DIGITAL VILLAGES IN TAJIKISTAN

In the lush Hisor Valley, Lolazor is the first pioneering rural village being transformed with the Digital Villages Initiative (DVI) in Tajikistan.

Improving RURAL CONNECTIVITY
Recognizing the importance of access to internet connectivity, the villagers united to petition for, and successfully secured a 3G network for their community with an aspiration to reach 4G.

Encouraging economic growth through AGRITOURISM
With help from a local tourism development center, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) is empowering villagers with hospitality and digital marketing skills and helping them promote rich cultural experiences available in the village on different digital platforms.

Facilitating collaborative learning at a DIGITAL DEMO FARM
This initiative launched a digital demo farm at the educational farm of the Tajik Agrarian University in Hisor. It offers local stakeholders hands-on exposure to digital agriculture, including smart insect traps and smart irrigation, in a practical, real-world setting.

Co-creating solutions and improving digital skills in LIVING LABS
Diverse community members actively engaged in thematic living labs with expert advice from guest speakers focusing on challenges and solutions regarding agri-entrepreneurship, livestock and pasture management, and accessing funding opportunities. The Lolazor community also received training on digital literacy, use of agricultural apps and services, digital marketing, and photography with a phone.

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