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Deputy Commissioner, Nicobar inaugurates Skill Development Program organized by ICAR-KVK-CIARI-Nicobar

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Under a 100-day action plan, a 5-day skill development training program on 'Harvesting Diversity: Coconut-based Intercropping with Spices and Tuber Crops' began on July 10, 2024, at the Community Hall, Tapoiming Village. Smti. Jyoti Kumari, IAS, Deputy Commissioner of Nicobar, inaugurated the program and praised the efforts of farmers such as Shri Patrick, Shri Suman, Shri Manish, and Shri Jaan Mohammed for their contributions to advancing intensive agricultural farming in Nicobar. Deputy Commissioner spoke



about the potential of agricultural diversification and sustainable practices. She highlighted the profitability of intercropping spices and tubers in coconut farms. Shri Simon William, Second Captain of Tapoiming Village was the guest of honour. Dr. Santosh Kumar, Head of KVK Nicobar, welcomed the participants and emphasized the program's significance. Around 500 spice and tuber crops saplings were distributed to youth participants by the Horticulture and Crop Improvement Division, ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair, (Contd. on last page)

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under TSP. The training included field exposure and interactive sessions for 30 local farmers. Subject Matter Specialists Dr. Akshay, Shri Ajmal S., Shri Depoo Meena, and Shri Sanketh G.D. conducted technical sessions on intercropping, crop practices, post-harvest techniques, and marketing strategies, a press release from CIARI said.