

A STUDY ON SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE PRACTICES AND DEVELOPMENT: SPECIAL FOCUS ON CHITRADURGA DIST OF KARNATAKA

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ABSTRACT

The Environment sustainability is very crucial in balancing of the ecosystem of the Earth however the Agriculture is the predominant occupation of the mankind. In India sixty percent of people depending on agriculture for their livelihood, the agriculture contribution to GDP of India is 15.7%. After March of the Green Revolution, farmers practiced modern agriculture practices it leads to yield in production. Similarly it may cause for multiple environmental problems hence today the sustainable agriculture comes under the limelight. Sustainable Agriculture may be defined as any set of agronomic practices that are economically viable, environmentally safe, and socially acceptable. Sustainable Agriculture includes Organic farming, using green manure, promotion of Bio-feticides, Practicing Micro irrigation potentials etc.

The present paper attempt to outline the Sustainable agriculture practices, it had an objective of to identify what are the Sustainable agricultural methods practicing by the farmers in the Chitradurga region of Karnataka and what are the policy implications. 50 respondents were selected randomly for data collection in three taluks. A majority of 60% of respondents urges the need of Sustainable Agricultural practices, need to policy implications and best practices.

KEY WORDS: Sustainability, Empowerment, Organic farming, Bio-feticides.