

Training programme on “Improved rabi production technologies and Pomegranate Cultivation” conducted in Padasala village

An off-campus training on ‘Improved rabi production technologies and pomegranate cultivation’ was organized on 25th October 2018 at Padasala village located in Bapini tehsil in Jodhpur district. Thirty farmers participated in the training. Sh. A. K. Sharma elaborated on



various aspects of organic farming such as development of nutrient rich compost, role of animals, agro-forestry trees, beneficial insects and birds. Farmers’ queries on preparation of organic manure and disease management were discussed in detail. Dr. Prashant Nikumbhe highlighted the importance of arid horticultural crops such as ber, gonda and pomegranate. Farmers’ queries on management of pomegranate orchards such as pruning, pest and disease management and were addressed. Non-bearing of fruits in date palm was discussed. Dr. B. L.

Manjunatha informed farmers about provision of various products (quality seeds and planting material), services (soil and water sample testing), training and extension activities undertaken by CAZRI. He shared his experiences of developing Integrated Farming System models on farmers’ field in Utambar village to address livelihood and income security. Procedure and benefits of mobilizing farmers into Farmers Producer Company to address marketing problems was discussed.

Field visits were made to the farms of Sh. Tulsaram Sinwar (Pomegranate orchard in village Dundhadia), Sh. Lalaram Dudi (groundnut, carrot, chilly in village Padasala) and Sh. Surjaram Godara (pomegranate, cotton in village Padasala). Sh. Gordhanram from Newra Road village, CAZRI Kisan Mitra, also participated in the training.