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## Constraints of turmeric growers in adoption of recommended practices of turmeric cultivation

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**SUMMARY :** Turmeric (*Curcuma longa*) is an important crop for its wide use in processing industry and its medicinal value. The present study was conducted in Wai tahsil of Satara district. Ten villages having maximum area under turmeric crop was selected for the study purpose. From the selected villages 120 turmeric growers were randomly selected and interviewed. The data were collected, tabulated and statistically analysed. The important constraints reported by turmeric growers were with respect to cultivation and marketing of turmeric namely, non availability of quality seed, high cost of seed, attack of rhizome fly, higher charges of commission agents and low market price. The important suggestions made by turmeric growers were assured and reasonable selling price, demonstration on control of rhizome fly attack, timely availability of quality seeds and credits, timely guidance of VEWs and organization of farmers rallies, exhibitions, elimination of middle men in marketing, providing fertilizers and pesticides at subsidized rate and starting separate turmeric research station in Satara district.

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