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Inter-district disparities in agricultural development in Amravati division of Maharashtra

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SUMMARY : The present study on the inter district disparities in “Agricultural development was conducted in Amravati division. The data were collected from different public records of State Governments, co –operatives and private institutions. There was good agricultural development in Amravati and Akola district while decrease in Yavatmal and Buldhana district. Amravati was identified as model district over a period of time. The rank of Amravati was 1st and remains constant. The rank of Akola district came down to 2nd in 1996-97 to 2001-02. The rank of Buldhana district came down to 3rd in 2001-02 to 4th in 2006-07. The rank of Yavatmal district was improved from 3rd to 2nd but came down from 3rd in 2006-07 to 2nd in 2010-11. Amravati district was classified as ‘most developed’ in 1989-90 and 1996-97 and ‘developed’ in 2001-02, 2006-07 and 2010-11. Akola, Yavatmal and Buldhana district were classified as ‘moderately developed’ in 1989-90 and 1996-97. In 2010-11 Akola and Yavatmal district were classified as ‘under developed’ and Buldhana district was classified as ‘Backward’. Agricultural development of model district (Amravati) was significantly superior, over all other districts in all five time points. Agricultural development of district significantly differed from each other over a period of time (26 years).

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