

## ***'Rashidpura pyaj-'* Improved and high yielding variety of onion by Manaram Choudhary Rajasthan**

Shri Manaram had developed an improved and high yielding variety of onion through selection method. Initial material was collected from local variety. This variety is early maturing (110-115 days) as compared to the normally cultivated varieties (125- 135 days) and has higher yield (40,000 kg bulbs per hectare) than the commercially cultivated varieties (25,000-30,000 kg per hectare). The variety has attained wide popularity in the northern states of Rajasthan, Delhi, Punjab and Haryana for its taste. Deputy Director, Agriculture (Extension), Sikar and ARS, Durgapur, Jaipur have appreciated the variety developed by Manaram, specially recognizing the taste.



### **Salient features of the variety:**

- *Rashidpura* onion can also be taken as a winter crop as it is highly adaptable to varying climatic conditions
- Higher yield (40,000 kg bulbs per hectare) as compared to average yield (25,000-30,000 kg per hectare) of commercially cultivated varieties
- Delicious taste as compared to commercially cultivated local varieties
- Early maturing (110-115 days) as compared to the normally cultivated varieties (125-135 days)
- The variety developed by the farmer requires less irrigation and can thrive well under drought conditions

**BD website link:** <http://www.nif.org.in/bd/product-detail/rashidpura-pyaj--improved-and-high-yielding-variety-of-onion>

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