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## **RESEARCH PAPER**

## **Profile characteristics of tomato seed growers** in Haveri district

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Abstract: The present study explored the profile characteristics of tomato seed growers regarding their knowledge and adoption seed production practices. The present study was conducted in Haveri district of Karnataka state during 2023-24. "Ex-post facto" research design was employed for the study. The required data on profile characteristics of tomato seed growers was collected by using simple random sampling technique in Haveri district, constituting a total sample size of 120 farmers. Statistical tools such as frequency, percentage, mean and standard deviation were used to categorize the profile characteristics. It was observed that majority (55.00 %) of the tomato seed growers belonged to middle age group, 27.00 per cent of them were studied up to high school, 39.17 per cent of them were small farmers, majority (54.17 %) of them had medium family size, 48.33 per cent of them had medium experience in seed production, About 42.50 per cent of them belonged to medium annual income category, majority (55.83 %) of them had medium area under seed production, 46.67 per cent belonged fo them had low extension contact, 35.83 per cent of them had medium extension participation, 35.83 per cent of them had low farm resource availability, more than two fifth (45.83 %) of them had medium mass media exposure, two fifth (40.83 %) of them had high level of innovativeness, 41.67 per of them had medium risk orientation and 44.16 per cent of them had medium level of scientific orientation.

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