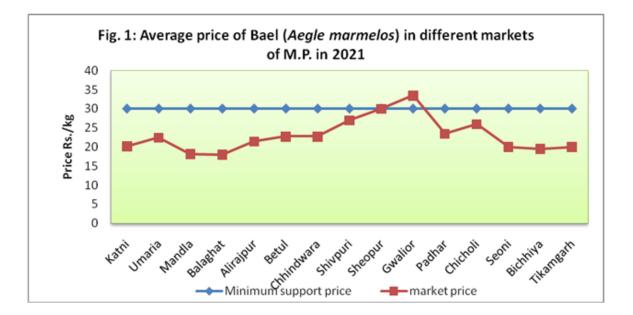
Plate – 3: Collection of MFPs information from the Trader of Shivpuri

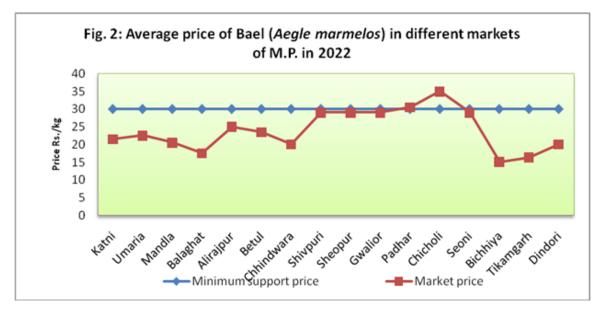


Plate - 1: Survey of MFPs Trader in Tamia District Chhindwara



 Monitoring of Minimum Support Price (MSP) of the notified 32 important MFPs of Madhya Pradesh, quarterly surveys were undertaken in the months of February-March 2021, May-June 2021, August-September 2021, November-December 2021, February-March 2022, May-June 2022, August-September 2022, November-December 2022 and prices of purchased MFP by village level, block level and district level traders were collected.





• The Volumes such as Van Dhan Vyapar Vol. 20 (1&2,3,4), Vol. 21 (1,2,3,4) and Vol. 22 (1,2,3,4) were prepared and 4000 copies published.



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