**23\textsuperscript{th} January, 2020, Dirang:**

The ICAR-National Research Centre on yak celebrated its 31\textsuperscript{st} Foundation Day on 23\textsuperscript{rd} January, 2020 with full enthusiasm. The programme was started with the flag hoisting by Dr. D. Medhi, In-Charge, Director in presence of the staff cum tribal livestock farmers coming from different areas of Dirang circle. In this connection an awareness programme followed by scientist-farmers interactive meeting on the theme “Scientific Feeding and management of highland animals” was arranged in the auditorium of the institute. The programme was organized in collaboration with Department of Animal Husbandry, Veterinary and Dairy Development and Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Dirang. Gracing the occasion as resource persons from both the collaborating organization congratulates the team of ICAR-NRCY for successfully completing 31 years of its existence. They also appreciated the research work and extension activities being carried out by the Institute.

Earlier, Dr. D. Medhi, Senior Scientist cum Director, in-charge, ICAR-NRCY welcomed the participants. A total of 160 livestock cum agriculture farmers in and around Dirang attended the programme. Scientists cum resource personals from all the three organizations interacted with the farmers on different aspects on scientific feeding and management of livestock as well as on the pest management in vegetables, soil health management, integrated fish farming, vermi-composting etc. Mr. Tapke, Progressive farmer cum Ex-Secretary, Dirang, Bazar Committee representing the lead farmers in the programme, praised the efforts of Dr P. Chakravarty, Director, ICAR-NRC on Yak, Dirang for conducting such programme and giving benefits of the Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) funds of the institute to the livestock farmers in the form of concentrate feed, common salts with some basic veterinary medicines like anthemantics, anti-diarrhoeals, fly repellents, liver tonics etc. The programme was successfully completed with active participation and support of Dr. Mokhtar Hussain, Senior Technical Officer, ICAR-NRCY, Dirang, Mr. Khokan Paul, PS to Director, ICAR-NRCY, Dirang, Dr. T. K. Misra, Subject Matter Specialist, KVK, West Kameng, Dirang and Mr. Jinjy, Livestock Assistant cum Store Keeper, Department of Animal Husbandry, Veterinary and Dairy Development, Dirang with other staffs of ICAR-NRCY, Dirang.