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## Union Minister of Agriculture discusses about Model Water Resource Management

Dehra Dun, 14 June 2015. The Union Minister of Agriculture, Shri Radha Mohan Singh, visited Dehra Dun and during discussion he showed keen interest in model water



resource management work being carried out by the Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation Research in remote tribal areas of Uttarakhand. He laid stress on the issue of water resource development for irrigation.

Director (IISWCR), Dr P.K. Mishra, apprised the Union Minister of Agriculture that Institute had conducted five skill and capacity building programmes on various aspects related to agriculture and water resource management through which farmers were trained during 2014-15. The Agri-horticulture system (12 ha) is introduced as low water requiring alternative land use system in Hattal village. Developed water resources are being properly managed by village level institution i.e. Farmers' Associations created in these villages with effective local leadership.



**Impact:** Presently, 670 m<sup>3</sup> water is available to the farmers in Hattal and Sainj villages. Farmers who have been associated with these interventions of participatory water resource development in Hattal and Sainj are now cultivating off-season vegetables in about 30 ha area. It is observed that owing to availability of assured irrigation water during last one year these farmers produced tomato and cauliflowers worth of ₹ 1.25 crore from about 23 ha area. Dr P.K. Mishra (Director, IISWCR) apprised that this project was taken up under Tribal Sub-Plan of the ICAR and implemented in participatory mode.

