

## **Sponsored Skill workshop and training programme on “Scientific Pig Farming and value addition of pork” organized by ICAR- NRC on Pig, Rani**

A three-day residential Skill workshop and training programme on “Scientific Pig Farming and value addition of pork” was organized by ICAR- NRC on Pig, Rani during April 25-27, 2023. The programme was sponsored by KSHYAMATA programme, Assam Agribusiness & Rural Transformation Project of the District Industries & Commerce Centre (DICC), Govt. of Assam, Jorhat.

A total 24 Pig farmers from Jorhat and Majuli districts of Assam, participated in the programme. One progressive farmer from Uttar Pradesh had also joined the training programme as a self-sponsored candidate. Trainees were exposed to different aspects of pig farming such as breeds, nutrition, economic feeding with low-cost feed ingredients, reproductive management and artificial insemination, pig health management, housing, biosecurity measures, integrated pig farming, pork processing and value addition and record keeping in pig farms. To increase the confidence level of the participants, practical demonstrations and hands on training were imparted on different aspects of scientific pig production *viz.* artificial Insemination in pig, value addition of pork, castration of male pigs for fattening, identification of animals by ear tagging, administration of medicines to pigs, dressing of injuries, wound management, dehydration management *etc.*

During the valedictory programme of the training, Dr. V.K. Gupta, Director, ICAR-NRC on Pig addressed the participants of the training programme and encouraged them to start large ventures in pig farming to establish themselves in the society by prospering in pig production and marketing sector. He advised the participants to apply the techniques learnt during the training programme in improving their pig farms for increased productivity. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Sunil Kumar, Scientist, Dr. Rajendran Thomas, Senior Scientist and Dr. Rafiqul Islam, Principal Scientist and Nodal officer, Training cell, ICAR-NRC on Pig, Rani. All the twenty-five participants, who successfully completed the programme were awarded certificates during the valedictory function presided over by Dr. V.K. Gupta, Director, ICAR-NRC on Pig, Rani, Guwahati. Mr. Mondip Mohan from DICC, Jorhat conveyed deep regards and thanks to the Director and Team of Scientist of ICAR-NRC on Pig, Rani for the accomplishment of the training programme.







