



### **Installation of Addition Water Storage Capacity in Ubura, Niwari**

Development Alternatives under Marico project has initiated the work of tank deepening in the villages of Niwari block. One such village was Ubora which is situated 20km away from Niwari.

Due to water crisis in the village, there were no healthy water bodies, because of this farmers were facing a lot of problems during agricultural activities. Hence, DA team started the work of tank deepening and cleaning in the Gochar tank that was chosen for rejuvenation with the agreement of Sarpanch and farmers living around the tank. JCB machine was used for deepening of tank. During this process, soil was extracted and was given to farmers to use against no money. DA team also told farmers that they can use this soil for making bunds in their fields as this soil is rich in nutrients and quality and will enhance the growth of seeds in their fields.

Farmers were also provided with the forestry plants such as Bamboo, Neem, Shisham, Tik and Drume Sticks to planting. With this, 4kg of jawar and bajra seeds were also given to farmers to sow them in the area of 1-acre.

With the right techniques and guidance provided by the DA team, the farmers sowed their seeds and used vermin-compost in the fields to promote organic farming.

At the time of monsoon the tank fills with rainwater which increases the ground water level and also becomes the source of drinking water for domestic animals. After the deepening of the tank, farmers were glad by the availability of water in the tank. They use this water in their fields and are thankful to the DA team for taking this initiative for betterment of the agricultural facilities.