**Vegetable farming is better than labor**

I am Chamu Lal Singh, father- Shiv Shankar Singh, permanent resident of village- Budhibil, Panchayat- Bedakenduda, block: Anandpur, district: West Singhbhum, Jharkhand.

There are seven members in our family, we live with our parents, two children, and one brother. Our family is dependent on agriculture. We cultivate vegetables in 10 decimals to eat at home. I am the sole earner at home. Rice cannot be obtained from farming throughout the year, so I started working as a laborer in a tent house, but due to very low wages, my family was barely able to afford two meals a day. At the beginning of the year 2020, SJVK staff Jogeshwar. I also met Jogeshwar when he came to the meeting of the Farmer Club in my village and informed him about my family's situation. Jogeshwar ji advised that along with a tent house, you can earn money by cultivating vegetables well on your land. I liked it very much and became a member of the Uday Kisan Club and participated in the training through SJVK from the Panchayat level to the office level after getting all this information on the right way of farming, making manure, preparing pesticide inhibitors, in the year 2020 Rabi Started vegetable farming by investing Rs 3500 to Rs 4500 on 25 decimal, from which I got a profit of Rs 16500. With a profit of Rs 16500, I bought 2 goats for Rs 4000 and in the year 2021, started vegetable farming on 50 decimal by investing Rs 7500, from which I got a profit of Rs 28000. In the year 2022, I bought more 2 goats for Rs 4000. I got a pump set from ATMA and an irrigation well from the MNREGA department with the help of Jageshwar. Currently, I am earning Rs 80 to 90 thousand a year by doing farming in three seasons in 2022-2023. Apart from food, other needs are being fulfilled easily. I have taken out both the children from the government school and got them enrolled in St. Joseph's School, Charbandia. My future idea is to along with vegetable farming and promote animal husbandry. I thank SJVK and their staff.

  