

# CS to Inaugurate Kisan Mela on Natural Farming at CIARI

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Port Blair, Mar 15: ICAR\_CIARI, Port Blair along with its KVK is organizing Kisan Mela on the theme: Promoting Natural Farming from 16th to 17th March 2023 in its Mela ground at Garacharma Research Complex. Around 300 farmers representing 28 Gram panchayats of South and Middle & North Andaman districts are expected to participate in the two-day event. The basic objective is to provide an opportunity to the visiting farmers and other stakeholders to interact with the team of scientists and share the information to the larger audience on different facets of Natural farming.

Mr. Keshav Chandra, IAS, Chief Secretary, A & N Islands will grace the occasion as Chief Guest and inaugurate the Kisan Mela on 16th March 2023 from 09:30 am onwards and flag off the tableau on Natural Farming. He will also inaugurate the Modern Goat Unit established by the Division of Animal Science, visit the stalls and interact with the scientists and farmers.

A total of ten stalls depicting the overview of the Institute and its divisional activities, technologies in agriculture & allied sectors for adoption and commercialization, beside dedicated stalls of entrepreneurs adopting CIARI technologies, SHGs selling organic products and Institute Technology Management Unit will be open for the visiting farmers on two days. Scientist-Farmer interaction & Quiz for farmers are the added attraction of the mela.

The two days event is coordinated by Dr. Y. Ramakrishna, Principal Scientist & Head KVKs under the plan & guidance of Dr. E. B. Chakurkar, Director, CIARI, Port Blair.