

**Minutes of Farmers Awareness Programme  
On  
“Impact of Climate Change on Agriculture”  
Parbhani  
30<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

AMFU- Parbhani, Maharashtra organized one day FAP on “Impact of Climate Change on Agriculture” on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at Cotton Research Station, Nanded. 15 Scientists of CRS, 25 university Scientists and about 150 farmers from 08 districts of Marathwada region i.e. Nanded, Parbhani, Hingoli, Jalna, Aurangabad, Beed, Latur and Osmanabad participated in the programme. Prof. Pralhad Jaybhaye, Principal Nodal Officer, GKMS welcomed the guests and participants. Also he explained about purpose of the conducting such programme he expressed that, “a acute need to understand the change in climate and how to mitigate its effect for agriculture”.

During the ceremonial programme a edited and complied a book “Agromet advisory” also released by the **Dr. B. Venkateshwarlu Hon. Vice Chancellor**, VNMKV, Parbhani and **Shri. Kedar Salunke Patil, Executive member**, VNMKV, Parbhani.

Hon. Vice Chancellor Dr. B. Venkatshwarlu during his precedential address called upon the farmers to aware the benefits of weather services and Agromet advisory disseminated through different information technologies and media by GKMS and NICRA Yojana. He also stated that farmers were already awared with application of fertilizer and irrigation but they have not available such techniques to avoid their crops from the climatic changes. Such look hole covering the Agro Advisory Services and he appealed to farmers try to apply such techniques which are freely available. He focused on weather evidences and stated that, “now we are experiencing the impact of climate change on agriculture. The product of climate change are the worst weather evidences viz., hailstorm, cyclons, heat and cold waves unseasonal rainfall etc. Observing”. He exhorted upon the farmers to adopt techniques of handling the cellular phone for the purpose to use agormet advice in their day

to day agricultural and other management practices, which are definitely useful to reduces losses in farming business.

He also directed to adopt the technologies to mitigate the climate change. It will be giving the sustainability in rural farming community. He also expected to conduct such a type of symposium cum awareness programme at each district in the interest of farming community of Marathwada region.

The Director of Research, VNMKV, Parbhani while interacting with the farmers said that, “Don’t ignore agrometeorological messages”. The Agromet message is receiving to you from where (i.e. through which agency or institute) is not important but how much it is useful are the important. From the last year the agro advisories doing well job and weather prediction given by IMD and disseminated by AMFU Parbhani are found very correct and useful in real sense secondly he was been noticed that the AMFU Parbhani reached up to the 37 lakh farmers of the Marathwada region during the last 5 year period and this is a great extension job done by this center.

The R. Balasubramanian, Scientist-D, IMD Pune explained about the GKMS work at National and state level. He also presented the performance of different centers and quoted that this center is working excellent in Maharashtra. Adaptation of Agro Advisory Bulletin, the risk is minimizing in farming business.

The experts of silkworm raring and mulberry farming Dr. Latpate given the techniques for raring the silk worms and sericulture farming though enthusiastic speech by using power point presentation. Dr. A. S. Shinde given the small small tricks, how to save their animals from weather calamities and how to manage the heat stress is animal during his lecture. The another expert focused on due to changing climate some pest on crop emerging and increasing the relative humidity some diseases spread may be possible and he shows how the microclimatic condition is responsible for increasing or decreasing pest and disease during season to season. (Entomologist Mr. Pataiet).

The progressive and awarded farmer Shri. Uddhavrao Khedekar, Gopalrao Bhat Patil, Shri. Panjabrao Deshmukh and some other farmers are contributed their innovative works at rural level done to mitigate the unseasonal rain and hailstorm. Some of them said, we are coping up the time of planting, pruning and irrigation as per the changing weather and by using AAB massages.

The programme was concluded with the vote of thanks by Mr. Pramod Shinde, Technical Officer. During his vote of thanks he also requested to the farmers for register their information and mobile number on M.Kisan portal and also give information about registration.

Finally with great successes programme has declared over.

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