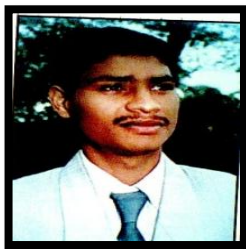


**SUCCESS STORY**

**TURKEY FARMING**



**Shri Breznav Gulabrao Dhamal**

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Shri Breznav Gulabrao Dhamal, Age 37 years, A/P Bawada, Tal. Khandala, Dist Satara Mobile No. 9665773744, after completing M.S.W. degree at age of 30 worked with very low remuneration through social trust. The said remuneration was not enough to bear the family responsibilities. While doing farming in draught situations, he was always in search of farm enterprise which supplementary and complementary with agriculture. He got benefited through “Turkey Farming Training” organized under RKVY project by Department of Poultry Science, Krantisinh Nana Patil College of Veterinary Science, Shirval. Under this project, Shri Breznav Gulabrao Dhamal attended three days training during period from 17.02.12 to 19.02.12. After that, one day old 15 turkey chicks were given to Shri Dhamal through college on his demand. Initially for one month Shri Dhamal used available hut at his farm for brooding of the chicks. Because of unavailability of electricity he used coal for brooding of chicks. For next one month he raised the birds by using chainlink of size 10’ x 10’ x 5’. During this period he used poultry feed for feeding of birds. After two months the birds were allowed to move freely in backyard and in near by open space. During this period the birds used to feed on available green grasses and insects in farm and on waste grains of farm. This resulted in to less commercial feed requirement. With initial capital of Rs. 4200/-, Shri Dhamal started rearing of turkey along with Rs 3100/- as the cost of rearing of 15 birds. At last he received Rs. 6300/- through sale of these birds. With this previous experience Shri Dhamal brought 55 turkey poults and started increasing turkey farming as supplementary business. This time he got technical guidance for Veterinary College, Shirval for use of electricity for brooding of chicks. In addition to this he cultivated and used Lucerne green grass in feeding of birds for minimizing the cost of feeding. The birds raised by the above method and turkey eggs were sold to the near by farmers. this resulted in to the propagation of turkey farming. Shri Dhamal received a total of Rs. 51525/- through sale of birds and eggs. Out of this Rs. 39525 is the net profit after subtraction of amount of expenditure i.e. Rs. 12000/-. For getting this additional profit, shri Dhamal spent very less time after completing the family responsibilities and other agricultural work. As per his experience, he never faced any problem for sale of birds and their eggs, but day by day there is increase in demand of same from the farmers. Accordingly as per the opinion of Shri Dhamal, with less investment and less time after rearing turkey birds for six months on an average he received Rs. 450/- per bird as a net profit. He added that turkey farming supports economically to the farmers in draught prone areas and it is a supplementary and complementary enterprise for agriculture. Presently with the increasing demand for turkey birds and with the investment of gained profit and experience, shri Dhamal started expanding the turkey enterprise.



Shri. Breznev Dhamal with his family, Year 2011



Turkey poults brooding in small hut, Year 2011



Turkey farming by Dhamal in semi-intensive unit Year 2011



Shri. Dhamal feeding the Turkey birds Year 2012



Turkey birds scavenging in field



Dr. V.D. Lonkar guiding to Shri. Dhamal Year 2012

