

FRIENDS OF CHAMPIONS 12.3 INDIA | QUARTERLY MEETING UPDATES

- 12th Quarterly Meeting**
 Key updates included the release of the Food Loss & Waste Digest, Volume 4, details of WRI India's session at Mumbai Climate Week on 18 February 2026 — "[Financing Food Loss and Waste Reduction for Sustainable Food Systems](#)" — and a call for ideas for WRI India's 2026 Food Forward Webinar Series. Members were also joined by [Mike Chuter](#) and [Kim McDonnell](#) from Saveful, a FoC 12.3 network member, who shared updates on the recent soft launch of Saveful 2.0 in India.



- 11th Quarterly Meeting**
 The meeting saw members exchange insights, share progress, and explore opportunities to scale collective action on food loss and waste reduction.
- 10th Quarterly Meeting**
 Key highlights from the discussion included the launch of the bi-annual newsletter, Food Loss and Waste Digest's third edition, a series of webinars to uncover diverse pathways to meet SDG 12.3, brainstorming agenda items for the forthcoming Food Loss and Waste Dialogue, and participation in WRI India's flagship event Connect Karo 2025.
- 9th Quarterly Meeting**
 Key highlights from the meeting included a presentation by [Purpose](#) and WRI India based on the, which identified behavior patterns causing food waste in households, hotels, restaurants, and caterers in Indore and Pune. Additionally, Institute of Livelihood Research and Training presented their behavior change strategies for sustainable waste management in Indore, Pune, and Noida.
- 8th Quarterly Meeting**
 Key highlights from the meeting included WRI India's findings from the working paper [Tomato Trail: Tracking Food Loss and Food Waste in Madhya Pradesh](#), along with the screening of the video [India's Lost Harvest: Understanding Food Losses](#). Additionally, Devyani Hari from the Centre for Responsible Business shared insights from their new report [Landscaping Study for Food Waste in the HoReCa Segments in the cities of Mumbai and Pune](#).
- 7th Quarterly Meeting**

This meeting included a presentation by Dr. Raya Das, Fellow, ICRIER, on her study on reducing post-harvest losses in Indian agriculture, focusing on wheat, maize, soybean, and paddy in Punjab, Madhya Pradesh, and Bihar, highlighting the role of education and policy interventions.

- **6th Quarterly Meeting**

This meeting featured a presentation by Bee The Change on their novel up-cycling model that turns leftover restaurant food into treat bags for sale on their app, reducing waste and boosting business sales.

- **5th Quarterly Meeting**

The meeting focused on actions to raise awareness and influence consumer behavior to reduce food waste in India. Dr. Shwetmala Kashyap, WRI India shared food waste statistics, while the Netherlands Embassy presented best practices and their work in Pune and Mumbai.

- **4th Quarterly Meeting**

The meeting featured GreenPod Labs' innovative post-harvest solutions and sparked a discussion on minimizing food losses during storage and transit.

- **3rd Quarterly Meeting**

The meeting focused on fostering multi-stakeholder collaborations to reduce food loss and waste, aligning efforts across public, private, and civil society sectors.

- **2nd Quarterly Meeting**

This meeting focused on co-creating action plans and cross-learning opportunities to reduce food loss and food waste. Key discussions included crop prioritization, business case studies, and leveraging government platforms for greater impact.

- **1st Quarterly Meeting**

The meeting focused on identifying key areas for collaboration, including the formation of thematic working groups, the need for robust data collection on food loss and waste, and the importance of policy and institutional support to drive systemic change. Read the conference proceedings on [Friends of Champions 12.3 India network partners meeting](#) for detailed insights.