

## **ICAR- NIBSM, Raipur organized seed distribution programme under Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) Scheme for the year 2021-22**

ICAR-National Institute of Biotic Stress Management (NIBSM), Baronda, Raipur, Chhattisgarh organized two days paddy seed distribution programme on June 23<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 under the Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) scheme for the year 2021-22. The programme was organized in collaboration with National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), Raipur. During the seed distribution programme farmers of different villages were given training on cultivation practices of paddy and seed quality following COVID-19 protocol. They were also informed about this scheme sponsored by Govt.of India for the benefits of farmers of SC community.

Total of 120 quintals of certified seeds of paddy/rice variety Swarna were distributed to the farmers belonging to 10 villages of Raipur and 01 village of Balodabazar districts. Ten villages namely Keoradih, Madadih, Tarra, Kewatara Bhurkoni, Baronda under Tilda blocks and Neurdi, Gidhauri and Tor villages under Dharsiwa Blocks of Raipur district and Sarra village of Balodabazar districts were covered.

The seeds were distributed to cover about 300 acre of paddy/rice cultivation area in the above mentioned villages covering about 160 farm families to improve livelihood of farming community under the SCSP scheme.

This programme was successfully implemented under the overall guidance of Dr. P. K. Ghosh, Director & Vice Chancellor, ICAR- NIBSM, Raipur; in presence of Dr. Sushil. K. Sharma, Coordinator, SCSP; Dr. Vinay Kumar, Nodal Officer, and members namely Dr. Lalit Kharbikar, Dr. Anil Dixit, Dr. K. C. Sharma and Dr. Sridhar J. of ICAR-NIBSM, Raipur.

The entire programme was organized by following COVID-19 pandemic protocol.

**Glimpses of rice seed distribution programme under SCSP held on 23.06.2021 and 24.06.2021**











