

## **Zonal Monitoring Committee (ZMC) Visit to NICRA KVKs of Madhya Pradesh under ICAR-ATARI, Zone-IX, Jabalpur**

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Zonal Monitoring Committee team under NICRA Project lead by Dr. N. Sudhakar, Ex-ZPD, Hyderabad as chairman, Dr. Anupam Mishra, Director, ATARI, Jabalpur as Vice Chairman, Dr. Pradeep Dey, Pri. Scientist, IISS, Bhopal & DDG, NRM nominee, Dr. S.S. Balloli, Principal Scientist (Soil Science) & Director CRIDA nominee, Dr. T.R. Sharma, DES, JNKVV representative, Dr. S.S. Kushwaha, DES RVSKVV nominee RVSKVV, Gwalior and Dr. S.R.K.Singh, Principal Scientist & member Secretary, ATARI, Jabalpur visited KVK Morena and KVK Guna during March 13-14, 2019 in Madhya Pradesh state.

At KVK Morena, Dr. S.P. Singh, KVK Head and PI presented the brief progress of the project. ZMC members visited the NICRA village Ata along with scientists of KVK Morena to see the technical progress in all the modules as NRM, Crop Production, Livestock and Fishery and Institutional Intervention and also interacted with the farmers of NICRA village Ata. Team observed the good coverage of the interventions across different sections of the rural community. KVK showed the FIRB in wheat, and raised bed in other crops in the NICRA village along with livestock particularly buffalo and cattle based interventions. Regarding NRM mainly Zero tillage and land configuration methods like FIRB and raised bed were used.

In KVK Guna, ZMC team visited NICRA village Sarkhon & Araskheda to monitor various interventions implemented. Dr. Sunita Mishra (SS&H) presented all the activities of NICRA village done by KVKs. KVK showed the wheat crop variety HI-1544, protected cultivation, vermi-composting, custom hiring center based intervention. Marigold was found to effective as trap crop in several places; border row of marigold in tomato may be tried and demonstrated. Similarly, in cauliflower, mustard can be used as trap crop.

ZMC members also interacted with farmers at both KVKs on various aspects of the climate situation and its effect on their agricultural practices for mitigation and adaptation for the same.

Zonal Monitoring committee suggested that there is need to fine tune contingent plan of NICRA districts in the context of prevailing climatic vulnerability so that crops and livestock of the farmers could be saved due to harsh weather condition.



**ZMC Visit at KVK, Morena**



**ZMC Visit at KVK, Aron (Guna)**