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Institute of Horticulture Technology conducted the training for the Officers of Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited, a specialized training programme on “Insurance and Production of Horticultural Crops with Special reference to Risks and Risk Management” in its Greater Noida campus from 18th to 22nd December 2023. More emphasis was on the horticultural crop production risk management as reference to the crop insurance as the personnel from the insurance company are expected to be well versed with it.

During the training critical growth stages which have significant effect on the quality and quantity of the horticultural produce was discussed in detail with the trainees in the interactive lectures on Horticultural Crops – Fruits, Vegetables, Floriculture, Medicinal and Aromatic Plants. The other part of the training programme was on Insect pest and disease symptoms & management, GAP and Organic farming.

The trainees visited IHT's Technology Park where innovative technologies like High Tech Nursery Production in soilless media, micro irrigation, calibrated fertigation, soil moisture and weed management by mulching, open field cultivation, protected cultivation of vegetables in polyhouses, Hydroponic crop production were showcased to them. The trainees interacted with IHT experts regarding different critical stages of the crops. The main emphasis of the training programme was on the horticultural crop production risk management the officers of AIC are expected to be well versed with it in order to offer the insurance policies and for the settlement of the claim, if any.



*Glimpses of capacity building training programme for officers of Agriculture Insurance Company of India*

The closing ceremony was attended by Ms. K. S. Jyothi (General Manager, CHRO (Chief of Human Resource Officer), CFO (Chief Finance Officer) & CRO (Chief Risk Officer)) and Sh. Ravish Lohia. Ms. K. S. Jyothi addressed the trainees and asked them to put in use the knowledge gathered during the training period in IHT, she gave participation certificates to the trainees in the concluding session of the training.



Dr. Purushottam Hendre Horticulture Expert AIC who supervised the programme on behalf of AIC also spoke about the nature of the training programme and was of the opinion that more such training programmes should be organized for AIC staff in IHT as he felt that the programme has helped the participants to know about the risks, critical stages and risk management in the production of Horticultural Crops.

The trainees shared their experiences of the training conducted in IHT with Ms. K. S. Jyothi. The officers share their opinion that the training was very useful in enhancing their knowledge about the production of horticultural crops with special reference to risks and risk management for insurance purpose. The officers thanked the faculty of IHT for organizing excellent training programme.

## Netherland Embassy, New Delhi Horticulture Staff deputed to IHT for Training

Institute of Horticulture Technology organized 2 weeks training programme for the Netherlands Embassy gardeners on "Modern Gardener Practices". As a gardener is responsible for maintaining lawns, trees, shrubs, ground covers; he needs to be aware of the soil and nutrition requirements of plants, pests and diseases and their control and drainage, gardeners needs to acquire skills in grafting, pruning, weeding and harvesting of flowers, fruits and vegetables. Innovative garden practices and its proper utilization attracted the participant most as this helps them to trouble shoot the problems in garden management and enhance the efficiency of their gardens.







*Glimpses of Hands on Training of Embassy Gardeners on Modern Gardener Practices*

## IHT undertakes exposure visit of farmers from Jharkhand to Nashik, Maharashtra

Institute of Horticulture Technology organized an outside of the state exposure visit for farmers under State Horticulture Mission for the farmers of Jharkhand from 14th – 18th December 2023. The farmers belonged to district Grahwa, of Jharkhand. The farmers visited Sahyadri Farm, NHRDF, progressive farmers' fields and upgrade their knowledge about the production and post-harvest management of fruits and vegetables. Farmers interacted with the experts in Sahyadri Farm, during their visit and discussed about many technological interventions related to fruits and vegetables production. Experts of Sahyadri Farm solve their crops related queries and upgrade their knowledge by providing knowledge about innovative technologies used in Sahyadri Farm. Farmers visited various fruits and vegetables production units in the Sahyadri farm where faculty of institute of horticulture technology explained them about the production technology.

The main purpose behind this programme was to introduce new technologies for improving flowers, fruits and vegetables production in Jharkhand that have been developed in recent years. It was good exposure for the farmers as they could see the improvements in horticultural sector and farmer's friendly modern technologies for the betterment of horticultural quality crop production.



*Glimpses of exposure visit of Jharkhand farmers to Jalgaon Maharashtra for demonstrating innovative horticulture production technologies*

## Entrepreneurial Capacity Building Trainings

### Nursery Management in Vegetable Crops

Institute of Horticulture Technology also organized training programmes for the entrepreneurs on “Nursery Management in Vegetable Crops”. The trainees learned about standard operating procedures to be adopted during nursery production, so that healthy and disease free seedlings can be prepared. The major training sessions are on planting material, nursery production, plant propagation, soil health management, bed preparation, moisture conservation, soil solarization, irrigation and fertigation, disease, pest and nutrient management. The trainees found the program very useful being practical oriented with hand on experience.

### Landscape Horticulture

IHT organized training on landscape horticulture as many from us are familiar with gardens and landscapes, but many people may do not have knowledge to fully understand how to create the different components of these different landscapes and hoe to select appropriate plants, how to design and construction and many more landscaping related issues. The training helps them to grow successfully. During training trainees explained about planting material, nursery production, plant propagation, types of gardens, kitchen /terrace/vertical gardening, planning and designing of greenhouse technology related to landscape horticulture, soil health management, bed preparation, moisture conservation, soil solarization, bonsai making, irrigation and fertigation, disease, pest and nutrient management, training and pruning in garden plants, establishment and maintenance of lawn and turf, culture of floral display, maintenance of garden and container gardening.



## UPCOMING TRAINING PROGRAMMES

S. No.	Title	Duration	Mode of Training
01	Landscape Horticulture	2 Week	Online cum Offline
02	Commercial Hydroponics	2 Week	Online cum Offline
03	Online Basic Hydroponic	3 Days	Online
04	Protected Cultivation of Vegetables Crops	1 Week	Online and Offline
05	Mushroom Production	3 Days	Online

*\*Customized courses are also offered on demand.*

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