

Establishment and Maintenance of Mulberry Garden by Tribal Farmers of Khammam District – An Economic Evaluation

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ABSTRACT

The total cost of establishing one hectare of mulberry garden on an average was around Rs.12423.73 for all farms. It is important to note that the share of fixed cost in the total cost of maintenance of one hectare of mulberry for all farms was 40.87 per cent. The remaining share of the total cost was the variable cost and it was 59.13 per cent. Thus it can be inferred that the share of fixed cost was lower than the variable cost. The overall picture shows that seed value manures and fertilizers are being used excessively by medium and large group farmers whereas human labour was being used excessively by medium size farmers.

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