**Abstract**

In the ancient time, [**agriculture**](http://www.rroij.com/agriculture-and-allied-sciences.php) was practiced without the use of artificial chemicals. The use of artificial chemicals such as fertilizers and pesticides came

into picture during the mid-19th century. This kind of agricultural practice was causing harm to the environment. With the rapid change in farming practices, organic

farming came into existence in the 20th century. It made use of environment friendly practices by avoiding the use of artificial chemicals and making use of

organic matter to raise crops. [**Organic food**](http://www.icontrolpollution.com/articles/marketing-of-organic-food-and-health-273-276.pdf.php?aid=37371)is beneficial to human health and the practice of organic farming keeps the environment clean.Currently, India ranks

10th among the top ten countries in terms of cultivable land under organic certification. The certified area includes 10% cultivable area with 0.50 million Hectare

and rest 90% (4.71 million Hectare) is forest and wild area for collection of minor forest produces.

The total area under organic certification is **5.21 million Hectare**. In this we will see the key features of organic farming protecting the long term fertility of soils by

maintaining organic matter levels, encouraging soil biological activity, and careful mechanical intervention. The basic requirement for organic farming

and the facilities provided by the government for organic farming.