

Fifth Farmer Scientist Forum Meeting

As per the directives of Honbl'e Vice Chancellor, Dr PDKV, Akola, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Gondia organized 5th Farmer-Scientist Forum meeting in the field of Mr. Vijay Mankar (Surbhi Agri Farm), Kunbitola, Tal. Salekasa, Distt. Gondia on 16.03.2023 under the Chairmanship of Mr. Mahendra Thakur, Chairman of FSF.

In the meeting, Mr. Pravinkumar Chaudhary, Co-chairman, FSF; Dr. Syed Shakir Ali, Senior Scientist and Head, Dr. Vijaykumar Kore, SMS (Horticulture), Mr. Ganesh Khedikar, PA (Lab), Mr Vijay Bahekar, Secretary, SGGVS, and Mr. Tukaram Bohare, Progressive Farmer, were present.

In introductory remark, Dr. Vijaykumar Kore, SMS (Horticulture) gave information about the mandates and role of Farmer-Scientist Forum

Mr. Vijay Mankar, Mr. Tukaram Bohare, Mr. Deoram Chute, Mr. Ghanshyam Katare, Mr. Mahendra Ukey and Mr. Shailesh Funde shared their experiences of farming.

Dr.Syed Shakir Ali, Senior Scientist and Head shared his experience about crop cultivation specially safflower and other crops their complete Value chain, marketing of farm produce, crop diversification, export of produce to foreign countries, foreign policy etc. He also requested to introduce new crops in the area because farmers are repeating the same crop.

Mr. Pravinkumar Chaudhary, Co-chairman, mentioned about proper marketing of produce because farmers don't have information about marketing and market places.

Mr. Mahendra Thakur, Chairman of FSF, mentioned various points in his speech like transportation, marketing, storage of produce, etc. He also said that he has two cold storage where farmers can store their produce during glut season.

After discussion, a field visit was organised. In farm, farmer Mr. Vijay Mankar introduced the cucumber crop in one acre of land for the first time in the village.

Anchring was done by Mr Vijay Mankar, and a vote of thanks was given by Mr. Ganesh Khedikar. In all, 26 farmers all over from the Gondia district and officers from KVK were present.



