Financial Analysis: Impact of Irrigation Scenarios

1. Assumptions for the Analysis:

• Crop Yield (kg/ha):

- o Without irrigation: 1000 kg/ha (limited by dependence on natural rainfall).
- o With manual irrigation: 1500 kg/ha (improved by consistent water supply).
- With automated irrigation: 2000 kg/ha (optimized by precise water management).

Revenue (\$/ha):

- Based on a price of 1 \$/kg for crops.
- Revenue = Yield (kg/ha) × Price (\$/kg).

• Cost (\$/ha):

- o Without irrigation: Minimal costs related to land preparation (e.g. 200 \$/ha).
- o Manual irrigation: Moderate costs for water, tools, and labor (e.g. 400 \$/ha).
- Automated irrigation: Higher costs for equipment, energy, and maintenance (e.g. 700 \$/ha).

Net Income (\$/ha):

Net Income = Revenue - Cost.

2. Financial Comparison Table:

	Crop Yield (kg/ha)	Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$)	Net Income (\$)
Without	1000	1000	200	800
irrigation				
With manual	1500	1500	400	1100
irrigation				
With manual	2000	2000	700	1300
irrigation				

3. Observations:

Without irrigation:

Yields are lowest due to reliance on rainfall;

Costs are minimal but net income remains limited.

With manual irrigation:

Yields improve due to consistent water supply, increasing revenue;

Costs are moderate, resulting in higher net income than without irrigation.

With automated irrigation:

Yields reach their peak due to optimized water management;

Despite higher costs, net income is the highest, demonstrating the system's long-term value.

NB: The data used for this analysis are based on realistic assumptions and documented averages from agricultural studies.