

Zonal Workshop cum Training Program on Cluster Frontline Demonstrations in Rabi Oilseeds & Pulses

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ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute (ATARI), Zone-V, Hyderabad organized the Zonal Workshop cum Training programs on cluster frontline demonstrations (FLDs) in rabi oilseeds under NMOOP in collaboration with ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad and rabi pulses under NFSM in collaboration with ICAR-IIPR, Kanpur during 21-23 December, 2015.



Dr. Anupam Barik, Additional Commissioner (Oilseeds) and Dr. D.P. Malik, Additional Commissioner (Crops), DAC, MoA explained the guidelines for planning and implementation of frontline demonstrations of rabi oilseeds and pulses, respectively. Dr.K.S.Varaprasad, Director, ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad presented the status of oilseeds production in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Maharashtra along with technologies targeted at enhancing their productivity. Dr.Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Director,

ICAR-CRIDA drew attention to sustainable intensification of pulses in rice fallows by adopting better management practices. Dr. Sreenath Dixit, Director, ICAR-ATARI shared his implementation experiences in Zone VIII. Dr.N. Sudhakar, Former ZPD graced the workshop.

Dr.Y.G. Prasad, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Zone-V presented the status of FLDs of rabi pulses and oilseeds in the three states. About 1750 FLDs in rabi oilseeds such as groundnut, sunflower, linseed and sesame are under implementation in 700 ha. About 2400 FLDs in rabi pulses such as chickpea, blackgram, greengram and rabi pigeonpea are under implementation in 1050 ha.

The main focus of FLDs is to demonstrate improved crop varieties appropriate to various farming situations along with adoption of improved agronomic practices such as seed treatment with bio-inoculants, resource conservation technologies, nutrient, weed/ pest/ disease management by participating farmers. Participatory seed production and certification is also encouraged to overcome seed shortages.



Subject Matter Specialists from 70 KVKs in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Maharashtra along with resource faculty from ICAR-IIOR and ICAR-IIPR, Directorate of Oilseed Development, Hyderabad and Directorate of Extension, PJTSAU participated in the workshop.

Dr.K. Dattatri and Dr.A.R. Reddy, Nodal Officers, ICAR-ATARI, Zone V coordinated the workshop.

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