

## **Supportive measures of ICAR-NRC on Yak, Dirang to the tribal farmers under Dirang Circle**

**Dirang 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2025:**

The ICAR-National Research Centre on Yak, Dirang in collaboration with Krishi Vigyan Kendra, West Kameng, Dirang today on 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2025 started out the Three Days Training Programme on “*Scientific Maize Cultivation*” in Dirang which will be continued up to 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2025. In today’s inaugural programme a total of 172 tribal farmers mostly dependent on agriculture were participated from Sangti and Chug areas under Dirang circle. Acting as resource persons Dr. D. Medhi, Principal Scientist and Dr. M. S. Jatana, STO of ICAR-NRCY, Dirang alongwith Dr. T. S. Mishra, SMS, KVK, Dirang educated the farmers on scientific maize cultivation covering the topics on sowing time, seed selection, planting techniques, application of fertilizers, water management, pest and disease control, post harvest handling and intercropping for better productivity of crop from their limited land resources. Besides, farmers were also aware on scientific production of fodder maize and its conservation for winter feeding for their livestock for better productivity of their livestock. Dr. Mihir Sarkar, Director, ICAR-NRCY, Dirang gracing the occasion appealed to the participating farmers for opting the techniques sought by the resource persons and promote maize cultivation of the area for better earning from their limited land areas.

At the end of each programme, all the participating tribal farmers were provided the supportive measures in the form of high yielding maize germplasm, fertilizer, rubber pipe, sprinkler with some agricultural tools like maize sheller, gurdung, chaggu etc through NEH funding of ICAR-IIMR, Ludhiana. Besides, farmers were also supported with common salts for their livestock feeding with common salts (50kg each) under the Schedule Tribe Component (STC) of the institute. The programmes was coordinated by Dr. D. Medhi and successfully conducted in active participation of all the staffs of ICAR-NRCY, Dirang.



