

Awareness prog. on natural farming conducted at Shoal Bay



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ICAR-Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Central Island Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair, South Andaman organized awareness programme on natural farming at Shoal Bay on Jan.30. Shri A. R. Kumar, Pradhan, Shoal Bay Gram Panchayat was the chief guest of the programme. He advised the farming community that over usage of fertilizers and pesticides causes environmental damage and impacted in human and soil health.

Dr Y Ramakrishna, Principal Scientist & Head emphasized that natural farming is a good alternative practices to conventional farming that directly or indirectly impacts

sustainable development in agricultural production. Dr N.Bommayasamy, SMS (Agro./Agrl.Extn.) spoke on importance of adoption of natural farming practices which enhances soil health and fertility while Dr Pooja Kapoor, SMS (Home Science) mentioned that involvement of farm women in natural farming leads to rural employment generation at grass root levels.

As part of the programme, jeevamrit, beejamrit preparations were demonstrated and Ghanajeevamrit, agniastra, and neemastra were distributed to the participants, a press release from CIARI said.