

ICAR-NAARM Organizes Livelihood Enhancement Training for the Farmers at Biswanath College, AAU, Assam

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The ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad has organized a three-day training on Vermicompost Production Technology for Entrepreneurs and farmers of North Bank Plain Zone (NBPZ) of Assam at Biswanath College of Agriculture (BNCA), AAU, Assam from 8-10th December 2021. The programme organized under the Scheduled Caste Sub Plan in which 111 farmers from six different districts of NBPZ viz., Udalguri, Darrang, Sonitpur, Biswanath, Lakhimpur and Dhemajj of Assam have participated.

Mr. Kulen Sarma, Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC), Biswanath district informed about the state government initiatives on waste management undertaken at district level. He stressed upon mass production of vermicompost as a business model through community approach for better profitability.

Er. K.K. Nagle, Director NER-FMTTI expressed his gratification over the enthusiastic attendance of farmers particularly female farmers and mentioned that vermicomposting will bring revolution in the country which will give enough employment to the youths.

In his inaugural address, the Chief Guest, Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Director, ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad highlighted different models of Integrated Farming Systems; which are launched in the NER region for the benefit of farming community and described about the importance of organic resources in agriculture. He encouraged the farmers to take-up vermicompost production in entrepreneurial approach and to generate the income. He highlighted the mitigation strategies for climate change, need of farm mechanization practices in small holdings, custom hiring models and livelihood enhancement activities with self-help groups etc.

Earlier, Dr. R. N. Barman, Associate Dean, BNCA stressed upon sustainable agriculture and described about the importance and proper management of organic resources in agriculture. Dr. Pallab Kumar Sarma, AICRDRA, BNCA, Biswanth Chariali delivered the welcome address. The meeting ended with the vote of thanks by Dr N. Barua, Jr. Scientist, AICRPDA, B. N. College of Agriculture, Biswanath Chariali. The program was coordinated by Dr. M. Balakrishnan.



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