

**Exposure visit-cum-training programme of master trainers and progressive farmers
organized at ICAR-DRMR, Bharatpur during 29-31 Jan. 2023.**

Exposure visit is one of the important extension tools to reinforce the confidence of the extension personnel and farmers in new technology, methods, etc. Exposure visits enable farmers from different regions to interact with and learn from each other, allowing them to view practical examples of successful adoption of scientific technology in different farming situation. It motivates farmers by showing what others have been able to achieve. As per the approved activity under ICAR-DRMR-APART programme, one Exposure visit-cum-training of progressive farmers and one exposure visit-cum-training of Master trainers/ extension personnel to ICAR-DRMR was organized during 29-31 January 2023.

For these visits, field level extension workers and farmers were nominated by OPIU, Guwahati from selected 15 districts of Assam namely; Barpeta, Bongaigaon, Darrang, Dhemaji, Dhubri, Golaghat, Jorhat, Kamrup, Kokrajhar, Lakhimpur, Morigaon, Nagaon, Nalbari, Sivasagar and Sonitpur. The programme of exposure visit was designed in such a way that experts from ICAR-DRMR provided technical knowledge and exposure of latest technological advances in rapeseed-mustard to the participants. Alongwith the lectures, participants were made to visit experimental field/trials of variety development, technology park, crop cafeteria, latest varieties insect-pest and disease management, agronomical practices, seed production programme, mini oil expeller unit, seed processing unit, agriculture machinaries like seed drill, combined harvester, weeders, power sprayers, threshers, etc at ICAR-Directorate of Rapeseed-Mustard Research, Bharatpur, Sear, Rajasthan. The participants also got an opportunity to visit an oil mill having a large production capacity with complete automatic packaging system.

The participants also visited FLDs sites at Tilchivi village of Bharatpur district of Rajasthan to see the performance of improved varieties of mustard at farmers field, and participated in field day programme organized by ICAR-DRMR where they got the opportunity to interact with local progressive farmers. They understood the gap in technology adoption and explore the feasibility in adoption of new practices in their own situations. Since “seeing is believing”, the exposure visit provided better knowledge and understanding of technology, methods and improved the skills of the extension personnel/ master trainers and farmers on scientific production and protection technology of rapeseed-mustard. It exposed them to a new and different situation which would help in changing their outlook and extend their mental horizon.

Summary of Exposure Visit-cum-Training Programme of Master trainers/ Extension Personnel and Progressive Farmers organized during 29-31 January 2023

SN	Activity	Target (No.)	Achieved (No.)	Beneficiaries (No.)	Districts covered (No.)
1	Exposure visit-cum-training programme of master trainers	01	01	26	Barpeta, Bongaigaon, Darrang, Dhemaji, Dhubri, Golaghat, Jorhat, Kamrup, Kokrajhar, Lakhimpur, Morigaon, Nagaon, Nalbari, Sivasagar and Sonitpur.
2	Exposure visit-cum-training programme of master trainers	01	01		

Glimpses of Exposure visit-cum-training programme of master trainers and progressive farmers organized at ICAR-DRMR, Bharatpur during 29-31 Jan. 2023



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