

UNVEILING THE GOVERNMENT'S INITIATIVES TO PROMOTE ORGANIC FARMING

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Organic farming is an eco-conscious and sustainable agricultural method that uses natural substances to nourish and protect crops, avoiding artificial chemicals and biotechnological interventions. It is an antidote to the environmental harm inflicted by traditional agricultural practices to mend and boost the ecological equilibrium. According to the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), it is a practice that fosters the nourishment of ecosystems, focusing on indigenous and organic techniques rather than synthetic ones. In India, the government has launched several schemes to encourage this eco-friendly method, acknowledging its role in enhancing diversity in species, soil health, and the overall vitality of agricultural ecosystems. Organic farming represents a forward-thinking, holistic approach to agriculture. Recognising its significance, the Indian government has launched several initiatives, like The National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP), Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana, etc., to encourage organic farming practices. Here, we will discuss such initiatives taken by the government to sensitise the concept and the practice of organic farming among the farmers of India.
