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Center for Smart Agriculture

Production Management of Medicinal and Aromatic Crops

Module : Harvesting and Post Harvest
Session: Packaging and Storage



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What is packaging?

Wrapping or cover of produce with any materials/ containers

Objective:

- ✓ To handle
- ✓ To protect
- ✓ To increase shelf life



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Functions

- Attract buyers
- Protected goods
- Easy to open and use
- Easy to carry and communicate
- Labelling
- Promotion



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Packaging of Medicinal Plants

- ✓ Packing should be done immediate after processing
- ✓ Use of reusable packaging materials
- ✓ Cleaning and sterilization of materials before use
- ✓ Labelling after packaging



Jute sacks/ Mesh bags



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Storage

- ✓ Keeping of product for future use and to reduce post harvest losses.
- ✓ Reduction of physiological process
- ✓ Organically produce medicinal plants should stored separately

Storage temperature
2–8°C



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Types of storage

A. Low cost

- ✓ No use of electric energy
- ✓ Less initial investment

B. High cost

- ✓ Use of energy
- ✓ High investment cost



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Thank you...