

FINAL REPORT

Training cum workshop on cultivation of Medicinal Plants to rural farmers – An Industrial perspective

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One day programme on “Training cum workshop on the cultivation of Medicinal plants to rural farmers – An Industrial perspectives” was held on 13th December, 2019 at Uka Tarsadia University, Gopal Vidhya Nagar, Mahuva Taluka of Surat District. The programme was inaugurated by **Dr. P. Manivel**, Senior Scientist, Directorate of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Research (DMAPR), Anand of Gujarat state in the presence of Prof. Dr. R. Krishnamurthy Director and faculty members of C G Bhakta Institute of Biotechnology, Uka Tarsadia University, Gopal Vidhya Nagar and farmers participants from south Gujarat region.

Followed by the inaugural function, Prof. Dr. R. Krishnamurthy welcomed the gathering and presented a brief note about the importance of the workshop in the current trends. The technical session was started after the tea break. Dr. P. Manivel delivered the lecture about the various avenues for the farmers regarding the cultivation of medicinal plants in Gujarat region. In his address, he insisted the various initiatives are taken by the State Government of Gujarat regarding the cultivation of medicinal plants.

After the lunch break, the participant farmers were taken to **Zandhu Health Care Foundation (ZHCF)**, Village Paria, Pardi, Ambach. The Technical sessions were continued over there. **Dr. Vinod K Bisht**, Scientist, Zandu Health Care Foundation, Ambach delivered lecture on the various challenges and avenues in the cultivation of medicinal plants to rural farmers. In his lecture he has explained the various views about to overcome the hurdles in the cultivation of medicinal plants and the avenues for marketing the plants products.

After a short tea break, the field scientists of Zandhu health care foundation (ZHCF) explained the field based training and demonstration of cultivation of medicinal plants to the

farmer participants. The participants raised various doubts and clarifications about the cultivation of medicinal plants and marketing the various products. Further, the participants were witnessed the various facilities available for the cultivation and processing of medicinal plants in the workshop programme.

In the valedictory function, the farmers were spoke about their feedback about the programme. Finally the dignitaries issued the participants certificates to the farmers. Collectively 50 participants alongwith the research scholars of CGBIBT of Uka Tarsadia University were attended the programme.

Followed the lecture, field demonstration and trials to the farmer participants by Scientists, Zandhu Health Care Foundation, village Paria, Parchi, Ambuch, Vapi. With the generous financial support of GSMPB, the entire programme was organized with the free of cost to the farmers participants.



