

Brief report on

‘Farmers meet and input distribution programme under Schedule Cast Sub-Plan (SCSP) project’ organized by Micronutrient Research Scheme, ICAR Unit-9, AAU, Anand

Micronutrient Research Scheme, ICAR Unit-9, AAU, Anand organized Farmers meet programmes for the scheduled caste farmers under the ICAR-Schedule Cast Sub-Plan (SCSP) project and distribute inputs to create the awareness among the farmers to use of micro- and secondary nutrients for higher yield and good quality crop produce. The program was conducted on 22.03.2021 at Agricultural Research Station, AAU, Arnej, in Ahmedabad district. Ten (10) farmers of Jayaraj, Madhuli and Bhumali villages of Dholka Taluka were participated in the aforesaid programme. The programme was started by welcome to scientists and farmers present during the programme. Dr. P. H. Godhani, Associate Research Scientist (Entomology) and head of the centre briefed about the centres activity and the uses of insecticides and pesticide in the field. Dr. K. C. Patel, Officer In-Charge and Head of the Micronutrient Research Scheme, ICAR Unit-9, AAU, Anand urged the farmers for adopting the advanced technology for the uses of micro- and secondary nutrients in order to get better yield along with the quality produce. He also briefed about the uses and importance of the each input materials which were given in input kits (manual as well as battery operated Knapsack sprayer, 3 kg pack of Sulphur fertilizer, 5 kg pack of Multi-Micronutrient mixture grade-V, 500 ml Insecticide and 500 ml Bio-NPK Consortium) to the farmers. Dr. K. D. Gulkari, Officer In-Charge KVK, Arnej was urged to the farmers to use of soil health card to know the fertility status of their soil. Dr. Dileep Kumar, Assistant Research Scientist, Micronutrient Research Scheme, ICAR Unit-9, AAU, Anand was briefed about the importance of the micronutrient in soil and plant. The Gujarati bulletins published by the Micronutrient Research Scheme, AAU, Anand was also provided to the farmers. Mr. Ravi, A. Patel, Research Associate, Micronutrient Research Scheme, ICAR Unit-9, AAU, Anand, Dr. C. J. Patel, Assistant Research Scientist, Shri. N. R. Bumbadiya, Assistant Research Scientist and other staff of the ARS Arnej were also present during the programme. Vote of thanks was given by Er. S. B. Vinzuda, ARS Arnej.

Another program was conducted on 26.03.2021 at KVK Devataj, District Anand. The farmers (21 farmers) of Palol and Kasor village of Sojitra Taluka were participated in the aforesaid programme. Dr. G. G. Patel, Senior Scientist cum Head, KVK, Devataj and Dr. Y. C. Lakum, Assistant Research Scientist, KVK, Devataj were also present during the programme. Dr. K. C. Patel, Officer In-Charge and Head of the Micronutrient Research Scheme, ICAR, Unit-9, AAU, Anand emphasized on the importance of the micronutrient as well as secondary nutrient to the farmers and urged to farmers for cultivation of improved varieties of the crops and uses of micro and secondary nutrients in order to get better yield along with the quality produce. He also briefed about the uses and importance of the each input materials which were given in input kits. The farmers were provided the input kits containing manually as well as battery operated Knapsack sprayer, 3 kg pack of Sulphur fertilizer, 5 kg pack of Multi-Micronutrient mixture grade-V, 500 ml of Insecticide and 500 ml of Bio-NPK Consortium and Gujarati bulletins published by the Micronutrient Research Scheme, AAU, Anand. Covid-19 guidelines issued by GoI/GoG were followed during the programme. Covid-19 guidelines issued by GoI/GoG were followed during the programmes.

