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FOREWORD

Area under oil palm cultivation is increasing steadily year by year in India. Increasing productivity and lowering production cost are essential for attracting the farmers to opt for this crop and to strengthen the oil palm area expansion programme with higher targets.

Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research, established by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research at Pedavegi, Andhra Pradesh is developing appropriate technologies for oil palm cultivation. In order to get high yields, farmers need to adopt recommended practices at appropriate time. This would also help in reducing the cost of cultivation and concurrently results in an increase in the net income. Considering the importance of adoption of recommended packages of practices, present Technical Publication is brought out in a lucid manner for easy understanding to farmers, officers of developmental departments and processing sector. I hope that the publication would enable extension workers in disseminating the technology more efficiently.

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