

**Demonstration cum Distribution of Agricultural Inputs and Farm Tool Kits under
SCSP 2023-24 at Nandhyal District of Andhra Pradesh on 5th September, 2024**

As part of the SC Sub-Plan implementation, ICAR-National Academy of Agricultural Research Management, Hyderabad, organized a demonstration cum distribution event on **September 5, 2024**, for scheduled caste farmers in **Midthur village, Nandhyal District, Andhra Pradesh**. During this event, agricultural inputs and farm tool kits *viz.*, tarpaulin covers, farm tools, neema power powder, power sprayers, crop harvesters and bio-micro nutrient powders were distributed to 407 households. This initiative benefited a total of 407 households in the village under the SCSP 2023-24.

The demonstration cum distribution event was conducted in the presence of several esteemed guests, including Dr. M. Balakrishnan, Chairman of the Sub-Plan Committee at ICAR-NAARM; Shri V. Jaya Laxmamma, Village Sarpanch; T. Srinivasulu, Mandal Revenue Officer (MRO); C. Vijayesubabu, Assistant Director of Agriculture (ADA); and Mr. Peeru Naik, Mandal Agricultural Officer (MAO) of Midthur. Their participation underscored the significance of the event, which successfully benefited 407 households in the village.

Dr. M. Balakrishnan, Chairman of the Sub-Plan Committee at ICAR-NAARM, addressed the farmers, emphasizing the importance of utilizing power sprayers, crop harvesters, bio-micronutrients, Neema Power Powder, and various farm implements to enhance their livelihoods. Mr. Peeru Naik, Mandal Agricultural Officer (MAO), emphasized the importance of fully leveraging the resources provided through the scheme. He encouraged the beneficiaries to actively engage with the inputs and tools distributed, as their effective utilization can significantly improve agricultural productivity. Additionally, C. Vijayesubabu, Assistant Director of Agriculture (ADA) for the Nandikotkur Division, participated in the event and interacted with the beneficiaries on different aspects of the SC sub-plan, alongside officials from ICAR-NAARM.

T. Srinivasulu, Mandal Revenue Officer (MRO), highlighted the significance of the Sub-Plan scheme and underscored the importance of its effective implementation. Dr. M. Ramesh Naik, Scientist, provided insights into how the distributed inputs would benefit the farmers and advised them on the optimal use of these resources to enhance their income and livelihood. Additionally, Dr. P. Vijender Reddy and Dr. Laxman Ahire, both Chief Technical Officers (CTOs) and members of the SC Sub-Plan Committee, along with Shri M. Shekhar Reddy, Chief Technical Officer (CTO) from ICAR-NAARM, actively participated in the demonstration and distribution program, contributing their expertise and support.



Demonstration cum distribution of agricultural inputs at Midtur village on 5th September, 2024

Demonstration cum Distribution of Agricultural Inputs and Farm Tool Kits under SCSP 2023-24 at Kurnool District of Andhra Pradesh on 6th September, 2024

On **September 6, 2024**, ICAR-National Academy of Agricultural Research Management, Hyderabad, conducted a demonstration cum distribution event for agricultural inputs and farm tool kits in **H. Muravani village, Peddakadubur Mandal, Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh**. As part of the SCSP 2023-24 initiative, the event featured the demonstration cum distribution of various inputs, including tarpaulin covers, farm tool kits, neema power powder, power sprayers, crop harvesters, and bio-micro nutrient powders. This initiative successfully benefited a total of 345 SC farmers from the village.

The demonstration cum distribution event was held in the presence of several distinguished guests, including Dr. M. Balakrishnan, Chairman of the Sub-Plan Committee at ICAR-NAARM; Shri N. Ramakanta Reddy, State Farmer Representative from Andhra Pradesh; Shri S. Jankamma, Village Sarpanch; and Mr. Vara Prasad, Mandal Agricultural Officer (MAO) of Peddakadubur. Their participation highlighted the event's significance and support for the farmers in the village.

Dr. M. Balakrishnan, Chairman of the Sub-Plan Committee at ICAR-NAARM, detailed various government initiatives designed to double farmers' incomes. He highlighted policies and programs focused on boosting agricultural productivity, market access, and sustainable practices. His presentation aimed to equip farmers with knowledge to effectively utilize these opportunities for improved economic stability. Shri N. Ramakanta Reddy, State Farmer Representative from Andhra Pradesh, praised ICAR-NAARM for its dedicated efforts to improve farmers' livelihoods and incomes. He highlighted the Academy's impactful activities and capacity-building programs, which have significantly benefited rural stakeholders and contributed to their economic advancement.

Dr. M. Ramesh Naik, Scientist and Member Secretary of the SC Sub-Plan Committee, emphasized the role of the Sub-Plan scheme and its implementation. He underscored the importance of effectively utilizing the farm implements provided, as their proper use is essential for maximizing the benefits of the scheme and improving agricultural outcomes. Other members of the SCSP committee and nominated officials, including Dr. P. Vijender Reddy, Chief Technical Officer (CTO); Dr. Laxman Ahire, Chief Technical Officer (CTO); and Shri M. Shekhar Reddy, Chief Technical Officer (CTO), also took part in the program.



Demonstration cum distribution agricultural inputs at H. Muravani village on 6th September, 2024