

## **Promotion of Agro Horticulture and Agro Forestry Plantation**

In Agro Horticulture, fruit trees and crops are grown together. The agricultural crop provides seasonal revenue while the fruit trees are managed for some years to give regular benefits from horticulture trees.

Agro-forestry is growing forest plants with different species and pastures on the same land either at the same time or at rotations. In general, it mostly has two or more outputs (fuel, fodder, fruit, fiber, herbal, timber and other raw materials).

The forestry plants and horticulture plants that is suitable for the respective watershed area were chosen and distributed to the farmers living within the watershed area. Agro forestry saplings like Pongamia piñata, Wild Neem, Jamun, Tamarind, Neem, etc and Agro Horticulture plants like Mango, Fig, Jack, Lemon, Amla Cashew, Pomegranate, Guava, etc were planted in these watershed areas. In Total, 68940 nos. of agro forestry saplings and 46210 nos. of agro horticulture saplings were successfully planted and raised with utmost care. Drought resistant varieties like Pungan, wild neem, Tamarind, etc were planted in the common lands.



**Agro Forestry in common land - Melpennathur**



Agro Horticulture - Cashew plants