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Economics of Oyster Mushroom Cultivation in Kalimpong

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Abstract—Oyster mushroom (Pleurotus spp.) is an excellent source of protein, vitamins and other nutrients. Cultivation technology of oyster mushroom is very simple and it is also has low investment. Oyster mushroom is the 3rd largest cultivated mushroom in the world. It is rich in various Vitamins like vitamin C and B complex. It is commonly known as "Kanney chiaw" in Kalimpong and it is one of the delicacies of this region. The objective of the present investigation was to study the economics of Oyster mushroom cultivation in Kalimpong. It is found that the Oyster mushroom cultivation very profitable entrepreneurship in Kalimpong as the return cost ratio is more the unit cost.

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