

Unlocking the Power of Data: Digitisation Workshop in Bundelkhand



Field Team Training for Data Collection and Management in Bundelkhand

Empowering Field Teams through Data Collection and Management System (Grid) Training

A 15-hour training session on the data collection and management system (Grid) was conducted with the field coordinators (FCs) and supervisors (FSs) in Bundelkhand. The training aimed to significantly enhance their capacity by providing comprehensive instruction on the data digitisation system, particularly focusing on the Grid application. The mission's objectives included introducing the benefits of this system, offering detailed hands-on training for effective data entry, equipping supervisors with the skills to monitor and correct data entries, and facilitating real-time practice in the field. Additionally, the session aimed to collect feedback, address common issues, share advanced tips, and ensure that all participants became proficient in using the system with ongoing support.

Day 1: Introduction to the Grid Application

The first day of the field visit was dedicated to familiarising the FCs and FSs with the Grid interface, a critical tool for data collection and management. The session began with a walk through of the application, demonstrating how to navigate various sections and fill out required forms via mobile devices and the web application. The field team was instructed to download the Grid app, and hands-on training was provided to practise data entry. This practical experience led to several queries, particularly concerning data updates, identifying required fields, tracking progress, and ensuring accessibility across devices. These concerns were promptly addressed, with specific emphasis on maintaining data integrity through authorised updates by MIS Coordinators.

Day 2: Training Supervisors and Gathering Feedback

The second day focused on training FSs to verify data entries and correct errors. FCs practised real-time data entry under supervision, with trainers providing continuous support. This approach effectively reinforced the learning process, as supervisors were able to provide immediate feedback, helping coordinators correct mistakes on the spot. A feedback session was also conducted, offering valuable insights into the challenges faced by the field team during data collection and interactions with entrepreneurs. The suggestions received included integrating business plans and case study videos into the Grid app, which would further enhance its utility. To ensure consistent data quality, regular follow-ups and additional training sessions were recommended.