

# Farmers' Practices for Weedicide-free Farming

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**Area:**  
32 Acres

**Experience:**  
20 years

**Crops:**  
Vegetables, Turmeric, Sugarcane

- Weeds are useful to increase the soil fertility as well as productivity
  - Need to understand weeds, they are useful
  - Weeds need to be managed. We need to know when and how?
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- **Baby-Weeding (Bal-nindai):** Reduces Cost and Efforts
  - **Green Manuring**
  - **Sowing Distance Planning, Paired and Line Sowing**
  - **Hand weeding**
  - **Interculturing**

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Weed-free Turmeric



Mix Cropping in Pigeon pea