

Farmer Traders Meet

The KVK had organized the Farmers Traders meet to link the farmers with agricultural commodity buyers to get the maximum income for agriculture products on 05.09.2020

Shri.S.Ramesh, Chairman of Tamil Nadu Board of Rural Development had participated as chief guest and addresses the farmers. He had interacted with the farmers about the problems faced by them and asked to do the farming more scientifically and systematically to improve the yield and income.

Shri N.Rameshraj, Senior Scientist & Head had explained the importance of the meet and encourage the farmers to link with the traders after seeing its feasibility he also advised the farmers to utilize the services of KVK for the new crop varieties and technologies.

Shri. Ramesh Thangadurai, Executive Director of SS group of companies, Kovilpatti had explained about the contract farming implemented by his firm on blackgram, cluster beans and greengram. He narrated the pricing pattern, benefits in doing contract farming and other related issues raised by the farmers.

A total of 41 farmers across Thiruvannamalai district have participated in the programme.



**ICAR KVK Thiruvannamalai-Farmers
interaction with the trader**



**ICAR KVK Thiruvannamalai-Senior
Scientist and Head addressing the farmers**

Poshan Maah – Capacity Development of Anganwadi workers and Farm women

The Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Thiruvannamalai, Integrated Child Development Scheme, Thiruvannamalai, Indian Farmers Fertilizers Co Operative Society (IFFCO), Center for Excellence in Millets(CEM), Thiruvannamalai and ICICI Foundation, Thiruvannamalai Jointly organized Poshan Maah – Capacity Development of Anganwadi workers and Farm women on Poshan on 17.09.2020 at the KVK Campus.

The programme was started with the welcome address by Mr.V.Suresh, Subject Matter Specialist (Agricultural Extension). Shri. N.Rameshraj, Senior Scientist & Head i/c spoke on the importance of Poshan among the women and children and he also narrated about the balanced nutrition for the children for a healthy lifestyle.

Smt.T.Margaret, Subject Matter Specialist (Home Science) had addressed the participants on importance of establishment of nutri-garden and balanced diet for all age groups. As a part of the programme all the participants visited the Nutri-garden established in the KVK's instructional farm.

Shri.B.Kandhan, District Programme officer, ICDS participated as chief guest and addressed the anganwadi workers. Special address on Balanced Nutrition was given by Dr. A.Nirmalakumari, Professor and Head, Center for excellence, Thiruvannamali. Mr. P.Annadhan, project Officer, IFFCO and Mr.P.Sathish, Development Officer, ICICI foundation participated and given special address to the participants.

Child Development programme officers from vembakkam, Cheyyar, Anakkavur and Chetpet and participated in the programme. A total of 70 Anganwadi workers from various blocks benefitted by this programme. A nutrigarden seed kit provided to all the participants by IFFCO.



ICAR KVK Thiruvannamalai-Nutrigarden awareness speech by Senior Scientist and Head during Poshan Maah



ICAR KVK Thiruvannamalai-Distribution of medicinal plants saplings to children during Poshan Maah

Demonstration of critical inputs under NFSM programme

The KVK had organized input demonstration in Blackgram under NFSM Cluster Front Line Demonstrations in Kadaisikulam and Kaveripakkam villages in Vandavasi Taluk 19.08.2020.

Shri N.Rameshraj, Senior Scientist & Head had explained the importance of CFLD pulses programme to increase the yield and income of the farmers. He also explained about various KVK activities to promote recently released blackgram varieties under NFSM since 2013-14.

Shri. V.Suresh, Subject matter Specialist (Agricultural Extension) had explained the varietal characteristics of VBN 8 Blackgram variety. He also demonstrated Pulse wonder foliar spray, biofertilizers i.e Rhizobium and phosphobacteria and application of DAP for the yield increase in blackgram.

Shri. P.Narayanan, Subject matter Specialist (Plant Protection) had demonstrated the bioagents Trichoderma viride, Pseudomonas fluorescense and yellow sticky trap for the control of pest and diseases in blackgram.

A total of 50 farmers from Kadaisikulam and Kaveripakkam villages have participated in the programme.



ICAR KVK Thiruvannamalai-Lecture and Demonstration of Critical Inputs under NFSM programme by the KVK Scientists.

Diagnostic visit to Groundnut and Marigold fields

The KVK in collaboration with State Department of Agriculture jointly organized diagnostic visits to the affected groundnut and marigold fields at Kilnelli and Kaganam villages of Vembakkam block in Thiruvannamalai district on 26.08.2020.

Shri. P.Narayanan SMS Plant Protection along with Shri. Gangadharan, Block Technology Manager, ATMA, Vembakkam given technical guidance and recommendations to overcome leaf spot disease in groundnut and yellowing in marigold.

They also emphasized the farmers to use certified seeds of groundnut and marigold. A total of 7 farmers have benefited through the visit.



**ICAR KVK Thiruvannamalai-Diagnostic
Field visit in Groundnut field**



**ICAR KVK Thiruvannamalai-Diagnostic
Field visit in Marigold field**