

## Success story of a women farmer- Smt. Anuradha

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Women make up 43 percent of the global agricultural labour force, yet they face significant discrimination when it comes to land and livestock ownership, equal pay, participation in decision-making entities and access to credit and financial services. Few women have still succeeded facing all such hardships. Smt. Anuradha S. Amminabhavi



from Marewad village of Dharwad also one such women who was new to agriculture till her marriage but after married to a farming family learnt the skills and excelled in agriculture. She has 14 acres of both

rainfed and irrigated land. Mainly grows Green gram, Black gram, Groundnut and Vegetables. The bunds of the farm are planted with many forest tree species which acts as live fencing. She believes in Organic farming practices and follows them in her farming system. They have tractor for cultivation. Maintain small dairy unit with cows and buffaloes to meet milk requirement of the house and substantiate regular expenses of the family. The agricultural crop residue, dairy waste and other decomposable materials for the preparation of compost. Four pit Vermicompost unit is maintained at the backyard



with locally available materials and the produce is mainly used for farm fertility improvement. She was trained in organic farming and other animal husbandry trainings. She is also training other farm women in those areas. Her family is motivating her for her contribution in the field of Agriculture. Regularly she contacts KVK scientists for technological updates and subscribes agriculture and related magazines to update her knowledge. Department staff also supports her technologically in her new experiments.

**Impact in the area**

She is earning an income of nearly 3 lakh rupees per year. Maintained fodder cafeteria for dairy and Nutri farm at the backyard of the house to meet family requirement of fruits and vegetables. Many families in and outside the village also visit

and taking guidance in improved agriculture practices.

**Awards & recognitions**

Awarded Shreshta Krishika Mahile of Dharwad Taluk by University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad during 2019-20.

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