## <u>Awareness programme on World Soil Day, 5<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2016 at adopted village, Kartok in East Sikkim,</u> <u>by ICAR-NRC for Orchids, Sikkim</u>

ICAR-NRC for Orchids, Pakyong, Sikkim celebrated the World Soil Day on 05<sup>th</sup>, December, 2016 at adopted village, Kartok in East Sikkim district, Sikkim. The scientific and technical staff of ICAR-NRCO created the awareness on role and conservation of soil among the farmers. Scientists interacted with them regarding the various issues like the degradation of soil, utility of organic cultivation and soil health management. Further, farmers also encouraged to visit soil testing laboratories for soil health cards.







World Soil day celebrated in adopted village Kartok village, East Sikkim dt., Sikkim

Dr. D. Barman, Principal Scientist, ICAR-NRCO mentioned the role of soil and conservation measures of soil and organic farming for healthy growing of plants which leads to better environment. He stressed on role of crop rotation methods for healthy and better soils. Further, stressed the role of soils for plants and factors that lead to climate change.