

“Five-days farmers training programme entitled “GAP and agrotechnology of selected medicinal plants” under Biotech Kisan Hub project was organised by ICAR-DMAPR, Anand, Gujarat

ICAR-DMAPR has organised five days training program w. e. f. 14-18 September, 2020 entitled “Good Agricultural Practices and agrotechnology of selected medicinal plants” for creation of awareness on medicinal plants like Jal brahmi, Ashwagandha, Mukuna and Zymnema etc. The aim of this program was promotion of selected medicinal plants cultivation for livelihood and health security in Gujarat. The inaugural and valedictory function of the 5-day training program was chaired by Dr. Satyanshu Kumar, In-charge Director, ICAR-DMAPR, Anand. Dr. Kumar, emphasizing the importance and value addition of medicinal and aromatic plants. The chief guest of the inaugural program Dr. Y. C. Zala, Principal & Dean, IABM, AAU, Anand said that there are huge opportunities for business development in MAPs sector. Dr. P.L. Saran, Co-Principal Investigator of project presented objective of this project as well as program details during inaugural function. Total 50 farmers participated in this training programme. Overall, eleven lectures have been delivered on GAP and agrotechnology of selected medicinal plants. During this programme, two



demonstrations, two herbal garden and one pharmacy visits were also arranged. During valedictory program, progressive farmer Shri Vimal Kumar K. Patel, Isnav, Anand, has been awarded with one year “**Innovative Farmer Fellowship**” for successful cultivation of Jal brahmi and his contribution in imparting awareness among farmers through FLDs is duly acknowledged.



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