

KVK Dimapur successfully organised Kisan sammelan and release of 17th instalment of PM Kisan Scheme

The Kisan sammelan and release of 17th instalment of PM Kisan Scheme programme was successfully organised by KVK Dimapur on 18th June 2024. Dr. Phool Kumari, Sr. Scientist cum Head KVK Dimapur in her inaugural speech, welcomed the dignitaries and farmers. She also expressed her gratitude for selecting KVK Dimapur from Nagaland to launch the programme. Dr. Homeswar Khalita, Head, ICAR Nagaland centre spoke about the significance and usefulness of PM Kisan. In his speech, he stated that agriculture is the backbone of the society which enables the farmer to achieve livelihood and nutritional security. The launching of the scheme is timely and will enable the farmers to mitigate debt trap.

Shri. Bodevi shuya, District Agricultural Officer, Chumoukedima also highlighted the benefit of the scheme and urged the farmers to update their information for availing benefits of PM Kisan.

Shri. Medovilie Ladu, Joint Director, Directorate of Agriculture, Kohima in his brief speech highlighted the genesis of the scheme and applauded the Government of India for launching the scheme. He also stated that 1,96,913 farmers from Nagaland has been shortlisted to receive the scheme benefit. Of these, 1,52,605 farmers shall be receiving the financial assistance today's DBT transfer. He also urged those farmers who have not been shortlisted to update their KYC and APC details to avail the benefit in the later stage.

Dr. Girish Patil, Director, ICAR-National Research Centre on Mithun gave an overview of the agricultural scenario of the country as well as of Nagaland. He emphasised on the practice of integrated pest management and integrated nutrient management for sustainable farming. He requested the farmers to go for value addition, branding and marketing of the agricultural produce in the state. He also stressed the farmer to make plan for best use of the money received through discussion with the scientist, technical and officers of ICAR, KVK and Line departments. Farmer representatives from Chumoukedima, Dimapur and Niuland districts, in their speech applauded and thanked for launching the scheme benefiting the farmers.

The inaugural session concluded with formal vote of thanks delivered by Miss Marneni Divya Sree, SMS (Agril. Extension), KVK Dimapur. Later the farmers as well as the dignitaries attended the live telecast programme of the interactive session presided by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Sri Narendra Modi.

Altogether, 277 farmers from Chumoukedima, Niuland and Dimapur districts along with Scientist, Technical, Officers and representatives from ICAR Nagaland Centre, ICAR-NRC on Mithun, Department of Agriculture, KVK Dimapur, VFA Training Institute, SAS, Mezdiphema participated in the programme.

