

**September 2025 | Quarterly TRIBune**

# QUARTERLY tribUNE

**Hello TRI friends and supporters,**

As we enter the year's final quarter, we're reminded of the resilience that defines our people, communities and systems. From health awareness to climate action, natural farming to rural entrepreneurship, inspiring stories continue to shine across villages. At TRI we're proud to stand with them, amplifying their voices. Against this backdrop, we proudly hosted the 5th Edition of the India Rural Colloquy between 1st - 8th August, where diverse voices came together to reimagine a rural renaissance. We look forward to forging new collaborations, deepening our grassroots impact and shaping policy dialogues that matter.

**5th India Rural Colloquy paves way for inclusive growth**

The Colloquy brought together diverse voices from government, academia, civil society, and grassroots leadership.

**Strengthening rural governance through knowledge resources**

During the India Rural Colloquy in Bhopal, Transform Rural India (TRI) and the Directorate of Panchayat Raj,

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prosperous, inclusive and developed rural India rooted in resilience and collective progress.

women's rights awareness, participatory planning and grassroots governance.

## Advancing climate action in Chhattisgarh



Transform Rural India signed an MoU with the Department of Forest and Climate Change, Government of Chhattisgarh, to implement and track the State Action Plan for Climate Change. The partnership will strengthen climate strategies, builds resilience and drives the state's Green Economic Transition.

## Investing in tomorrow: rethinking CSR

## Unlocking rural prosperity through entrepreneurship



During the New Delhi chapter of India Rural Colloquy, TRI in collaboration with Development Intelligence Unit (DIU) launched the Report **Mass Flourishing: Mini and Nano Rural Enterprises**. Based on fieldwork across 8 states and a national survey, the report calls for urgent policy focus on Mini and Nano Rural Enterprises.

## Addressing climate's impact on rural women



TRI, in collaboration with DIU, launched **Investing in Tomorrow**, a white paper analyzing CSR funding versus district-level needs using the RQOL Index. It identifies mismatches, urging data-backed rural investment and offering recommendations for companies and state & central governments.

### Strengthening communities through cooperative action



To commemorate International Cooperatives Day, we celebrated the work being done by women-led FPOs. By uniting farmers, expanding access



At the 5th India Rural Colloquy, TRI in collaboration with DIU launched **Intersecting Risks: Climate Change and Women's Health and Well-being in Rural India**. The paper highlights the climate's profound impact on rural women's health, urging urgent, integrated, gender-sensitive strategies.

### Global call to action for the rural renaissance



On World Rural Development Day we reaffirmed our commitment to placing rural communities at the center of progress. Our pledge is to democratise

India.

individual can thrive.

## Co-building a green future for Chhattisgarh



The Department of Good Governance & Convergence, Government of Chhattisgarh, with TRI and IIM Raipur, convened the first Green Economy Transition Mission (GETM) workshop. Focused on value chain development and community empowerment, it marked an important step towards a sustainable, climate-resilient future.

## Scaling landscape restoration in Maharashtra

## Honouring Mandela, designing scalable solutions



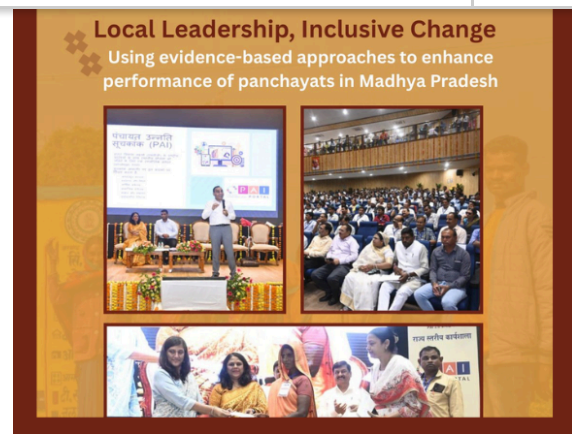
On Mandela Day, inspired by the theme "It's still in our hands to combat poverty and inequity," TRI presented its Annual Report 2024-2025. Guided by Mandela's enduring legacy, this year we've deepened our efforts to build inclusive, resilient and thriving rural communities.

## Strengthening evidence-based rural governance



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TRI, WRI India, and MITRA signed a tri-partite MoU to scale landscape restoration and promote nature-based sustainable livelihoods in the state. The partnership aims to enhance sustainable, economic, and social outcomes, contributing meaningfully to improved well-being of rural households.



TRI, as technical partner to the Panchayat Advancement Index in Madhya Pradesh, supported a state-level workshop with 500+ participants. By using PAI data across nine LSDG themes, the initiative empowers panchayats to plan strategically, enhance accountability, and foster inclusive rural development.

### Expanding community healthcare in Dharashiv



On Independence Day, 54 Model NCD Clinics were inaugurated at Ayushman Arogya Mandirs and PHCs in Tuljapur and Paranda blocks. Supported under

### Green Switch initiative wins FICCI CSR Award



The Green Switch initiative led by Tata Capital, Gram Oorja, and TRI, lit up 99 hamlets across Maharashtra, Jharkhand, and Uttar Pradesh,

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aims to build healthier & resilient communities where care begins at home and in the neighbourhoods.

recognition celebrates clean energy, income growth and sustainable rural futures.

## TRI IN THE MEDIA

TRI continues to expand its reach, sharing impactful stories of driving rural impact. Our media page features editorials in leading publications, in-depth articles on our initiatives, and expert insights from our thought leaders. Stay updated on how we're driving change and shaping conversations on social development.



Read more —

- [In the demographic dividend conversation, India must include its villages](#)
- [Empowering rural women essential for climate and health solutions: Prataprao Jadhav](#)
- [Clean Air Begins at Home](#)

## TRI IN TALKS



We are delighted to share that **Neeraja Kudrimoti**, Associate Director at TRI, represented us at ConnectKaro 2025 (WRI India). She highlighted how climate change impacts rural women's health, livelihoods, and mobility, and emphasized the importance of women-led institutions for sustainable landscape restoration.

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Why not join us in driving meaningful change? Visit [TRI.in](https://trif.in) to explore ways to get involved, and follow us on social media for inspiring stories and real-time updates. Stay informed with [Thoughtful Tarraki](#), our exclusive LinkedIn newsletter, for deeper insights into rural development.

Together, let's build a more inclusive and empowered rural India!

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