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## Role of farm women in agricultural activities

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**SUMMARY :** Women play a significant and crucial role in agricultural development and allied fields. It is most unfortunate that the role of women in agriculture has not been highlighted. By and large they have remained as invisible workers. Therefore, efforts were made to highlight the role of farm women in agricultural activities. The study was undertaken in Deoria district of U.P. during 2013-14. The data were collected from 180 farm women by adopting the proportionate random sampling method. The results of the study revealed that under agriculture related tasks, the data reveals that drying, cleaning, storage of grains and processing of farm produce were the major farm operations where the women's role was cent per cent. In terms of decision making, the majority of farm women did not take any decision single handedly. Farm women took single hand decision regarding live stock management (40.55%) followed by farm supplies and inputs (28.88%), area for different crops (18.88%), maintenance of implements (14.44%), labour management (12.22%), capital management (9.44%), and marketing of agricultural produce only 8.88 per cent. It could be concluded that the women of Deoria district of U.P. state were highly involved in all agricultural practices. So, it is needed to develop suitable, strategy training to women about modern technologies to make them more skilled for agricultural production.

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