



Off-campus Collaborative Training Programme

on

Eco-friendly Pest Management Technologies and Novel Strategies: An Update

(27.08.2018 to 05.09.2018)

An off-campus collaborative training programme on “Eco-friendly Pest Management Technologies and Novel Strategies: An Update” (27th August - 5th September 2018) was inaugurated at ICAR- National Institute of Biotic Stress Management, Raipur on 27.08.2018. The programme is sponsored by National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE), Hyderabad.

Dr. A. L. Rathore, Director Extension Services, IGKV, Raipur, in his inaugural address stated that the topic of the training programme is very relevant, timely and useful for the extension functionaries and professionals working for extension and promotion of modern crop protection agriculture in general and for eco-friendly pest management in particular. He said that there is need to promote eco-based crop protection technologies for enhanced income to farming community and safeguard the healthy agro ecological system.

Shri. S. R. Verma, Director, SAMETI, Raipur emphasized on need for eco-friendly crop protection measures for increased productivity and profitability. He stated that the eco-friendly crop protection technologies are vital in view of health food production and environment safety.

Dr. Pankaj Kaushal, Joint Director (Research), ICAR - NIBSM, Raipur, briefed about the role and mandate of ICAR-NIBSM in crop protection. Further, he explained the on-going research programmes of ICAR-NIBSM in relevance to eco-friendly pest management. He stressed the importance of studying the native bio control agent towards identifying novel bio control agent to the targeted pest.

The main objective of the training is to introduce and create awareness among the extension functionaries on eco-friendly crop protection technologies (Traps, bio pesticide and gadgets) for enhanced production and income generation with healthy environment. Total 25 block and district level Officers including ADA, SADO, ADO, RAE0, SMS and Associate professors participated in the programme. Dr R K Murali Baskaran, Course Director, briefed the course content to the participants. Dr P Moventhan, Course Director and Dr J Sridhar, Course Coordinator, conducted the pre-evaluation test. The programme ended with a formal vote of thanks by Dr K C Sharma, Course Coordinator.

Glimpses of Inaugural session



Dr. Pankaj Kaushal, Joint Director (Research), ICAR – NIBSM addressing the audience.



Dr. A. L. Rathore, Director Extension Services, IGKV, Raipur delivering his inaugural address



Shri. S. R. Verma, Director, SAMETI, Raipur releasing the resource materials



Trainees attending the inaugural lecture on eco-friendly pest management – An overview

