

Kharif Farmers' Day in Tansa Farm

On October 16, 2024, a Farmers' Day event was held at Tansa Farm for the current *kharif* weather season. The event focused on "Zero Tillage Farming" and was part of the ASPEE Foundation's efforts to introduce modern agricultural technologies to small farmers in the Tansa Farm vicinity. Krishiratna Shri. Chandrashekhar Bhadsavale, Pioneer of SRT Technology, from Saguna Baug, Neral, Tal- Karjat, Dist- Raigad, served as the guest speaker. Ms. Monali Patil, an Agricultural Assistant from ARDF, welcomed the guests and provided introductory remarks about the attendees. Dr. Swapnil Dekhane, a Senior Scientist, explained the activities of the Aspee Agricultural Research and Development Foundation.

Before Farmers' Day start ARDF staff take a round with farmers and showed them different plots of different rice varieties. ASPEE Company staff also showed the different sprayers to farmers. The technical staff of the Aspee Foundation explained to the farmers about the research projects being conducted on the farm.

The chief guest delivered a concise yet informative presentation on various crops, including Paddy in kharif and Chickpea, Moong, Cowpea, Lentil etc. in Rabi. By his SRT technique he showed how to minimize cost of cultivation. During the presentation, he not only introduced these crops but also investigated into production techniques that maximize returns while minimizing resource inputs. His talk was a valuable source of knowledge for the audience, shedding light on the intricacies of cultivating vegetable crops and the strategies to achieve higher yields in a resource-efficient manner. This presentation served as an essential educational resource for farmers seeking to enhance their expertise in farming. SRT Team member Shri. Parshuram Agivale also give in detailed the management practices of different crops.

Near about 150 farmers from the adjoining villages were participated in the event. After clearing all doubts of farmers, the farmers' day ended after lunch.



The chief guest Shri. Bhadsavale welcomed by ASPEE Foundation Director, Shri. Kiranbhai Patel.



President of the function Mr. John D. Breto welcomed by ASPEE Foundation Senior Staff, Shri. Sudam Patil.



Shri. Kiranbhai Patel giving introductory remark regarding chief guest of the function.



Paddy plot visit of the farmers.



Ms. Monali Patil, Agricultural Assistant, ARDF, welcomed the guests and gave introductory remarks about the invitees



Shri. Bhadsavale Sir addressing to the farmers.



A token of love gave to chief guest by the hands of Shri. Kiran Patel.



Vote of thanks given by Mr. Kalpesh Jadhav.