## INTRODUCTION

The Regional Rice Research Station was established at Wara in the year 1934, primarily to work on sugarcane and rice. Later on increasing the importance of rice crop, research work on sugarcane was discontinued and shifted to Navsari. In the year 1962, research work on rice was strengthened with view to undertake research on varietal evaluation. Thereafter since 1972 with formation of Gujarat Agriculture University research work was more intensified for varietal evaluation and agro techniques of released varieties. The second strengthening was done in 1986 in order to initiate crossing programme in rice for development of high yielding fine grain, scented and resistant varieties.

Centre of excellence for soil and water management technology were initiated during 1999-2000.

After bifurcation of Gujarat Agricultural University in 2004, this station is working under Navsari Agricultural University.

In year 2005 an integrated oil-seed research project was transferred from Navsari to Vyara and from July-2009 All India Co-ordinated research project on Groundhut started functioning and later abolished since 2017.

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