

Success story of cashew nurseries under RKVY

Background

The OSCDC Ltd. was established in the year 1979 with main objectives to develop land, raise cashew plantation and other suitable species, render technical guidance and assistance to cashew growers and make available good planting materials. In 1993, the OSCDC Ltd was declared as “Nodal Agency” for development of cashew in the State. Now the OSCDC Ltd. has 572 numbers of cashew plantations over an area of 30,000.00 hectares of which 284 numbers of plantations over an area of 12,337 hectares are old and senile. The OSCDC Ltd. has established 20 numbers of cashew clonal nurseries in Odisha. With existing infrastructure and scion bank, now OSCDC Ltd. is able to produce nearly 35 lakhs of quality planting materials each year. In the year 2015-16 OSCDC had produced nearly 20 lakhs of hybrid cashew grafts belonging to V4, 2/16, Jagannath, Balabhadra and few other hybrid varieties having good selling percentage and high yielding potentiality. Major portion of the grafts is supplied to government departments both inside and outside Odisha for plantation in MNREGS and NHM programme. Apart from that, some NGOs and Govt. agencies such as Odisha Tribal Empowerment and Livelihood Programme (OTELP) have procured the grafts for planting in the farmers land located in tribal districts of Odisha and Chatisgarh.

Intervention

OSCDC Ltd. has been implementing RKVY Scheme since 2013-14.

OSCDC Ltd. has 20 Nos model cashew nursery out of which 2 nurseries have been established out of RKVY funds during the year 2017-18.

OSCDC Ltd has been producing at least 35 Lakh quality grafts out of the existing nurseries.

During the year, one nursery at Bedabahal of Sundargarh has been established out of RKVY fund which produces 50,000 Nos grafts by which corporation will gain better revenue .Besides, since inception of the corporation there was no nursery at Sundargarh District.

However, By the assistance of RKVY,one Model nursery at Bedabahal near Sundargarh town has been established in which the farmer of Western Odisha will be benefitted for cashew plantation.

Further neighbouring states such as Jharkhanda & Chhatisgarh will procure the grafts from nearest produced nursery situated at Bhedabahal of Sundaragarh district.

Due to development of infrastructure such as protection wall, Construction of C.C Road, construction of Labour shed, Input cum fertilizer store house & Agro shednet truss in the existing nurseries out of RKVY fund. A qualitative as well as quantitative grafts are being produced which are highly demanded by the farmers of the State as well as the other neighbouring States.

Mean while ,OSCDC Ltd. has been awarded the best Nursery Award by Govt. of India in the National Conference at Vijayawada ,for production of Quality Planting Materials.

Outcomes

- To increase the production capacity of nursery.
- To create good market place for farmers to procure good quality cashew grafts.
- To protect Govt. land/ property from public trespass.
- To make the State No. 1 in the field of production of good quality cashew grafts.
- To generate competition among the cashew grower in the State.
- To earn the better revenue.

Photos of infrastructure constructed out of R.K.V.Y. Scheme.







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