

**Field day cum Training programme and Farm input distribution
to SC farmers under SCSP scheme organized
at Bhilod, Ghogamba, Panchmahal**



ICAR-Directorate of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Research (ICAR-DMAPR), Boriavi, Anand organized a one-day Training cum Field day programme for farmers belonging to Scheduled cast under SCSP scheme entitled “Medicinal plants cultivation for livelihood and health security of SCs in Gujarat” on 11.03.2022 at Bhilod, Ghogamba, Panchmahal. The main objective of the training programme was the dissemination of knowledge about the importance and cultivation of important medicinal and aromatic crops to marginal farmers of SC community of Gujarat. Dr. SamadhanYuvraj Bagul, Scientist and Chairman SCSP Committee, welcomed the participant and introduced about the scheme. He briefed the process of Jivamrut, compost and vermicompost preparation and their use in medicinal plants cultivation. He also emphasized the vision of prime minister for natural farming awareness among farmers. Dr. Akula Chinnapolaih, Scientist, briefly explained the cultivation of aromatic grasses like Lemongrass and Palmarosa. He also covered the production technologies of some of the important medicinal plants like Ashwgandha, Tulsi and Giloy. Dr. Prince Choyal gave glimpses of activities carried out at ICAR-DMAPR at Boriavi and briefly described the good agricultural practices in MAPs. Mr. Suresh Prajapati, Technical officer, explained the ayurvedic use of important medicinal plants in the traditional system of medicines. A total of 100 farmers were registered and benefitted. In this programme, 500 L water tanks and training kits were distributed to the trainee farmers. The programme was concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Prince Choyal, Scientist and Member SCSP Committee.



(Sensitization of natural farming to trainee cum beneficiary farmers under SCSP scheme)



(Interaction of SCSP team with beneficiary cum trainee farmers at Bhilod, Ghogamba, Panchmahal)



(Distribution of 500 L water tanks to beneficiary SC farmers under SCSP scheme at Bhilod, Ghogamba, Panchmahal)

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