

# *Social Innovation Tech Fellowship*

## *Welcoming Venture Center's Agritech Fellows*

2022 - 23

### **Gandhali Bapat**

Ph. D. Biotechnology from Savitribai  
Phule Pune University



Gandhali has worked in plant biology. Her thesis focused on the application of nanoparticles in the agricultural field. She is keen to understand the problems associated with Indian agriculture and use her expertise to find possible solutions. She has multiple hobbies including trekking and dancing. She has learned to play violin and likes to utilize her break times in art-related activities.

### **Sanchit Aggarwal**

B. Tech in CS JUIT,  
MS in CS, IIIT-H



He is a data scientist-turned-agripreneur. Keen on solving challenges in agriculture with his expertise in data science. He is currently exploring challenges in pre-harvest, post harvest, storage, packaging of perishable crops. He also volunteers as an Agri trainer with SSIASST, Bangalore, promoting natural farming with marginalized farmers. He has previous startup experiences in domains of Agriculture and healthcare technologies. He is passionate about exploring new places, reading, cycling.

### **Rupesh Pawar**

B.Tech (Chemical Technology),  
Institute of Chemical Technology  
(Formerly UDCT), Mumbai



Rupesh has worked on Oil extraction, Cosmetic natural and organic formulation, etc. He has been a winner of 'Agritech Launchpad program' of Venture Center for Best idea pitch in Agri-tech domain. "The happiest people I know are those who lose themselves in service of others." Is what Rupesh believes. He is passionate about reading, traveling, poetry and believes in simple living.

### **Abhishek Deshmukh**

B. Tech. Biotechnology  
(University of Pune),  
Erasmus MSc. Marine Environment &  
Resources  
(University of Southampton, UK;  
University of Liege, Belgium; University  
of Basque Country, Spain; University  
of Bordeaux, France.)



Abhishek was a Khorana Scholar under DBT, India - IUSSTF program at University of Florida, USA. Along with Marine economy and entrepreneurship, he also worked on hybrid aerial and underwater bot for data collection. Currently he aims to create business to support the agricultural community in India. Apart from business, he loves meeting new people, cats and animals.