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Ch-9 Food For All

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Farmers: People who live in villages work in fields and grow crops, they are called farmers.

Farmers grow two types of food:

→ ① Food crops

→ ② Cash crops

① Food crops: * These crops are produced for use as food.

* It can be used by the grower
or
Sale commercially.

* Example: wheat, rice, bajra etc.

② Cash crops:

* crops produced for its commercial use (to sell for money) rather than for use by the grower. It is called cash crops.

Types of Farming

- Subsistence Farming
- Commercial Farming
- Mixed Farming

Subsistence Farming: * When farmers grow

food crops to meet the needs of themselves (or to feed the farmer and his family). This is called subsistence farming.

* They do all the work on their own using simple tools like plough.

Commercial Farming:

* If the farmers have large field they do farming mainly for sale and to make money. This is called commercial farming.

* The important things needed :

- High quality seeds
- Use of modern machines
 - For watering field
 - Harvesting
 - Drying
 - Tilling the field
- Fertilizers [To make the soil rich]
- pesticides [To protect the crops from insects and diseases]
- The farmers sell the crops in Mandis.

Mixed Farming :

It is a type of farming which involves growing the crops as well as rearing animals like cows and goats.