

## **Off-campus Training cum Input Distribution Programme organized under SCSP at Adesar village, Rapar taluka, Kutch**

On November 27, 2024, CAZRI, RRS and KVK, Kukma-Bhuj, collaboratively conducted an off-campus input distribution-cum-training program under the SCSP initiative at Adesar village in Rapar taluka, Kutch district. The event witnessed active participation from 70 farmers. Dr. Avinash Bochalya, SMS (Soil Science) at KVK, presented a comprehensive lecture on the significance of regular soil testing. He emphasized its role in assessing soil health, determining precise nutrient needs, optimizing fertilizer use, reducing environmental pollution, and conserving resources. Dr. Sita Ram Jat, Technical Officer, explained the process of collecting soil and water samples; and helped collect samples from fields of the beneficiaries for detailed laboratory analysis. Sh. Mukesh Bhairwa from RRS elaborated on the best practices for planting and managing papaya, dragonfruit, and seed spices for kitchen garden. As part of the program, agricultural inputs including 20 high-quality papaya saplings (variety GJP1), 10 dragonfruit saplings, and seed spice kits containing eight different spices for home consumption to each beneficiary farmer were distributed. The initiative aimed to promote sustainable agricultural practices and enhance self-reliance in SC households.



Fig. Training cum input distribution under SCSP at Adesar village, Rapar tehsil, Kachchh