## Field Workshop on Revival of village ponds through scientific interventions held at Baorli village, Jodhpur on 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2018

A field workshop on "Revival of village ponds through scientific interventions" was organized under DST Network Project on Revival of village ponds at Baorli village on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Field visit at catchment area of "Sinli" pond of the village followed by discussion at Panchayat Bhavan was organised during the workshop. Fifty male farmers and twenty one female farmers of the village participated in the workshop. The workshop was organised under the Chairmanship of Dr. Praveen Kumar, Head of the Division, ICAR-CAZRI, Jodhpur. Dr. A. K. Singh, Principal Scientific Officer from NRDMS, DST, Govt of India representing the funding agency of the project and Dr. Dilip Jain, Head of the Division, ICAR-CAZRI Jodhpur also participated in the workshop.



Dr. Praveen Kumar stressed upon the need of revival of village ponds under future water scarce situation and also pointed out the need for adoption of rainfed technologies developed at ICAR-CAZRI, Jodhpur. Dr. A. K. Singh presented the major objectives of the project and stressed upon the need of participatory actions for revival of village ponds. During the discussion with villagers, the project team members comprising of Dr. P. Santra, Dr. Mahesh Kumar and Dr. Prashant Nikumbhe briefed about the project activities being carried out at the site. Representatives from villages pointed out the specific needs for revival of village ponds e.g. fencing of the pond area, reduction in silt load by developing siltation trap, removing of deposited silt at pond, ecotourism prospects of pond site etc. At the end of the workshop, vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Mahesh Kumar.