

## **Initial Study on the Farming Roles of Floricultural Women<sup>1</sup>**

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### **summary**

In the field of agricultural operation in the 21st century, the rural women will play a role of the function which cannot be overlooked. This article cited from literatures and study of four Cases on the floricultural women, shows that: 1.Nowadays the age of floriculturer in Taiwan is gradually become younger; 2.The agricultural operation wherein the rural women take part tends to be plural working items from the single one field assistance operation; 3.Generally speaking, the contents of such items emphasize the financial management, collection, harvest, packing, shipping and marketing; 4.As a result of the escalation of women's educational level and the demand for manpower of their participation in agricultural operation; 5.The rural women largely affect their husbands' decision for agricultural operation, and the mission of financial management leads to their larger autonomy in the aspect of economy, so their status is higher and higher day after day; 6.The rural women remain highly liable for the home affairs and children raising. This article suggests that in the future, the object of muster for the extension education of agriculture and home economics should remain "husband and wife as a unit" ; arranging the training courses of study in the agricultural operation for the rural women may emphasize the financial management, collection, harvest, packing, shipping, marketing, labour time management and bookkeeping ability; the ability of older rural women with lower educational level for information absorption and housekeeping should be specially stepped up; and at the same time, the rural preventive hygiene work should be carried out on an overall basis if necessary so as to strictly conduct the rural welfare.

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