

**TEC-IVRI Pune organized follow-up visits, advocacy services, and health checkup of goats  
at Valati, Thorandle and Nagapur villages of Ambegaon, Pune (Maharashtra) on 18<sup>th</sup>  
March 2025 under SCSP programme**

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TEC, ICAR-IVRI Pune along with Department of Animal Husbandry, Maharashtra State, organized follow-up visits, advisory services, deworming of goats, distribution of mineral and vitamin mixture, and data recording on performance of goats at *Valati, Thorandle* and *Nagapur* villages of Ambegaon taluka in Pune district under SCSP programme on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025. Dr SK Das, Principal Scientist and Dr Amol K Bhalerao, Scientist from TEC Pune, and Mr Mayur Ghytodke, LSS, Valati, Ambegaon, went to *Valati, Thorandle* and *Nagapur* villages of Ambegaon taluka for the follow-up of 10 goat units of adopted SC farmer beneficiaries. The team supervised housing, feeding and management of all the goat units and interacted with the farmers to improve the housing, feeding and management of goats for better growth, production and health. The feed formula for preparing balanced ration with locally available ingredients was also informed to the farmers. All the goats were dewormed with a broad spectrum anthelmintic. Mineral and vitamin mixture was distributed to each farmer for weak, debilitated and pregnant goats. The data on kidding type, disease incidence, mortality and selling of goats were recorded.

In the last six months period in all the 3 villages together, 14 kids were born, and 13 goats were sold with a remaining stock of 40 goats and their followers. A sum of Rs. 55,000 (Rupees fifty five thousand only) was earned by 6 farmers through selling of goats during the period. The farmers informed that they utilized the money for renovation of goat sheds, purchase of feed and other household activities. The farmers were advised to sell their goats at nearby livestock market for higher realization of income on the basis of live weight. A WhatsApp group was made for sharing of information among the SC farmers and to solve problems as far as possible. Dr SK Das and Dr AK Bhalerao from TEC, and Mr Mayur Ghytodke, from the State AH Department coordinated the programme.



*Lucerne grass grown by a farmer for feeding of goats*



*A farmer hanged HYN grass by a rope from roof to facilitate browsing*



*Distribution of mineral and vitamin mixture and anthelmintic to the farmers*



*Interaction with farmers and data recording at Nagapur village*

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