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Indigenous Traditional Tools and Implements Used in Agriculture and Allied Sector in Tripura

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A B S T R A C T

Indigenous technology knowledge (ITK) refers to the exclusive, old-style, local thinking present and developed in and around the explicit situations of men and/or women native to a specific terrestrial area. Lots of indigenous agricultural know-how is available with the farming communities especially in tribal people of Tripura. Surveys were conducted in different districts of Tripura mainly in South Tripura, Gomati, Khowai, and West Tripura during November 2018 to June, 2019 for identifying and documenting the different Indigenous Traditional Knowledge used in Agriculture and allied agricultural activities. Survey was done through the method of using local resource persons and In-depth interview of farmers and notes, photos, audio and video recording were used for documentation. Some Indigenous Traditional implements which are still used by the people of Tripura for agriculture as well as allied sectors like in fisheries, animal husbandry etc. are documented. ITK is still an unprecedented resource in the development activities. It needs to be intensively and extensively studied and incorporated into formal research and extension practices in order to make rural development strategies more viable and sustainable. Special efforts are needed to understand, document and disseminate ITK for preservation, transfer or adoption elsewhere.

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