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What is Integrated Farming System ? How is it helpful to small and marginal farmers in India ?

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2022 · GS III · 15 marks · Crops, Irrigation and Marketing

Major crops - cropping patterns in various parts of the country; different types of irrigation and irrigation systems; storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints; e-technology in the aid of farmers.

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Small / marginal farmer

Holdings of generally up to two hectares (marginal under one); the majority of Indian operational holdings.

IFS

Integrated Farming System: ICAR/KVK-promoted combination of crop, livestock, trees and/or aquaculture with nutrient recycling.

KVK

Krishi Vigyan Kendra: district farm-science centre that trials IFS models for local ecology.

PM-Kisan

Income-support credit that can seed a small livestock or garden enterprise if the household so uses it.

Agroforestry

Trees on farms for fodder, fruit, timber and microclimate; a common IFS limb.

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