

YAK HEALTH MANAGEMENT CAMP ORGANIZED BY ICAR-NRC ON YAK AT LEH-LADAKH

ICAR-National Research Centre on Yak, Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh conducted series of field day extension cum yak health camps at different parts of yak rearing villages of Ladakh under Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) programme of the institute. The programmes were organized in collaboration with the Animal Husbandry Department of Leh-Ladakh to aware the yak farmers of high altitude difficult terrain of Ladakh on some common diseases in yaks and their control measures. A total of 47 farmers from different villages in an around Khardung area situated at an altitude 18,000 ft above msl and 55 farmers from Lato, Gya, Sasoma and Rumtse villages at an altitude of 14,000 ft above msl participated in the programme conducted respectively on 8th August'2019 at Khardung and 11th August'2019 at Gya village.

During the programme, farmers were made aware of some basic manageable practices for their livestock by Dr D. Medhi, Senior Scientist cum In-charge Extension of the institute. Dr. Juwar Doley, Scientist, ICAR-NRC on yak and Dr. Stanzin and Dr. Morup, Vety. Officers from Animal Husbandry Department of Leh-Ladakh briefed them about the scientific management of their livestock in terms of breeding, feeding, housing and health management especially during winter. The farmers were also made aware of value additions of different yak products for their better income generation. Some basic veterinary medicines like anthelmintics, antidiarrhoeals, liver tonics, fly repellents etc. were also distributed amongst the participants. Mr. Tsering Wangchuk, the Naib Sarponch of Khardung, taking part in the programme praised the efforts of ICAR-NRC on Yak, Dirang for conducting such programme towards wellbeing of the livestock farmers of his area. He also advised the farmers to adopt the technologies the scientists suggested during the programme to get maximum benefit from their livestock. Dr D. Medhi, the co-ordinator of the programme appreciated the effort of Dr. Mohd Iqbal, the CAHO, Leh-Ladakh for providing supports in different ways for making the events meaningful.

