## ICAR-IIOR organized "Farmer - Scientist interaction on Promotion of oilseed crops in tribal areas of Adilabad district" on 16/07/2023

As a part of 95<sup>th</sup> ICAR-Foundation Day celebrations, The ICAR- Indian Institute of Oilseeds Research, Hyderabad organized "**Farmer - Scientist interaction on** *Promotion of oilseed crops in tribal areas of Adilabad district*" in association with state department of agriculture in aspirational district of Adilabad in Muthnoor mandal in Mendepally village on 16/07/2023 "under TSP 2023

Farmers in the district took up planting of cotton, soybean, cotton + red gram intercropping with the recent rains received during last week of June in black soils.

Dr. G. Suresh, Principal Scientist, IIOR highlighted the importance of ICAR foundation Day and mandate of IIOR and the main objectives of the Tribal Sub-Plan Programme of Government of India. He also underlined the importance of oilseed crops *viz.*, castor, safflower and summer sesame their importance, its scope along with the benefits and value-added products and potential of oilseed crops in Adilabad. As a part of diversification activity it was suggested to undertake safflower crop after harvesting soybean and planting summer sesame after cotton as a bonus crop. Castor crop can be promoted as intercrop with redgram and as border crop around cotton fields and on bunds during *kharif* and under protective irrigation during late *kharif* and *rabi*. Further, castor can also be undertaken as contingency crop in the event of crop failure if present insufficient rains are further prolonged. Dr. Mangesh Dudhe, Senior Scientist, IIOR encouraged the farmers of the mandal to grow oilseed crops to bridge the wide gap between availability and demand of annual oilseeds and fill the deficit of edible oil supply.

Some of the progressive farmers of the mandal *viz.*, (i) Sri Athram Sitharam (ii) H K Jangu Patel (iii) Muthnur Patel (iii) Jyothi Ram Patel (iv) Shaik (v) Katle Dharmu (vi) Erma Baiku (vii) Dev Rao Kethlapan explained the cultivation practices of safflower, sesame and castor undertaken by them during the previous years and the benefits of productive assets accrued under the programme.

Castor hybrid seed (ICH-66) and *Trichoderma* powder packets were distributed and seed treatment was demonstrated.

A field visit was arranged by a farmer Sri. H K Jangu Patel to his recently planted soybean crop during the last week of June. The *rabi*/ summer program to be undertaken in the target village was discussed and the requirement of small implements/tarpaulins and other needs of farmers were noted and the *rabi* program was chalked out. About 80 farmers attended the program. Publicity was given by the local press and media to disseminate the message.



Beneficiary farmer sharing his viwes on the benefits of Oilseed cultivation (Adilabad district, 16/07/2023)



Distribution of castor hybrid seeds (ICH-66) and Trichoderma (Adilabad district, 16/07/2023)



Soybean (JS-335) crop planted during last week of June (H K Jangu Patel, Adilabad district, 16/07/2023)

**Press Coverage** 





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ఇంద్రవెల్లి, జూలై 16: ఏజెన్సీలో ఆదివాసీ గిరిజన రైతులతో నూనె గింజల సాగును (పోత్సహించేందు కు ప్రత్యేక చర్యలు తీసుకుంటున్నామని భారతీయ నూనె గింజల పరిశోధన సంస్థ ప్రధాన శాస్త్రవేత్త డాక్టర్ సురేష్ అన్నారు. ఆదివారం మండలంలోని ముత్నూర్ గ్రామంలోని రైతు వేధికలో నూనె గింజల సాగు రైతులు అవగాహన కల్పించారు. ఈ సంద ర్భంగా ఆయన మాట్లాడారు. కార్యక్రమంలో సీనియ ర్ శాస్త్రవేత్త డాక్టర్ మంగేష్, నిర్వహకులు (శీదర్ గౌ డ్, సునీల్, గ్రామ పటేల్ జంగు, బాలాజీ, రామచం ద ర్, దత్తు, సీతారాం, తదితరులు పాల్గొన్నారు.

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