Farmers' Strength For a Prosperous Nation

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Pomegranate Orchard Changed This Farmer's Life..

Over ₹1 Crore Annual Income from 15 Acres of Pomegranate



Ramanepalli village in Raptadu mandal, Anantapur district, was once known for its dry lands and water scarcity. But with modern farming techniques and innovative thinking, farmer Kishtareddy has turned 15 acres of pomegranate orchard into a goldmine, earning over ₹1 crore annually, inspiring many other farmers.

How It Started

- Started six years ago with quality saplings from Maharashtra.
- Planted 6,000 plants (400 plants per acre) in 15 acres.
- Spacing: 8 feet between plants and 12 feet between rows.
- Chosen pomegranate as it can be grown with less water.

Integrated Farming Practices

- Timely irrigation and use of organic fertilizers.
- Reduced chemical fertilizers; uses farmyard manure, urea complex, bone meal, etc.
- After harvest, prunes, removes dry twigs and prepares land with organic manure.
- Planting in August helps reduce blight disease.

Modern Techniques to Tackle Challenges

- Installed shade nets across 15 acres to prevent sunburn and protect from pests.
- Maintains plant health and improves fruit quality.
- Achieves 100 – 130 tonnes of yield every year.

Good Market, Better Income

- Market price never falls below ₹100 per kg; currently around ₹120 per kg.
- Traders directly purchase at the farm, eliminating middlemen.
- Payment is made after the truck is loaded, showing strong trust.

Diversified Farming

- Also has 8 acres of grape vineyard with 40 years of experience.
- Grape cultivation gives nearly ₹50 lakhs annual income, used as investment for pomegranate.

> *"With dedication to land, golden results are certain."*
> – Kishtareddy
> Farmer, Ramanepalli, Raptadu Mandal, Anantapur District



Annadata Sukhibhava Funds Likely to be Released Soon..



- Second instalment of Annadata Sukhibhava and PM-Kisan is likely to be released on October 30.
- ₹4,000 under Annadata Sukhibhava and ₹2,000 under PM-Kisan – a total of ₹6,000 will be credited to farmers' accounts.
- Around 40 lakh farmers in the state are eagerly waiting for the funds.
- Earlier scheduled for October 17, the release was postponed due to certain unavoidable reasons.
- The government is now preparing to release the amount before Diwali.
- The scheme benefits not only land-owning farmers but also tenant farmers.

How to Check Annadata Sukhibhava Status?

1. Open the website "Annadata Sukhibhava".
2. Click on "Know Your Status".
3. Enter Aadhaar number and captcha.
4. Check if your name is listed or not

How to Check PM-Kisan Status?

1. Open the website https://pmkisan.gov.in/
2. Click on "Know Your Status".
3. Enter registration number and captcha and click on Get OTP.
4. Enter OTP and submit.
5. Your status details will be displayed on the screen.

Important Updates to be Completed

- ✔ Link your bank account with NPCI.
- ✔ Complete Farmer ID registration.
- ✔ Complete eKYC.

Only those farmers who complete these updates will receive the funds in their accounts.



El Niño Effect..

Government's Key Decision on Employment Guarantee Scheme..



Due to the conditions arising from the El Niño effect and the impact of drought, the Telangana government has taken a key decision to strengthen the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), especially in tribal areas.

- Provide 125 days of employment in tribal areas.
- Identify families without job cards and issue new job cards.
- Include names of eligible members above 18 years in job cards.
- Direct district collectors to implement these decisions quickly at the field level.