

Livelihood security through Maize cobs

The Villagers of Surajpur engaged in cultivation of traditional field crops such as soybean, urd, wheat and gram, despite of village situated on road and very near to district headquarters. Shri Charli Yadav S/o- Shri. Ratiram Yadav was also engaged in traditional cultivation of crops as others as villagers. He came to close contact with the KVK scientists in the year of February 2008 and made discussion with the scientists. The scientists have visited the the field of Mr. Yadav and advised him to cultivate the Maize for green cobs, because Mr. Yadav reared animals for milk selling , he has water resource for irrigation and district import green cobs from other district .

Shri Charli Yadav has started cultivation of maize for green cobs on one acre land and earned Rs.1,42,000/ha net profit. He has inspired with the cobs profit and green fodder availability to his animals during that period and motivated to practised the cultivation of maize in subsequent year. In the year of 2009 Shri. Yadav has sown maize crops in three different dates 15th, 30th and 15 July 2009. In one acre of area, the average plants were 20,000, no. of average cobs / plants were 1.7. Like this, he has sold cobs of Rs1,70,000/ha and received net profit Rs.1,40,000/ha. Not only Shri. Yadav has earned money but also other person such as middleman (Aadhatia) has earned Rs.25,000 (@Rs.0.3/cob) and three retailers also earned Rs.16,000 each. In this manner, Mr. Yadav animals also produced more milk as well as improved the health status of the farm animals on low cost due to ensuring green fodder to their animals at that time. Because, Shri. Yadav earning money daily by selling their produce and in return he has got vegetable for their family needs. Like this, he has overcome malnutrition of their family.

