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PREFACE

Agriculture plays an important role in a developing country like India. Consequently, the consumption pattern of Agriculturists determine the growth of an economy. In this study, "Family Budget of Cultivators" the household income and expenditure of cultivators has been analysed. The period of study in from July, 2005 to June, 2006. An attempt has been made to highlight the sources of income, their expenditure, consumption pattern etc. of the cultivators. For this study, a sample of 117 cultivator households has been selected.

The study reveals an average annual income per household of Rs.166236 and an expenditure of Rs.130521 leaving an annual surplus of Rs.35715 during 2005-06. The main source of household income was from farm cultivation which contributed 62.43% of the total income. A major portion i.e. 47.74% of the total expenditure was incurred on food items whereas the remaining 52.26% accounted for non-food items.

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I hope this report will prove useful to planners, policy makers, sociologists and administrators who are interested in socio-economic development of the cultivators.

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