#### **COST AND RETURN ANALYSIS**

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Wetering	MD 325	5.000				
Watering 16		5,200				
Trellising 5	MD 325	1,625				
Weeding 20	WD 325	6,500				
Preparation of organic concoctions and botanical pesticides	MD 325	1,625				
Application of nutrients and 5 I botanical pesticides	MD 325	1,625				
Harvesting 20	MD 325	6,500				
Seed processing 10	VID 325	3,250				
Packaging 5	MD 325	1,625				
Miscellaneous		5,000				
B. Supplies and Materials						
Seeds (0.3kg/ha) P300/100g	g 300	900				
Trellis Materials		14,800				
Organic Compost 5 t	on 5000	25,000				
Knapsack sprayer (16 liters)		4,000				
Crates 20kgs 20	kg 175	3,500				
Spade and other tools		3,300				
Sealer		3,300				
Net bags (8x12)	9 4	4,000				
Polyethylene Plastic		5,000				

ITEMS	QTY	UNIT	RATE	AMT.
Sacoline	80	m	50	4,000
Water and Electricity				16,000
Contingencies (10%)	Mak			13,510
Total Production Cost	3			148,610
Gross Income Var. NSIC TM9 Seed Yield: 85 kg Php3,000/kg	M			255,000
Net Income		- 34		106,390
ROI%				71.6

Legend

MD = man-day, kg = kilograms, L = liter, m = meter, pc = piece

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# ORGANIC TOMATO SEED PRODUCTION



### INTRODUCTION

**Tomato** (Lycopersicon lycopersicum) belongs to the nightshade family Solanacaea. It bears edible fruit / berry which may vary in size and color ranging from red, pink or yellow when ripe. It is known to be rich in lycopene which has many benefecial health effects.

Tomato is also considered as one of the most economically important vegetable crops in the world. In the Philippines, it is an ingredient in various dishes, sauces, salads and drinks and a good source of vitamins and others nutrients.

#### **ECOLOGICAL REQUIREMENT**

The optimum temperature requirement of tomato is between 20°C - 25°C and requires well drained soils, light loam with high organic matter content and 5 - 7.5 pH level

#### **CULTURAL MANAGEMENT**

#### **Land Preparation**

- Plow and harrow the field until pulverized. Make furrows with distance of 0.60 - 0.75m and planting beds (0.60m - 0.75m wide). Place plastic mulch in planting beds and dig a hole with a distance of 30cm to 40cm apart where the seedlings will be placed.





Seedling Preparation

- Prepare soil media in seedling trays composed of vermicompost, coir dust and soil (1V:1C:1S). Sow the seeds and after emergence, transfer seedlings in other seedling trays with 1 seedling/hole. Spray Tropical Herbal Nutrient (THN) and Fermented Plant Juice (FPJ) to seedlings once or twice a week.



**SEED SOWING** 



**PRICKING OF SEEDS** 



#### Transplanting:

- Transplanting may be done three weeks after seedling emergence. It must be done early in the morning or late in the afternoon to prevent stress.

**Nutrient Management** 

- Apply vermicompost at a rate of 0.5kg/m<sup>2</sup> - 1kg/m<sup>2</sup> at planting or at 3 days before transplanting. Side dress vermicompost at the start of flowering stage with a rate of 0.5kg/m<sup>2</sup>. Add Foliar application of FPJ (Fermented Plant Juice) and THN (tropical herbal nutrient) 2 times a month at 150 ml per 16 L knapsack. Seaweeds extract of 100 ml per 16 L at reproductive stage.

TIP: For effective control, use resistant varieties, crop rotation (legumes then solanaceous), rouging and pruning of infected plant parts and planting of repellant (marygold) and companion crops. Organic pesticides such as citronella extract, guyabano seed extract, luyang dilaw, malagao and perla soap can also be utilized to control and minimize pests for fruit vegetable.







#### **Trellising**

- It must be provided to support the weight of its fruits at fruiting stage. Plastic twine tied to bamboo poles may be used as trellis material. G. I. Wires may also be used as trellis material.

#### **COMMON PEST AND THEIR CONTROL**

#### 1. White Flies (Trialeurodes vaporariorum)

Control- Spray citronella extract mixed with either crushed gumamela leaves, perla soap or okra to serve as sticker.

#### 2. Aphids (Aphids craccivora)

Control- Spray citronella extract or ginger-chives extract to plants regularly until population is controlled or minimized.

#### 3. Fruit worm (Helicoverpa zea)

Control- Regularly spray guyabano seed extract to infected crops. The extract may be mixed with either, perla soap, crused gumamela flowers or okra to serve

#### STEPS IN SEED PROCESSING

#### 1. Seed Extraction & Fermentation

- Sliced tomato fruits then place in a container and ferment overnight up to three days. After fermentation, press or squeeze the tomato then soak in water. Remove seeds that float in water and save those which settled at the bottom.







#### 2. Drying

After extraction, place the seeds in screens or net bags then air dry for at least 3 days before sun drying for up to 5 days.





#### 3. Seed Storage

- Dried seeds may be place in polyethylene plastic bags and glass bottles/jars for storage. Storage area must have low temperature and low humidity to attain longer shelf life of seeds.