

Principles of conservation agriculture

CA is an approach to managing agro-ecosystems for improved and sustained productivity, integrating livestock and cropping system, increased profits and food security while preserving and enhancing the resource base and the environment. CA is characterized by three linked principles, namely :

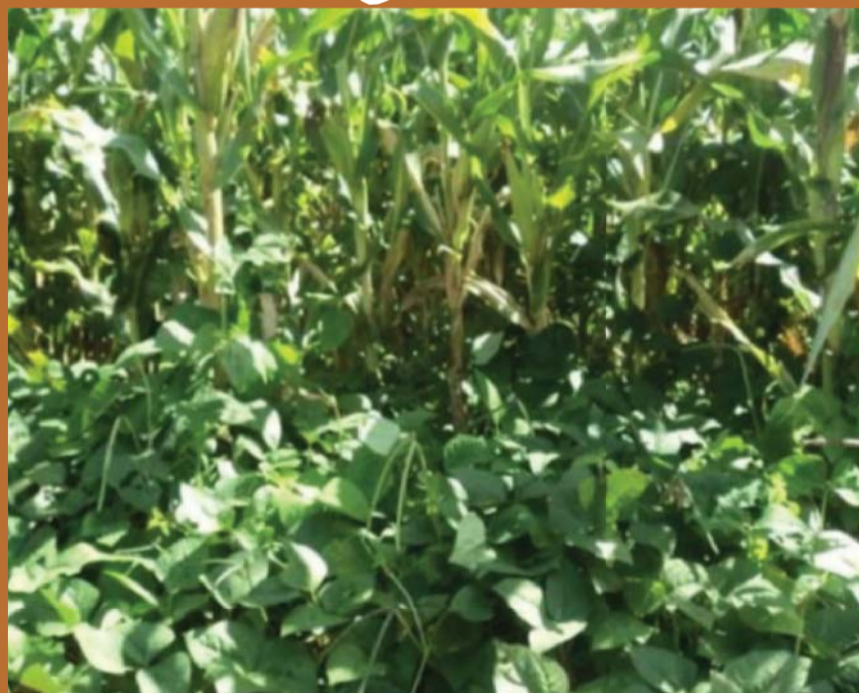
1. Minimum soil disturbance



2. Permanent soil cover



3. Crop integration and crop rotations



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