

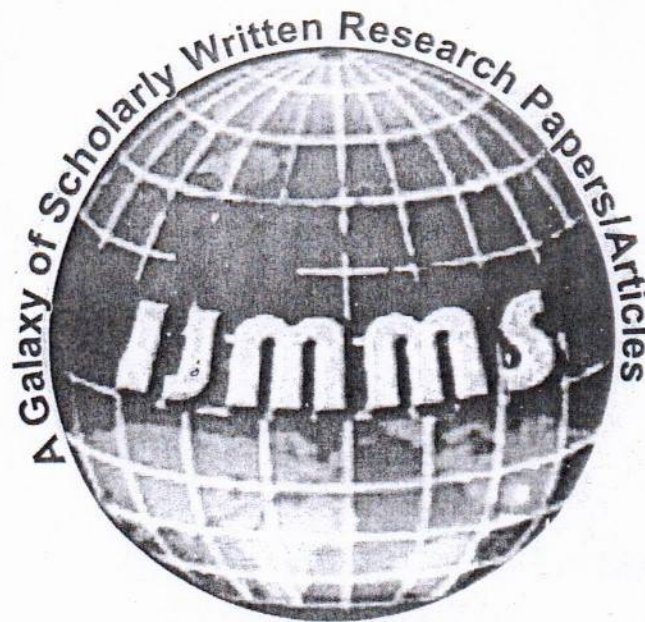
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Sharad Pawar's Contribution in Agricultural Development

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Abstract:

In this paper giving brief outline of Sharad Pawar's Contribution in Agricultural development. Sharad Pawar is among the most outstanding intellectual of India. In the 21st Century. He is reflection on coalition politics, the loss of democracy in the congress party with which he began his political life. He is one of the greatest son's of Maharashtra. He is not only most successful politician but also worked on agricultural issue with same precision as well. Sharad Pawar knowing the importance of agriculture as life blood in the importance of Agriculture as life blood in the life of an average India and in order to solve the problems of agriculture made deep study of India agriculture. He contribute all agricultural area's like sugar industry, co-operative societies, fruit farming, Agricultural Institute. etc.

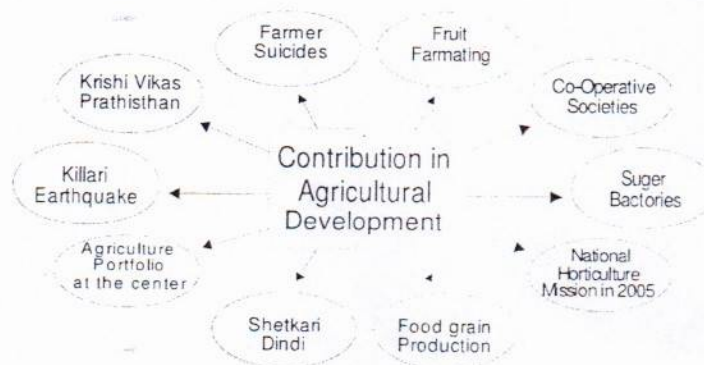
He is one of the senior most states man-politician of the country with over 50 year of parliamentary experience. He is a multi - faceted personality, we should recall him important contribution to nation building and Agricultural development of India. Here's a quick look into the many achievement and contribution of our pawar saheb.

Objective of the Study :

1. The objective of this paper is to evaluate the ideas of Sharad Pawar relating do agricultural development.

Source of Study : The present paper is based on the secondary data and information collected from various journals, books, research paper's and resources available on internet specially Sharad Pawar's writing on my Terms from the grassroots to the corridors of power.

Sharad Pawar's Contribution in Agricultural Development.



Sharad Pawar had made in - depth study of India. Agriculture Swapnil mail a researcher he said in his research before. Sharad Pawar in action, there were no development in western maharashtra. For fruit farm he has boosted fruit. Farming provided Various option and subsidies to farmer. Same with the grapes till 1990 in Maharashtra one would hardly see fruit stalls on roads. But the area under Fruit Production has increases tremendously since then. This was because as Chief Minister Sharad Pawar recognizing that the soil and climatic conditions in Maharashtra were congenial to the cultivation of fruit, crops, includes fruit production in the State's employment

Guarantee Scheme's (EGS) as a result. The area reached 17.41 lakh hectares in 2010 with 18.83 lakh beneficiaries. Similarly his foresight ensured Maharashtra ranks seventh in the country in vegetable production and tenth when it comes to production of flowers.

Pawar launched several schemes in capacity of agriculture minister like National Horticulture Mission, National Bamboo Mission, National Fisheries Development Board, National Rainfed Area Authority, National Food Security Mission, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana etc. He developed the co-operative societies and formed a lot of sugar factories. This helped sugarcane to get the value in market. After Yashwantrao Chavan, Sharad Pawar is recognized as the next best known political figure from the state of Maharashtra.

When he is the Defence Minister at the center as the founder and president of the nationalist congress Party. He took the Agriculture portfolio at the center. After that development of co-operative in the state, development of sugar industry, the relief work during the Killari Earthquake. He opened the Krishi Vikas Pratishthan as an Agricultural Development Institute.

As the Minister of Agriculture Pawar was consistently accused of colluding in the extreme like in prices of Agriculture produce.

Wheat import in 2007 :- The Bombay (High Court Issue) Notices to Union Agriculture Minister Sharad Pawar questioning the decision to import defective red wheat and asking for a directive to submit details of procurement of the crop from different state and the exact process of importing it.

Rising Sugar Prices in 2009 :- Opposition parties including BJP and CPI (m) accused Sharad Pawar of engineering a steep rise in the price of Sugar to the advantage of hoarders and imports. The research will shortly reach the stage of field trials. If the experiment succeeds, it will curtail water usage for sugarcane by at least 30% since the sugarcane sector is an important element of India's rural life in a variety of ways the success of the VSI experiment will also benefit the national economy.

Farmers Suicides :- During this tenure as Minister of Agriculture there have been farmer suicides in excess of 10,000 per year totalling over 200,000 since 1997. Sharad Pawar has stated on record that he believes that the rate of farmer suicide in India is a normal thing. However he reaffirms that he is taking the necessary steps to reduce number of farmer suicides.

National Horticulture Mission :- After taking charges as the minister for Agriculture. One of the major decisions taken by Sharad Pawar was to launch National Horticulture Mission in 2005. The first year of NHM, 227 districts in 18 states covering 10 major crops were taken up. Over the year there were taken up. Over the year, there has been a steady increase in both coverage as well as scope and presently 371 districts in 18 states and 3 union Territories and 60 crops are under the ambit of NHM.

An additional area of 16.27 lakh hectares has been brought under horticulture crops during the last five years and about 2.78 lakh ha of senile orchards have been rejuvenated. Under infrastructure development 2,192 nurseries have been established.

Earlier Pawar Saheb's vision had made Maharashtra a pioneer in the field of horticulture.

Rebust in food grain production :- Before Sharad Pawar took responsibility of the agriculture ministry, the production of good grains in our country was in the range of 210-215 million tons. The country had to import food grains to satisfy the needs of its people. But mere look of India's Food grain output in 2016-17 which was up 8.7.16 at a record 273.38 MT. Will illustrate the quantum Jump achieved by the country since the decade when Pawar saheb was at the helm. His focus had always been ensuring robust output of wheat, rice and pulses which actually pushed up India's food grain production during 2016-17.

Rice output increased by 4.5% to a record 109.15 million tonne while wheat production was up 5.6% all time high of 97.44 million tonne. Wheat's important output of all major pulses jumped 37% to 22.40 million tonne which may reduce dependence on imports.

A record high output of grains, which contribute about 12.4%, the Consumer Inflation (CPI) basket. India's had last records a record output in food grains 265.04 million tonne during 2013-14 at the height of Sharad Pawar's tenure as Agriculture Minister.

Shetkari Dindi :- His Colleagues and he decided to organise a long march to press forward the issue. The farmer's were going to traverse a 440 kilometre long path from Jalgaon to Nagpur on food and they are going to call this march. Shetkari Dindi the long march ' Shetkari Dindi. The long march of the Farmers.

In " The HINDU news paper. He said India emerged as the largest rice exporter and the second largest wheat exporter that President Pranab Mukharjee, who inaugurated the exposition lauded Mr. Pawar " Stirring the agriculture ministry" during his 10 years at the helm and achieving a record grain production. "There was a time when India depend on other countries for food grains but tremendous progress of the last 10 years has made it self sufficient." Mr. Pawar had given new direction to agriculture.

Conclusion : Sharad Pawar has been doing excellent work on Sugar Cane and Sugar Factories for several years. He has developed sugar factories in Maharashtra specially Near Pune. There are currently developing a particular variety of the crop, sugar can stems would be grown in a green house for three month before the onset of the monsoon and then taken to open field the Agriculture portfolio at the center. He developed co-operative societies for the Agricultural development. It may be concluded that Sharad Pawar's Contribution on Agriculture development more useful even today. Hence Prime Minister Narendra Modi describes. Sharad Pawar his political career as one born out of productive pursuits and praises his modern and Scientific approach To Agriculture and his contribution to agriculture sector in India.

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