

ICAR-NIBSM has successfully conducted three days training to farmers

ICAR- National Institute of Biotic Stress management in collaboration with Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Kanker has a conducted a three days training programme on “**Imparting latest innovative agricultural technologies to the resource poor farmers for their enhanced livelihood and nutritional security**” to farmers at KVK, Kanker during 12-14 March 2024. The main aim of the farmers training was to train, equip and enrich the knowledge of farmers with latest technological interventions to increase farm and subsidiary income for their food and nutritional security. The topics covered in agricultural module were Integrated farming systems for small and marginal farmers, nutritional garden, production technologies of minor millets, processing of minor millets, lack production and processing; in biotic stress management module Vertebrate pest management with special reference to monkeys, pest management in vegetable crops, insect pest management under natural farming condition, biopesticides and biofertilizers for enhanced productivity; in livestock module, recent advances in rearing and management of kadaknath poultry birds, goat/sheep raring, fish farming etc. Besides, farmers were taught about the pheromone technology, light traps and yellow sticky traps for the management of yellow stem borer in rice and other borers and sucking pests respectively. Theory and practical's for above topics were taught to the farmers followed by field visits to progressive farmers fields, community based vegetable seed production units. A total of 52 farmers from Kevatara, Bharwadih, Pachri Raipur district and Markatola, choriya of Kanker district have actively participated in the training and learned the above modules. We have distributed the pheromone traps, yellow sticky traps, plant protection kit for the benefit the trainee farmers as part of the training programme. Training programme was concluded on 14.03.2024. The farmers training programme was conducted by utilizing the TSP fund of 2023-24. The training programme was coordinated by Dr Sridhar J, Senior scientist, ICAR-NIBSM, Raipur, Dr Vinay Kumar, Senior Scientist, ICAR-NIBSM, Raipur and Dr Birbal Sahu, Senior Scientist and Head, KVK, Kanker. This training was conducted under the guidance and mentorship of Dr PK Ghosh, Director and Vice Chancellor of ICAR-NIBSM, Raipur.

