

ICAR-Directorate of Cashew Research, Puttur organizes a Training Programme on “Entrepreneurship opportunities in Cashew” and promotion of Nutrition gardening for farm women under the SCSP scheme

The Directorate of Cashew Research, Puttur organized a training programme for the farm women under the SCSP scheme on 25.06.2024. The training aimed to impart awareness of the entrepreneurial opportunities in cashew, emphasizing scientific nursery management and cashew apple value addition for doubling their income.

The programme commenced with the introductory remarks by Dr. Manjesh G N, Scientist (Spices Plantation Medicinal and Aromatic Plants) and Nodal officer for SCSP. He briefed the audience about the scheme. This was followed by a talk on overview of Cashew cultivation delivered by Dr. J Dinakara Adiga, Director, ICAR-DCR, Puttur.

There were lectures on commercial nursery management of Cashew and the importance of nutrition gardening for human health which were dealt with by Dr. Manjesh G N. Dr. Veena G L, Scientist, Fruit Science took a lecture on the value addition of cashew apple and she familiarized the products developed from the Directorate. Dr. Thondaiman V, scientist (Spices Plantation Medicinal and Aromatic Plants) sensitized the farmers on the softwood grafting technique and they were also shown softwood grafting in the nursery so that they become aware of the technique. Following this, farmers were taken on an exposure visit to Shri Subash Rai's field which has taken up participatory demonstration in collaboration with the Directorate.

The programme was attended by 35 farm women and seed kits were distributed to the participants.

