

#### Brief report on Animal Health Camp organized by Department of Agriculture, IIAST, Integral University Lucknow in Basha Village on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Animal health care camps are vital for improving livestock health, which directly enhances agricultural productivity and rural livelihoods. These camps provide preventive treatments, vaccinations and disease management, helping to control outbreaks and reduce mortality rates. They also raise awareness among farmers about best practices in animal husbandry, nutrition and sanitation. Access to veterinary services in such camps ensures timely medical attention for animals in remote areas and contributes to the economic stability of farming communities by improving the health and well-being of their livestock. In accordance with it an Animal Health Camp was successfully organized at Basaha Village by the Department of Agriculture, IIAST, Integral University, Lucknow on 5th September 2024.

The camp was held with the objective of improving livestock health by providing essential veterinary services such as deworming, nutritional advice and treatment for sick animals. 20 livestock farmers participated in the camp bringing 42 animals, including cows, buffaloes and goats of various age groups. The services provided during 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 3rd 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 Mr. Faisal Kirmani, 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 the Camp

















