

**ICAR-Indian Institute of Oilseeds Research**  
**Rajendranagar, Hyderabad - 500030**  
**Farmers Training Programme**  
**on**  
**Improved production technologies of oilseeds for enhancing farmers income**  
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ICAR-IIOR hosted a farmers training program "Improved production technologies of oilseeds for enhancing farmers income" for 40 farmers from Hospet district of Karnataka who are the members of Karnataka oilseed Federation during 25-26<sup>th</sup> May, 2023. Groundnut, sunflower and Sesame are the main oilseed crops they grow in the district.

The training program aimed to address the few important issues that these farmers face

1. Quality seed availability in sunflower
2. Bird damage in sunflower
3. Low productivity of groundnut varieties
4. Pod damage in groundnut during harvesting
5. Labour shortage for farm operations
6. Low price/middlemen exploitation
7. Lack of knowledge about best farm management practices in sesame
8. Disease management in groundnut and sunflower

The resource persons gave information about recently improved varieties/hybrids, farm management techniques, fertilizer management, pest and disease management to enhance productivity of oil seed crops and income of farmers. Farmers were given suggestions about formation of FPOs (Farmers producer organizations) which can avoid middlemen, develop value added products from the crop produce, to establish their own brand of products and to establish input business. Specific problems of farmers related to pests and diseases on crops were addressed by the resource persons.

The training program concluded with vote of thanks.

Group photo with farmers



Visit of farmers to IIOR Museum



Interaction with resource persons



Interaction with resource persons



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