

Promotion of vegetable cultivation by the farmers clubs in Sinapali Block

Because of the efforts of the Krushak Club (Farmers Clubs) organized by SVA with financial support of NABARD there have been visible changes in the agriculture and cropping pattern in all the villages where the farmers are being organized. Vegetable cultivation in most of the villages has gone up significantly and as a result the incomes of the farmers have also gone up. Earlier, various types of vegetables used to come to Sinapali from outside places particularly during the rainy season but during last

two/three years one can see the changes. vegetable adjoining blocks are even



Smt. Padmini Patel of village Godal in her plot of ladies finger during may 2013.

Under the grow

Under the programme of WADI in 20 villages farmers have initiated the process to various types of vegetables in about one thousand acres of land during next three years. This year farmers in six villages have already taken up vegetable cultivation in 200 acres of land where they have also planted mango, sweet lime and few agro forestry species. Some of these lands are irrigated by dug well whereas several farmers have now got deep bore wells under the State Government Scheme "Biju Krushak Yojana". It is expected that in the next three to four years Sinapali block will be a major vegetable producing region and in another seven to eight years it will supply mango and sweet lime of high quality to the neighboring blocks and districts. This programme is being primarily supported by NABARD under the Tribal Development Fund Project and also various schemes of the State Government are being converged with this.



Smt. Purnima Patel of Vill, Mahagaon in her Ridge Gourd field during the summer of 2013.

Because of the increased area under cultivation in Godal, Haldikhol and villages the weekly markets in Sinapali now fed with mostly the local vegetables during the summer months.