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[Report on Start-up launched by IGNOU Learner](#)

IGNOU, Regional Centre, Lucknow in collaboration with National Centre for Innovation in Distance Education (NCIDE) is running Innovation Cell for promoting culture of Start-ups, Innovation and Entrepreneurship among IGNOU Learners. Shri Arun Sharma Learner of CIB Programme has launched a start-up venture for production of Vermi Compost in Village – Lahungpur, Gohana Kalan, Bakshi Ka Talab, Lucknow. Mr. Sharma is being mentored by IGNOU. Recently, Dr. Kirti Vikram Singh, Assistant Regional Director & Nodal Officer, Regional Innovation Cell, IGNOU, Regional Centre, Lucknow visited the Vermi Compost production site and motivated the learner. According to Mr. Sharma, he has around 60 beds of length 40 to 50 feet. One bed has around 1500 kgs of cow dung. Out of which 30-40% of gets converted to Vermi compost. So, his monthly production from 50 beds is near about 30,000 kgs per month (only if weather conditions are in our favour). He is not only generating local employment but also contributing towards safe farming practices.





- Senior Regional Director