



Abujhmad Will Get Litchi Orchard

Why in News?

On June 11, 2022, official sources in the Horticulture Department of Chhattisgarh informed that the department is planning to plant litchi orchards in the direction of giving a new identity to the dense forest of Abujhmad in Narayanpur district.

Key Points

- In 1995 , 100 saplings were planted in the government garden of Orchha. Those trees are now bearing good fruit. After the success of this experiment, the Horticulture Department is planning to further increase the cultivation area of litchi.
- After the survey, tribal farmers of the area have been given a deed of forest land rights. A tribal farmer is given 20-30 saplings. After this, the horticulture department will give them training.
- It may be recalled that the Chief Minister, during his recent visit to Bastar, had announced to develop the orchard in 200 acres of land in Orchha area.
- Litchi is a short-term crop. The trees bear fruit till around May 10 and its season ends by June 10, but a farmer can earn Rs 4-5 lakh if 200 trees are planted per hectare.
- It is worth mentioning that litchi plants require long winters and enough rain. The weather in Abujhmad region is favorable in this regard.

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