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## Groundnut KONARK Spanish: Revolutionizing Kharif Farming in Odisha and West Bengal

Farmers adopting the KONARK Spanish groundnut variety are likely to experience a marked improvement in both productivity and profitability.

Groundnut, also known as peanut, is a significant crop in many parts of India, especially in the states of Odisha and West Bengal. Farmers constantly seek highyielding, disease-resistant varieties to maximize their productivity and profitability. The KONARK Spanish variety, developed by ICAR-Directorate of Groundnut Research, is one such variety that promises excellent returns under timely sown rainfed or irrigated Kharif conditions.

## Key Features of KONARK Spanish Groundnut

Yield Potential: KONARK Spanish is capable of delivering a substantial yield of 24.76 quintals per hectare. This makes it an attractive option for farmers looking to achieve high productivity.

**Maturity Period:** The crop matures within 110–115 days, allowing farmers to plan their harvest efficiently and make room for subsequent crops. Nutritional Content: This variety is rich in both oil and protein content, making it highly desirable for commercial purposes.

- Oil Content: 49%
- Protein Content: 29%

**Disease Resistance:** KONARK Spanish shows moderate resistance to foliar diseases and <u>soil-borne diseases</u>, which can significantly reduce crop losses and the need for chemical treatments.

**Pest Resistance:** The variety is also moderately resistant to sucking pests, further ensuring that the crop can be grown with reduced pesticide use. Regional Suitability: Recommended for Odisha and West Bengal, this variety is well-suited for the climatic conditions prevalent in these regions, making it a reliable choice for local farmers.

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