



Figure 7: Cropping Pattern of All Size Holdings in Dharwad District

Source: GOI 2012, Agricultural Census Reports: 2000-01 and 2005-06

Again there is little change in ranking of these crops in sharing gross cropped area of all size holdings in 2005-06. In this period again Cotton accounted for highest share of 16.14 percent, followed by Chillies (11.58%), Jowar (9.47%), Groundnut (8.56%), Wheat (8.41%), Bengal Gram (7.89%), Moong (7.81%), Paddy (7.23%), Onion (6.72%), Maize (6.01%), Soyabean (3.02%), Sunflower (1.36%), Safflower (0.98%) and share of other crops is less than 1 percent.

During 2000-01 to 2005-06 the share of some crops is decreased viz., Cotton, Chillies, Jowar and Paddy. And share of some crops is increased viz., Wheat, Groundnut, Onion, Bengal Gram, Moong, Maize and Soyabean. Among these crops there is considerable increase in share of Bengal gram, Moong, Maize and Soyabean. Therefore in case of all size holdings also there no cropping diversification towards high value crops like fruits, flowers, vegetables, etc.

6. Conclusion

Medium size farms in Dharwad district had larger cropped area in 2005-6 followed by small and large size farms. Area under food grains has gone up in all the three size of farms during the five years. The increase is higher in large farms. However the area under cereals crops has declined under small and medium size farms. Area under condiments and spices has declined in all the three size of farms. Area under fruits has gone up in small and medium size farms but has declined under large size farms. There is a marginal decline in the area under vegetables in all the three type of farm sizes. Area under oilseeds has gone up considerably under the three sized farms-small, medium and large. Area under floriculture too has gone in the three type of farms-small, medium and large. Price variations and income factors seem to have influenced the change in the cropping pattern in the district.

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