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To analyse the cost of mulberry and cocoon production in Haveri district

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ABSTRACT

The study was conducted in Haveri district of Karnataka state. Where mulberry area of 947 hectares and cocoon production of 680.511 M tonnes, respectively during 2013-14 was observed. The study was conducted to analyze the cost of mulberry and cocoon production in Haveri district. In Haveri district two talukas were selected namely Haveri and Ranebennur. The cost of mulberry cultivation was found to be Rs. 23278.54 per acre in case of marginal farmers, Rs. 25116.18 per acre in case of small farmer and Rs. 26358.52 per acre in medium farmers. The cost of cocoon production was high for medium farmers Rs. 50046.54 per acre, followed by small farmers Rs.55036.06 per acre and marginal farmers Rs. 59187.20 per acre. Sericulture is a labour intensive enterprise providing employment to both men and women in mulberry cultivation and cocoon production. Where family labour was employed in this enterprise all around the year. Thus, encouraging this enterprise would help to generate additional income and absorb family labour which is under employed during off season.

KEY WORDS: Mulberry, Cocoon, Production, Cost

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