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Farmers and Prospective Entrepreneurs from Mizoram attended Trainings in IHT

Since the Organic Farming system solely depends on the use of crop residue, animal manures, green manures, off-farm organic wastes to supply organic manures like Neem cake, Celrich, etc. to the needy farmers to supplement their plant nutrient requirement, crop rotation incorporating legumes and Use of Bio-Fertilizers, Organic manures, biological pest control to maintain soil productivity, the Agriculture Department gradually reduce the import of chemical Agril. inputs such as fertilizers, pesticides, etc. and several awareness Campaign and Training on organic farming were conducted. It is strongly felt that Mizoram state, by virtue of very less amount of chemical inputs imported and utilized, has a great scope for successful organic farming.

Growers/youth of Mizoram being very progressive and showing very good interest in horticulture in organic way and promote organic farming. Demand for organic produce has boomed over recent years and supermarkets in India now devote significant shelf space to organic produce, but certification and standard still remain an issue. This is very essential for consumer confidence in the certified products. The Mizoram state government's futuristic approach helps farmers of the state to adopt the modern technologies for harnessing higher profits. Taking it forward Mizoram undertook capacity building training comprising of hands on training, interactive lectures and the exposure visit on various innovative practices used for organic crop production.













JHARKHAND FARMERS TRAINING

In-house training on Innovative Crop Horticultural Production Technologies: Institute of Horticulture Technology organized training and exposure visit programme for the farmers of Jharkhand. The farmers provided interactive lectures, demonstration and hands on training during their training in IHT and exposure visit to production units. During training farmers exposed to quality nursery production technology, greenhouse technologies, soil health management, micro irrigation & fertigation technology, uses of mulching, production technology of greenhouse vegetable crops, and integrated pest management of horticultural crops.



Out of State Tour to Raipur Chhattisgarh: An out of state tour organized by the Institute of Horticulture Technology for farmers of Jharkhand to Raipur, Chhattisgarh. It was very good for the farmers as it helped them at fostering knowledge exchange and learning among farmers. During their visit to Raipur, the farmers visited various facilities at the Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya (IGKV), a renowned agricultural university in Chhattisgarh for the modern horticultural practices which are well adopted in State Agriculture Management & Extension Training Institute (SAMETI), Raipur, Tissue Culture Lab Banana I.G.K.V, P.F.D.C, and Atul Chawda (Progressive Farmers Farm) at Chhattisgarh. This exposure visit included research labs, demonstration plots, and other infrastructure where they learnt about the latest advancements in horticulture.











Exposure Visit to Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, Lucknow: Jharkhand farmers participated in out of state exposure visit programme on "Modern Technologies for Sugarcane Cultivation" in Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, Lucknow. They found this training very informative and shear their feedback also.



FARMERS from Bihar - Exposure Visit to JALGAON, **MAHARASHTRA**

Institute of Horticulture Technology organized an outside state exposure visit programs for the farmers of Bihar to Jalgaon Maharashtra. The exposure visit was organized to provide an opportunity to the farmers to interact with eminent horticulture scientists and progressive farmers to see various new technologies and practices carried in cultivation of banana and other horticultural crops. The farmers along with IHT expert visited various farms, institutions and



progressive farmers' fields and upgrade their knowledge with respect to banana farming. The farmers exchanged their experiences about the progress of cultivation of banana and other horticultural crops in their state and the constraints they face there in getting appropriate inputs.

FARMERS OF BIHAR - Exposure Visits TO DELHI NCR, HARYANA & HIMACHAL PRADESH

Hi-Tech Horticulture Crop Production Technologies with Special reference to Potato Production, Mushroom Production, Exotic Vegetables Production and their Processing An exposure visit programme was also organized by IHT for the farmers of Bihar to Delhi NCR, Haryana & Himachal Pradesh. The farmers visited Central Potato Research Institute (CPRI), Govt. of India, Shimla and got complete knowledge about quality potato production and potato seed production technology. The ultimate aim of the exposure visit was to ensure improved agro-socio-economy of the potato growers. Farmers also visited Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture & Forestry, Solan and scientist interact with farmers and solve their crops related queries and upgrade their knowledge by providing innovative technologies in horticulture. As there is an increase in realization in the organization / individuals towards mushroom cultivation. The farmers visited in Gurukul in Kurukshetra, Haryana which is model for natural and organic farming.













WITHIN STATE TRAINING FOR CHHATTISGARH FARMERS

Farmers usually remain busy with their day to day activities in their farms as such some of them find it difficult to go for out of state trainings. But for increasing the income of farmers, training plays an important role in their advancement by capacity building programmes. On view of this farmers from different districts of Chhattisgarh deputed to Raipur, Chhattisgarh under within state capacity building trainings on 'Innovative Technologies for Horticulture Crop Production' for 3 days in different slots. The trainees explained about the significance of following standard operating procedures to be adopted during nursery production, turmeric production, potato production and other innovative technologies used for earning higher income. The use of 'Micro irrigation' which is a modern technology of irrigation was explained to the farmers with assemble of the various parts of the micro irrigation system.





A few glimpses within state capacity building training programme organized for Chhattisgarh farmers

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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