



## THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE FARMERS IN THE AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS : AN EXPERIENCE OF THE FARMERS

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The role and contribution of the officers in Agricultural Development is vital one. The officers and the farmers are reciprocal one for the agricultural development. In the present article the experiences of the farmers, in the context of the agricultural officers are studied. For that, it is said to fill the questionnaires from the farmers and the work of the officers are evaluated on the basis of the questionnaires. The asked questions in the questionnaires to the farmers are as follows: Are the farmers guided by the officers frequently for the improved and modern seed? Whether the officers are cooperative with the farmers or not at the point of guidance? Do the officers inform the farmers about the various agricultural policies? Whether the farmers are satisfied with the work of the officers or not? The present article is the explanation of the farmers experience.

The above questions are asked to 170 farmers and the responses are as follow: Most of 41 % farmers noted that they get guidance about the improved seed from the agricultural officers. On the contrary 40% farmers are negative one. Most of 18% farmers remained neutral for the asked questions. Guiding the farmers is an integral part of the duty of the agricultural officers and their staff. Farmer is the focal point of the Agricultural Department and the staff. It is their duty to guide them time to time. They should contact the

farmers and should inform them about the improved seeds etc. But most of the farmers are discouraged one. The second question for the farmers was about the cooperative role of the officers: Most of the 55% farmers remarked the satisfactory role of the officers in the matter of cooperation and 44% farmers noted negative opinion. Some farmers noted that when they visit the officers and for their cooperation, they are avoided due to several reasons. When a farmer go to the District Agricultural Office by 30-40 km. with the hope of proper guidance and cooperation of the officers, they are said to come at next time, have no time and such as always they indicate that cooperation

**Do the Agricultural Officers guide about improved seeds to the farmers?**

**Table No. 1**

Sr. No.	Guidance	Numbers	Percentage
1	Yes	71	41.76
2	No	68	40.00
3	No response	31	18.25

### Officers cooperation.

**Table No. 2**

Sr. No.	Cooperation	Numbers	Percentage
1	Yes	94	55.30
2	No	75	44.10
3	No response	01	00.60

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is not a part of their duty.

The Agricultural Department implements various programmes for the agricultural development such as training camps for the farmers, crop insurance policy, the maximum agricultural production achievement operation and the improved hybrid seeds etc. It is expected that the officers should encourage the farmers and they should be benefited.

The next question was asked, whether the farmers are informed of a variety of agricultural policies by the agricultural officers or not? Most of 65% farmers noted that they don't get any information from the officers. Only 34% farmers replied the positive role for the officers. It is concluded that very few farmers are benefited one who are closer to the officers but most of the part is in dark due to the

lack of information. In brief, it is obvious that most of the farmers don't be benefited only because of negative role of the officers.

It is tried to survey whether the farmers are satisfied for the agricultural officers. 47% farmers are satisfied about the role of the officers but 44% farmers are Vice-versa. Generally, rural farmers expect much from the officers, but when they are neglected, they

### Information of various policies.

**Table No. 3**

Sr. No.	Information of various policies	Numbers	Percentage
1	Yes	58	34.10
2	No	111	65.30
3	No response	01	00.60

### Whether the farmers are satisfied for the agricultural officers ?

**Table No. 4**

Sr. No.	Satisfaction	Numbers	Percentage
1	Yes	80	47.05
2	No	76	44.70
3	No response	14	08.25

show their disappointment. Farmers never blamed the agricultural policies and the programmes but they are not been implemented properly. The administration body, one of the major parts, is responsible for the succession or failure of the plans or programmes. Only the honest and sincere officers and the staff may satisfy the farmers. At last, the present survey concludes that the farmers are satisfied about the role of the agricultural officers.