

Interactive meet of Director, CRIDA and ADG (Agril. Extension) with FPOs at NRC for Orchids, Pakyong, Sikkim

Dr. V. K. Singh, Director, ICAR-CRIDA, Dr. R. Roy Burman, ADG (Agricultural Extension), Dr. M. M. Adhikari, former Vice-Chancellor and Professor at BCKV, West Bengal, and Dr. Keshava, Principal Scientist at Extension Division, ICAR-HQ visited ICAR NRC for Orchids today, 2 May, 2024.



Dr. S. P. Das, Director, ICAR-NRC for Orchids, explained about the ongoing research programmes and priorities in coming days, while showing them different orchidariums and laboratories at the centre. Distinguished dignitaries discussed with NRCO scientists and staff. Dr. V. K. Singh, while appreciating for the excellent activities at the centre, urged to expand the activities throughout the country in network mode. ADG (AE) urged that demonstration units can be set up at KVKs for promoting and exhibiting the potential of orchids in different parts of the country. They also urged to foster entrepreneurship in PPP mode.



They also interacted with board members from two Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Cherry Blossom and Premlakha Subaneydara, attached with ICAR-NRCO. Business plans of FPOs and strategies for improving backward and forward linkages were discussed.