

District Level Seminar on Coconut Cultivation Technology

Coconut Development Board, State Centre, Pitapally, Odisha in association with the office of the Deputy Director of Horticulture, Dhenkanal conducted a district level Seminar on Coconut Cultivation Technology on 25th November at Transit Nursery Dhenkanal district, Odisha.

Dr.Jagateswar Behera Assistant Director of Horticulture, Hindol, Dhenkanal welcomed the gathering and discussed with the farmers about the prospects of coconut cultivation in the district. More than 100 farmers were present in the programme Dr. Debabrata Panigrahi, ADR-RRTTS, Mahisapat, Dhenkanal emphasized the necessity of increasing area under coconut and production and productivity of coconut to bring Odisha to a higher position in India. He spoke on scientific coconut cultivation technology like mother palm selection, seed nut selection, nursery management, scientific way of planting, intercultural operations etc.

Dr.Dibya Sundar Kar,Scientist (Horticulture),KVK Dhenkanal spoke on on Integrated Nutrient Management, Integrated Pest Management, and Integrated Disease Management in coconut. Dr.Jagateswar Behera Assistant Director of Horticulture, Hindol,Dhenkanal ,Odisha discussed with the farmers on 'Value addition in Coconut' and explained about various value added products of coconut like VCO, chips, vinegar, desiccated coconut, coconut milk, coir based products, husk based products etc.

Dr.Rajat Kumar Pal, Deputy Director, CDB spoke on CDB schemes and explained the various schemes like, AEP,LODP,OMU,RCN and CPS formation and various trainings implemented by CDB in detail. The importance of CPSs formation in the district for the benefit of coconut farmers was a major discussion point during the technical session.

The district level training programme helped the farmers in gaining knowledge and farmers raised their queries during the interactive session. The resource persons in the training programme cleared the doubts of farmers.

The programme ended with vote of thanks by Dr.Jagateswar Behera, Assistant Director of Horticulture, Hindol, Dhenkanal.