## SUCCESS STORY OF ORGANIC FARMING

Name : Mr. Nandhagopal

Block : Annur

Village : Kunnathur

#### **FARM DETAILS**

• Farm size : 7 acre

• Source of irrigation : 3-Bore well

• Crops : Banana - Karpooravalli

Sugarcane - Mandiya

Coconut - Kevilipathiram

Mr.Nandhagopal basically an industrialist is fascinated towards organic farming. Especially he practices the technique preached by 'Subash Balayak'. His practice of organic farming is based on the produce 'Jeevamirtham'.

This technique is profusely known as 'ZERO BUDGET TECHNIQUE' widely practiced over the state of Maharashtra.

# PREPARATION TECHNIQUE

### Components

1. Cow dung - Native breed : 10kg

2. Jaggery : 2kg

3. Cow pea flour : 2kg

4. Soil : one hand full

5. Water : As of need



He stir's all the components in a drum and keeps it as such for 48hrs. This mixture is known as 'Jeevamirtha karaisal'. After 2 days he mixes this mixture along with the irrigation water in a farm pond.



He applies this Jeevamirtha karaisal mixture to the field 15days once. This acts as a substitute for the inorganic fertilizers. Other than that he also adds FYM.

#### **Other Benefits:**

• **Sugarcane**: He applies organic Jeevamirtha karaisal (JK) through irrigation water once after every earthing up.

The no. of tillers is profusely high. Nearly 18 tillers are produced.



- Banana : He sprays JK to control Pseudostem weevil.
- He also advises to apply JK to reduce **Soil Hardness**.
- The moisture of the soil is maintained.
- The population of the earthworms in the soil increases.

#### **MARKETING**

He sells the produce in the surrounding local market.

- Banana at the rate of Rs.25/kg
- Organic sugar at the rate of Rs.60/kg
  (Sugarcane is processed on his own factory)

#### **REMARKS**

- He says that the response from the customer side is highly satisfied because of the increased sweetness of the fruits.
- He also adds that organic cultivation reduces the residual effect and promotes health.

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