

Training programme cum farm implements distribution to SC farmers under SCSP scheme conducted by ICAR-DMAPR, Anand at Auditorium, ICAR-DMAPR, Boriavi, Anand, Gujarat

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The Directorate of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Research (DMAPR) has been implementing SCSP for the **“Promotion of medicinal plants cultivation for livelihood and health security of SCs in Gujarat”** in Gujarat. The programme was initiated in 2018-19 with short-term as well as long-term objectives. The short-term objective is to create awareness among the SCs about the medicinal plants their importance and uses in home-made medicines for primary health care and well-being. The long-term objective is to promote the cultivation of medicinal plants on commercial scale to uplift the socio-economic status of the SCs. The second one-day farmers training under SCSP on “Cultivation of MAPs” was conducted on 29.06.2019 at ICAR-DMAPR, Boriavi, Anand. Total 50 poor farmers of the said category participated in this training programme from Thasra, Porda, Ghuteli and Morad villages. Since, these are traditional crop growing areas, the aim of the training was to provide introductory information on MAPs. The training programme was inaugurated with the floral welcome of President of the training, Dr. Satyajit Roy, Director, ICAR-DMAPR, Chief guest Dr. Y. C. Zala, Principal and Dean, IABMI, AAU and Guest, Dr. Vipul Parmar, ADA, Thasra. Dr. P L Saran, Chairman, SCSP introduced the scheme and its associated activities to the farmers. Dr. Satyajit Roy, Director briefed on general health issues of medicinal plants, it’s management and diverse uses. Dr. R. P. Meena covered disease management aspects in MAPs. Other four lectures on MAPs cultivation were delivered during this program. During this programme, a 16 L knapsack spray pumps, a grass cutter and a *phavda* were distributed to each 50 of the participants. The programme was concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. K. A. Kalariya.





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