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***Mera gaon, mera gaurav***

Koraput, 24 April 2015. With the aim to have interaction with the farmers to understand the needs of the villagers and providing technical knowledge to address the particular problem, one-day field interaction visit was conducted by the Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Research Centre under 'Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav' programme at Malipungar, Tentuliguda and Kokuriguda tribal villages. The farmers were satisfied with the suggestions and were assured by the centre to provide some incentives for soil and water conservation measures under different programmes.

**Impact of field visit**

- Repair work of old underground pipe at Malipungar to be done by the community and required PVC pipes are provided by the Research Centre. After successful installation of the pipe lines, underground pipes for another site will be looked into.
- Community demanding lift irrigation systems to lift water from *jhola* land. A very good patch of intensive cultivated area with vegetables crops are observed indicating that the community is working very hard.
- During interaction the team formulated a road map for conducting activities from next visit and prepare a check list to access the performance of the suggested measures.

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