



## Brief report on Animal Health Camp organized by Department of Agriculture, IIAST, Integral University Lucknow in Khwaja ka Purwa Village on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Livestock farmers often face challenges such as lack of access to veterinary services, poor knowledge of animal nutrition, and limited awareness of disease prevention. These issues can lead to high mortality rates, reduced milk yield, and economic losses. Many farmers are unable to identify early signs of illness or provide timely treatment, which worsens animal health conditions. In this context, animal health camps serve as essential interventions by offering preventive care, vaccinations, and treatment for sick animals. They help control the spread of infectious diseases and parasitic infections through services like deworming. Moreover, farmers receive valuable training on hygiene, feeding practices, and early disease detection. Such camps bridge the knowledge and service gaps between veterinary professionals and rural farmers. Recognizing these needs, the Department of Agriculture, IIAST, Integral University, Lucknow, organized a successful Animal Health Camp on **19th April 2025** at Khwaja ka Purwa Village to support local livestock owners.

The camp was held with the objective of improving livestock health in nearby villages by providing essential veterinary services such as deworming, nutritional advice and treatment for sick animals. Livestock owners and Farmers participated in the camp bringing 65 animals, including cows, buffaloes and goats of various age groups. The services provided in the camp included deworming for animals to protect them from parasitic infections. In addition, the farmers were given tailored nutritional advice to ensure balanced diets for their livestock, particularly dairy animals, to enhance milk production. Sick animals were treated for specific health issues and farmers were educated on disease prevention and the early detection of common livestock illnesses. The camp also served as an educational platform, where students of B. Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture 4<sup>th</sup> year assisted in both the administration of treatments and the dissemination of practical livestock management knowledge. The farmers showcased a strong interest in learning about proper feeding practices and disease management indicating the need for continuous educational support.

The Animal Health Camp was organized under the guidance of Prof. Mohd Haris Siddiqui, Director, Integral Institute of Agricultural Science & Technology and Prof. Saba Siddiqui, Head, Department of Agriculture, Integral Institute of Agricultural Science & Technology. The camp was led by Dr. Zeeshan Ahmed Khan and Dr. Pankaj Kumar Gupta with the active involvement of students from the department. The farmers expressed their gratitude for the services provided, particularly the deworming and nutritional guidance, which they found highly beneficial. They also suggested that similar camps be organized more frequently to cover additional services such as vaccinations and advanced treatments. Faculty members, students, and farmers actively engaged in the event, and there is strong encouragement for organizing more such camps in the future to further enhance livestock health and farmer education.

## **Glimpses of Event**











