

## Improving milk production by fodder production : KVK Thiruvannamalai 2010-11

Mr.K.Sekar, a dairy farmer of S.V.Nagaram Village in Arni Taluk of Thiruvannamalai District, maintained 3 Jersey cross bred dairy cows since 2004. Even though he worked hard he could not earn more due to low milk production and infertility problems in his dairy animals. As he could not find a solution to the problem, he approached KVK during May 2010.



On verification, it was found that he was not feeding green fodder and mineral mixture to the cows and the farmer stated that non-availability of green fodder and lack of awareness about mineral mixture feeding as the prime reason for the same.

Hence, he was advised to establish a green fodder unit in half acre of land to overcome the problem by providing necessary inputs and information. He established a green fodder unit as advised and owing to this he has provided balanced feed along with regular mineral mixture feeding 30gms/day to the cows and thereby increased his profit.

At present he is possessing 6 dairy cows and one acre fodder unit. He is earning Rs.750 more from each animal with reduced infertility problems in his animals.