

The National Innovation Foundation–India (NIF) conducted Scouting and Documentation sensitization programmes with pastoral communities in the villages of Tridu Kalara, Moghla, and Dalli in Rajouri district, Jammu & Kashmir. The programmes engaged over 30 members of tribal communities, including students. During the sessions, relevant grassroots innovations and herbal products were demonstrated to enhance awareness.

The programme underscored the importance of traditional knowledge systems and their potential contributions to sustainable development. Unique practices related to plant protection and veterinary care were also identified and documented during the outreach.

Further, Prior Informed Consent (PIC) was obtained for shortlisted unique practices in plant protection and veterinary care - particularly those addressing tick infestation and mastitis - for subsequent validation and potential patent filing.

