

Second Meeting of SPIG – FFP

Site Plan Implementation Group (SPIG) meeting of ICAR CPCRI - Farmer FIRST Programme (FFP)

The SPIG meeting of ICAR-CPCRI, FFP was conducted on 06/01/2018 in the Pathiyoor Panchayath conference hall. The meeting started at 2.30 pm chaired by Sri V.Prabhakaran, President, Pathiyoor panchayath (FFP location). Dr. P. Anithakumari, Principal Scientist & PI (FFP) welcomed the gathering and presented the points for discussion. Mr. K.Sukumaran, Member-Ward VII & Standing committee Chairman (Development), Mr. P. D. Sunil, Member-Ward XVII, and Mrs. Soumya Syam, Member – Ward XIX were also present in the meeting. Representatives of various farmer groups and facilitators attended meeting, along with team members of the ICAR CPCRI-FFP. The meeting was convened to plan the farming activities and evaluating the progress of interventions for the next season.



The meeting decided to initiate land preparation and sowing of Sesamum seeds by 19 women farmer groups and 5 farmers groups identified. A field level participatory appraisal and evaluation is planned of four sesamum varieties viz., Kayamkulam -1, Thilak, Thilathara and Thilarani, released for the Onattukara region wherein the FFP location situated. The seeds were procured from Kerala Agricultural University and a total of 50 acres will be sown during third week of January, 2018.

It was also discussed and decided to organize a Harvest Festival of the Seed multiplication of IISR-Prathibha and Suvarna (Turmeric), Gajendra (Amorphophallus) and Sree Keerthi (Dioscorea) by four farmers group. The farmer to farmer transfer of technologies and planting materials were planned.

The SPIG members expressed high level of satisfaction in the FFP interventions in participatory mode and the FFP interventions is getting evolved as model technology integration farming systems for similar areas.

The meeting came to a close to 4.30 PM.