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## Exposure visit-cum-training prog. conducted for Nicobarese tribal farmers

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A three days exposure visit-cum-training programme on 'quality seed and planting material in agri-horticultural crops' for Nicobarese tribal farmers was organized by ICAR-CIARI from Feb. 7 to 9, 2024. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Eaknath B. Chakurkar, Director, ICAR-CIARI in the presence of Course Director, Dr. P. K. Singh, Principal Scientist and Head (-I/c), Division of Horticulture and Crop Improvement and Course Coordinators Dr. Pooja Bohra and Dr. Ajit Waman.

In his inaugural address, the Director appealed to all the trainees to take maximum benefit from the programme. Dr. Pooja Bohra organized



field visit for the participants to various mother blocks of horticultural crops to orient them about the significance of selecting right mother plants and their management while Dr. Ajit Waman provided the trainees with hands on experience and demonstration on various methods of propagation at the Horticultural Plants Propagation Unit of the Institute.

The trainees visited Bloomsdale farm at Chouldhari wherein they were briefed about the seed production and

storage techniques in rice and pulses, utility of broad bed furrow system, types of farm machineries and their uses etc.

On the last day of the training, trainees were taken to the Horticultural Research Farm at Sippighat where demonstration on nursery and production techniques of coconut, arecanut and spices was made. Farmers also interacted with the scientists and were facilitated with planting material and farm inputs, a press release from CIARI said.