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Greetings,

I am delighted to present the March edition of SPARK BULLETIN – Monthly Momentum of Zone-X KVKs, showcasing the diverse extension interventions of ICAR-KVKs, Zone-X, Hyderabad.

This edition highlights multiple Kisan Melas on High Density Planting System (HDPS) in Cotton under special projects, along with exhibitions and field days on maize, paddy, white jowar, and cotton shredder technologies. Focus on millets included trainings on cultivation, processing, value addition, and a Millet Mela. Farmers and rural youth were empowered through skill trainings on organic farming, vermicomposting, beekeeping, vegetable grafting, poultry health, prawn value addition, eco-friendly dyeing, and millet seed production. Awareness programmes and demonstrations on Fermented Organic Manure (FOM/LFOM) were widely held. The month also featured SAC meetings, farmer-scientist interactions, diagnostic field visits, Watershed Yatra, FPO linkages, exposure visits, and the National Kisan Mela & Industry Meet 2025. Celebrations of Women's Day and Technology Day reflected the inclusive approach of KVKs.

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Chronicles of March Activities by ICAR-ATARI, Hyderabad

Kisan Mela cum Exhibition at KVK, Jammikunta, organized under the Special Project on Cotton with the Central Institute for Cotton Research (CICR) at KVK, Jammikunta (Karimanagar)

The Kisan Mela cum Exhibition at KVK, Jammikunta, was organized under the Special Project on Cotton with the Central Institute for Cotton Research (CICR). The event was attended by 675 participants, including 590 farmers and farm women and 85 students, highlighting how ICAR-ATARI supports smallholder farmers through government schemes. The focus was on the High-Density Planting System (HDPS) and Closer Spacing (CS) for cotton, aimed at increasing productivity and promoting sustainable farming practices. Farmers actively engaged with the demonstrations, showing their readiness to adopt these innovations.

Sri Bandi Sanjay Kumar, Honourable Minister of State for Home Affairs, Government of India, graced the event as Chief Guest. He highly appreciated the work of KVKs and emphasized the government's push for modern farming technologies, inspiring the attendees. Dr. Shaik N. Meera, Director of ATARI, Zone 10, Hyderabad, attended as Guest of Honor and highlighted the impacts of the interventions. Farmers were informed that HDPS cotton provides 20–30% higher yields than conventional methods, particularly in shallow soils with well-distributed rainfall. Practical demonstrations of pneumatic seed planters offered hands-on understanding of uniform sowing and improved crop establishment. Participants gained knowledge of HDPS benefits and expressed interest in adopting the system.



Dr. Shaik N Meera also commended Dr. N. Venkateshwar Rao, Senior Scientist and Head, KVK Jammikunta, and his team for their excellent coordination. This year, HDPS demonstrations covered 1,580 ha, Closer Spacing demos 970 ha, and ELS cotton production technology 57 ha, benefiting cotton farmers substantially. Yields increased from 23.30 q/ha under traditional practices to 30.50 q/ha under HDPS, reflecting an impressive 7 q/ha rise. This not only increased output but also improved farmers' income, demonstrating the economic viability of modern planting techniques.

Earlier, KVK Jammikunta had implemented the Better Cotton Initiative, impacting 6,009 farmers across 5,565 ha since 2012-13, saving ₹37.57 crores. The zero-tillage maize initiative in Karimnagar district now spans 17,516 ha, adding ₹14.92 crores to farmers' income. The HDPS project builds on these successes, reflecting how KVKs continue to implement government schemes effectively and benefit farmers across the region.



International Seminar on Technology and Innovations for Gender Inclusivity in Agriculture, 20 March 2025, MANAGE, Hyderabad

Dr. Shaik N. Meera, Director, ICAR-ATARI Zone X, Hyderabad, participated as Chief Guest at the Valedictory Session of the International Seminar on “Technology and Innovations for Gender Inclusivity in Agriculture,” co-organized by CABI, IRRI, UN Women, and MANAGE. The seminar highlighted the transformative role of technology, innovation, and policy in empowering women farmers, a vital yet underserved segment of the agricultural workforce.

Addressing the distinguished audience, Dr. Shaik N. Meera emphasized that equitable access to digital tools can significantly enhance women’s farm productivity. He noted that while women constitute a large portion of the global agricultural workforce, they hold only a small fraction of land ownership, underscoring the need for gender-responsive climate-smart practices. He also highlighted the entrepreneurial gap, observing that women lead only a limited proportion of agribusiness startups and receive a very small share of agri start-up funding. Supporting women-led FPOs and agri-tech ventures can greatly strengthen economic resilience.



Dr. Shaik N Meera further addressed the mechanization gap, pointing out that although women perform most of the agricultural tasks in India, only a few have access to mechanized tools. Introducing women-friendly equipment can reduce drudgery and improve efficiency. He emphasized that bridging the gender gap in agriculture could enhance food production and contribute significantly to alleviating hunger and poverty. Highlighting the pivotal role of KVKs, he noted that India’s 731 KVKs are strategically positioned to act as hubs for gender-inclusive training, skilling, and technology dissemination, enabling women to emerge as leaders rather than merely participants in agriculture.



Concluding his address, Dr. Shaik N Meera called upon government agencies, research organizations, private enterprises, and civil society to collaborate in mainstreaming gender equity.

State-Level Advisory Meeting on Nanotechnology for Sustainable Agriculture – Hyderabad, 26 March 2025, Hyderabad

A State-Level Advisory Meeting on Nanotechnology for Sustainable Agriculture was held by IFFCO Telangana, bringing together experts from the Department of Agriculture, MARKFED, ICAR-CRIDA, PJTSAU, and KVKs. Dr. Shaik N. Meera, Director, ICAR-ATARI Zone X, Hyderabad, attended as one of the Chief Guests, emphasizing the role of nanotechnology in shaping Telangana's agriculture.

Nanotechnology offers immense potential to enhance nutrient efficiency, improve soil health, and reduce pesticide use. Trials with nano-fertilizers and nano-pesticides have demonstrated nearly 80% improvement in nitrogen use efficiency and 10–15% higher crop yields in paddy, maize, pulses, and cotton, while reducing input costs and environmental impact. Dr. Meera stressed that large-scale adoption must be guided by rigorous multi-season trials, scientific validation, and careful monitoring of environmental risks.



To promote responsible use, he proposed establishing Nano Agriculture Demonstration Zones across key KVKs, coupled with farmer training, field schools, and digital advisory services. A Nano Agriculture Regulatory Framework should ensure product quality and safeguard farmers.

Concluding, Dr. Shaik N. Meera highlighted that science-driven, evidence-based adoption of nanotechnology, supported by strong policy and collaborative efforts, can position Telangana as a national leader in sustainable and scalable nano-agriculture, benefiting farmers, the environment, and the agricultural ecosystem.



Research–Extension Interface Workshop – 27 March 2025, TNAU, Coimbatore

Dr. Shaik N. Meera, Director, ICAR-ATARI Zone X, Hyderabad, participated in the inaugural session of the Research–Extension Interface Workshop organized by TNAU in collaboration with ICAR-ATARI Hyderabad for KVKs from Tamil Nadu and Puducherry. The workshop provided a dynamic platform to strengthen collaboration between researchers, extension professionals, and farmers, ensuring that innovations from R&D are effectively translated into field applications.

Dr. Shaik N. Meera highlighted the importance of a structured, digital “go-to” platform to link KVKs’ researchable issues with formal and informal R&D innovations. The workshop focused on participatory rural appraisals to identify farmers’ challenges, showcasing recent technologies, success stories, and best practices in digital extension, precision farming, and climate resilience. Thematic working groups discussed priority areas such as regenerative agriculture, soil health, biochar, and agri-tech solutions, while public-private partnerships highlighted scalable technologies and market linkages.



Follow-up mechanisms, including a KVK knowledge-sharing platform, impact assessment frameworks, and policy recommendations to ICAR, SAUs, and state governments, were emphasized to ensure evidence-driven adoption. Dr. Shaik N. Meera noted that such a structured, outcome-oriented approach will make both the KVK system and the R&D ecosystem more responsive, farmer-centric, and innovation-driven, effectively bridging science and farms for sustainable agricultural transformation.





ICAR -ATARI, Hyderabad stall at PJTSAU sports complex during National Millet Kisan and Industry meet-2025 during 3rd – 4th March-2025.



Shri Bhagirath Choudhary, Union minister of state for agriculture and farmer's welfare, GOI, Visited ICAR-ATARI, Hyderabad stall during National Millet Kisan and Industry meet-2025 at PJTSAU Sports complex during 3-4 March-2025.



ICAR-ATARI, Hyderabad, received Best Millet exhibitor stall award during National millet Kisan mela and Industry meet, organized by ICAR-IIMR at PJTSAU during 3-4 March-2025.

Tamil Nadu

ICAR KVK, Ariyalur, Tamil Nadu

Field day on FLD on organic nutrient management techniques in improved kavuni CO 57 paddy

A Field Day celebration on Frontline Demonstration (FLD) of organic nutrient management techniques in CO 57 paddy variety was organized on March 10, 2025, at Keelakudikadu village with the participation of farmers. The aim was to showcase improved performance of CO 57 under organic nutrient management compared to local varieties. The program was graced by SS&H, who observed farmer feedback during the event. The activity included field observation and farmer interaction on crop performance. Farmers gained knowledge on drought tolerance, non-lodging traits, reduced input needs, and higher yields. The outcome highlighted a 34% yield increase in CO 57 over traditional varieties.



ICAR - KVK, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu

Awareness Campaign on Coconut white fly management



An awareness campaign on Coconut Whitefly Management was organized on March 21, 2025 at Kutharipalayam village, Kinathukadavu block, Coimbatore district, in the field of Mr. Eswaran, with the participation of 47 stakeholders (27 male farmers, 16 farm women, and 4 officials). The objective of the campaign was to create awareness on eco-friendly and sustainable management practices for controlling coconut whitefly. The event involved demonstrations by KVK scientists and officials. Farmers were shown the erection of yellow sticky traps,

release of *Encarsia* predator, and water spray with 3% neem oil. Participants gained practical knowledge on integrated pest management practices, ensuring reduced pest incidence and improved crop health.

ICAR - KVK, Cuddalore, Tamil Nadu

Mass awareness and Demonstration of Fermented Organic Manure (FOM)

An awareness campaign on Fermented Organic Manure (FOM) and Liquid FOM (LFOM) was organized at KVK on March 13, 2025, and at Murugankudi village on March 21, 2025, benefiting 80 farmers engaged in organic farming. The programme aimed to promote awareness on the use of FOM for soil health and sustainable crop production. It was inaugurated by Dr. K. Natarajan, Programme Coordinator, with technical inputs from experts of SLR Bio Pvt. Ltd., faculty, and progressive farmers. Lectures, demonstrations, and farmer experiences highlighted FOM production, quality sampling, and application methods.

Participants gained practical knowledge and were motivated to adopt FOM for eco-friendly farming practices.



ICAR – KVK, Dharmapuri, Tamil Nadu

Programme on “Millet Mela”

Millet Mela was organized under the IIMR SCSP sponsored project on March 28, 2025, at Pilparuthi, Bommidi and March 29, 2025, at Papparapatty, Dharmapuri district, Tamil Nadu, with the participation of about 800 farmers. The objective was to create awareness on millet cultivation, nutritional importance, and government schemes supporting millet promotion. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. M.A. Vennila, Programme Coordinator, and graced by officials from the Agriculture and Horticulture Departments. Technical sessions were delivered on integrated crop and nutrition management, pest and disease management, value addition, hi-tech cultivation, and fodder management in millets. Ragi and samai seeds were distributed to SC farmers, and live demonstrations on seed treatment were conducted by students of AC&RI, Tiruvannamalai and HC&RI, Trichy.



ICAR-KVK, Dindigul, Tamil Nadu

Live streaming of Krishi Choupal 4th episode and International women's day



A live streaming of Krishi Choupal 4th episode along with the celebration of International Women's Day was organized on March 8, 2025, at Vivekanantha Hall, GRI-DTBU, Gandhigram, Dindigul, with the participation of 143 farmers and farm women. The objective was to disseminate knowledge through Krishi Choupal and to recognize and empower women in agriculture. The programme featured the live streaming of the Krishi Choupal 4th episode, followed by sessions on Central and State Government schemes for women empowerment. To mark the day, interactive

activities and games were organized, highlighting the vital role of women in agriculture and allied sectors. The event enhanced participants' awareness, confidence, and motivation towards women's active involvement in farming.

ICAR – KVK, Erode, Tamil Nadu

Kisan Mela - Special Project On Cotton

A Kisan Mela under the Special NFSM Project on Cotton was organized in coordination with ICAR-CICR, Coimbatore, on March 18, 2025, at Anthiyur, with the participation of about 350 farmers. The objective was to create awareness on improved technologies, pest and disease management, varietal selection, and organic practices in cotton cultivation. The programme was presided over by Dr. P. Alagesan, Senior Scientist and Head, who shared experiences of cotton promotion in Anthiyur and Ammapet blocks. Experts from KVK and Rasi Seeds delivered technical sessions on varietal performance, pest and disease management, NFSM and DBT procedures, and organic farming practices. A booklet on pest and disease management in cotton was released, benefiting farmers with practical knowledge for sustainable cotton cultivation.



ICAR – KVK, Kancheepuram , Tamil Nadu

Assessment of IPM module for Chilli black thrips

An On-Farm Trial (OFT) on the Assessment of IPM Module for Chilli Black Thrips was conducted on March 19, 2025 at Timmavarum village with the participation of 9 farmers and farmwomen. The objective was to evaluate the effectiveness of integrated pest management practices in chilli cultivation. KVK scientists explained the identification of pest attack symptoms and demonstrated the installation of sticky traps. During the field visit, the incidence of sclerotial rot was observed, and farmers were advised to apply Trichoderma for effective management. The participants gained practical knowledge on pest identification and eco-friendly IPM techniques, leading to improved crop health and reduced pest losses.



ICAR-KVK, Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu

DCCD Sponsored farmers training programmes on Cashew



A two-day training programme on Cashew Cultivation sponsored by the Directorate of Cashewnut and Cocoa Development, Kochi, was organized on March 25–26, 2025, with the participation of 100 farmers from Kanyakumari district. The objective was to impart knowledge on improved varieties, advanced production technologies, integrated crop management, and value addition in cashew. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. S. Suresh, Programme Coordinator, and technical sessions were delivered by subject matter specialists on propagation techniques, nutrient and water management, bio-fertilizers, pest and disease management,

ICT tools, marketing prospects, and value addition. A practical demonstration on cashew apple squash preparation was also conducted. Participants gained hands-on exposure and comprehensive knowledge to enhance cashew productivity and income generation.

ICAR - KVK, Karur, Tamil Nadu

Skill training on Natural farming in major horticultural crops

A three-day skill training on Natural Farming in major horticultural crops such as brinjal, chilli, tomato, bhendi, cucurbits, jasmine, ixora, marigold, mango, banana, and coconut was organized at Kattanimedu village, Thogamalai block from March 27–29, 2025, with the participation of 20 farmers and farm women. The objective was to build skills in eco-friendly cultivation practices for sustainable horticultural production. Sessions covered the importance of natural farming, preparation and application of organic inputs like Panchakavya, Jeevamrutham, and herbal repellents, eco-friendly pest and disease management, irrigation, intercropping, and mulching. Integrated farming system approaches, bio-pesticide use, and recycling of farm wastes were also discussed. A field visit to cucumber fields helped farmers identify beneficial insects and pest damages. FORS kits were distributed for demonstrations, enhancing farmers' knowledge and practical skills in natural farming.



ICAR-KVK, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu

Training program on Millet Cultivation Techniques

A training programme on Millet Cultivation Techniques under the ICAR-IIMR (SCSP) Programme for the Promotion of Millets was organized at Maliyandahalli village on March 15, 2025, with the participation of 120 farmers. The objective was to promote sustainable millet cultivation, introduce improved varieties, and create awareness on bio-inputs, nutrient management, and value addition. The programme was presided over by Dr. T. Sundarraj, Senior Scientist and Head, who highlighted millet cultivation as a climate-resilient practice. Technical sessions were delivered by experts including Dr. P. Parasuraman on advanced millet varieties, Mrs. M. Vanathi on departmental schemes and the Uzhavan app, Mr. K. Gunasekar on integrated nutrient management, and Mrs. Poomathi on value addition. Subject Matter Specialists also contributed. Farmers gained practical insights and confidence to adopt improved millet technologies for enhanced income and sustainability.



ICAR-KVK, Madurai, Tamil Nadu

On campus training on Bee Keeping



An on-campus training on Beekeeping was organized on March 10, 2025 at KVK, with the participation of 20 farmers and youth. The objective of the program was to create awareness on scientific beekeeping practices and promote income generation through apiculture. The training was conducted by KVK technical staff specializing in apiculture and value addition. Sessions included lectures on the importance of beekeeping, types of honeybees, and their role in crop pollination. Demonstrations on honey extraction, colony separation, and preparation of value-

added products were carried out. Participants gained practical knowledge and skills for initiating beekeeping enterprises. The outcome was increased interest in adopting beekeeping as a livelihood option.

ICAR-KVK, Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu

Workshop on Climate Resilient Aquaculture technologies for improving Fish Production

A two-day workshop on Climate Resilient Aquaculture Technologies for Improving Fish Production was jointly organized with the Department of Environment and Climate Change, Tamil Nadu Climate Change Mission, on March 25–26, 2025, with the participation of 30 farmers from various districts. The objective was to promote eco-friendly aquaculture practices that enhance fish productivity and support rural livelihoods. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. A. Gopalakannan, Programme Coordinator, who emphasized the role of climate-resilient practices in sustainable fisheries. Technical sessions included seabass culture technologies, ornamental fish culture, carp breeding and seed production, community tank management, live fish marketing, and value addition. A field visit to RGCA Demonstration Farm, Karaikal provided hands-on experience in seabass nursery rearing. Certificates and floating fish feed were distributed. Farmers gained practical knowledge to adopt resilient aquaculture practices, contributing to improved income and environmental sustainability.



ICAR - KVK, Namakkal, Tamil Nadu

Kisan Mela on HDPS technologies under Special Project on Cotton

A Kisan Mela under the Special Project on Cotton entitled “Targeting Technologies to Agro-Ecological Zones – Large Scale Demonstration of Best Practices to Enhance Cotton Productivity” was organized on March 19, 2025, at Namakkal, with the participation of about 375 farmers, farm women, agricultural students, extension officials, and private stakeholders. The objective was to build capacity and share knowledge on HDPS and ELS cotton cultivation, pest, disease, and water management, and mechanization in cotton. The programme was presided over by Dr. M. Selvaraju, Dean, VC&RI, Namakkal, who inaugurated 13 exhibition stalls and released pamphlets and booklets on HDPS technology. Technical sessions were delivered by KVK scientists and officials, followed by field exposure visits to cotton demo plots and demonstrations on cotton shredder and SIMA manual kapas picking tool. Farmers gained practical insights into sustainable cotton technologies under NFSM interventions.



ICAR-KVK, Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu

Exposure Visit of PSG College Social Science Students and Staff to KVK



A student exposure visit was organized on March 5, 2025 at KVK for 45 students and 2 staff members from the Department of Social Science, PSG College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore. The objective of the visit was to familiarize students with the ongoing research, training, and extension activities of KVK. KVK scientists and staff guided the students, explaining various activities and showcasing field interventions. Demonstrations were arranged on the Eucalyptus oil extraction unit and the Tea processing unit, highlighting practical aspects of value addition. The participants gained exposure to innovative technologies

and understood their role in rural livelihood promotion. The outcome was enhanced awareness of KVK's contributions to agriculture and allied sectors.

ICAR-KVK, Perambalur, Tamil Nadu

Diagnostic field visit - late wilt disease in maize

A diagnostic field visit was conducted on March 19, 2025, at Mettupalayam village, Veppanthattai block, Perambalur district, where Mr. P. Dominic Manoj, SMS (Plant Protection) inspected a maize field affected by late wilt disease. The objective was to identify the problem and provide immediate as well as preventive management measures. Recommendations for the present crop included soil application of Copper Oxochloride (COC) @ 1 kg/acre mixed with 25 kg sand and maintaining proper irrigation to avoid water stress. For the next season, farmers were advised on basal application of neem cake (100 kg/acre), soil application of Trichoderma viride @ 1 kg/acre with 25 kg FYM, and need-based application of COC. Farmers gained practical solutions to manage the disease effectively.



ICAR – KVK, Pudukkottai, Tamil Nadu

FPO Linkages - Performance evaluation committee meeting

An evaluation of millet processing machineries purchased under the Tamil Nadu Millet Mission was conducted on March 3, 2025, at Keeranur FPO, Narthamalai, Pudukkottai. The Evaluation Committee comprised officials including DD (Agrl. Marketing), DD (GOI Schemes), PA Agriculture to District Collector, DD Agriculture, Directors of Keeranur FPO and Nakeerar Coconut Collective FPO, FPO Scientist in charge (NPRC, Pudukkottai), and KVK, Pudukkottai. The objective was to assess the performance of seven millet processing machineries worth ₹25 lakh, purchased with 75% subsidy support. The committee reviewed the functioning of the units, and KVK, Pudukkottai highlighted its role in motivating and providing technological guidance to the FPO for procurement. The evaluation ensured effective utilization of machinery for value addition and millet promotion.



ICAR-KVK, Ramanathapuram, Tamil Nadu

Enhancing Agricultural Productivity through Residual Water Utilization in Ramanathapuram District



An awareness campaign on effective utilization of residual water for second crop cultivation was organized in Ramanathapuram district, which receives around 850 mm annual rainfall and traditionally supports only a single paddy crop during the monsoon. Owing to above-normal rainfall this year, irrigation tanks stored significant residual water, creating opportunities for an additional crop. The programme, led by Dr. S. Vallal Kannan, Programme Coordinator, and KVK scientists, aimed to sensitize farmers on adopting sustainable practices. Farmers were trained on short-duration paddy, drought-resistant cotton varieties, and

advanced seed treatment technologies. As a result, around 5,000 acres of land were brought under second-crop cultivation of paddy and cotton. This initiative enhanced income opportunities, improved food security, and strengthened agricultural resilience in the district.

ICAR-KVK, Salem, Tamil Nadu

Special Project on Cotton – Kisan Mela

A Kisan Mela on Extra Long Staple (ELS) cotton was organized on March 13, 2025 at Thuttampatti village, Tharamanagalam block, under the ICAR-CICR funded project. The event brought together beneficiary farmers, farm women, and rural youth who shared their experiences and highlighted the project's role in reviving interest in cotton cultivation. Success stories of progressive farmers were documented by scientists. An exclusive exhibition showcased ELS cotton bolls, plant specimens, and related technologies. Stakeholders such as Ankur Seeds, Amogam Agro Services, IFFCO, and the State Department of Agriculture participated. The Programme Coordinator, SMS (PP), SMS (ENS), and the Assistant Director of Agriculture addressed the gathering. Over 300 farmers actively took part and benefitted from the mela.



ICAR - KVK, Sivaganga, Tamil Nadu

Awareness Programme on Community Tank Management for Enhancing Fish Production.

An awareness programme on 'Community Tank Management for Enhancing Fish Production' was conducted with the financial support of NFDB, Hyderabad on March 25, 2025, at Sivaganga, with the participation of 40 stakeholders including fishers, fish farmers, fishermen cooperative society members, and fisheries department officials. The programme aimed to sensitize rural communities on the effective utilization of community water bodies for sustainable fish production. The event was inaugurated by the Senior Scientist and Head, KVK, Sivaganga, and attended by the Assistant Director of Fisheries. Expert resource persons delivered interactive lectures on scientific tank management practices. Participants gained knowledge on managing community tanks for improved fish yield and rural livelihoods. The programme strengthened awareness and skills for promoting sustainable rural development.



ICAR - KVK, Theni, Tamil Nadu

Awareness cum Training Programme on Protection of Plant varieties and Farmers Right



A Training-cum-awareness programme on PPV & FRA was organized at KVK premises on March 29, 2025, with the participation of 162 farmers and farm women. The objective was to create awareness about PPV & FRA and provide training on provisions such as rights under the Act, registration process, certification, National Register of Plant Varieties, National Gene Bank, and community rights. The programme was presided over by Dr. P. Patchaimal, Chairman, and the welcome address was delivered by Mr. P. Maheswaran, Programme Coordinator (i/c). Lectures,

discussions, and an exhibition of farmers' varieties including paddy, millets, vegetables, minor forest produce, and tribal indigenous varieties were organized. Participants gained knowledge on PPV & FRA, and three crop varieties were identified for registration.

ICAR- KVK, Thiruvallur, Tamil Nadu

Awareness cum demonstration on Fermented Organic and LFOM

Awareness cum demonstration on Fermented Organic Manure (FOM) was organized in collaboration with Madras Fertilizer Limited on March 17, 2025 at KVK premises with the participation of 40 progressive farmers from Tiruvallur district. The programme aimed to enhance farmer awareness on the benefits and application of FOM in sustainable agriculture. Senior officials from MFL along with KVK scientists addressed the gathering. Technical lectures on FOM and LFOM were followed by a field demonstration and distribution of vermicompost and panchakavya. Farmers gained practical knowledge on soil health management and reducing chemical fertilizer dependence. The activity encouraged farmers to adopt FOM practices in their fields.



ICAR- KVK, Thiruvannamalai, Tamil Nadu

Exposure visit to Centre of Excellence for Millets under TSP

An exposure visit to the Centre of Excellence for Millets (CEM), Athiyandal was organized on March 24, 2025, with the participation of 25 tribal millet growers. The visit aimed to create awareness on improved millet varieties, crop management practices, and value addition opportunities to enhance productivity. During the programme, farmers interacted with experts and received practical guidance on Integrated Pest Management technologies, cultivation methods, and newly released high-yielding millet varieties. The programme also included a visit to the Millet Cafeteria established at CEM, where participants learned about millet-based products and value chain opportunities, helping them strengthen their knowledge and practices in millet cultivation.



ICAR-KVK, Thiruvarur, Tamil Nadu

Training on Scientific Storage Practices and Post-Harvest Loss Minimization



A training programme on increasing productivity, scientific storage practices, and minimization of post-harvest losses was organized in collaboration with CWC officials on March 12, 2025, at KVK Thiruvarur, which was attended by 45 farmers. The objective of the programme was to sensitize farmers about advanced storage techniques and post-harvest management to minimize losses. Technical sessions were handled by KVK staff along with CWC resource persons. The training included lectures and demonstrations on scientific storage methods,

improved handling, and quality maintenance of farm produce. Farmers gained valuable knowledge on safeguarding produce and ensuring better returns. The programme enhanced awareness of sustainable income through reduced post-harvest losses.

ICAR-KVK, Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu

Watershed Yatra" A Mass Outreach Campaign in Thoothukudi District

A Watershed Yatra awareness campaign under WDC-PMKSY 2.0 was organized in collaboration with the Department of Agriculture in 12 village panchayats of Thoothukudi district with the participation of 160 farmers, youth, and farm women. The objective was to create awareness on water conservation, soil health, and sustainable agricultural practices. The programme involved officials from the Department of Agriculture and KVK staff as resource persons. Awareness was created through short films, picture displays, interactive lectures, and street plays highlighting the importance of watershed development. Participants gained knowledge on collective action for soil and water conservation. The campaign motivated community participation and strengthened understanding of sustainable farming approaches.



ICAR-KVK, Tiruchirapalli, Tamil Nadu

Awareness programmes on Integrated Farming system

An awareness programme on Integrated Farming System (IFS) was organized at the fields of farmer beneficiaries in Kosavampatti and Mudhalipatti villages of Thottiyam block, and Nettavelampatti and Sirunavalur villages of Uppiliyapuram block. The programme emphasized diversification through integration of crop cultivation with allied enterprises such as dairy farming, goat rearing, fruit tree farming, beekeeping, and vermicompost production. The benefits of IFS, including enhanced productivity, diversified income, improved soil health, reduced environmental impact, and greater farm resilience, were highlighted as a sustainable and viable approach. Experts explained value addition in dairy products, IFS components, crop stimulants, and bio-input production from farm waste. NABARD officials also addressed farmers, stressing the potential of IFS to ensure year-round sustainable income. More than 200 farmers actively participated and benefitted from the programme.



ICAR - KVK, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu

On-Campus Training on Beekeeping Techniques and Value Addition in Honey



An on-campus training programme on beekeeping techniques was organized at KVK Tirunelveli on March 17, 2025, with the participation of 32 farmers. The objective of the programme was to create awareness on the importance of apiculture in agriculture and to build farmer capacity in scientific beekeeping. KVK staff explained various aspects such as types of bees, site selection for an apiary, maintenance of bee colonies, management of pests and diseases, honey extraction, and value addition. Special focus was given to the Indian bee, *Apis cerana indica*. Participants gained practical knowledge on

improving income generation through sustainable apiculture practices.

ICAR- KVK, Tiruppur, Tamil Nadu

Diagnostic Visit to Gourds and Melon Fields with Intercrops

A two-day sponsored training on 'Primary Processing, Storage and Packing of Fruits and Vegetables' was organized at KVK with the participation of 48 farmers and 22 students. The objective of the programme was to create awareness on post-harvest management and value addition for improving income and reducing losses. Expert lectures were delivered on pre-processing technologies of fruits, vegetables, and green leafy vegetables. Practical demonstrations on dehydration techniques for green leafy vegetables were conducted, and emphasis was given to packaging methods and export opportunities. The participants gained valuable insights on scientific handling, processing, and marketing, enhancing their entrepreneurial prospects.



ICAR-KVK, Vellore, Tamil Nadu

Skilled Training on Grafting Technology in Vegetable crops

A skilled training on grafting technology in vegetable crops was organized from March 27–29, 2025 at KVK, Virinjipuram, with the participation of 32 farmers. The objective of the programme was to impart practical skills on grafting in tropical vegetable crops. Dr. R. Jagadeesan, SMS (Horticulture), facilitated the training. The programme included demonstrations on cleft/wedge grafting of 15-day-old brinjal seedlings with 30-day-old *Solanum torvum* rootstocks to induce tolerance against root knot nematode, wilt, and sucking pests. Participants gained knowledge on raising rootstocks, nursery management, and grafting techniques. The activity enhanced their confidence and provided hands-on experience, resulting in the acquisition of practical skills in vegetable grafting.



ICAR-KVK, Villupuram-I, Tamil Nadu

Training's on Fermented Organic Manure at KVK Villupuram



An awareness cum demonstrations on Fermented Organic Manure (FOM) were organized on March 19, 2025 (off-campus) and March 27, 2025 (on-campus) in Villupuram district, Tamil Nadu, with the participation of farmers and farm women. The objective of the programme was to create awareness on the role of FOM in improving soil health and promoting organic farming practices. Lectures on soil health management, scope, and importance of FOM and Liquid Fermented Organic Manure were delivered by KVK scientists. Demonstrations on the preparation and application of FOM were conducted. Participants gained knowledge on eco-friendly soil fertility management, and the activity promoted the adoption of organic farming practices.

ICAR-KVK, Villupuram-II, Tamil Nadu

Awareness and demonstrations for popularization of FOM / LFOM

An awareness-cum-demonstration programme on Fermented Organic Manure (FOM) products was organized in collaboration with SLR Bio Energy Company, Cuddalore, on March 25, 2025, at KVK Campus, Kallakurichi, with the participation of 62 farmers. The objective was to promote organic farming practices and soil fertility management through FOM/LFOM products. Dr. M. Vimalarani, Senior Scientist & Head, delivered the presidential address, while Dr. P. Murugan, Scientist (Agronomy), and Thiru Vigneshwaran, Production Engineer, acted as resource persons. Technical lectures and demonstrations on FOM types, nutrient contents, application methods, and field demonstrations in sesame and maize were conducted. Farmers gained practical knowledge on effective FOM use, encouraging wider adoption of organic practices in the district.



ICAR-KVK, Virudhunagar, Tamil Nadu

Skill Training on “Quality Seed Production Techniques in Millets”

A five-day Skill Training on “Quality Seed Production Techniques in Millets” was organized from March 17–21, 2025 at ICAR-KVK, Virudhunagar with sponsorship of ICAR-IIMR (SCSP), in which 50 Scheduled Caste farmers, farm women and rural youth participated. The objective of the training was to enhance knowledge and skills in scientific seed production for improving farmers’ income. Dr. Chelvi Ramessh, Programme Coordinator, inaugurated the programme and highlighted the importance of millet seed production. Technical lectures on seed production, varietal selection, INM, IPM, and certification were delivered by KVK and RRS scientists, along with hands-on training on seed treatment, testing, processing, storage and sanitation. Participants gained knowledge on quality seed standards and market linkage, leading to improved skills and awareness.



Andhra Pradesh

ICAR-KVK, Anantapur 1 (Reddipalli), Andhra Pradesh

Convergence Meeting on Empowering Livelihoods of Women farmers in Agri / Horticulture sector



A convergence meeting on Empowering Livelihoods of Women Farmers in Agri/Horticulture Sector was organized on March 11, 2025, at Velugu Office, Bathalapalli, Sri Sathya Sai District, with 45 participants including women farmers, officials, and NGO representatives. The objective was to create awareness on opportunities in processing and value addition of agri-horticultural crops. The program involved KVK staff (Smt. K. Sudha Rani, SMS Home Science), Dr. K. Ramasubbaiah (Coordinator, DAATTC), Sri Chandra Sekhar (DHO), and other stakeholders. Key discussions focused on convergence of activities between universities, departments, and NGOs. Participants gained knowledge on value addition, market prospects, and collaborative approaches for livelihood enhancement.

ICAR-KVK, Anantapur 2 (Kalyandurg), Andhra Pradesh

Training programme on Diseases in poultry and its management.

A training programme on Diseases in Poultry and their Management was conducted on March 21, 2025, at A.F. Ecology, Kalyandurg, with 68 participants including livestock farmers and staff. The objective was to create awareness on prevention and management of poultry diseases for sustainable production. KVK scientists and subject experts served as resource persons. The sessions covered prevention of bird flu, its symptoms and treatment, large-scale poultry production and management practices, importance of deworming and vaccination, and preparation of concentrate feed using locally available feedstuffs. Participants gained knowledge on scientific disease management, feeding practices, and biosecurity measures, which will help improve poultry health and farm profitability.



ICAR-KVK, Chittoor 1 (RASS), Andhra Pradesh

"International Women's Day and Technology Day celebration-2025"

An animal health camp was conducted on March 17, 2025, at Thimmaiahgunta village, Renigunta mandal, with the participation of farmers and farm women, covering 85 animals. The objective of the camp was to provide preventive and curative veterinary services for improving livestock health and productivity. The programme was facilitated by the SMS (Veterinary Science), Veterinary Doctor, and RASS Mahila Jyothi staff. During the camp, treatments were provided for cases of anoestrus, diarrhoea, repeat breeding, skin allergies, and wounds, along with pregnancy diagnosis in 13 cattle. Deworming and deticking were carried out for all animals. Farmers gained practical knowledge on livestock health management, leading to improved animal care practices.



ICAR- KVK, Chittoor 2 (Kalikiri), Andhra Pradesh

Seminar on Pest & Disease Management, Fruit Care Activities and Marketing in Mango



A seminar on Pest and Disease Management, Fruit Care Activities, and Marketing in Mango was organized by the Department of Horticulture, Annamayya District on March 13, 2025, at KVK, Kalikiri, for 100 farmers. The objective of the seminar was to enhance mango production and quality by educating farmers on best practices for pest and disease management, fruit care, and marketing strategies. The event involved Dr. K. Manjula, Programme Coordinator, KVK, Kalikiri, Dr. P. Maheswar Reddy, Senior Scientist, RARS, Tirupati, and officials from agriculture and allied sectors. The programme included

lectures on integrated management of mango hoppers, defoliators, fruit fly, fruit borer, anthracnose, and nutrient management, enabling participants to adopt improved pest control, pruning, and fertilization practices.

ICAR - KVK, East Godavari 1 (Kalavacharla), Andhra Pradesh

SC SP- Exposure visit of farmers and farm women to KVK, Kalavacharla

An exposure visit for farmers and farm women to various demonstration units was organized on March 25, 2025, at Kalavacharla, with around 50 participants including farmers and farm women. The objective was to provide practical knowledge on livestock, horticulture, and value addition technologies. Demonstrations included Black Bengal goat and poultry units (Nicobari, Sreenidhi, and Aseel), vegetable crop management, and preparation of value-added products from jackfruit. Rice storage bins were also distributed to the farm women. Participants gained hands-on experience in livestock rearing, crop production, and post-harvest processing, enhancing their skills and knowledge for improving productivity and farm income.



ICAR-KVK, East Godavari 2 (Pandirimamidi), Andhra Pradesh

Demonstration of Jeeluga neera collection, syrup and Jaggery preparation.

A demonstration on Jeeluga neera collection, syrup, and jaggery preparation was organized on March 27, 2025 at Kundhada (M. Mamidi), Maredumilli, with the participation of 30 farmers. The objective was to create awareness about traditional sweetener preparation and its potential as an additional income source for tribal farmers. Dr. K. Rajendra Prasad, Sr. Scientist (Horti.) & Head, along with the village president Mohan Reddy, guided the program. The activity involved a live demonstration of neera extraction, syrup boiling, and jaggery making. Farmers gained hands-on knowledge about the processing steps and value addition. The outcome highlighted opportunities for promoting local jaggery as a niche market product.



ICAR-KVK, Guntur (Lam), Andhra Pradesh

Livestock & agri inputs distribution to farmers for Income generation



A livestock and agri-inputs distribution program was organized on March 25, 2025 at KVK, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, where 75 farmers received piglets, backyard poultry birds, Super Napier fodder slips, organic manure drums, and sesame seeds under the CFLD Oilseeds program. The objective of the activity was to promote sustainable livelihoods, improve farm income, and enhance nutritional security. The program was inaugurated by the Honorable Vice Chancellor of SVVU and the Director of Extension, SVVU. Farmers received practical training on livestock management, poultry rearing, fodder cultivation, organic composting, and scientific

sesame farming. Participants gained hands-on knowledge to increase productivity and income, strengthening rural livelihoods and farm sustainability.

ICAR-KVK, Kadapa 1 (Utukur), Andhra Pradesh

Event - National Kisan Mela & Industry Meet – 2025

A training program, method demonstration, and awareness session was organized on March 7, 2025 at Ippenta (V), CKDinne (M) with the participation of 21 farmers. The program covered integrated management of pests and diseases in chili, a method demonstration of female fruit fly traps in mango, and awareness on measures to be taken during flowering and fruit set in mango. The event was led by Dr. S. Manasa, SMS (Horti.), with active participation from the Horticulture Officer and Agriculture Officer of CKDinne. The program enabled farmers to gain practical knowledge on pest and disease control, fruit fly management, and scientific practices for improving mango productivity, thereby strengthening sustainable horticultural practices in the region.



ICAR-KVK, Kadapa 2 (Vonipenta), Andhra Pradesh

Awareness programme on demonstration to the farmers on "Fermented Organic Manures and LFOM through KVKs at KVK, Vonipenta

An awareness programme on Fermented Organic Manures was conducted on March 26, 2025, to educate farmers on the production technology, nutritional composition, methods of application, and benefits of FOM in improving soil health and preventing soil organic matter deterioration. The event was attended by 97 farmers, including 10 FOM project beneficiaries, and 12 RHWEF students. Subject Matter Specialists and scientists from the FOM project explained the practical aspects of FOM production, application, and reclamation strategies for degraded soils. Participants gained knowledge on sustainable organic farming practices, enhancing soil fertility, and boosting crop productivity. The programme empowered farmers to adopt FOM for long-term soil and farm sustainability.



ICAR-KVK, Krishna 1 (Garikapadu), Andhra Pradesh

Training programme on dyeing and printing through ecofriendly synthetic dyes on textile fabrics



A training programme on dyeing and printing using eco-friendly synthetic dyes on textile fabrics was conducted from March 20 to 21, 2025, at KVK, Garikapadu for 30 SC extension personnel under the SC Sub-Plan. The programme aimed to develop entrepreneurship among SC women and youth through skill development. KVK staff explained required raw materials, procedures, safety precautions, and demonstrated dyeing and printing techniques. Participants performed hands-on

exercises, prepared samples, and showcased their creations in an exhibition during the valedictory session. Certificates and informational folders were distributed. Participants gained practical skills in textile dyeing and printing, enhancing their potential for income generation and entrepreneurship.

ICAR-KVK, Krishna 2 (Ghantasala), Andhra Pradesh

Kisan mela to SC farmers under DAPSC

A Kisan Mela was organized on March 25, 2025, at SC adopted villages Venkatapuram and Mopidevi under DAPSC, Ghantasala, for 270 participants including farmers, VAAs, students, and officials. The programme aimed to create awareness on summer cultivation practices and crop management. The event was attended by the Programme Coordinator, KVK, Ghantasala, and Hon'ble MLA, Sri Mandali Budda Prasad as chief guest. Technical sessions and demonstrations covered soil testing, summer ploughing, rodent management, and raising horticultural crops in shade nets, followed by a Farmer-Scientist interaction addressing farmers' queries. Participants gained practical knowledge on improved summer crop practices, enhancing productivity and farm management. The activity facilitated direct problem-solving and adoption of recommended practices.



➤ ICAR-KVK, Kurnool 1 (Yagantipalle), Andhra Pradesh

Farmer-Scientist Interaction Meet on Conservation Agriculture Practices

A Farmer-Scientist interaction meeting on conservation agricultural practices in rainfed situations was organized on March 19, 2025, in association with ICAR-CRIDA, Hyderabad, at Dhone and Nandikotkur divisions, attended by 114 farmers. The objective of the programme was to create awareness on minimum tillage, conservation furrows, crop rotation, water harvesting structures, and other sustainable practices. KVK staff and CRIDA scientists shared experiences and technical insights on cover crops, crop residue management, soil health cards, organic carbon improvement, and integration of PMDS with conservation agriculture. Farmers exchanged field experiences on soybean-chickpea sequence cropping with BBF method. Participants gained knowledge on sustainable practices, achieving up to 14% yield advantage over conventional methods.



➤ ICAR-KVK, Kurnool 2 (Banavasi), Andhra Pradesh

Exposure visit for Spain internship students under Rural Development Trust



An Exposure Visit was organized for Spain internship students under Rural Development Trust on March 01, 2025, at KVK, Banavasi, involving 30 students. The objective of the visit was to familiarize students with the functioning of KVK and its role in rural development. KVK staff explained various services provided to farmers, the institute's mandates, and ongoing agricultural activities. The visit included demonstrations and explanations of KVK programs and farmer-oriented interventions. Students gained practical insights into the operations of KVK, extension services, and technology dissemination. The outcome enhanced their understanding of rural agricultural systems and inspired ideas for future interventions in sustainable farming practices.

➤ ICAR-KVK, Nellore1 (Nellore), Andhra Pradesh

Field Day on Demonstration of White Jowar Variety NTJ-5 under FLD

A Field Day was conducted on the Demonstration of White Jowar Variety NTJ-5 under FLD on March 11, 2025, at Kampasamudram (V), Marripadu (M), SPSR Nellore district, with participation of farmers. The objective was to showcase the performance, yield potential, and adaptability of NTJ-5 under local conditions. KVK scientists facilitated the programme and interacted with farmers. The activity included field demonstrations, crop observation, and an interaction session, along with collection of farmer feedback through video recordings. Farmers gained knowledge on the superiority of NTJ-5 over traditional varieties in terms of quality and yield. The outcome indicated positive farmer response and interest in wider adoption.



ICAR-KVK, Nellore 2 (Periyavaram), Andhra Pradesh

Awareness programme on Importance and usage of Fermented Organic Manure

An awareness programme on the importance and usage of Fermented Organic Manure was conducted on March 13, 2025, at KVK, Periyavaram, Venkatagiri Mandal, with participation of farmers and farm women. The programme aimed to create awareness on organic manures, their scarcity, and promote FOM/LFOM as sustainable alternatives in organic and natural farming. KVK staff delivered lectures on the scope and importance of FOM and LFOM, soil analysis and sample collection, and Integrated Nutrient Management practices in groundnut. Practical demonstrations on FOM preparation and its benefits were also conducted. Participants gained knowledge on improving soil fertility and crop productivity through organic inputs.



ICAR-KVK, Prakasam-2 (Kandukur), Andhra Pradesh

Skill development training (five days) on value addition to fruits under SCSP



A follow-up visit under the program “Nutri Smart Village – Pakala” was conducted on March 11, 2025, at Pakala (V), Singarayakonda (M), covering FLDs on establishment of community nutri-gardens and biofortified millet blocks for nutritional security, with 32 participants including 20 women. The objective was to assess food consumption patterns post-intervention, document yields of vegetables, green leafy vegetables, and millets, and analyze their use for household consumption and income. IIHR vegetable seed kits were distributed under SCSP and the importance of including

vegetables, fruits, and millets in daily diets was emphasized. Awareness was created on scientific nutri-garden management to ensure 1 kg/day organic produce year-round, addressing micronutrient deficiencies and strengthening Pakala’s vision as a Nutri-Smart Village.

ICAR-KVK, Srikakulam (Amadalavalasa), Andhra Pradesh

FOM project- Awareness and Demonstrations for popularization of FOM/ LFOM through KVKs"

An awareness programme on Fermented Organic Manure and Liquid Fermented Organic Manure was organized on March 19, 2025, at KVK, Amadalavalasa with participation of 40 farmers. The programme aimed to educate farmers on the importance of FOM/LFOM in enhancing soil health and improving crop productivity. Guest experts Sri M. Mrithyunjay Das, Zonal Marketing Manager, National Fertilizers Limited, Visakhapatnam, Sri K. Dhanunjay, Marketing Manager, Vizag Bioenergy Pvt. Ltd., Visakhapatnam, and Sri M. Mohan Rao, Mandal Agricultural Officer, Amadalavalasa delivered lectures on FOM/LFOM preparation, nutrient status, and its application. Participants gained knowledge on sustainable soil fertility management practices and improved crop productivity.



➤ ICAR-KVK, Vishakapatnam 1 (Haripuram), Andhra Pradesh

Training on “Best Practices for Safe, Effective and Judicious Pesticide Use”.

A training programme on “Best Practices for Safe, Effective and Judicious Pesticide Use” was organized by the Department of Agriculture and District Resource Centre on March 10, 2025, at Marripalem, Rambilli Mandal, Anakapalli district, with 24 farmers (16 OC, 8 OBC) participating. The objective was to create awareness on safe and efficient pesticide use in paddy. Shri B. Nagendra Prasad (SMS-Plant Protection), Smt. C. Sumantha (MAO), and Smt. P. Vijetha (AO) served as resource persons and explained pest identification, pesticide selection, dosage, application methods, and the 4R principle along with demonstrating plant protection equipment. Participants gained knowledge on reducing risks to health, environment, and enhancing natural pest control, thereby strengthening sustainable pest management practices.



➤ ICAR-KVK, Visakhapatnam 2 (Kondempudi), Andhra Pradesh

Training Programme on organic jaggery preparation



A training programme on organic jaggery preparation was conducted on March 2025 at Neelamputtu, Hukkumpeta Mandal, with the participation of 28 farmers. The objective of the programme was to educate tribal farmers on producing high-quality jaggery with enhanced nutritional value using organic methods. The training covered the benefits of organic jaggery, its distinction from conventional jaggery, and the growing market demand and opportunities. Farmers were guided on selecting high-quality sugarcane, avoiding the use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides, and following proper steps in organic jaggery preparation. Additionally, best practices for hygienic packaging,

preventing contamination, and maintaining suitable storage conditions to extend shelf life were demonstrated. The programme enabled farmers to gain practical knowledge for value addition and improved market linkage.

➤ ICAR-KVK, Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh

Awareness programme on Fermented Organic Manure

An awareness programme on Fermented Organic Manure (FOM) under the FOM project was conducted on March 28, 2025, at KVK with the participation of 40 farmers. The objective was to create awareness and demonstrate the preparation and use of FOM for improving soil health and crop productivity. Sri P. Dhanunjay, Senior Fertilizer Executive, Vizag Bio Energy Pvt. Ltd., participated as the resource person, along with KVK scientists. The programme included an introduction to the project, nutrient composition, preparation methods, and importance of FOM in organic farming. Farmers gained knowledge on practical use of FOM and expressed interest in adopting the technology.



ICAR- KVK, West Godavari 1 (Undi), Andhra Pradesh

Training programme on Scientific Bee Keeping

A seven-day training programme on “Scientific Beekeeping” was conducted at KVK, Undi, in collaboration with the National Bee Board (NBB) from March 1–7, 2025, with active participation of farmers, youth, and farm women. The objective was to impart scientific knowledge and practical skills on apiculture and its commercial prospects. Dr. N. Mallukharjuna Rao, Programme Coordinator, along with experts, facilitated sessions on apiculture importance, handling of bee colonies, stingless beekeeping, honey product branding, marketing, and FSSAI certification. Practical demonstrations on colony management and exhibitions of bee products were organized. Participants gained hands-on skills, knowledge of market opportunities, and motivation to adopt beekeeping as an enterprise.



ICAR- KVK, West Godavari (VR Gudem), Andhra Pradesh

Demonstration of bagging in Mango



A demonstration on mango bagging was conducted on March 17th, 2025 at Prakashraopalem village, Nallajerla mandal, East Godavari district, with the participation of five farmers. The objective was to showcase a simple and effective method to enhance fruit quality and minimize fruit fly infestation. During the session, farmers received a practical demonstration on using 150 g double-layer bags to cover mango fruits, with emphasis on closing the neck tightly to avoid air entry. The activity highlighted the benefits of bagging in improving fruit appearance,

preventing pest and abiotic damage, and ensuring higher market prices. Each farmer received 500 covers for adoption.

Telangana

ICAR- KVK, Adilabad, Telangana

Kisan Mela on High Density Planting System (HDPS) in Cotton

Kisan Mela on High Density Planting System (HDPS) in Cotton was organized on March 25, 2023 at KVK under the ICAR-CICR Special Project on Cotton. The objective of the program was to create awareness among farmers on HDPS technology and its potential to enhance cotton productivity. The event was attended by dignitaries including Dr. M. Yakadri, Director of Extension, PJTAU, Hyderabad, and Dr. V. Shanthi, Principal Scientist (Seed Science and Technology), ICAR-CICR, Nagpur, along with scientists and KVK staff. More than 700 farmers participated. Demonstrations were carried out in 226 acres across the district. Farmers gained practical insights on canopy management, pest control, and yield improvement. Adoption of HDPS is expected to improve cotton yields by 20 to 40 per cent.



ICAR- KVK, Khammam 1 (Wyra), Telangana

Kisan mela cum Agricultural exhibition on HDPS cotton

A Kisan Mela was organized on March 12, 2025 at Khammam with the participation of 472 farmers and stakeholders to create awareness and popularize farmer friendly technologies. The program was graced by experts and officials from agriculture and allied sectors. Dr. Veeranna, Principal Scientist (Cotton), highlighted the advantages and benefits of HDPS cotton technology. Dr. K. Rukhmini Devi, Principal Scientist and Head, provided insights on pulse varieties, production technologies, and pest management. Dr. V. Venkanna, Principal Scientist and Head, RARS Warangal, shared improved paddy management practices, while Dr. S. Om Prakash, Scientist (Entomology), focused on pest control in paddy and cotton. Officials from Agriculture, Horticulture, and Veterinary Departments explained schemes and district-level initiatives. Various departments exhibited technologies through stalls, enabling farmers to interact with experts and clarify queries, thereby enhancing their technical knowledge.



ICAR- KVK, Khammam 2 (Bhadradi Kothagudem), Telangana

Training programme on Fundamentals of Agricultural Extension

A training programme on Fundamentals of Agricultural Extension – A glance and guide to follow for effective agricultural extension services was organized on March 12, 2025 with the participation of 85 farmers and farm women. The objective was to equip participants with knowledge and skills for delivering effective extension services. The programme was attended by Smt. Vijaya Gowri, DDA, WALAMTARI, Hyderabad, Smt. Sunitha, ADA, WALAMTARI, Hyderabad, and Smt. Rajeshwari, MAO, Chuchupalli Mandal, along with resource persons Dr. V. Lakshmi Narayanamma, Dr. S. Naveen Kumar, and Dr. R. Srinivasa Rao. Sessions focused on water conservation, extension methodologies, and alternate wetting and drying in rice cultivation. Participants gained enhanced awareness on sustainable practices and efficient extension approaches, leading to improved readiness for field-level application.



ICAR- KVK, Karimnagar 1(Jammikunta), Telangana

Kisan Mela on HDPS Cotton

Under the ICAR-CICR Special Project on Cotton titled “Targeting technologies to agro-ecological zones / large-scale demonstrations of best practices to enhance cotton productivity,” a Kisan Mela was organized at Jammikunta, Karimnagar district, Telangana on march 22, 2025, attended by 675 participants including farmers, women farmers, RAWEP students, and representatives from seed companies. The primary objective of the event was to create awareness about High-Density Planting System (HDPS) cotton cultivation and promote the use of pneumatic seed planters for precise and uniform sowing, thereby enhancing productivity and profitability under rainfed conditions. The programme demonstrated innovative practices to improve cotton yields and farm income.

Sri Bandi Sanjay Kumar Garu, Honourable Minister of State for Home Affairs, Government of India, graced the event as Chief Guest, appreciating the initiatives and emphasizing the critical role of agriculture in the national economy. Dr. Shaik N. Meera, Director of ATARI, Zone 10, Hyderabad, attended as Guest of Honor and highlighted the impact of the interventions. Farmers learned that HDPS cotton provides 20–30% higher yields than conventional methods, especially in shallow soils with well-distributed rainfall. Practical demonstrations of pneumatic seed planters provided hands-on understanding of uniform sowing and improved crop establishment. Participants gained knowledge on HDPS benefits and expressed interest in adopting the system, indicating the event’s effectiveness in promoting modern cotton cultivation techniques and enhancing farm profitability.



ICAR- KVK, Mahabubnagar-1 (Madanapuram), Telangana

Training programme on Millet processing and Value addition

A Training Programme on Millet Processing and Value Addition was conducted on March 10, 2025, at Pidampalli village, Narayanpet district, for 15 women members of FPOs. The aim of the programme was to enhance the knowledge and skills of women farmers on processing millets and preparing value-added millet products. R. Anitha, SMS (Home Science), explained the types and nutritional importance of millets in the human diet and demonstrated the use of machinery for primary processing, including destoning, grading, and dehulling. Hands-on experience was provided for preparing millet-based products such as health mix, ragi malt, instant khichdi mix, millet chocolate, and cookies. Participants gained practical skills to promote millet-based entrepreneurship and nutrition.



➤ ICAR-KVK, Mahabubnagar 2 (Palem), Telangana

Kisan Mela cum Agriculture Exhibition under Cotton Project

A Kisan Mela cum Agriculture Exhibition under the Cotton Project was organized on March 10, 2025 with the participation of 738 farmers and rural youth. The objective of the programme was to create awareness on High Density Planting System (HDPS) in cotton for enhancing productivity, reducing input costs, and promoting sustainable farming. The event was graced by Dr. K. Rajesh Reddy, MLA, Nagarkurnool as Chief Guest, along with officials and scientists including Dr. C. Sudhakar, ADR, RARS Palem, Sri M. Chandra Shekhar, DAO, Nagarkurnool, and others. Exhibition stalls were inaugurated showcasing models by KVK staff, students, and private companies. Farmers gained knowledge on HDPS cotton practices, sowing techniques, and timely use of growth regulators. The outcome was increased interest among farmers to adopt HDPS cotton cultivation in the coming season.



➤ ICAR- KVK, Mancherial (Bellampalli), Telangana

Training cum awareness programme on Natural Farming under out scaling of Natural Farming Project



A two-day training programme on Natural Farming under the Outscaling of Natural Farming Project was conducted from March 15th to 16th, 2025 at Jhuri, Sakada village of Kerameri mandal, KB Asifabad district and Shivalingapur village of Chennur mandal, Mancherial district with 48 farmers. The objective was to promote natural farming practices for soil health management and reduced chemical use. The programme involved Dr. Shivakrishna Kota, Programme Coordinator, Dr. I. Thirupathi, SMS (Crop Production), Sri A. Nagaraju, SMS (Plant Protection), and Sri Kendriya Balaji, a practicing natural farmer. Sessions covered crop rotation, vermicomposting, crop residue management, and integrated pest

management. Farmers gained practical knowledge on sustainable practices, motivating them to adopt natural farming methods in their fields.

➤ ICAR- KVK, Medak-1 (Zaheerabad), Telangana

SCSP Training-cum-Input Distribution Programme for SC Farmers

A Training-cum-Input Distribution Programme under the Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) in collaboration with ICAR-IIMR's Global Centre of Excellence was organized on March 27, 2025 at DDS KVK, Zaheerabad with the participation of 70 SC farmers from 11 villages of Sangareddy district, along with officials from Agriculture Department and SC Corporation. The objective was to promote organic and sustainable agriculture and improve income through crop and livestock-based interventions. The programme was attended by Shri K. Shiva Prasad, District Agriculture Officer, Shri Bikshapathi, ADA, and Shri Rama Chary, ED, SC Corporation. Sessions focused on sustainable farming, seed diversity, and pest management. Inputs including bio-fertilizers, farm equipment, seeds, and livestock units were distributed. Participants gained knowledge and input support, leading to enhanced livelihoods and resilience.



ICAR-KVK, Medak-2 (Tuniki), Telangana

Kisan Mela on High Density Planting System in Cotton under Special project on Cotton

A Kisan Mela on High-Density Planting System (HDPS) in cotton under the ICAR-CICR Special Project was organized on March 10, 2025 at Markook, Siddipet with the participation of 489 farmers, KVK scientists, Agriculture Department officials, NGOs, and private companies. The objective was to create awareness on HDPS technology and its role in enhancing cotton productivity. The programme was attended by Dr. S. D. Nalkar, Senior Scientist and Head, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Programme Coordinator, DAATTC, and DAO Siddipet. Technical sessions highlighted HDPS demonstrations on 560 acres with 266 farmers, canopy management, crop rotation, and its potential yield of 10–12 quintals/acre. Farmers also learned that HDPS reduces pink bollworm damage by 30–40%. A farmer feedback session and 20 exhibition stalls further enriched the programme.



ICAR-KVK, Nalgonda 1 (Gaddipally), Telangana

Training on Vermicomposting and Distribution of Portable Vermi Beds for SC & ST Farmers



A Training Programme cum Distribution of Portable Vermi Beds under Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) and Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) 2024-25 was conducted on March 27, 2025, at KVK Gaddipally, Garedpally mandal, Suryapet district, Telangana, for 10 farmers (5 SC and 5 ST). The programme aimed to train farmers on farm waste management and the production of organic manures using vermicompost. KVK scientists demonstrated the use of portable vermi beds and explained their importance in enhancing soil fertility and protecting farm produce. Participants gained practical knowledge on converting

farm waste into high-quality vermicompost, promoting sustainable farming practices and improved crop productivity.

ICAR- KVK, Nalgonda 2 (Kampasagar), Telangana

Kisan Mela on HDPS Cotton

A Kisan Mela on High-Density Planting System (HDPS) in cotton was organized on March 13, 2025 at KVK, Kampasagar, Tripuraram mandal, Nalgonda district with the participation of 316 farmers. The objective was to create awareness on HDPS cotton cultivation, pest management, seed selection, and efficient fertilizer use. The programme was attended by Dr. S. Srinivasa Rao, Programme Coordinator, Dr. N. Lingaiah, Senior Scientist and Head, ARS Kampasagar, Dr. K. Chandrashekar, SMS (Crop Production), and Smt. A. Ramulamma, SMS (Plant Protection), along with representatives from Veda Seeds, Nuziveedu Seeds, and Coromandel Company. Sessions focused on closer spacing technology, machine sowing, pest and disease management, suitable seed varieties, and soil carbon enrichment. Farmers gained practical insights on sustainable practices, with improved readiness to adopt HDPS technology for enhanced productivity.



➤ ICAR- KVK, Nizamabad (Rudrur), Telangana

Farmer Scientist Interaction

An awareness programme was conducted on the importance of the Integrated Farming System (IFS) and the role of new agricultural technologies suitable for crops in Nizamabad district. A total of 52 farmers participated in the event, where they were sensitized about adopting diversified enterprises for income stability and resource efficiency. The session highlighted improved crop practices, innovations, and their relevance to local conditions. Farmers actively expressed their views, shared experiences, and clarified their doubts during the discussions, which enhanced their understanding and encouraged them to adopt IFS and modern technologies for sustainable farming.



➤ ICAR- KVK, Ranga Reddy, Telanagana

Awareness Training Program cum Field Day on Cotton Shredder



A Cotton Shredder Awareness Training Program cum Field Day was organized on March 14, 2025, at Chittapur village, Manchal mandal, Rangareddy district, Telangana, with the participation of 52 farmers (32 men and 20 women), KVK scientists, staff members, and village representatives. The aim was to create awareness on the use and benefits of cotton shredders in crop residue management. Dr. S. Vijaya Kumar, SMS (Agricultural Engineering), acted as the resource person. The program included demonstrations and field explanations on shredding cotton stalks and incorporating them into the soil. Farmers gained knowledge on cost-effectiveness, soil health improvement, and reduced labour needs. The activity encouraged adoption of shredders for sustainable field operations.

➤ ICAR-KVK, Warangal-1 (Malyal), Telangana

Field day on Zero tillage in Maize under DAPSC (SCSP), 2024-25

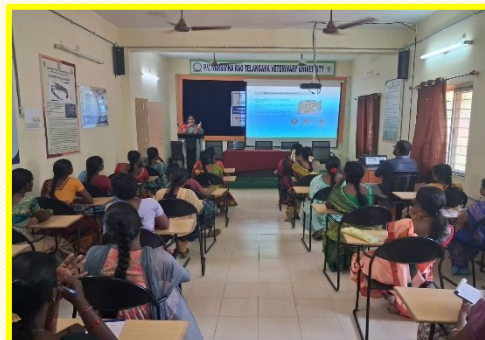
A Field Day on "Zero Tillage in Maize" under DAPSC (SCSP), 2024-25 was organized on March 22, 2025, at Kolhapur village of Gudur Mandal with the participation of 52 farmers from Kolhapur and Kambalapalli villages. The aim was to create awareness on the advantages and practices of zero tillage maize cultivation. Dr. S. Malathi, Programme Coordinator, addressed the gathering and explained sowing time, seed rate, herbicide use, and fertilizer management. Sri Laxman and other farmers shared their field experiences. Dr. N. Kishore Kumar, SMS (Extension), also participated. Farmers gained knowledge on yield improvement, cost savings, and sustainable practices, encouraging wider adoption in maize and pulses next year.



ICAR-KVK, Warangal 2 (Mamnoor), Telangana

Scientific sheep rearing and Farmers Mela

An awareness programme on Hygienic Handling Practices of Fish and Fishery Products, sponsored by NFDB & ICAR-ATARI Zone-X, was organized on March 19, 2025 at KVK, Mamnoor, Warangal District, with the participation of 30 members of the Fisherwomen Cooperative Society. The objective of the programme was to create awareness on hygienic handling, storage, and value addition of fish for better marketability. The sessions were facilitated by KVK Scientists and resource persons. Lectures and demonstrations were conducted on identification of quality fish, preparation of value-added products, storage, packaging, and transportation techniques. Participants gained practical knowledge on hygienic practices, value addition, and quality maintenance, leading to improved income opportunities and consumer safety.



Puducherry

ICAR-KVK, Puducherry, Puducherry

Skill Training for Rural Youth (STRY) on "Organic Farming"



A Skill Training for Rural Youth (STRY) on "Organic Farming" was conducted from March 17-22, 2025, sponsored by MANAGE, Hyderabad, and SAMETI, Puducherry, with the participation of 22 rural youth. The objective of the program was to impart skills and knowledge on organic farming and organic input production technologies. Lectures were delivered by KVK scientists on organic principles, soil health, pest and disease management, and certification processes. Method demonstrations were conducted on preparing

Panchagavya, Jeevamrit, Ghanajeevamrit, EM products, pest repellents, and biodynamic inputs, along with an exposure visit to an organic farm. The training enhanced participants' knowledge and hands-on skills in organic practices. Certificates were distributed to all participants on the concluding day.

ICAR-KVK, Karaikal, Puducherry

Entrepreneurship Development Programme on "Value Addition in Prawn"

An Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) on "Value Addition in Prawn" for fisherwomen was conducted at KVK, from March 3-5, 2025, with 20 SHG members participating. The aim was to equip fisherwomen with value addition, packaging, and labelling skills for entrepreneurship. Shri A. Nedunchezhiyan, I.A.S., Secretary (Agriculture), Government of Puducherry, interacted with the trainees, while Dr. S. Ravi, Programme Coordinator, inaugurated and Dr. V. Aravinth, SMS (Agronomy), coordinated the programme. Hands-on training covered shrimp pickle, shrimp 65, vadai, cutlet, tempura, gravy, and pakoda. Participants gained practical knowledge on product diversification and marketing opportunities. The programme resulted in enhanced entrepreneurial capacity and motivation to start prawn-based enterprises.



KVK Spotlight: Monthly Summary of Noteworthy Initiatives



Training Programme for Input Dealers under DAESI on Crop Production Practices in Banana.
(KVK, Kadapa-1, Utukur, AP)



Two-Day Training-cum-Awareness Programme on Natural Farming under Outscaling Project.
(KVK, Mancheril, Bellampalli, TG)



Training programme on High Density Planting System in cotton.
(KVK, Anantapuramu, Reddipalli, AP)



On-Campus Training on Farmers' Participatory Seed Production in Oilseed Crops for Scheduled Caste Farmers.
(KVK, Cuddalore, TN)



One-Day Workshop on Integrated Farming System Model Utilizing Available Water Resources.
(KVK, Thiruvannamalai, TN)



Training on Integrated Farming Systems under ARYA Programme.
(KVK, Dharmapuri, TN)



Animal Health Camp at Thimmaiahgutta Village, Renigunta Mandal.
(KVK, Chittoor RASS, AP)



FLD on Drone Spraying in Groundnut.
(KVK, Chittoor RASS, AP)



Training on Organic Farming under Popularization and Demonstrations for FOM and LFOM.
(KVK, Namakkal, TN)



ARYA Training on Integrated Farming Systems with Practical Demonstrations and Livestock Management Practices.
(KVK, Dharmapuri, TN)



Awareness Programme on Fermented and Liquid Fermented Organic Manure with Demonstrations on Organic Input Preparation and Use.
(KVK, Dharmapuri, TN)



PRA Exercise on Village Mapping at Lekkalavari Palli and Nallapureddy Palli.
(KVK, Kadapa, Vonipenta, TN)



Demonstration on Drenching Collar Region with Chlorpyrifos for Stem Weevil Management in Cotton under FLD Programme.
(KVK, Karaikal, PY)



Farmer Field School on Establishment of Nutri Garden for Krishi Sakhis
(KVK, Karaikal, PY)



Inter-State Exposure Visit of Farmers from Thiruvallur District.
(KVK, Chittoor, RASS, AP)



Marek's Vaccination for Newly Hatched Poultry Chicks.
(KVK, Krishna, Garikapadu, AP)



Training on Organic Farming under Popularization and Demonstrations for FOM and LFOM.
(KVK, Namakkal, TN)



Watershed Yatra - Lecture deliver as resource person
(KVK, Thoothukudi , TN)



Awareness and Demonstrations on Fermented Organic Manure under FOM Project at Nagar Village, Marakkanam Block.
(KVK, Villupuram I, TN)



Skill Development Training on "Value added products from Moringa"
(KVK, Virudhunagar, TN)



Kisan Mela-cum-Exhibition on HDPS, ELS, Pest, Disease, Water Management, and Mechanization in Cotton
(KVK, Namakkal, TN)



On-Campus Training on IPDM and Organic Input Protection Techniques for Farmers.
(KVK, Thoothukudi , TN)



Awareness Campaign on Coconut white fly management.
(KVK, Coimbatore, TN)



Off campus training to SC farmers & farm women on "Pacu fish culture in freshwater " under DAPSC programme.
(KVK, Karaikal , PY)



Method demonstration on preparation of Dashaparnikakashyaam to RHWEF students and farmers
(KVK, Kadapa, Vonipenta, AP)



Follow-Up Field Visits and Demonstration on Fruit Fly Trap Installation in Mango under FLD and OFT.
(KVK, Krishna, Ghantasala, AP)



Skill Development Training Programme on Mango value added products.
(KVK, Krishna, Ghantasala, AP)



Farmers exposure visit under ICAR IIMR CoE SCSP Millet Project.
(KVK, Coimbatore, TN)



Study Tour Visit of Sub Jailer Cadre Trainee Officers from APCA, Vellore
(KVK, Anantapuramu, Reddipalli, AP)



Skill Training of Rural Youth (STRY) on "Organic Farming".
(KVK, Puducherry, PY)



Awareness Programme on Ornamental Fish Culture.
(KVK, Coimbatore, TN)



Documentation of Successful Natural Farming Practices by Desi Paddy and Coconut Farmer P. Udayagiri in Pedappalam Village

(KVK, Visakhapatnam, BCT, AP)



Documentation of ITK practices and traditional tools of Kanyakumari district
(KVK, Kanyakumari, TN)



On campus training on Value Addition in Tomato
(KVK, Theni, TN)



Training Programme on Dyeing and Printing with Eco-Friendly Synthetic Dyes under SC Sub Plan.
(KVK, Krishna, Garikapadu, AP)



Training on Empowerment of Tribal Farmers on Bio-Intensive Production Technologies in Tribal Village Clusters of Thirupathur District.
(KVK, Krishnagiri, TN)



Exposure Visit of Budding Entrepreneurs to NIFTEM, Tanjore under EDP Component.
(KVK, Ariyalur , TN)



Skill Development Training Programme on "Value addition of Fish and Prawn Products".
(KVK, Krishna, Ghantasala, TN)



Training Programme on Vermicompost preparation.
(KVK, Krishna, Ghantasala, TN)



Training on Establishment techniques of nutrition garden in Anganwadi centre
(KVK, Erode , TN)



On campus training program on Improved Millet Cultivation and Value Addition.
(KVK, Vellore , TN)



Training on Improved production technologies in Bhendi under SCSP.
(KVK, Dharmapuri , TN)



FLD on "Demonstration on Fruit bagging in Mango".
(KVK, Nellore, Periyavaram, AP)



Extension Functionaries Training on Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) in Flower Crops.
(KVK, Kancheepuram, TN)



Training on Poultry Disease Management and Biosecurity Measures.
(KVK, Sivaganga, TN)



OFT on Assessment of Herbal Product (Stressol G) for Heat Stress Management in Cattle.
(KVK, Vellore, TN)



Field Visit for Recording Yield Attributes in Groundnut under CFLD Rabi Oilseeds at Soolankurichi Village
(KVK, Villupuram-II , TN)



Diagnostic Services for Nutrient Deficiency and Pest Incidence in Banana at Kandiyur
(KVK, Coimbatore, TN)



Field Day for FLD on Popularization of Groundnut Variety VRI-10 with Harvesting and Post-Harvest Demonstrations.
(KVK, Pudukkottai, TN)



Off campus training on paddy cultivation under organic farming and green fodder production under TSP scheme
(KVK, Namakkal, TN)



Off campus training on IPDM in pepper by using bio inputs under TSP scheme
(KVK, Namakkal, TN)



Exposure Visit of Tribal Millet Farmers to Centre of Excellence in Millet, Athiyandal under TSP Programme
(KVK, Thiruvannamalai, TN)



Group discussion on backyard poultry farming
(KVK, Visakhapatnam, BCT, AP)



Training on Oyster and Milky Mushroom Cultivation Techniques with Exposure Visit under ARYA Project
(KVK, Puducherry, PY)



Follow-up Visit to Dairy and Sheep Farms with Advisory on Vaccination Schedule and Bypass Fat Feeding Benefits
(KVK, Krishna, Garikapadu, AP)



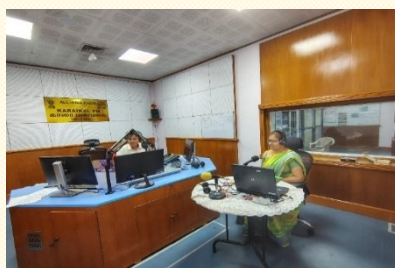
Assessment of Samviruddhi Feed Supplement for Milk Yield and Quality in Crossbred Cows
(KVK, Vellore, TN)



Off campus training on "Backyard poultry - Feeding Management"
(KVK, Thiruvarur, TN)



Awareness Programme on Community Tank Management for Enhanced Aquaculture Production
(KVK, Sivaganga, TN)



Live Radio Talk on Major Pests and Diseases Management in Cotton on AIR, Karaikal
(KVK, Karaikal, PY)



Training cum Awareness programme on Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights.
(KVK, Vellore, TN)



Capacity building programme on Eco friendly bag making for women, sponsored by NAARM Hyderabad (KVK, Warangal, Mamnoor, TG)



Skill Development Training Programme on Value addition to Millets, Cereals and Pulses (KVK, Krishna, Ghantasala, AP)



Diagnostic Field Visit to Maize for Crop Lodging Assessment and Biometric Observations (KVK, Krishna, Garikapadu, AP)



Diagnostic Visit to Cabbage Crop for Pest Management (KVK, Medak, Zaheerabad, TG)



Exposure Visit of Students to KVK (KVK, Kurnool, Banavasi, AP)



Training Programme and Distribution of Portable Vermi Beds under SCSP and TSP (KVK, Nalgonda, Gaddipally, TN)



Inter state exposure visit of farmers (KVK, Chittoor, RASS, AP)



Skill Development Training Programme on Value addition to Millets, Cereals and Pulses (KVK, Krishna, Ghantasala, TN)



One-Day Workshop on Millets Value Chain Management under ICAR-IIMR SCSP (KVK, Mahabubnagar, Madanapuram, TG)



Diagnostic Field Visit to Vegetable and Paddy Fields for Pest and Disease Management (KVK, Mahabubnagar, Palem, TG)



Skill training programme on Millet processing and Value addition under IIMR SCSP (KVK, Mahabubnagar, Madanapuram, TG)



Training Programme for Extension Personnel on Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Practices with Post-Test at Tadikonda (KVK, Guntur, AP)



Skill Development Training on Grafting Techniques in Brinjal and Tomato
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On-campus training on Dragon fruit cultivation and IPDM practices under SCSP scheme
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Mega Millet Mela under IIMR- SCSP project
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Training programme on Crop Production technologies & ICM management in maize
(KVK, Krishna, Garikapadu, AP)



Skill Development Training Programme on Value addition to Millets, Cereals and Pulses
(KVK, Krishna, Ghantasala, TN)



Training Programme on 'Improved Aquaculture practices in Farm Ponds'
(KVK, Sivaganga, TN)



FLD on Mango Bagging with Fruit Bag Distribution and Student Visit to KVK Demo Units
(KVK, West Godavari, VR Gudem, AP)



Training programme on Primary Processing, Strage, and Packing of Fruits and Vegetables
(KVK, Tiruppur, TN)



Training Programme for Extension Personnel on Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Practices with Post-Training Feedback at Ponnekall Village
(KVK, Guntur, AP)



Awareness cum Exposure on Millet Value Chain for FPOs under IIMR SCSP
(KVK, Mahabubnagar, Madanapuram, TG)



Mega Millet Mela under IIMR- SCSP project
(KVK, Dharmapuri, TN)



**Training cum Awareness Programme on PPV&FRA
(KVK, Theni, TN)**



**Advisory Services on Sheep Wound Treatment, and Goat Purchase for Farmers
(KVK, Thoothukudi, TN)**



**Five-Day Training on Poultry Farming with Fisheries, Including Practical Demonstrations and IFS Exposure
(KVK, Perambalur, TN)**



**Exposure visit for Spain internship students under Rural Development Trust
(KVK, Kurnool, Banavasi, AP)**



**Facilitation of Bioinputs and Vegetable Seeds, Avocado Planting, and Fragrant Coconut Oil Preparation
(KVK, Chittoor, Kalikiri, AP)**



**Monitoring and Field Visit for RAWEP and DBT Activities
(KVK, Vizianagaram, AP)**



**Training programme on Scientific bee keeping
(KVK, West Godavari, Undi, AP)**



**Field day in Black gram under CFLD
(KVK, East Godavari, Kondempudi, AP)**



**Field Diagnosis and Nutrient Management in Banana for Boron and Potassium Deficiency
(KVK, Coimbatore, TN)**



**Training on Drip Irrigation, Fertigation, Mulching, and Maize field visit for fall armyworm management
(KVK, Krishna, Ghantasala, AP)**



**Demonstration of Light Trap for Spodoptera litura Management in Black Gram
(KVK, Karaikal, PY)**



**Evaluation and Technological Support for Keeranur FPO Millet Processing Machineries under TNAU-FPO Linkage
(KVK, Pudukkottai, TN)**



Awareness on Rainwater Harvesting and Income Enhancement through Fish Culture in Dryland Farming Systems (KVK, Coimbatore, TN)



Field Demonstration on Integrated Management of Coconut Rugose Spiralling Whitefly and Garden Practices (KVK, Tiruppur, TN)



Method Demonstration on soil sampling (KVK, Erode, TN)



Off campus training on Spirulina culture Technology (KVK, Karaikal, PY)



Extension Activity- Fertility cum animal Health camp in SC adopted village under SCSP (KVK, Warangal, Mamnoor, TG)



Diagnostic field visit to apiary unit (KVK, Tirunelveli, TN)



National Millet Kisan Mela and Industry Meet - 2025 (KVK, Ranga Reddy, TG)



Training and demonstration on pruning techniques in guava - field (KVK, Tiruvallur, TN)



On campus training on Organic farming (KVK, Pudukkottai, TN)



Entrepreneurship Development Training on Millet Cookies Preparation for KVK Incubatee Mrs. Padma (KVK, Madurai, TN)



Field Visit to Observe Natural Farming Inputs Prepared by KVK-Trained Farmers (KVK, Kancheepuram, TN)



Farmers -Buyers- Scientist interaction meeting (KVK, Ramanathapuram, TN)



Entrepreneurship Development Programme on “Value Addition in Prawn”
(KVK, Karaikal, PY)



Preseason Training on Integrated Crop Management in Blackgram at Pulse Model Village, Pennagaram
(KVK, Dharmapuri, TN)



Diagnostic Field Visit to Rabi Maize (DHM 117) for Stalk Rot Management at Khanapur, Nagarkurnool
(KVK, Mahabubnagar, Palem, TG)



Vocational Training Programme on “Breeding and Culture of Ornamental Fishes”
(KVK, Karaikal, PY)



Skill Development Training on 'Hydroponics for Vegetable Production' under ARYA scheme
(KVK, Dharmapuri, TN)



Training on Natural Farming Techniques under “Outscaling Natural Farming through KVKs” Project
(KVK, Puducherry, PY)



Hands-on Poultry Farming Training for SC/ST Beneficiaries under Three-Day Skill Development Programme
(KVK, Sivaganga, TN)



Assessment of Samviruddhi Feed Supplement on Milk Yield, Fat Percentage, and SNF in Crossbred Dairy Cows
(KVK, Vellore, TN)



Training Programme on organic jaggery preparation
(KVK, Viskhapatnam, Kondempudi, AP)



Distribution of portable solar drier
(KVK, Nilgiris, TN)



Training on “Best Practices for Safe, Effective and Judicious Pesticide Use”.
(KVK, Visakhapatnam, BCT, AP)

Live web casting of PM Krishi Choupal Programme



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KVK, Cuddalore, TN



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KVK, Mahabubnagar,
Madanapuram, TG



KVK, Karur, TN



KVK, Villupuram-II, TN



KVK, Pudukkottai, TN



KVK, Anantapur, Reddipalli,
AP

International women day celebrations



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KVK, Guntur, AP



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KVK, Bellampalli, Mancherial, TG



KVK, Chittoor (RASS), AP



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World water day celebration, 22nd March 2025



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KVK, Rastakuntubai, AP



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