## SCIENCE CENTRES FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES

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For any society, science is the basis of development. Our country primarily depends on agriculture and the overall population study indicates that majority of it is rural based. The article discusses about the relevance of science centres as a vehicle to disseminate S&T in the rural areas focusing on some of the major community programmes that were initiated in the rural based science centres in India under NCSM and the immediate results seen. The article also indicates the possible direction in which the community programmes can be assessed for their impact on the society.

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