

## **World Water Day-2025 Celebration with supportive measures of ICAR-NRCY, Dirang to tribal farmers of Tawang**

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ICAR-National Research Centre on Yak, Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh celebrated the occasion of “**World Water Day-2025**” on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2025 under the banner of AICRP on PEASEM project with an awareness programme on scientific rearing of highland animals with support to the tribal farmers of Tawang, Arunachal Pradesh in collaboration with Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Tawang, Arunachal Pradesh. A total of 100 tribal livestock farmers covering different villages under Lamberdong area were participated in the programme.

The programme started with welcome address of Dr. C. K. Singh, Subject Matter Specialist, KVK, Tawang Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Tawang. Dr. D. Medhi, Principal Scientist, ICAR-NRCY, Dirang briefed the technology developed by ICAR-NRCY, Dirang with briefing the farmers on scientific feeding and breeding issues of the highland animals for better productivity. He also talked on hygienic aspects for clean milk production and value addition of their products. He briefed the farmers on health care and vaccination aspect of the livestock especially during winter. Dr. Ninad Bhatt, Senior Technical Officer, ICAR-NRCY, Dirang talked on reproductive and health management aspects and suggested the farmers to opt the technologies developed by the institute for better economic returns from their animals and improvement of their livelihood security. Representing the programme Dr. C. K. Singh, suggested the farmers for joint hand with the institute for establishment of value chain on product development from yak/yak cattle hybrids and their marketing aspects to make yak husbandry more remunerative. He also, briefed on integrated aspects of farming for their better economic returns. All the resource person, pointed out the participants on the theme of “**World Water Day**” focused on their deliberations pointing out for preservation of the glaciers preventing the forest losses and judicious use of water.

At the end of the programmes, as supportive measures all the beneficiaries were provided with concentrate yak feed, gumboots, tarpaulin, mineral mixtures etc from the under NEH component of ICAR-DPR, Hyderabad and ICAR-CIRB, Hisar with common salt and some basic veterinary medicines like anthelmintics, anti-diarrhoeas, tick-out etc for their animals under Schedule Tribe Component (STC) of the institute.

The officials cum farmers appreciated the efforts of Dr. Mihir Sarkar, Director, ICAR-NRC on Yak giving them the opportunity and providing the STC benefits to the needy farmers of their locality.