A case-story of a successful integrated farming

Farmer's name: Ajit Singhababu Village: Panchasimul, Block: Chatna

District: Bankura

Ajit Singha babu, 73 years old is a very active and enthusiast integrated farmer. He has set an example of a successful IFS design in own holding with the support of DRCSC under the NABARD CCA Project.

In about 2 katha of land adjacent to his house where he has raised nutrition garden, mixed cropping. In the mixed-cropping bed he has introduced vegetables and leafy vegetables like coriander, onion, radish, punka, spinach, brinjal, tomato and the rest.

On the trellis he kept lab-lab beans, and bottle gourds with a 3g technique. The fruits have come-up with plenty of numbers.

In the other bed he cultivated fenugreek, carrot, beat punka, piring, cucumber, turnip, garlic, horse beans, spinach and all others; accompanying some medicinal plants & herbs. In the middle plot there is azola tank; *Azola* is used as the fodder for country chicks, ducks and goats. He used water trap for pest control of brinjal as per agro-advisory of DRCSC.

He has applied only cow-dung and vermi-compost as fertilisers. After consuming the produce (vegetables etc.) throughout the year, he regularly earns good amount of money by selling the products in market.









Beside nutrition garden and mixed cropping, he is engaged in livestock rearing. In another plot, there is a pond; additionally he has a poultry farm adjacent to the pond, where he is rearing native varieties of chicken and ducks. He also installed an incubator to hatch eggs scientifically and easily.





Ajit Singha babu is busy with his farm...

Major change in practice: Nutrition Garden, Adhar Muktangan, Livestock Rearing, Azola Culture, Incubator, Medicinal Plants, Ditch, Mixed Cropping etc.

Major outcome:

- ❖ Ajit Babu is now less dependent on market since he has been engaged in integrated farming.
- Through *Adhar muktangan* country chicks and ducks his family is now earning yearly Rs. 7000 onwards by selling eggs and Rs. 9500 onwards from country chicken.
- ❖ Hatching eggs through incubator his family is earning Rs. 5000 onwards by selling country chicks and ducks.
- ❖ Azola is used as the fodder for country chicks, ducks and goats
- ❖ He fetched about Rs. 3000-4000 per year as he sold vegetables in local market after self consumption





