

Livelihood opportunities of small and marginal farm families in Haryana state

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■ **ABSTRACT** : India is facing now-a-days is achieving inclusive growth and proper strategy to revive Indian agriculture. The farm population has been waiting patiently year after year for a 'new deal' for agriculture. Doubling agricultural growth is the immediate challenge. However, the package of the recent strategy and efforts seems to be incremental, rather than a holistic for reviving agriculture. Present study was conducted in Gurgaon division of Haryana state and two districts from Gurgaon division *i.e.* Rewari and Mahendragarh were selected randomly. From selected two blocks Jatusana and Kanina, four villages (two from each block) Dahina and Maseet from Jatusana and Kakrala and Rambas from Kanina were selected randomly. From the selected villages a sample of 75 small and marginal farm families from was drawn randomly to make the total sample size of 300 farm families. The results depicted that in Mahendargarh district main opportunity available to the farm families 'Related to household' was in the form of livestock husbandry, educated family members and skill enhancement with highest average weighted mean score 1.79, rank I followed by 'Provided by the government' (Rank II, WMS 1.71), respectively.

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