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Abstract-:

Germination of seed-paddy

This method is called *"vee yahan kireema."* This is a different method from the normal method. In the normal method, bags are used. Here, Banana leaves are mainly used. The process of *"vee yahan kireema"* is as follows.

Required materials: fairly large banana leaves, planks or polythene, stones, cow dung solution,

seed-paddy, and water.

Method:

First of all, a suitable place should be selected. Then banana leaves spread on the ground. Next, seed-paddy should be put into water and unsuitable seeds should be removed. Then, water is removed. After, excessive water of seed-paddy is also removed by drying it. After, seed-paddy are spread on the banana leaves that were spread on the ground. Then, seed-paddy are pressed. (The thickness of these seeds should be about 3/4 inches.)

Thereafter, these seeds should be covered by using other banana leaves. Next, planks or polythene covers should be kept on those leaves. Then stones should be kept on that. (The reason for keeping weight on the seeds is that conducting a steady temperature for the better germination.)

During 4/5 days, roots can be seen in the paddy seeds. Sometimes, we can see the seeds without roots. Then these steps can be followed.

Seeds should be kept in a suitable place. Thereafter, cow dung solution should be mixed to it well. Again, seeds should be spread on the banana leaves like earlier. Other Banana leaves should be kept on those seeds. Planks or polythene covers and then stones should be kept on that as earlier. Advantages: 1. Eco friendly

2. Low cost

3. Comfortable

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Thank you! B.G.G.R.K. Harischandra 19AGA1823 Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka. **Disadvantages:** 1. It takes a lot of time to root.