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# Identification of ITK in Melghat region tribal farmer of Amravti district

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**Abstract :** The study entitled “Identification of ITK in the Melghat region tribal farmer of Amravati district was conducted in the tribal-dominated Dharni and Chikhaldara Panchayat Samitis of Amravati district, Maharashtra. The objectives were: (i) to identify the indigenous technological knowledge (ITK) in agriculture and allied fields, and (ii) to assess knowledge levels. Data were collected from 120 randomly selected farmers across ten villages of chikhaldhara and dharnai tahasil of Amravati district. Findings revealed that most respondents were middle-aged, had modest education, small or semi-medium landholdings and low incomes. A majority (88.33%) possessed high knowledge. The study concludes that ITK remains central to sustainable farming in Melghat, offering low-cost, eco-friendly alternatives to modern practices.

**Key Words :** Indigenous technological knowledge (ITK), Tribal farmers, Melghat region, Traditional practices

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