

# Meeting Report

**Date:** Mar 25, 2018

**Venue:** Dr Mashelkar's office, Pune

**Participants:**

1. Dr R A Mashelkar
2. Ms Sanjivani Joglekar
3. Mr Srikant Chatre
4. Mr Satyajit Jogelkar
5. Mr Jagdish Chaudhari
6. Mr Shankar Tagad

**Agenda:** To update Dr Mashelkar about formation and progress of Special Interest Group (SIG) on Affordable Agriculture formed by IEEE Pune Section and seek his guidance.

**Discussion Points**

Few members of our SIG team had the privilege to meet Dr Mashelkar. He took keen interest in the SIG activities and provided his valuable inputs.



1. You are on the right track and should certainly pursue this initiative
2. Cost of not doing this initiative is that "someone else will do it". I would rather prefer a professional body doing it.
3. Brand the initiative effectively.
4. I am happy that you have chosen agriculture as a domain

5. There is a need for compassion while identifying the problems faced by farmers
6. Have a look at Sanket App
7. Spoke about “Anjani Mashelkar Awards” and gave multiple examples of Next Practices. We should look at Next Practices instead of Best Practices
8. It is high time to think on business model innovation. More from less for more approach is recommended
9. Singapore has adopted successfully the vertical farming techniques
10. IEEE should take lead to establish Mentor Academy and create a pool of 10,000 mentors. It is the need of hour.
11. Due to technology adoption, the nature of job will change but need of human resource will always be there.