

Annual Activity Report of OSOCA 2023-24



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1.0 About OSOCA:

Odisha State organic certification Agency (OSOCA) was established in 2008 under the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Empowerment, Govt of Odisha and accredited by APEDA in 2012. OSOCA conducts proper monitoring and certification of organic farming in the state and outside the state. OSOCA proposes to provide an institutional mechanism for organic inspection and certification in Pan India to ensure better quality organic products to the consumer. A total of almost 90,000 hectares of farmland has been registered for organic certification so far. OSOCA is committed to provide organic certification to farmers in a transparent manner.

2.0 Mission:

We aim to be an easily approachable source that is available to the farmers with a determinative commitment to bring the revolution in organic industry. It also aims to be a driving force for creating awareness for Organic Certification in pan India within the public and young generation. We aim to empower our farmers towards a greater and better sustainability of livelihood by creating organic ecosystem.

3.0 Vision:

Our vision is to bring about a remarkable progress and strategies to increase the organic farm land in Pan India. We aim at providing a cost-effective certification program which help farmers to produce high quality organic food and goods and there by create a potential organic market. We have a vision of providing best and qualitative certification service to ensure the diversity of organic farming. We have a vision of providing One Million Certification Services to our farmers in making Vikashit Odisha.

4.0 Scope & Objectives:-

OSOCA proposes to provide an institutional mechanism for Organic Inspection and Certification in the State of Odisha in particular and outside areas in general to ensure better quality organic products to the consumers. The aim of OSOCA, Inter alia, includes the following:

- To establish a **Globally Competitive Certification Programme**
- To develop a **Credible Certification System through Qualified and well-trained personnel.**
- Commitment to obtain and maintain accreditation.
- To provide Organic Certification to the operators **at reasonable cost.**
- To make available quality products in the domestic and international market through Organic Inspection and Certification
- To support **Training Capacity Building** events for the personnel in the field of Organic Farming and Certification.

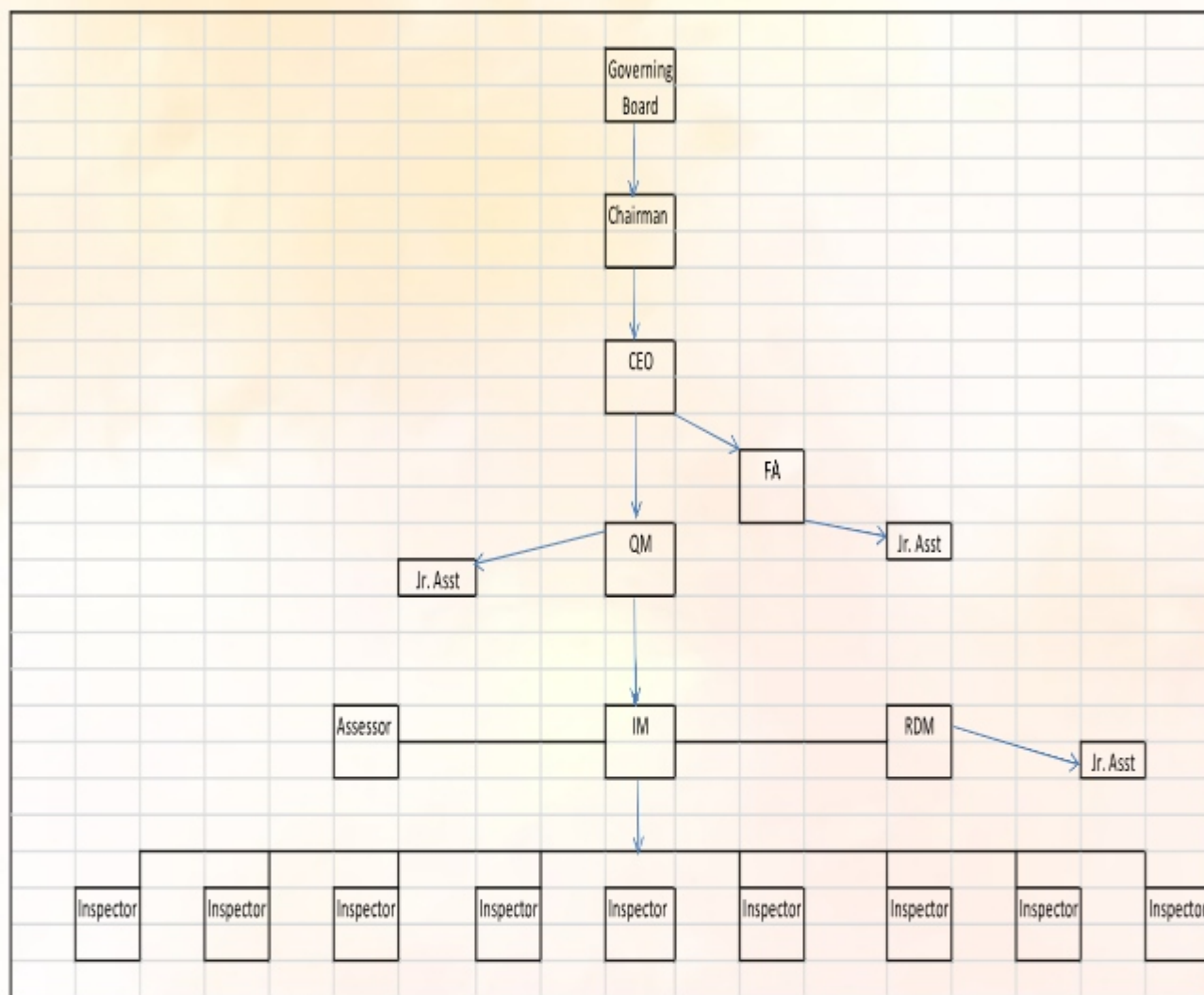
5.0 Steps of Organic Certification:

- Request for organic certification by the operator
- Forwarding of necessary formats by OSOCA
- Submission of application for organic certification by the operators.
- Scrutiny of application and approval of organic plan by OSOCA
- Contract between the operator and OSOCA
- Inspection of Organic projects by the Inspectors of OSOCA
- Assessment/Evaluation of the Organic project
- Certification decision by OSOCA
- Issue of certificate and label approval by OSOCA

6.0 Responsibility:-

- OSOCA has been duly accredited as an inspection & Certification Agency under NPOP (National Programme for Organic Production) by National Accreditation Body (NAB) of APEDA, Ministry of Commerce, GoI w.e.f. 01.06.2012 for crop production, input approval, wild harvest, processing, and trading certification.
- Further, OSOCA has been assigned to work as an empanelled Regional Council for PGS India System of Certification by NCOF, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, GoI with Odisha, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, Jharkhand and Andaman & Nicobar Islands as the area of operation.

7.0 Organogram of OSOCA (Proposed):-



8.0 Classification and Categories of posts (Proposed):-

Sl No	Name of the Post	CLASS/ GROUP	Method Of Recruitment	No of Posts	Scale of pay (ORSP 2017)
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)	A	On deputation from A & FE Dept.		L-14
2	FINANCIAL ADVISOR (FA)		Administrative-cum-Accounts Officer(AAO), OSSOPCA shall act as Financial Advisor(FA) of OSOCA		L-13
3	QUALITY MANAGER (QM)	A	Promotion from amongst the OSOCA employees viz., Inspection Manager/ Assessor & Documentation Manager	1	L-13
4	ASSESSOR	A	Promotion from amongst the Inspectors of OSOCA	1	L-12
3	INSPECTION MANAGER (IM)	A	Promotion from amongst the Inspectors of OSOCA	1	L-12
4	REVIEWER & DOCUMENTATION MANAGER (RDM)	A	Promotion from amongst the Inspectors of OSOCA	1	L-12
7	INSPECTOR	B	Direct recruitment	9	L-10
8	JUNIOR ASSISTANT	C	Direct recruitment	3	L-4
9	PEON/ WATCHER	D	Outsourcing		As per Govt Rules

9.0 Human Resource of OSOCA:-

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification
1	Sri Narayan Upadhyay	Chief Executive Officer	M.Sc. Ag
2	Smt. Nalini Kumari Prusty	Financial Advisor	Graduate (OFS)
3	Sri. Khyamanidhi Prusty	Quality Manager	M.Sc. Ag
4	Sri. Sambit Panigrahi	Inspection Manager	M.Sc. Ag
5	Sri. Prasanta Kumar Nayak	Assessor	M.Sc. Ag
6	Sri. Saroj Kumar Mahapatra	Inspector	M.Sc. Ag
7	Dr. Ankit Moharana	Evaluator/ Reviewer	Ph.D. (Ag.)
8	Sri. Santanu Kumar Moharana	Inspector	M.Sc. Ag
9	Sri. D. Shuvam	Inspector	M.Sc. Ag
10	Sri. Sabyasachi Parida	Inspector	M.Sc. Ag
11	Sri. Ashutash Chhatar	Inspector	M.Sc. Ag
12	Sri. Bishnu Prasad Das	Junior Assistant (Office establishment & Management)	B. Com.
13	Sri. Roshan Kumar Swain	Junior Assistant (Tracenet & Online activity)	B.B.A
14	Sri. Akash Singh	Junior Assistant (Accounts)	M.B.A
15	Sri. Ashok Samal	Support Staff	+2 Arts

10.0 Governing Board and Board of Directors:

- The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department, Odisha, BBSR
- The Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department, Odisha, BBSR
- The Vice-Chancellor, OUAT, BBSR
- The Director, Agriculture & Food Production, Odisha, BBSR
- The Director of Horticulture, Odisha, BBSR
- The Director, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Odisha, Cuttack
- The Regional Director, Regional Centre for Organic and Natural Farming (RCONF), BBSR
- The Managing Director, APICOL, BBSR
- Sri. Shiba Prasad Sahoo, Certified Producer
- Dr. Saketh Rama Rao, Organic Processor

11.0 Physical activity of OSOCA:-

The area registered with OSOCA for the year 2023-24 under Organic Certification is **89857 ha** with the scope of Crop Production (Individual Farms, Grower Groups (ICS) & Local Groups (LG)) under National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) and Participatory Guarantee System (PGS).

OSOCA has taken up organic projects with an area of **75257 ha** under NPOP in states like Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, West Bengal, Tripura including Odisha.

As a Regional Council under PGS Certification System, OSOCA has also taken up an area of **14600 ha** in the state Odisha under BPKP & PKVY.

OSOCA is also taking important role in the convergence of conventional area to organic area by imparting training & awareness to small, medium & tribal farmers and their field functionaries.

New organic clusters of Odisha Millet Mission & many private organic projects are under registration with OSOCA during the current year.

OSOCA has established itself as a Credible & Competent Organic Certification Body with PAN India presence and offered a suitable alternative for many operators at a reasonable cost.

State wise Area under Organic Certification

A. Area under Organic Certification during previous 4 years

Sl. No	Year	NPOP/PGS	State	Category	No. of Projects	Area (Ha)
	2018-19	NPOP	Odisha	Grower Group(ICS)	21	7205
				Individual	3	23
	Total				24	7228
	2019-20	NPOP	Odisha	Grower Group(ICS)	19	6414
				Individual	3	23
	Total				22	6437
	2020-21	NPOP	Odisha	Grower Group(ICS)	10	955
				Individual	2	12
	Total				12	967
	2021-22	NPOP	Odisha	Grower Group(ICS)	19	19050
			Odisha	Individual	4	35
			Maharashtra	Grower Group(ICS)	6	9511
			AP	Grower Group(ICS)	9	3312
			Assam	Grower Group(ICS)	2	260
			WB	Individual	2	6
	Total				42	32174

B. Area under Organic Certification

Sl No	Year	NPOP/PGS	State	Category	No. of Projects	Area (Ha)
1	2022-23	NPOP	All States (8)	Grower group (ICS)	99	62056.00
		NPOP		Individual	17	181.00
					116	62237.00
		PGS	Odisha	BPKP(LG)	140	14000.00
			TOTAL		256	76237.00
2	2023-24	NPOP	All States (9)	Grower group (ICS)	129	75006.64 5
		NPOP		Individual	19	250.771
					148	75257.416
		PGS	Odisha	BPKP(LG)	170	14600.00
			TOTAL		318	89857.416

Area under Organic Certification during the Year - 2023-24					
Sl. No	NPOP/PGS	State	Category	No. of Projects	Area (Ha)
1	NPOP	Odisha	Grower Group (ICS)	60	33653.402
	NPOP	Odisha	Individual	16	240.491
2	NPOP	Arunachal Pradesh	Grower Group (ICS)	12	5345.00
	NPOP	Arunachal Pradesh	Individual	1	5.00
3	NPOP	Assam	Grower Group (ICS)	26	11418.08
4	NPOP	Bihar	Grower Group (ICS)	4	1031.575
5	NPOP	Maharashtra	Grower Group (ICS)	11	16033.04
6	NPOP	Meghalaya	Grower Group (ICS)	4	1481.72
7	NPOP	Tripura	Grower Group (ICS)	12	6043.828
8	NPOP	West Bengal	Individual	1	4.0
9	NPOP	Jharkhand	Individual	1	1.28
			NPOP TOTAL	148	75257.416
1	PGS	Odisha	BPKP, PKVY	170	14600.00
			GRAND TOTAL	318	89857.416

12.0 Financial Achievement of OSOCA:-

(Total Receipt FY.21-22, 22-23, 23-24)

SI No.	Particulars	Actual 2021-22(INR)	Actual 2022-23(INR)	Actual 2023-24(INR)
1	2		3	5
A)	REVENUE RECEIPTS (OSOCA)	-		
	Organic Certification Fees	-		
1	Grower Group & Individual	418314	8091177.00	4883355.00
3	PGS Fees		5950000.00	3750000.00
4	Bank Interest	226835	80278.00	821853.00
	TOTAL:-	645149	14121455.00	9455208.00
B)	CAPITAL RECEIPTS (OSOCA)	-		
5	Grant-in-aid(State)	0	0	1500000
6	Grant-in-Aid (Center)	0	0	0
	TOTAL:-	0	0	1500000
	GRAND TOTAL (OSOCA) A+B	645149	14121455.00	10955208.00

HEAD WISE EXPENDITURE STATEMENT OF OSOCA:- MONTHLY/YEAR: April-2023 to 31.03. 2024.(F.Y 23-24)

SI NO	Head of Expenditure	CASH	BANK	TOTAL
1	Wages	1000.00	3756231.00	3757231.00
3	Postage, Telegram, Courier	897.00		897.00
4	Telephone, Trunk call, Internet, Fax	1998.00		1998.00
5	Seed Testing Fee			0.00
6	Repair & Maintenance of others	1630.00	20490.00	22120.00
7	TDS		24162.00	24162.00
7	Surveillance fee			0.00
8	Printing & Stationery	1020.00	22511.00	23531.00
9	Transportation Exp			0.00
10	Holding Tax		49904.00	49904.00
11	Honorarium Fees			0.00
12	Training Exp		173460.00	173460.00
13	Misc. Exp	11215.00	11500.00	22715.00
14	Hiring Vehicle Exp		100260.00	100260.00
15	APEDA EXP			0.00
16	Refreshment & Entertainment Exp	9762.00		9762.00
17	T.A. Exp		248563.00	248563.00
18	POL		12576.00	12576.00
19	Lab testing Fees		987105.00	987105.00
	TOTAL	27522.00	5406762.00	5434284.00

13.0 Tariff Structure of OSOCA:-

Items	Farm units/individual/group (amount in Rs.)	Remarks
	Particular/fees	
Registration/Annual Renewal	i) Very small area (less than 10ha): 100 ii) Small unit (less than 25ha):500 iii) Medium unit (more than 25 but less than 100ha):1500 iv) Large unit (more than 100ha but less than 500ha):2500 v) Very large unit (more than 500ha):3000	
Inspection/Audit	@2500/- per man-day or part inside state and @3000/- per man-day or part outside state	For preparation of audit/Inspection visits
Certification	i) Very small area (less than 10ha): Rs.100/- per ha ii) Small :5000 iii) Medium :10000 iv) Large :15000 v) Very Large :20000	
Travel Time	Nil	
Travel Expenses	Actual	For travel, food and accommodation where applicable
Scope Certificate	1000/-	The added value of widely recognised certificate
Transaction certificate, if required	500/-	Per copy
Chemical analysis, if required	Actual cost	Soil/water/leaf/and product sample

Note: 1. Taxes will be extra as applicable

Note: 2. Fees for projects funded by Government shall be as that mandated by the project

14.0 Special Achievements of OSOCA:-

OSOCA has already expanded its operations in many states like Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Tripura, Jharkhand, Bihar, Maharashtra, West Bengal & Meghalaya.

Besides, many state governments like Tripura, Assam, Maharashtra & Andhra Pradesh are taking guidance & assistance from OSOCA to set up independent Organic Certification Body in their respective states.

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15.0 Success Story of Farmers:



Gangadhar Patel, A 65 year old farmer of Jamankira Block of Sambalpur District is now doing paddy, pulses along with many fruit crops viz. Mango, litchi, sapota in his field by adopting organic management practices. He has been doing all these from a long ago and not using any chemical pesticides and fertiliser in his field. He is maintaining the organic integrity in his field by creating a buffer zone and preparing

organic pesticides like – Brahmastra, Bijamruta, Ghana Jibamruta, Jibamruta, Neemastra, Agneyastra, Amrut pani, waste decomposer, handi khata and others. He is regularly preparing and using it in his field. According to him, these method of using the organic pesticides help him minimising the disease and pest attack in his crops also increasing his net productivity. Gangadhar has awarded by state Govt for his organic management techniques. His all fields have certified through PGS certification by OSOCA.



16.0 Photo Gallery:-





All Women Organic ICS



Organic Vegetable Cluster of BPKP



OLM Organic Paddy Cluster



Organic Ginger Farm



Organic Dragon Fruit Farm, Patnagarh



Preparation of On farm Organic Input



Koraput Coffee



Organic Guava Farm





Chairman & Board Members during the 3rd GB



OSOCA at Krushi Odisha, 2024



External Training at AIOI, New Delhi



APEDA Online Training



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