



A Case Study

## Need based trainings and constraints of banana growers in Bhagalpur, Bihar

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**SUMMARY :** The present study was undertaken in Bhagalpur district of Bihar to examine needs for training in relation to the knowledge gap of banana growers in various areas of improved banana cultivation technology. The study was conducted by purposively selecting Naugachia block of Bhagalpur district. 95 banana growers were selected from two villages randomly with through use of structured interview schedule. Findings indicate that the perceived training need in the area of plant protection measure was of the first choice. The training community preferred relatively a long duration training through demonstration/field trip method to be organized at the field itself. The main constraints perceived by banana growers were low profit due to high cost of cultivation and susceptibility of plant to diseases like banana with. The study suggests to develop a package of measures to enhance the level of adoption of recommended banana production technology by way of conducting training programmes, demonstration and field day to convince the farmers. The identification of the training needs and assessment of knowledge gap will help the administrators, specialists and extension personnel in making the organization of the training programme on this crop more effective and fruitful for the farmers in Bhagalpur district and in similar other situations in state and in the country.

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