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10 Guntas of Cultivation... Rs. 16 Lakh Income in 4 Months!

Young Farmer Earns Big with Exotic Gac Fruit Cultivation

Khammam, Oct 13, 2026: Seshubabu, who was working in the Social Welfare Department in Hyderabad in 2020, left his job due to the COVID-19 situation and returned to his hometown. Initially, he cultivated chilli with his family, but due to adverse weather conditions, the crop suffered heavy losses. He then decided to try alternative crops. While researching online, he learnt about Gac Fruit, an exotic fruit popular in South East Asian countries, and found good demand for it in the market. This inspired him to start its cultivation.



100 plants in 10 guntas (0.25 acre)

2,100 kg yield from first harvest

₹800 per kg in market

₹16 lakh income in 4 months

Key Highlights

- 100 Gac plants in 10 guntas (March 2023)
- First harvest: 2,100 kg in 4 months
- Sold at ₹800 per kg → ₹16 lakh income
- Expanded to 75 cents with 300 plants (210 female, 90 male)
- Each female plant yields around 30 kg
- Hand pollination required for higher yield

Cost & Support

- 400–450 plants can be grown per acre
- Trellis structure cost: around ₹4 lakh/acre
- Horticulture Department subsidy: ₹1 lakh
- Expected yield: 5 tonnes/acre
- Even at ₹150 per kg, gross income around ₹7.5 lakh/acre (before expenses)

Organic Cultivation Methods

Uses natural inputs like Jeevamrutham, lemon-egg mixture, fish-jaggery solution and buttermilk. Also grows dragon fruit, guava, papaya, lemon, apple ber and bitter gourd.

About Gac Fruit

- Rich in antioxidants, beta-carotene & Vitamin A
- Known as a superfruit
- Green when raw, turns yellow, orange & red when ripe
- Can be used in curries or eaten directly

Vegetable Prices Soar Again.. Another Burden on Common People

El Niño Impact and Supply Disruptions Push Prices Higher

New Delhi, Oct 13, 2026: Due to the El Niño effect, prices of vegetables and essential commodities are rising sharply across the country. From onions to cooking oil, almost every household item has become costlier, increasing the monthly expenses of common and middle-class families. Global geopolitical tensions, disruption in supplies, and rising petrol and diesel prices are further adding to the burden. Over the past two months, prices of essential goods have increased by 5% to 45%, leading to an additional expense of around ₹1,500 per family.



Rice and Onion Prices Rise

- 25 kg rice bag: ₹1,200 → ₹2,000
- Onion: ₹40 → ₹80 per kg
- Sugar prices had risen, now slightly stable
- Prices of pulses like urad, chana, toor, moong have also increased

Current Vegetable Prices (per kg)	
Broad Beans	₹100
Brinjal	₹49
Green Chillies	₹55
Cucumber	₹36
Capsicum	₹65
Tomato	₹33
Ridge Gourd	₹45
Ivy Gourd	₹30
Ladies Finger	₹22
Cluster Beans	₹35
Snake Gourd	₹23
Cabbage	₹29

Reasons for Price Hike

- El Niño effect and low rainfall
- Reduced groundwater levels
- Farmers avoiding cultivation in some areas (crop holiday)
- Limited water availability only in river basin areas
- Prices may rise further in the coming months

Dasara Gift for Farmers? ₹6,000 in One Go to Bank Accounts!

PM-Kisan and Annadata Sukhibhava Funds Expected Soon

New Delhi / Amaravati, Oct 13, 2026: There is speculation that farmers in Andhra Pradesh may receive financial assistance during the festive season. The next instalment of the PM-Kisan scheme from the Central Government, along with the Annadata Sukhibhava support from the State Government, may be credited to farmers' bank accounts soon. Farmers are eagerly waiting for an official announcement.



PM-Kisan Scheme

- ₹6,000 per year to eligible farmer families
- Given in three instalments of ₹2,000 each
- 23rd instalment released in June 2026
- 24th instalment expected on October 17 or 18, 2026 (as per reports)

Annadata Sukhibhava (Andhra Pradesh)

- Total support of ₹20,000 per year per eligible farmer family
- Includes ₹6,000 from PM-Kisan and ₹14,000 from State Government
- Covers land-owning farmers and eligible tenant farmers as per guidelines

Total ₹6,000 at Once?

- Some reports suggest ₹2,000 (PM-Kisan) + ₹4,000 (State share) may be credited together.
- **Not confirmed** for all farmers
- Depends on eligibility, schedule and official announcement

Things Farmers Should Do

- Complete e-KYC for PM-Kisan
- Ensure correct bank account details and Aadhaar linkage
- Complete farmer registry and land record verification

How to Check Payment Status?

- Visit the official PM-Kisan website
- Check beneficiary status and instalment details
- Follow State Government / Agriculture Department updates for Annadata Sukhibhava.