

## **Farm Profile:**

The Bhaikaka Krushi Kendra is a 40 acre integrated, holistic Organic & Biodynamic farm that incorporates all aspects of farming like vegetables, cereals, fodder, animals, agro-forestry, water harvesting, orchards, etc. The main focus of the farm is the dairy of nearly 100 animals & the production of a rich variety of fodder to feed these animals. The farm produces about 300-350 liters of milk every day and has been catering to 85 customers and a 500 bed hospital in Vallabh Vidyanagar for last 25 years. The farm also produces a variety of fruits like chikoo, mango, custard apple, litchi, papaya, mosambi, lime etc. Over 40 different vegetables are grown mostly in the winter months. Carefully designed trenches & ponds ensure that all the rain water is harvested. A variety of cereals & pulses like oats, bajra, barley, wheat are grown. This farm is prominently featured in the internationally acclaimed movie 'One Man, One Cow, One Planet' where Peter Proctor who is considered the Father of Indian Biodynamic Agriculture says that this is one of the best Biodynamic Farms in the world that he has seen. A prominent goal of the farm is to disseminate the art and knowledge of sustainable farming to small & marginal farmers. The farm also conducts regular training courses in organic and biodynamic farming with the help of renowned experts like David Hogg. The third biennial OFAI (Organic Farming Association of India) conference took place amidst the farm's verdant bamboo groves & hosted over 700 farmers from all over India. This farm has become a pilgrimage for farmers interested in learning about ecologically safe & sustainable methods in farming.

## **Instructor Profiles:**

### ***Sarvdaman Patel***

Sarvdaman Patel is one of the most renowned & respected agronomists in the country. He is one of the pioneers of the Organic & Biodynamic movement in India & his unique contribution is to demonstrate that Organic Farming can be practiced without sacrificing productivity. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture & Animal Husbandry. He proceeded to do his Masters in Agronomy at University of Wisconsin, Madison USA & worked for 18 months in 3 different dairy farms in America. In spite of getting a Green Card & the opportunity to settle down in the USA the pull of his sacred land was too great and he came back to start his own farming enterprise on this 40 acre land. Presently he is also the President of OFAI and his knowledge is widely sought out at expert panels and training programs.

### ***David Hogg***

David Hogg is the Country's premier experts & practitioners of Biodynamic farming. He is an expert coffee grower & herdsman. He marshaled the Biodynamic movement in India, for many years as the Secretary of BDAI. David currently heads the sustainable livelihoods project at Naandi foundation where he has successfully helped thousands of tribal families convert to a sustainable way of living and farming. He is a gifted teacher unrivaled in his passion, eloquence & knowledge of farming & nutrition – just to name a few.

## List of Hotels:

1. **Hotel Favourite Regency**, Near Railway Crossing, Vallabh Vidyanagar 388120

Ph: 02692-230884 Contact Person Dr. Fulsinhji Chauhan, MD-Partner

Tariff: Rs. 624 to Rs. 728 Double Room

2. **Hotel Surabhi Regency Jay Tower**, Amul Dairy Road, ANAND- 388001

Ph: 02692-242018, 242279,242601,

254054 email: hotelsurabhiregency@yahoo.co.in.

Web: www.hotelsurabhiregency.com

Tariff: Rs. 1300 to Rs. 1600 Double Room

3. **Motel Sanvaria Regency**, 2nd Floor, SHILP, Opp. to Bhaikaka Statue, Vallabh

Vidyanagar 388120

email: motelsanvaria2007@yahoo.in web: www.motelsanvaria.com

Ph: 02692-235090, 235091

Tariff: Rs. 1322 Double Room

4. **Hotel Rama Residency**, Shree Rama Arcade, 3rd floor, Old Gopal Cinema, Station

Rd. Anand 388001 Ph: 02692-266446, 266447

email: booking@hotelramaresidency.com web: www.hotelramaresidency.com

Tariff: Rs. 1500 to Rs. 3500 Double Room

5. **Hotel La Casa Inn**, Near Ganesh Crossing, Anand Sojithra Road, Anand 388001

Ph: 02692-264801/02 email: reservations@lacassainn.in web: lacasainn.in

Tariff: Rs. 2000 to Rs. 10,000 Double Room

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