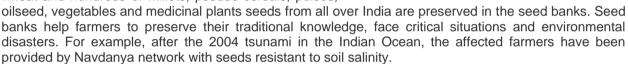
THE COMMUNITY SEED BANKS IMPLEMENTED BY NAVDANYA ACROSS INDIA

The Navdanya network of Indian seed keepers and organic producers spread across 17 states, is helping to set up community seed banks across India, training farmers in seed sovereignty, food sovereignty and sustainable agriculture. It is also fostering the setup of the largest direct marketing and fair trade organic network in the country, linking producers with consumer members.

To date, 111 community seed bank have been implemented in all India by Navdanya, involving over 500,000 farmers, of which 70,000 are Navdanya's primary members.

More than 3000 different varieties of rice, 75 varieties of wheat and hundreds of millets, pseudo-cereals, pulses,



Through Navdanya's wesbsite it is also possible to check out a <u>Seed Kit</u> and learn <u>how to set up a</u> community seed bank, such us receiving other relevant information.

The Navdanya network started in 1984, year of the Bhopal tragedy, as a project of the Research Foundation for Science, Technology and Ecology, leaded by Dr. Vandana Shiva, the well-known Indian environmentalist. Navdanya is also promoting ecological and organic farming to ensure the healthy, diverse and safe food. This activity is being actually implemented throughout India through partner organizations and organic farmer networks, which are collaborating with Navdanya.



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