

TEC, ICAR-IVRI Pune Conducts Training on *Integrated Farming and Dairy Business* under SCSP Programme in Narayangaon (Maharashtra) on 4th March 2025

TEC-IVRI Pune in collaboration with *Krishi Vigyan Kendra*, Narayangaon and Department of Animal Husbandry, Pune, organized one-day training on “***Integrated Farming and Dairy Business (एकात्मिक शेती व दुग्धव्यवसाय)***” under SCSP programme at KVK, Narayangaon in Pune district of Maharashtra. A total of 216 farmers including 32 women from nearby villages actively participated in the training.

The inaugural function was attended by Dr SK Das and Dr HP Aithal, Principal Scientists from TEC Pune, Dr Pramod Varade, Retd. Assistant Commissioner of Animal Husbandry and Dr Danesh Padwal, Subject Matter Specialist (AS) from KVK Narayangaon, along with Livestock Development officers from the region including Dr Vishnu Bhagwan Jaware, Dr Suresh Kad, Dr Prashant Salve and Dr Sharad Londhe.

Dr Suresh Kad welcomed the guests and participants, and thanked IVRI for organizing the need based training. Dr HP Aithal, Principal Scientist informed about the activities of IVRI in general and TEC Pune in particular, especially on livelihood improvement programmes for SC and ST farmers at different regions of Maharashtra and the importance of this training for sustainable livelihood. Dr Danesh Padwal proposed vote of thanks.

The training programme covered a wide range of topics related to livestock farming, including dairy farming, goat rearing, and poultry farming. Experts from the field delivered insightful lectures, providing valuable knowledge to the participants. Dr Vishnu Bhagwan Jaware, LDO, emphasized the significance of dairy animal breeding, with a special focus on advanced techniques such as embryo transfer and in-vitro fertilization (IVF). Dr Pramod Varade provided an in-depth discussion on scientific dairy farming practices, while Dr Prashant D Salve highlighted various government schemes designed to support livestock farmers. Dr Sharad Londhe addressed key concerns regarding livestock health, covering common diseases, the importance of vaccination and deworming, as well as essential nutrition and management practices. Additionally, Dr SK Das shed light on goat farming as a sustainable means of improving livelihoods.

The training also featured video demonstrations on the cultivation of fodder crops and the process of silage preparation, enhancing the participants' practical understanding. The attendees displayed great enthusiasm, actively engaging in discussions and deliberations throughout the sessions.



Welcoming of guests



Dr Vishnu Bhagwan Jaware presenting on dairy animal breeding



Dr Pramod Varade giving lecture on scientific dairy farming



Dr Prashant Salve speaking on Government schemes for livestock farmers



Dr Sharad Londhe spoke on livestock diseases, nutrition and management



Dr SK Das delivered lecture on goat farming for livelihood improvement



One of the farmers interacting with the experts



A view of farmer participants
