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There is an urgent need for the mapping of traditional knowledge of Indian farmers. In this context, discuss the need and viability of a sustainable digitalization drive for agriculture. (200 Words)

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With the emergence of digital revolution & Unicorns in the field of agriculture. often the traditional knowledge of the farmers are ignored ~~or exploited~~.

Traditional knowledges are evolved through years of experiences passed through generation which are in harmony with nature. They are mostly has zero effect. But are ignored at backward. They have both historic, Scientific and Cultural values.

They are oral, Community based, locally feasible. hence they are vulnerable to MNC ~~or other exploitative entity~~

Previous experience are Neem, Basmati rice, Indian - turmeric etc. So we must digitize and Preserve these knowledges.

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 etatice database of traditional knowledges  
 digital traditional knowledge library

\* Many laws need to be enacted and close to Collects of data and discuss

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- \* Awareness creation through Gram Sabha, Cooperatives, Street performance in temple, Television, radio etc.
- \* Knowledge about laws such as and act such as Protection of Plant Variety and Farmers Act etc.
- \* Creation of portal and database and Making Common Service Centre (CSC) to spread awareness & enter its data base.

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"Knowledge is Power", in Current digital world, data can be used to Manipulate Cereals and mind. So Government needs to understand the vulnerability of farmers knowledge and do what's right.

**Side note:** It was the traditional knowledge of Andaman tribes saved them during Tsunami. Imagine the Back bone of the economy (Agriculture) and its traditional knowledge value.