

ICAR-National Research Centre on Yak, Dirang, organized three days extension programme on “Livelihood improvement of pastoral community through multidimensional intervention”

ICAR-National Research Centre on Yak, Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh conducted a three days extension cum training programme from 18th to 20th November, 2015 at Misopsa grazing ground, Mandala around 12,000 feet above msl in West Kameng district of Arunachal Pradesh for Livelihood improvement of pastoral community through multidimensional intervention. During the three days long programme around 200 pure yaks were vaccinated against Food and Mouth disease and blood samples were collected for screening various infectious diseases. Besides vaccination, yaks were also treated for different ailments like conjunctivitis, injuries, diarrhea, wart, general weakness etc. Data pertaining to various morphological traits were also collected along with milk samples for phenotypic characterization of Arunachali yaks. During the programme the scientists of the institute appraised the yak rearers with the multidimensional scientific interventions like package of practices for calf management, deworming schedule, benefits of vaccination, care and management of pregnant yaks, breeding strategies etc. to adopt in yak rearing for better profitability. They were also given information regarding the technologies developed by the institute like complete feed block, application of artificial insemination, area specific mineral mixture, highland pasture management etc.

To motivate the yak rearers ICAR-NRC on Yak purchased yak wools from them and requested them to supply the yak wools to the institute in the future too. On the concluding day, the yak rearers were distributed common salt along with basic veterinary medicines and mineral mixtures for the welfare of the yaks. Dr. P. J. Das, Dr. Sourabh Deori, Dr. Juwar Doley, Dr. S. S. Hanah and Dr. M. Hussain along with other supporting staffs of the institute actively participated in the camp.

