

ICAR-RCER, Patna Organizes Farmers' Training on “Improving Farmers’ Livelihoods and Income through Entrepreneurship Development” at KVK Nawada

The ICAR Research Complex for Eastern Region (ICAR-RCER), Patna, organized a three-day farmers’ training programme on “Improving Farmers’ Livelihoods and Income through Entrepreneurship Development” at Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Nawada, from 5 to 7 October 2026 under the DST-SEED project of the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India.

The programme aimed to improve the livelihoods of the Scheduled Caste community in Sirdala and Meskaur blocks of Nawada district through agricultural entrepreneurship and allied activities. The programme was organized under the guidance of Dr. Anup Das, Director, ICAR-RCER, Patna.

During the inaugural session, Dr. Dhiraj Kumar Singh, Sr. Scientist, Agricultural Extension and PI highlighted opportunities for enhancing farmers’ income through agriculture-based enterprises, processing, value addition and improved marketing. He encouraged farmers to adopt modern technologies and make effective use of available resources. During technical sessions, Interaction with farmers took place covering aspects like role of Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) in collective input procurement, processing, and marketing , rabi crop production technology, goat rearing, importance of Integrated Farming Systems combining crop production, nursery raising, were also highlighted. Exposure visit to KVK farm also took place for better learning.



The program concluded on 7th October 2026 with a valedictory session attended by Dr. Ujjwal Kumar, Head, DSEE, ICAR-RCER, Patna, as the Chief Guest. He emphasized effective marketing, value addition and market linkages for increasing farmers' income. Shri Arvind Kumar, Secretary, Gram Nirman Mandal, Nawada, encouraged farmers to adopt improved agricultural practices and pursue agriculture as a profitable enterprise. Dr. Jaywant Kumar Singh, Head, KVK, Nawada highlighted opportunities for entrepreneurship development and better utilization of local resources. Certificates were distributed to participating farmers from Pandey Bigha, Janhaul, Chaugaon and Kopin villages.

A total of 45 farmers, including 30 men and 15 women, participated in the programme. The training aimed to promote agricultural entrepreneurship, sustainable livelihoods and self-reliance among farmers through scientific interventions and improved farming practices.



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