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## Income Generation through Chili Cultivation and Allied Activities

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Smt. Manisha Meena (35), from Jagdharpura village, in Karauli district of Rajasthan State, India, (Area of Dang) studied up to the 5th standard. She has a family that includes two sons and three daughters. She owns 3 beegha of land, and he also owns two buffaloes. Smt. Manisha Meena is a female progressive farmer and her main source of income is from livestock rearing and horticulture crops like chili, tomato and leafy vegetable etc. Her main source of income is only from livestock and chili cultivation while other crops are grown for self-subsistence and sold in very less quantity. She always wanted to extend her farming into something new and profitable but the traditional method of production was not satisfactory. She grows pearl millet, sesame, tomato, brinjal and leafy vegetables in the Kharif season. Immediately after harvest of the Kharif crops, she takes up wheat, chili, mustard and sorghum for the Rabi.

**Training:** In 2022, KVK Demonstrated Chili, Tomato and brinjal Technology INM in her field. Then the production was increased from small area. She was very interested to learn advance technology like nutrient, pest and management and motivating the fellow farmers to cultivate chili. Because of her hard work and positive nature towards adopting new technology. Although she was cultivating chili since four to five years back with traditional method. This time all the technical intervention of Integrated Crop Management of chili was provided by KVK and Srijan Sanstha. A part from this Smt. Manisha Meena has attended various training program of KVK. A vocational cum skill development training program on Fashion Designing and Tailoring was organized by KVK during the year 2022-23. Seven days business model training were conducted for Tribal women, SHG's and rural youths. She participated in this training and receive Sewing machine under TSP program of ICAR for livelihood. She has grown sugar cane crop in her field.

**Achievements:** Krishi Vigyan Kendra coupled with training, demonstrations and motivation and experience sharing by Smt. Manisha has given inspiration to many people in Dang area to come forward and take up such venture for improving their production and productivity in agriculture crops. KVK achievement has motivated the fellow farmers and unemployed youth to initiate chili cultivation.

