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## ***Development of Horticulture-Based Entrepreneurship for Livelihood Improvement and Distribution of Inputs Under SCSP Scheme***

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*Two days training Programme on “Development of Horticulture-Based Entrepreneurship for Livelihood Improvement” and distribution of Inputs under the SCSP scheme to Schedule caste (SC) beneficiaries of Gadag District was organized from 28<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024 in collaboration with ICAR-K.H. Patil, KVK, Hulkoti, Gadag, Karnataka.*

*In this program, Dr. J. D. Adiga, Director, ICAR-DCR, Puttur addressed the gathering with examples of horticulture-based entrepreneurship opportunities for improving the economic income of rural farmers. He also briefed about the entrepreneurship opportunities in the Cashew sector. Further, Mr. Suresh Kumbar, Retired SADH, GoK, Gadag spoke about the importance of horticulture crops in Gadag and Govt. schemes for an entrepreneur. Later Dr. Manjesh GN Scientist, Nodal officer SCSP briefed about the implementation of SCSP activities in Collaboration with KVK, an overview of the Horticulture sector in Agriculture GDP, and technologies available at ICAR-DCR for becoming entrepreneurs. The president of the program Dr. Sudha V. Mankani, Senior Scientist and Head ICAR-K.H. Patil KVK, Hulkoti, Gadag, briefed about the efforts of ICAR-DCR in collaboration for the implementation of the scheme and advised the participants to take up cashew-based entrepreneurship activities. The program ended with a vote of thanks by Mr. Narayan H. Bandi, SMS, Soil Science, KH Patil KVK, Gadag.*

*Followed by the distribution of inputs (Tarpaulins 100 Nos, Vegetable seed kit 25 Nos, and 2 in1 battery sprayers 80 Nos) to the SC beneficiaries of Gadag District. The program was moderated by Mrs. Hemavathi H., SMS, Horticulture, ICAR-K.H. Patil KVK, Hulkoti, Gadag.*

*[Source: Nodal Officer SCSP]*





