

Economics of production of sugarcane in Beed district of Maharashtra state

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ABSTRACT

The study revealed that, at overall level, the net returns at cost 'C' level were Rs. 361467.3, size groupwise analysis showed that it was Rs. 162805.2 in small size farm, Rs. 322353.8 in medium size farm and Rs. 599242.9 in large size farm. The cost benefit ratio at total cost of production was found to be 1.29 in small size farm, 1.24 in medium farm and 1.19 in large farm, whereas, it was 1.20 at overall level. The cost benefit ratio was more than unity in all size groups indicating that sugarcane production is profitable. Constraints faced by sugarcane growers were huge, low price by factory expressed by 100 per cent of growers, higher wages of labour was one of the major problem which was expressed by 94.44 per cent growers and higher rates of fertilizers was expressed by 88.89 per cent of sugarcane growers.

KEY WORDS : Cost, Returns, Profitability, Input utilization

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