

ICAR – NRC for Orchids, Pakyong –Sikkim organized Five days training
on

“Cultivation of Orchids and other cut flowers”

(21-25th May, 2018)

A five (05) days training programme on ***“Cultivation of Orchids and other cut flowers”*** conducted at ICAR NRC for Orchids, Pakyong, Sikkim from 21 -25th May, 2018 to the Officials from Department of Floriculture, State Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir, Kashmir.

First Day the programme was started with the inaugural ceremony, registration of trainees and Programme Co-ordinator Dr. L.C. De Principal Scientist briefly explained about the current farm practices, procedures and future farming plans, followed by Field visit and demonstration at ICAR NRCO Pakyong. Shri. Raj Kumar (Scientist Floriculture) gave presentation on Production Technology of Commercial Flowers.

On Second day, three presentations on different topics were presented followed by practical demonstration media preparation, potting and re-potting.

- Floriculture on hill Region – Dr. L.C. De, Principal Scientist (Hort.)
- Biotechnological interventions in commercial flowers – Dr. S. Chakrabarti, Pr. Scientist (Genetics)
- IPR issues in Ornamental Plants – Ravi Kishore Pamarthi, Scientist (Economic Botany & PGR)
- Practical On Potting, Re-potting and Vermicomposting – Ajay Bhusal, (Farm/Field Assistant)

On Day three, three presentations on different topics were presented followed by practical demonstration on plant propagation techniques.

- Biodiversity management in Orchids - Ravi Kishore Pamarthi, Scientist (Eco Botany & PGR)
- Production of quality seeds and planting materials in commercial flowers - Dr. L.C. De, Principal Scientist (Hort.)
- Production technology of bulbous ornamentals – Raj Kumar, Scientist (Floriculture)
- Practical on Propagation techniques – Ms. Tshering Chomu Bhutia (Technical Assistant)

In Day Four, three lectures / PPT were delivered and presented on the following topics followed by field visit.

- Off-season cultivation of ornamental plants – N. Sailo, Scientist (Plant Physiology)
- Post-harvest management of cut flowers – Dr. L. C. De, Principal Scientist (Hort.)
- IPM in Orchids – Mr. Rakesh Kumar Singh, SRF (DUS)
- Visit to Cymbidium Centre, Rumtek and Orchids growers’ farm at South Sikkim.

Final Day (Day five) i.e. on 18/05.2018, three lectures / PPT were delivered and presented on the following topics followed by Valedictory function.

- Breeding approaches in orchids – Dr. R.G. Devdas, Principal Scientist (Plant Breeding)
- Utilization of orchid genetic resources and value addition – Dr. Kiran Babu, RA (NMHS)
- Physiological disorders in ornamental plants – Dr. N. Sailo, Scientist (Plant Physiology)

Finally, Dr. D.R. Singh, Director ICAR – NRC for Orchids, Pakyong Sikkim, addresses the trainees, Scientists, for conducting and successfully completion of the training programme. He also congratulates the trainees/beneficiaries for participation and extended warm wishes to implement the knowledge acquired through training and from the experts for betterment of the country.

