

P R E F A C E

Irrigation is the basic input for modernisation of agriculture. The irrigation potential is being exploited through major, medium and small irrigation projects which are capital intensive in nature. Bhima (Ujjani) irrigation project is a boon for agricultural development particularly in 189 villages of Pandharpur, Madha, Karmala, Malshiras, Mangalwedha, North Solapur and South Solapur talukas. The total capital investment is Rs. 340.00 crores. The total potential created 92,398 hectares and total utilisation of irrigation water is 44,613 hectares. The present research work is small effort to study the change in cropping pattern due to Bhima (Ujjani) Irrigation Project.

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