

## ICAR-IARI Hosts Winter Vegetable Field Day, Showcasing Advanced Winter Vegetable Varieties



The Division of Vegetable Science in collaboration with the ZTM & BPD Unit, ICAR-IARI organized Winter Vegetable Field Day on 17 February 2026 at the Unit of Vegetable Research and Demonstration (UVRD). The event aimed to showcase the Division's latest research achievements, promising vegetable varieties and improved production technologies, while promoting interaction among scientists, farmers, industry representatives and other stakeholders.

Over 50 participants, including representatives from seed companies, progressive farmers and scientists attended the programme. Dr. R.N. Padaria, Joint Director (Extension), ICAR-IARI, graced the occasion as Guest of Honour, accompanied by Dr. P.S. Brahmanand, Project Director, Water Technology Centre (WTC), ICAR-IARI.



During the field visit, several improved winter vegetable varieties were on display. Carrot varieties such as Pusa Rudhira and Pusa Yamdagni; cabbage varieties Pusa Hybrid-1 and Pusa Red Cabbage Hybrid-1; cauliflower varieties Pusa Snowball K-1 and Pusa Snowball K-25 and Tomato variety Pusa Shakti and cherry tomato Pusa Red Cherry Tomato-3 drew significant attention from participants.



Participants also engaged with scientists to discuss varietal performance, production technologies and seed availability. The Field Day provided a valuable platform for knowledge exchange and collaboration, reaffirming the institute's commitment to advancing vegetable research and ensuring the effective transfer of technologies from laboratory to field.