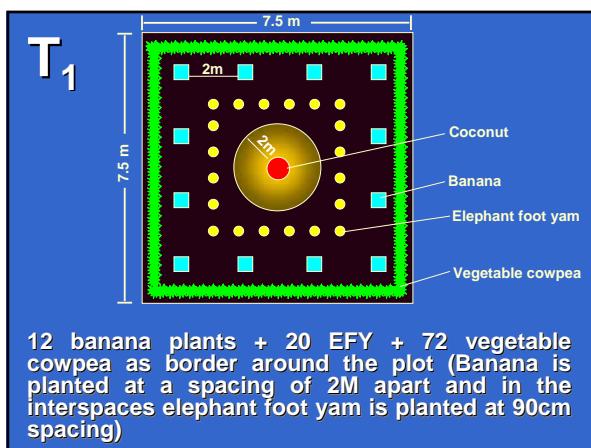
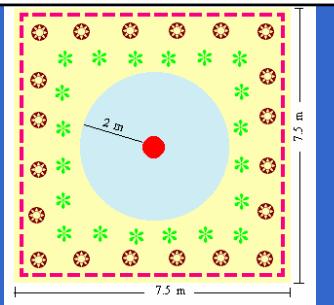




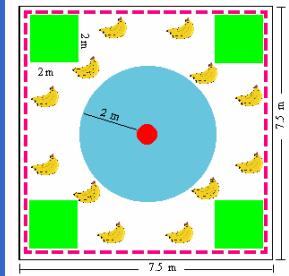
**Production Potential of tuber crops  
In coconut based cropping system  
compared to sole cropping**

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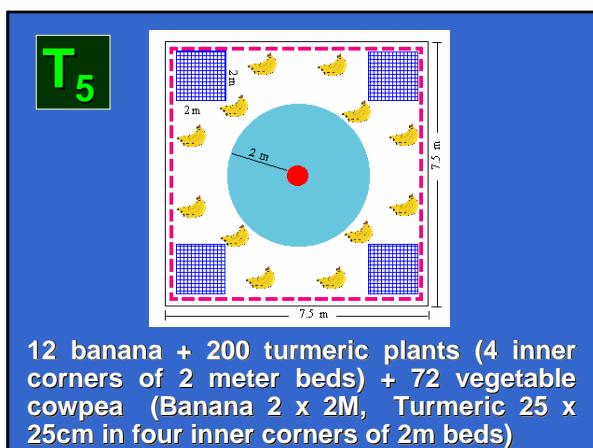
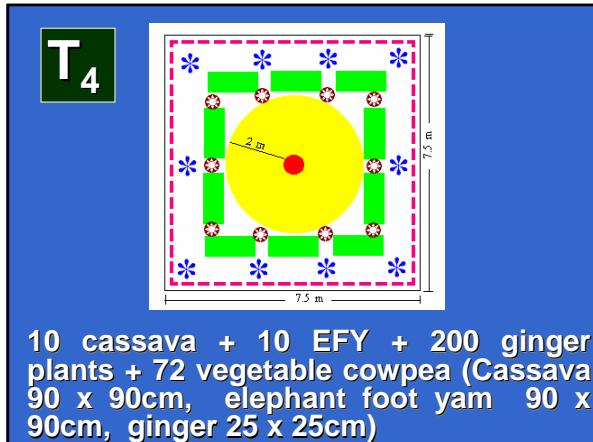
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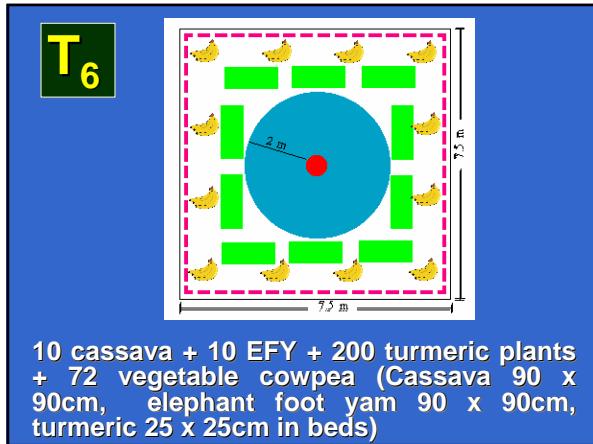
20 cassava plants + 20 EFY + 72 vegetable cowpea (Cassava is planted at 90cm spacing and elephant foot yam also at 90 cm spacing).

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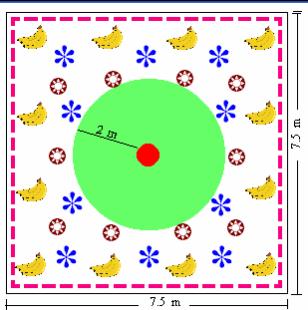
12 banana plants + 200 ginger plants (4 inner corners of 2 meters beds) + 72 vegetable cowpea (Banana – 2m spacing. Ginger - 25 x 25 cm spacing in four inner corners of 2 M beds)







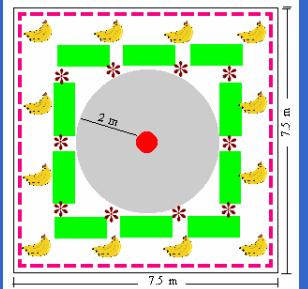
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12 banana + 10 cassava + 10 EFY + 72 vegetable cowpea (Banana 2 x 2m, elephant foot yam 90 x 90cm, cassava 90 x 90cm)



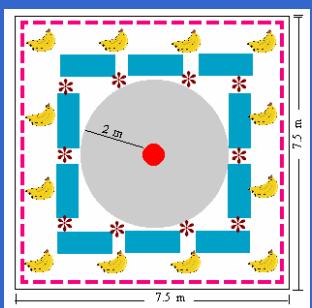
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12 banana + 10 cassava + 100 ginger + 72 vegetable cowpea (Banana 2 x 2m, Cassava 90 x 90cm, Ginger 25 x 25 cm in the four corners of 1 metre beds)



**T<sub>10</sub>**



**12 banana + 10 cassava + 100 turmeric + 72 vegetable cowpea (Banana 2 x 2m, Cassava 90 x 90cm, Turmeric 25 x 25 cm in the four corners of 1 metre beds)**

**T<sub>10</sub>**



**Sole crops of banana, cassava, elephant foot yam, ginger, turmeric and vegetable cowpea raised separately and simultaneously in open. A plot of coconut alone is also maintained.**



**Pure crop - Banana**

Pure crop - EFY



Pure crop - Turmeric



Pure crop - Cassava



Pure crop - Ginger





Pure crop – Veg. cowpea

**Table 1 Population of coconut and intercrops in different treatments ( $\text{ha}^{-1}$ )**

Treatments	Gross area basis						
	Coconut	Banana	Elephant foot yam	Ginger	Turmeric	Cassava	Vegetablecowpea
T1	175	2132	3555	-	-	-	12800
T2	175	-	3555	-	-	3555	12800
T3	175	2132	-	35555	-	-	12800
T4	175	-	1777	35555	-	1777	12800
T5	175	2132	-	-	35555	-	12800
T6	175	-	1777	-	35555	1777	12800
T7	175	2132	-	-	-	3555	12800
T8	175	2132	1777	-	-	1777	12800
T9	175	2132	-	17777	-	1777	12800
T10	175	2132	-	-	17777	1777	12800
Sole crop	175	2500	12345	100000	100000	12345	111110

**Table 2 Economic yield of banana, elephant foot yam, cassava, ginger and vegetable cowpea as influenced by cropping systems and sole cropping ( $\text{kg plant}^{-1}$ )**

Cropping systems (Treatments)	Bunch yield in banana	Corm yield in elephant foot yam	Tuber yield in cassava	Rhizome yield in ginger	Rhizome yield in turmeric	Pod yield in vegetable cowpea
T <sub>1</sub> : B + EFY + VC	10.583	<b>3.763</b>	-	-	-	0.077
T <sub>2</sub> : C + EFY + VC	-	2.480	<b>4.617</b>	-	-	0.089
T <sub>3</sub> : B + G + VC	9.417	-	-	0.160	-	0.154
T <sub>4</sub> : C + EFY + G + VC	-	<b>2.850</b>	<b>7.330</b>	0.110	-	0.088
T <sub>5</sub> : B + T + VC	11.000	-	-	-	0.081	0.131
T <sub>6</sub> : C + EFY + T + VC	-	2.507	<b>6.080</b>	-	0.066	0.083
T <sub>7</sub> : B + C + VC	11.167	-	2.707	-	-	0.134
T <sub>8</sub> : B + C + EFY + VC	11.083	<b>2.627</b>	<b>5.367</b>	-	-	0.055
T <sub>9</sub> : B + C + G + VC	10.917	-	<b>4.857</b>	0.130	-	0.051
T <sub>10</sub> : B + C + T + VC	10.667	-	<b>6.453</b>	-	0.094	0.055
Sole crop	12.583	2.260	<b>3.970</b>	0.180	0.094	0.147
CD (0.05)	NS	NS	NS	0.022	NS	0.061

**Table 3 Economics of different cropping systems in coconut garden without family labour (Rs.gross ha-1)**

Cropping systems (Treatments)	Intercrop	Expenditure	Produce ( $\text{t ha}^{-1}$ )	Value of Individual Crop	Gross income	Gross Expenditure	Net income	BC ratio
T <sub>1</sub> : Co + B + EFY + VC	Banana	187866	22.22	266640	329070	291228	37842	1.13
	Elephant foot yam	53362	13.38	53520				
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	0.99	8910				
T <sub>2</sub> : Co + C + EFY + VC	Cassava	43000	16.41	57435	10225	148362	<b>43427</b>	<b>0.79</b>
	Elephant foot yam	57582	8.41	35240				
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	1.14	10250				
T <sub>3</sub> : Co + B + G + VC	Banana	187866	19.99	239880	325770	277866	47004	1.17
	Ginger	40000	5.68	68160				
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	1.97	17730				
T <sub>4</sub> : Co + Cx + EFY + G + VC	Cassava	21580	13.03	45588	122937	138181	<b>43244</b>	<b>0.89</b>
	Elephant foot yam	26881	5.06	20258				
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	1.13	10170				
T <sub>5</sub> : Co + Cx + B + T + VC	Banana	187866	23.10	277200	309599	267866	41733	1.16
	Turmeric	30000	2.88	17279				
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	1.68	13120				

Table 3 (contd.)									
	Cassava	21500	10.80	37815	79255	128181	<b>-48926</b>	<b>0.62</b>	
T <sub>1</sub> : Cu + Ca + EFY + T + VC	Elephant foot yam	26681	4.45	17820					
	Tumeric	30000	2.35	14080					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	1.06	55400					
T <sub>2</sub> : Cu + B + Ca + VC	Banana	187866	23.45	281408	330570	280866	<b>49704</b>	<b>1.18</b>	
	Cassava	43000	9.62	33682					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	1.72	15480					
T <sub>3</sub> : Cu + B + Ca + EFY + VC	Banana	187866	23.27	279294					
	Cassava	21500	9.54	33380	337643	286047	<b>51596</b>	<b>1.18</b>	
	Elephant foot yam	26681	4.67	18672					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	0.70	6300					
T <sub>4</sub> : Cu + B + Ca + G + VC	Banana	187866	22.93	275108					
	Cassava	21500	8.63	30208	338886	279366	<b>59520</b>	<b>1.21</b>	
	Ginger	20000	2.31	27720					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	0.65	5850					
T <sub>5</sub> : Cu + B + Ca + T + VC	Banana	187866	22.40	268808					
	Cassava	21500	11.47	40134	322601	274366	<b>48235</b>	<b>1.18</b>	
	Tumeric	15000	1.23	7359					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	0.70	6300					

Table 4 Economics of different cropping systems in coconut garden with family labour (Rs.gross ha<sup>-1</sup>)

Cropping system(Treatments)	Intercrop	Expenditure	Produce (t ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Value of individual crop	Gross income	Gross expenditure	Net income	BC ratio
T <sub>1</sub> : Co + B + EFY + VC	Banana	187866	22.22	266640				
	Elephant foot yam	53582	13.38	53520	329070	251228	77842	1.31
	Vegetable cowpea	10000	0.99	9910				
	Cassava	43000	16.41	57435				
T <sub>2</sub> : Co + Ca + EFY + VC	Elephant foot yam	53582	8.81	53240	102935	106362	<b>-3427</b>	<b>0.97</b>
	Vegetable cowpea	10000	1.14	10260				
	Banana	187866	19.99	279800				
	Ginger	40000	5.68	88160	325770	237866	87904	1.37
T <sub>3</sub> : Co + B + G + VC	Vegetable cowpea	10000	1.97	17730				
	Cassava	21500	13.03	45589				
	Elephant foot yam	26681	5.06	20258	122937	98181	24756	1.25
	Ginger	40000	3.91	46920				
T <sub>4</sub> : Co + B + T + VC	Vegetable cowpea	10000	1.13	10170				
	Banana	187866	23.10	277200				
	Tumeric	30000	2.88	87279	309599	227866	81733	1.36
	Vegetable cowpea	10000	1.68	15120				

Table 4 (contd.)

	Cassava	21500	10.80	37815	79255	88181	<b>-8926</b>	<b>0.90</b>	
T <sub>1</sub> : Co + Ca + EFY + T + VC	Elephant foot yam	26681	4.45	17820					
	Tumeric	30000	2.35	14080					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	1.06	55400					
T <sub>2</sub> : Co + B + Ca + VC	Banana	187866	23.45	281408	330870	240866	<b>89704</b>	<b>1.37</b>	
	Cassava	43000	9.62	33682					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	1.72	15480					
T <sub>3</sub> : Co + B + Ca + EFY + VC	Banana	187866	23.27	279294	337643	246047	<b>91596</b>	<b>1.37</b>	
	Cassava	21500	9.54	33380					
	Elephant foot yam	26681	4.67	18672					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	0.70	6300					
T <sub>4</sub> : Co + B + Ca + G + VC	Banana	187866	22.93	275108	338886	239366	<b>99520</b>	<b>1.42</b>	
	Cassava	21500	8.63	30208					
	Ginger	20000	2.31	27720					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	0.65	5850					
T <sub>5</sub> : Co + B + Ca + T + VC	Banana	187866	22.40	268808	322601	234366	<b>88235</b>	<b>1.38</b>	
	Cassava	21500	11.47	40134					
	Tumeric	15000	1.23	7359					
	Vegetable cowpea	50000	0.70	6300					

Table 5 Gross income, net income and BC ratio in sole cropping of different crops in the system (without family labour) (Rs. gross ha<sup>-1</sup>)

Crop	Gross expenditure (Rs.ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Produce (t ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Gross income (Rs.ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Net income (Rs.ha <sup>-1</sup> )	BC ratio
Banana	223650	31.46	377520	153870	<b>1.69</b>
Cassava	149320	49.00	171500	22180	1.15
Elephant foot yam	185303	27.89	111560	-73743	0.60
Ginger	112502	18.00	216000	103498	<b>1.92</b>
Tumeric	84376	9.40	56400	-27976	0.67
Vegetable cowpea	400000	16.33	146998	-253002	0.37
Coconut	55258	80nuts palm <sup>1</sup> ha <sup>-1</sup>	70000	14742	<b>1.27</b>