

NOTE ON OIL PALM

- Andhra Pradesh stands first position in Oil palm cultivation with an area of 1.81 lakh Ha with 1.32 lakh Farmers in 8 districts of Andhra Pradesh spreading over in 229 mandals.
- The average productivity of bearing plantations is 19.81 tons FFB per Ha.
- The production of Fresh Fruit bunches (FFBs) is 14.94 lakh MTs with 2.40 lakh MTs of Crude Palm Oil (CPO) during the year 2020-21.
- 13 Oil Palm processing units are present with Crushing capacity of 461 MTs of FFBs / Hour.
- In order to encourage Oil Palm on large scale, a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely National Mission on Edible Oils – Oil Palm (NMEO-OP), the existing NFSM (Oil Palm) Scheme has been launched subsuming NMEO-OP Scheme from this year i.e. 2021-22
- Under the Oil Palm Mission, an area of 1.12 lakh Ha is proposed to be covered in Andhra Pradesh.
- It is proposed to cover Oil Palm in identified areas replacing with crops like Upland rice, Tobacco, Subabul, Casuraina & Eucalyptus as a part of crop diversification.
- The year wise targets proposed under NMEO-OP for Andhra Pradesh from 2021-22 to 2025-26 is shown in the table below.

Sl. No.	Year	Physical Target (in Ha)
1	2021-22	15000
2	2022-23	20000
3	2023-24	24000
4	2024-25	25000
5	2025-26	28000
	Total	112000

- Further, Government has increased the subsidies for the ongoing components and inputs required for the Oil Palm cultivation from February 2022 as given below,

Sl. No.	Particulars	Present subsidies (in Rs. per Ha)	Revised subsidies (in Rs. per Ha)
1	Plant Material	12000	Indigenous: 20000 & Imported : 29000
2	Maintenance	20000	21000

3	Inter cropping	20000	21000
4	Machinery & Tools		
	(i)Manual high reach oil palm cutter	1500	2500
	(ii)OP protective wire mesh	15000	20000
	(iii)Motorized chisel	10000	15000
	(iv) Aluminium portable ladder	3000	5000
	(v)Chaff cutter	18000	50000
5	Trainings		
	(i) Farmers' training	24000	30000
	(ii)Training of extension workers/officers/input dealers	36000	40000

Progress :

2020-21:

- An amount of Rs.3060.09 lakh was spent for Oil Palm Development Programme.
- 8801 Ha of New area has been brought under fresh plantations with 8421 No. of beneficiaries.

2021-22:

- An amount of Rs.8144.92 lakh has been allocated.
- Against the planned target of 15000 Ha, plantation is completed over an area of 10561 ha and an area of 14567 Ha is identified for plantation.