

Success Story: The Journey of a Rural Youth Farmer to a Millionaire Through Integrated Farming System

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Shri Shivanagouda Patil from Haletegur village, Dharwad Taluk, Dharwad District, Karnataka state who completed his SSLC and get into farming in joint family size of 20 members. Earlier he was following only mono cropping pattern mainly sugarcane and having mango orchard in 61 acres of land with annual net income of Rs. 5,65,000/- in the year 2014.

Nature of farm activities and technologies adopted

He visited KVK Dharwad in the year 2018 for consultancy. On regular consultancy and trainings by scientists of KVK, Dharwad he started growing



intercropping of soybean and maize in mango orchard in 25 acres of land with integrated crop management practices. He started mulberry cultivation in 2 acres for sericulture activity. KVK introduced short duration sugarcane variety CO-9004 under FLD and soybean variety DSb-21 in his field. He attended training on scientific sheep and goat farming from KVK and established integrated goat cum poultry unit.

Also took consultancy on fishery activity in farm pond. Then introduced composite fish farming with Rohu, Catla, Common carp breeds in farm pond. Improved green fodder varieties like African tall

maize, CoFS-29, CoBN-5 and DHN-6 were introduced in his farm. He planted mahogany trees within this field taking intercropping of mulberry for sericulture activities and teak plantation along the bunds.



Entrepreneurship and business to generate annual income

From 30 acres of sugarcane (CO-9004) getting an income of Rs. 24.30 lakh. Rs. 1.5 lakh from 4 acres of sole soybean (DSb-21) cultivation, Rs. 5.0 lakh from intercropping of soybean and maize in mango and Rs. 8.0 lakh from the mango orchard. Running 5 cycles per year and getting Rs. 4.5 lakh from sericulture activity and Rs. 1.0 lakh from fishery activity in farm pond.



Successfully established dairy farming with HF, indigenous cows (8 Nos.) and Murrah Buffaloes (10 Nos.) and selling 100 L of milk daily and overall, from the dairy unit earning Rs. 9.5 lakh annually. Established the integrated goat cum poultry shed with capacity of 20 Beetal, 10 Tellicherry goats and 80 desi poultry birds and earning Rs. 3.5 lakh from this unit. In future he is expecting income from mahogany (500

Nos.) and teak (400 Nos.) plantation. Now he is earning total annual net income of Rs. Rs. 37, 30,000/- per year. He was honoured and recognised with many awards like taluka level Shreshta Krishika Award from UAS, Dharwad, Incentive award from CRI pumps Pvt. Ltd, also received millionaire farmer of India (MFOI) award from ICAR, Pusa, New Delhi sponsored by Mahindra Tractor in 2023.

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