IARI-VOs Partnership Workshop—2016

The workshop of IARI-VOs partnership outreach programme was held on 28th September 2016 to review the performance of the crops / technologies under demonstrations during *Rabi* 2015-16 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 rabi 2015- 16 and kharif 2016. He briefed that, during Rabi 2015-16, a total of 572 demonstrations on 8 crops and 21 varieties on an area of 171 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 results of assessment of IARI technologies and varieties demonstrated, level of adoption and future plan may be developed for horizontal spread of sustainable technology in other part of the country.

Joint Director (Research), IARI, Dr. K.V.Prabhu advised that the programme should be brought to higher level of collaboration with initiation of seed production activities further it needs to be legalized with collaboration of ZTM for marketing to start seed producer company for VOs. VOs may also support the Institute in developing seed hubs of pulses. Joint Director (Research) also asked the VO partners to promote STFR meter and soil health card further among their contact farmers.

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.



Discussion during IARI-VOs Partnership Workshop- 2016



 $\begin{tabular}{l} Active Participation of Voluntary Organization Partners during IARI-VOs PartnershipWorkshop- 2016 \end{tabular}$



Dr. Ravinder Kaur, Director-IARI, Dr. J.P. Sharma, Joint Director(Ext)-IARI and Dr. K. V. Prabhu, Joint Director(Res) -IARI during IARI-VOs Partnership Workshop—2016



IARI-VO partners briefing about their achievements of 2015-16