

Agriculture is the key economic activity and a source of livelihood for the majority of the population of Ratnanagar Municipality. Among 22403 families of Ratnanagar, 10903 families are engaged in Agriculture and Livestock Production.

Among 6867 tha of total land, about 54% of the land of Ratnanagar is used as Agricultural land among which about 81% of the land is irrigated (Agricultural census, 2078). The area of Ratnanagr lies at an altitude of 181 to 214 masl. The average temperature of 12-to-39 degrees celcius and average annual rainfall of 2267 mm make Ratnanagar suitable for growing Tropical crops.



Rice is the major crop of Ratnanagar Municipality with a production area of about 3350 ha and a total annual production of 28,000 Metric tons. Also, about 2000 ha of area is cultivated by maize production producing about 14,000 Metric tons of maize. Bananas and Dragon fruit are the major fruits cultivated in Ratnanagar; a banana is cultivated in about 200 ha with a production of 3440



Metric tons as well cultivation of Dragon fruit is growing in Ratnanagar, the current area of dragonfruit production is 10 ha. Vegetables like Cabbage, Cauliflower, Tomato, Bean, Pumpkin, and Cucurbeats are grown in Ratnanagar in the total area of about 1300 ha with a production of about 18000 Metric ton. Potato has the highest productivity among crops cultivated in the area with 23 Metricton per hacter. Ratnanagar is self-sufficient in Crops like Rice, Maize, Oil production, Vegetable production, Milk production, Poultry meat and egg production, Honey production, and Fish production.



Ratnanagar Municipality has a Cooperative Municipal level Fresh fruits and Vegetables Wholesale market, Agricultural Haatbazar, Fish markets, Meat markets, and various markets for agricultural inputs. Ratnanagar has sufficient availability of Input and Output market at its area. Agricultural Department of Ratnanagar Municipality has sufficient technicians at its office (2 office level and 3 technical level). Currently Ratnanagr Municiaplity is concerned in sustainable agricultural production and market for which policy of data-based program planning, increasing production, Inputs

availability, Market strengthening and value chain development of Agricultural Components, as well as coordination and cooperation with Non government organizations, Private sector and Community level are formulaized and being implemented.