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Tender coconut water concentrate with added sugar

<u>Introduction</u>: The water of tender coconut is the most nutritious wholesome beverage that the nature has provided for the people of the tropics to fight the sultry heat. Perishability of tender coconut is relatively high and once the tender coconuts are detached from the branches, its natural freshness will get lost within 24 to 36 hours even under refrigerated conditions unless treated scientifically. Tender coconut water concentrate is a novel method of preserving this refreshing drink while maintaining most of the nutrients along with the taste.

Shelf life of the product: About 6 months and more than 1 year at refrigerated conditions.

Raw material: . Fresh tender coconuts

<u>EQUIPMENTS REQUIRED</u>: Straining Machine, Double effect evaporator, Steam Generator, Refractometer, etc.

PROJECT REQUIREMENT (an estimate):

Land (Approx. in Sq. Metres)500Building (Approx. in Sq. Metres)150Plant & Machinery (Approx. Rs. in '000)2000Total Project cost (Approx. Rs. in '000)4200

Cost of production/kg: ~ Rs. 610

Capacity: 100 kg tender coconut water concentrate /Day/Shif