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Participatory Varietal Field Day on Rice Variety Cafeteria Organized by KVK, Karbi Anglong

On Dec 06, 2022, Participatory Varietal Evaluation programme on Rice Variety Cafeteria was organized at village Hawraghat under APART, KVK, Karbi Anglong. A total number of 25 farmers including both male and female farmers of that area attended the programme. The cafeteria was established by KVK, Karbi Anglong at JushilaTeronpi Hazarika (beneficiary) field to evaluate the farmers preferred variety from the 10 rice varieties. The programme was attended by Dr Subal Maibansa (Head, KVK, Karbi Anglong), Dr Lohit Kataki (SMS, Plant Protection, KVK, Karbi Anglong), Mr. Bishnu Jyoti Saikia (Project Associate, APART), Ms Renuwara Parbin (Assistant Project Scientist, APART), Mr Satya Jyoti Borah (Research Technician, APART), Mr Ankur Bora (Research Technician, APART), KVK, Karbi Anglong, Mr Milong Bey (RT, IRRI). The programme started with the welcome address by Mr. Bishnu Jyoti Saikia, PA, APART and discussed the main objective of the programme. Then Dr Subal Maibangsa, Head, KVK, Karbi Anglong explained on how to evaluate varieties by voting based on their performance. The evaluation was done on the basis of various plant characteristics of rice varieties. The Scientists guided the farmers for identifying the preferred and non-preferred varieties with the help of coloured tags. The male and female participants were given different coloured tags for positive and negative voting. The farmers voted based on the phenotypic characteristics which resulted in selecting Swarna-Sub1 as one of the best variety among all planted 10 varieties. The programme was appreciated by everyone present and concluded with the vote of thanks by Ms Renuwara Parbin, APS, APART, KVK, Karbi Anglong.



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Field Day Organized under APART by KVK, Kokrajhar

On December 20, 2022 a field day programme on *Sali* paddy LCD-PQR demonstration was successfully conducted at village Bhumki part-II of paddy variety Keteki Joha and CR Sugandh Dhan-909, under APART, KVK, Kokrajhar. A total of two field days were conducted during morning and afternoon shift. Mr. Partho Jyoti Borah (Farm Manager, KVK, Kokrajhar), Mr Sunil Pator (Project Associate, APART, KVK, Kokrajhar), Ms Narzina Parbin (Assistant Project Scientist, APART, KVK, Kokrajhar), Mr Gopal Ch. Roy (Research Technician, APART, KVK, Kokrajhar) and total number of 100

participants were present in the programme including both morning shift and evening shift. The programme started with a welcome address by Ms Narzina Parbin (APS, APART) and she briefly described the objectives of the programme. Mr. Partha Jyoti Borah briefly explained the cultivation practices of rice, intercultural operations involved in paddy cultivation, etc. Mr Sunil Pator, PA, APART delivered the brief overview of APART and also highlighted the Premium Quality Rice Varieties (PQRVs), their names and characteristics. The beneficiaries shared their experience of cultivation of CR Sugandh Dhan and Keteki Joha rice with the APART personnel. When asked about their experiences of growing Keteki Joha and CR Sugandh Dhan the beneficiaries in the surrounding area expressed great satisfaction on the performance. The programme concluded with the vote of thanks by Ms Narzina Parbin, APS, APART, KVK, Kokrajhar.



Field Day on LCD-PQR demonstration (2022-23)

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Field Day Organized under APART by RARS, Diphu

On December 20, 2022, a field day on *Sali* paddy demonstration under APART on LCD, variety Bahadur-Sub1 at Jilangshoof Karbi Anglong district was conducted by APART team of RARS, Diphu. A total of 30 farmers from the village attended the field day. The programme started with the welcome address by Ms Anjela Deka (PA, APART) and she briefly described the objectives of the programme. Farmers were briefed about on going APART activities, production technology of rice, nursery preparation, different high yielding STRVs, machines used in rice cultivation and also Post harvest machinery. Mr. Mirlong Bey (Research Technician, IRRI) explained about the importance of Digital moisture meter and use of Super Bag for storage. The beneficiary farmer shared his experience of cultivating Bahadur-Sub1 with his fellow farmers and suggested everyone to cultivate STRVs for higher production. The program ended with the vote of thanks by Ms A. Deka.

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Focus Group Discussion on Mechanization- Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Nagaon

A Focus Group Discussion (FGD) on Mechanization was held under Assam Agribusiness and Rural Transformation Project (APART) at Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Nagaon on December 14, 2022. The programme started with a welcome address by Ms.

Priyanka Deka, Project Associate, APART, KVK Nagaon and discussed the objectives of the programme. A total of 30 farmers including FPC members, progressive farmers including male and female of Nagaon district attended the programme. Dr. Lisa Mariam Varkey, Socio Economics Specialist, IRRI, Mr. Suarajyoti Baishya, PH& RVC Specialist, IRRI, Ms. Ankita Sahu, Junior Researcher, IRRI and Ms. LipiSaikia, IT Expert, IRRI explained the farmers about the different machineries used in the field and the farmers were given a questionnaire to collect the information about the usage of different machines and they were asked to mark the machines accordingly with the guidance of IRRI Specialist. The programme finally ended with a vote of thanks.



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Focus Group Discussion on Local Seed Availability held on December 20, 2022, under APART by KVK, Kamrup

On December 20, 2022, Focus Group Discussion (FGD) on 'Local Seed Availability' was successfully conducted at Tetelia FPC under APART by KVK, Kamrup. The programme started with the welcome address by Mr. Ananta Gogoi, RT, APART, KVK, Kamrup and discussed the main objectives of the programme. Dr. Neeraj Tyagi, Mr. Sourajyoti Baishya, Mr. Vivek Kumar and Ms. Ankita Sahu were the resource persons during the programme. During FGD a total of 23 participants (both male and female) attended the programme. Participants were introduced to various beneficial characteristics of locally available seeds. They tried to strengthen the farmers knowledge on new improved rice varieties and quality seed production technology. They also discussed about machineries which can be used from sowing to harvesting of a crop along with the Post-harvest machineries. They briefly informed the participants about the agricultural benefits given by the government to the farmers. There was a very good interaction between the participants and the resource persons. The programme was successfully completed with the help of Tetelia FPC.



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