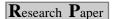


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Major constraints faced by farmers of Sabarkantha district in Gujarat

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ABSTRACT: An attempt was made to study the major constraints of farmers of sabarkantha district. Out of 13 block one high productive and one low productive block were selected purposively. Three villages from each block were selected randomly making the sample size of 321. The constraints were worked out by using Garrett's Ranking Technique. The major constraints faced by the farmers were lack of technical advice/know-how, non-availability of farm credit, lack of improved variety suitable to region, lack of irrigation water, high cost of inputs, inadequate/irregular supply of electricity, scarcity of farm labour, social factors (adopting piggery/poultry), and problems of pigs. The major constraints faced by the farmers in the studied area of the district were ranked using Garrett's ranking technique and found that problem of pigs and bluebull (Nilgay) ranked 1st, High cost of input (seed/fertilizer/pesticides. etc) ranked 2nd, Lack of technical advice/know-how ranked 3rd.

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