

# Advantages of banana coffee intercropping

Farmers that usually intercrop bananas and coffee realise high production and more income generation compared to those who do not.

However to realise good returns farmers should adhere to proper management practices such as regular pruning, maintaining desired densities, regular de suckering and pruning

## Intercropping advantages

Increased income generation and formation economic base to farmers

Creation of food security because banana is harvested throughout the year.

Continuous cash inflow thus helping farmers to meet daily costs.

Provision of seasonal cash boom to farmers since coffee is harvested twice.

Increased average double income revenue because of increased production on the same piece of land.

Banana provide shade and mulch to coffee which suppress weeds, conserve soil moisture, reduce erosion and increase soil organic matter.