

• COCOA PLANTATION

- ❖ Meghalaya has a favourable climate and soil for cultivation of cocoa.
- ❖ Arecanut being one of the major plantation crop cultivated in an area of 18,571 ha there is a scope to introduce cocoa as mixed crop in arecanut cultivated areas in the state.
- ❖ Promotion of intercropping practices with black pepper and areca nut.
- ❖ The project aims to increase production per unit area and enhance economic return by utilizing space more effectively through adoption of multiple cropping system
- ❖ With the signing of MoU between Soil and Water Conservation Department and the Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (ICAR), Kasagarod, Kerela will enhance Cocoa plantation in the State as a whole.
- ❖ Under Shillong Plantation Crops Division, a total area of 55 Ha, 80 Ha, during 2023-24, 2024-25 and respectively. In 2025-26 a total area of 125 Ha was created with the seedlings source from Mendolez India food ltd. of CCRP 1-15 series.



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Location : Dangar

Year of Creation : 2022-23

First Fruiting of Cocoa observed in the month of February 2025



Implemented by: SHILLONG PLANTATION CROPS RANGE
under Divisional Soil & Water Conservation Officer Plantation Crops Division Shillong



Cocoa Plantation fruiting at Marmain Village, Ri Bhoi District created during 2022-23 under Shillong Plantation Division.



Signing of MoU between Shri. L. Shabong Director, Soil and Water Conservation Department and Dr. K. B. Hebbar, Director, Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (ICAR), Kasagarod, Kerela on the 28th October 2025 at Kahikuchi, Assam.

