

Division of Agricultural Extension Undertakes Capacity Building Interventions for Economic Upliftment and Nutritional Security of Farm Women

The Division of Agricultural Extension, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), New Delhi organized a 3-day long training programme for economic empowerment and enhancing nutritional security of farm women under the UNDP funded project '**Strengthening Agri-nutri linkage for enhancing nutritional security and empowering farm women in India: Leveraging Agriculture for Nutrition**' at village Jaisinghpur, Mewat district of Haryana during July 20-22, 2017. A group of 50 rural women representing several Self Help Groups (SHGs) of Jaisinghpur village



Dr. S. Paul, Course Director welcoming participants and briefing about the programme



Dr. Alka Joshi, Scientist, FS & PHT practically demonstrating value addition to soybean

participated in the training programme. The entire programme comprised three different sessions. The first day of the training programme started with ice-breaking exercises and briefing about the programme schedule followed by lecture and hands-on practical exercises on processing and valued addition in soybean. Dr. Alka Joshi, Scientist, Division of Food Science and PHT practically demonstrated to the participant farm women scientific methods of soy nut, soymilk and soy paneer preparation. The second day of the programme comprised



Anthropometric measurement of farm women underway



A participant sharing her feedback about the programme

anthropometric assessment of farm women and motivational lectures on entrepreneurship development. Simulation exercises for entrepreneurship development was the major thrust of the third day. The training programme came to an end with feedback from participants, distribution of certificates and planting materials to them. Dr. Premalata Singh, Head, Division of Agricultural Extension and Dr. Satyapriya, Principal Scientist and PI of the project helped in successfully designing the programme. Mr. Satyaprakash, Technical Assistant, Mr. Ravi Shankar, Senior Research Fellow, Dr. Prince Kumar, Senior Research Fellow, Mr. Ankush, Project Assistant, Ms. Renu, Project Assistant and the local coordinator of SHGs in the project locale played important roles in successfully conducting the programme. Dr. S. Paul, Scientist, Division of Agricultural Extension was the Course Director of the capacity development programme.



Certificate and planting material distribution to the participants