

# **GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE, BHADRACHALAM**

## **DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY**

### **ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-21**

#### **FIELD WORK**

##### **1. WEEK END FARMING**

###### **OBJECTIVES OF THE PRACTICE**

Agriculture is the principle and inevitable profession of India because India is an agriculture-based country. Farmers are the persons responsible for feeding the people of the country by practicing agriculture. Due to various problems agriculture is becoming little lucrative, hence least preferred profession for young generation. Even the progeny of the farmers families are moving away from the family profession and searching for another professions for their livelihood. In this scenario the college initiated this practice of week end farming to make the students aware of importance and inevitability of the agriculture.

###### **THE CONTEXT**

Agriculture is becoming least preferred profession due to the factors like increasing input costs, dependence on climate conditions, poor marketing supports and little profitability or even the loss. Hence even the children of farmer communities are also looking to another profession and are not willing to continue the farming profession.

###### **THE PRACTICE**

The department of Botany encouraged the students to make familiar of farming practices by taking them to the farmlands and to get participated in the farm activities. The department has a understanding with the organization called Laxmi Agro forestry run by the young, enthusiastic and educated people who runs the farming by adopting low cost organic farming practices and also different agronomical practices to deliver more profits to farmers. The department took the willing of students and taken them to the farm situated at Sompally village in the vicinity of Bhadrachalam there they can try their hand in farm practices and they can know the inputs and outputs, cost effectiveness and conservation of the soil health in order the health of public.

###### **EVIDENCE OF SUCCESS**

The practice resulted in very food booster to promote enthusiasm among the students. The students who belongs to farming community got knowledge regarding the natural farming and how to reduce the input cost. They also observed the concept of continuous yielding thus getting continuous income from the available farm land. Students from other than farming community understood the importance of agriculture and food production. They also come to know about the agriculture practices and how to make agriculture as profitable profession.

## **PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED AND RESOURCES REQUIRED**

Initially many students not shown interest in visiting and trying their hand in agriculture field activities. They felt it as tough profession demanding lot of physical strain but as the days goes on they enjoyed the practice of growing the crop and harvesting the produce. In this practice the field we selected is at a distance of 15 Km from the college hence transportation made some difficulty. The college requires a separate budget and facilities for transportation to encourage the students.

## **NOTE**

Farming is a noble profession through which food will be provided for the population but due to several hardships the young generation is moving away from the farming profession which will prove fetal in future course of time. The government has great responsibility to encourage the young generation to choose farming as their profession.



