

## IARI-VOs Partnership Workshop– 2017

The workshop of IARI-VOs partnership outreach programme was held on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017 to review the performance of the crops / technologies under demonstrations during *Kharif and Rabi 2016-17* and to decide the future course of action. At present IARI is working with 29 VO partners located at different parts of India

At the outset, Dr. B.K. Singh, In-charge, CATAT welcomed the house and briefed about the coverage of the programme during during *Kharif and Rabi 2016-17*. He briefed that, during Kharif 2016, a total of 551 demonstrations on 4 crops and 9 varieties on an area of 207.71 hectares were conducted in partnership with Voluntary Organizations.

Dr. J.P. Sharma, Joint Director (Ext) - IARI addressed the members and explained that this program is unique for its extensive access to different locations of the country. He advised the partners to share the IARI technologies and old VO partners may train the people on their own and new partners may join the program for further spread of technology.

Dr. J. S. Sandhu, Director, IARI interacted with all VO partners and emphasized on the rapid multiplication of seed and timely distribution to maximum area and urged VO partners to provide first hand information from farmers as that is the key to form IARI's agenda for future work.

VO partners presented their achievements and shared the feedback for IARI technology dissemination in their respective areas. The future course of action was discussed in detail. The meeting ended with a formal vote of thanks.



IARI-VO workshop organized at IARI on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017



VO partners presenting their work progress during IARI-VO workshop organized at IARI on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017



Dr. J.S. Sandhu, Director, IARI, Dr. J.P. Sharma, Joint Director (Ext) and Dr. K.V. Prabhu, Joint Director (Res), IARI reviewing the work progress of VO partners at IARI-VO workshop on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017-05-08