

From 13 to 17 July 2026, the National Innovation Foundation–India (NIF) conducted scouting and innovation outreach activities across Gonda district, Uttar Pradesh. The initiative aimed to identify, document, and promote grassroots innovations while fostering community engagement and knowledge exchange.

During the field visit, a Farmer Meeting was organized in Tarabganj Village, where farmers shared their traditional knowledge, grassroots innovations, and sustainable agricultural practices. Additionally, a Farmer Field School was conducted in Manakpur Village, providing a platform for capacity building, peer learning, and discussions on improved and sustainable farming techniques.

To promote innovation among youth, an Innovation Awareness Session and an Idea Competition were organized at Government ITI, Gonda. These activities encouraged students to identify local challenges and develop practical, innovative solutions.

Overall, the field visit strengthened collaboration among farmers, students, and local stakeholders, and contributed to the scouting, documentation, and promotion of grassroots innovations for sustainable rural development.

