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## A Step towards strengthening spices sector Hands on training on nursery techniques imparted to staff of Agri Deptt.



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In order to disseminate the techniques and educate the grassroot level workers working at

various farms of the Department of Agriculture, capacity building programmes titled 'Hands-on' (Contd. on last page)

### Hands on training on nursery techniques ...

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training on nursery techniques of Horticultural Crops (Spices)' of three days each were organized by ICAR-CIARI in collaboration with CSS-MIDH (NHM) Project on Spices and All India Coordinated Research Project on Palms Project from Dec.11 to 16, 2023. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. E.B. Chakurkar, Director, ICAR-CIARI, who graced the occasion as the chief guest in the presence of Dr. P.K. Singh, Head, Division of Horticulture and Crop Improvement and Coordinator of the programme.

The chief guest urged the participants to utilize the knowledge gained in the training programmes for achieving self-sufficiency in spices planting material production in the Islands.

Three days long technical sessions were handled by Dr. Ajit Arun Waman, Scientist (SS) and Course Director of the programme and Dr. Pooja Bohra, Course Coordinator. Participants represented all the districts of the Islands wherein first batch of participants included 11 officials from South Andaman and Little Andaman, while second batch was constituted by 12 participants from Baratang, Middle Andaman, North Andaman and Car Nicobar Islands.

Technical session started with an orientation to propagation techniques and basic requirements to establish and run a nursery unit. Participants underwent hands on training on multiplication of spices. Practical sessions were also organized during the programme.

Shri Vikram Singh, Director (Agriculture) was the chief guest during the valedictory programme of the first batch held on Dec.13, 2023. He acknowledged the sincere efforts made by the Institute in organizing the need based programme and expressed his gratitude towards the organization. The valedictory programme for the second batch was organized on Dec.16, which was chaired by Dr. E.B. Chakurkar, Director, ICAR-CIARI, a press release from CIARI said.