Farmers-Scientist Interaction Meet cum Input Distribution under DAPSC & DAPST Scheme

The ICAR-National Institute of Animal Nutrition and Physiology, Bengaluru organized one day Farmers-Scientist Interaction meet cum Input Distribution on (28.10.2024) scientific feeding for dairy farmers and distributed Cattle concentrate feed(200 kg/ farmer), rubber mats, Stainless steel milk buckets, Veterinary medicine kits(8 materials/kit), Fertimin plus -5kg, OmeB -5kg, Jute bags, Informative leaflet, Notepad and Pen to selected SC and ST Dairy farmers of Karnataka, Andhrapradesh, Tamilnadu under Development Action Plan for Scheduled Caste and Development Action Plan for Schedule Tribes (DAPSC/ DAPST) Scheme. A total of 145 dairy farmers (67 male and 78 females) belonging to Scheduled caste and 18 dairy farmers (12 male and 6 females) belonging to Scheduled Tribes benefitted in this program. This program is intended for educating farmers to enhance hygienic and increased milk production and methods to prevent reproduction problems of dairy cows.

Dr. Artabandhu Sahoo, Director ICAR-NIANP inaugurated the program and explained about importance of scientific feeding for dairy cattle and interacted with dairy farmers. He is stressed upon the role of ICAR-NIANP in contributing to Nutrition and Welfare of livestock's in different physiological stages for augmenting productivity.

Dr. G T Ramaiah, Deputy Director, Department of Animal Husbandry, Kolar, Karnataka interacted with farmers about Reproductive management and importance of Mastitis control in dairy cattle.

Dr. Suresh Honnappagol, Ex Registrar, and Vice Chancellor, KVAFSU Bidar, Karnataka & Former Animal Husbandry Commissioner, Govt of India, interacted with farmers about the impacts of distributed materials by ICAR-NIANP and emphasized about scientifically and economically successful animal farming.

During the program, selected SC & ST dairy farmers from each state expressed their satisfaction on the benefits received from ICAR-NIANP Scientists under DAPSC/ST Scheme.