

Trinath Majhi- From being a migrant Labourer to a WADI owner

Like many others in his village Trinath Majhi used to migrate every year in search of livelihood in the Brick Kilns of Andhra Pradesh. There was no water facility no farming back in those days he reminisces. Then WADI happened. SVA representatives went to his home and explained the approach in detail. Incidentally, he had tried to nurture mango saplings in his earlier with little success. He openly shared his concerns on the intervention, which were duly answered by the SVA staff. Convinced at last, he agreed. Owing to that decision, two acres waste land out of his total five acre fallow land is gradually transformed to a vibrant wadi. Speaking of the many challenges



in the initial years, he says water posed the most critical problem for his orchard. For three years he had to carry water from the water tank manually. Incidentally, his patch is adjacent to the Village. This provided a much need succor. Trinath Majhi has 2 daughters and 1 son. From the sales proceeds of Mangoes, Trinath has earned about Rs. 20,000/- approximately so far. In addition, this year he has sold Vegetable worth approx. 20,000/- at local Market. This being a drought year, he plan to procure inputs with this money for next year.