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Analysis of work profile in vegetable production system

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Abstract : Vegetable cultivation has become highly commercialized but still there is a wide gap between current production and potential productivity. The present study is an attempt to study the role of women in vegetable production system. Five villages from Dharwad taluka namely Yadawad, Lakmapur, Hebballi, Shivalli and Govinkoppa were selected for the study. The sample size comprised of 50 farm women from the selected villages. The study revealed that majority of the land preparation activities were performed by male gender. The planting/ sowing activities were performed by both male and female. Among weed management activities, spraying of weedicide was performed by only men. On the contrary, hand weeding was performed by only female. Harvesting activities were performed by both male and female gender. The transporting activities performed by male only. On an average the farm women spent 4 to 8 hours on agricultural activities. Majority of them were still following the traditional method and technologies. Hence, there is for introduction of improved/ mechanized agricultural technologies for the farming community to reduce the drudgery and save the labour cost.

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