

Farmers sensitized on application of biotechnological tools in goat and rural poultry

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The Division of Animal Science, ICAR-Central Island Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair conducted participatory training for farmers on application of biotechnological tools in goat and rural poultry at Livestock Farm Complex, Garachamma from August 31 to September 4, 2021. The programme was conducted in commemoration of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav- India@75 and in collaboration with NABARD. A total of 62 farmers including 50 women farmers attended the programme from different villages of South Andaman district viz. New Wandoor, Shoal Bay, Manjery, Hasmatabad, Garachamma and Rangat.

During the inauguration, Dr. D.



Bhattacharya, HoD, Animal Science Division briefed about the occurrence of parasitic diseases in goat and regular deworming. Dr. Jai Sunder, Pr. Scientist & Hub Facilitator, Biotech Kisan Hub described about the multiplier flock concept in goat to establish nucleus breeding farm so as to double their income through sale of superior breeding bucks. Dr. T. Sujatha, demonstrated the preparation of concentrate feed using mini feed mill. During

the five days training programme, farmers were given demonstration and hands on training on application of biotechnological tools. Dr. S. K. Zamir Ahmed, Dr. P. A. Bala, Dr. A.K.De, Dr. P.Perumal, Dr.K. Muniswamy and Dr. R. R. Alyethodi delivered talk during the training programme. Nicobari fowl cocks were also distributed to the interested farmers to improve the genetic pool of Nicobari fowls, a press release from In-charge, PME Cell said.