



ABOUT THE ENTREPRENEUR



**Bimal Lakra**  
Founder

A social development professional with over 12 years of experience in the field of grassroots development. Extensively worked with the rural and backward communities for their socio-economic progress. A team player and motivator to achieve excellent results. Experienced in organisation building and institutionalization. A goal oriented and process driven enthusiast who is always eager to learn and acquire new skills for upgrading self with the contemporary times.



**Upaya Social Ventures**

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In 2021, **Bimal Lakra** founded Gangpur Ventures in Rourkela, Odisha to create **#livelihood** opportunities for **#tribal** communities by addressing the acute shortage of **#fodder** in the dairy farming industry. The company's business model addresses this critical need in the region and also, has the potential to scale to other low income states such as Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh.

Gangpur Ventures produces and provides fodder to 13 commercial **#dairy** farms by organizing 87 tribal **#farmers** into 'Producer Groups' to cultivate the **#maize** crop, which is then purchased by Gangpur Ventures on pre-agreed terms.



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Varun Raheja & Parmeet Singh  
RAHEJA SOLAR

Jai Bharathi  
MOWO FLEET

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FARMOLDEY

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KRAFTINN



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