

LOW SODIUM BANANA FLOWER AND STEM PICKLES

Salient features

- The banana male flower bud is thrown as a waste material at the end of bunch development and is not being fully exploited for its economic value.
- Flowers are rich in potassium, and antioxidants besides dietary fibre. It is converted into a high value-added product by making pickle (Thokku).
- More than 7 tons of central core stem is left underutilized in one hectare of banana plantation. With its dietary fibre and ability to cure kidney stones, pickles using central core stem provides healthier options.

Advantages

- ✓ It is low in sodium content, rich in antioxidants and vitamins.
- ✓ Increasing number of product launches in the premium pickle category



Process

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More information

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