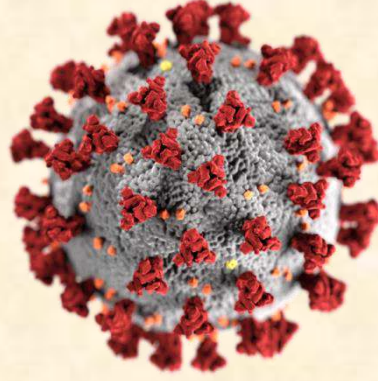
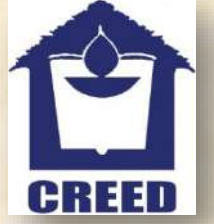




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e-Report on
Glimpses of Journey Towards Safeguarding Farmers
During COVID-19 Lockdown Period
(24.03.2020 to 23.04.2020)

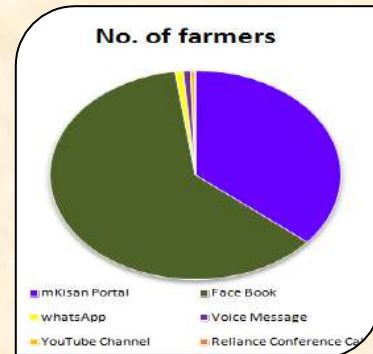
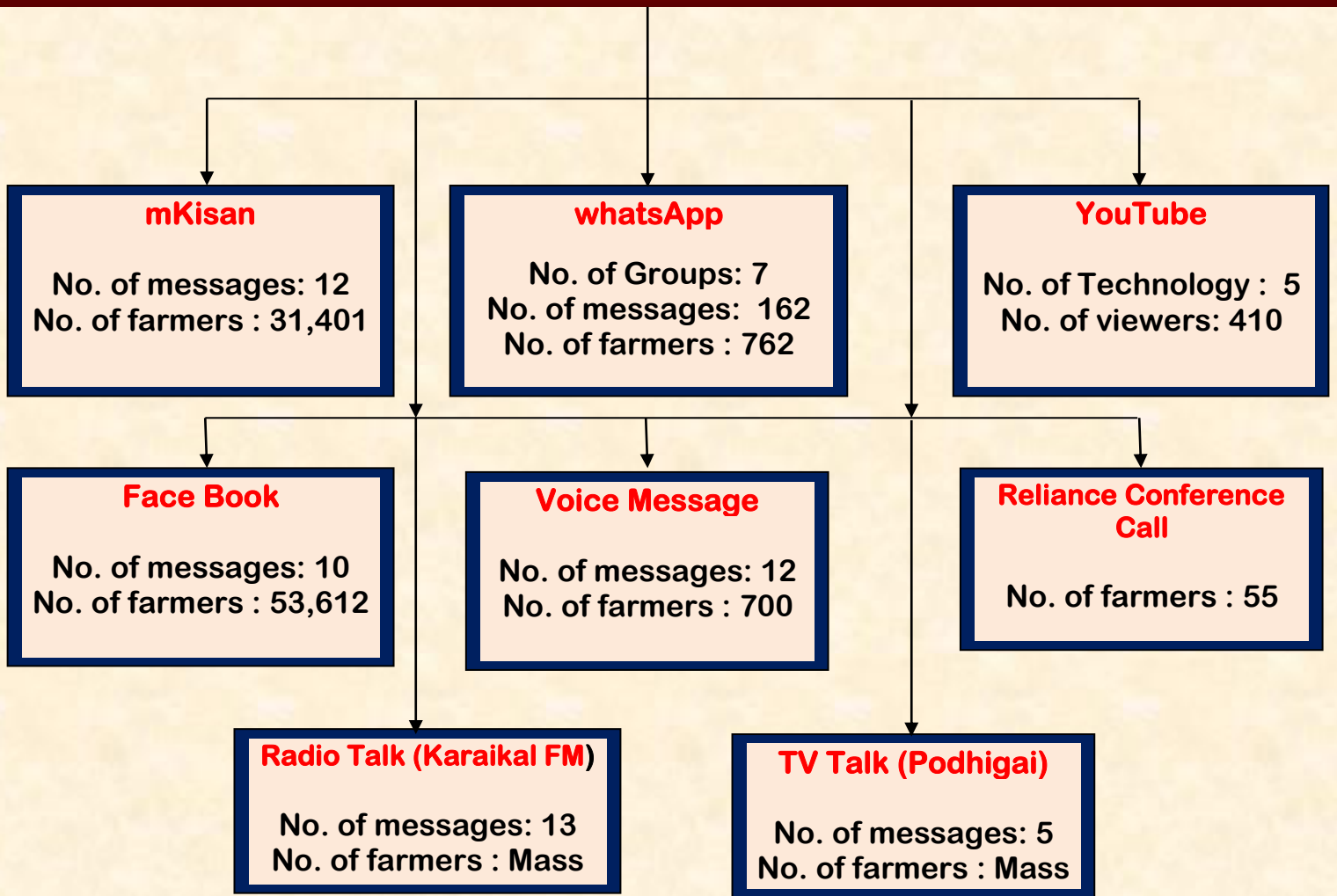


Activities at KVK Campus and Farm

- Cleaned and disinfected KVK campus including farm demo units and farm tools & implements.
- For personal hygiene, Hand sanitizers and soap solutions were placed.
- Face mask provided for all staff and workers and maintained social distance of 3-4 feet in working hours.
- Limited number of workers were engaged for essential farm activities.
- Farm advisories provided to farmers who visit KVK by maintaining social distance.



Technology Transfer using ICT tools



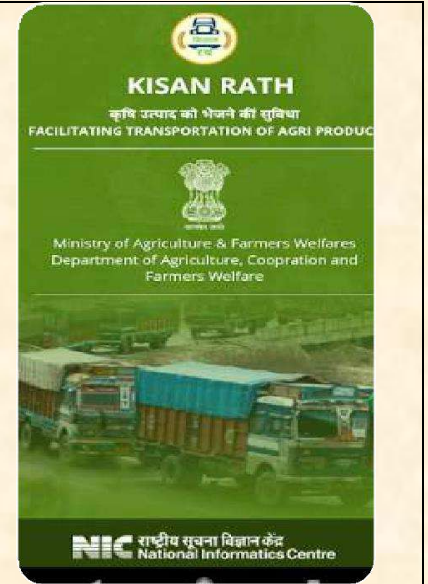
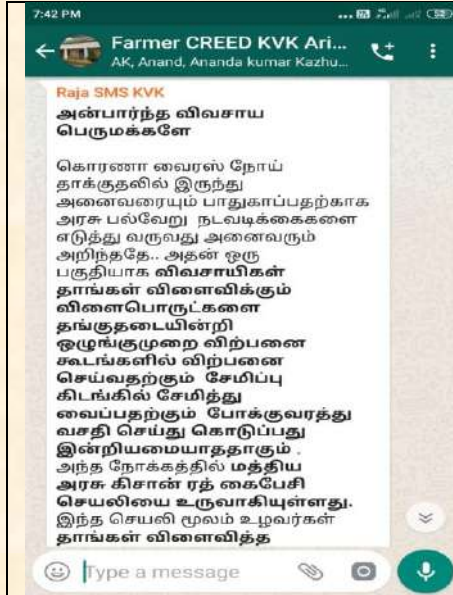
Radio and TV Talks

Radio Talks – AIR, Karaikal			
Sl.No.	Date	Name of the staff	Title
1	26.03.20	M.Thirumalaivasan	Production of onsite inputs to minimize the dependency of external inputs
2	26.03.20	A.Rajkala	Sesame cultivation technique
3	26.03.20	S.Shobana	Community kitchen garden for self sufficiency in nutritional security
4	26.03.20	Y.Raja Joslin	Cashew cultivation techniques
5	26.03.20	Dr.K.Karthik	Management of livestock and poultry during disaster
6	24.04.20	M.Ashok Kumar	IPM in Drumstick cultivation
7	24.04.20	Dr.G.Alagukannan	KVK in farmer service during Covid-19 period
8	24.04.20	A.Rajkala	Government schemes related to Storing and / or marketing of farm produce during Covind-19 period
9	24.04.20	Y.Raja Joslin	Special operations in drumstick
10	24.04.20	M.Asok Kumar	IPDM in Paddy nursery
11	24.04.20	M.Thirumalaivasan	Water conservation technique in Paddy cultivation
12	24.04.20	S.Prabu	Production of onsite inputs to minimize the dependency of external inputs
13	24.04.20	Dr.K.Karthik	Alternate feed for Livestock

TV Talks by DD, Podhigai (Re-telecast as we requested)		
Sl.No.	Name of the Expert/Farmer	Title
1	M.Thirumalaivasan	Production of Organic inputs and its uses
2	Dr.G.Alagukannan	Soil and Water management
3	S.Shobana	Nutrition garden for nutritional security in rural areas
4	S.Kolanchinathan	Azolla cultivation
5	K.Sundaresan	Activities of Farmer Producer Company



Awareness on Government Initiatives Towards Farmers' Welfare



GOs and Circulars related to Farmers' welfare from state and Central Government from time to time

Aarogya Setu

- No. of farmers downloaded : 1357
- No. of farmers using : 952

Kisan Rath

No. of farmers using : 8

Seeds and Planting Materials

S.No.	Particulars	Kg./Nos.	No.of farmers
Seeds			
1	Fodder seed CO(FS) 29	10.5 Kg.	16
2	Velimasal	4.5 Kg.	10
3	Blackgram VBN 8	28.5 Kg.	5
Planting materials			
4	Amla grafts	148 Nos.	32
5	Mango grafts	1 No.	1
6	Jack grafts	1 No	1
7	Guava layer	2 No.	2
8	Fodder slips (CO5)	1700 Nos.	12
9	Vegetables seedlings (Brinjal & Chilli)	90 Nos.	8
Bio products			
1	<i>Pseudomonas flourescence</i>	20 Kg.	12
2	<i>Trichoderma viridi</i>	28 Kg.	17
3	Panchagavya	56 lit.	10
Other Product			
1	Waste decomposer	15 No.	18

Covid-19 Special Offer

Name of the fodder slips	Actual price	Concessional price	Qty. Sold.	No. of farmers benefitted
Super Napier	Rs. 3	Rs.0.50	6300	13
Red Napier	Rs. 3	Rs.1.50	2620	8
Total			8920	21



Support to Farmers on Marketing Aspects

Through FPOs		
Crop	Procurement (q.)	No. of Farmers
Maize	330	110
Groundnut	52	18
Sesame	13	7

Through Regulated Market			
Product	No. of farmers	Storage qty (q.)	Sales qty. (q.)
Groundnut	20	200	400
Sesame	15	30	---

Through Direct Procurement Centre		
Product	Quantity (q.)	No. of farmers
Paddy	320	26

Through Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society		
Product	Quantity (q.)	No. of farmers
Groundnut	32	10



Research and Policy Paper under Pipeline

Title : Impact of Lockdown due to Covid-19 on Agriculture at Ariyalur district and measures to revive the farmers' economy

Methodology

Sample size : 180 farmers (Random sampling)

Blocks covered : 6 blocks

Data collected : Interview schedule

Mode : Over Cell phone

Constraints Faced by Farmers (Action needed)

- ✚ Transportation of produce
- ✚ Only 60% of market value as pledge loan given despite of 75% of the market value as specified by the Government
- ✚ Limited number of merchants led to price decrease
- ✚ Non availability of jute bags for package of produce
- ✚ Loss of perishable due to limited market scope



Our Task Force on war foot basis continues towards Farmers' smile.....