

Interviewee Name: Naranbai Devabhai Thakore
Interviewee gender: Male
Using Bhungroo Yes/No: Yes

Q1. Age:
A1. 51

Q2. What work you do?
A2. Farming

Q3. What does your children do?
A3. I have 4 children who go to the daycare for 3 years (pre k classes)

Q4. What do you do all day?
A4. First, I take care of the farm animals. I give them food and then I go to the farm. I water the plants and spray some medicine on the crops.

Q5. Do you bring food for the home?
A5. Yes, I bring back food. I come back home around 6pm.

Q6. There are 10 people in the house. Who makes the decision?
A6. My father makes the decision. If my kids want something, they tell him or me. I discuss it with my wife as well to make a decision.

Q7. Do you do any prayer before farming?
A7. Yes, we pray to Lord Ganesh. Every Sunday I go to the temple.

Q8. When you didn't have Bhungroo, what did you do?
A8. First, when we lived in a small village, we didn't have Bhungroo. And now they are living in an area with Bhungroo. Before Bhungroo, we only grew 2 plants in once a year in monsoon season. But now we can plant 4 different crops in 3 different seasons- winter, summer, and monsoons. We didn't even have drinking water before Bhungroo and now we have drinking water even near our farms. We didn't have water in the well to farm and now we have sufficient water for the farm and for ourselves.
- 'Narmada jhojnana' (Naramada project) which started to install Bhungroo around the state has benefitted everyone around.

Q9. When did Narmada project start?
A9. 10 years after Bhungroo was created.

Q10. Do you think this project helped?
A10. Yes, after bhungroo it has been really helpful. I share it with the villages and help everyone to grow crops and make money.

Q11. How did you feel when you didn't have water?
A11. With Bhungroo we have received so many benefits 100%.

Q12. How was your house state before?

A12. When it didn't rain, it caused so much trouble. Because we didn't have any work. We had to go on other people's fields to farm and not grow our own.

Q13. How much land do you have to farm?

A13. 15 vega (acre)

Q14. For this land, do you get enough water?

A14. With Bhungroo, yes.

- With Bhungroo, people in the village respect me more. Before, no one talked to me.

Q15. How do people treat you now?

A15. Now they ask me how I am and if everything is good.

Q16. How about in your family? Has respect increased?

A16. Obviously. Before I didn't have enough money to give my wife to buy vegetables. But after bhungroo, I give 100 rupees to my wife and she's very happy. They are happy when I go to work (they all laughed).

Q17. What did you feel before Bhungroo- social or official difficulties?

A17, When it didn't rain, it was difficult.

Q18. Were there any problems in your house before bhungroo?

A18. Yes, obviously. We didn't have money to eat. My daughter in law didn't have money to travel to her parents' house.

Q19. Did you have to think about how to spend the money to buy enough food for the family?

A19. Yes, we use to plan beforehand how to spend our money throughout the year. We didn't have any other business. After bhungroo, I am able to save more money for the house.

Q20. Who told you about Bhungroo?

A20. Some Bengali guy use to make it. He told us about it that we can make 35 feet well in the ground to save water.

Q21. Did you see Bhungroo in another village? Where did you meet him?

A21. Yes, we went to another village. I asked him about it and he also made it in our village too. He made it 13-14 years ago around 2005.

Q22. How did he install it in your village? Were you scared that it wouldn't be useful?

A22. Yes, we were a little scared. We were scared that they water might be too salty and not usable which can ruin the crops.

Q23. When installing Bhungroo, were there any problems?

A23. No, nothing.

Q24. Have you joined another project similar to Bhungroo?

A24. No, no I am not.

Q25. What differences do you feel before and after Bhungroo?

A25. Before, I did a lot of manual labor. After Bhungroo, we have everything we need.

- When we didn't have Bhungroo, we use to have to go to another village to get water. That use to waste a lot of money. But now we don't.

Q26. Is this your house?

A26. Before, 3 of my brothers use to live together in one room. Now we have 4 bedrooms and we all have different houses.

Q27. Did you have anything saved before Bhungroo?

A27. No, before Bhungroo we didn't have anything. Now, I have a tractor and 2 vehicles (bikes) and also have some gold and money saved.

- My wife didn't have gold before and now I am able to gift her, my daughter-in-law's as well.

Q28. Where do your children study?

A28. In the village school.

Q29. Did you ever participate in village elections?

A29. No.

Q30. Did you tell others about the Bhungroo and told them to get it too?

A30. Yes, I told my relatives and other villagers about the benefits of Bhungroo and they should install it too.

- Villagers don't have Bhungroo, but they have a lot of water wells that they use for farming purposes.

- None of my relatives have Bhungroo.

Q31. How did it help you with farming?

A31. Land is the same, but we are able to crop more.

Q32. What types of crops do you plant?

A32. Cotton, Cumin and some plant for the animals.

Q33. How many animals did you have?

A33. I had 8, mostly cows and buffalos. Before Bhungroo, most of them use to starve and die. Now, I have 5-6. I am able to give them water and grass/crops to eat.

Q34. Do you grow the crops for the animals in the farm too?

A34. Yes, I grow that at the farm land too.

- We keep the animals in the fields. They get enough water.

Q35. Flood Question: How did it impact you?

A35. There was a lot of water up to our waist. It took 5-6 days for the water to go down. It stayed for 1-2 months. But because we had Bhungroo, the water went down quickly.

Q36. Is your land more fertile after Bhungroo?

A36. Yes, it is.