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Economics of different crops in Kandi area of Jammu (J. & K.)

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ABSTRACT

The present study was conducted in the subtropical Kandi belt of Jammu region to find out the economics of different crops grown in the area. The findings of the study revealed that the food crops like maize and wheat had a much lower benefit cost ratio than pulses and oilseeds. Among the different categories of farmers, maize and wheat had the lowest benefit cost ratio of 1.28 and 1.17, respectively. In contrast to this, the highest benefit cost ratio was 2.61 for Til and 2.49 for Moong. Til and mash when grown as a mixed crop gave a benefit cost ratio of 2.72. Further, the study also showed that the percentage of farmers growing oilseeds and pulses was very low. Not more than 10 per cent of the respondents were growing these crops except Moong which was grown by 13.33 per cent of the respondents. Despite being highly remunerative the area under these crops was also low. Of the total net cultivable area, meagre per cent age was under the cultivation of pulse and oilseed crops.

KEY WORDS: Kandi, Economics, Benefit cost ratio, Remunerative

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