

Basilakha farmers got training and inputs for Orchid cultivation and vermicomposting

A training program was conducted on “Practical guidance for successful orchid cultivation and vermicomposting” at ICAR-NRC for Orchids, Pakyong East Sikkim under Tribal Sub Plan. Ten farmers (six women and four men) from Basilakha, East Sikkim participated in the training. Dr. Siddhartha Snkar Biswas (Nodal Officer, Tribal Sub Plan) delivered lectures on Orchid potting media preparation, Nutrient management of Orchids and Vermicomposting. Mr. Kalaivanan N S (Co-nodal Officer, Tribal Sub Plan) delivered lecture on Orchid disease and pest management. The farmers were also provided with practical demonstration of Orchid cultivation and vermicomposting. At the end of the training programs inputs for poluhouse construction for each of poly sheet of 175 sr.m, shade net 150sq.m, plastic pots 30 Nos and ready-made vermi beds 9 Nos with vermi worms 0.5 kg each were distributed to each farmer.

