

STATE: TRIPURA

Profile of selected farmer for Agriculture Minister's Krishi Karman Award : 2015-16



Mr. Rakkhal Acharya, S/o Lt. Dharendra Acharya of Champamura Village, Bishalgarh Block, under Sepahijala District of Tripura state, is a progressive small farmer, engaged in cultivation of a number of crops since last 40 years, as main livelihood of his family. He has got 2 ha land of his own including 1.2 ha as upland and another 0.6 ha on lease basis for cultivation of various crops. In the low lying area, Paddy is the main crop followed by different vegetables, especially during winter season. He also produce vermicompost for his farm. In the upland, he has small plantation of rubber and mango in 1.2 ha area where ginger and turmeric are also grown as intercrop. He follows 260% cropping intensity and earns more than Rs.2 lakh per annum from farming.

During kharif-2015, he has cultivated hybrid paddy (variety: Arize-6444) following SRI technology and harvested paddy yield of 10.36 tonns per ha in terms of dry weight, as against the average yield of 5 tonns per ha in other areas of his block. This was the highest productivity achieved in the state during Kharif - 2015 on the basis of crop cutting experiments.
