Field awareness Camp on "Scientific Piggery and Pig Feed Distribution Programme" Under Tribal Sub Plan

Date: 10th November 2025 Venue: Kalyanpur, Goalpara, Assam

The ICAR-National Research Centre on Pig, Rani, Guwahati, in collaboration with Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Dhudhnoi, Goalpara organized a *day-long "Field awareness Camp on Scientific Piggery and Pig Feed Distribution Programme" under the Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP)* on 10th November 2025 in the auditorium of Kalyanpur Gaon Panchayat, Kalyanpur, Goalpara, Assam

The programme aimed to enhance awareness among tribal farmers regarding scientific pig husbandry practices and the benefits of adopting improved technologies for sustainable pig production. Prior to the distribution of feed inputs, the participating farmers were apprised of the technical services and technologies available at the Institute to support pig husbandry development.

Dr. Rafiqul Islam, Principal Scientist, enlightened the farmers on the importance of biosecurity measures to safeguard pigs from infectious diseases. He also emphasized the use of quality feed and the adoption of artificial insemination (AI) technology available at the Institute for genetic improvement of pigs. The farmers were also given demonstration on how to access the YouTube channel and Website of ICAR-NRC on Pig, Rani to view the videos and shorts on Scientific pig production, biosecurity, artificial insemination in pig etc.

Dr. Sontosh Kumar Baishya, Pr. Scientist & Head, KVK, Dhudhnoi, highlighted the significant contribution of piggery to the rural economy and encouraged farmers to undertake pig farming on a larger scale for enhanced livelihood and income.

Dr. Satish Kumar, Scientist educated the farmers about the introduction of good quality piglets from superior breed in their farm to improve production. He also urged the farmers to avoid inbreeding in the farm with proper data management and breeding strategies.

Dr. Rajib Kumar Das, Technical Officer discussed the prevention, control, and treatment of major pig diseases and underlined the importance of vaccination to prevent viral infections.

The Chief Guest of the programme, Mr. Suchitra Nath, Executive Member, Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council (RHAC) enlightened the participants about the importance of pig rearing for the livelihood of the tribal community and also encouraged the farmers to apply the techniques learnt in the awareness programme in their pig farms.

As part of the programme, a total of 60 tons (1200 bags) of balanced pig feed was distributed among 300 tribal farmers of Goalpara district. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from local tribal farmers and stakeholders.

The programme was executed under the guidance of Dr. Vivek Kumar Gupta, Director, ICAR-NRC on Pig, Rani and graced by Mr. Suchitra Nath, Executive Member, Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council (RHAC). The Coordinators/ Resource Persons attended the programme were Dr. Rafiqul Islam, Principal Scientist; Dr. Sontosh Kumar Baishya, Pr. Scientist & Head, KVK, Dhudhnoi, Dr. Satish Kumar, Scientist; Dr. Hitu Choudhury, CTO (AS), KVK, Dhudhnoi; Dr. Shiva Rajak, SMS, KVK-Dudhnoi, Dr. Rajib Kumar Das, Technical officer and Er. Benjamin Kaman, Technical Officer, KVK, Dhudhnoi, along with the representatives of Asomi Agri Farmers Producer Company Limited, Balijana, Goalpara and Purbanchal Pig Farmer Producer Organization Cooperative Ltd., Dudhnoi.









