

## ICAR-NIANP reaches to SC farmers of Southern India through On-Farm Training

ICAR-NIANP Bengaluru organized one day On-Farm Farmers' Training Programme on "Scientific feeding practices for Dairy animals" under the DAPSC (SCSP) scheme on 19.08.2024. A total of 25 SC dairy farmers (7 Males and 18 Females) from Maragondanahalli villages under Bengaluru South participated in the program. During the training programme, scientists have interacted with the farmers on i) various feeding pattern for animals at different stages of their lifecycle ii) supplementary feeding to sustain milk yield and lactation, iii) various feed formulations involving locally available feed resources, iv) easy to manage and develop forage resources: fodder grasses, Azolla cultivation, Silage making, etc. Farmers are also briefed on scientific dairy and small ruminant farming and their issues were also addressed. Farmers were supplied with appliances like stainless steel Milking Buckets, multi-utility bags with essential medicinal and information kits and Fertimin plus mineral supplement packets to support their livestock production activities.

Director, ATARI, Bengaluru, Dr V. Venkatasubramanian grace the occasion as the Chief Guest and deliberated on socio-economic livelihood based on livestock farming and emphasized to adopt scientific management practices for increasing production and profit from Dairying. Dr A. Sahoo, Director, NIANP briefed on Government of India's Farmers-centric development programmes vide ICAR Research Institutes under the aegis of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare. All the scientists, administrative and technical personnel also attended the event.