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Brief Report on Kisan Pathshala organized by Department of Agriculture, IIAST, Integral University, Lucknow in Paikramau Village on “Role of Farmer Producer Organizations (किसान उत्पादक संगठन की भूमिका) on 03rd November 2018

A Kisan Pathshala was organized by Department of Agriculture, IIAST, Integral University, Lucknow in Paikramau Village on “Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)” on 03rd November 2018. The Pathshala aimed to enlighten local farmers about the significance and operational aspects of FPOs in modern agricultural practices. The Kisan Pathshala began with an inaugural address, emphasizing the vital role FPOs play in empowering farmers by fostering collective action and providing a platform for joint marketing, bargaining power, and access to credit facilities. FPOs play a crucial role in improving the socio-economic status of farmers, fostering rural development, and promoting sustainable agricultural practices.

Throughout the session, experts from IIAST, Integral University elucidated the structure, benefits, and legal framework governing FPOs. Farmers actively participated in discussions, sharing their experiences and queries related to the formation and functioning of FPOs. The learning outcomes of the Kisan Pathshala included a heightened awareness among farmers about the potential of FPOs in improving income, ensuring fair pricing, and reducing post-harvest losses. The Pathshala concluded with a vibrant interactive session, where farmers expressed their commitment to exploring the establishment of FPOs in Paikramau Village, marking a significant step toward collective prosperity and sustainable agricultural development in the region. It was attended by 40 farmers. The Kisan Pathshala underscored the pivotal role of FPOs in transforming the landscape of rural agriculture and highlighted the importance of collaborative efforts for the betterment of the farming community.

The pathshala 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. The pathshala was organized by the faculty coordinators Dr Mustafa Hussain, Dr Satish Yadav and Dr Sunil Kumar and staff along with the students of B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture organized the kisan pathshala.

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Glimpses of the events

