PRELIMINARY DIAGNOSIS OF A DIFFUSION CENTER OF RUBBER TREE TECHNOLOGY TOMÊ-AÇU (PA)¹

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Research done in Tomê-Açu, attempts to identify the characteristics of the rubber tree planter and their property, along with the technics currently in use. Fourteen land owners were interviewed with first part and the results indicate a social, cultural, economic and technologic level favorable to the use of new technics. The technics they have difficulty in accepting deal with the production of plant material, fertilization and the control of weeds. This study was helpful in showing the way for a program to diffuse thecnology in the area that was studied. We suggest that the research be continued on a larger scale to determine the reasons that cause doubt to the producer as the use of new methods and technics in the cultivation of rubber tree.

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