

Organic Farming: Future of India

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Abstract:

Around 150 countries of the world are practicing organic farming. An adverse effect of chemicals that are being used in agriculture causes health issues, makes food less nutritive and these food are not fit for consumption. Looking after the consequences organic farming has rapidly grown in the field of agriculture. The food that is grown organically has both nutritive and health benefits as organically have both nutritive and health benefits as organic food do not consist of any kind of fertilizers or pesticides. Organic food also restores soil health and creates better environment.

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Introduction:-

Organic farming is a type of system in which there is no use of fertilizers, pesticides, or any kind of chemicals. Organic farming protects the soil and improves the environmental balance. The foods that are grown are toxic-free as this food have all the nutritive value and are fit for consumption as these foods are grown organically. these results made organic farming grow rapidly across the world with high demand.

Major challenges in organic farming:-

- Earlier there was a lack of good marketing policies,
- Storage of biomass, inadequate farming and lack of good marketing strategies.
- The cost of farming was high, lack of financial support, lack of quality yield and Low yield.

These factors became the barrier to the growth of organic farming in earlier days.

Laws that are imposed in organic farming:-

Recently the government has exposed many programs and scheme to improve organic farming in the country, such as:

- The parampatagat kisan vikas voina.

- Organic values chain development in the northeastern region scheme
- Rashtriya kisan vikas yojna
- The mission for integrated development of horticulture
- Nation program for organic production.

The major states involved in organic farming are:-

Gujarat, Uttarakhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh,

Present scenario of organic farming:

There have been rapid increases from 528171 ha in 2007-08 to 1.2 million ha of cultivated land in 2014-15. As per research conducted by associated chambers of commerce & Industry in India, there is a rapid increase in organic food. The turnover is about 25% annually & expected to reach USD 1.36 billion in 2024. The use & popularity of organic food is increasing rapidly throughout the world. Not only in India but also in countries like the U.S. the consumption of organic food is increasing day by day. In U.S. more than two-thirds of consumers purchase organic food & more than out fourth purchased them weekly. The consumption has doubled.

Reason behind consumption of organic farming:-

The reason behind the consumption of organic food is organic food has more nutritional value, has fewer food additives contaminates, and is good for health. Organic food is safe for any age & and can be consumed by any group. The rapid popularity & of people consuming organic food is due to its nutrition & health benefits & it is less helpful for the environment.

Conclusions:-

The foods that are grown organically give more nutritious and safe for consumption. The rapid increase in the consumption of organic food is mainly due to its health benefits. Result of this, organic food ensures food safety to the consumers, the organic family also protects the environment & is eco-friendly moreover, the organic produce market is now the fastest growing market all over the world including India organic agriculture protects the health of consumers and this helps in rapid increases in consumption of organic food. Earlier lack of knowledge, marketing strategies, and awareness became a barrier to the growth of organic farming. The present scenario is completely different. Now, India is the world's largest organic producer at present. With this observation, we can conclude that encouraging

organic farming in India can build a nutritionally, ecologically & economically healthy future.

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