

Devesh Rameshbhai Patel

Educated in Bachelor of Computer Application (B.C.A.), Devesh Rameshbhai Patel left his profession to become a full-time farmer growing Ginger, Turmeric, Potato, chips potato Yam, Elephant Foot yam, (suran) sorghum, wheat, maze(popcorn verity) and adding value to them by processing it before exporting them to international markets. Instead of traditional farming, he chose innovative farming techniques, and machinery making the process less labour intensive and highly efficient.

Being in water scarce region, he found better profit in dry product instead of green product. He

developed value addition in Ginger and Turmeric.

The machinery he developed is mobile, robust and mostly all farmers can recover the cost of machinery in the first year of its use. His vision for the innovation is that the farmer should not feel helpless to the market price but dictate the market. Farmer becomes independent, grow his crop, add value to it through processing and market good quality products

A single machine can improve the standard of living of the farmers, but the real revolution for Devesh is when the farmer adopts the idea of becoming independent from the market.