The depleting ground water level in Malwa region was posing a threat to the lives of farmers living in that region. Under watershed development, making rain water harvesting as a solution to this problem, construction of water conservation structures was done on the lands of the farmers.

To construct farm ponds on farmer's own land, a lot of convincing was required as the farmers do not leave smallest of the area on their lands. For this, farmers of the region were taken for a field visit to Tonk khurd Tehsil of Dewas district development block, where the farmers had constructed farm ponds on their lands only. They specified how this step improved their social, financial and agricultural conditions.

Beneficiary: Mr. Modsingh Amarsingh
Village: Kankaryamirpur

Mr Modsingh Amarsingh constructed farm pond on his agricultural land in the year 2013-14 under IWMP Phase II. Previously he had just one well on his farm for irrigation purpose for only a part of his land. He couldn’t grow Rabi crop on the un-irrigated land. After construction of farm pond to irrigate rest of his land, he grew Black gram in Rabi season, from which he made a profit of Rs. 12,500 in that season. Mr. Modsingh is grateful that he constructed the farm pond due to which now he can grow Kharif as well Rabi as crop on his land.

(Pond size: 30×20×3 Meter; Capacity: 1800 cubic meter)