

Attitude of Tribal Farmers on Indigenous Technical Knowledge and their Blending with Modern Technologies

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ABSTRACT

A study on farmer's attitude on Indigenous Technical Knowledge and their blending with modern technologies was conducted with 180 tribal farmers randomly selected from the five districts of high altitude and tribal area zone of Andhra Pradesh. The attitude scale was constructed with 24 statements. The results showed that 65.56% had favourable attitude followed by neutral attitude (17.78%), unfavourable attitude(7.78%), highly favourable attitude (5.55%) and highly unfavourable attitude (3.33%) towards Indigenous Technical Knowledge and their blending with modern technologies. These findings indicated that the tribal farmers are very much aware about the existence of Indigenous Technical Knowledge and their blended technologies and also convened on their effectiveness as alternative to modern technologies.

Key words : High Altitude, Indigenous Technical Knowledge, Modern Techonologies, Tribal Area Zone, Tribal Farmers, Tribal People