

## Rubber plantation : A new hope for rural tribals in Tripura

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### SUMMARY

This paper attempts to highlight the sources of income from rubber plantation. The results indicate that rubber plantation is expanding very quickly in Tripura. It is evident from the study that in Tripura various government agencies are present which are working for rehabilitate the tribal Jhumias through rubber plantation. Tribals can earn income from both immature and mature plantation but the scope of income in mature plantation is higher than immature plantation. Increasing employment is helpful for reducing poverty. There is large scope for employing more rural tribals in rubber plantation and it will also work against deforestation. Thus the paper suggests that Government of Tripura should afford more for expanding rubber plantation in rural areas for reducing unemployment.

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