

## Eastern Regional Station, ICAR-IVRI, Kolkata Organised Training on “Goat Rearing and Entrepreneurship Development”

A two-day programme on **“Hands on Training for Goat Rearing and Entrepreneurship Development”**

was organised by Eastern Regional Station, ICAR-IVRI, Kolkata from 23-24 November, 2023. In total, nineteen (19) participants, mostly unemployed youths, progressive farmers and entrepreneurs from West Bengal participated in the training.



At the outset, the programme started with welcome address by Dr Arnab Sen, HoRC, ERS, ICAR-IVRI, Kolkata who briefed the participants about the objectives and importance of goat rearing in rural economy of India as a whole

and eastern and north-eastern regions, in particular. During his lecture on “Viral diseases of goat-their preventives”, Dr Sen stressed upon the need of vaccination of animals to protect them from killer diseases. Dr S. Naskar, Principal



Scientist and In-charge, Kalyani farm elaborated on “Shed management, health care and economics”. During his deliberation, Dr Naskar covered low cost housing and routine goat farm management practices giving more emphasis on care and management of pregnant does and new born kids.

On addressing the participants, Dr Dayamoy Mondal, Principal Scientist and Training In-charge discussed on “Importance of diseases of kid and goats and their treatment” and stressed upon about prevention and control methods of common but important bacterial and viral diseases of goat. Dr P. S. Banerjee, PS delivered

a talk on "Parasitic Diseases of goat and their management". Dr Banerjee also apprised the trainees about the importance of deworming, diagnosis and control of gastrointestinal parasitic diseases in small ruminants. Dr. S Bag, PS presented on "Stress –causes, effects and amelioration in goats". Briefing the participants, Dr A. K. Das, PS in an elaborative way discussed on the prospects of "Goat meat value chain to enhance farmers' income". The topic



on "Zoonotic diseases in goat and their prevention and control" was presented by Dr. S C Das, PS whereas Dr. P K Nanda, PS delivered a lecture on – "Integrated farming and use of bio manure". Dr Srikanta Ghosh, Emeritus Scientist discussed

in a detailed way on "Ectoparasites infestations in goat and management strategies". Resource persons from other institutes were also invited to acquaint the participants on nutrition and breeding aspects. Dr Ajay K Mondal, PS, ICAR-NDRI, Regional Station, Kalyani presented on "Breeding of goats for producing quality kids" whereas Dr A. Santra, PS deliberated on "Scientific feeding of goat for commercial mutton production".



In between the programmes, trainees were given practical exposure through video presentation on handling, care and management of pregnant does, new born kids, vaccination procedure, hoof trimming and method of castration which was explained by S.



Naskar and D. Mondal in a detailed way. The procedure of recording of data and identification of animals by tagging methods were also demonstrated to the trainees as well.

On completion, evaluation of the training programme was made through feedback form submitted by the trainees. This was followed by distribution of **Certificate and Training Manual** to all the participants. The participants appreciated the efforts of ERS, ICAR-IVRI, Kolkata for and vowed to start scientific way of goat farming through their acquired knowledge to become self-reliant and self-dependant (**Atmanirbhar**).