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Organic Farming – An Alternative for Sustainable Agricultural Systems

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Abstract

The desire for sustainable agriculture is universal. The further burgeoning population has forced many countries across the globe to use chemicals fertilizers and High Yielding Varieties of Seeds to increase farm productivity for meeting their ever-increasing food requirements. While on the other hand which resulted in increasing issues on food security and environmental sustainability. Organic farming is found to be an alternative farming system that ensures environmental sustainability, food security, and economic viability. As organic farming is a rapidly growing agricultural system the analysis of the role of organic farming towards a sustainable agricultural system is very essential. The desired degree of self-reliance of agricultural systems, the yield and productivity, and the viability of farmers following the organic farming system are all considered in the context of this discussion of sustainability.

Keywords: sustainability, alternative farming, organic farming, yield, viability

Introduction

The concept of sustainable agriculture is of growing importance now a day. Agricultural sustainability integrates three main goals such as economic profitability, environmental health, and economic social equity. The concept of sustainability is based on the principle that people must meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. Sustainable agriculture should be economically viable and should address the various demand of society. Sustainable agriculture is not only a particular set of farming practices, but also it includes several alternative farming systems which have a long-term goal and which attempt to avoid the use of synthetic chemical inputs. Organic farming is one such farming system developed because of the increasing demand for safe and healthy food and also regarding increased issues of environment and soil health.

Increasing issues on the environment have sparked a significant trend favoring organic or ecological farming systems. This is because organic farming