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**Orientation Program**  
**on**  
**“Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME)**  
**Scheme”**

Anand Agricultural University is a State Level Training Institute (SLTI) and Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation Ltd. (GAICL) is a State Nodal Agency (SNA) under the Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme of MOFPI, GOI in Gujarat. An orientation program on the Centrally Sponsored Scheme, **Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME)**, was successfully conducted by the College of Food Processing Technology & Bio Energy, AAU, Anand, in collaboration with GAICL during 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m on **September 24, 2024**. The event aimed to raise awareness about the PMFME scheme, which supports the formalization and growth of micro food processing enterprises across India. The program saw active participation from 60 attendees, including representatives from various food industries, micro food enterprises, students, and aspiring entrepreneurs eager to start their own ventures in the food processing sector.

Participants were thoroughly briefed on the PMFME scheme, its objectives, and the various ways in which they could benefit from the government’s support. Special emphasis was placed on how to avail financial assistance, technical training, and business support to scale up or formalize their enterprises. The orientation was guided by Dr. Samit Dutta, Principal & Dean of the College of FPTBE, AAU, along with Dr. Hridyesh Pandey, Head of the Department of Food Processing Technology, Dr. Devesh H. Patel, Assistant Professor, Department of Food Safety & Quality, Dr. Neha Kharkwal, Training Coordinator (PMFME Scheme), and Mr. Vishal Bhadoria, a representative from GAICL, Gandhinagar.

During the program, the District Resource Persons (DRPs) from Anand, Vadodara, Ahmedabad, and Kheda districts were also present. They shared valuable insights on the step-by-step process of applying for the scheme and how local enterprises can

take advantage of the available resources. This orientation program played a crucial role in helping potential entrepreneurs and existing small business owners understand the benefits of formalizing their operations under the PMFME scheme.

