

## BLOSSOM LIKE FLOWER

Sri Sadhan Chandra Pal, S/O Lt. Suresh Chandra Pal of Purba Laxmibill started commercial flower cultivation in his 3 kani of vegetable plot adjacent to his domestic houser in the year 2002-03 through open field marigold and gladiolus cultivation. He



also used to grow rose. He observed that flower cultivation is more profitable venture than the rabi crop as this plot was not suitable for any aman crop. Then he received a proposal from horticulture for cultivation of exotic flower in protect structure under HMNEH scheme. In the year 2008-09 he was provided 3 protect structure for production of anthurium- 100 sqm, gerbera- 200 sqm, & orchid- 100 sqm each one unit.

Now he is harvesting the exotic flower at least 8-9 month in a year selling all these flower on the spot, anthurium-`7.00, gerbera-`7.00 and orchid- `12.00 each.

In a year he is plucking anthurium-7000-8000No.s, gerbera14000-15000 No.s and orchid- 5000-5500 No.s of which monetary value is anthurium-`56,000.00, gerbera-`1,05,000.00 and orchid- `66,000.00, Total - `2,22,000.00. Some times these flowers exported to Delhi/ Bangalore but due to less quantity, cannot export regularly.

The plot which was earlier unproductive and very hard to get any comfortable income, now it gives 4-times more income.

This flower cultivation has change his way of living

