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Brief report on Kisan Goshti organized by Department of Agriculture, IIAST on "Citrus Disease Management" in Bhakamau Village

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The Kisan Goshti organized by the Department of Agriculture at IIAST on "Citrus Disease Management," held on December 28, 2021, in Bhakamau Village, addressed a pressing concern for citrus growers and the agricultural community at large. Recognizing the economic significance of citrus cultivation and the threats posed by various diseases, this event aimed to equip farmers with essential knowledge and strategies to effectively manage citrus diseases and safeguard their orchards' health and productivity. By focusing on disease management practices, the goshti sought to mitigate the adverse effects of diseases on citrus yields and ensure the sustainability of citrus farming in Bhakamau Village. The Gosthi was observed under the guidance of Prof. Mohd Haris Siddiqui, Director, Integral Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology and Dr. Saba Siddiqui, Head, Department of Agriculture, IIAST. Students of B.Sc(Hons.) Agriculture attended the Goshti.

Dr. Abu Nayeer, Assistant Professor at the Department of Agriculture, IIAST, elucidated the common citrus diseases prevalent in the region, such as citrus canker, citrus greening, and citrus black spot, along with their symptoms, causes, and control measures. Dr. Nayeer emphasized the importance of adopting an integrated approach to disease management, incorporating cultural, biological, and chemical control methods to effectively suppress disease outbreaks and minimize yield losses. His insights aimed to empower citrus growers in Bhakamau Village with the knowledge and skills necessary to implement proactive disease management strategies on their orchards.

The goshti facilitated knowledge exchange and capacity building among citrus farmers, enabling them to identify, diagnose, and manage citrus diseases more effectively. By promoting early detection and timely intervention, the event aimed to prevent the spread of diseases and minimize the need for costly remedial measures, thereby improving the overall resilience and profitability of citrus farming operations in Bhakamau Village. Overall, the Kisan Goshti served as a platform for fostering collaboration, sharing best practices, and enhancing the collective capacity of farmers to tackle the challenges posed by citrus diseases, aligning with the Department of Agriculture's mission to promote sustainable and resilient agricultural practices in rural communities.



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Glimpses of the Visit



