

Ethno-Horticultural and Olericultural Concepts in Folklores of Orissa

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ABSTRACT Oriya folklores and folk proverbs concerning aspects of farming schedule, climate, soil and habitat, germplasm selection and farming methods including interim care for cultivation of around 30 different varieties of horticultural and Olericultural produce of Orissa state, India are highlighted. They include fruits, vegetables, pulses, oil seeds, condiment, fibres and some cash crops. The present relevance and utility of such ancient knowledge codified in those folklores are analysed.